

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

**May30, 2017**

**In attendance**, Frank Moe, Chairman; Ray Beck, Vice Chair; Don Cook, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Lynnette Siedschlaw; Roy Tipton; Lois and Jay Wymore; Annette Norton; Lennie Gillam; Ken Wergin; Jeff Comstock; Rebecca Tyree; Neil Folks; Michelle Balleck; Michael Morriss; Steve Hinkemeyer; Cathy Nielson; Lauren Blair

**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 May 22, 2017
- b) Approved Resolutions 2017-79 and 2017-80 payment of payroll warrants for the payroll ending May 19, 2017 in the amounts of \$203,245.84 and \$203,944.28.
- c) Approved Resolution 2017-81 transfer of payment of warrants for the month of May in the amount of \$533,396.91.
- d) Approved Resolution 2017-77 corrections for the month of May in the amount of \$4,873.32.
- e) Approved Resolution 2017-82 transfer of funds from the Museum to the General fund in the amount of \$4,860.94.
- f) Approved the Fair entertainment contracts with Bull Corp, Fun Productions Inc. and the 1340 Band.

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

Mindy Curtis and Linda DeRose present.

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

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Michael Morriss was introduced as the new General Manager of Trapper Mine.
- ✓ Moe gave an update on the Mountain Connect Broadband Conference.
- ✓ Cook discussed the WIR Conference, which was held in Oregon. Agenda items included the Jordan Cove project, energy and sage grouse issues and intergovernmental relations.
- ✓ Beck attended High School Graduation, and the Memorial Day Services. He thanked our veterans and heroes for their service and sacrifice. Beck also reported that he and Jeff Comstock attended the Club 20 Conference in Washington DC, along with 30 additional

members from the Colorado delegation. The Trump Administration is very supportive and engaged with local government. Meetings were held with Director Zinke of the Department of Interior, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), and Billy Kirkland, who is with the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs.

Nolan Sharpe and Christina Oxley present.

- ✓ Jeff Comstock reiterated the atmosphere in Washington DC is very different and there is a strong interest in local government and a listening ear to local issues. Director Zinke indicated sage grouse regulations would be reviewed and even possible legislation to shift control from habitat to population. Zinke also indicated the reorganization of Department of Interior would be “historic”.
- ✓ Michelle Balleck also discussed regional broadband issues and efforts.

## **Staff Reports:**

### **Road & Bridge- Linda DeRose**

DeRose reviewed the bids for the new motor grader. The only bid that was received on time came from Wagner Rents in the amount of \$367,947.00. This includes the trade in amount of \$68,785.00.

Cook is concerned this bid is more than the budgeted amount. DeRose reported the Road Department will not replace other pieces of equipment in order to purchase the new grader. They will also consider a capital improvement plan to rebuild existing equipment.

Cook made a motion to table the bid for the motor grader until next week. Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

DeRose also requested the bid process be waived in order to purchase a used sweeper. In the past the Road Department has borrowed equipment for other jurisdiction to complete the chip seal projects. DeRose will get quotes from various vendors.

Beck made a motion to waive the bid process for a used street sweeper. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Human Resources- Lynnette Siedschlaw**

Siedschlaw reviewed the personnel requisition for a temporary laborer for the Facilities and Maintenance Department, which was tabled last week. The position would be hired through Flint Personnel in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the upkeep of Sherman Youth Camp and the Freeman Campground. The County has a MOU with the Forest Service for the use of Freeman Campground.

Cook made a motion to approve the personnel requisition for one temporary laborer for the Grounds and Facilities Department. Beck seconded the motion.

Beck clarified the position is a budgeted position and it is for the maintenance and upkeep of Sherman Youth Camp. He requested further information and data regarding permits and day use revenues in order to justify the Campground being open in the future.

Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

### **Presentations:**

#### **Chamber of Commerce- Christina Oxley Craig Moffat EDP- Michelle Balleck**

There was discussion regarding the DOLA grant for the Business Opportunity Toolkit and Blueprint 2.0 Initiatives.

Oxley explained the Chamber and EDP have applied for a USDA grant for the Business Opportunity Toolkit. Although, they have not heard on this grant yet, they are optimistic and the LMD has committed \$50,000 to the project. This project will strengthen and integrate existing plans and develop new strategies to diversify the County's economy.

Oxley requested a letter of support towards the next phase, which is the application for the DOLA grant in the amount of \$55,000.00

Cook made a motion to send a letter of support to the Colorado Department of Local Affairs supporting the City of Craig's application for the Rural Economic Development Initiative Grant application Beck seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Balleck also requested a letter of support for the State of Colorado's Blueprint 2.0 Initiative. This program offers technical support for data driven development, brand building and growing outdoor industry. The Chamber and MCTA will be partners in this effort. This project will also compliment the Rural Jump Start and Business Opportunity Toolkit programs.

The grant will only be awarded if implementation and progress is being demonstrated.

Beck made a motion to send a letter of support to the Colorado Office of Economic Development and International Trade, supporting the Craig Moffat Economic Development Partnership's application to participate in the Blueprint 2.0 Initiative for technical assistance in creating a data-driven approach to economic development. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

### **Adjournment:**

Moe adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: *[Signature]*

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Approved on: June 6, 2017

Attest by: Lila Herod

