

The Airport Commission met in regular session **Monday, May 13, 2019** at 4:00pm. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hobbs.

**Members Present:**

Ray Hobbs, Bob Crafton, Mark Fryauf, Clyde Tempel, Jerry Vest (late)

**Other Present:**

David Krutsch, Airport Manager; Jerry Carmichael, City Council; Mark Kruger, City Council; Adam White, Garver; Alex Golden, NW Arkansas Democrat Gazette; Linda Jennings, BLA; Roseann Hruska, City Staff;

**Action on Minutes:**

Motion by Chairman Hobbs, second by Fryauf to approve the minutes from April 8, 2019, as submitted, Voice vote: Yes- Unanimous. **Motion carried.**

**Financial Report:**

Flowage Fees: were up 17% for the month, 10.6% for the year.

Account 81136, AIP 36 Taxilane-Apron: issued last payment to the contractor in the amount of \$355,442.39 that enabled finalizing the closing documents. Hoping to have the final project report to FAA this week.

Account 81137: The 37 project reflects an \$8,500 charge that represents the DBE plan and three year goal update that was previously approved by the Commission and City Council.

**Manager's Report:**

Krutsch: The bulk of the manager's report will spill over to the old business and new business concerning the taxiway project.

Mowing ops: We have been battling the rain. Mowing has been challenging but we should catch up this week.

RWY 20 PAPI: The runway 20 PAPI is out of service. Krutsch and members of the Commission discussed various issues related to the PAPI system installed in 2017 in conjunction with the runway project. Concerns regarding reliability were discussed, support from the manufacturer, and long-term implications arising from these issues. Adam White with Garver participated in the discussion and answered questions from the Commission.

Storm impacts: We have not had any storm damage from the recent barrage of storms we had in the last couple of weeks, which marks a first for us. The generator did run for several hours at the tower on a couple of occasions with some power outages on the west side of the field.

Open T-Hangars: We now have a waiting list for the Open T-Hangers at the north end. We are reserving a couple of spaces for use during the project. It says something about the demand for aviation and the economy in general.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1) Status Report- Reconstruct Taxiway project

Krutsch reviewed the design and preliminary plans along with Adam White, Garver. Krutsch presented a few changes from the original concept flowing from detailed design. The primary change was deletion of the access road at the northwest corner of the future hanger development area. Krutsch and White discussed the change and rationale for deleting the access road and shifting parking to the north along Cass Hough

Drive to accomplish the same landside access goal at potentially lower cost. White: This came up after the survey. It's real tight back here. Let's say you want to put that road in there and have some parking in between two facilities if that's how it ends up being. The width to get parking in between those two facilities will need to be 68 feet to get a driveway and parking on both sides. That's a lot of space in here that you would limit yourself to not be able to use especially when you have building separation of 30-50 feet depending on fire codes, etc. but 50 feet is the worse. This is a better approach to get the same parking space as you would get if you tried to fit parking in between with a whole lot less cost. It has a lot of flexibility for the future. You can still put the drive back in the future if the development necessitated it, but this really gives you a good option with a lot of landside access too.

Krutsch: After reviewing this and from the discussions during design, I concur and feel this is the right approach to take. I recommend we go with the concept that is on the board. It doesn't affect the FAA project because that is not FAA eligible anyway, but it will save some money and it will allow us to not sink any investment into a road that may not work out in the future. We can always come back and revisit it with minimal waste.

Members of the Commission addressed questions to Krutsch and White concerning the concept changes, access, and parking spaces.

Krutsch: Any other questions for Mr. White while he is here? If there are no other questions, I'd like to move on to new business. Motion is not necessary. I wanted to give you an opportunity to weigh in on this design since it's different from the previous concept.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1) Consideration of resolutions authorizing submission of grant applications- Reconstruct Taxiway project, tentative FAA AIP 37

Krutsch: We just have one item under new business. In your packet you will see two Commission resolutions concerning the submission of grant applications. These are customary resolutions that were used in the past. As you may recall the FAA has some pretty tight turnaround times for grant agreements and when we have to have the application submitted following the opening of bids. All that will eventually come back through the Commission and Council for the contract authority and budget amendments. This just formalizes the approval process for me to submit requisite grant applications.

Hobbs: Does there need to be a roll call?

Ultimately this will go to City Council. These don't require a roll call, but since the project will ultimately go to Council, I would encourage a roll call.

Hobbs: Do you want to take them separately?

Krutsch: Yes, please.

Hobbs: The first one is the FAA grant application. I will accept a motion to approve. Motion to approve by Tempel. Second from Crafton.

Roll call again: Tempel, Vest, Crafton, Hobbs, Fryauf: Unanimous-Yes. ***Motion carried.***

Accept a motion for the Arkansas Aeronautics Commission. Motion to approve by Vest. Second from Crafton.

Roll Call again: Temple, Vest, Crafton, Hobbs, Fryauf: Unanimous-Yes. ***Motion carried.***

Krutsch: That's all I have under new business.

## **COMING EVENTS**

Krutsch: a couple of upcoming events- Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> of course is Memorial Day so City offices will be closed. The next IDK Saturday brunch will be held on June 8<sup>th</sup>.

Motion by Hobbs, second by Crafton to adjourn. Voice Vote: Yes-Unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:32 pm.