



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

June 21, 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, Kruse (virtually), Couchman, Hoit, Airport Attorney Tribbett, John Feister from BF&S, community members Tony and Lara Gaerte, Council Member Rick Collins, and Scotty Hepler from Sweet Aviation. Myers opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda: Myers presented the agenda for the June 21, 2024 Board Meeting for approval. Korchyk made a motion to approve the agenda, Chalmers seconded. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Myers presented the May 17, 2024 meeting minutes for approval. Chalmers made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, with a second from Korchyk. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

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

FBO Brief: Hepler stated for the month of May they have sold 13,741 gallons of Jet-A and 3,409.82 gallons of AvGas. There were 8 aircraft rentals, 37 training sessions, 2 simulator sessions, and 2 discovery flights. The second session of ground school for the year is nearly complete. There were 14 maintenance jobs last month. Lunch on the Fly drew in 102 attendees today with 11 aircraft flying in.

Manager Brief: Couchman presented the Meese Chapel Bill of Sale and Indemnification Agreement with the Horsemen's Association for final approval and signature. Chalmers made a motion to approve Myers signing the Meese Chapel Bill of Sale and Indemnification Agreement with the Horsemen's Association with a second from Korchyk. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously. Kruse dropped his connection.

Couchman presented Resolution 2024R-1, a Resolution transferring \$241,601 from the General Fund unappropriated to the Rainy Day Fund per statute. Korchyk made a motion to approve Resolution 2024R-1 with a second from Chalmers. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously. Kruse dropped his connection.

Couchman presented Resolution 2024R-2, a Resolution transferring \$47,593 from the General Fund unappropriated to the Cumulative Airport Building Fund per statute. Korchyk made a motion to approve Resolution 2024R-2 with a second from Chalmers. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously. Kruse dropped his connection.

Couchman then stated that he believes it is time to start discussing constructing T-hangars and asked Mr. Tribbet to discuss various financing methods available to the Board. Tribbett discussed bonding and loan contracts and there was significant discussion on how many T-hangars we might need and what the best way to contract with a builder might be. Ultimately Feister from BF&S was directed to put together a work order to begin the process of seeking bids on new T-hangars.

Consultant/Engineer Report: Feister asked for Board Action to approve AIP 36 Pay Request 7 for FAA reimbursement in the amount of \$623,845.75 total, 90% Fed \$561,461, 5% State and Local \$31,192. Korchyk made a motion to approve AIP 36 Pay Request 7 for FAA reimbursement with a second from Chalmers. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

He asked for Board Action to submit FAA BIL grant application for Replace AWOS and REPLACE Airport Rotating Beacon AIP 3-18-0004-037 in the amount of \$324,290 Total, 90% Fed \$290,861, 5% State and Local \$16,215. Korchyk made a motion to approve FAA BIL grant application for Replace AWOS and REPLACE Airport Rotating Beacon AIP 3-18-0004-037, with a second from Chalmers. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

He asked for Board Action to approve FAA AIP grant application for Taxiway A Paving and Lighting AIP 3018-0004-038 in the amount of \$3,812,505 Total, 90% Fed \$3,431,254, 5% State and Local \$190,626. Korchyk made the motion to approve FAA AIP grant application for Taxiway A Paving and Lighting AIP 3018-0004-038, with a second from Kruse. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

He then asked for Board Action to approve Self-Service Fuel System pay application 5, retainage release, in the amount of \$30,496.04, 100% Local. Chalmers made the motion to approve Self-

Service Fuel System pay application 5, with a second from Korchyk. On a rollcall vote, Chalmers – aye, Kruse – aye, Korchyk – aye, Myers – aye, the motion passed unanimously.

Feister briefed the Board on the current project which is back on schedule for the July 24th completion date.

Attorney Brief: Tribbett reminded the Board that there is still an outstanding issue with ponds and the DeKalb County UDO that should be addressed sometime soon.

Board Member Briefs: Korchyk will not be in attendance in August. He stated that he flew in very early yesterday morning and saw all the runway lights in all their glory and had a video of the flight prior to the meeting.

Couchman stated that the consultant is working on the survey has promised results sometime in the very near future.

Couchman stated that the sign will be picked up on Tuesday and installed sometime next week.

Upcoming Events: Nothing new.

Public Comments: None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

**Next meeting July 19, 2023
Public Meeting at 1:00 PM
DeKalb County Airport
Glenn Rieke Terminal Building**

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