

Minutes of the
GILLESPIE COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, January 18, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mike Roberts, Chairman
David Smith
Gary Stehling
Keith Keller
Tim Lehmborg
Steve Allen

STAFF PRESENT:
Roger Hansen, Manager
Calvin Ransleben, County
Liaison

GUESTS PRESENT:
Beverly Smith

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was opened at 1:30 PM with the welcoming of two new members. Tim Lehmborg and Steve Allen and acknowledgment of new Chairman Mike Roberts and new Vice Chairman Gary Stehling. The meeting was then called to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular November 16, 2015 meeting and minutes of the special session of December 14, 2015 were approved.

AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

The events list for 2016 was passed out with the comment that it was already out of date as a new event was added during the noon hour.

The Military Bunch for Lunch program contains \$117.92.

Commissioners Court Items included new board members, new Chairman and Vice Chairman positions and approval of T hangar leases.

The County T hangars remain full.

An incident took place when an aircraft struck a runway edge light. The aircraft was being operated by a CFI from a nearby flight school. While we are awaiting the cost of shipping the aircraft owner has been notified of the approximate price.

NEW BUSINESS

Representatives from a possible balloon event and a new banner towing business were scheduled to present their proposals but both cancelled at the last moment. A discussion did take place with concerns being voiced on the impact on aircraft traffic. The balloon event has been tentatively scheduled for calendar year 2017. The banner towing business is

completing the necessary paperwork for the FAA prior to getting insurance coverage. Both groups will come to the board meeting some time in the future.

OLD BUSINESS

The CIP final design has been completed which includes the addition of an apron/ramp in the northeast area. We are waiting for a meeting of TXDOT-Aviation, Klotz and the airport manager to review final documents.

The Pulley hangar base material pad has been completed and the concrete portion should be completed soon. Structural material will arrive during the first two weeks of March 2016.

The runway 32 PAPI lights were inspected by the FAA and are at the correct angle of 3.0 degrees.

REPORTS

The FBO reports that total fuel sales for CY2015 closed out at nearly 290,000 gallons of fuel which is approximately 21% above the record set in CY2014 remain at 20%. The forecast for CY2016 will be about 286,000 gallons of fuel sales. A return of airborne fire fighters could alter that forecast as they were approximately 1/3 of the increase above CY2014 numbers. Cheap fuel will probably be available for this year.

The City and County tax receipts still show in the positive area.

COMMENTS

Garver USA consultants will attend the next meeting and bring lunch for the group. That meeting will take place on February 15, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 PM.