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Thursday, March 24, 2005

New airport bond could pay for land, hangar ramp

By Bill Gisel

AUBURN — The DeKalb County Board of Aviation Commissioners voted Friday to seek a new airport bond issue one year earlier than planned.

The airport uses the bond funds to leverage state and federal airport funding for capital improvements. Bonds are repaid over a five-year period, according to board treasurer Brad Stump.

By proceeding with an early bond, the airport could fund the purchase of the remaining portion of the Dollier farm east of the airport. The 40 acres is under option that is due to expire this year.

Airport manager Russ Couchman said funds also might be used to pay for “other opportunities” around the airport, including the construction of a ramp and taxiway for a proposed expansion of the Rieke Corp. hangar.

According to a presentation to the board Friday by Dave Martin of Rieke Corp., plans call for construction of a new 80-by 70-foot hangar with a connecting taxiway to the existing hangar and additional parking.

Rieke has asked for assistance in the project, and Couchman said he has met with Jon Myers of the Indiana Department of Economic Development and Auburn Mayor Norm Yoder to see if any state or local funding might be available.

“We are just looking outside the box, to see what might be available” as funding options, Couchman said.

Another possible funding need might be the construction of a new hangar on the west end of the Rieke Terminal.

Stump and Couchman said Magnum Inc., a reciprocating engine repair business now located at Dayton, Ohio, is looking at the DeKalb County Airport as a possible site for a relocation of the



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company.

The move would bring seven or eight jobs to the airport, where about 100 engines would be rebuilt each year.

Also needed at the airport is the installation of three-phase electric service to the Victory Aviation facility. Victory is the airport's fixed base operator, and needs the upgraded electric service to power ground power equipment for the airport's growing clientele of jets.

Three-phase electric is available at a site east of the terminal and it would cost \$25,000 to install 1,500 feet of cable, Couchman said. In the meantime, the board will look at buying a converter at an estimated cost of \$6,000.

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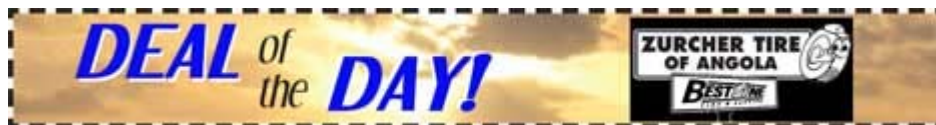
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