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MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE KEYSTONE AIRPARK AUTHORITY
Tuesday, March 16, 2010
CONFERENCE ROOM, KEYSTONE AIRPARK

Chairman, Noel Thomas called the board meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.

Prayer was given by Mr. Kirkland followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Noel Thomas, Dean Weaver, David Kirkland, Glen Harris, Ron Blake, Scott Roberts,
Don Ramdass, Roland Luster, Tony Brown, Jim Young, Cindy Ward,

ABSENT: Col. Mauzey

A motion was made to approve the February Financial Statements and the February 16, 2010 minutes.

Motion By: Glen Harris Seconded by: David Kirkland All Ayes

Mr. Thomas recognized the representatives from the Florida Rider Training Program and asked that they make their presentation. Glenn Picklesimer introduced himself and his wife, Cindy, who both work as trainers for the Florida Rider Training Program. Mr. Picklesimer gave a brief description of their credentials and experience in motorcycle riding and safety training. He passed out documents which described their hopes of establishing a motorcycle training school in the local area. Included with the documents were specifications on the size of range they required and types of courses they would offer. He further stated that he was working on a grant to help get the school going and spoke about the lack of areas with enough unobstructed pavement to locate their needed range. After questions and discussion by the Board on the possibility of locating the school on the airport, it was decided that the airport didn't currently have an area large enough with the paving quality needed. Mr. Ivor Wigham with the European Rally School mentioned that he had talked to someone about this program the previous year, but hadn't heard anything else. Mr. Picklesimer said that the areas Mr. Wigham leased were not wide enough for the range. Mr. Thomas said that the only areas that might qualify would have to have FAA approval, because of where they were located, but because of security issues it wasn't feasible. There were some suggestions by Mr. Weaver about a property owned by the Bradford County School Board that might meet their needs. Mr. Weaver also gave them a person to contact with the Northeast Florida Chamber of Commerce. They thanked the Board for their time and suggestions and said they would be in contact and left the meeting.

Mr. Thomas asked Mr. Ramdass if he had any information to report from the meeting with Pipeline Contractors. Mr. Ramdass said they were just meeting for find out their assessment on the situation so far. Mr. Thomas passed around a copy of the report from the FDOT from the results of their Ground Penetrating Radar testing. He said the FDOT would be back out on the 23rd of March to do some bores and to install a monitoring well. Mr. Weaver asked about the Engineer hired by the Attorney, and if we had received any reports from them. Mr. Thomas said that the Engineer was waiting on all the test reports back from the FDOT.

Mr. Weaver reported that 100LL sales were down from the previous year, but that Jet A sales were up, thanks in part to Bob Oehl and military aircraft. Mr. Weaver then referred to a handout that the Board had from the AOPA regarding Airport Security which included a General Aviation Security Checklist. He stated that all Board members should review the checklist to insure that we have procedures in place to be in compliance with security requirements. He also suggested we send out a copy of the checklist to tenants for their information and to alert them to report any suspicious activity or security problems they observe on the airport. Mr. Thomas suggested that all the Board members visit the website listed on the handout and take the security course online, if interested.

Mr. Weaver then referred to the Senate Bill in the handout which would be voted on tomorrow, March 17th. He summarized the impact the proposed bill would have on general aviation airports. This was attached to another Bill that was to be voted on also. He stated that if anyone was apposed to the Bill that they email their Representatives.

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Mr. Weaver gave out copies of an initial report from Cougar Aircraft to the Board members to look over in response to questions from Mr. Luster's at the last workshop. The report seemed to raise more questions than giving answer according to Mr. Weaver. The initial report was several months old but might answer some of the questions about the type of aircraft and funding. Mr. Weaver did say that he had spoken to Cougar representatives seven days prior to the meeting and they have received approximately 95% of their funding. He said that if everyone would email questions to Cindy, he could compile one letter to them to have all questions asked in one document.

Mr. Harris referred to a map that he had provided as was part of the Board packet with shaded areas representing the trees left from the fire. He had inspected the trees and digitized the map to get the actual size of the areas. There were two areas, one with approximately 35 acres of small trees (pulp wood) and 8 acres of mature trees (natural stands). Due to the current market the areas together, would only bring about \$500.00 per acre or \$21,500 total. Mr. Weavers asked what it would cost to replant the area. Mr. Harris answered that based on the cost of replanting in 2009, it would be cost approximately in \$200 per acre to replant it. He stated that if we wait about five more years for the trees to get bigger and hopefully, for the market to get better, we would get a lot more for it. He had his previous working partner look at the area to give his opinion also, and he came up with the said result. When asked what he would recommend, Mr. Harris answered that he would wait until the timber was larger and the market better.

Mr. Blake reported that he had received an initial contact from a group that wanted to visit and look at the possibility in building temporary hangars and leasing them out. He said he would try to schedule something with them to see what their plan is.

Mr. Roberts reported that we have some months before renewal and we have been contacted by another company that specialized in aviation insurance and we will work with them as well as Alexander Aviation to obtain quotes for renewal.

Mr. Kirkland stated that there has been a situation with the wall mounted lighting on around Hangars A and B not working or being very dim. He had contacted some companies that Clay Electric uses for area lighting and they have donated a couple of fixtures for us to put up and evaluate. These light are the generic "barnyard" type lights. He and Jim wanted to put them up and evaluating them, which would be an improvement on what was there now. This wouldn't cost anything, but the time, to replace what was there. Mr. Weaver asked is there needed to be a motion to have them installed. Mr. Thomas replied that it should fall well under the threshold amount which would require approval and bidding to have the work done. Mr. Weaver asked Mr. Young to contact a local electrician to perform the installation.

Mr. Thomas explained that Col. Mauzey was absent due to a prior commitment of acting as escort to a retired General visiting the area.

Mr. Luster said that today he got word that the State is coming out with some major budget cuts tomorrow. He didn't know how much it would be, but according to the State revenue forecast the current year as well as the next two years will be down from the previous year.

Mr. Thomas stated that we had run into a glitch with our Special Events Policy. The State will not issue an event permit if alcohol is not sold. According to our policy for special events, if alcohol is being used, a state permit would be required. Mr. Thomas suggested we change our policy to say "sold" instead of "used". After some discussion on the different situations that might develop where this could be an issue, a motion was made to change our Policy.

Motion By: Dean Weaver Seconded by: Glen Harris All Ayes

Mr. Thomas reported that he had been considering the possibility of utilizing prison labor to help maintain the Airport with mowing and cleaning. In order to use the labor, we would have to have transportation for the prisoners and equipment for them to use, like push mower, weed eaters, etc. We would also be responsible for paying the Guard. There was some

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discussion on the cost effectiveness of purchasing the needed equipment and vehicle versus hiring part-time employees. After the discussion, it was decided to table it until further research.

Mr. Thomas stated that Cindy had been through the TSA online training course. After TSA had their inspection, they required that the person in the front office take the course.

Mr. Thomas reported that two of the Board positions were coming up for appointment. He read the advertisement that was published in the Monitor.

Mr. Thomas reported that this afternoon at 3:00 he had met with Bradford County Manager Brad Carter, John Hersey, Chairman of the Bradford County Commissioners, and a representative from SJWMD, regarding an adjacent homeowner who had written a letter to the Governor about water runoff from the Airport. Due to the regulations by DEP, and that fact that the site in question was zoned "industrial" the only resolution that could be made would be to put a fire break between the property and Airport, and that might help to resolve the problem.

Mr. Thomas passed around a flyer from the Northeast Florida Chamber of Commerce who was having its St. Patrick's Day breakfast in the morning at I-Hop.

Mr. Thomas reported that the WASPs had received the Congressional Metal of Honor this past week in Washington, D.C. He also reported that the Wings of Dreams would have an ad in the paper this week thanking all the Volunteers.

There was no further discussion. Meeting Adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Noel Thomas, Chairman

Attest

Secretary