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

November 24, 2015

In attendance: Chuck Grobe, Vice Chair; Frank Moe, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Neil Folks; Ken Wergin; Roy Tipton; Rebecca Tyree; Patrick Kelly; Melody and Albert Villard

Commissioner Kinkaid is absent.

Call to Order
Pledge/Opening Prayer
Consent Agenda

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

a) Approved the minutes from November 17, 2015.
b) Approved Resolution 2015-120 voided warrants in the amount of $2,707.26.
c) Approved Resolution 2015-121 corrections for the month of November 2015 in the amount of $180.00.
d) Approved Resolution 2015-122 transfer of payment of warrants for the month of November 2015 in the amount of $110,865.66.
e) Approved the contract between Moffat County Social Services and Geoff Petis for conflict attorney legal services.
f) Approved the contract between Moffat County Social Services and Melissa Weiler for mental health services.
g) Approved the Lexis Nexis research agreement.
h) Approved the contract with Vacation Land Vendors for the vending machine at the ice arena.

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

General Discussion

General discussion was held among the Board:

- Grobe discussed Colorado's approved water plan.
- Grobe reviewed a letter from Lorraine Kawcak requesting renewal of the agreement for a fair sponsorship.
- Moe gave an update on Social Services community forum.
- There was discussion regarding the Peabody sale to Bowie.

Renee Campbell, Mike Fuller, Audrey Danner, Cindy and Randy Looper, Chris Oxley, Chris Nichols, Andrea Camp present.

Craig Chamber of Commerce- Christina Oxley

Oxley discussed the Chamber of Commerce 2016 budget and indicated concern that the County's proposed budget shows a significant cut in funding. There is currently $7,000 set aside in the budget, and at this level of funding, the Visitor Center will struggle to stay open.

Oxley reviewed the agreement between the Moffat County Tourism Association and the County and she explained the history between the Chamber and MCTA and past funding requests.

Sandra King present.

Grobe stated the budget has not been finalized. Funding for EDP, Chamber, etc. is in a separate line item. The budget is being scrutinized very thoroughly for budget years 2016 through 2019.

Oxley indicated the Chamber, MCTA and EDP will continue to explore all the pros and cons to relocate or merge their agencies, but this will take a year or so. Funding will be especially critical until this is accomplished.

Oxley reviewed the Visitor Centers service statistics.

Audience questions and comments were taken. Audrey Danner, Chris Nichols, Andrea Camp, and Ken Wergin all encouraged the Commissioners to continue to fund the Chamber and to realize its importance in building our economy through tourism.

Moe also stressed the importance to build an economic vision and is encouraged by the efforts of the Local Marketing District and joint strategic planning.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: _____

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Approved on: Dec. 1, 2015

Lila Herod

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