

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

**March 8, 2016**

**In attendance**, Chuck Grobe, Chairman; Frank Moe, Vice Chair; John Kinkaid, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Ken Wergin; Rebecca Tyree; Dean Gent; Larry Hoover; Jeff Comstock; Ray Beck; Matt Winey; JD Sexton; Patrick Kelly; Karli Bockelman

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

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

- a) Approved the minutes from March 1, 2016.
- b) Approved Resolutions 2016-20 and 2016-21 payment of payroll warrants for the payroll ending February 26, 2016 in the amounts of \$202,990.95 and \$209,287.40.
- c) Approved Resolutions 2016-23 and 21016-24 transfer of payment of warrants for the month of February 2016 in the amounts of \$302,790.72 and \$21,147.03.
- d) Approved Resolution 2016-22 Establishing the Moffat County Voters Service and Polling Center for the 2016 Primary and General Elections.

Kinkaid seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

**General Discussion**

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Grobe reported that he and Jeff Comstock have been invited to the Western Governors Conference to discuss endangered species. They will be leaving for Denver this afternoon.
- ✓ Grobe discussed the proposed ballot question to place the “de-brucing” question on the November ballot. The Commissioners agreed that the County Attorney should move forward researching this issue.
- ✓ Moe reported a severance tax bill will be introduced on Thursday. Moe plans to attend the remote conference in Grand Junction. He is hopeful the money will stay in the counties that are energy impacted as it was intended.
- ✓ Moe also reported on the foster care program in Moffat County. Several children have been placed outside of the area. It will be an advantage to the children as well as cost savings to the County if they remain within the county. An effort is being made to recruit more foster families.

Andrea Camp present.

- ✓ Kinkaid reported he has received many comments protesting the increase in Park Fees at Loudy Simpson. He has contacted Department of Energy to see if there is a grant available to install LED lights at the ball fields.
- ✓ Dean Gent questioned the Commissioners plans for the future of the Weed and Pest Program. Grobe reported a personnel requisition has been approved to replace Gary Brannan, in the interim Doug Van Tassel will lead this department. Moe reported a cost analysis is being conducted on every department to review expenses and revenues. A serious budget challenge faces the County and every area must be addressed for cost savings. Gent expressed the importance of this program and indicated a mill levy question may be needed to fund the program or create a district. It is imperative the management program continues and that we not miss one single year. There was also discussion regarding the decision to hire the temporary employees through Flint Personnel. The Commissioners made this decision in order to save on workers compensation and insurance expenses, but they are hopeful the past employees will apply at Flint and continue to work for the County.
- ✓ There was discussion regarding the Local Marketing District. Tyree reported she has received the draft copy of LMD Bylaws.

Nolan Sharpe, Lloyd Powers, and Ramona Green present.

### **Planning & Zoning – Jerry Hoberg**

Hoberg reviewed the exemption from subdivision regulations application for Dry Fork Land Company LLC. The Green property is located off of County Road 18 N. This was originally an 83.28 acre parcel and 5 acres will be exempted for a home site for their daughter, Lacey Sexton.

Kinkaid made a motion to approve E-16-04 Exemption from Subdivision Regulations for Dry Fork Land Company LLC. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

### **Road & Bridge- Bill Mack & Linda DeRose**

DeRose reviewed the bids for two new pickups for the Road Department. One bid is for a ¾ ton pickup and the other for a one ton crew cab. Bids were received from:

#### **Cook Ford**

2016 one ton crew cab	\$39,419.00
2016 ¾ ton pickup	\$26,344.00
Total	\$65,763.00

#### **Victory Motors**

2016 one ton crew cab	\$42,251.00
2016 ¾ ton pickup	\$24,505.00
Total	\$66,756.00

**Dellenbach Motors**

2016 one ton crew cab	\$38,892.00
2016 ¾ ton pickup	\$27,231.00
Total	\$66,123.00

**Ed Bozarth Chevrolet**

2016 one ton crew cab	\$38,597.80
2016 ¾ ton pickup	\$27,808.70
Total	\$66,406.50

**Weld County Garage**

2016 one ton crew cab	\$38,717.00
2016 ¾ ton pickup	\$27,516.00
Total	\$66,233.00

**Daniels Long Chevrolet**

2016 one ton regular cab	\$35,236.16 *
2016 ¾ ton pickup	\$27,475.70
Total	\$62,711.86

DeRose recommends the bid be awarded to Cook Ford who is the low bid. Daniels Long Chevrolet did not meet the specification on the one ton crew cab.

Moe questioned how this purchase will fit into the County's fleet management, capital projects and budget with the cuts the County needs to make. DeRose reported the County's trucks are replaced 100,000 miles and then given to another department., such as Weed and Pest or the Maintenance Department.

Moe made a motion to award the bids for two new pickup trucks for the Road and Bridge Department to Cook Ford in the amount of \$65,763.00. Kinkaid seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-1. Grobe- Yes. Moe- Yes. Kinkaid- No. See attached.

Mack gave the monthly report for the Road Department:

**Completed projects:**

- Plow snow
- Repair cattleguards
- Gravel County Road 21
- Repair pot holes at Shadow Mountain
- Maintenance to Swinging Bridge

**Projects in progress:**

- Grade roads
- Repair and clean cattleguards
- Gravel County Road 10N

- Crush Sunbeam Pit
- Reclamation and seeding Refuge Pit

**Pending projects:**

- Repair and clean cattleguards
- Crush Refuge Pit
- Mag water County Roads 61 and 10N

**General and Landfill:**

- Haul snow for City, Courthouse and Library
- Site work at Fairgrounds
- Crusher school in Grand Junction
- Update computer program at Landfill

Mack discussed the strategic solid waste management plan for the Landfill. NWCC has submitted a consulting proposal for \$61,000.00. The analysis can be done in phases and the goal is to come up with a management plan in order to increase Landfill revenues.

DeRose stated there are funds left over from last year's budget to help cover the costs of this proposal. The plan is to obtain a quote for the entire project, specify that it will not exceed a set amount and then move forward with phase I. See attached.

There was further discussion regarding the ownership of the bridge. Grobe indicated research shows there was an agreement made in 1955 between the agencies for maintenance of the bridge. In 1984 the County Commissioners agreed to perform some work on the bridge. It was their intent to determine ownership of the bridge, but that was never done. The County has just assumed it owned the bridge until the Dickinson accident. It has now been determined that the Forest Service owns the bridge and at this time they are not willing to transfer ownership to the County, which leaves us unable to apply for federal grants to repair the bridge. Until the Forest Service makes a decision the Road Department will not continue further repairs or maintenance on the bridge.

**BOCC-Letters of Support**

Grobe gave an update on the water storage project for the White River Storage Project. It is reservoir that will encompass 90,000 acre feet. The potential for economic development will be an advantage to the entire region.

Kinkaid made a motion to send a letter of support for the Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District, White River Storage Project. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Grobe requested letters of appreciation be sent to our Senators and Congressman for their support of Trapper Mine and ColoWyo environmental assessment.

Moe made a motion to send letters of appreciation to Senator Michael Bennet, Senator Cory Gardner, and Congressman Scott Tipton for their support of the proposed action and mine plan regarding Trapper Mine Environmental Assessment. Kinkaid seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

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Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest by: \_\_\_\_\_