

Park County WPLI Advisory Committee | MINUTES

June 1, 2016 | 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm | Park County Courthouse Alternate EOC Room

Meeting called by	Bucky Hall, Park County Commissioner and WPLI Committee Chair	Attendees
Type of meeting	Introductory	Committee Members: Bucky Hall, Lee Livingston, JD Radakovich, Chris Pfister, Jenny DeSarro, John McGee, Michael Hirsch, Bob Jackson, Christine Bekes, Don Schmalz, Doug Smith, Wes Allen, Rick Harrison, Phyllis Preator, Hap Ridgway, Dustin Rosencranse, Greg Mayton, John Gallagher, Rori Renner, Joseph Kondelis
Facilitator	Tara Kuipers, UW Extension NW Area Community Development Educator	Other Attendees: Tara Kuipers; Shaunna Romero; Loren Grosskopf, Park County Commissioner; Tommy Thompson, Trout Unlimited
Note taker	Shaunna Romero, Park County Commissioners' Exec. Asst.	Absent: Karinthia Harrison

AGENDA TOPICS

Welcome & Overview | Commissioner Hall

Commissioner Hall provided background related to the Park County Commissioners' decision to participate in the Wyoming Public Lands Initiative (WPLI). Commissioner Hall will serve as the chairperson of the WPLI Advisory Committee with Commissioner Lee Livingston serving as the co-chairperson. Hall said he would like to see a conclusive decision for the WSAs.

Introductions | Committee Members, Attendees

The committee members and other meeting attendees provided their names and WPLI positions, roles in the community, what contributions each hopes to make and desired take-aways.

Considerations for the WPLI Process | Tara Kuipers

Facilitator Tara Kuipers provided an overview of the WPLI purpose, process, products and outcomes (contained in detail in the Park County WPLI Advisory Committee Group Charter): The Park County Board of Commissioners appointed the WPLI Advisory Committee to conduct a collaborative review process of the WSAs and other potential land use interests of the two Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) located in Park County: the High Lakes WSA and the McCullough Peaks WSA. Once developed, the WPLI Advisory Committee will submit a proposed WSA management recommendation for the WSAs to the Board of County Commissioners for approval. Once approved, the Wyoming County Commissioners Association, in cooperation with the office of the Governor and the offices of the Wyoming federal delegation, will review the Advisory Committee recommendations and to the maximum extent practicable, include them in a legislative draft to be introduced in Congress.

The 5-step collaborative problem solving process model was explained (available at <http://wyo-wcca.org/~wcca/index.php/initiatives/wpli/additional-resources/>).

Expectations of Advisory Committee members and Alternate members were discussed and defined (contained in detail in the Park County WPLI Advisory Committee Group Charter). All appointed members are encouraged to attend and participate in all Advisory Committee meetings and functions.

Responsibilities of Committee members include: Acting with transparency and in good faith; keeping constituents and interest groups informed; attending meetings; being prepared; understanding and abiding by the charter.

The process for replacement appointments was discussed. Advisory Committee members were asked to communicate via email in advance to the advisory committee secretary if unable to attend a meeting or function.

Resource agencies (BLM, Forest Service) have offered to provide maps and other resources. Chairman Hall said the committee will invite representatives from the agencies to attend meetings, as needed. Most resources will be obtained and provided to committee members in advance.

Guidelines for interaction were established, as contained in the Park County WPLI Advisory Committee Group Charter. Email will not be utilized for discussion among committee members; discussions will take place primarily in scheduled meetings and functions.

Tara provided an overview of the Committee's decision-making process by consensus. The charter outlines the six-point consensus scale, to be discussed further by the Committee in the June 7 meeting.

The Committee welcomes public participation at all of its meetings and decided to include at the end of future meeting agendas time for public comment. A process for public comment and time limits will be implemented, as needed.

Committee members are free to speak to the media; members should make it clear to the media that they are representing themselves and not the Advisory Committee at large. The Committee Chair will serve as the formal representative of the Advisory Committee to the media.

A draft Park County WPLI Advisory Committee Group Charter will be developed by Tara and emailed to the members for their review. Areas highlighted will be discussed in the June 7 meeting.

Meeting Schedule | Commissioner Hall

Tuesday, June 7 - WPLI Advisory Committee Meeting

3:00 - WCCA Exec. Director Pete Obermueller will address the Board of Commissioners in their regular meeting

4:00 – Advisory Committee Meeting – Park County Courthouse Alternate EOC Room

The meeting schedule going forward will be determined by the Advisory Committee.

Committee members were asked to send any questions, suggestions or discussion via email to the Advisory Committee secretary (sromero@parkcounty.us).

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Draft Park County WPLI Advisory Committee Group Charter	Tara	Friday, June 3
Committee members are asked to review the draft Charter for discussion in the June 7 meeting.		

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Communication via email to Advisory Committee members to include:	Shaunna	Friday, June 3
Draft Park County WPLI Advisory Committee Group Charter		
June 1 Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes		
Links / location of BLM / FS maps, management plans		

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Work with Chair to develop June 7 meeting agenda	Shaunna	Friday, June 3
Poll Advisory Committee – preferred meeting days / times		Monday, June 6
Receive & compile communications from Committee members		As received (prior to next scheduled mtg)
Publish meeting minutes and other Advisory Committee documents to designated websites (Park County, WCCA)	Shaunna	Friday, June 3

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June 7 Meeting Agenda	Commissioner Hall / Shaunna	Friday, June 3
Email to Committee Members	Shaunna	Friday, June 3