

STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING

BIG GAME COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOARD

MINUTES OF TELECONFERENCE MEETING

January 25, 2013

By the authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and AS 08.86.030, and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62, Article 6, a NON-SCHEDULED TELECONFERENCE meeting of the Big Game Commercial Services Board was held January 25, 2013.

The staff of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing prepared these minutes. They were approved by the board on March 14, 2013.

Friday, January 25, 2013

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Kelly Vrem, Chair, at 9:31 a.m.

Roll Call

Board members present:

Kelly Vrem, Master Guide-Outfitter, Chair
Robert Mumford, Board of Game Representative
Michele Metz, Large Private Landowners
Paul Johnson, Registered Guide-Outfitter
Dirk Nickisch Transporter

Board members absent:

Karen Polley, Public Member
Brenda Rebne, Large Private Landowners

Board staff present:

Michelle Johnston, Records & Licensing Supervisor
Cindy Cashen, Licensing Examiner
Quinten Warren, Chief Investigator
Lee Stout, Investigator

On a motion duly made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Mumford and approved unanimously, it was

RESOLVED to enter into executive session in accordance with AS 44.62.310(c) for the purpose of discussing confidential disciplinary matters. for the purpose of discussing investigations and reports.

Board staff members remained during the session.

The Board entered executive session at 9:34 a.m. and went back on record at 9:41a.m.

In the matter of Michael C. Vanning, DBA Gateway Guiding

Ms. Metz moved that the Big Game Commercial Services Board enter default judgment against Michael C. Vanning, pursuant to AS 44.62.530, and that the board permanently revoke Registered Guide-Outfitter License 946 in the state of Alaska. Mr. Johnson seconded.

Discussion: Mr. Nickisch asked how many members need to vote for a quorum.

Chairman Vrem stated five members needed to vote for a quorum.

Mr. Johnson stated that he has read all of the accusations and all of the information provided by the Department and will be voting in favor of this default; guides are expected to follow all the rules by statute as required by the state.

Mr. Mumford stated that the Guiding industry is in the public eye and licensees need to follow the regulations and ethics. He feels that the information he has received has demonstrated a lengthy history of criminal conduct by Mr. Vanning. While lifetime revocations should be reserved for the worst case offenses he believes that this case demonstrates that level of offense and he will be supporting this motion.

Chairman Vrem stated that for the same reasons explained by Mr. Mumford he will also be supporting this motion as well.

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Metz, seconded by Mr. Johnson and approved by roll call vote, it was:

RESOLVED to permanently revoke the Registered Guide-Outfitter License No. R 946 of Michael C. Vanning.

Roll Call Vote:

	APPROVE	DENY	ABSTAIN
Kelly Vrem	X		
Robert Mumford	X		
Michele Metz	X		
Paul Johnson	X		
Dirk Nickisch	X		

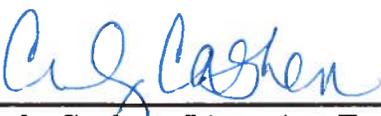
Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Johnson, and approved unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED to adjourn the meeting of the Alaska Big Game Guides and Commercial Services Board.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:



Cindy Cashen, Licensing Examiner



Kelly Vrem, Chairperson
Big Game Commercial Services
Board

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