

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

April 14, 2015

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

**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 7th, 2015 and special meetings from the 8th, 9th, and 13th, 2015.
- b) Approved the Villard Pit Sand and Gravel lease.
- c) Approved the MOU for participation in the Colorado Emergency Fire Fund.
- d) Approved Resolutions 2015-43 and 2015-44 transfer of intergovernmental funds for the month of April in the amounts of \$5,137.12 and \$2,243.17.
- e) Approved the contract with Hubler Enterprises for the Loudy Simpson Park Concession Stand.

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

Mike Fuller present.

General Discussion

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Moe reported the NACO Innovation Challenge Team will leave next week for Kentucky. Mayor-elect Ray Beck will be attending. Moe praised Mindy Curtis for her work in writing the grant and gathering the survey information.
- ✓ Grobe reported AGNC will be filing an amicus brief over the Dudley Bluffs Bladderpod and Twinpod, a plant that is growing in Rio Blanco County. This plant is a federally threatened species and is found exclusively in the northern Piceance Basin. CSU has conducted a non-essential experimental study on the plant to determine if new populations of the two species could be created. The BLM has since allowed CSU to plant these species in Rio Blanco County within current oil and gas leases and right-of-ways. The suit challenges that the BLM has failed to comply with its ESA duties and BLM Manual, that it has violated NEPA and failed to consider alternatives, that it has violated the White River RMP and failed to honor valid existing rights. Grobe is very concerned with this practice and requested the County join in this amicus brief. The Colorado Oil and Gas Association will also be filing a separate suit. The Commissioners agreed it is important to support AGNC in this issue.
- ✓ Grobe also discussed the data quality challenge on the BLM and US Fish and Wildlife reports on sage grouse. A group of surrounding states have been reviewing these reports

and all are challenging the reports based on failing scientific merit. Grobe would like the County to approve a resolution on this issue.

Pat Mosbey and Bill Sixkiller present.

Justin Johnson, Bobby Jones, Mark Ross and Steve Walker (Southwestern Energy) present

- ✓ Grobe reported a group supporting Broadband are requesting the Commissioners refer a ballot question to counteract SB 152. Current legislation restricts government expansion of broadband. An exemption will create a broadband neutral site in order to work with private industry, government, hospital, college, etc. to expand broadband use. Many communities have already passed a similar ballot question exemption.
- ✓ Ken Wergin reported Loudy Simpson Park is now open and there was discussion when the ponds will be stocked.

Planning & Zoning- Pat Mosbey

Mosbey reviewed the conditional use permit for Angelina Gathering Company. The applicants will be running a gathering line between a well and an existing pipeline northwest of Craig on Andy and Tony Maneotis' property.

The Planning Commission has approved the application with the stipulation that the Company follow the County Weed Plan. A copy of that plan will be given to Southwestern Energy.

A Southwestern Energy representative reviewed the project and location of the gathering line, which is west of Highway 40 and then north on County Road 81.

Grobe made a motion to approve C-15-01 Conditional Use Permit for Angelina Gathering Company. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Grobe made a motion to amend the motion to include the stipulation from the Planning Commission that the applicants will follow the Moffat County Weed Plan or preference of the Landowners. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Fairgrounds- Bill Sixkiller

Sixkiller reviewed a lease agreement with Sani-Star LLC for an automated RV dump payment system at the Fairgrounds.

Sixkiller estimates revenue generated would be approximately \$7,000 over the summer. There is a one-time fee of \$1,750.00 for the setup and programming per location and then \$250.00 per month. The County retains all revenues. The system includes the kiosk and payment devices.

Grobe made a motion to approve the lease agreement with Sani-Star LLC for an automated RV dump payment system at the Moffat County Fairgrounds. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Memorial Hospital- John Rossfeld & Jennifer Riley

Riley gave the monthly update from the Memorial Hospital:

- ✓ The Community Health Fair was very successful. Reviewing plans for next year.
- ✓ New staff- a physician assistant has been hired for the walk-in clinic. Approximately 400 patients are served per month. A new orthopedic surgeon has also been hired and will start the first of September.
- ✓ Hospital Week is May 11th.
- ✓ LEAN training is being provided for staff and DNV (an international accreditation organization) will be onsite to work with department leaders.
- ✓ New equipment includes a fetal monitoring system in OB, baby warmers, and the new mammography machine.
- ✓ Reviewed financials and patient visits.
- ✓ Still working to move the OT and PT rehab location to the Yampa building.
- ✓ The tele-medicine for stroke care with Swedish Medicine will go live the first of May. Pediatric cardiology will be the next tele-medicine program.

Rossfeld discussed the NACO Team Challenge and reported a workshop session will be held for Healthcare. Rossfeld also gave a brief review of proposed legislation.

Road & Bridge- Linda DeRose

DeRose gave the monthly report from the Road and Bridge Department.

Completed projects:

- ✓ Clean and repair cattleguards
- ✓ Cleaned ditches
- ✓ Gravel County Roads
- ✓ Repaired soft spot on County Road 7 and County Road 30
- ✓ Repair signs
- ✓ Cleaned culverts
- ✓ Stockpile clay at Clay Pit
- ✓ Mag water on County Road 61
- ✓ Reclaim asphalt on County Road 4

Projects in progress:

- ✓ Blading roads
- ✓ Crushing at Kennecott Pit
- ✓ Screening chips at Charchalis Pit
- ✓ Mag water roads

- ✓ Gravel County Road 64

Pending projects:

- ✓ Gravel County Roads
- ✓ Mag water roads
- ✓ Crushing at Sunbeam Pit

General and Landfill:

- ✓ Grading spoil pile at Loudy Simpson
- ✓ Clean ditch at Golf Course
- ✓ Building cattleguards in shop

Grobe received a complaint about County Road 19 that residents are concerned about holding water and mosquitos. DeRose will look into this.

Undersheriff Charlene Abdella present.

Sheriff- KC Hume

Sheriff Hume reviewed the current status of law enforcement services in the Town of Dinosaur.

An intergovernmental agreement between Moffat County and the Town of Dinosaur was in place from 2009 through June 2014. As part of that agreement a Sheriff's Deputy was employed full time for daily law enforcement.

In June 2014 Dinosaur decided to terminate the IGA. Recently they have terminated their Town Marshall and the only law enforcement they have is being provided by their Mayor, Richard Blakely. All of the felony cases are being handled by the 14th Judicial District.

The Town of Dinosaur has contacted Sheriff Hume and is requesting another intergovernmental agreement be put in place. The Sheriff, as well as the District Attorney agrees this would be in the best interest of all.

Sheriff Hume reviewed a new intergovernmental agreement and reported the Town of Dinosaur's contract reimbursement totals \$48,000.00 per year, but this does not cover the entire costs. The County would have to absorb additional costs.

The IGA will be presented to Dinosaur's Town Council and then would be approved by both the County Commissioners and Sheriff.

There was discussion regarding the County housing that has been made available to the resident deputy. Currently the west-end deputy owns his own home. There was discussion if this home should be sold or retained for future use.

There was general consensus to move forward with a new intergovernmental agreement.

Advocates- Sharon Farquhar

Ryan Fritz, Norm Rimmer, Patricia Maradigue, Gary Nichols present.

Farquhar discussed the importance of awareness and prevention and requested the BOCC proclaim the month of April Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.

Farquhar reviewed statistics and reported sexual assault crimes are the most under reported of all crimes. Forensic examines are made available and seven were performed in Moffat County last year. Advocates responded to 537 different clients of domestic violence and sexual assault. Sixteen adults and 27 children were housed in the Advocates shelter last year, which equated to over 900 bed nights.

The goal is to increase education, awareness and community involvement to take action to create a safer environment for all.

April 29th is "Denim Day" asking the entire community to wear jeans promoting that it doesn't matter what you wear, there is never cause for sexual violence.

Grobe made a motion to approve a proclamation declaring April 2015 Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: *[Signature]*
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Approved on: April 21, 2015

Attest by: Lila Herod

