

VERMILION REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Board Meeting Minutes May 8, 2025

Regular Meeting:

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chairperson Camarata called the meeting to order on May 8, 2025, at 4:00PM

Agenda Item 2 – Roll Call

Upon the roll call, the following commissioners were present: George Camarata, Liz Sookarry, Steve Foster, and Mike Vadeboncoeur were present. Airport Assistant Manager Tracy Van Duyn was also present.

Agenda Item 3 – Adoption or Amendment of Agenda – Action Item

Motion by M. Vadeboncoeur to accept the agenda, seconded by L. Sookarry All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation. 4-0.

Agenda Item 4 – Audience Comments

None.

Agenda Item 5 – Approval of Minutes – Action Item

Regular Meeting Minutes for March 18, 2025. Motion by M. Vadeboncoeur to approve the regular minutes seconded by L. Sookarry All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation. 4-0.

Agenda Item 6 – Financials / FBO Report – Action Item

L. Sookarry stated she had reviewed all the financials to the commissioners. S. Foster made a motion to approve April payroll and payables, including: the monthly check report, balance sheet, current P&L, P&L Comparison, seconded by M. Vadeboncoeur. Roll call – 4-0, motion passed.

Agenda Item 7 – Add Board Member to Old National Bank as Signer – Action Item

The Board voted to add Mike Vadeboncoeur as an additional signer to the Old National Bank account. L. Sookarry made a motion to approve the additional signer, seconded by S. Foster. Roll call – 3 – 1, motion passed.

Agenda Item 8 –Items of Interest – Discussion

Assistant Manager, Tracy Van Duyn gave an update Manager, gave a report on items going on at the airport or tasks that have been completed by the team since the last meeting in April. – No Action Needed.

Agenda Item 9 –Storage Hangar Policy – Action Item

The Board agreed that the “Last in First Out” policy would stand for all storage hangar units. M. Vadeboncoeur made a motion to approve this policy, seconded by S. Foster. Roll call – 4-0, motion passed.

Agenda Item 9 –New Airport Manager– Action Item

The Board agreed to hire Doug Hardy as the new Vermilion Regional Airport Authority Manager. M. Vadeboncoeur made a motion to approve Doug as the manager, seconded by L. Sookarry. Roll call – 4-0, motion passed.

Agenda Item 11 – Executive Session

S. Foster motioned for the Board to enter Executive Session, seconded by L. Sookarry @ 4:23PM. George Camarata, Liz Sookarry, Steve Foster, and Mike Vadeboncoeur was present. Also, Doug Hardy and wife Rhona Hardy were present. Assistant manager T. Van Duyn joined the executive session at 4:44PM.

- 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.

Agenda Item 12 – Returned to Public Session

The Board re-entered the Open Session at 4:55PM. Once the Board returned to open session the decision to move from Health Alliance to Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois – Option #2 was chosen for the employees of VRAA. Motion by M. Vadeboncoeur to approve the changing Health Insurance Companies seconded by L. Sookarry Roll call – 4-0, motion passes.

Agenda Item 13 – Commissioners Comments

M. Vadeboncoeur complimented the current team of Tracy Van Duyn, Brad Englert, and Brad McBride on the re-decorating and painting of the interior Administration building. He said it looks better than he has seen in a long time.

Agenda Item 14 – Adjournment

A Motion by G. Camarata was made to adjourn, seconded by M. Vadeboncoeur. All answered in favor, motion passed by acclamation. 4-0 Meeting adjourned at 4:57PM.