

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

September 13, 2016

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

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

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

- a) Approved the minutes from September 6, 2016.

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

General Discussion

General discussion was held among the Board:

- ✓ Grobe reported on the Club 20 meeting. Debates were held among the candidates and many issues discussed, including future operations of Tri State Generation.
- ✓ Ray Beck also discussed the Club 20 meeting.
- ✓ Moe announced Tri State Generation will be holding a public meeting this Thursday, September 15th at the High School at 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ Kinkaid also discussed the Club 20 debates, and he reported he attended the CNCC soccer game.
- ✓ The maintenance staff was complimented for their work at Loudy Simpson Park.

Andrea Camp, Nolan Sharpe, and Linda DeRose present.

Planning & Zoning- Jerry Hoberg

Hoberg reviewed the conditional use permit application from Dale and Barbara Martin.

The Martin's own a 160 acre parcel 4.5 miles west of Craig. When he purchased the property it had an existing 14x70 mobile home attached. The mobile home is too small for their family use, but too good to demolish. They have put in a new modular, and would like to use the mobile home as a guest home. The Planning Commission has approved this application.

Dorcas Albaugh present.

Kinkaid made a motion to approve C-16-04 Conditional Use Permit for Dale and Barbara Martin second residence. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Road & Bridge- Linda DeRose

DeRose reviewed the monthly report from the Road Department.

Completed projects:

- ✓ Cleaned culverts
- ✓ Repaired and cleaned cattleguards
- ✓ Mag water roads
- ✓ Bridge maintenance and repairs
- ✓ Bridge bank stabilization on County Road 38
- ✓ Repair slides and washouts
- ✓ Mowing
- ✓ Repair and replace signs
- ✓ Trash pickup on County Road 112
- ✓ Clean Ditches
- ✓ Blading roads
- ✓ Bridge Deck repair on County Road 17

Projects in progress:

- ✓ Blade roads
- ✓ Crushing at Mantle Pit
- ✓ Haul materials to and from the Shadow Mountain project.

Pending projects:

- ✓ Road repairs
- ✓ Crushing at the Refuge Pit

General and Landfill:

- ✓ Fire fighting at Horse Gulch Fire
- ✓ Hauled pipe from Rifle to Loudy Simpson
- ✓ Repaired and hauled Massey Ferguson to Maybell Sewer Treatment Plant
- ✓ Installed cattleguard for the BLM on County Road 92
- ✓ Building Cells 8.5 and 9
- ✓ Test and haul leachate

Ann Dodd present.

Human Resources- Terri Estey

There was discussion regarding hiring the new Road and Bridge Supervisor. The Commissioners conducted interviews with Dan Miller, Linda DeRose, Tim Dilldine and Ken Moncrief for the position. They are pleased with the talent of the County employees and the opportunity to promote within.

Moe made a motion to appoint Dan Miller as the new Road and Bridge Supervisor and to start his salary at a Step 3. Kinkaid seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Daughters of the American Revolution

Ann Dodd and Dorcas Albaugh presented a proclamation for approval.

September 17th marks the 229 anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States of America, and the local Augusta Wallihan Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution have requested the Board of County Commissioners to proclaim the week of September 17th through September 23rd as Constitution Week.

To begin the celebration, bell ringing will be held at noon on Saturday September 17th at any public building for fifteen minutes. Programs will also be conducted in the schools during the celebration week.

Kinkaid made a motion to proclaim the week of September 17-23, 2016 as Constitution Week in Moffat County Colorado. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Melody Villard, Mason Siedschlaw, and Mindy Curtis present.

NEO Connect- Diane Kruz & Terry Carwile

Kruz reported NEO Connect is a consulting firm working with municipalities and counties for broadband planning

Surveys are being conducted among homeowners and residence and the second survey among businesses. Copies of the surveys are available on the County, the City of Craig and the Chamber of Commerce websites.

Routt and Rio Blanco Counties are being included in the planning process. The City and County acquired a DOLA grant in the amount of \$50,000 for broadband planning.

Planning priorities:

- ✓ Recommendation that cities and counties pay for shadow conduit when any trench and conduit is being installed. This is considerable cost savings.
- ✓ Inventory of current infrastructure, mapping service and identifying gaps
- ✓ Identify strategy and model for implementation.

Broadband is an essential utility and just as important as our need for gas, electricity, etc. Expansion and development is critical to our economic development and to the progress of our educational and medical needs, utilities, public safety and quality of life services.

On average the cost of laying fiber is approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000 per home or location. The Rocky Mountain region is more costly because of our landscape. Partnerships with industry and government are important, and grants are available to help with the costs.

Finance Department- Mindy Curtis

Curtis reviewed the County's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. This is a strategy combining all of the existing plans in order to diversify the economy as recommended by the NACO Team. The EDA will approve the CEDS and require annual reports and evaluation of framework, etc.

The goal of the CEDS is to work together with a Local Marketing District to hire and manage a Champion to work with economic development and tourism.

Recommended changes in the plan include:

- Executive summary
- Clarification in the number of visitors to Dinosaur National Monument
- Addition of the local Balloon Festival
- Recent announcement of the closure of Tri State Generation unit 1
- Environmental issues
- Conclusions and evaluation of criteria
- Template of the implementation plan

Kinkaid made a motion to approve the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) with the changes as identified. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

BOCC- Local Marketing District

The Board discussed their priorities and recommendations to the Local Marketing District.

Moe is encouraging the LMD to move forward to hire a Champion.

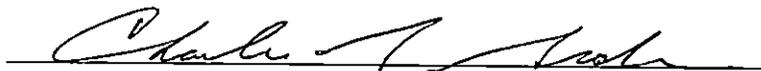
Grobe indicated the importance for the LMD to work on their plan. Moe stated Colorado statutes require a working plan to be approved by the LMD, the City, Town of Dinosaur and the County.

There was consensus to send a letter to the Local Marketing District encouraging them to hire a Champion to move forward with the implementation of the working plan.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by: Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by:



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Approved on:

Sept - 29, 2016

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