

Airport Board
Minutes of Regular Meeting
August 2, 2017

Present: Ron Holmes, Bruce Bellemore, Ed Holloway and Don Meyers.

Absent: Jerry Beebe

Also Present: Molly McGovern, City Manager, Sharon Powell, Mayor Pro-Tem, Larry Murry, Director of Codes Administration, and Jaime Blackburn, Secretary.

2. Approval of Minutes:

Ron Holmes made a motion to approve minutes from June 7, 2017 and July 5, 2017. Ed Holloway seconded. Motion carried.

3. Visitors:

Brad Eales, Mayor

4. Old Business:

Bruce stated the roof is still leaking in kitchen area.

Molly mentioned a roofing company came and fixed a leak on the Hall of Waters and offered to infrared 50,000 sq. ft. of roofs for the city for a set price. We do not have that much roof and so we asked them to do the Hall, Airport, old Community Center, old Bank building and a small four foot section at the museum. They should start next week. Then they will recommend if the roof needs replaced or just repaired.

Bruce mentioned the upstairs leak is not an issue and we will start painting ceiling on Saturday.

Ron Holmes stated none of the lights have been replaced. Larry Murry stated we got the bulbs in last week. The planes will need to be moved in order to change light bulbs. Don Meyers mentioned that he is off on Wednesday. He can meet the city up there and help move the plane out.

Ron Holmes asked if the cage had been put on the vent to keep the birds out of the furnace. Larry stated that can be done when we get a ladder. Ed Holloway thought there was a tall ladder there.

Don Meyers mentioned the LED light bulb added in November is still working. Larry mentioned the company has told him that a lot of airports use the lights but take them out in the fall because they do not produce enough heat to melt off any snow.

5. New Business:

Bruce asked about FBO. Molly stated Collin will get a RFQ ready to send out. Molly also mentioned that our airport really needs to have hangar lease agreements and rules and regulations. She was not aware if we had any. So Collin sent us a sample which he thought was pretty good.

Ron Holmes stated all those rules and regulations came from three lawyers at Liberty. Molly was not aware of where they came from but it was a starting place for us.

Ed Holloway commented that he did not think the City Manager had enough time to do all that was required and that these rules and regulations would be for a larger airport than Excelsior Springs Airport and it could be reduced about 50% because it would not apply to us.

Bruce mentioned the lease agreement form and asked if anyone had anything to change on it.

Ed mentioned the section that talked about tenant is responsible for the disposal of all hazardous materials such as oil, batteries and tires from an aircraft and maybe deposited in designated recycling areas or containers. He was not sure where those

areas were at the airport. Molly stated she is not for sure. Don Meyers stated if they could get a 55 gallon drum from any city department that the airport could have. They would put the used oil in there for a guy that uses it to heat shop.

Molly also mentioned the City has a recycling center that we can make arrangements to take hazardous materials to.

CAP has asked if the city has any old file cabinets that they could use at the airport.

Don Meyers told Larry that he is available afternoon next Wednesday to meet at the airport to move plane and add change out light bulbs.

Molly mentioned the Solar Eclipse is closing in some things they are still needing and they have asked to close the runway for August 21, 2017. There is a concern with the number of people that could come to town and where they are all going to go to view the eclipse. Don Meyers mentioned that he has arranged to have the day off that day to present at the airport.

Molly mentioned the golf course has 40 people coming from Overland Park and are eating lunch and are wanting a place to view the eclipse.

Ron Holmes mentioned grass is growing tall where the concrete meets the asphalt on the runway. Bruce stated there are also cracks in the runway too.

Brad Eales, Mayor, stated then they need to be sealed on the runway. Molly will ask Chad about what we need to do about the cracks and get someone to spray the weeds.

6. Manager's Report:

Don Meyers discussed the Manager Report that was attached to agenda. Don mentioned the BBQ Fly-In committee put that the airport will be giving rides during the fly-in and they did not agree to do this and do not have pilots to fly them.

Molly mentioned the DEP is taking over the BBQ Fest next year.

Ron Holmes asked if Molly has given any keys out to the metal building. He was missing a flashlight. The city has not given any keys to anyone.

7. Comments:

Brad Eales stated after numerous conversations with Ron Holmes and several investors trying to get hangars built at the airport. The biggest problem is the investors do not want to deal with the Airport Board members. They want to deal with the City Manager and the City Council if they are going to invest money at the airport. After going through our board appointment books that no one has done for years, we found it has never been ran correctly. People were not appointed correctly, some members have been making their own rules and regulations over the years and not gone through Council. After two months of discussion, the city is going to dissolve some boards. Not every board but several and airport is one of them. With the two recent resignations and discussed and after talking with Jerry about the way things were happening. Molly is working on a project for the airport that we cannot discuss at this point and time but our goal is to make Excelsior Springs Airport 100% successful and not to close it. We are running into static over some board issues. So we made a decision to dissolve the board. This does not mean you cannot and Don Meyers needs to stay with Molly and figure out the whole manager issues and you can still hold your meetings at the airport like you do now for the Civil Air Patrol. We are 90% sure we are going to pull the Airstream over that was purchased for the Golf Course and use the office area for golf during the construction period. We are running into getting temporary electric from Ameren UE when they tear the old clubhouse down. We are running into a mailing address issue to a license through the Health Department for Kris to cook. It has just become such a huge issue at this point, we are going to dissolve the airport board. We are dissolving the Cemetery Board next. We are paying staff overtime to stay for meetings, producing packets and

every single month we are talking about the same thing.

8. Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Jaime Blackburn, Airport Board Secretary