

Board of Equalization: Peter Visser

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Board and Commission Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

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Title	Mr.
First Name	Peter
Last Name	Visser
Today's Date	1/3/2021
Street Address	904 E Front Street
City	Lynden
Zip	98264
Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Primary Telephone	3603196040
Secondary Telephone	3603544817
Email Address	pjvisser@msn.com

Step 2

1. Name of Board or Commission Board of Equalization

Committee

2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying? Yes

3. Which Council district do you live in? District 4

4. Are you a US citizen? Yes

5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? Yes

6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county? No

7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission? No

8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County? No

You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions

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9. Please describe your occupation (or former See attached file

occupation if retired),
qualifications,
professional and/or
community activities,
and education

10. Please describe
why you're interested
in serving on this board
or commission

In looking for something to keep me active in retirement, I felt
that my experience and interests would fit well on this board.

References (please
include daytime
telephone number):

Robert Carmichael, Attorney (360)647-1500
Daryl Brennick, former Lynden mayor (360)961-5656

Signature of applicant:

Peter Jay Visser

Place Signed /
Submitted

Lynden, WA 98264

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Peter Jay Visser

Pete has practiced law for 54 years, and is now retired. During his legal career, Pete represented the City of Lynden for 26 years, Birch Bay Water and Sewer District for 21 years, and Glacier Water District for 20 years. He kept offices in Lynden from 1970 until retiring in 2020.

Pete worked with Carmichael Clark and its predecessors from 1974 until 2020. Prior to 1974, he worked as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Washington, worked for a year as an associate with LeCocq, Simonarson & Durnan, and had his own private practice.

Pete has also been a relatively active real estate investor in Whatcom County, mostly in the Lynden area, but including developing an apple orchard on the Harksell Road, building condominiums in Blaine, and buying and repairing houses throughout Whatcom County, including Bellingham and Sudden Valley.

Education

University of Washington School of Law, LLB, 1966
University of Washington, BA in Political Science, 1963
Western Washington University 1959-1961
Lynden Christian School graduate, 1959

Community Activities

Over the years, Pete has been associated at various times with many organizations, including:

- LAW Advocates (Board member and President)
- Mt. Baker Beekeeper's Association
- Hope Lutheran Church, Lynden (Council member and President)
- Whatcom County Bar Association (President for one year)
- Lynden Jaycees