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BOARD OF DIRECTORS FALL GRANT PRESENTATION MEETING

Date and Time: 2:00 PM on Wednesday, September 13, 2017

Location: Home Loan Building, 205 N. 4th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, in the Community Room on the Basement level

In attendance: David Ludlam Craig Springer John Justman Chris McAnany Dusti Reimer Scott Olsen Gus Hendricks Lance Stewart **Benita Phillips** Ty Minnick **Curtis Hainer** Maria Deuel John Williams Samantha Morgan Kristin Trezise Davis Farrar Dane Van Loon Roblee Talbott Kristen Cole Brandon Stan Dan Sherrill

Meeting Minutes:

- I. Call to order by David Ludlam at 2: 26pm.
- II. General public comment.
 - a. D. Ludlam welcomed everyone and explained that the Board has found these projects to be very helpful for full understanding the scope of the grants requested.
 - b. D. Reimer welcomed everyone and said that each presenter had 5-minutes to present. At the 5-minute mark she would raise her hand and stop the presenters. Please be respectful of the time. The Board will ask questions following your presentation, if they have any questions.
- III. Presentations by Fall 2017 Grant Cycle applicants.

- IV. Traditional Grant Request Presentation:
 - a. 2017-FT-01 Clifton Fire Station is asking for a traditional grant for \$135,064 for improvements to the Clifton Fire Station.
 - i. Presenter: Dusti Reimer with Power Point provided from Charles Balke. He had been called away to help with the Florida hurricane.
 - ii. Questions: None.
- V. Mini Grant Request Presentations:
 - a. 2017-FM-01 Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority is asking for a \$45,500 mini grant for a SCBA Bottle Fill System at the airport.
 - i. Presenter: Ty Minnick
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. C. Springer: IS there an aeronautical reason why the ARFF trucks don't have a fill bottle station on them?
 - a. T. Minnick: The ARFF trucks design is not set up for the space o that. It is designed for a one-man operation. If you have additional fighter fighters than you can do other things, but this is set up for a one-man operation. There aren't any SCBA systems on any of the trucks.
 - 2. C. Springer: How many bottles do you have?
 - a. T. Minnick: We have about 15 total.
 - 3. C. Springer: When you go to another agency to fill bottles, how many do you take and how long does it take?
 - a. T. Minnick: Depending on the stations, some are quick and some are slow. Older ones take 7 minutes, the new ones take half that time. We usually take 5-6 bottles at a time. Whatever our training needs used.
 - 4. D. Ludlam: The Board has noticed as we have had less money, we have seen more applications for highly depreciating items. How long would this work?
 - a. T. Minnick: With annual maintenance with filters and sensors you can have these for a long time. We had one well over ten years at a previous station we worked at.
 - 5. D. Ludlam: In terms of urgency of need, are you out of regulatory compliance by not having this?
 - a. T. Minnick: The truck is all that is required to respond for regulations. This just helps us. It is part of our PPE.
 - b. 2017-FM-02 Grand Junction Fire Department is asking for a \$50,000 mini grant for a HazmatID Elite Chemical Identifier.
 - i. Presenter: Gus Hendricks

- ii. Questions:
 - 1. D. Ludlam: You thought the shelf life would be comparable to wat you have now?
 - a. G. Hendricks: Yes, we purchased this one in 2004. In that time technology and spectrum of chemicals has changed significantly. We originally purchased this because of the anthrax scare, but now we are considering it again because of the fentanyl and other new substances that we are seeing. We anticipate the same length of service time.
 - 2. D. Ludlam: Does the utilization compare because of the extra acreage and contracts with other emergency departments?
 - a. G. Hendricks: We respond on average to 182 hazmat incidents a year. We use this on specific chemicals approximately 6-8 times a year. We might see a potential spike in an increase, but not much.
- c. 2017-FM-03 Mesa County Valley School District 51 is asking for a \$49,971.87 mini grant for magnify science kits for the entire school district 51 elementary school program.
 - i. Presenters: Maria Duela and John Williams
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. C. Springer: What are all the items that are requested?
 - a. M. Duela: The items are prisms, physics cards, graduated cylinders, beakers, and other fundamental equipment.
 - 2. D. Ludlam: Currently the math and science center has this equipment that get sent out in short term loans to class rooms, but you have to request it, but it is not sufficient to meet the needs of all the teachers and classrooms.
 - a. M. Duela: We mostly rely on them for lab activities. And after a quarter is over, these have to go back. So this gives the teachers the ability to keep the kits at their schools.
 - 3. J. Justman: Do the schools have their own science centers?
 - a. M. Duela: Yes, each school has its own room to keep the equipment.
 - 4. D. Ludlam: How does the reality that with this shortage compare with other school districts? Do other schools like Cherry Creek have their own equipment?
 - a. M. Duela: Yes, I've visited those schools and they do. We have so very little here.
 - b. J. Williams: I can't comment on other schools and what they have. Some place like Cherry Creek put in a lot more local tax money. They put in \$2,200 more per kid, per year. Over time

that really adds up. We haven't done that here in Mesa County. I compliment you for this simple process and for being direct.

- d. 2017-FM-04 Grand Junction Downtown Development Authority is asking for a \$25,500 mini grant for an update to date development plan.
 - i. Presenter: Brandon Stam
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. D. Ludlam: Just out of curiosity, with all the things that have happened downtown why h as it not been updated since Debbie Gibson was popular? Why did no one ever pick it up off the shelf and dust it of?
 - a. B. Stam: I'm not sure the full history on that, as far as past directors have gone. I think part of it is, is that it was working so no one felt the needs to mess with it. When I reached out to other DDA's in Colorado, Grand Junction and Fort Collins are the two oldest DDA's in the state. And one thing that was very apparent was everyone else had updated theirs. Longmont was the next oldest and they had updated their as well. With having many new board members, there wasn't as much shared history as past boards, and new staff also, maybe didn't have as much direction. There was talk of a strategic business plan and what the restrictions are and how do we move forward. That was where the process went with me.
 - 2. D. Ludlam: What restrictions do you have?
 - a. B. Stam: It is similar to a city. You get public outreach, and go through the same processes are that. The City has their downtown district plan, their growth plan, their comprehensive overview plan, and they organize their priorities. They are going to be challenged for public outreach if they just go out and develop a green zone without that. It is so vague at this point that there is wiggle room, but it's not a comfortable position for me and the board to be in. There are a wide reach of projects that can be done with this.
- e. 2017-FM-05 East Orchard Mesa Fire Department is requesting a \$28,429.51 mini grant for the fire department to be fitting with personal protective equipment for their 15 volunteer fire fighters.
 - i. Presenters: Dan van Loon and Roblee Talbott
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. C. Springer: What is your budget?
 - a. R. Talbott: Our budget is \$33,000 a year. Our expenses are close to \$29,900. There isn't much wiggle room for saving or getting this equipment without assistance.
 - 2. D. Ludlam: What are your boundaries for the taxing district?

- a. R. Talbott: 38 Rd Hill to Orchard Mesa and goes over to B Road across Orchard Mesa.
- f. 2017-FM-06 Town of Collbran is asking for \$50,000 mini grant for the purchase of a patrol vehicle.
 - i. Presenter: Davis Farrar
 - ii. Questions: None.
- g. 2017-FM-07 Town of De Beque is asking for a \$50,000 mini grant for the Stewart Avenue and 5th Street improvement project.
 - i. Presenter: Lance Stewart
 - ii. Questions: None.
- h. 2017-FM-08 Caprock Academy is asking for a \$18,662 mini grant for the updating of their classroom door locks.
 - i. Presenter: Kristen Trezise and Dan Sherill
 - ii. Questions: None.
- VI. Meeting Adjourned at 3:17 p.m.