

VOLUNTEER BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION:

The Board assists in the administration of property valuation at 'fair market value', providing a forum for property owners. Department of Revenue is the state agency charged with the responsibility of statewide administration of the property tax system. The Department's broad authority over county officials in general and local boards of equalization in particular is contained in RCW 84.08.010 and RCW 84.08.060. This Board convenes in a 28-day session beginning July 15 or 14 days after the assessment roll has been certified. There is a \$100 per day stipend for meetings and trainings in addition to mileage reimbursement. This is a 3-member board plus an alternate. Member terms are 3 years. For more information, visit <http://pendoreilleco.org/your-government/board-of-equalization/>.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

The general purpose is to establish a merit system of employment for employees of the office of the county sheriff (RCW 41.14.010). Powers and duties of this commission are defined in RCW 41.14.060. Pursuant to RCW 41.14.030, members must be a US citizen, resident of Pend Oreille County for at least 2 years, not hold salaried public office, nor be a county employee after appointment. The Commission meets every 4th Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm. Member terms are 6 years.

HOTEL MOTEL LODGING TAX ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Committee consists of members who qualify as a collector of lodging tax funds or a business that is involved in tourism or promotional activities. Meetings are called, only as needed to approve applications, and have typically been on a Friday at 9 a.m. at Cusick Community Center.

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

The Board of Trustees is the policy-making body of Pend Oreille County Library District. District administration is delegated to the director, who serves at the pleasure of the Board. The Board meets every 4th Thursday at the district office in Newport. Website is www.pocld.org. Member terms are 5 years. Trustees are limited to 2 consecutive terms (RCW 27.12.190).

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD:

This Board is charged with the cooperative control and management of noxious weeds, develops and manages Weed Board policy, adopts the County weed list which identifies mandatory weed control, reviews and oversees the annual budget, responds to community inquiries or complaints, and holds public hearings on new weed policy. See website for meeting information at <http://pendoreilleco.org/your-government/noxious-weed-department/>. Members are appointed from 5 districts to 4-year terms (RCW 17.10.050).

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD:

Board members should have an interest in recreational user groups including one or more of the following: Equestrian, Mountain Bike, OHV, Hiking, Winter Recreation, Water Sports, Hunting/Fishing and Wildlife/Scenic Viewing. This is an advisory board to the Commissioners pertaining to county parks and recreation. The Parks Board meets every 3rd Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. This 7-member board consists of 1 appointment from each of the Commissioner districts and 4 at-large appointments. Member terms are staggered initially, then 6 years at reappointment (RCW 36.68.040).

PLANNING COMMISSION:

This 7-member board is charged with current and long range planning function, certain permit applications and acts as an advisory board to the County Commissioners. The Commission meets every 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Cusick Community Center (temporarily halted, due to COVID-19 restrictions on large gatherings). At least two members from each of the Commissioner Districts serve on this Board. (RCW 36.70).