

Minutes of the
GILLESPIE COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
Monday, Mar 19, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike Roberts
Gary Stehling
Tim Lehmborg
David Smith
Steve Allen
Mark Cornett

STAFF PRESENT:

Tony Lombardi, Manager
Dennis Neffendorf, County

GUESTS PRESENT:

Bob Hickerson
Gwen Fullbrook
Ethan Crane
Josh Crawford
Nathan Polsgrove

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM by Chairman Mike Roberts.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular Feb 12, 2018 meeting were approved.

Special Announcement by David Smith: David Smith introduced Bob Hickerson (potential new Advisory board member) and Josh Crawford and Nathan Polsgrove from Garver. Josh and Nat gave a quick summary of their engineering firm, and their interest in helping Gillespie County.

AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

- Action Plan update/Phase II. The AM gave a summary of his meeting with TxDOT on Feb 28th. The AM stated that our TxDOT planner is still trying to find funds for the "action plan". The AM stated that we do not have any state entitlement funds available until at least 2023. The AM also stated that he mentioned to TxDOT that we would like to add on to phase II. The AM requested to move the portion of "B" taxiway that is between the parallel and the ramp north of its current position. TxDOT would not commit to this add-on, but would research it.
- Regional Airport Managers Meeting (TxDOT) (Apr 10th). During the FAA conference in January, the AM requested that TxDOT hold a Regional Airport Managers Meeting to discuss hot topics that effect all the area airports, and to give everyone a chance to share best practices. The AM volunteered to host the meeting. The meeting will be April 10th from 9am - 2pm at the conference center. The FBO has also volunteered to support it.
- TXDoT Conference (March 27th -29th) Galveston, TX. The AM mentioned that Ethan Crane, Steve Allen and himself will attend the TXDoT Aviation Conference next week.
- Construction Update (Rhett Hawk, Smith and Gasmire/Carruth). The AM gave a summary of the construction projects that are ongoing. Mr. Smith updated the board on his project.
- The County T hangars occupancy update. The AM stated that we are 100% full, but 2 hangars will possibly become open next month.

NEW BUSINESS

- "New" Airport Advisory Board Member nomination (Vote Required). Mr. Smith reviewed Bob Hickerson's resume with the board. The board voted unanimously for recommending Mr. Hickerson to Commissioner's court for appointment to the board.

- Crosswind (Gwen Fullbrook) Lease (Vote Required). Mr. Smith presented the draft lease to the board. The only recommendation for change was from Dennis Neffendorf. Dennis recommended changing “closet” to “room” on the first page. The board voted unanimously for recommending the lease go to Commissioner’s court for approval.
- Airport Day Update (Steve Allen) (Apr 7th). Mr. Allen gave a summary of “Airport Day” planning.
- Airport Event Planning Meeting (Mar 21st) . The AM staed the he will hold a meeting with local individuals to discuss how to increase community involvement with the airport. He invited airport business members and local pilots, city planners, chamber of commerce and county reps. He also invited the Advisory Board Members.

OLD BUSINESS – No discussion

REPORTS

Dave Smith reviewed FBO fuel sales...He stated that it was not a good month. The combined fuel sales decreased 8.4% from last year. Tim Lehmborg reviewed City and County sales for this year. January Sales showed a similar decrease as the fuel sales. The adjusted sales were negative for both the City and the County (City -10.7% & County -4.2%)

COMMENTS. Next meeting is Apr 16th

ADJOURNMENT (2:40 pm)