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Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District  
Wednesday, September 9, 2015

In attendance:

David Ludlam  
John Justman  
Chris McAnaney  
Banita Community Member  
De Beque Fire District  
Chris Reddin  
Andrew BE  
Carley Nelson

Meeting was called to order at 2:05p.m.

DLudlam reviewed natural gas revenue and decline in the oil and gas industry.

Approval of minutes

Board reviewed minutes. JJUstman motioned to approve. DLudlam seconded. Minutes approved.

General Public Comment

None

Consent agenda

No updates

DLudlam reviewed changes to agenda due to CSpringers absence.

Review and discussion of 2014 Audit

CReddin questioned if the board needs to formally adopt the audit.

CMcAnaney recommended reviewing the document and adopting the audit.

JJustman motioned to adopt the 2014 audit. DLudlam seconded. Audit approved.

Distribution of fall 2015 Grand Applications

CRdddin distributed grant applications and reminded the board that with their discretion they can do what they want. Application as submitted didn't properly answer the application questions. Entity thought the project description was supposed to answer the questions and now have submitted a revised application after the deadline. CReddin questioned if the board would like to accept their revised application.

CReddin informed the board that Garfield County accepts changes like this and are very willing to work with applicants.

JJustman questioned CMcAnaney if they had the authority to make a decision.

CMcAnaney explained that he considers this application acceptable. Without the answers the board would have a hard time scoring the application and the board has discretion to make the decision.

DLudlam viewed the application as incomplete and in order to be fair and consistent doesn't think the application can be scored.

JJustman recommended being more lenient since this is their first application but agreed with DLudlam.

DLudlam asked CReddin to communicate with the applicant the board's reasoning for not accepting the application.

DLudlam moved to reject the application since the application was not complete and for CReddin to follow up with applicant personally and explain fairness and consistency. JJustman seconded. Application rejected.

#### Staff updates

CReddin presented new website layout for the Mesa County FML District.

DLudlam questioned content on the website and how to navigate.

BPhilips questioned if there is somewhere that lists previous applicants and awards presented.

CReddin reminded the board that she will be following up with applicants about partial funding.

Board reviewed schedule and discussed scheduling a workshop for applicant presentations.

Board agreed on September 30th to host workshop.

DLudlam questioned how to structure the presentations.

CMcAnaney recommended reviewing applications ahead of time, allowing equal time, and let applicants know they can expect questions from the board. Don't make changes mid cycle.

JJustman explained concerns about presenters having more experience than others and questioned when the board should make comments and ask questions.

CMcAney explained that this is a trial run and doesn't think the board needs to stick to a certain format.

BPhilips questioned how much time is given to each presenter.

CReddin explained that they have never done this before and can make changes next cycle.

#### New business

JJustman presented mail for the district that was sent to the city

DLudlam questioned the number of applications and why there are so few. Curious as to why so many eligible applicants didn't apply.

CReddin explained that since the process is becoming more competitive applicants are waiting for a project that is competitive.

DLudlam asked CReddin to put together a media release related to the distribution amounts.

CReddin reviewed social media campaign.

JJustman motioned to adjourn. DLudlam seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:35p.m.