

Western Upper Peninsula Citizens Advisory Council
Informational Meeting Agenda (No Action Items)
Wednesday, May 29, 2024
6:00-8:30pm Eastern / 5:00-7:30pm Central
Virtual Meeting (via Zoom)

2024 Officers: Tom Solka, Chair – Kirk Schott, Vice Chair

Call to Order – Stacy Haughey, UP Field Deputy (in the absence of Chair & Vice Chair)

Introductions of Council Members/DNR Staff/Public Attendees – All

Agenda – Stacy Haughey

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (March) – Hold till next meeting

DNR Division Reports (***Bold** indicates expected attendance*)

1. **Ms. Stacy Haughey** – UP Field Deputy, Executive Division
2. **Mr. Darren Kramer** – Fisheries Division
3. **Mr. Tom Seablom** – Forest Resources Division
4. **Lt. Ryan Aho** – Law Enforcement Division
5. Mr. Doug Rich – Parks & Recreation Division
6. **Mr. Ron Yesney** – UP Trails-Parks & Recreation Division
7. **Mr. Dave Lemmien** – Wildlife Division

Public Comment on Agenda Items Only – Stacy Haughey

(5 minutes pre-registered 5 business days prior to meeting/3 minutes after and day of meeting)

- 1.
- 2.

Old Business

1. Deer Management Initiative Update – Stacy Haughey / Dave Lemmien
2. Moose Hunt Questions Following Resolution Response – Dave Lemmien
3. DNR Responses to January Resolutions – Stacy Haughey
 - Crossbow Hunting Be Allowed in a Portion of the UP: *Defer response until DMI recommendations available*
 - Include Crop Damage & DMAP Numbers in Yearly Deer Harvest Numbers: *Activated and in place*
4. DNR Responses to March Resolutions – Stacy Haughey
 - Recommend any increase in DNR Fisheries revenue be prioritized to provide deliverables: *Response expected by next formal meeting*
 - Oppose expansion of underwater spearing under regulation FO 219.25: *Response expected by next formal meeting*

New Business

1. White-Nose Syndrome Update – *John DePue*
2. Michigan Army National Guard (107th Engineer Battalion) Partnership with DNR State Parks – *Stacy Haughey*

Committee Activity (No Resolution Action This Meeting)

1. Fisheries – *Floyd Dropps, Committee Lead*
2. Wildlife – *George Lindquist, Committee Lead*
3. Trails/Recreation/Law – *Barb Gajewski, Committee Lead*
4. Other Committee Activity (If Any)

Next Meeting

1. Next WUPCAC Meeting: Thursday, July 25, 6pm Eastern/5pm Central, Delta County Chamber of Commerce Multi-Purpose Room, Escanaba
2. Items for Next Agenda

Public Comments on Any Topic – *Stacy Haughey*

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Closing Comments from Council – *Stacy Haughey*

1. Carol Mason Sherrill: *Cover Project/Workshop for Woodland Wildlife Stewardship sponsored by the Ruffed Grouse Society, American Woodcock Society, Sustainable Forestry Initiative, and others*
- 2.

Adjourn – *Stacy Haughey*

Future Meeting Dates

- ~~Wednesday, January 24, 2024, 6:00-8:30pm Eastern / 5:00-7:30pm Central, Virtual/Zoom~~
- ~~Monday, March 25, 2024, 6:00-8:30pm Eastern / 5:00-7:30pm Central, Baraga~~
- Wednesday, May 29, 2024, 6:00-8:30pm Eastern / 5:00-7:30pm Central, ~~Ironwood~~ *Changed to Virtual/Zoom*
- Thursday, July 25, 2024, 6:00-8:30pm Eastern / 5:00-7:30pm Central, Escanaba
- Thursday, September 19, 2024, 6:00-8:30pm Eastern / 5:00-7:30pm Central, Ontonagon
- JOINT UPCAC MEETING: Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 3:00-5:00pm Eastern / 2:00-4:00pm Central, Marquette
- UP NRC Meeting: Thursday, October 10, 9:00am Eastern / 8:00am Central, Marquette

WUPCAC Committees & Members

- **Fisheries:** Floyd Dropps-Committee Lead, Mike Holmes, Dave Johnson, George Lindquist, Dave Hall, Dr. Kirk Schott, Barb Gajewski, Jeff Sierpien, Darren Kramer-DNR Advisor
- **Forestry:** Lucas Vold-Committee Lead, Warren Suchovsky, Horst Schmidt, Skip Schulz, Carol Mason-Sherrill, Tom Seablom-DNR Advisor
- **Trails/Recreation/Law:** Barb Gajewski-Committee Lead, Skip Schulz, Dave Hall, Erik Bessonon, Ron Yesney, Doug Rich & Lt. Ryan Aho-DNR Advisors
- **Wildlife:** George Lindquist-Committee Lead, Chauncey Moran, Dave Johnson, Warren Suchovsky, Dr. Kirk Schott, Erik Bessonon, Jeff Sierpien, Dwaine Starr, Barb Gajewski, Dave Lemmien-DNR Advisor

Meeting Notes

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