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BOARD OF DIRECTORS FALL GRANT PRESENTATION WORKSHOP

Date and Time: 2:30 pm on Wednesday, September 28, 2024 **Location:** Home Loan State Bank Community Room

Attendees:

Quint Shear

Dusti Reimer Craig Springer Bobbie Daniel Kevin Henderson Dane Van Loon Janet Hawkinson Troy Ward Gus Hendricks Lisa Gonsalves

Doug Stassen

Brian Cherveny

Agenda:

- I. Call to Order at 2:30 pm.
- II. General Public Comment.
 - a. Q. Shear said that the money for these grants comes from leases and drilling on federal lands for oil and gas within our region.
 - b. D. Reimer shared the grant presentation format. Each presenter will be allowed 5 minutes to present. She will hold up the sign at the 1-minute remaining mark. If the board has any questions, they will ask after the presentation. Thank you all for being here. As a reminder, there is \$700,000 available this grant cycle and the total request in applications was \$1.4 million.
- III. Presentations by Fall 2024 Grant Cycle applicants:
 - a. Traditional Grants:
 - i. 2024-FT-01 Plateau Valley Fire Protection District: Station Vehicle Exhaust Removal System request for \$143,952.
 - 1. Presented by Kevin Henderson.



- 2. Questions:
- 3. Q. Shear asked what do you do for ventilation right now?
 - a. K. Henderson said right now they don't have any forms of ventilation. They can open up the bay doors, but they run checks every day and running apparatus making sure it's operable.
 - b. Q. Shear asked if they start the vehicles every day?
 - i. K. Henderson said they start up all the vehicles to make sure they're working and operable.
 - c. B. Daniels asked about Molina having three bays, does that mean three trucks? And the apparatus sticks on each one of the truck exhausts?
 - i. K. Henderson said yes, and each hose comes down and connects to each apparatus, and each apparatus will have its own hose.
- ii. 2024-FT-02 Plateau Valley School District 50: Athletic Field Lighting request for \$296,546.
 - 1. Presented by John Holmes.
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. Q. Shear asked if you currently have one nighttime game, if you have the lighting how many nighttime games can you have.
 - i. J. Holmes said the regular 5 one year, and 4 another. We started a Junior High, and we'll probably move to some evening games. But again, this is much more than football.
 - b. C. Springer said you talked about basketball courts at Canyon View, your basketball courts will be under the lights as well?
 - i. J. Holmes said the lights will light up the whole athletic field and will light up the courts adjacent.
 - c. C. Springer asked if you have had a light engineer looked at this and provided the solutions?
 - J. Holmes said we are working with Traynor and FCI and they are well suited in building schools, and they have given us a few models for lights. We aren't looking for NCAA college lights, we're looking for the high school division. Three years ago, we passed this bond, this same project was \$45 million bond. We failed to pass a \$10 million bond. We worked hard in the community to pass it. This same package is \$66 million three years later. Our best grant is \$26 million. We're paying \$40 million now, instead of \$35 million. This is once in a



lifetime. None of us will be around when a new school is built. I will be honest; lights were big to get votes. I know much our community focuses on our school. People work during the day, so to have this at night, is big. We will make this happen one way or another. The mentality we've been struggling with is Dad had that same desk when he went to school here 45 years ago. Its our goal and desire to put a school on this site has the best and equitable as they do down here or across the country. Lights seem like extra, but they aren't for community gather or belonging.

- d. C. Springer asked if the surface is turf or grass?
 - i. J. Holmes said grass. Just to add, we've purchased a used press box and purchased football stands from another regional school in order to stay under budget.
 - ii. We are also running the water line from the town source. Our current water supply is from a spring, so we are working with the town to run a water line through a DOLA grant opportunity. It's about \$2 million project to run this water line to the school. Here we are back at the table, and we have to make this table work. We can't go back to our community and say we need more. That's why we are here today.
- e. B. Daniel said I know we have worked a lot with Plateau Valley to make this work. I appreciate your hard work right now and what you've done on this. I'm glad to see there is other sports that will be participating in this. When school is in session it is dark pretty early, especially in the winter.
 - i. J. Holmes said he would like to create regular hours to facilitate this as well.
- f. B. Daniel asked how many lights you'll need for the package?
 - i. J. Holmes said we have an estimated cost of top of the line of \$700,000. The package we're looking at now, we hope to be about \$400,000.
- iii. 2024-FT-03 Town of Palisade: River Access Improvement Project Harky's Boat Launch request for \$250,000.
 - 1. Presented by Janet Hawkinson and Troy Ward.
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. Q. Shear said he'd like to get on the Town of Palisade agenda to talk about the federal mineral lease board and where we get the funds for the money and share about what we do.
 - b. J. Hawkinson said that sounds great.



- iv. 2024-FT-04 East Orchard Mesa Fire Protection District: Fire Rescue Unit request for \$77,000.
 - 1. Presented by Dane Van Loon.
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. C. Springer said the bed component and the truck component together is \$110,000?
 - b. D. Van Loon said it would be the bed and the truck and the fire unit. That's \$110,000. New units cost \$250,000 and higher if we were to send it to the factory to have made.
- v. 2024-FT-05 Independence Academy Charter School: New IACS Gym and Theatre Upgrades request for \$560,000.
 - 1. Presented by Lisa Gonsalves.
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. B. Daniels said she appreciated there were many levels for opportunity for grant funding. We appreciate that.
 - i. L. Gonsalves said we come from the school district and education, and we always like to say this is what we would love to have if money was no object, but we also are used to making do with little. The building will happen either way, this is good for our community and community partners and parents and students, and we can get more use out of it. The space is being built with the idea that it is a low-cost space for people to perform in. When our community theatres and guitar society go to CMU or anywhere else, they have to pay a fee upwards of \$5,000 a day, which is huge and incredibly expensive for non-profits. We partner with people like The Theatre Project, they use our space already, and now they can use this new space as well, and it supports our expeditionary purpose and the needs of our school. This will not sit empty a lot of time, like a lot of auditoriums do. A lot of people are already asking when they can book the space.
 - b. B. Daniels said she likes how its close and it won't be closed off, so you can use it.
 - i. L. Gonsalves said if you've ever been to our school, you'll be able to come to the same parking area. Right now, if they come to our games the school district gets out at 3:15 until we get out at 4 pm. The parents sit in the parking lots and sit in the commons, until we get out.
 - c. B. Daniels said she has sat in that line waiting.



- i. L. Gonsalves said the parents are so good, and this would allow them to not have to sit and wait. They can go straight to the gym without disrupting any school time or waiting.
- vi. 2024-FT-06 City of Grand Junction: Training Facility Enhancements request for \$91,000.
 - 1. Presented by Gus Hendricks.
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. B. Daniels said there is a lot of water up there when you fight fires.
 - i. G. Hendricks said yes, in the photos you can actually see the puddles of water from the drainage.
- b. Mini Grants:
 - i. 2024-FM-01 Clifton Fire Protection District: Fire Training Facility request for \$29,485.
 - 1. Presented by Brian Cherveny and Doug Stassen.
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. C. Springer asked where the location will be.
 - B. Cherveny said it will be at Clifton Sanitation. It will be at 32 & D Rd. It will serve as a joint project with Clifton Sanitation because they do a lot of confined space entries.
- c. Unscheduled Business.
 - D. Reimer said that concludes all the presentations. Just a reminder we have \$700,000 available for funding. Everyone is invited back to the next meeting on October 16th when the board will see scores and then award grants.
 - ii. Q. Shear said thank you to everyone and said they wish they had all the money needed to fund all the projects. We really appreciated and enjoyed all the presentations. Decision will be based on need or perceived need, impact on the oil and gas industry, visibility, longevity. We thank you everyone.
- d. Workshop closed at 3:27 pm.