

**UTAH STATE TAX COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

9:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 21, 2015

Commission Hearing Room 1025, 210 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, Utah

Participating:

John L. Valentine - Commission Chair
D'Arcy Dixon Pignanelli - Commissioner
Michael J. Cragun - Commissioner
Robert P. Pero – Commissioner
Barry Conover – Executive Director

Commission Office:

Christa Johnson, Commission Executive Assistant
Charlie Roberts, Public Information Officer

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found on the Tax Commission website: <http://tax.utah.gov/commission-office/meetings>.

I. Call to Order

Commission Chair Valentine called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. Public Comment (individuals or groups wishing to address the Commissioners for up to three minutes on matters not related to a pending or reasonably imminent appeal to the Tax Commission)

Commission Chair Valentine asked if anyone wished to address the Tax Commissioners. There were no comments.

III. Consider Approving Commission Meeting minutes of Thursday, December 11, 2014.

MOTION: Commissioner Dixon moved to approve the Commission Meeting minutes of Thursday, December 11, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Consider Tax Commission positions on pending legislation [action item]

- a. **[S.B. 51](http://le.utah.gov/~2015/bills/static/SB0051.html) -- Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Account Amendments**

Commission Chair Valentine stated he recommends that the Commission support S.B. 51 -- Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Account Amendments.

Ms. Lynn Solarczyk, Legislative Director, explained that the bill creates the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Temporary Permit Restricted Account; specifies the revenue sources for the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Temporary Permit Restricted Account; specifies the

use of funds in the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Temporary Permit Restricted Account; requires that temporary permit fees be deposited into the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Temporary Permit Restricted Account rather than being used as dedicated credits for the costs of the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division; provides that appropriations from the Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Temporary Permit Restricted Account to the Tax Commission are non-lapsing; effective July 1, 2015.

MOTION: Commissioner Cragun moved to designate S.B. 51 -- Motor Vehicle Enforcement Division Account Amendments as an (A) Tax Commission supports bill. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Dixon noted that the Commission Meeting was originally scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2015 and canceled for the Commissioners to attend House Speaker Rebecca Lockhart's Public Memorial Service that will be held at the Utah State Capitol. She highlighted a time when she worked with Speaker Lockhart on a bill.

Commissioner Dixon excused herself.

Commission Chair Valentine noted that Commissioner Dixon has left the meeting.

V. Annual OPMA training

Commissioner Cragun gave a presentation on Utah's Open and Public Meetings Act.

VI. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Conover reported that the Tax Commission has selected Americom as the VOIP system vender, and all the cable and cubicle reconfigurations will be completed August/September 2015.

Mr. Conover thanked the Governor's office for their ongoing support to bring the Utah State Tax Commission administration building up to specification.

VII. Commissioners' Report

Commission Chair Valentine asked his fellow Commissioners' to follow certain legislative bills during the 2015 general legislative session. He asked Commissioner Cragun to follow MVED bills, Commissioner Pero to follow real and personal property tax bills, and he would follow sales and use tax bills.

Chairman Valentine said that Commissioner Dixon was not given a specific legislative assignment this year because of the time commitment required to administrate Salt Lake County appeals.

VIII. Adjourn

Commission Chair Valentine adjourned the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

Approved on: Thursday, June 11, 2015

Attested: Christa Johnson
Executive Assistant
Utah State Tax Commission