### Moffat County Board of County Commissioners 221 W Victory Way Suite 130 Craig, CO 81625

#### February 14, 2017

In attendance, Frank Moe, Chairman; Ray Beck, Vice Chair; Don Cook, Board Member; Amanda Tomlinson, Deputy Clerk & Recorder; Ken Wergin; Neil Folks; Paul Boyd; Jennifer Riley; Roy Tipton; Rebecca Tyree, County Attorney; Lois Wyman; Andy Daniels; Roger Richmond; Jeff Comstock; Terry Carwile; Todd Jourgensen; Lauren Blair, Craig Daily Press; Chuck Cobb, County Assessor; Nolan Sharpe, KRAI.

# Call to Order Pledge/Opening Prayer

Cook made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **Consent Agenda:**

Cook made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of:

- a) Approved the minutes from February 7, 2017.
- b) Approved the monthly Treasurer's Report.
- c) Approved the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Impact Assistance Grant application.

Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

## Public Comments, General Discussion & BOCC Reports:

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Don Cook reported on the Land Use Board meeting.
- ✓ Beck reported on the Press Conference held in Garfield County regarding severance taxes.
- ✓ AGNC meeting will be held tomorrow in Fruita. Beck, Cook and Comstock will attend the Cooperating Agency meeting in Silt on Thursday to discuss sage grouse issues.
- ✓ Beck reported PERC has approved the Jordan Cove project for liquefied natural gas.
- ✓ Moe reported he attended the Valentines' Dinner in Maybell. He also reported on the first department head and elected officials meeting with this new Board of Commissioners.
- ✓ Moe reported Department Heads will participate in a webinar today with the Center for Priority Based Budgeting meeting to review the new budgeting process.
- ✓ Richmond thanked the commissioners for their participation in the LMD.

# **Staff Reports:**

#### Moffat County Assessor – Chuck Cobb

Cobb reported Salt River Project owns Units 1 &2 of the Craig Station as well as part of the Hayden Station, and the assessment is classified as state assessed property.

In July Salt River appealed their 2016 assessed value to the Department of Taxation, who denied their protest. Salt River then appealed before the State Board of Assessment Appeals who then reduced their valuation. Because of this decision, the County will ultimately lose over \$200,000.

Cobb indicated the County could file an appeal, but there is risk involved. The County stands to lose approximately \$108,000 in interest as well as thousands of dollars in the appeal process. Routt County is also in this situation, and they will be making a final decision to appeal by next week.

The Commissioners agreed to review this with the Routt County Commissioners and they will make a decision next week.

#### Other Business:

Cook made a motion to appoint the following members to the Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees: Don Myers – five year term, County seat; Terry Carwile - two year term; Kelly Hepworth – five year term, City seat. Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

## Adjournment:

Moe adjourned the meeting at 9:06 a.m.

## Meeting Adjourned

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