

MINUTES OF THE LOWELL AIRPORT BOARD

TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2013, AT 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Grimm and the roll was called by Lori Gerard.

Present: Tom Grimm, Jim Myaard, Eric Nelson, Paul Nicholls, David Pasquale and Andrew Schrauben

Absent: Jim Sowle

Also Present: Greg Forbes, Mitch Kahn, Jeff Ostrander, Mark & Stephanie Weaver, Dan Williams and Lori Gerard

The board welcomed David Pasquale as the newest board member.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Myaard moved Pasquale supported to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Grimm moved and Schrauben supported to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2013 as presented. Motion carried.

4. FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Board reviewed and accepted the Financial Reports.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mark & Stephanie Weaver have purchased a home which is in the flight pattern of the airport. Stephanie grew near the Willow Run Airport and is happy to have the airport as a neighbor. They would like to remove about 14 trees and replace them with dwarf fruit trees. Dan Williams will look into what is needed to remove the trees and stumps.

Greg Forbes who is a hangar tenant commented that he was frustrated with the conditions this winter and spring at the airport. He wanted to know when paving would be done. It was noted that is one of the items on the Capital Improvement Plan. Pasquale suggested that Williams contact an engineering firm and get an estimate for paving in front of the hangars and taxiway.

Mitch Kahn, another hangar tenant, stated that the airport is an economic boom for the city. He would like to see the events in the city advertised more on some of the pilot and tourist websites.

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. **PROGRESS ON TREE TRIMMING PROJECT.**
- b. **AIPRORT REPAIR PROJECTS.**

Repairs that were determined from the questionnaires received are:

- 9 rollers on hangar doors
- 2 latches
- 2 wood repairs on doors
- 3 areas of sheet metal
- Painting repairs

It was noted that most of the cost of these repairs will be labor. Williams will coordinate repairs.

Schrauben moved and Myaard approved to a designate \$200 toward hangar repairs. Motion carried.

It was noted that the Bill Schreur received approval for his special use permit from Vergennes Township.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

8. **BOARDMEMBERS COMMENTS.**

Schrauben noted that he appreciated the input from the citizens and airport tenants.

9. **AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT**

It was noted that Jim Sowle would be returning from Florida this week.

10. **FBO REPORT – WILLIAMS AIR POWER**

Williams stated that he was contacted by a Mohawk Flying Club out of Grand Rapids that was looking for hangar space for 2 airplanes. Currently all of our hangars are full. It was discussed as to if and where more hangars could be built on the property and if there were financing programs available thru the state of Michigan for this.

It was moved by Pasquale and supported by Myaard to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.