



STATE OF VERMONT
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

Agenda

Tuesday, July 23, 2013

Ethan Allen Room, State House

- 9:30 a.m. A. Call to order and approve minutes of previous meetings:
1. November 15, 2012 **[approved]**
2. February 6, 2013 **[approved]**
- 9:35 a.m. B. Agency of Natural Resources Request: [10 V.S.A. § 1283(b)] *[doc]* **[approved with the understanding that action to reclaim the costs from the property owner continue.]**
Approval of Expenditure from the Environmental Contingency Fund (\$1,207,000.00) for the Fillipo Dry Cleaners site in Rutland
Alyssa Schuren, Deputy Commissioner, and George Desch, Director of the Waste Management Division, Department of Environmental Conservation
- 9:45 a.m. C. Administration's Fiscal Updates:
1. Unencumbered Balances [Sec. 55(a)(2) of Act 1 of 2013] *[doc]*
Dave Cameron, Administrative Services Director – Department of Financial Regulation
- 9:50 a.m. 2. FY2013 Preliminary Closeout *[doc]*
James Reardon, Commissioner, Department of Finance & Management
- 10:05 a.m. 3. Vermont Veteran's Home Update
Jeb Spaulding, Secretary, Agency of Admin., and Commissioner Reardon
- 10:25 a.m. 4. Tropical Storm Irene – Commissioner Reardon and Aimee Pope, Fiscal Analyst
a. Payments to Municipalities [Sec. 77a(b) of Act 75 of 2012] *[doc]*
b. Agency Reporting and Oversight [Sec. E.100.1 of Act 50 of 2013] *[doc]*
c. Update on 2013 Flooding – Joe Flynn, Vermont Emergency Management *[doc]*
- 10:45 a.m. 5. Waterbury Complex Update [2 *docs*]
Michael Obuchowski, Commissioner, and Mike Stevens, Special Project Administrator, Department of Buildings and General Services
- 10:55 a.m. 6. LIHEAP Update *[doc]*
Leo Clark, Chief Fiscal Officer, Dept. for Children & Families
- B. Issue returned from earlier – Matt Chapman, Legal Counsel, DEC
- 11:00 a.m. D. Grants:
1. Office of Child Support – Web Portal Fee [JFO#2625] [22 V.S.A. § 953(c)(2)]
Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office **[approved]**
Roberta Garrand, Child Support Administration, Dept. for Children & Families,
Jeff Cohen, OCS Director, and Robert Swartz from Vermont Information Consortium,
Harry Bell, Directory of Web Services, Dept. of Information & Innovation

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2. JFO #2631 – Approval of FEMA Grant. **[approved]**
Commissioner Reardon
3. Exchange [32 V.S.A. Sec. 5(a)]
Mark Larson, Commissioner, Dept. of VT Health Access [*doc*]
 - a. JFO #2632 - Approval of Health Benefits Exchange grant and positions **[approved]**
 - b. JFO #2633 - Approval of 2 Limited Service Positions associated with JFO#2582 (Health Benefits Exchange) **[approved]**

11:35 a.m. E. Developmental Services Estimate [Sec. E.333(a)(1) of Act 50 of 2013] [*doc*]
Stephanie Barrett and Nolan Langweil, Joint Fiscal Office, and Emily Byrne, Dept. of Finance & Management, and Bill Kelly, Dept. of Aging & Independent Living

11:50 a.m. G. Revenue Update – Tom Kavet, Legislature’s Economist [*doc*]

12:15 p.m. H. Fiscal Office Updates – Fiscal Officer’s Report [*doc*]

1. Implications to the Education Fund and others from the FY2013 waterfall distributions [32 V.S.A. § 308c]
Stephen Klein, Chief Fiscal Officer and Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer
2. Draft Policy on JFC Review of Web Portal Charges [22 V.S.A. § 953(c)(2)] [*doc*]
Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst and Klein
3. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Tax Dept. and JFO [Sec. 6 of Act 73 of 2013] – Klein and Sara Teachout, Senior Fiscal Analyst
4. Statutory Purposes for Tax Expenditures [Sec. 5 of Act 73 of 2013] [*doc*]
Sara Teachout

12:35 p.m. Adjourn

*Emergency Board: 1:00 p.m. in the 5th floor Pavilion Office Bldg., 109 State Street

Reports

General Government

- I. Quarterly report on excess receipts and additional memo response from JFO. [32 V.S.A. § 511] [Administration] [*received - 4 quarters*]
- II. Small Grants Quarterly Report [32 V.S.A. § 5(a)(3)] [Joint Fiscal Office] [*received - 2nd, 3rd & 4th qtrs.*]
- III. Quarterly progress report reflecting the outcomes and measures as applied to the projects funded under this section [Sec. 49(i) of Act 40 of 2011] [VT Telecommunications Authority] [*received*]
- IV. Burlington Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Annual Report [Sec. 16(b)(3) of Act 45 of 2011] [City of Burlington] [*received*]
- V. Quarterly report on Measures and Milestones of Challenges for Change. [Sec. H4(a) of Act 146 of 2010] [Agency of Administration] [refer to memo – 11/2012 JFC meeting]

Human Services

- I. Quarterly progress report on joint prescriptions agreements. [33 V.S.A. § 1998(c)(6)] [Agency of Human Services and Departments of Human Resources and Vermont Health Access] [*received*]
- II. Vermont State Hospital; Secure Residential Recovery Program quarterly update [Sec. 31(f)(3) of Act 43 of 2009] [Department of Mental Health] [refer to memo – 7/2012 JFC meeting]
- III. Report of unexpended funds transfer to correctional services out-of-state beds. [Sec. 90 of Act 1 of 2013] [Agency of Administration] [*received*]

Natural Resources

Annual report of the Agency of Natural Resources of costs and expenditures for proceedings of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission [30 V.S.A. § 20(a)(2)(C)] [ANR] [*received*]

Protection

Quarterly report of costs and expenditures for proceedings of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission [30 V.S.A. § 20**(b)(9)**] [Department and Board – Public Service] [*received*]

Joint Transportation Oversight Committee Reports

- I. Quarterly report on state match for Tropical Storm Irene or spring flooding; FEMA payment to municipalities [Sec. 77a(b) of Act 75 of 2012] [See Agenda Item **4a.**] [*received - 3rd & 4th quarters*]
- II. Purchase of rail bridge inspection vehicle [Sec. 13(d) of Act 153 of 2012] [*received*]