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## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS WORKSHOP**

Fall 2016 Grant Applicant Workshop Presentations

**Date and Time:** 2:00 PM on Tuesday, October 4, 2016

**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  
Scott Olsen  
Chris Mcanany  
Dusti Reimer  
Karen Kllanxhja (Mesa County Public Library)  
Joseph Sanchez (Mesa County Public Library)  
Maria Duele (Mesa County Valley School District 51)  
John Williams (Mesa County Valley School District 51 Board)  
Jenn Moore (John McConnell Math & Science Center)  
Kathy Portner (City of Grand Junction)  
Greg Lanning (City of Grand Junction)  
James Barnett (Gateway-UnawEEP Fire Protection District)  
Joe White (Palisade Fire Department)  
Richard Rupp (Palisade Fire Department)  
Charles Balke (Clifton Fire Department)  
Debbie Funston (Palisade Police Department)  
James Wood (Land's End Fire Protection District)  
Joe White (Palisade Fire)  
Lance Stewart (Town of De Beque)  
Chance Ballegeer (GJ Regional Airport)  
Davis Farrar (Town of Collbran)  
Dorothy Crowe (Grand Mesa Metropolitan District #2)  
Michael Bennett (City of Fruita)  
Sam Atkins (City of Fruita)

Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

#### I. Introduction

- a. D. Ludlam welcomed everyone and went over the presentation format. Again stating that this came from feedback from the applicants and stated that having questions does not infer one way or the other to a preference to grant applicants.

- b. Introduction of board and then everyone in the room.
  - c. D. Reimer welcomed participants and introduced board members. Introduced the process for the workshop. Presentations were submitted previously, will go in order of the Grant Applications starting with Traditional. D. Reimer will make a hand signal to the presenter to signal at the 5-minute mark. Presenters will need to notify D. Reimer to move the slide presentation when ready.
  - d. Presentation format: 5-minute optional presentation with questions from the Board.
- II. Presentations by Fall 2016 Grant Cycle applicants;
- a. 2016-FT-01 - Clifton Fire Protection District, Construction Updates to Fire Station
    - i. Amount Requested - \$267,400
    - ii. Presenter – Charles K. Balke
    - iii. Questions –
      - 1. J. Justman-Will this fix the mold problem?
        - a. C. Balke-If we can get the new roof, this will fix the problem. Currently, they have mitigated the mold, but until the roof is re
      - 2. C. Springer – IF you do not get the DOLA grant can you go forward?
        - a. C. Balke- Yes, we will have to cut services we provide.
        - b. C. Springer- What services?
        - c. C. Balke – One position.
      - 3. D. Ludlam – That was the same question I had.
  - b. 2016-FT-02 – Town of De Beque, Steward Avenue Road
    - i. Amount Requested - \$193,918
    - ii. Presenter – Lance Stewart
    - iii. Questions -None
  - c. 2016-FT-03 – Western Colorado Community College, Electric Line Worker Building
    - i. Amount Requested - \$289,125
    - ii. Presenter – Dennis Bailey-Fougner
    - iii. Questions –
      - 1. C. Springer – Western Colorado College is not putting any cash into this- there is just two grants, ours and the state grant?
        - a. D. Bailey-Fougner-Yes.
      - 2. D. Ludlam – What is the status of the state grant?
        - a. D. Bailey-Fougner - We’re in the top ten for the state CCHE’s priority list and we’re going to fight for it in January.

3. D. Ludlam – You said the current program is at capacity for students, what would the expandability would be for the new facility?
  - a. Bailey- we would expand to 75-100 students into the program. The program is less than a year.
- d. 2016-FT-04 – City of Fruita, Aspen Alley Improvements
  - i. Amount Requested - 185,000
  - ii. Presenter – Sam Atkins
  - iii. Questions –
    1. C. Springer – If there is such a thing as normal, and you have to redo your infrastructure, wouldn't you have to do an assessment, wouldn't the city require the businesses to fix their part of the drainage?
      - a. S. Atkins-Not with the drainage. We would have a transportation fee, as businesses come online that could go towards these improvements. If something came on down the road, I don't see those as being high dollar. It's based on trips and there isn't going to be enough business to produce a large enough fee to pay for this.
    2. D. Ludlam – I have a compliment related to the application and the impact. You had an inclusion of the specificity to the employees that have come and gone and that was helpful.
- e. 2016-FT-05 – Mesa County Valley School District 51, New Information Technology for Math & Science Center
  - i. Amount Requested - \$250,000
  - ii. Presenter – Maria Duele, Jenn Moore, John Williams
  - iii. Questions –
    1. J. Justman – What is the enrollment for this year?
      - a. J. Williams – The numbers I saw were 22,300.
      - b. J. Justman – Compared to last year, is this up?
      - c. J. Williams -We're up about 190.
        - i. M. Duele – We have less elementary, but we are up in the high school numbers.
- f. 2016-FM-01 – Land's End Fire Protection District, Update Telecommunications & Fire Apparatus
  - i. Amount Requested - \$4075
  - ii. Presenter – James Wood
  - iii. Questions –
    1. C. Springer – What do you estimate is the useful life of these three items?

- a. J. Wood – Cell phone booster I’m not sure of, but the headsets, depending on the type of apparatus, would last about ten years. The pack sets, the current radios, last about a year for their battery life.
    - 2. D. Ludlam- Of the three items, which would be your most urgent?
      - a. J. Wood – The cell phone booster would be the most urgent. Right now that’s the challenge for us, because we’re not getting those calls. The second would be the battery pack and third would be the headsets.
    - 3. D. Ludlam – Right now, when you get a call, that’s the only mechanism to use?
      - a. J. Wood – Unless an individual is listening to the radio when the call comes in, it will come via text. We are all volunteers, and we are all out and about doing things, and in order to get a call they have to get a text message. In the station it is difficult to get text messages or phone calls, so unless they are listening to the radio they don’t know if we get a call.
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- g. 2016-FM-02 -Grand Junction Regional Airport Authority, Terminal Safety and Security Upgrades
  - i. Amount Requested - \$48,800
  - ii. Presenter – Chance Ballegeer
  - iii. Questions –
    - 1. D. Ludlam – The DHS analysis that gave these recommendations, is that part of the regulatory requirement?
      - a. C. Ballegeer – It is optional. This group came out of Washington D.C. and they go around to regional airports. What I didn’t put into the presentation, because this in nature is a very scary thing, terrorist attacks at local regional airports is something you don’t want to talk about. These groups come to regional airports because of these lone wolf terrorist groups, like the ones that are out and about, try to hit regional airports because the security is smaller and they do not have the funds to do cameras or guards. We are actually charging our airline companies a small fee to have a security guard, at the airport, during business hours to deter any of those things. Terrorist magazines and websites have put out to the lone wolf terrorists this information to try and target regional airports. Regional airports are the easiest to get hit, rather than the larger airports.
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- h. 2016-FM-03 – Gateway-Unawep Fire Protection District, Communications Equipment
  - i. Amount Requested - \$8,200

- ii. Presenter – James Barnett
  - iii. Questions –
    - 1. J. Justman – Do you have any matching funds?
      - a. J. Barnett - We asked for 100% on this. I placed the cell phone on a two-year replacement plan that has been placed on future budgets. We have a list of communication improvements, for the upstart, the requested funds will maintain thereafter.
    - 2. D. Ludlam – I assume my earlier question to Land’s End about the prioritization of the funds is the same, in terms of the cell phone booster being priority number one?
      - a. J. Barnett – If we were to eliminate one from the budget, I would get rid of the cell phone. I can most justify that by decreasing out land line and wiggle that without a grant. The other two items I would not be able to make without the grant.
- i. 2016-FM-04 – Palisade Rural Fire Protection District, Cardiac Monitors
    - i. Amount Requested – 50,000
    - ii. Presenter – Joe White
    - iii. Questions –
      - 1. D. Ludlam – The basic idea is you have this device, that is currently not up to the standards of service, because it is not able to talk to the hospital while you are en route, and you currently have to do everything manually while you are en route to the hospital?
        - a. J. White – The only people in Mesa County that are able to read, per protocols for Mesa County, are those who have been through advanced life support, who have been through an advanced cardiac class. What we get is a 12 lead print out, what we want to do is get that within 5 minutes of a patient having chest pains. Then we want to contact the hospital, by phone, and talk to a doctor in a timely manner. With the new monitor, all we have to do is a 12 lead and push it back, and it is sent to the hospital electronically. They will have it at the hospital before the patient arrives and they will be able to determine what type medical response is needed for the patient, instead of having the patient wait in the ER. This will save about 30-60 minutes for the patient.
      - 2. D. Ludlam – You said this would bring you into compliance, does this mean you are not currently in compliance?
        - a. J. White – At this time we are not in compliance, as far as being able to fax or get that information to the hospitals. We have limited amount of money, and we have until 2018 to bring ourselves up to compliance with these devices.

- j. 2016-FM-05 – City of Grand Junction, Salt Shed
  - i. Amount Requested - \$50,000
  - ii. Presenter – Greg Lanning
  - iii. Questions –
    - 1. C. Springer – What is the life of the PVC shed?
      - a. G. Lanning – About 50-60 years. The only thing that might happen is it might get brittle over time, or the wind might destroy it, if the winds are extra strong.
    - 2. D. Ludlam – It would effectively allow you to hedge your salt purchasing, when you go to buy it and would that be an easy thing to put to pen and paper to show cost savings to tax payers?
      - a. G. Lanning – Yes, it would hedge the purchasing power of the salt to come in larger orders and in larger loads and less transportation using larger trucks. We could put pencil to paper and find out what the savings would be.
      - b. D. Ludlam – I would be interested in seeing the ROI savings for that.
      - c. G. Lanning – We could do that for you. We have thought of doing that in past years, but due to the urgency of getting this done because of the CNG.
- k. 2016-FM-06 Mesa County Public Library District, De Beque Library Project
  - i. Amount Requested - \$47,700
  - ii. Presenter – Joseph Sanchez
  - iii. Questions –
    - 1. J. Sanchez – We help cover the ILS costs for the De Beque School. By working with the school it allows us to split costs. We cover \$50,000-\$60,000 in costs that the school wouldn't be able to cover without us.
- l. 2016-FM-07 – Palisade Police Department, Patrol Vehicle
  - i. Amount Requested - \$36,540
  - ii. Presenter – Debbie Funston
  - iii. Questions –
    - 1. J. Justman – That's a brand new vehicle? Is there a possibility of working with Grand Junction departments to order vehicles at the same time to bring the cost down?
      - a. D. Funston – Yes, it's a new vehicle. It doesn't really bring the cost down, and it's a tough thing to do. Our truck is actually a hand me down from Garfield county that was donated to us. We have tried all kind of things and we are even trying to get into the maintenance program with Mesa County to save on

maintenance costs. We are trying every way we can to save money and bring costs down. We just have these out dated cars, like last year, that in the middle of the cycle that blows up and now we're trying to find \$40,000-\$45,000 out of a budget from nothing. It's really tough.

b. J. Justman – Even transitioning the equipment from an old car to a new car is quite a project.

c. D. Funston – It can be. Our officers are planning to do the switch over work themselves to save money. We plan to auction our oldest car from our fleet to offset the costs of this one. We aren't trying to make any money off this, but just trying to get the car replaced.

2. C. Springer – We are really big on our signage; how do you feel about our signage on a patrol car?

a. D. Funston – I actually brought that up and I think it would be great for our citizens to know where the money comes from.

m. 2016-FM-08 – Grand Mesa Metropolitan District #2, Sewer Collection Improvements

i. Amount Requested - \$50,000

ii. Presenter – Dorothy Crowe

iii. Questions –

1. C. Springer – How many people does this help? This is the second time you applied for this correct?

a. D. Crowe – It covers Powderhorn Mountain Resort, the small Inn, Time Share Condos and Private Condos and two subdivisions. I wasn't aware this was a second time applied for. The bulk of this benefits Powderhorn, but also the families around too.

2. C. Springer – How are the costs shared between the home owners and the resort?

a. D. Crowe – They assign so many units per entity, and they pay in per units for the district and support. Powderhorn pays the bulk.

3. C. Springer – Once these new improvements are made, is there a new agreement in place to for assessments and put capital aside to handle this in the future?

a. D. Crowe – This is not an improvement; it is a necessary repair to get us up to code with the state because we were found in violation. This is all budgeted to continue to run it properly. We decided to reallocate some funds, because we can categorize this into a capital improvement project, we have many grant requests in place from other organizations like DOLA.

4. D. Ludlam – We bring up your previous application from last year and the application scored low. The discussion was that, with the exception of the 17, this was a recreational property area. With there being a certain affluence to having that recreational property, this essentially represents a particular HOA from a practical stand point. In relation to other applications, they are applicants that are serving the broader populations and are in dire need of infrastructure funding. That was the discussion from the last year application and that would probably be my position on this one, unless there is something different, or is there a different perspective to look at with your application this year?
  - a. D. Crowe – I would agree with you. Sitting here and listening to the other applicants and what they are applying for, I understand where you are coming from. Our engineer is the one that alerted us to this grant and this our due diligences to reach out and find funding for this, short of changing the mill levy. We’ve had a chance to re appropriate tax funds to go to this programs. This was just a chance to reach out. Nothing has changed. This project will happen; we are just looking for additional funding.

n. 2016-FM-09 – Town of Collbran, Collbran Downtown Improvements

i. Amount Requested - \$50,000

ii. Presenter – Davis Farrar

iii. Questions –

1. D. Ludlam – There is a chance you might have word on getting the DOLA award prior to ours?

a. D. Farrar – I believe we will know from you prior to DOLA.

III. Public comment:

- a. C. Springer asked about the total amount available to award this cycle. D. Reimer stated that it was about \$725,000.
- b. D. Ludlam reiterated why this workshop process is beneficial for the board and appreciated the participation by applicants. Thanked everyone for coming.

IV. Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Notice of this meeting was posted on October 3, 2016, on our website at [www.mesaFML.org](http://www.mesaFML.org) and at Grand Junction City Hall, 250 N. 5th Street, and at the Mesa County offices, 544 Rood Ave, Grand Junction.