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A notice of this meeting was posted on December 12, 2013 at Grand Junction City Hall, 250 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, and at 544 Rood Ave, Grand Junction.

In attendance:

David Ludlam, Chair  
Craig Springer, BoD  
Mesa County Commissioner, Steve Aquafresca, Secretary  
Chris Reddin  
Dave Frankel  
Dave Wagner  
Richard Sales, Palisade Town Manager  
Carley Nelson, Assistant to the Chair

Chair Ludlam called meeting to order at 2:01

Board reviewed minutes from November 20<sup>th</sup> meeting and from workshop on December 16<sup>th</sup>

Board approved all minutes. SAquafresca motioned to approve. CSpringer seconded. Motion passed.

Chair opened the floor to general public comment: No comments were offered.

DLudlam opened the floor to unscheduled business

DLudlam asked board to approve a letter to delegation that would advocate allowing the current monies take by the federal government as "handling" fees to expire and not be renewed in the 2014 Congressional budget deal.

DLudlam asked board for a motion to approve said letter. CSpringer motioned. SAquafresca seconded. Motion passed.

DLudlam asked DFrankel and CReddin to put together a draft letter.

DLudlam noted that after reviewing the work that occurred during the previous MCFML work session that the board seemed ready to offer a formal approval resolution for funding decisions.

DLudlam entertained motion to approve funding.

CSpringer moved to approve traditional grants as proposed in the applications within the public record said applications- for Clifton Sanitation District, Town of Palisade, City of Fruita, and Colorado Mesa University. Mini grant applications were also offered in the resolution including the Lower Valley Fire Protection District, Clifton Fire Protection District, and Debeque Fire Protection District.

SAquafresca seconded the motion to approve the funding resolution as offered by CSpringer. Noted that the order of applicants within the resolution in no way reflected the manner in which they were scored.

CSpringer noted the FML district is funding all of the chosen applications at the full amount. (Inferring no partial funding would be made)

DLudlam noted that the mini grant from Palisade isn't being funded because they can only receive money for one grant- per the grant program guidelines.

DLudlam called the question. Motion passed.

DFrankel noted that he will, as a next step, draft contracts that CReddin will review and finalize and then will distribute to successful applicants for review and signature.

DFrankel noted that applicants need to sign contracts for grants by January 10<sup>th</sup> and then be presented to board at January meeting.

DFrankel thought they (the board) had until the 14<sup>th</sup> but noted he would confirm date with CReddin.

CReddin noted the next FML meeting is January 8<sup>th</sup>. DFrankel is in Denver and SAquafresca has conflict as well.

DFrankel asked to move meeting to January 15<sup>th</sup>.

CSpringer asked to hold workshop meeting on January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

CSpringer wanted to review changes for next year's application and discuss methodology for improvements while ideas are still fresh in mind.

Board agreed. Next meeting to be held on January 15<sup>th</sup> to review contracts and workshop to follow on January 22<sup>nd</sup> where board can discuss changes for the next cycle of applications.

CReddin discussed the FML logo and asked Garfield County if logo unification was an interest to them. Their response was negative. Noted Garfield did not like the idea and wants MCFML to use their own logo. CReddin asked board to contact from their level, not at her administrative position.

SAquafresca agreed and believed doing so would add value.

CReddin noted that it was SAquafresca's idea to use the same logo. SAquafresca thinks if not the same logo something similar.

DLudlam noted from a branding and visibility perspective it would make sense and SAquafresca could call fellow commissioners

SAquafresca noted that his board might have a meeting with Garfield County at the end of January and could talk to someone there.

CReddin discussed plans to announce chosen applications and when to issue press release announcing the awards.

SAquafresca noted press releases on Fridays get lost in the weekend news.

CReddin wants the press release to go out before winners are printed in newspaper.

DLudlam volunteered to call unsuccessful applicants and CReddin volunteered to release press release that very say.

CSpringer questioned his term and when it will be ending.

DFrankel clarified board members terms. CSpringer's term will be ending in 2014. DLudlam's term will end in 2015. DFrankel offered to provide exact dates at a later meeting.

CSpringer would like the record to reflect that the FML District can use the Home Loan Bank Building room without himself or a Home Loan representative being on the board.

SAquafresca suggested to clarify the source of these dollars are from the energy industry not from the Department of Local Affairs.

CSpringer asked if applicants should come in and give feedback about what they did or did not like related to the MCFML process.

CReddin will encourage people who applied to come to the January 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting and share thoughts on process.

SAquafresca doesn't want board to have to defend scores.

CSpringer noted there won't be any scores disclosed to defend.

DWagner noted that process was great and he is happy with the results.

RSales felt the process was adequate and to not make process any harder. Also noted that CReddin did a great job editing the process.

DLudlam entertained motion to adjourn. CSpringer motions to adjourn. SAquafresca seconds. Meeting adjourned at 2:26.