

Moffat County Board of County Commissioners
1198 W Victory Way Ste 104 Craig, CO 81625

September 26, 2023

In attendance: Tony Bohrer, Chair; Melody Villard, Vice-Chair; Donald Broom, Board Member; Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk & Recorder; Candace Miller; Chris Nichols; Jeff Comstock; Rebecca Tyree; Dan Haskins; Allison Adair; Stacy Morgan; Heidi Rogers; Carol Haskins; Tracy Winder; Scott Middleton; Roy Tipton; Rachel Bower; Dan Davidson; Landon Willey; Ben Stoddard; Janet Willshire; Sandra Kuhn

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Bohrer called the meeting to order at 8:30 am

Bohrer made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Consent Agenda –

Review & Sign the following documents: (see attached)

Minutes:

- a) September 12; September 18 – Special meeting

Resolutions:

- b) 2023-98 & 100: Payroll
- c) 2023-101: P-Cards
- d) 2023-102: Payment of Warrants

Contracts & Reports:

- e) Landfill Audit letter
- f) 1st Amendment to YVEA Solar Bill Credit agreement
- g) Library Carpet Replacement contract w/TLC
- h) Colorado Youth Detention Continuum/14th Judicial District Sub-Grantee agreement
- i) Memo of Understanding between Department of Human Services & Love, INC
- j) Release of All Claims for Charchalis Gravel Pit
- k) Professional Airport Engineering Services Agreement w/City of Craig & Armstrong Consulting
- l) Public Building Allocation

Bohrer made a motion to approve the consent agenda items A-L. Broom seconded the motion. *Item “K” was pulled for a staff report. Motion carried 3-0.

*Candace Miller explained that this is Task Order C, an agreement with Armstrong Consultants to do the front-end design work and bid process to do a seal coat on the airport apron. ARPA funds will be used for this. The total project is \$41, 270 - max, might even be a bit less. They are hoping to get this under contract before the end of the year.

Please note that the Board may discuss any topic relevant to County business, whether or not the topic has been specifically noted on this agenda

Public Comment/General Discussion:

Allison Adair spoke about the Judicial Watch vs State of Colorado lawsuit regarding inflated voter registration rolls.

Carol Haskins spoke out against Proposition HH, which is on the ballot in November. Portrayed as a property tax cut and education funding bill, it actually takes away our Tabor rights.

Staff Reports:

Natural Resources Department - Jeff Comstock &
Distributed Clean Energy Development - Thomas Sweeney

- Letter of Support:
GAIN Application Funding for Small Modular Reactor Feasibility Study (see attached)

Mr. Sweeney joined the meeting by ZOOM. Sweeney is the Senior VP of RWE and asked the BCC to sign off on a Letter of Support for a GAIN (Gateway for Accelerated Innovation in Nuclear) Application Funding for Small Modular Reactor Feasibility Study, which they hope to locate in the existing power plant after it shuts down. They expect the study to take approximately a year. Bohrer commented that it is in the top three priorities of the BCC to be able to repurpose both the power plant and the Trapper Mine facility to be able to keep jobs and the tax base in Moffat County.

Villard moved to approve the letter of support for the GAIN Application Funding for Small Modular Reactor Feasibility Study. Broom seconded the bid. Motion carried 3-0.

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- Appoint Marshelle Gray to open seat on Local Marketing District Board (see attached)
- Appoint Kymm Gressett to Government Alternate seat on Land Use Board (see attached)

Villard moved to appoint Marshelle Gray to the open seat on the Local Marketing District Board. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Villard moved to appoint Kymm Gressett to fill Bruce Sillitoe's Government Alternate seat on the Land Use Board. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Office of Development Services – Roy Tipton & Craig Christian Church – Scott Middleton

- Courthouse east boundary fence (see attached)

The courthouse east boundary is shared with the Craig Christian Church. They have proposed fencing that boundary off, which benefits both entities. The proposal is for 580' of vinyl and 460' of 6' tall chain link, from Industrial to the first turn in the parking lot. The project is priced at a not to exceed amount of \$36,880; Tipton recommended that as a good neighbor, we split this cost with the church, which would be \$18,440 for our share.

Villard moved to approve the reimbursement to the Craig Christian Church for fence construction not to exceed \$18,440. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

9 am

Public Hearing:

County Clerk's Office/Elections – Stacy Morgan

- Hearing on revised Commissioner District boundaries – Resolution 2023-92 (see attached)

Bohrer read the Public Hearing protocol and declared the hearing open.

Morgan presented information regarding the state mandated redrawing of the Commissioner districts to reflect population numbers based on the last census. No district can have no more than a 5% deviation between the least and the most populated districts. Maps displaying the redrawn districts were put up on the screen.

There was no public testimony either for or against.

Back in regular session, Broom moved to approve **Resolution 2023-92 – Establishing Revised Commissioner Districts**. Villard seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Staff Reports:

Human Resources Department – Rachel Bower

Present employment offer(s) for:

- Facility Maintenance Director
- Director of Development Services

Bohrer explained that the process for filling these two positions has taken a long time. There was a hiring committee made up of some department heads, as well as the BCC.

Bower presented the recommendations from the hiring committee:

- Director of Development Services: Neal Binder
- Facility Maintenance Director: Barry Barnes

Broom moved to direct Human Resources Director, Rachel Bower, to begin negotiations with Barry Barnes for the position of Facility Maintenance Director. Villard seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Broom moved to direct Human Resources Director, Rachel Bower, to begin negotiations with Neal Binder for the position of Director of Development Services. Villard seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.


Before adjourning the meeting, as this is Roy Tipton's last meeting as Director of Development Services, the BCC thanked Tipton for all his efforts for the county and for also agreeing to stay on as a consultant to assist the new Director and help to finish up various projects.

Meeting adjourned at 9:13 am

The next scheduled BOCC meeting is Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Submitted by:

Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: 

Melodyillard

Conel Brown

Approved on: October 10, 2023

Attest by: Erin Miller

