



The Airport Advisory Board of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, held a Regular meeting on August 25, 2020, at the DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport, 3232 Pleasant Street, DeKalb, Illinois, in the West Community Hangar.

Vice Chair Bernard Pupino called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

A. Roll Call

Bernard Pupino called the roll and the following members of the Airport Advisory Board were present: Paul Borek, Scott Carlson, Bernard Pupino, James Rhoades, and Tony Faivre.

Also present were: Mayor Jerry Smith, Airport Manager Renee Riani, City Manager Bill Nicklas, and guests Nick and Edie Frerichs, of Cortland, IL, and Eric Dienst, Rev'd Up Motorsports.

B. Approval of Agenda – Additions / Deletions

James Rhoades moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Paul Borek. Motion passed by a majority voice vote of those present.

C. Public Participation

Nick Frerichs read a prepared statement regarding aircraft flying over his home in Cortland, Illinois, east of DeKalb Airport, where he has been a resident for 26 years. He began by apologizing for calling pilots names in the videos and emails he has sent to the DeKalb Airport Manager, City Manager and Mayor.

D. Approval of Minutes – July 28, 2020

Tony Faivre moved to approve the minutes of June 23, 2020 meeting; seconded by Scott Carlson. Motion passed by a majority voice vote of those present.

E. Old Business

1. DKB-4331 – Taxiway – Rehabilitate T-Hangar Pavements, Airport Entrance Road, and Auto Parking Lot
No questions or discussion.
2. DKB-4556: Relocate & Replace the Existing NAVAID Units on Runway Ends 2, 20, & 27
No questions or discussion.
3. DKB-4800: Resurface Runway 2-20
No questions or discussion.
4. AWOS (Automated Weather Observation System)
No questions or discussion.
5. DKB-4853: CARES Act
Renee Riani reported that IDOT has indicated that payments should be processed in the next five to seven days. No questions or discussion followed.

F. New Business

1. Budget

No questions or discussion.

2. Hangar Rentals

Renee Riani updated that a current T-hangar tenant had notified her that he would be vacating his hangar by the end of August to move into an Eagle's Next condo T-hangar. Renee will be contacting those on the hangar waitlist to find a new tenant as quickly as possible. No questions or discussion followed.

Renee updated that the crop duster Air Tractor would be delaying his move-in date to the 2200 Pleasant Street Maintenance hangar a few days due to the fact he had received a contract for additional application he had not anticipated.

G. Reports

1. Airport Manager's Report

Renee Riani reported that Gary Hanson submitted his resignation from the Airport Advisory Board to Mayor Smith, citing his inability to attend due to lack of remote access for attending board meetings during COVID-19 pandemic. Mayor Smith commended Gary's past contribution and encouraged the board members to work with him on securing a replacement that would bring a DeKalb County perspective as Gary had. The board members concurred with Mayor Smith.

Renee reported that she was contacted by a representative of Aldridge Electric/Mortenson regarding their anticipated temporary installation of a 150' pole for cellular service and other components at the Facebook data center construction site. She contacted IDOT who provided a link to an online form that the construction company needs to complete. No questions or discussion followed.

Renee updated that the anticipated burn pile coordination and burn would be handled by Andy Raih and the Public Works staff, and Fire Department involvement was not necessary.

2. Flight and Ground Operations

Renee Riani corrected the fuel sales dates listed to July, not June as listed in the Summary. Tony Faivre remarked about the long hours the Line Service Staff worked during the run of overnight freight hauler flights and the resultant JetA fuel sales and residual handling fees that were collected. No questions or discussion followed.

H. Adjournment

Scott Carlson moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jim Rhoades. Motion passed by a majority voice vote of those present. Vice Chair Pupino adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Renee Riani, Airport Manager

Minutes approved during Airport Advisory Board Regular meeting on 9/29/2020.