

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

**January 27, 2015**

**In attendance:** John Kinkaid, Chairman; Chuck Grobe, Vice Chair; Frank Moe, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Christian Reece; Ken Wergin; Matt Winey; Neil Folks; Roy Tipton; Jeff Comstock; George Rossman; Becky Tyree; Eldon Holland; Kelly Nottingham

**Call to Order  
Pledge/Opening Prayer  
Consent Agenda**

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

- a) Approved the minutes from January 13<sup>th</sup> and January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
- b) Approved the Board of Health minutes from the January 19, 2015.
- c) Approved Resolutions 2015-9 and 2015-10 payment of payroll warrants for the payroll ending January 16, 2015 in the amounts of \$209,131.37 and \$496,472.07.
- d) Approved Resolution 2015-11 transfer of payment of warrants for the month of January 2015 in the amount of \$1,004,484.34.
- e) Approved the quarterly reimbursement request and financial report for Emergency Management Program Grant.

Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attachments.

**General Discussion**

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Grobe reported he attended a regional traffic meeting where it was reported that road construction would begin this summer on Hwy 9 (Kremmling to Silverthorne), downtown Oak Creek, and the west side of Berthoud Pass. This will impact travel and cause traffic delays from Moffat County to Denver over the next two years.
- ✓ Grobe discussed sending a letter to Kent Lamborn of the Joint Budget Commission regarding the severance tax issue. Moffat County relies on the severance tax fund for many projects and will protest any redistribution.

Grobe made a motion to send a letter to the Honorable Kent Lamborn of the Colorado Joint Budget Commission and Governor Hickenlooper regarding distribution of severance tax. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

- ✓ Christian Reece was introduced as the new Director of Club 20 and Ms. George Rossman, as the new field representative for Congressman Scott Tipton.
- ✓ Moe reported he and Commissioner Kinkaid participated in a webinar sponsored by NACO titled "Coal Reliant Communities".

- ✓ Kinkaid reported he and Roy Tipton attended the DOLA press conference, and is appreciative of the work DOLA is doing and the funding Moffat County has received.

Mindy Curtis and Mike Fuller present

- ✓ Kinkaid reported on several emails being sent from EPA Chief, Lisa Jackson using health scares among children and minorities to build their case for clean air issues. He indicated we would be seeing media campaigns to this effect.
- ✓ Matt Winey invited the BOCC and the community to attend the Tea Party meetings and he also encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming School Board meetings.
- ✓ Christian Reece gave an update from Club 20 and reported they have also sent a letter regarding the severance tax distribution. Many other stakeholders have signed the letter of support. Reece indicated we might see a decrease in severance tax because of the decline in oil and gas prices.

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

Curtis reviewed the January Supplemental Budget. Line item transfers were made to the following departments without change to the Contingency Fund: Clerk and Recorder, Sheriff, Hamilton Community Center, Maybell, Road and Bridge, Airport, Capital Projects, Seniors, MCTA, Jail, Housing Authority and the Museum.

The Contingency Account balance is \$200,000.00  
The Emergency Reserve Account balance is \$924,232.00

Grobe made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-12 January 27, 2015 Supplemental Budget. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

### **John Kinkaid- Letter to Governor Hickenlooper**

Kinkaid presented a letter to be sent on behalf of the BOCC to Governor Hickenlooper regarding the EPA's Clean Power Plan. The letter requests the Governor's assistance in ensuring energy-based industries can continue to operate and keep their doors open in Moffat County. It also addresses the impact that the "war on coal" has had in our community.

Grobe stated he must abstain from discussion and voting on this issue.

Moe made a motion to sign and send the letter to Governor John W Hickenlooper regarding the EPA Clean Power Plan. Kinkaid seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. Kinkaid- Yes. Moe- Yes. Grobe- Abstained. See attached.

**Human Resources – Lynnette Siedschlaw  
&  
Office of Development Services- Roy Tipton**

Siedschlaw and Tipton presented a resolution to adopt the Americans with Disabilities Act policy. Because of the grant funds Moffat County has received from the federal government we are required to have this policy in place.

Grobe made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-13 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Policy. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Noelle Leavitt Riley present.

Donna Gill and Sharon Farquhar present.

**Advocates Crisis Support Services- Donna Gill**

Donna Gill presented a proclamation for Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month. This will provide an opportunity for citizens to learn more about prevention and lends support to organizations and individuals who provide advocacy, service and assistance to victims.

Farquhar and Gill both discussed statistics and various educational programs and presentations for awareness and prevention.

Grobe made a motion to proclaim February 2015 Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

**John Husband- Yampa River Trail**

John Husband discussed the proposal for the Yampa Valley Trail. The trail would provide an opportunity for residents and visitors to enjoy access to and along the Yampa River.

The trail will follow along the Yampa River linking Loudy Simpson Park, and public property, which is adjacent to the Golf Course. The Trail would be approximately one mile long and would cross privately owned land for about ½ mile. The landowner is Dave Seely and he is interested in donating this easement across his land with some restrictions. Some of these restrictions are day use only, non-motorized use only, restriction of use during calving season, no hunting or dogs, etc.

Further presentations will be made to the City of Craig, key groups and the public. There will also need to be a feasibility report and RFP, an easement agreement with the landowner, designation of the lead administration agency, securing funding sources, design, construction, development and implementation of a management plan for the area.

The Commissioners indicated preliminary support of this proposal and would research the implications of the County holding the easement and landowner liability. See attached.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: *John L. Kinkaid*  
*Fred A. Mol*

Approved on: *Charles A. Smith*  
*Feb. 3, 2015*

Attest by: *Lila Herod*

