

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

**March 13, 2018**

**In attendance**, Ray Beck, Chairman; Don Cook, Vice Chair; Frank Moe, Board Member; Amanda Tomlinson, Deputy Clerk & Recorder; Ken Wergin; Krystal Baker; Eleanor Hasenbeck; Jeff Comstock; Rebecca Tyree; and Roy Tipton.

**Call to Order  
Pledge/Opening Prayer**

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

**Consent Agenda:**

Cook made a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Review & Sign the following documents:

- a) Approved the minutes from March 6, 2018
- b) Childcare Provider Fiscal Agreement w. K. Cattoor
- c) Department of Human Services Legal Representative Agreement
- d) Moffat County/Department of Human Services Legal Services Memo of Understanding

Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

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

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Cook had nothing to report.
- ✓ Moe traveled to Washington DC last week for a meeting at the White House. The meeting was over three hours long and Moe got to explain to the White House the challenges in Moffat County.

Nolan Sharpe in attendance.

- ✓ Moe had discussions including coal, sage grouse, the economy, etc. For every new regulation, the White House wanted to eliminate two, and after President Trump's first year in office, for each new regulation, twenty were eliminated.
- ✓ Beck said State of the Community is coming up on April 25, 2018. They are looking for nominations for the Annual Business Award. The nomination deadline is March 14, 2018.

- ✓ Beck touched on the TransWest power line that will be coming through Northwest Colorado. The construction will not start until 2020. The construction will be over a three year period creating around 1,000 jobs, costing around \$3 billion, and covering 90 miles in Moffat County.
- ✓ Beck attended his Precinct Caucus meeting last week, and was happy to report that Precinct Nine was well attended.
- ✓ Beck said Leafy Spurge is affecting 150 miles of the Yampa River, and they are having conversations about how to mitigate that problem.
- ✓ Beck attended the Taste of College at CNCC on Friday, March 9, 2018. Beck spoke about drone technology to several eighth graders in attendance.
- ✓ Beck said HRC gave out around \$42,500 to nonprofit groups in Moffat County.
- ✓ Beck attended the Land Use Board meeting on March 12, 2018, and main topic was reintroduction of wolves. Comstock and two other Land Use Board members will be writing a new resolution against the reintroduction and it will be presented at a BOCC meeting in the near future.
- ✓ Cook and Beck will be going to Walden on March 14, 2018 to discuss Sage Grouse mapping.
- ✓ Wergin had a meeting with the local engineer for the bridge near The OP Restaurant. Wergin will be volunteering to clear some of the brush and trees under the bridge. The bridge will be resurfaced beginning in 2019, and the bridge will be reimagined a bit to make it easier for heavy haulers to go through. Wergin's main goal is to clear enough space under the bridge for a walking/biking trail.

Delaine Voloshin and Evelyn Tileston in attendance.

- ✓ Area Agency on Aging – Evelyn Tileston, Delaine Voloshin, and Krystal Baker reporting:
  - Tileston explained that this agency exists as a part of the Older Americans Act.
  - This region includes Moffat, Routt, Rio Blanco, Garfield, and Mesa counties.
  - According to the State Demographer 34% of the population in Moffat County is age 50 and over. That's roughly 4,500 people in this community.
  - There is a Senior Center in Maybell, and one in Rangely for Dinosaur folks. There are over two hundred people that belong to the Senior Center in Craig, but they are all looking for a space to call home.

Jerry Hoberg in attendance.

## **Staff Reports:**

### **9:00 AM – Planning & Zoning – Jerry Hoberg reporting:**

- ✓ Hoberg presented the Public Hearing regarding Skyway Towers Communication Tower CUP C-18-04. See attached.
  - Moe made a motion to approve the CUP C-18-04 for Skyway Towers Communication. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

## **General Business & Administrative Items:**

### **BOCC reporting:**

- ✓ Cook made a motion to appoint John Cromer to the Landowner alternate seat on the Land Use Board. Moe seconded the motion. Beck read Cromer's letter into record. See attached. Motion carried 3-0.

## **Staff Reports:**

### **Natural Resources Department – Jeff Comstock reporting:**

- ✓ Comstock presented a lease agreement for a Juniper Mountain Communication Tower with BLM. The 50 year lease that is currently in effect is about to expire. Comstock is requesting a 30 year renewal. There will be no changes to the lease except the term. See attached.
  - Moe made a motion to approve the lease agreement for the Juniper Mountain Communication Tower with the BLM for a 30 year term. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

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

- ✓ Tipton presented the bid recommendation for repair & replacement of the Fairgrounds Arena lighting. See attached.
- ✓ Tipton recommended that the bid be awarded to Mountain States Electric in the amount of \$24,000.
  - Cook made a motion to award the bid to Mountain States Electric in the amount of \$24,000 for repair and replacement of the Fairgrounds Arena A lighting. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
  
- ✓ Beck wanted to mention that he was in a Transportation meeting at Club 20. There is a concern with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and the regulations put on the agricultural community when hauling livestock. The regulations make it very difficult on the livestock, as well as the drivers. Club 20 is creating a resolution by March 18, 2018 to present to FMCSA to extend the waiver for agricultural transports until a satisfactory solution can be reached by all parties involved.

## **Adjournment:**

Beck adjourned the meeting at 9:22 am.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Submitted by: Amanda Tomlinson, Deputy Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: Ray Beak  
Frank Alford

Approved on: March 20, 2018

Attest by: Jeri Ruzley