



For Park County this election is a crossroad. The choice is, do you want to go back to the good old days of special privileges that were common in the Assessor's office under Mr. Wissel, or do you want to keep Park County moving forward. Do you want someone who will give himself and his friend's tax breaks, or do you want someone who will treat everyone fairly. Do you want a bitter old man who says basically Park County Sucks, or do you want a young, bright, energetic young woman who will use her energy to promote and improve Park County.

Mr. Wissel says that Park County lacks leadership and yet offers no solutions. His response to the crisis we have with staffing in the Sheriff's office is that he will find the money in the budget, but in reality he doesn't have any idea about budgets and the budget process. He wants to defund the Sheriff's office when we need it the most. He says that he doesn't think a sales tax to fund one department is proper, but Fremont, El Paso, and Teller counties did just that because they felt it was the best route to obtain the funding they need. He claims he wants transparency in the budget, yet for 38 years as head of the Upper South Platte Water Conservancy District there has been no transparency on how they are spending your tax money.

When he was voted out of the Assessor's office he told staff he wanted to leave the office with "four flat tires". He paid over \$3,000.00 for his lavish going away party with county funds. He paid for classes and certification for one of his employees even though she was quitting her job. He continued the full time salary for another employee after they moved from the county and took a full time position with CDOT in southern Colorado. In his last 10 years in office he exceeded his budget 7 of them.

We need to keep Park County moving forward and Ashley Girodo will help with continuing to make it a better place to live. In the last few years Park county government has worked to help keep the Clinic in Fairplay open. We are working to provide workforce housing in Fairplay and Bailey by partnerships with organizations like Habitat for Humanity. We helped start bus service by working with Summit Stage, Breckenridge, Summit County, Fairplay and Alma. We worked with CDOT to get grants so Fairplay can complete the River Walk from the Beach to US285. We worked with Alma to help in the construction of their river walk. We worked with Harris Park to add a new playground. Through the South Park Heritage area we were able to secure funding to complete the restoration of the Paris Mill. Because of our work with CDOT we were able to get them to complete the passing lanes south of Fairplay, repair a couple of bridges in the county, and hopefully complete the HWY9/US285 project and complete the work needed to keep downtown Bailey safe.

Please look at the two candidates. Ashley Girodo talks about what we can do to make the county better. She understands the problems facing our county in housing, the lack of health facilities that include mental health, economic opportunity, care for our seniors, better internet access and maintenance of our infrastructure. Her opponent only tears down the county and says that he will tear apart the budget, which his record shows he really doesn't understand. He has repeatedly stated that "it is a cushy job and he is in it for the money".

Please join me in voting for Ashley Girodo, someone who sees all the potential of Park County and will work to make it even better.

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