

Meeting Minutes
Madison County Airport Board

EKS

August 15, 2022

PRESENT: John Hauck, Beau Bradley, Jim Frey, Mary Oliver, Tyler Holland, Lance Bowser

Commissioner/s: Commissioner John Heckler,

Secretary: Hannah Brook

NOT PRESENT: Commissioner Ron Nye, Scott Payne

VISITORS: Troy Hunter - *Choice Aviation*,

Board Co-Chairman, John Hauck called meeting to order at 6:06 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Beau Bradley moves to approve minutes, Jim Frey seconds. All aye. Motion carried.

BUDGET

- Discussion on end of fiscal year: FAA end of fiscal year is October 1st, Madison County is July 1.
- Moving forward, Mary Oliver has requested Detailed Revenue and Detailed Expense report from end of prior calendar month to obtain a better snapshot of finances.

RVF – Beau Bradley

- Traffic appears to be down approximately ten percent.
- Looking for an exterminator for gophers.
- Continuing to keep weeds at bay.

RVF HANGER LEASE APPLICATIONS

- None at this time.

EKS – Troy Hunter

- All lights and signs functioning.
- AWOS tripping breaker (Thunderstorm detection or rain bucket). Waiting on Ryan.
- Second warranty work on auto gates completed.
- Lease (due to Clover Forest Fire) with sub-contractor of Forest Service revoked due to multiple warnings for flying drone at end of runway.
- Mowing continues. Weeds a continuing issue. Headwaters will fly over and spray for \$4,000 compared to buying spray for \$3,200 and spraying ourselves.

EKS HANGER LEASE APPLICATIONS

- No new leases
- Discussion regarding C-34 Lindstrom lease. Would like to change lease to read 40x50 instead of original 40x40. Beau moved to amendment of lease with dates, size, and cost. Mary Oliver seconds. All aye. Motion carried.

FBO Report

- Avgas (1860) Jet A (16106)

ROBERT PECCIA & ASSOCIATES (RPA) PROJECT UPDATES – Lance Bowser

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- Montana Land Reliance (MLR) submitted a Notice of Violation for grading work extending beyond specified boundaries. Occurred due to separate agreement between Contractor and Landowner. Creating a MOA agreeing on weed spraying and any re-seeding provided by Madison County.
- Appraisal/Review Appraisals completed on Tracts 22B and 23A
- FAA has currently taken a stance that the land acquisition is not eligible for reimbursement as NEPA was not obtained prior to closing. Has caught ADO by surprise and no additional guidance has been distributed by the ADO as to policy change. Prior land purchases have been completed in advance of NEPA.
- On-going MEDQ and ARPA funding coordination.
- RTTF revision has been submitted to FAA.
- Discussion of Capital Improvement Plan from 2022 through 2027. See Lance Bowser's report for further clarification.

RVF

- RPA is tracking punch list of items remaining: propane tank installation with bollards final re-seeding of disturbed area, Closeout Documents. Propane tank delivery and installation is scheduled for week of 08/22/2022.
- Engineering Report submittal sent to MDEQ in May 2022.
- MDEQ is about six months behind on PWS engineering review.
- Discussion of Capital Improvement Plan update from last year's submission beginning 2023 through 2027. See Lance Bowser's report for further clarification.

RULES AND REGULATIONS UPDATE

- Edited RTTF to include verbiage on drones.
- Originally not allowed within five miles. Suggested changes include "controlled air space" or "airport affected area" could include "agriculture".
- Montana State Law defined as to protect air operators. Already listed items, need to add drones.
- Beau Bradley moves to accept change while waiting for wording. Tyler Holland seconds. All aye. Motion passes.

NEW BUSINESS

Solicitation for new Airport Board member.

- Someone with aviation knowledge. Open to anyone interested.
- Troy Hunter suggested contacting the HOA for Shining Light for potential member list.

Proposal for RPA to submit engineering design for 22B of Shining Mountain Airpark.

- Choice Aviation reached out to RPA, planning for large apron and design for drainage and elevation.
- Design would be done in stages to assist with costs: 3-phase power, drainage. County currently does not have funding.

- Beau Bradly made motion to pursue proposal with RPA. Jim Frey second. All aye. Motion passes.

Meeting called at 7:38 P.M.

NEXT MEETING
Monday, September 19, 2022,
RVF
6:00PM