

AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION
MONDAY, July 27, 2015 – 5:00 P.M.
AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING

Minutes

1. Call Meeting to Order 5:15 pm and Roll Call
Jerry Page (Chairman) Bill Leddy Stacy Lewis Scott Natvig Steve Bradford
The meeting was called to order at 5:15pm. Jerry Page, Bill Leddy and Steve Bradford were present. Stacy Lewis and Scott Natvig were excused. Also in attendance was Adam Thompson with the City and Mike Woerly with Carve Aero.
2. Approval of October 27, 2014 Minutes
Minutes were approve, Steve motioned to approve, Bill seconded, motion passes 3-0
3. Communications and Comments
No Comments or Communications
4. Runway 6/24 Project Update
Staff updated the commission on the status of the Runway Reconstruction Project. The commission discussed in detail change in schedule, bid outcome, what work will be completed, oversight and inspections. On this topic the commission also discussed increasing the usage at the airport and the issues we have had with blowups this year and in pass years. The blowups discussion was initiated by Bill. City Staff will continue to keep commission updated on changes and the progress of the project.
5. T-Hangar Connector Road Project Update
Staff updated the commission on the status of the T-hangar connector road project. The commission discussed in detail the project schedule and bid outcome. The project will look to begin in September and will be finished yet this year.
6. Hangar Expansion
The commission with the support of city staff is beginning to investigate and plan Hangar Expansion in the coming years. With the possibility of changes in FAA & State funding in the near future, more funding will be determined by usage at the airport. The Commission has a lot of work and research to do to move this process forward. The commission is working to complete a new economic analysis on the airport, research area airport hangar rental cost, research funding opportunities, connect with industry associations and survey to hangar tenants, MUT pilots, and other pilots.

7. IDOT Grant Expectations

Staff informed the commission that we are expecting the approval of the IDOT electrical improvements grant application. The other two applications have been denied. On this item the commission discussed the rotation beacon. We have invoices in to review; staff will complete and submit the Emergence Grant App to the IDOT.

8. Airport Fence

Staff has made multiple requests to the sheriff for assistance. Staff is still working to schedule their assistance.

9. Airport Commission Public Involvement & Outreach

With funding changing with the FAA the commission should work to increase usage of the airport. Staff would like the commission to work on holding a Public Outreach & Education Event. Other ideas discussed are an MUT pilots dinner or breakfast so everyone can meet and better know each other, host a fly-in event, community tour that would be fun for our community and education on the valuable resource here in our community. We will keep working on this in hopes of having an event in 2016.

10. Other Business

Bill asked the commission to discuss the glider club using a winch for their launches. City staff noted a few things that would need to be discussed those being: insurance, liability and no increased city cost. The commission was in support of the idea. The club will put together a plan and will discuss more with the commission

Steve motioned to adjourn at 7:18 pm.

Adjourn: 7:18pm

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting is August 24, 2015 at 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Adam J Thompson, secretary
Community Development Coordinator