Minutes of the GILLESPIE COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, March 21, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT: STAFF PRESENT: **GUESTS PRESENT:**

Liaison

Mike Roberts, Chairman Roger Hansen, Manager David Smith

Gary Stehling Keith Keller Tim Lehmberg **Troy Ottmers**

Ethan Crane Calvin Ransleben, County

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular February 15, 2016 meeting were approved.

AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

A current events list was passed out with comments that the latest addition the Greatest Generation Aircraft coming on Memorial Day weekend.

The Military Bunch for Lunch program contains \$202.96. This is an increase due to donations from members of the Ex Military Flyers.

Commissioners Court item was approval for the Greatest Generation Aircraft to sell rides at the airport and approval of a T hangar lease.

The County T hangars remain full.

NEW BUSINESS

A recap of the TXDOT Aviation Conference was given by the attendees, David Smith, Ethan Crane and the airport manager. Most discussion centered on the fact that TXDOT had FAA discretionary funding removed by the FAA due to a perceived large amount in the total Aviation Division bank account. More information will follow as TXDOT works to regain the FAA funding levels.

OLD BUSINESS

The CIP will come before the Texas Transportation Committee in March for approval.

The Pulley hangar concrete slab is complete and the structural steel is being erected.

REPORTS

Sales of both Avgas and Jet A continue to outpace the same time as last year which was a record year. People continue to fly for both pleasure and business and our airport is a portal to the destination of Fredericksburg. Rental cars continue to be in demand for our visitors.

Tax sales receipts, just like fuel sales, for Fredericksburg and Gillespie County continue to be on the upswing. The County and City were above the same time last year by 6.32% and 10.89% respectively. Real estate sales are up.

COMMENTS

The manager brought up a future discussion item for the Board and it is the question of how many private hangars can our airport afford to have constructed on County land. In the coming meetings we will consider the question with no rush to a decision.

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.