

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PRINCETON AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 11, 2008, AT 5:30 P.M., AT THE AIRPORT A/D BUILDING**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair, Jeff Dotseth, called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M.. The members present included Jack Edmonds, Duane Kruse, Gene Stoeckel and Joe Glenn; Staff and Liaisons Present: Airport Engineer Joel Dresel, Princeton Community Development Director Jay Blake and Sherburne County Commissioner John Riebel (arrived late). Absent was City Council Member/Liaison Dick Dobson (called/excused). Visitors included: Richard Anderson and Nick & Kelly Poshek.

**AGENDA ADDITIONS/DELETIONS**

It was recommended that two additional topics be added under "New Business". Those being "New Signs" and "Skydiving Business Discussion". Without objection, the AAB agreed to add those items to the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

STOECKEL MOVED, SECONDED BY EDMONDS, TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 14, 2008 MINUTES OF AAB AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Hangar Pad Policy**

The Board reviewed a memo from the Airport Manager advising that the City Council would be taking up the AAB's recommendations regarding the hangar pad disbursement policy. Upon review, the Board opted to make the following additional recommendations:

1. The City should identify the open slots available,
2. The planes from the north building area should be moved as soon as practical and
3. A waiting list deposit of \$100 should be established to maintain an active waiting list.

EDMONDS MOVED, SECONDED BY GLENN, TO REQUEST THE COUNCIL CONSIDER THE ABOVE NOTED RECOMMENDATIONS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Airport Access Issue**

The Board reviewed a memo from the Airport Manager advising that a purchase agreement had been prepared by the city and forwarded on the Mr. Kruse on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Subsequently, Mr. Kruse had retained the services of an attorney and, accordingly, further negotiations will be handled by the city attorney. The board very briefly discussed the issue. No formal action was taken.

**Wild Rose Estates Plat Update**

Jay Blake gave an overview of the current status and explained that the city was considering two possible approaches, Extraterritorial Zoning and Contested Annexation. No further action was taken by the Board, though there was consensus that the City should continue its efforts to protect the airport from encroachment and future landowner conflicts.

**ALP Update**

Dresel gave a brief summary of the ALP update's status. No action was requested or taken.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Sign Costs**

Dresel advised the AAB that presented a list of proposed signs to be erected at the airport including a new sign for the entrance advising of limited access to be enforced by the police department. Also, 30 to 40 "No Snowmobiling" signs are slated to be erected where they have apparently disappeared or are illegible. The plan is to also replace some fading stop signs at the airport. Bob Gerold (Princeton Public Works) worked on the issue and put together the proposed list. The low bid for the signs (from EFA) is \$3,849.98.

GLENN MOVED, SECONDED BY EDMONDS, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE SIGNS BE PLACED AS INDICATED IN THE PLAN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Skydiving Business Discussion**

Nick and Kelly Poshek were on hand to discuss the possibility of a starting a skydiving operation based at the Princeton Airport. They showed a taped introduction from the skydiving club and then opened the subject for discussion. No official action taken, but there was consensus that the AAB is very interested in pursuing such an operation. Several locations were discussed as possible locations that might work for the Poshek's venture. The Posheks are still considering other airports, and hope to be in operation by spring of 2009.

**E.A.A. REPORT:** Kruse reported that the organizations Christmas Party was well attended and deemed a success.

**MANAGERS REPORT:**

**Fuel Sales** – There was no discussion about the report.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** - The consensus of the AAB was to post the price of the aviation gas posted at the pump.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

EDMONDS MOVED, SECONDED BY STOECKEL TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joel Dresel, Airport Engineer

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Jeff Dotseth, Chairperson