

Minutes of the
GILLESPIE COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
Monday, Jun 18, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Roberts
David Smith
Gary Stehling
Tim Lehmberg
Bob Hickerson
Steve Allen

STAFF PRESENT:

Tony Lombardi, Manager
Dennis Neffendorf, County
Jerry Luckenbach, City

GUESTS PRESENT:

Ethan Crane
Bev Smith
Bob Snowden
Will Weinheimer
Jim Brandenberger

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:31 PM by Chairman Mike Roberts.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular May 21, 2018 meeting were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- Cattle Guard Discussion. David Smith led the discussion. He gave a synopsis of the history of the cattle guard, and reviewed all the issues we have encountered. After a quick discussion, he presented the AKCO's proposal. AKCO will replace the current pre-casted concrete cattle guard with a steel pipe one (made by Barret). Mr. Smith also mentioned that the new one is out of TXDOT oversight with no certification/engineering review or warranty. The quote for the new cattle guard is \$24K, and AKCO is pursuing cost sharing. AKCO requested cost sharing between AKCO, RPS Klotz, TXDOT and Gillespie County. Mr. Smith made it clear that Klotz will not pay, since they are a consulting engineering firm. He also stated that TXDOT will not pay, since they have already paid for the cattle guard, and believe it AKCO's responsibility, under the warranty. Knowing that Klotz would not pay prior to the meeting, Mr. Smith organized a group of private investors willing to fund Klotz's amount (25%). Smith presented the finally cost sharing proposal: AKCO (25%), Private Investors (25%) and Gillespie County (50%). He also mentioned using RAMP funds for the County's portion. (*The AM received clarification from TXDOT after the meeting...RAMP funds cannot be used for this project*). The AM requested dividing the shares into thirds, and AKCO was willing, if requested. The board recommended presenting this proposal to Commissioner's Court for their approval.

AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

- Budget review/Phase II. The AM reviewed the changes to the airport budget. The AM mentioned that he added the county's cost share for phase II and removed a few items from other line items to the budget. The final budget request for next year is \$344,240.00 (\$112,100.00 (minus phase II/engineering cost)). He also mentioned that the bid package for phase II was submitted by RPS Klotz to TXDOT.
- Approved projects. The AM reviewed the 3 RAMP projects that were approved by the court...installation of sprinkler system, painting of the T-Hangars and the installation of solar powered taxiway lights. The AM mentioned that painting could start within the next 2 weeks, and that coordination between the tenants and the contractor is vital.

- July 4th Activities. The AM mentioned that the Hangar Hotel is planning to provide food services and drinks during the 4th of July festivities. The AM mentioned that he is trying to solicit pilots/owners to park their aircraft near the hotel as static displays, and plans to block off a portion of the ramp for this. He also mentioned that the airport is paying for the ad below to be printed in the Jun 27th edition of the Fredericksburg Standard.



- The County T hangars occupancy update. The AM stated that we are 100% full, and we have a new tenant in B10. He also stated that there is no news on the status of B-6.

OLD BUSINESS

- RAMP Project List review. The AM reviewed the current RAMP budget...after the 3 projects mentioned above, the remaining RAMP amount is ~\$11K.

REPORTS

Dave Smith reviewed FBO fuel sales...He stated that fuel sales are still high, but he has revised his projection for the amount of gallons to be sold. He has reduced his prediction to ~360K gallons of fuel (last year was ~341K gallons). Tim Lehmborg reviewed the April sales tax numbers with the board. He stated the city was up 8.8% and county was up 12.36 from last year. He also reviewed the 1st calendar quarter numbers.

ADJOURNMENT (2:25 pm)