



Teton County Board Member Expectations

Thank you for your commitment to service on a Teton County volunteer board. As a Board Member, you are expected to affirm the expectations outlined here and strive to perform accordingly; you are accepted as an appointee only after agreeing to fulfill these expectations. Also, by accepting appointment, you confirm that this board service is one of your primary volunteer commitments.

1. Recognize that you are now a representative of and an ambassador for Teton County. Act in a way befitting of this position and represent Teton County in a professional, ethical, and respectful manner.
2. Serve the county as a whole, rather than any special interest group or constituency. Whether real or perceived, avoid even the appearance of a conflict of interest that might compromise the integrity of Board operations and decisions, and disclose any possible conflicts to the Board chair or, if the Chair, to the Board of County Commissioners, in a timely fashion. Abide by any decisions made related to the situation.
3. Understand and abide by the requirements, obligations, and limitations of the Board you are volunteering for. Regularly attend Board and committee meetings. Board members are expected to attend at least 75% of regularly scheduled and special meetings per calendar year. Be a prepared and active participant in Board meetings and activities; prepare for these meetings by reviewing relevant materials and information in advance and bringing the materials to meetings. Be available to serve as a Committee or Task Force Chair or member.
4. Act in a way that contributes to the effective operation of the Board. Work with fellow Board members and staff (as applicable) to assure that the Board functions well. This includes – but is not necessarily limited to the following:
 - Focus on the good of the County and community, independent of personal agenda, self-interest, or the influence of others.
 - Support the County's policies, procedures, and practices for conducting business.
 - Understand and respect the role of staff, as applicable.
 - Suggest agenda items for Board and committee meetings to ensure that significant policy-related matters are addressed.
 - Maintain confidentiality of the Board's executive sessions, and speak for the Board only when authorized to do so.
 - Support Board decisions once they are made.
 - Participate in appraisal of your own performance and the performance of the Board and its committees.
5. Exercise prudence and sound fiscal practices with the Board in the control, expenditure, and transfer of Public/County funds. Read and understand the Board's financial statements and otherwise help the Board fulfill its fiduciary responsibility.

I agree to honor the expectations set forth herein, and further agree to step down from my Board position if I am unable or unwilling to fulfill these expectations.

Name (printed) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Name of Board _____ Member Term _____