Location
Carnegie Building
2nd Ave.
Durango, CO 81301

Board Members Present:
Werner Heiber
Peter May-Ostendorp
Kurt Schneider
Tom Holcomb
Jack Turner
Paul Senecal arrives 3:08pm
Peter May-Ostendorp leaves 4:39pm

Absent:
Laura Moorefield
Heather Erb
Mary Beth Miles
Mark McKibben
Lew Pratsch

Guests:
Nancy Andrews arrives 3:08pm

CALL TO ORDER – Werner calls meeting to order at 3:06pm.
  ➢ No introductions. No guests.

OLD BUSINESS
  ➢ Approval of September and October meeting minutes.
    o Motion: Jack moves to approve September meeting minutes, Peter seconds. Passes unanimously.
    o Discussion on the appropriate method for documenting executive session discussions
      o Kurt: could store at 4CORE server/network storage; there is an admin only area that only
        Kurt can access currently
    o Motion: Jack moves to approve October 2015 minutes, Tom seconds, with amendment that Jack
      be added as attendee. Unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS
  ➢ LPEA BoD meeting update, Jack
    o New rates have been approved to release for public comment, C&I rates will drop, residential rates
      will increase by 5ish %
    o Base rate will be increasing as well
    o Expect further increases in the future

  ➢ Finances, Kurt Schneider, Treasurer
    o About $55k in cash accounts, not including reserves
    o Accounts receivable: about $2k outstanding from the city
    o Accounts payable: Sarah still has some outstanding vacation, some rebate payments
Currently have a small net income at the moment due to decrease in ED expenses
Original forecast was to burn through reserves about $10-12k, but decrease in payroll means we’re coming out with funds still in our cash accounts at EOY

- City of Durango funding update, Werner Heiber
  - City announced that there’s a $27k fund, $5k available for HomeRx upgrades from previous years; HomeRx incentives generally not being tapped, not a lot of people tapping the upgrade rebates, but more taking advantage of HomeRx incentives
  - Werner has been discussing with Mary Beth to maintain the $100/audit incentive; followed up with Mary Beth by phone
  - Staff and council also are looking to establish mutual goals with 4CORE and a mission that 4CORE and the city agree on: 1) how does 4CORE become sustainable? 2) what is 4CORE going to do to help the city on their goals?
  - New ideas to bring to the city:
    - On bill financing and PACE financing to encourage energy efficiency investment
    - More education: workshops, education sessions
    - Building energy benchmarking and information transparency
  - Pagosa Verde’s conference/symposium: looking to elevate to be a DOE Center for Appropriate Tech, but needs a non-profit entity to lead it (potential entry point for 4CORE)

- La Plata County funding update, Mark McKibben
  - Commissioners are currently proposing similar budget levels for operational support as in previous years; pretty much just a formality of adopting the budget here

- LPEA funding update and meeting with Mike Dreyspring, Kurt Schneider
  - Grid Alternatives had reached out to LPEA on solar for low income; were looking to get match funds on a project
  - We’ve had experience with them on a local project in town and a Habitat home
  - Dan Harms has been promoted Director of Technology, Rates and Policy; Mike D. looking to set up regular meetings with him and Dan in the new year
  - Co-op consortium isn’t moving as quickly as hoped; may not be an immediate near-term option for 4CORE engagement

- Program update, Kurt Schneider
  - EPA Environmental Justice: Diane in process of implementing QAPP with scope changes
  - Solarize Archuleta: Diane’s been introduced to the Solarize Archuleta contractors and steering committee; running into some EOY permitting/application issues at LPEA and trying to get applications in to obtain $300/W REC payments for this year, which drop to $100/W in 2016
  - Jack: I’ve been assured that Solarize Archuleta participants would be grandfathered in to old REC incentives
  - Tom: may need to extend the deadline for applicants a little bit into the new year to meet the intended target
  - Kurt: we don’t want to hang anyone out to dry who’s being supportive of 4CORE; we owe it to all our funders but especially to Mike D. to be very forthcoming about our future direction; if we’re going to do something different than we’ve proposed, we need to notify them yesterday
  - Jack: Mike D’s idea is intending to fund 4CORE out of the general fund

- Motion: Werner moves to enter executive session, seconded by Mark. Nancy included in executive session. Unanimously approved.
- Board enters executive session, 4:07pm
- Board exits executive session, 4:33pm.
- Board development, Werner Heiber
  - We need a vote at the next meeting for any extensions of board memberships.
Tom: I want to help through the transition.

Werner: we need to get through this transition, not look for new BoD members, but potentially find some new blood who could help with community outreach, fundraiser experience

CALL TO ACTION

ADJOURNMENT – MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:00 PM.

Next Meeting:

Respectfully submitted by:
Peter May-Ostendorp, Secretary, 4CORE Board of Directors