

VERMILION REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Board Meeting Minutes April 20, 2021

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chairman Myers called the April 20, 2021 meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Agenda Item 2 – Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance recited, and a moment of silence observed.

Agenda Item 3 – Roll Call

Upon roll call, the following commissioners were present: Jonathan Myers, Joe Vincent, Mike Fuesting, Craig Davidson and Steve Foster. Manager Alex Gale and Assistant Airport Manager Sheryl Tingley were present.

Agenda Item 4 – Audience Comments

Pat O’Shaughnesy spoke about bringing BOV back to the airport for 2021.

Agenda Item 5 – Adoption or Amendment of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Vincent to adopt the agenda, seconded by Dr. Fuesting. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 6 – Approval of Minutes March 20, 2021

Motion by Dr. Fuesting to approve the March 20th minutes, seconded by Mr. Foster with the agreed upon changes. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Motion by Dr. Fuesting to approve the March 20th executive session minutes, seconded by Mr. Davidson. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 7 – Managers Report - Possible Action Items

Mrs. Gale presented a written report on the activities of the month. Discussion of monthly projects ensued. No action items were made.

Agenda Item 8 – Office Manager’s Report – Possible Action Items

Mrs. Tingley announced the audit will be starting. Also mentioned, two additional financials were in the packet for the first quarter of the year. Discussion ensued about expenses and the budget.

Agenda Item 9 – Treasurers Report: December Financial Items & Payables - Action Item

Dr. Fuesting stated all financials have been reviewed. Discussion ensued. Motion by Dr. Fuesting to approve February payroll and March payables, including: the monthly check report, balance sheet, current P&L, P&L by YOY Comparison, seconded by Mr. Vincent. Upon voice vote, 5 yes motion passed.

Agenda Item 10 – Approve Farm Lease Amendment:

Mr. Davis presented the amendment for the reduction of farmland available to lease. Mr. Vincent made a motion to accept the amendment to the lease, seconded by Dr. Fuesting. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 11 – Adopt Employee Handbook – Action Item

Discussion ensued about changes to the employee handbook as presented. The following were discussed a) gambling b) drug policy c) religious observances d) alcohol e) vacation. Motion by Dr. Fuesting to adopt the employee handbook as amended, seconded by Mr. Davidson. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 12 – Approve Legal Action for Abandon Aircraft – Action Item

Discussion ensued about the abandoned aircraft. Motion by Mr. Vincent to have Mr. Davis proceed with legal action and to charge \$50 for ramp fees, seconded by Dr. Fuesting. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 13 – Legal Issues Regarding Authority Territory – Action Items

Discussion ensued about windfarms and farmland in the county. Discussion also about the possibility of getting the 1945 judgement changed. Mr. Davis is to continue pursuing these issues.

Agenda Item 14 – Approve Bid Specification for Ramp Fence – Action Items

Discussion ensued regarding changing the chain link fence behind Flight Line to black rod iron. Mr. Foster made a motion to purchase the rod iron fence at 6' to be placed behind Flight Line as long as it was below \$25,000, seconded by Dr. Fuesting. Upon voice vote, 5 yes motion passed.

Agenda Item 13 - Commissioners Reports

Mr. Davidson expressed concern about the covid vaccine activities interfering with George Camarata. He also announced a Stearman Formation Clinic weekend in September 2021. Possible need for hangar space; Dr. Fuesting volunteered his hangar.

Dr. Fuesting reported that the flight club is closer to purchasing a plane.

Mr. Foster reported Vermilion Advantage to rebuild their website and using our links on their page.

Agenda Item 14 – Monthly Manager Performance Review – See Executive Session

Agenda Item 15 – Executive Session

- A) Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (6): The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.....
- B) Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (11): Litigation.....
- C) Pursuant to Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1): Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body.....

Motion by Mr. Vincent to go into executive session for item 11 C for discussion of employment., seconded by Dr. Foster. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Motion by Mr. Vincent to go out of executive session, seconded by Mr. Fuesting. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 16 - Adjournment: A motion by Mr. Vincent seconded by Mr. Fuesting was made to adjourn. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

MINUTES Approved ___X_ Amended ____ By Acclamation this May 18, 2021