

OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

Boise, Idaho

November 8-9, 1976

The Outfitters and Guides Board meeting opened at 9:00 a.m., November 8, with the following members present: James Baughman, Vice-Chairman and Lon Jarvis.

Harold Spelts' outfitter license application was reviewed. Harold Spelts and his lawyer, Kevin Trainor, arrived at 11:00 a.m. to discuss the application. Mr. Trainor stated that Gary Will, Regional Game Manager, Region IV and Larry Keeney, were in favor of having an outfitter in the units applied for. Mr. Spelts agreed that he would accept a limited hunting license for even one client for elk hunting and said he would not be having any summer activities at this time. (Mr. Holmes arrived at 11:30 a.m. to make a quorum.) The board told Mr. Spelts and Mr. Trainor that if a license should be issued in this area, that no transfer would be allowed.

Recess for lunch.

The board reconvened at 1:30 p.m., with the same members present.

The Secretary was asked to call Mr. Trainor, and ask him to verify in writing the compromise Mr. Spelts would accept.

At 2:30 p.m., Dick Perkins of Mackay Bar met with the board to discuss submitting an application as M.A. of Mackay Bar Corp. The board advised him to get more experience before submitting his application.

Jerry Hughes met with the board about his boating license application, and discussed that he was negotiating with two other outfits to get a permit on the Middle Fork of the Salmon, Main Salmon and Snake Rivers. No action was taken as the corrected bond has not been received.

Joe Gouvea met with the board to discuss the transfer of his area to Gary Madsen. The board told him they would meet with him and Mr. Madsen in December or January.

The board recessed at 5:55 p.m.

TUESDAY, November 9, the meeting reconvened at 9:00 a.m., with Jim Baughman, Lon Jarvis and R. J. Holmes present.

The board talked to Kelly Beaman, of Mackay Bar Corp., by telephone, about Dick Perkins outfitter application.

Art Seamons from Moose Creek Ranger District called to discuss Stanton Miller's employees--the board instructed the Secretary to write Stanton Miller and request his complete list of hunters for the weeks of October 24 and October 31, 1976. Mr. Miller and Paul Lagodich had been asked to attend this meeting, but they did not come.

Chuck Willmore was at the office to meet Stanton Miller, to discuss with the board the proposition Stanton Miller made to him, about buying his area. After talking with the board, he decided he would apply for an outfitter license again next year.

The minutes of October 21 and 22 were read and revised.

Buford Withers met with the board to discuss horse rentals, and mentioned his hay rides and nature talks. He was given an outfitter application as the board advised him he would be outfitting.

A letter from William McCurdy, Hearing Officer on the Spelts case, was read, and the Secretary was instructed to write him and tell him we think the case is about settled.

A complaint from Michael L. Davidson about a hunt last year with Richard L. Norris was received from Cecil Sanford, along with a report that three Texas hunters had a complaint on this years hunt with Richard Norris. The complaint was discussed and the Secretary was asked to write the three Texas men to have them send details about their hunt.

A complaint from Larry & JoAnn Stevens, Ron & Diane Turner, and Grant Stevens about lost property on a boatrip with Martin Capps was read. The board decided a letter should be written to Mr. Capps suggesting he send copies of his correspondence with the insurance company to the complaintants to assure them he is trying to get a settlement for them...also inform him that the board wants copies of the correspondence.

Three letters of complaint from Homer L. Johnson, Ross Ogden and Kenneth L. Lucy about a hunt with Gladys York, during the week of October 22 to 29, were read. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge each letter and to write the others in the hunting party asking them for their version on the hunt. Gladys York will be asked to come to the December meeting to answer the complaints.

Letters of complaint from Francis Cheney and Jack K. James about George May not contacting them about their booked hunts was read and discussed. The Secretary will write letters of acknowledgment and write George May to come in to answer his complaints at the December meeting.

A complaint from James Westbrook on a hunt with Joe Peck was read and discussed. Joe Peck will be asked to meet with the board in December to answer his complaints.

A letter from Guy Hurlbutt of the Attorney General's Office about the audit was read.

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A letter from Forrest Garrigus, Jr. requesting information about the consequences of an outfitter hunting outside his area was read. The board directed the Secretary to inform him that the board would take everything into consideration before making a decision, but the law provides that the board could revoke his license or not issue a license the following year.

John Henry River Co. citation issued by Mike was discussed.

The Secretary was instructed to write High Country Rivers, Inc., with a carbon copy to Fred Snook, Prosecuting Attorney of Lemhi County, and Mike Wilkins informing them that if they are Colorado residents, that Colorado's law states an outfitter in Colorado must be a resident and as Idaho law is reciprocal, they could not be licensed.

The board discussed the complaint from Mr. & Mrs. David Earle about a proposed river trip with Everett Spaulding. A letter was directed to be written to Mr. Spaulding that he make it clear to his clients before a deposit is accepted, that transportation to the put-in and take-out points is not furnished in the price of the trip.

The board requested the Secretary to send the brochures and literature from the National Outdoor Leadership School, Lander, Wyoming to the Attorney General's Office for an official opinion as to whether this is under the school or outfitter classification.

The following guides were approved since the last meeting and are a part of these minutes: Ralph Edward Close, Kenneth A. Felton, Robert C. Gardner, and Robert Drew Washer.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

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