# Minutes of the GILLESPIE COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD Monday, May 17, 2021

@ County AgriLife Building

MEMBERS PRESENT:	STAFF PRESENT:	GUESTS PRESENT:
Mike Roberts	Tony Lombardi, Manager	Gwen Fullbrook, Crosswind
David Smith	Dennis Neffendorf, County	Ethan Crane, FBO Rep
Tim Lehmberg	Bobby Watson, City	Tim Pierson, TFS rep
Greg Snelgrove		Ian Waghorn, TAC Aero
Judie Mooney, EAA Rep		
Steve Allen		
Bob Hickerson		
Absent		

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 PM by the Chairman, Mike Roberts

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular Apr 19, 2021 meeting were approved.

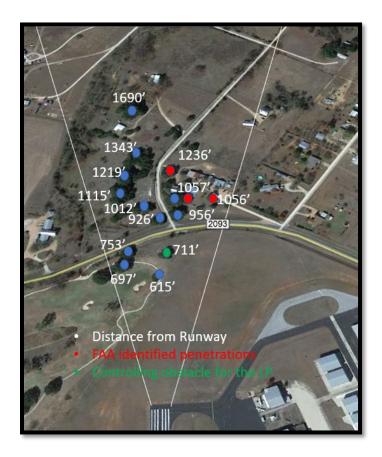
#### AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

- Upcoming Events/Court Actions The AM reviewed the upcoming events for the airport and the recent commissioners court actions.
  - Event Update (Italicized Unconfirmed)
    - July 4th Fireworks
    - Birddog Flyin, 14-17 Sept
    - Meyers Aircraft Owners Association Reunion, 22-26 Sept
    - Court Action The AM reviewed the following item On 04/26, the Court approved the lease for 224 Business Court LLC and approved the result of the selection committee. On 5/10, the court approve the TXDOT agreement for the 21ALFREDB planning study.
- Airport Status the AM notified the board that the photocell for the runway lights/beacon just failed over the weekend...The lights work via manual mode. Parts are ordered.
- T-hangars occupancy update. The AM stated that we are 100% full...waiting list is at 26.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

• Handyman/Grounds Keeper Discussion. The AM gave a presentation to the board on adding an additional county staff member at the airport, which was recommended by the 2010 "Next Decade" master plan supplement. This individual would reduce the workload on the county landscapers, janitorial services staff, and the general facility maintenance staff. The county workload increased by two buildings last year, without adding any additional personnel. After a thorough discussion, the board wanted to focus on getting more from the landscaper that the airport already pays 1/2 the salary for, and therefore did not support the idea of adding an airport staff member.

- FY 22 Proposed Budget Presentation. The AM presented his proposed budget to the board for their support, and once again reviewed the current RAMP budget and project list. At the conclusion of the presentation, the board gave their support for the proposed budget. The budget is due to the county by Jun 4<sup>th</sup>.
- LPV Discussion. The AM reviewed the reason why T82 needs a LPV to runway 14, and educated the board members on all the airspace, easements and ordinances that are associated with this issue. Following the review/discussion, the AM identified the 3 trees that penetrate the vertical guidance slope that prevents the airport from getting a LPV to runway 14. This data was provided by the FAA, and flight checked in 2019. All 3 trees are on the Chuckwagon B&B property. After a thorough discussion, the board recommended contacting the owner of the B&B to open dialog on trimming the trees. The board recommended Judie Mooney leads the team, and will ask Bob Snowden to assist, since he is friends with the owner (Mrs. Becky Higgins).



#### **OLD BUSINESS.**

- CIP updates:
  - o Phase II update/ Planning Study/Action plan. The AM and Mr. Smith reviewed the projects with the board.

## **REPORTS**

EAA report – Mrs. Mooney had nothing to report, except that the EAA chapter has sent letters to candidates already determined, offering an opportunity to apply for the EAA Ray Aviation Scholarship.

David Smith reviewed the fuel sales for last month (the FBO is forecasting ~450K gallons of fuel sale this year), and Tim Lehmberg reviewed the sale tax reports for the City and County.

TFS Update – Tim Pierson provided an update on the forest service and hopes the upcoming rain (forecasted) will help break the drought in the hill country.

Crosswind Update – Gwen provided an updated to the board on her flying school activity.

ADJOURNMENT (3:32 pm) and next our next meeting is Jun 21st.

Note: all minutes are available on the airport website (<a href="http://www.gillespiecounty.org/page/airport%20-%20AAB%20Minutes">http://www.gillespiecounty.org/page/airport%20-%20AAB%20Minutes</a>)