



DeKalb County Airport Authority

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Jess Myers, President
Jerry Korchyk, Vice President

John Chalmers, Member
Don Tribbett, Attorney

John Kruse, Member
Randy Fox, Secretary

MINUTES

May 17, 2024

DeKalb County Airport Authority Scheduled Meeting: The DeKalb County Airport Authority met for the regular monthly meeting which began at 1:00 pm. In attendance at the meeting were; Myers, Korchyk, Chalmers (phoned in), Fox, Kruse, Couchman, Hoit, Airport Attorney Tribbett, John Feister from BF&S, community members Tony and Lara Gaerte, Jim and Reva Hatfield, and Scotty Hepler from Sweet Aviation. Myers opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda: Myers presented the agenda for the May 17, 2024 Board Meeting for approval. Korchyk made a motion to approve the agenda, Fox seconded. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Myers presented the April 19, 2024 meeting minutes for approval. Fox made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, with a second from Korchyk. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Claims: Myers presented the May 2024 claims docket for approval. Fox made a motion to approve the claims with a second from Korchyk. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

FBO Brief: Hepler stated for the month of April they have sold 10,926 gallons of Jet-A and 2,061.57 gallons of AvGas. Hepler stated that the weather may have contributed to the slower month in fuel sales but more than that the runway closure with the PPR's really killed business. Pilots see closure and they read no further. There were 5 aircraft rentals, 30 training sessions, 9 simulator sessions, and 3 discovery flights. The second session of ground school for the year is underway. There were 12 maintenance jobs last month. There are now 14 hangar tenants. Lunch on the Fly drew in 71 attendees today.

Manager Brief: Couchman introduced attendees from the Horsemen's Association. Mr. Mark Carunchia briefed the Board on their plans and stated that he hoped that they matched what the Board expected. Couchman stated that it is exactly what we anticipated. Mr. Tribbett stated that he sees no issue with the amendments that they suggest to the Bill of Sale and Indemnification Agreement, but he will read the referenced agreement with Wolfe House & Building Movers. Assuming there are no issues, Couchman will get amended the Bill of Sale agreement emailed back to Mr. Carunchia just as soon as possible.

Consultant/Engineer Report: Feister asked for Board Action to approve AIP 34 Pay Request 15 Final for FAA reimbursement in the amount of \$486,835.61 total, 90% Fed \$438,152.00, 5% State \$17,136.48 and Local \$31,547.13. Korchyk made a motion to approve AIP 34 Pay Request 15 Final for FAA reimbursement with a second from Kruse. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

He asked for Board Action to approve AIP 36 Pay Request 6 for FAA reimbursement in the amount of \$769,139.67 total, 90% fed \$692, 226.00, 5% stat and local \$38,456.00. Fox made a motion to approve AIP 36 PR6, with a second from Korchyk. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

He asked for Board Action to approve Change Order 1 with Fleming Excavation in the amount of \$191,082.40. Korchyk made the motion to approve Change Order 1 with Fleming Excavation in the amount of \$191,082.40, with a second from Fox. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

He then asked for Board Action to approve Amendment Number 2 to Work Order Number 21 with BF&S – Runway 27 NAVAIDS Relocation Inspection, in the amount of \$37,865.00. Kruse made the motion to approve Amendment Number 2 to BF&S work Order Number 21 in the amount of \$37,865.00, with a second from Korchyk. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Finally, Feister asked for Board action to approve Work Order Number 25 – Taxiway A Paving and Lighting Construction Inspection in the amount of \$270,055.00. Korchyk made a motion to approve BF&S Work Order Number 25 – Taxiway A Paving and Lighting Construction Inspection in the amount of \$270,055.00, with a second from Kruse. On a rollcall vote, Myers – aye, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Fox – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Attorney Brief: None.

Board Member Briefs: Kruse will be attending virtually in June. Korchyk will not be in attendance in August.

Couchman stated that the consultant is working on the final draft of the survey and it is expected either today or early next week.

Couchman stated that he is working with BF&S on graphics for a sign to be placed along 427. Once he has a good draft he will get it out to the Board for review prior to sending to the sign shop.

Upcoming Events: Nothing new.

Public Comments: None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

**Next meeting June 21, 2023
Public Meeting at 1:00 PM
DeKalb County Airport
Glenn Rieke Terminal Building**

Jesse Myers – President

Jerry Korchyk – Vice President

John Chalmers – Member

John Kruse – Member

Randy Fox –Secretary