

**General Dick Stout Field  
Airport Advisory Board Meeting  
Minutes  
August 16, 2016**

**Present:** Mike Vercimak, Al Matheson, Laron Hall, Gerald Pratt, Art Granger, Kirt McDaniel, Scott Detton, Barry Reinherz and Connie Martin.

**Item #1 Call to order, Pledge of Allegiance, Prayer**

Mike Vercimak called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Art led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Item #2 Review Minutes of March 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

There were no required corrections to the minutes of March 15<sup>th</sup>. Al motioned to to approve the minutes of March 15, 2016. Laron seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Item #3 Discuss Lease Negotiations**

This item was tabled for a future discussion as Clark is currently attending a UAMPS retreat up north.

**Item #4 Discuss a possible restaurant at the Airport**

Laron Hall has talked with George who is the owner of the Stagecoach Grill. George has indicated he is interested in building a restaurant at or near the Airport if a lease can be worked out that is similar to the hangar leases. There was a question about planned growth of the airport. Mike explained there is a plan for runway improvement and widening, but not lengthening or expansion. There was a comment about sustainability. There was a discussion about the potential location of the restaurant, whether it would be inside or outside the gate. There was a question about future emergency services at the airport. Mike stated there may be a fire station built on the City owned property in the future.

The discussion turned back to the logistics of building a restaurant. Mike stated George would need to submit a plan to the Planning Commission for any zoning questions. If approved, the plans would need to be submitted to the FAA for approval if the restaurant will be built on airport property. There was a discussion about a corner piece of property possibly being released by the FAA for use. The Board was not opposed to having a restaurant; they just felt the proper steps need to be taken for approval.

**Item #5 Report on Budget**

Mike provided a copy of the approved budget (attached). The bottom line total was \$33,532.00. Last year there was \$20,000.00 added for any grant match needed. This year the City Manager wanted to eliminate this line item and stated he would find the money if needed. Art commented on the number

of derelict airplanes at the airport and the general decline of aviation. Mike talked about the different sources of revenue for the airport. Al commented on the shortage of pilots.

**Item #6            Report on Fencing Project**

Mike reported on the fencing project. He has received a letter of project completion from the FAA. All financials have been paid and the project looks good. There has been an inspection by the FAA and there were only a few issues, one being some of the lighting that needed to be taken down. Overall the inspection went well.

**Item #7            New Business**

Art provided some information about what hangars can be used for according to the FAA (attached). He asked the Board how aggressive he should be in enforcing the rules. Basically, there should never be anything stored in a hangar that impedes the movement of an aircraft in and out. There was a discussion about previous inspections and the concerns of the Fire Chief. Reports have been given to the City Manager, but no direction has been given as to what to do next. Mike stated that any action needs to come from the Council unless there is an immediate hazard which Art should handle on a case by case basis.

There was a discussion about submitting names to replace Trace Allen on the Board. He has some employment conflicts. Laron submitted the name of David Houston. Al motioned to move slowly. Gerald seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Scott Detton asked about the new lease on his hangar. Mike stated it is his responsibility to renew the lease with Clark and advised he make an appointment to do so as soon as possible.

Kirt talked about the process to widen the runway. According to the FAA there is no longer a need for an EA. He asked if the Board would like him to pursue a design in 2017. Mike told Kirt to go ahead. Kirt will contact the FAA and get the ball rolling.

Al motioned to adjourn at 9:50 am. Gerald seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.