

MINUTES OF THE LOWELL AIRPORT BOARD
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2016 AT 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Tom Grimm and the roll was called by Dave Pasquale

Present: Eric Nelson, Paul Nicholls, Jim Myaard, David Pasquale, Jeff Ostrander and Chairman Tom Grimm

Absent: Jeff Altoft and Lori Gerard

Also Present: Bob Bourgette, Greg VanStrien, Mitch Kahn, Greg Forbes, Jim Firland and Casey Brown

2. APPROVAL OF ABSENCES

Pasquale moved and Myaard seconded to approve the absence of Jeff Altoft. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Nelson moved and Myaard seconded to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nelson moved and Grimm seconded to approve the minutes of October 12, 2016 as written. Motion carried.

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Grimm moved and Myaard seconded to approve the financial reports. Motion carried.

It was noted that this year's Fly-In netted \$1089 and \$600 in 2015.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Kahn stated that an outstanding job was done on the door rollers on the west side of C hangar. He appreciated the work done on this.

The entrance door to the annex has been fixed thanks to Bob Bourgette.

7. OLD BUSINESS

None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Nelson commented that the airport is having a mice problem due to the candy and pop in the terminal building.

Jim Firland introduced himself and expressed his concern with the board regarding neither an FBO nor mechanic on site. He was also interested in the master plan for the airport. Firland questioned if hangar spaces were available should he purchase another plane.

9. BOARDMEMBERS COMMENTS.

None.

10. AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

A. Gas pump update - The pump is put in place on the concrete pad. The airport will take over ownership of ordering and selling gas.

B. Adjacent airport hangar prices – It was noted that Sparta, Hastings and Grand Rapids have very comparable prices on hangars rent.

Nelson moved and Grimm seconded to keep the hangar rent the same price for 2017. Motion carried.

C. 2017 Hangar Lease review – the City Manager Mike Burns and City Attorney Dick Wendt have reviewed and approved the updates to the hangar leases. A letter will also be inserted with leases requesting information from tenants to include emails, phone numbers and any repairs needed at airport.

D. V-Tail Bonanza - Brown commented that a salvage lot would take the abandoned Bonanza but he needed to check with city attorney regarding impound.

11. FBO REPORT

None.

Grimm moved and Myaard seconded to adjourn at 8:19 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted
Lori Gerard