

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

March 31, 2015

In attendance: John Kinkaid, Chairman; Chuck Grobe, Vice Chair; Frank Moe, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Noelle Levitt- Riley; Patrick Kelly; Ray Beck; Roy Tipton; Neil Folks; Jeff Comstock

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

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

- a) Approved the minutes from March 24, 2015.
- b) Approved the fuel exemption forms.
- c) Approve the contract with John Husband for Fair entertainment.

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

General Discussion

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Grobe reported on the State Transportation Accountability Committee meeting. Construction will begin in April for down town Oak Creek and resurfacing on Berthoud Pass. These projects will impact Highway 9 and cause traffic delays for the next three years.
- ✓ Grobe reviewed a letter from Gulf Port Energy indicating completion of the reclamation on the Loudy Simpson Well. Gulf Port has requested the County sign a surface use release on this property.

Grobe made a motion to approve the surface use release agreement with Gulf Port Energy. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

- ✓ Grobe suggested a letter be sent to the Colorado Historical Center requesting the grant be released on the Medicine Wheel archeological research site.
- ✓ Moe reported Moffat County was accepted into NACO Innovative Challenge Program. Moffat County's team consisting of; the Mayor elect, John Rossfeld, Russell George, Jay Oxley and Brent Curtice will be attending the workshop in Kentucky on April 22, 23, and 24. The program is intended for communities reliant on energy with the mission to help diversify local economy.

Tom Soos present.

- ✓ Kinkaid reminded everyone to cast their ballots for the City Election.

- ✓ There was discussion regarding the Shadow Mountain Improvement Project public hearing on April 21st. Because the County can't collect the assessment monthly it will be collected with the annual property tax notice.
- ✓ Noelle Levitt Riley introduced Patrick Kelly as the new government reporter for the Craig Daily Press.
- ✓ Ray Beck gave an update on the Club 20 meeting. The Keynote Speaker was Attorney General Cynthia Coffman. Beck was able to speak with Coffman and discuss the possibility of a federal lawsuit regarding the EPA energy mandates. Coffman indicated interest and support of this action.
- ✓ There was discussion regarding the power plant outage and the influx of construction workers and also an increase in tourism with visitors for the upcoming sage grouse tours.

Office of Development Services- Roy Tipton

Tipton reviewed the contract for materials testing for Shadow Mountain Village improvement project. Materials testing are for earthwork, concrete, asphalt, and review and supervision.

Three quotes were received for engineering:

Soil Logic	\$45 per hour including travel time
NWCC	\$58 per hour \$55 per trip
Ground Engineering	\$48 per hour \$55 per trip

Tipton recommends the bid be awarded to Ground Engineering at \$ 48 per hour. They are currently under contract for phase I. The contract will not exceed \$57,373.00.

Grobe made a motion to approve the contract with Ground Engineering for materials testing for the Shadow Mountain Improvement Project Phase II. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Office of Emergency Management- Tom Soos

Soos reviewed the Annual Mass Casualty Plan. This plan is formatted for the four Ambulance Districts and will be a useful tool for dispatching calls. It will serve as a guide and establish procedures to follow during a mass casualty incident.

Soos reported that this year the annual mass causality exercise will be based on a disease event and the hospital will be involved in the training.

Grobe made a motion to approve the 2015 Mass Casualty Plan for Moffat County. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Natural Resources- Jeff Comstock

Comstock reviewed a letter agreement with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation regarding the Louisiana Purchase Ranch Easement. Moffat County supports a landowner's right to do with his property as he sees appropriate. In addition to the property owner of the surface agreement, there are also many owners of the severed mineral estate under the proposed easement. The County supports the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation's approach to address the adjoining estate owners' rights to energy development and transportation.

Grobe made a motion to sign the letter agreement with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation regarding the Louisiana Purchase Ranch Easement. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: John A. Richards
Charles T. Grobe
John Moe

Approved on: April 7, 2015

Attest by: Lila Herod

