

VERMILION REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Board Meeting Minutes June 15, 2021

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chairman Myers called the May 15, 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, and Steve Foster. Craig Davidson was absent. Manager Alex Gale and Assistant Airport Manager Sheryl Tingley were present.

Agenda Item 4 – Audience Comments

The Flight Club said thank you for the Airports help in getting started.

Agenda Item 5 – Adoption or Amendment of Agenda

Motion by Mr. Vincent to amend the agenda by reversing the order of #12 and #13 also strike #19, seconded by Dr. Fuesting. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 6 – Approval of Regular & Executive Minutes May 18, 2021

Motion by Mr. Foster to approve the May 18th minutes, seconded by Mr. Vincent. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Motion by Dr. Fuesting to approve the May 18th executive session minutes, seconded by Mr. Vincent. 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 noted that May was the first month we collected revenues at the Flight Line since reopening. No action items were made.

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

Dr. Fuesting stated all financials have been reviewed. Discussion ensued. Motion by Dr. Fuesting to approve May payroll and payables, including: the monthly check report, balance sheet, current P&L, P&L Previous Year Comparison, seconded by Mr. Vincent. Upon voice vote, 4 yes motion passed.

Agenda Item 10 – New Maintenance Vehicle – Possible Action Item

Mrs. Gale presented the sealed bids that were received. Discussion ensued. Motion by Mr. Foster to have a new mechanic review the truck to see if it is repairable before we accept the bid, seconded by Dr. Fuesting. Upon voice vote, 4 yes motion passed. Mr. Vincent to look into the possibility of purchasing a new non licensable truck.

Agenda Item 11 – Hangar 7 West Door – Possible Action Item

Mrs. Gale presented that no bids were received from the advertised notice in the paper. It was noted that Mr. Camarata would prefer the work to be done in August. Mr. Davis advised to reprint the notice. Mr. Myers would like a new bid opening the week before the next meeting. No action taken.

Agenda Item 13 – Hangar Rate Revision

Motion by Mr. Myers to increase the aviation hangar rates by 10% with an annual increase according to the core CPI rate; also, to double the non-aviation (storage) hangar rates, seconded by Mr. Foster. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 12 – Hangar Lease Revision

Motion by Dr. Fuesting to adopt the new lease as presented with the new rates, seconded by Mr. Foster. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

Agenda Item 14 – Turf Runway Rehabilitation – Action Item

Mr. Vincent presented our options regarding the turf runway. Discussion ensued regarding not investing significant dollars into a runway that crosses other runways and going from turf to pavement, turf to pavement and back to turf. No action at this time; will revisit in the future.

Agenda Item 15 – Approve Legal Action for Abandon Aircraft – Action Item

Mr. Davis will have a document for Mr. Myers to sign for legal action within a week.

Agenda Item 16 – Legal Issues Regarding Authority Territory – Action Items

Mr. Davis presented that he has had meetings with the Supervisor of Assessments Office and Vermilion County Clerk’s Office regarding the tax of the windmill generators that are attached to parcels of land within the Airports territory. Mr. Long is to get a list of these parcels to Mr. Davis. Motion by Mr. Myers to file a petition to reconnect plats upon which wind generators are situated or institute tax on wind generators currently operating within the Airport Authority’s territory, seconded by Dr. Fuesting. Upon voice vote, 4 yes motion passed. Revisit next meeting.

Agenda Item 17 - Commissioners Reports

- a) Mr. Davidson was absent.
- b) Dr. Fuesting reported that the flight club has the plane at the Airport.
- c) Mr. Vincent reported BOV is going as planned and voiced the concern about the grass and the holes.
- d) Mr. Foster had no report.

Mr. Myers reported that he had 15 explorer students attend his class and he wants to have his students be able to ride in August.

Agenda Item 18 - Commissioners Comments

None

Agenda Item 18 – Monthly Manager Performance Review – None

Agenda Item 19 – Executive Session None

- 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.....

Agenda Item 20 - Adjournment: A motion by Mr. Myers was made to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Vincent. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation.

MINUTES Approved Amended By Acclamation this July 22, 2021