

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

**February 24, 2015**

**In attendance:** Chuck Grobe, Vice Chair; Frank Moe, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Neil Folks; Ken Wergin; Jeff Comstock; Ray Beck; Roy Tipton; Mike Fuller; Janelle O'Dea

**Commissioner Kinkaid is in Washington DC.**

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

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

- a) Approved the minutes from February 17, 2015.
- b) Approved Resolutions 2015-21 and 2015-22 Payment of payroll warrants for the payroll ending February 13, 2015 in the amounts of \$202,758.66 and \$467,788.18.
- c) Approved Resolutions 2015-12 Transfer of payment of warrants for the month of February 2015 in the amount of \$374,237.38.
- d) Approved the contract with Correctional Healthcare Companies for health care services at the Jail.
- e) Approved the contract with Laurette Potgieter for custodial services at the Extension Office.

Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attachments.

**General Discussion**

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Grobe reported the Air Quality Control Commission would hold their conference in Craig June 17-19<sup>th</sup>. Plans include tours of the power plant and Trapper Mine. A public meeting will also be held on Thursday evening at the Fairgrounds Pavilion. There was further discussion regarding the role of the Air Quality Control Commission and other air quality and environmental issues.

Allen Hischke present.

- ✓ There was brief discussion about the closure of Loudy Simpson during the winter. This is because of various maintenance issues and the decrease in winter activities.
- ✓ Janelle O'Dea reported she will be leaving the Craig Daily Press and returning to her hometown in Illinois.
- ✓ Hischke discussed problems with pedestrian traffic on County Road 7 just off of Shadow Mountain Subdivision. He suggested constructing a bike/walking path in the easement

on the west side of the Hospital property. Tipton indicated this would be a good GOCO grant, but it requires 50% matching funds and is a competitive grant.

Rebecca Tyree present.

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

Commissioner Grobe called to order the public hearing for the Shadow Mountain Village Improvement project. The notice was published in the Craig Daily Press, and also on file in the Clerk & Recorder's Office. There have been no complaints or objections filed. See attached notice.

Tipton gave a brief history of the formation of the Shadow Mountain LID and reviewed the statement of expenses and assessments.

The loan for the water service lines is \$599,427.00 with principal forgiveness. The loan for the sewer service lines is \$430,704.00 with 1% interest. The total cost of the loan is \$475,387.00. The assessment to property owners in the Local Improvement District will be \$2,052.32. The monthly assessment is \$9.09, which will be added to the property owner's monthly water and sewer bills. The City will collect the monthly assessment and remit to the County who will in turn make the loan payment.

243 Statement of Liens will be filed today with the Clerk & Recorder. The certified assessment roll will be transmitted to the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority as well as the County Treasurer. See attached.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Chuck Cobb present.

Moe made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-20 Approval of Assessments on the Shadow Mountain Village Local Improvement District in the amount of \$2,005.32 per lot. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attached.

Tipton reviewed the loan agreement with Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority. The loan is in the amount of \$430,704.00 for 20 years with 1% interest. The annual payments will be \$12,136.94.

Moe made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-15 approving the loan agreement between Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority and the Shadow Mountain Local Improvement District, acting through the Moffat County Board of County Commissioners. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attached resolution and loan agreement.

Moe made a motion to approve the loan agreement between Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority and the Shadow Mountain Local Improvement District. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attached.

**Assessor- Chuck Cobb**

Cobb reviewed the impact assistance grant application from Colorado Parks and Wildlife. The County annually applies for this grant and will receive \$5,393.15 from 14,168 grazing acres. This is very similar to the Payment in Lieu of Taxes program.

Moe made a motion to approve the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Impact Assistance Grant Application in the amount of \$5,393.15 for tax year 2014. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attached.

Cobb reviewed the refund or abatement applications for Trapper Mine and ColoWyo Coal.

Trapper Mine is requesting a refund for property tax years 2012 and 2013 based on erroneous valuation of \$3per ton discount on non-washed coal. The refund amount is \$75,626.96. The Assessor has been taxing on washed coal rather than non-washed. Cobb recommends approval of this refund.

Moe made a motion to approve Trapper Mine Inc. petition for abatement or refund of taxes for both tax years 2012 and 2013 schedule# N009506 in the amount of \$75,626.96. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attached.

Dan Davidson present.

ColoWyo is requesting refund on 2012 and 2013 property taxes on the Axial Mine site based on the same valuation of \$3 per ton discount on non-washed coal. The refund amount for 2012 is \$14,616.91 and 2013 amount is 15,898.74. Cobb again recommends approval of this refund.

Moe made a motion to approve the petition for abatement or refund of taxes for ColoWyo Coal Company 2012 schedule# N009511 in the amount of \$14,616.91. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attached.

Moe made a motion to approve the petition for abatement or refund of taxes for ColoWyo Coal Company 2013 schedule# N009511 in the amount of \$15,898.74. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attached

Cobb indicated the County would have the ability to recover these funds through an abatement levy.

Linda DeRose present.

**Museum of Northwest Colorado- Dan Davidson**

Davidson reviewed five oil and gas leases with Entek GRB LLC. These are all three-year leases with 18.75% royalty, and they include an option to extend the lease for an additional two years at \$100 per net mineral acre.

- Lease #1 is effective February 13, 2015 with a cash bonus of \$8,835.98
- Lease #2 effective February 13 with a cash bonus of \$2,883.59
- Lease #3 effective February 13 with cash bonus of \$3,837.69
- Lease #4 effective February 13 with cash bonus of \$2,893.07
- Lease #5 effective April 14 with cash bonus of \$9818.81.

Moe made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-19 Approval of Oil and Gas leases with Enteck GRB LLC and the Museum of Northwest Colorado. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0. See attachments.

Nick Rubley and Randy Call present.

Davidson reported the Museum Board met to discuss a memorial for World War II veterans. Approximately two-dozen Moffat County veterans were killed in WWII. A sculpture for this project is estimated at \$40,000. The Museum Board will pay for half from their mineral funds and a block grant is available through AGNC for the additional funding.

Ray Beck stated the City would be discussing this at their meeting tonight and indicated this would be a good project for the City and County to work on together. The City could apply for a \$10,000 grant and the County for a \$10,000 grant. The grant is due on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Comstock indicated AGNC would support this kind of project.

Moe made a motion to approve applying for the AGNC block grant in partnership with the City of Craig. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

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

DeRose discussed the future of the Landfill Voucher Program. The County issues approximately 1,000 vouchers per year and it is costing the County thousands of dollars.

Nick Rubley reported volume is down and his budget is suffering. He is not in support free dump days.

Grobe reported he has been researching this with other counties and there isn't any counties that are giving away free dump days.

Randy Call reported the City clean up days include batteries, electronics, refrigerators, freezers and tire. However there is a charge for disposal of electronics.

Moe made a motion to discontinue to the Landfill Voucher Program. Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: *John A. Hinkley*  
*Frank A. Moore*

*Charles J. Sub*

Approved on: March 3, 2015

Attest by: Lila Herod

