

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRINCETON AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2009, AT 5:30 P.M., AT THE AIRPORT A/D BUILDING**

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, Gene Stoeckel, called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The other members present included Jack Edmonds, Joe Glenn, Jeff Dotseth and Duane Kruse. Others present: City Council Member/liaison Dick Dobson, City Administrator/Airport Manager Mark Karnowski, Airport Engineer Joel Dresel, Larry Handshoe (Baldwin Township) and Alden Osvold

AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS – During the meeting, other items not on the agenda that were discussed included an update on airport access issues and the possible gating of the north end access point.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

EDMONDS MOVED, SECONDED BY DOTSETH, TO APPROVE THE OCTOBER 5, 2009 MINUTES OF AAB AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0).

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Grant Updates

Engineer Dresel advised the Board that, due to recent weather concerns, he was recommending that the Runway Improvement Project be postponed until next spring. The alternative was to move the completion date to Thanksgiving. He noted that he had a letter holding the prices quoted in the bid documents plus the company's already signed the contract. He also noted that, if asphalt prices go down in the spring, the City could re-bid the project.

There was consensus amongst the members to concur with the recommendation of the Engineer and postpone the Runway Improvement Project until the spring of 2010.

Dresel advised the Board that the parts for the lighting update had been ordered and that the project would soon be underway.

Dresel was asked whether the project including inspection and repair of the runway lights that appear to be staying on 24/7. He indicated the contractor and MnDOT have agreed to look at them and see if they can advise of what the problem might be.

As far as the mower deck grant is concerned, Karnowski indicated he'd received an email from MnDOT advising that the paperwork is in the mail.

B. American Wings Air Museum

The Board reviewed a memo indicating that Jay Blake and Karnowski met with a representative of the American Wings Air Museum (Randy Lopic) on Friday, October 23rd to discuss their needs.

Karnowski advised that the good news was that they've been contacted by both Princeton and New Richmond, Wisconsin and, of the two interested cities, they prefer Princeton. The bad news is that they do not have any money to build a new building.

Lapic advises that the meeting in New Richmond was interesting and that they seem to be very interested in having the museum in that city.

He said the State of Wisconsin is willing to commit a large sum of money to fund the operation as Wisconsin is looking for businesses to move to Wisconsin, especially from Minnesota.

Wisconsin is also looking at Economic Stimulus funding from FAA. He gave us the web link for that program and Jay's looking into it.

The general consensus of the Board was that any agreement should provide for the Museum to be self supporting without a city stipend. Karnowski indicated that staff will continue to work with the Museum.

C. Airport Access Update

Karnowski advised that the city had reached a preliminary agreement for picking up the Richard and Roger Anderson hangar and property on the north end. He's still working on the In-Line property issue. It was suggested that either Wes Geurkink or George Freichels could have information on the history of the In-Line issue.

There hasn't been any movement on solving the Kruse property through-the-fence issue. Hopefully the parties will again return to an atmosphere of negotiation.

D. North End Access/Gating

Joe Glenn asked about the access issue from the north end and suggested some sort of key-pad gate be considered.

NEW BUSINESS: - None

E.A.A. REPORT: The Board was advised that their next meeting is November 10th, otherwise, there's nothing new to report other than they will be selling calendars with photos from their car show.

MANAGERS REPORT:

A. Fuel Sales – Karnowski distributed the fuel sales reports for September. Sales are still down

MISCELLANEOUS: - None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the following motion was offered:

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MOVED BY EDMONDS, SECONDED BY KRUSE. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Karnowski, Airport Mngr.

ATTEST:

Gene Stoeckel, Chair