

OUTFITTERS AND GUIDES BOARD

Boise, Idaho

January 3, 4, 5 & 6, 1977

The Outfitters and Guides Board convened at 9:10 a.m. on Monday, January 3, 1977. The following members were present: James Baughman, Vice-Chairman, Bill Guth and Lon Jarvis.

The minutes of the November and December meetings were read and approved.

Harold Spelts' outfitter application was approved for big game and bear & cougar hunting. He is limited to two (2) elk hunters & three (3) deer hunters for the entire hunting season--bear and cougar hunters limited to those hunting deer and/or elk. The assigned hunting area is not to be transferred to any outfitter.

Ray Taylor met with the board to discuss some proposed law changes he wants to present to the legislature about taking the issuing of trip permits on classified rivers away from the forest service and BLM, and having the Outfitters and Guides Board responsible for the issuing of these permits. The board was not in favor but agreed not to lobby against it.

Rex Lanham arrived at 10:45 a.m.

The board discussed a questionnaire from the State Insurance Department about insurance for board members and agreed to take the insurance if it was not too expensive.

Rex suggested that we should propose new legislation to raise the fees for outfitter and guide licenses, and also to levy fines on outfitters for violation of the Outfitters & Guides Act.

The Grand Canyon Dorries law suit and claim for damages was read and discussed. The Secretary will send copies of all needed information to the State Insurance Department, Bureau of Risk Management, on the claim for damages, and our attorney will answer the summons.

The application of Ernest Duckworth for 1977-78 and his telephone call stating he would not pay a late fee for the 1976-77 season was discussed. The Secretary was instructed to write him a letter telling him it was the boards understanding the court intended him to have a 1976-77 license. He was also to be told if he was making any trips up the Salmon River, it was illegal and he could not be licensed to Salmon City as his application requested, as the quota from the mouth of the Middle Fork to Spring Bar is full.

The guide application of Clif Miller was approved.

The guide application of Billy D. Franklin and letter from Dan Rotthoff was reviewed. A letter is to be written to Mr. Rotthoff telling him it will take an additional \$85.00 to complete this nonresident guide application.

The board recessed for lunch at 12:30.

The meeting reconvened at 1:45, with the same members present.

The contracts, for Mike Wilkins and Cecil Sanford as investigators, were signed.

The board instructed the Secretary to write Stanton Miller's complaintants and tell them that no decision was made and further action is to be taken on Mr. Miller's operation. A letter from Mr. Miller asking for Chuck Willmore's area was discussed, and a letter is to be written to Mr. Miller advising him that the request will be taken under advisement, with no action taken until his other problems are resolved.

Gladys York's complaintants are to be advised that she has agreed to change her advertising, advised to conduct her business in a more business-like manner, and that she is on probation.

Forrest Garrigus is to be written and told to change his advertising, that it is misleading and to clean it up, to stay in his own area, and must have forest service signatures.

Pete Mathews is to be written (with a carbon copy to John Jones), telling him that Mr. Jones used poor judgement in his public relations, but the board feels sure it will not happen again.

A letter is to be written to Martin Capps complaintants telling them the board believes their complaint to be a civil case.

Garry Merritt is to be written and told to always ask permission to take a client into another outfitters area, that his guide used poor judgement in the route taken & also the time he started from the campground to the lake, and that he did not fulfill the contract.

The board reviewed and approved the request by Joe Gouvea to release his area to Gary Madsen. Mr. Madsen will be given the area for a limited number of elk, deer & bear hunters.

The board recessed at 5:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1977

The board reconvened at 8:45 a.m., with Rex Lanham, James Baughman, Lon Jarvis and Bill Guth present.

The board reviewed the literature from the National Outdoor Leadership School of Lander, Wyoming, and unanimously agreed that it was a commercial outfitting business.

Mr. Baughman made a motion to accept the "Guidelines for Commercial Outfitting", seconded by Rex Lanham, and passed. A motion was also made by Mr. Baughman, seconded and passed to keep on file the definition of private, non-commercial, recreation trips.

Bob Blackadar's outfitter application was discussed. Bill Guth said he would talk to Bob about working under someone else's license, as the quota is full on the part of the Salmon River he applied for.

Stan Potts and Con Hourihan arrived to discuss Stan Potts relinquishing his area to Con. The license, bond and forest service permits will be in Potts' name for the next two years and then turned over to Con, if the board agrees. Con will have a guide license as usual.

A letter from the BLM asking us to put a moratorium on the Jarbidge, Bruneau and Owyhee Rivers was discussed. Bill Guth made a motion "to place a moratorium to license no more outfitters on the Jarbidge, Bruneau & Owyhee Rivers for one year. After a year, the Outfitters and Guides Board requests a report on the study before the moratorium will be continued." This was seconded by Jim Baughman and unanimously passed.

A letter from Terry Andreesen, MA of Wild Rivers West, applying for an extension to their license for the Salmon River, from Spring Bar to the Snake River, and the Snake River, from mouth of the Salmon River to Lewiston, was approved.

A letter from Jim Campbell, stating he would relinquish his license on the South Fork of the Snake River if the board would license James Taul and Nick Bateman, was read.

The reappointment of Lon Jarvis to the board by Governor Andrus was read.

A letter from Gilbert L. Farr, District Ranger of the Ketchum Ranger District inquiring what the license status would be on Ken Kimball if he just rents horses and does not go with guests. The Secretary was instructed to inform him that Mr. Kimball would not need a license under those circumstances.

A letter from Dean McGuire inquiring about available bear and cougar area was read. He is to be asked to the next meeting.

Ron Malone and his guide, Frank Robinson, met with the board to discuss the complaint against Malone. The board instructed the Secretary to write the other doctor on the trip, who stayed, and ask for his version of the hunt.

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John Rose and George May appeared to discuss complaints against May. George May admitted he had not paid his help but said he would have them paid within a week. The board asked him to send us photocopies of the payments and the board all agree his license was in serious jeopardy. The Secretary was asked to write George May's complaints and advise them we are still investigating and that it appears Mr. May will not be in ^{business} business next year.

The meeting recessed at 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1977

The board reconvened at 9:15 a.m., with the same board members present.

The board discussed George May's operation and as he is trying to dispose of his equipment and stock, no decision was made.

Ray Tarbox appeared to discuss the complaint against him and denied all the charges. The complainant is to be written and asked to keep us informed about the law suit, and told he can ask for a formal hearing, but he would have to be present.

An incomplete application from Cal Stoddard, applying for George May's area, was discussed and he is to be written that the area is already assigned to an outfitter and his application is incomplete.

Recessed for lunch, 12:15.

The same board members reconvened at 1:30 p.m., with Joe Peck present to discuss the complaints against him. The board advised him to watch his advertising.

John Booker arrived to discuss a summons and fine on an unlicensed guide and a complaint. He said Chuck Reeves was not guiding for him, but was a hunting guest. Mr. Reeves helped another man bring in game and Mike saw him. He didn't have time for a trial so paid the fine. Said he would contact Ms. Lengerich and take care of her complaint. Mr. Booker asked about an area change, but the area is licensed to another outfitter.

Letters from Gertrude Maxwell that her buyer had a good season, William Kaplan commenting on a good hunt with John Dark, Fish & Game Dept. about a reported good hunt with Jack Nygaard from a California man, and a telephone call report from Parks Department to restrict outfitters and guides on Henrys Fork, all were read.

Recessed at 5:30 p.m.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1977

The meeting reconvened at 8:45 a.m., with Jim Baughman, Lon Jarvis, and Bill Guth present.

A letter from Dean Helfrich requesting a license on the lower Salmon River was read--application forms have been sent.

The outfitter license application for South Fork Expeditions, Ltd. and John L. Hill were reviewed and tentatively approved for 1977-78.

The board discussed the number of outfitters on the Salmon River and if the river should be divided again in the Rules and Regulations.

Rex arrived at 10:00 a.m.

Hank Miller arrived to discuss his White Water School operation with the board. He showed a film of his trip. He takes 16 students per group--2 students per raft and 4 raft support with 2 boatmen per raft.

He proposed that No. 26 rule and regulation have "or what the Outfitters and Guides Board approves" added.

Mr. Miller asked the board for permission to have one trip this year with his hypalons.

He suggested having training cards for the boating guides to have with them to be signed as soon as a trip was completed.

Hank invited the board to attend the boating meetings at the Association meetings.

He urged the board to send a representative to Minneapolis on January 25-27 to attend the "River Recreation Management & Research Conference."

Scott Farr and Bruce Minter met with the board to ask to have Farr's area and Minter's area purchased from Eaton to be consolidated. They said they had formed a corporation, will finish the applications, and want an appointment for the next meeting. Minter was cautioned to watch his advertising and not advertise guiding as he's not an outfitter.

Recessed for lunch, 1:30 reconvened.

George May returned to talk about selling his business to Cal Stoddard. Also hedged about how much salary he had paid his cook, Mary, and his other employees. He said he would have them paid in a few days and would send us photostat copies of the checks.

Michael Lawson, Rene' Harrop & Frank Rydalch from St. Anthony met with the board to ask for a boating and fishing license on Henry's Fork from Ashton to St. Anthony. They are going to have a fly & tackle shop & want a license. They were told that there were a maximum number of outfitters already on the river.

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Lon made a motion to send Bill to Minneapolis to attend the River Recreation Management and Research Conference, January 25-27, the motion was seconded by Mr. Baughman and passed.

The next meeting will be February 7, 8 and 9.

A list (on separate page) of licenses approved, extended and amended, and denied follows as part of these minutes.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

James G. Baughman

Alaine Lobbitt, Sec

Licenses approved, extended, amended or denied from December 9, 1976 through January 6, 1977

APPROVED

Outfitters

Perkins, Richard C. (M.A., Mackay Bar Corp.)
Spelts, Harold F.

Guides

Chase, Alfred B.
Cook, John C.
Lane, Walter
Magnus, Keith
Miller, Clif
Orme, Stephen G.
Shook, Ernest L.

EXTENDED AND AMENDED

Outfitters

Andreessen, Terry - extended to include FLOAT BOATING on the Salmon River from Spring Bar to the Snake River; Snake River from mouth of the Salmon River to Lewiston.
Baird, Bruce W. - amended to read "Qualified to guide YES, Hunting".
Wild Rivers West - extended to include FLOAT BOATING on the Salmon River from Spring Bar to the Snake River; Snake River from mouth of the Salmon River to Lewiston.

Guides

Tonsmeire, Daniel L. - extended to include OVERNIGHT TOURS GUIDE for CROSS COUNTRY SKIING.

DENIALS

Outfitters

(none)

Guides

Chase, Alfred B. - denied OVERNIGHT TOURS GUIDE for CROSS COUNTRY SKIING.