

WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AVIATION COMMITTEE

Date: October 4, 2017

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Present: Robert Warnke, Maribeth Gabert, Harold Singstock & Thomas Konetzke

Also Present: Peter Moll, Airport Director; Bill Roh, Supv. Dist. 7; Robert Keller, Supv. Dist. 32; Jennifer Jensen, NextJen Studios; Justin Rust, Basler Flight Service; Jim Busha, EAA/tenant; Debbie & Larry Last, Fred Stadler & Sandy Forsgren, tenants

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Warnke at 8:30 a.m.

1. Public Comments on Agenda Items: Mr. Stadler expressed concerns about the currency of news and calendar items on the airport's website. Mr. Last inquired about discussing repairs to the east side hangars on the next agenda. Mr. Last inquired about the cost of the ARFF pad. Mr. Last inquired about the user agreement with the IAC as noted on the previous month's agenda.
2. Approve Minutes of September 13, 2017: Mr. Singstock moved to approve the minute of September 13, 2017, seconded by Ms. Gabert. Motion carried 4/0.
3. Airport Director's Report:
 - a. IAC National Aerobatic Competition: Mr. Moll stated the event was fairly uneventful. Noise complaints were logged by the tower, Basler Flight Service, and the airport administration office. Ms. Gabert stated she received some complaints from tenants who felt they were inconvenienced by the event. Mr. Singstock stated it was a good learning experience and that a formal agreement should be drafted next year. Ms. Gabert asked about information regarding the event that was posted on the airport's website.
 - b. Taxiway B Construction Report: Mr. Moll reported most concrete work was completed but smaller pours were still being completed; the landscaping on the south side of runway 9/27 is done and major landscaping work north of 9/27 around the taxiway was completed. Mr. Singstock asked what other taxiways were going to be worked on in the future. Mr. Moll stated Taxiway A and the extension into the business park were in the next five years capital plan.
4. Discuss/Approve Ground Lease for Ben Jacobs private hangar construction: This item was pulled from the agenda.
5. Airport Marketing Report – Jennifer Jensen, NextJen Studios: Ms. Jensen addressed concerns about the timeliness of information on the website. Ms. Jensen stated the big push this year was the social media work. She and her staff are rebuilding the framework to the website to include new stories only and will refresh constantly. This should be done by the next Aviation Committee Meeting. Mr. Last, Mr. Stadler, and Mr. Busha expressed the urgency to update the information and content. Mr. Moll stated that NextJen Studios would have the website updated by the November Aviation Committee meeting. Concerns were also expressed about a perceived conflict between NextJen Studios and GO-EDC.
6. Old Business: Ms. Gabert stated the G & H hangars should be replaced; Mr. Singstock iterated the need for all information is included when this project is presented to the County Board.
7. Chairman's Report: None
8. Committee Member Statements/Suggestions/Items for Future Agenda: Mr. Singstock requested a report from Mr. Busha next month regarding EAA's opinion on the runway removals. Mr. Singstock also asked Mr. Moll for a budget report at next meeting. Mr. Last (a tenant) asked for the committee establish a replacement plan for the G & H hangar, for Mr. Moll to explain the landing fee structure, to review of user agreements, and where in the EAA lease it states that the airport cannot charge for using the west ramp area.
9. Set Next Meeting Date: Next meeting is set for November 1, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.
10. Adjourn: Mr. Konetzke motioned to adjourn at 9:57 a.m., seconded by Ms. Gabert. Motion carried 4/0.

Respectfully submitted,
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