

VERMILION REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Special Board Meeting Minutes January 11, 2024

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chairman Camarata called the January 11, 2023, 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: Gardner Peck, George Camarata, Steve Foster, Vicky Brown, and Liz Sookarry. Manager Tess Cook, Office Manager Tracy Van Duyn were also present.

Agenda Item 4 – Adoption or Amendment of Agenda

Motion by L. Sookarry to accept the agenda, seconded by S. Foster. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation. 5-0.

Agenda Item 5 – Audience Comments

None

Agenda Item 6 – Approval of Minutes

Agenda Item 7 – Executive Session

Executive session called to order @ 4:02pm. Motion by G. Camarata, seconded by S. Foster. Roll call 5-0 motioned passed.

- a) Open Meetings Acts 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (6): The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body.
- b) Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (11): Litigation and/or Contracts.
- c) Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120/2 (1) (c-d) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, or Legal &/or other consulting service for the public body.

Exited Executive session @ 4:46pm. Motion by G. Peck, seconded by L. Sookarry. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation. 5-0

Returned to Open Session @ 4:49pm.

Item 1) Remove Jerry Davis Law from Legal representation of the Vermilion Regional Airport – Motion by S. Foster, seconded by L. Sookarry. Roll call 4-1 - motioned passed.

Item 2) Accept Rod Hightower Strategies termination of contract – agreed to send letter to finalize date of termination as of January 31, 2024. Motion by L. Sookarry, seconded by V. Brown. Roll call 5-0 – motioned passed.

Item 3) Postponed selection of new legal counsel John Beardsley until the next meeting. (January 16th, 2024).

Agenda Item 13 - Commissioners Comments

G. Peck wanted to say a few words about thanking Rod Hightower Strategies and Jerry Davis Law for their services to the Vermilion Regional Airport.

Agenda Item 14 - Adjournment:

A motion by G. Camarata was made to adjourn, seconded by V. Brown. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation. All answered in favor, motion passed. 5-0, – Meeting adjourned at 5:13pm.

MINUTES Approved _____ Amended _____ By Acclamation this February 20, 2024