

WILDLAND FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

July 18, 2019

Cle Elum Ranger Station

Tom Craven Room

803 W 2nd St

Cle Elum WA 98922

Committee Members Present:

Gary Berndt – Wildland Fire Liaison, Chair
Cody Desautel – Tribal Nations Representative
Randy Johnson – Fire Chief (Eastside)
Jim DeTro – County Commissioner (Eastside)
Reese Lolley – Statewide Environmental Representative *Conference Call*
Russ Pfeiffer-Hoyt – State Land Trust Beneficiary
Melissa Gannie – Assistant Fire Marshall
Lee Hemmer – Industry Landowner (Range)
Tony Craven – Small Forest Landowner

Committee Members Absent:

Chuck LeBlanc – State Fire Marshal
Dave Johnson – Fire District Commissioner (Eastside)
J.D Marshall – Industry Landowner (Timber)
Eric Walker – US Forest Service
Joe Gardner – County Commissioner (Westside)
Dave LaFave – Fire Chief (Westside)

Guests/Other Attendees:

Roger Ferris for Dave Johnson – Fire District Commissioner (Eastside)
Jim Passage -
Julie Sackett - Forest Health Division Manager
Chuck Turley – Wildfire Division Manager
Angie Lane
Shelly Goodwin - Wildland Fire Advisory Committee Coordinator
TJ Martinelli – Reporter
George Geissler – State Forester
See list of panel members

I. Opening, Roll Call

The meeting of the Wildland Fire Advisory Committee was called to order at 10:05 a.m. on July 18 in Cle Elum, WA. Roll was taken, 8 members were present and 6 members were excused. Due to travel constraints, 1 member participated in the meeting by phone, constituting a quorum.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the June, 2018 council meeting were presented in draft and reviewed. Motion to approve draft minutes as amended made by Committee member

Randy Johnson, seconded by Committee member Cody Desautel. Motion carried with Aye's.

III. Chairman Report – No Report

IV. DNR/WSP Update – No Update

V. Two panel discussions revolving around the two topics.

Annie Schmidt was the coordinator and Russ Pfeiffer-Hoyt was the Moderator.

Panel One – Unprotected Lands

- Dave Baker – Douglas County Fire District 2
- John Sinclair- Kittitas Valley Fire & Rescue
- Molly Linville – Landowner
- Todd Welker – Department on Natural Resources
- Richard Tveten – Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife *Conference Call*
- Jeff Dimke – Bureau of Land Management *Conference Call*

Panel Two - Communities

- Jennifer Coe – Whatcom & Skagit Conservation District
- Rob Lionberger – Department of Natural Resources
- Stacey McClain – Emergency Management Department
- Hilary Lundgren – Washington Fire Adapted Communities Learning Network *Conference Call*
- Michelle Medley Daniel - Washington Fire Adapted Communities Learning Network *Conference Call*
- Travis Paveglio – University of Idaho *Conference Call*
- Jon Riley – Chelan County Fire District 1 *Conference Call*

Attached is a summary of the panel discussions.

VI. Final Q&A – Committee roundtable

Jim Passage was wondering how DNR was going to respond when it is federal lands. He said he knows there is not an answer at this point. DNR is clearly working on a plan. Great Job.

There was some discussion on the October meeting being held to coincide with the Fire Chief Conference in Tulalip, Gary will discuss this with Roger Ferris for more information.

VII. Adjournment and Next Meeting

Next meeting will be August 22, 2019 at the

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The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 1:10 p.m.

Draft minutes submitted by Shelly Goodwin, approved by Chairman Gary Berndt.
Formal action to be taken to approve the minutes at the August 22, 2019 meeting.