

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

August 23, 2016

In attendance, Chuck Grobe, Chairman; Frank Moe, Vice Chair; John Kinkaid, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Neil Folks; Chuck Cobb, Glenden Reuer; Roger Richmond; Roy Tipton; Patrick Kelly; Jeff Comstock; Don Cook; Ray Beck; Ken Wergin; Rebecca Tyree

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

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

- a) Approved the minutes for August 16, 2016.
- b) Approved Resolution 2016-87 transfer of payment of warrants for the month of August 2016 in the amount of \$562,007.83.
- c) Approved Resolutions 2016-88 and 2016-89 payment of payroll warrants for the payroll ending August 12, 2016 in the amounts of \$2096, 728.72 and 486,667.94.
- d) Approved the core services contract with Mervyn Davies for sexual abuse treatment services.

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

Melody Villard present.

General Discussion

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Grobe reported on the AGNC meeting. There was discussion regarding AGNC as an economic planning region. AGNC also passed a resolution opposing the proposed ballot issues surrounding oil and gas production regulations. Grobe indicated the County should consider a resolution to support AGNC in this effort.
- ✓ Moe reported Maybell Fire and Rescue submitted a FEMA grant for a new engine. It was rejected, but local officials are still working to help them out on this issue.
- ✓ Moe gave an update on maintenance efforts at Loudy Simpson Park, specifically on the soccer fields for CNCC soccer teams.
- ✓ Kinkaid also discussed ballot issues and encouraged support of the local county issue to correct the TABOR language on property tax.
- ✓ Ray Beck reported he met with the Lt. Governor and they toured ColoWyo and discussed the energy issues.
- ✓ Beck also reported the City will have a workshop to recruit a new City Manager and they will soon begin budget hearings.
- ✓ Ken Wergin discussed issues at Loudy Simpson Park.

- ✓ Don Cook announced the new Hospital CEO started work yesterday, and is already working on strategic plans.
- ✓ Comstock reported on the BLM meeting regarding sage grouse planning. A meeting will take place tomorrow with CSPW and AGNC to discuss sage grouse mapping.

Road & Bridge – Linda DeRose

DeRose discussed replacing the house at the Four Mile Shop. Approximately seven years ago, a used mobile home was installed for the maintenance workers home. The mobile home is very old and in need of many repairs.

Budget funds are available in this year's budget to help pay for a replacement trailer. DeRose and Tipton will research options for replacement.

The Commissioners indicated support and directed DeRose to come back with quotes

Pam Foster present.

BOCC Discussion

Grobe discussed the condition of the Luttrell Barn and the County's intent to transfer ownership to the Boys and Girls Club. The County has held in reserve \$100,000 for repairs, but the condition of the barn is now in very poor condition and it will be a minimum of \$200,000 for repairs.

Grobe reported the Boys & Girls Club is no longer interested in the Barn, because it will be more cost effective for them to put in a modular unit. Grobe suggested if there is a group that is willing to submit a plan with funds in hand to "save the barn", then he would be willing to reinvest the \$100,000 that has been held in reserve, but it is imperative to move forward and an idea must be submitted by the end of the year.

Moe indicated the Barn is much like the Train Depot in the perception that many groups consider these historic and there is affection for preserving these buildings, but we must also be realistic and address the issues of maintenance and operation. This expense is a burden on taxpayers.

Pam Foster requested copies of the quotes for repairs and any previous MOU's. She also questioned what the County would do with the property if the Barn is removed. Grobe indicated the property would be used by the Fairgrounds.

There was discussion regarding the Better City proposals for economic diversification.

The Chamber of Commerce and MCTA have made the recommendation to move forward on the Aquaculture and Aquaponics with the Business Incubator coming in second.

Grobe reported the statistical data from the Dinosaur Visitor Center is incorrect and the Dinosaur theme attraction would not be feasible.

Kinkaid supports the Downtown mixed-use concept.

Foster indicated Craig and Moffat County could apply for a grant from the Art Space program to develop the Downtown area. She encouraged the Commissioners to research this as a funding option. This program helps develop downtown areas and the City of Trinidad has already had much success from this program. Information is available at www.artspace.org.

Moe stated there are many feasible options and he supports the Industrial Park, along with Artisans and Textiles Manufacturing and Entrepreneurial Business Incubator. He encouraged the Local Marketing District take the next steps and move forward in implementation.

Lynnette Siedschlaw, Mindy Curtis and Linda DeRose present.

The Commissioners prioritized their projects for referral to the Local Marketing District in order to move forward with a feasibility study and EDA grant.

Moe made a motion to support a synergy concept of an Industrial Park, Artisan and Textile Manufacturing and the Entrepreneurial Business Incubator, as a feasibility study to the Local Marketing District and the Downtown Developments as a second choice. Kinkaid seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: Charles T. Foster

Lab. C. Moe

John Kinkaid

Approved on: Aug -30, 2014

Attest by: Lila Herod

