

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

**February 28, 2017**

**In attendance**, Frank Moe, Chairman; Ray Beck, Vice Chair; Don Cook, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Michelle Balleck; Roy Tipton; Janelle Oberlander; Ken Wergin; Neil Folks; Paul Boyd; Tom Mathers; Rod Durham; Jessica Counts; Noelle Leavitt Riley; Rebecca Tyree; Jeff Comstock; Lynnette Siedschlaw

**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:**

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

- a) Approved the minutes from February 21<sup>st</sup> and February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017.
- b) Approved Resolution 2017-30 transfer of payment of warrants for the month of February 2017 in the amount of \$103,557.21.
- c) Approved the agreement between Moffat County and Employee Benefit Management Services Inc. for services and schedules for employee benefits.
- d) Approved the renewal of right of way grant and temporary use permit between the Moffat County Road Department and the BLM.
- e) Approved the renewal of Free Use Permit between Moffat County and the BLM regarding the Big Burn Pit.
- f) Approved the 5 County Regional Core Services contract with Charlotte Aylsworth for behavioral health and wellness services.

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

Dan Miller, Shawna Muhme, and Lois Wymore present.

**Public Comments, General Discussion & BOCC Reports:**

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Beck reported on the Club 20 meeting. Discussion topics included telecom and internet infrastructure funding, health care, workforce, transportation and tourism. Beck also complimented Tom Kleinschnitz for his presentation and the good job he is doing for MCTA.
- ✓ Beck reported on his Senate Confirmation Hearing to the State Aviation Board.
- ✓ Cook reported on sage grouse issues and the remapping project.

- ✓ Moe reminded the audience of upcoming events: Social Services public meeting on differential response, the City of Craig's Candidate Forum, sales and use tax forum and the Business Afterhours Reception.

Nolan Sharpe present.

Shawwna Muhme and Tom Mathers presented Rod Durham with a plaque of appreciation and recognized him for his fifteen years of service on the Housing Authority Board.

Mathers expressed concern over a newspaper article from High Country News, which named Moffat County as "the Drug Capital of the World". He is concerned with this perception, yet hopes there are efforts to help resolve drug issues in the community.

The Commissioners addressed this issue and indicated efforts are underway with many community organizations, law enforcement, social services, etc. Michelle Balleck dismissed the article and its inaccuracies, and encouraged community members to focus on the positives rather than the negative.

Roger Richmond and Mindy Curtis present.

Lois Wymore presented a copy of CNCC's latest issue of the Spartan Times.

Nolan Sharpe discussed the Candidate Forum and indicated questions to the candidates will pertain to marijuana and the sales tax question.

### **Staff Reports:**

#### **Road & Bridge Department- Dan Miller & Linda DeRose**

Miller reviewed the bids for Mag Water and cattle guard iron.

Bids for Mag Water were received from:

GMCO Corp.	\$0.698 per gallon
Desert Mountain Corp	\$0.719 per gallon

Beck made a motion to award the bid for Mag Water to GMCO Corp in the amount of \$0.698 per gallon. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Bids for the cattle guard iron were received from:

Craig Steel	\$13,309.35
Western Slope Iron	\$18,609.68
Recla Metals	\$12,370.80

Cook made a motion to award the bid for cattle guard iron to Recla Metals in the amount of \$12,370.80. Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

### **Finance Department- Mindy Curtis**

Curtis reviewed the February Supplemental Budget.

The Finance Department will transfer \$80,806.49 to the budget for the Swinging Bridge project. This includes the insurance settlement funds in the amount \$68,306.49, \$10,000 from the Colorado State Land Board, and \$2,500 from Questar.

The Finance Department also requests to rollover \$79,193.51 from the unspent Bridge Repair and Replacement Fund in the 2016 budget.

The Contingency Account remains at \$350,000 and the Emergency Reserve Fund remains at \$936,045.

Beck made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-33 February Supplemental Budget. Cook seconded the amount. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

### **Office of Development Services- Roy Tipton**

Tipton reviewed the intergovernmental agreement and resolution for the Swinging Bridge project. The project consists of the rehabilitation of the existing structure to allow for vehicle traffic crossing the Green River. The project will improve the sufficiency rating of the bridge and increase load capacity.

Tipton reported contributions from other agencies include:

Moffat County	\$160,000
DOLA Energy Impact Grant	\$760,000
Off System Bridge Grant	\$500,000
Colorado State Land Board	\$ 10,000
BLM	\$ 10,000
USFW	\$ 15,000
Utah Dept Natural Resources	\$ 20,000
Colorado Parks & Wildlife	\$ 20,000
Vermillion Ranch	\$ 7,000
Questar Operating Clay Basin	\$ 2,500
Oar-Don Hatch River Expedition	\$ 2,000
Seven County Infrastructure Coalition Utah	\$100,000

(Carbon, Daggett, Duchene, Emery, San Juan, Sevier and Uintah counties)

Tipton also reported the USFW holds the title on property, but they have already granted a right of way to the County, which will give Moffat County complete control over the bridge. Both parties will also enter into an agreement to split future maintenance costs.

The Commissioners expressed their thanks to Tipton, Comstock and former Commissioner Chuck Grobe for their work on this project and for their efforts to acquire all of the interagency support. The completion of this project will be an asset, providing the public and many jurisdictions safe, convenient, public access.

Cook made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-36 Authorizing Moffat County to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Department of Transportation, agency of the State of Colorado to repair and improve the Swinging Bridge and appropriating local agency matching funds. Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached Resolution and IGA.

The IGA is with the Colorado State Department of Transportation and its purpose is to disburse Federal funds to Moffat County pursuant to CDOT Stewardship Agreement. The Federal grant is in the amount of \$500,000. Local Agency matching funds are 20%, which is \$125,000. The total project is \$625,000.

Beck made a motion to approve the IGA with the Colorado State Department of Transportation and to appropriate the \$125, 000 in matching funds for the rehabilitation of the Swinging Bridge. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0., See attached.

Tipton reviewed the bids for the kitchen oven at the Public Safety Center. Bids were received from:

Douglas Food Stores Inc.	\$17,817.73
Pueblo Hotel Supply	\$21,697.50
W West Equipment Company	\$19,536.94

Cook made a motion to award the bid for the kitchen oven at the Public Safety Center to Douglas Food Stores Inc. in the amount of \$17,817.72. Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

**Human Resources- Lynnette Siedschlaw**  
**West & Peed Management- Jessica Counts**

Siedschlaw reviewed the personnel requisitions for two temporary supervisor positions for the Weed and Pest Department. All of the seasonal employees are hired through Flint Personnel, but employees with supervisor duties can't be hired from Flint Service.

Counts discussed the summer Weed & Pest Management program and the number of seasonal workers they will need this year. Doug Van Tassel will be rehired as the supervisor of the weed program, and another supervisor will be hired for the mosquitoes and pests. Both supervisors must be State certified by the Department of Agriculture. Approval of these positions will still keep the Department under budget.

Beck made a motion to approve the two Pest Management temporary supervisor positions for the 2017 Weed and Mosquito season. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3-0. See attached.

**Presentations:****Craig Moffat Economic Development Partnership- Michelle Balleck  
CNCC – Janelle Oberlander**

Balleck discussed the Rural Jump Start Program and she requested the County's support in future economic development. The Rural Jump Start Zone was created by the Colorado Legislature in 2015 in order to enable counties and municipalities to attract new businesses that are not currently operating in the state and do not compete with existing businesses.

The program partners with higher education, start-up businesses and local governments to facilitate economic growth by providing incentives to new businesses that create jobs. The program will attract new businesses that hire at least five new employees by offering state-provided tax relief in the form of state income tax credits and sales and use tax exemptions and the counties provide tax relief in the form of business personal property tax refunds. The County would also offer a rebate on County property taxes and a rebate on County sales and use taxes for tangible personal property. The County's tax refunds to participating businesses would be in effect for eight years.

Beck made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-21 Authorizing the participation in the Rural Jump Start Program per Colorado Revised Statutes 39-30.5-101 regarding business personal property taxes. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Cook made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-34 Authorizing County property tax credits to eligible Rural Jump Start companies or businesses under CRS 39-30.5-101. Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Beck made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-35 Authorizing participation in the Rural Jump Start Program per Colorado Revised Statutes 39-30.5-101 regarding County Sales and Use Taxes. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.


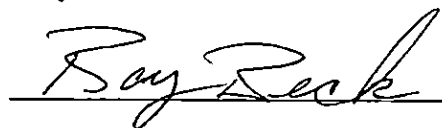
**Adjournment:**

Moe adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

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*Don Cook*

Approved on:

*March 7, 2017*

Attest by:

*Lila Herod*

