

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

March 26, 2019

In attendance: Don Cook, Chairman; Ray Beck, Vice Chair; Donald Broom, Board Member; Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk & Recorder; Rebecca Tyree; Shauana Merrill; Sandy Chamberlain; Jeff Comstock; Roy Tipton; Tammy Raschke; Ken Wergin; Clay Thorp; Gary Baysinger; Bud Bower; Jamie Eckroth; Jerod Smith; Tom Kleinschnitz, Sherice Smith

**Call to Order
Pledge/Opening Prayer**

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

8:30 am County Clerk's Office – Tammy Raschke & Bud Bower – YV Golf Ass'n
Liquor License Hearing - Yampa Valley Bar & Grill, LLC (Golf Course) (see attached)
Beck read the protocol for a public hearing. (No decisions were made during the Public Hearing)
The YV Golf Ass'n is applying for the liquor license to be under their organization, rather than have the lessee of the restaurant at the Golf Course be the holder of the license. Gary Baysinger testified in favor of the application, saying that the Golf Course was an asset to the community, and it's an additional plus if there can be a nice restaurant where people can go for food and a beverage out there. No one testified against.

Beck asked the required three times if there was anyone for or against awarding a liquor license to Yampa Valley Bar & Grill.

In regular session, Beck made a motion to approve the Liquor License for the Yampa Valley Bar & Grill; Broom seconded the motion; motion carried 3-0.

Consent Agenda:

- Review & Sign the following documents: (see attached)
 - a) Resolution 2019-35: Transfer of Health & Welfare payment
 - b) Grandstands/Arena Lighting project contract

Beck made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

BOCC (see attached)

- Discuss Emergency Closure of County offices due to weather conditions on March 13, 2019

Pursuant to the procedures set forth in Moffat County Resolution 2018-69, the Board of County Commissioners of Moffat County held an emergency meeting on March 13, 2019, at 2:39 P.M. At the emergency meeting, Don Cook (by phone), Ray Beck, and Donald Broom (by phone) discussed the emergency conditions in Moffat County caused by high winds and blowing snow, and authorized Department Heads and Elected Officials of Moffat County to have the discretion to let their employees

leave work early on March 13, 2019, even if this decision means an office is closed for the remainder of the day. The Board also decided that employees or elected officials should be paid for the portion of the day that they miss because of inclement weather.

Beck made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 13, 2109 Emergency Meeting. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

- Resolution 2019-34: Memo of Understanding Regarding the Western States Rural Natural Gas Initiative

This is the documentation that accompanies last week's discussion regarding Moffat County participating in the Jordan Cove liquid natural gas transportation (pipeline) project. It is looking like the Colorado Energy Office will be pulling out of this agreement, so Moffat, Garfield, Rio Blanco and Mesa counties will enter into signing this MOU to represent the Western Slope in the Western States Rural Natural Gas Initiative with Utah, Wyoming and the Ute Tribes.

Broom made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-34: Memo of Understanding Regarding the Western States Rural Natural Gas Initiative. Beck seconded the motion. Commissioner Beck clarified that an Environmental Impact Study (not an Economic Impact Study) should be completed by October. The project should be completed by 2023 or 2024. Motion carried 3-0.

Natural Resources Department – Jeff Comstock & Jerod Smith – State Land Board (see attached)
Present comment letters regarding:

- BLM Travel Management plan
- OHV Travel Routes

(Jerod Smith was present to represent the Land Use Board) The Land Use Board went through a lengthy review of the BLM's Travel Management Plan #3 (road inventory). The area for TMA 3 comprises roads west of CR 10, south and east of Highway 318 and south of Highway 40; the Land Use Board identified 2700 missing routes in this area. The BLM told the Land Use Board that they would accept only 41 of these routes. The Land Use Board feels that the reasons given for not accepting all 2700 routes are contradictory to the point of the process. Comstock stated that during TMA 1 & 2, the Land Use Board asked that the BLM to "ground truth" routes, which they did and found corrections. The BLM is refusing to do that for TMA 3. Comments are due today, by 5 pm. Cook requested adding a sentence that would relay to the BLM that the BOCC strongly disagree with the way they are handling the inventory of TMA 3.

Broom made a motion to approve signing the comment letter on the BLM Travel Management Plan (TMA 3) with wording change. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Cook complimented both the Land Use Board and the State Land Board for their active participation in this process.

The purpose of the second comment letter is suggesting recreational OHV Travel Routes to the BLM. Comstock provided a map showing different types of routes, all of which currently exist. Several different groups were consulted prior to the formulation of the comment letter, and their wishes were taken into

consideration. Now is the right time to submit these suggested OHV routes to the BLM, because they are in the Travel Management Planning process.

Beck made a motion to approve signing the OHV Travel Routes comment letter to the BLM. Broom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Beck commented on the progress of SB 181

Adjournment:

Cook adjourned the meeting at 9:16 am

Meeting Adjourned

The next scheduled BOCC meeting will be Wednesday, April 3, 8:30 am

Submitted by: Erin Miller, Deputy Clerk and Recorder

Approved by: *Don Cook*

Samuel Broom

Ray Beck

Approved on: April 3, 2019

Attest by: *Erin Miller*

