

DIXON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, DIXON, ILLINOIS
AIRPORT BOARD – Farm Bids
MARCH 08th, 2017 - 5:00 PM at Dixon Municipal Airport

Board Members Present:

1. Mark Appelquist 2. Brian Brown 3. Dave Flenner 4. Dick Meggers 5. Dan Ruckman

Board Members Absent: none

Quorum present? Yes

Dixon personal Present: Public Works – Terry Weter, Street Dept. Manager Jim Canterbury.

Guest Present: Sauk Valley News -Rachel Rodgers, Breneman Aircraft Service – Clay Breneman

Proceedings: The meeting was called to order at 5:04 PM Local time by David Flenner

Secretary's Report: Dave Flenner –

- Correspondence –
 - IDOT letter introducing Clayton Stanball - Specialist in Office of Planning and programing
 - IDOT letter w/ attached PDF regarding GATA training that appears something Terry Weter has also received with training offer in town at IDOT. Terry confirmed having this.
 - IDOT sent report dated 12/16/2016 for Airport Pavement Management System showing current pavement conditions of runways, taxi and ramp areas.
 - Mark Appelquist sent FY18 budget by email to all members.
- Minutes from FEBRUARY 08, 2017

MOTION by Dick Meggers to approve minutes from meetings dated **FEBRUARY 08, 2017**

as recorded by Dave, **2nd by Brian Meggers.**

APPROVED -YES = 5, NO = none, Absent = 0

AIRPORT CONSOLIDATION RESEARH: Terry Weter

Members discussion was somewhat confused since little information on the intent or ideas the mayor has. Our only knowledge is his need to be able to account for suitable runway should a prospective commercial party need an airport larger than our own for their purposes.

Consensus was that there is a lack of information but research may be needed for a possible Airport Authority tying the two airports with the purpose of Economic Development in this area.

MOTION by Dan Ruckman to approve supporting the Mayor of Dixon entering talks of possible consolidation with Whiteside County Airport. **2nd by Mark Appelquist.**

APPROVED -YES = 5, NO = none, Absent = 0

AIRPORT hiring OED to facilitate feasibility of consolidation: Terry Weter

Members discussion was feeling this was premature. It would be best to speak with other airport authorities to understand their gains or losses. With this knowledge then speaking with City, County officials about Whiteside may be better presented.

MOTION by Dick Meggers to table supporting hiring QED until next meeting. **2nd by Dan Ruckman**

APPROVED -YES = 5, NO = none, Absent = 0

AIRPORT FEES: Terry Weter

Tee Hanger rentals were discussed comparing them to other airports and what was known regarding the rental rates.

Current Hangers total 38 with 6 currently not rented to airplanes are:

D-1 Empty, C-6 Empty, B-3 Mower, B-4 Empty, F-10 Bucket Truck, E- 5 Fire Dept. Trailers.

Jim Canterbury says he is working up a sheet on square foot size of all hangers.

MOTION by Dick Meggers moved to table till next meeting so we can gather more information.

2nd by Mark Appelquist.

APPROVED -YES = 5, NO = none, Absent = 0

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AIRPORT Fuel Sales and operations:

Discussion on fuel sales regarding larger buys to reduce cost. With need consider monthly sales and keeping fuel less than 6 months old. To large of a purchase may leave us with old fuel. If we had lower prices would we get more sales. More sales could come from tenant sales but few pilots would land just because fuel is cheaper. Most would need to be stopping in area on cross country plan to get them to stop. Discussion included the possibility of airport purchasing fuel and changing the flow rate to person overseeing its sales.

How to increase traffic is also to be considered. The question of access to Courtesy car is another concern regarding traffic stopping to visit Dixon. Thoughts of using a realtor's key box to secure car key when a pilot calls ahead to get the car a 6:00 after everyone has left the airport. MORE research is needed.

AIRPORT STATUS REPORT: Jim Canterbury

AWOS has stopped transmitting on radio. Will have City IT guy check it out.

Public/Visitor Comment:

None

Closing Comments:

None

Adjourn 7:02 P.M. **MOTION by Dick, 2nd by Mark. - APPROVED**

Next meeting – Wednesday April 12th, 2017 at 5:00PM

Future scheduled dates for 2017 – Corrected from error last month by 1 day each month.
May 10th, June 14th, July 12th, Aug. 9th, Sept. 13th, Oct. 11th, Nov. 8th, Dec.13th.
Minutes submitted by Secretary, David Flenner