

MINUTES OF THE LOWELL AIRPORT BOARD
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022 AT 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

Tom Grimm called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Jenell Veltkamp called roll.

Present: Jim Myaard, Eric Nelson, Paul Nicholls, David Pasquale, Jeff Ostrander, Jeff Altoft and Tom Grimm

Absent: None.

Also Present: Casey Brown, Lori Gerard and Greg VanStrien

2. APPROVAL OF ABSENCES

None.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Grimm moved and Myaard seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nelson moved and Ostrander seconded to approve the minutes of November 9, 2022 as written. Motion carried.

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Gerard mentioned the 1st payment of the snowplowing invoice went through.
Grimm moved and Myaard seconded to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion carried.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Lori thanked the board and will miss everyone.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

None.

9. BOARDMEMBERS COMMENTS.

Thank you Lori

10. ORB AEROSPACE - ALEX TAYLOR

None.

11. AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

- a. Merry Christmas to everyone!
- b. Snow removal update – Brown stated Scenic Expressions LLC updated insurance. Ostrander asked a question if Scenic Expressions could make more space to have the Airport turn on the runway. They make one swipe in front of the building and on the runway. Brown will reach out and follow up.
- c. Tree removal – Brown is working to have a tree removed off the end of the runway. Brown has put forth options towards removal; top the tree, stump grinding, buy air space. Dave Inbody could do the work. Brown to make a proposal for updating zoning with Vergennes Township and working with MDOT.
- d. Runway resurfacing - \$40,000 for resurfacing the runway. Brown will talk with City Manager and Council in June - end of September to see if he can get early funding for it.
- e. Elementary school classroom visit – Brown stated he hosted a classroom last week at the airport. Brown's son coordinated the trip with the school. It was an enjoyable event. Brown talked about possibly expanding a similar event and host a spring aviation day with colleges present, having airplanes on display. He would need assistance during the event. It would be for elementary / middle school students. Brown mentioned he would need additional insurance for the event.

Grimm moved and Myaard seconded to adjourn at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted
Jenell Veltkamp