



DeKalb County Airport Authority

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Jess Myers, President
Jerry Korchyk, Vice President

Donn Starkey, Secretary
Don Tribbett, Attorney

Bob Patterson, Member
Randy Fox, Member

MINUTES

February 21, 2020

DeKalb County Airport Authority Scheduled Meeting: The DeKalb County Airport Authority members met in the Conference Room of the DeKalb Airport for the regular monthly meeting which began at 1:00 pm. In attendance at the meeting were; Myers, Korchyk, Starkey, Fox, Patterson, Airport Attorney Tribbett, Airport Manager Couchman, Assistant Airport Manager Hoit, Airport Maintenance employees Powell and Walter, Tony Gaerte from Century Aviation, Airport Intern Avrie Pfister, John Feister from BF&S, Mike Burkey from MTI, and Rachel Blakeman from the Purdue Community Research Institute. Myers opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda: Myers presented the agenda for the February 24, 2020 Board Meeting. Fox made a motion to approve the agenda with a second by Korchyk. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Myers presented the January 17, 2020 meeting minutes for approval. Korchyk made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes with a second from Starkey. The motion passed unanimously.

Claims: Myers presented the February 2020 claims dockets for approval. Korchyk made a motion to approve the claims with a second from Patterson. The motion passed unanimously.

Managers' Report: Rachel Blakeman from the Purdue Community Research Institute gave a presentation on the 2019 Economic Impact Study that they just completed. The DeKalb County Airport Economic Impact on the 11 County NE Indiana Region is 31.5 million dollars per year and the Economic Impact on DeKalb County is 24.4 million dollars per year. But for the 2012 Economic Impact Study, this is in-line with all of the others completed and it indicates reasonable growth over the last two decades.

Couchman briefed the Board that the folks from the Kruse Education Center would like to stay in the former Hoosier Air Museum building through the end of the year to finish restoration of a Stinson aircraft for the ACD Museum. Fox made a motion to allow the refurbishing of the Stinson aircraft in the Hoosier Air Museum building with a second from Korchyk. The motion passed unanimously.

Couchman then explained that the Airport owns a piece of property along CR 27 that is isolated between two properties that we do not own. We do not have a use for it and rather than continue to maintain it in a residential neighborhood, he is suggesting that we sell it. After some discussion, Korchyk made a motion to direct Tribbett to begin the process of appraisals and drafting of the appropriate paperwork. Starkey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

FBO Brief: Couchman scrolled through the reports sent by Century. Gaerte stated that it was a slow month. Korchyk questioned an extremely large shrinkage number in the report and Gaerte promised to pass on the concern.

Consultant/Engineer Report: Feister reported that BF&S is planning for a full design review of the CR62 road project at the April meeting. Also, Mr. Gary Wilson from the FAA now states that he would like departure surfaces for the ALP update. This is a departure from what we were told in November. BF&S is now working on production of those documents.

Attorney Brief: Tribbett briefed the Board that he made the offer on the home that was approved at the last meeting to Mrs. Dickman. Mrs. Dickman asked if she can stay in the home through October 31, 2020. After some discussion, Starkey made a motion to allow Mrs. Dickman to lease the home at one dollar per month through October 31, 2020, with a second from Patterson. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Briefs: None. Korchyk asked that we discuss committee assignments at the next meeting.

Board Member Briefs: None.

Upcoming Events: None.

Public Comments: None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 pm.

**Next meeting March 20, 2020
Public Meeting at 1:00 PM
DeKalb County Airport
Glenn Rieke Terminal Building**

Jesse Myers – President

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