

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

June 9, 2020

In attendance: Ray Beck, Chair; Donald Broom, Vice-Chair; Don Cook, Board Member; Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk & Recorder; Josh Carney; Rebecca Tyrce; Shauana Merrill; Dan Miller; Bruce White; David Pressgrove; Jane Hume; Tom Kleinschnitz; Charlene Abdella; Lois Wymore; Jeff Comstock; Lisa Bennett, Pat O'Toole, Sharon O'Toole, Matt Langley; (by phone) Melody Villard

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance/Opening Prayer

Broom made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, with the exception of item 5. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Consent Agenda -

Review & Sign the following documents: (see attached)

Approve minutes:

- a) May 26; Board of Public Health - May 7, 19, 28
- b) 2020-58: Resolution for Transfer of Payroll Warrants
- c) 2020-59: Transfer of Payment of Warrants for the month of May
- d) DHS Electronic Transactions for April
- e) Yampa River Fund Grant agreement
- f) Electric Service Contract for the Dinosaur Welcome Center Charging Station

Cook made a motion to approve the consent agenda; items A-F. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Comments, General Discussion & BOCC Reports:

BOCC:

General Discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Broom: Library Board meeting last night. The library is doing curbside service at this time and it's very popular.
- ✓ Cook: The BOCC will be meeting on Friday to discuss funding from the CARES Act for COVID-19. Still waiting on the variance we submitted to the State on June 2 for gathering size.
- ✓ Beck:
 - Discussed State budget shortfalls
 - Discussed funding for the Dinosaur Welcome Center
 - Discussed the electric project at Loudy-Simpson Park
 - Opposed to Law Enforcement Bill
 - AGNC meeting in Palisade on June 17

Public Comment:

Lisa Bennett: Has concerns about excess use of gravel in the paving process on County Road 7; makes it difficult to mow and maintain her property. Also commented on “jake brake” use on County Road 7.

David Pressgrove: Questioned the progress of the variance on event size. His group, Bear River Young Life, has an annual car show planned for Father’s Day weekend and they are anxious about being able to proceed.

Staff Reports:**Road & Bridge Department – Dan Miller**

- Bid recommendation(s):
 - Motor Graders (postponed)
 - Packer/Roller (see attached)

A single bid for (2) packer/rollers was received from Lycox Enterprises at \$40, 575.00.

Cook made a motion to approve the bid from Lycox Enterprises for 2 rollers at \$40, 575.00. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

County Attorney – Rebecca Tyree

- Resolution 2020-61: Laying Out Moffat County Road 179 (see attached)

Tyree discussed problems residents have been having on County Road 179. The residents just wanted clarification on whether that is a County Road or not; it is.

Cook made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-61: Laying Out Moffat County Road 179. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

Office of Emergency Management – Charlene Abdella

- Emergency Management Performance Grant Award Letter (see attached)

Abdella stepped in for Office of Emergency Management Coordinator, Mike Cochran. He had applied for this grant to upgrade the radios in his vehicle. Each Office of Emergency Management in the State that had applied for one of the Performance Grants got \$38,000.

Broom made a motion to approve the Emergency Management Performance Grant Award Letter for \$38, 000. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

9:00 am - Public Hearing:**Planning & Zoning – Roy Tipton**

- Banjo Solar Project Zoning Change (Resolution 2020-60) R-20-01 (see attached)
- Banjo Solar Project Conditional Use Permit C-20-01 (see attached)

Beck read the Public Hearing protocol.

Tipton stepped in for County Planner, Jerry Hoberg, and explained the purpose and process for the Zoning Change and Conditional Use Permit for a solar powered electric power generation plant.

Pat O'Toole, the project owner, came before the board to testify in favor of this project. He thanked the BOCC and mentioned that he has also done this process in Sweetwater County, Wyoming, because this project straddles the state line.

Matt Langley, VP of Development with Potentia Renewables, gave details about this 500 mw project and answered questions from the BOCC.

Beck asked the required three times if anyone else wanted to testify for or against the project; there was none.

Broom made a motion to approve the zone change for the Banjo Solar Project Zoning Change from Agricultural to Heavy Industrial (Resolution 2020-60) R-20-01. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0

Cook made a motion to approve the Banjo Solar Project Conditional Use Permit C-20-01. Broom seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

MCTA – Tom Kleinschnitz & Craig Chamber of Commerce – Jennifer Holloway
- Yampa Building lease (see attached)

The City of Craig has taken ownership of the Yampa Building- formerly the School Administration Building (775 Yampa Avenue), and the Craig Chamber of Commerce will be the managing landlord for the facility . MCTA will be renting an office there and moving in July 1st. Kleinschnitz gave the history behind the Visitor's Center in relation to the Tourism Board and external tourism marketing. He explained each entities duties and how they will be able to play off each other and reduce redundancies in duties.

Holloway gave an overview of the functions that the building will fulfill and the tenants that will be moving into the space.

Cook made a motion to approve the Yampa Building lease for MCTA. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Presentations:

Meeting adjourned at 9: 54 am

The next scheduled BOCC meeting is Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Submitted by:
Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: *Fay Beck*

Donald Broom

Don Cook

Approved on: June 23, 2020

Attest by: *Erin Miller*

