Minutes of the City/County Joint Airport Board Meeting, July 25, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Koontz, Acting Chairman, Don Wilson, Hunter Michelbrink

Darin MacKenzie, Noreen Burg, Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: Clint Tinsley, Russ Ferguson, JoAnn Ferguson, Justin Ferguson, Mike Klasing,

Elena Klasing, Cody Wood

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm by Acting Chairman Steve Koontz. JoAnn Ferguson requested the minutes of the June 27, 2017 meeting be amended to state "The runway was closed for resurfacing 4 times last summer for approximately 10 to 12 days, so the number would have been larger without the closures." Darin made a motion to accept the change and Hunter seconded the motion. The change will be made prior to posting the minutes.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Discuss AMTI Presentation for a new FBO. Chairman Ray Sundling was unable to attend the meeting and has requested that the discussion be tabled until the next meeting. Hunter made a motion to table the discussion until next month. Don seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was passed.

Discussion/Decision on Sports Car Club of America's usage of Mission Field. Russ expressed concern for safety of scheduled landings and issues of security for parked planes. It was felt that these could be worked through. Darin made a motion to allow the Sports Car Club of America to rent the tarmac to hold an event at Mission Field. Hunter seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was passed.

Update on Gardiner Issues. The County Commissioners approved the Weston Solutions cleanup plan and payment to Weston Solutions from Airport Funds. The first 4 invoices from Weston Solutions have been paid in the new fiscal year which began 7-1-17 from funds that would have otherwise been transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund. Clint stated they had information that the total cost may not be as high as originally estimated. The Chapman family has offered to contribute 20,000.00 toward the cleanup.

The Rural Fire District #1 invoice for 1230.00 has been paid out the prior year's Gardiner Airport maintenance fund after a decision by the Park County Commissioners. Representatives for the Rural Fire attended the Commission meeting which addressed this issue. Gardiner Fire called Rural Fire #1 who responded and inserted the wax plug. Rural Fire #1 had no funding for responding as this was out of their area. It was felt that it was important to preserve the mutual aid benefit for future occurrences.

Hunter reports that Weston was at the Gardiner site this morning excavating. The operator told Hunter that he didn't think the contamination was as bad as originally thought and he felt that one more load would clear it out. The road department will make an effort to prepare the tank for salvage pickup. The mobile home is still on the property but is on blocks and looks like it is ready to be moved. There are still four, 55 gallon barrels on the property. Two are ready to be moved and the road dept will take the other two.

It was noted that Chapman still has several fuel tanks outside his hangar in Gardiner. Clint has asked Shannan Piccolo our Civil Attorney to address this issue. Fuel and oil storage is not allowed in hangars. Annual inspections need to be made to ensure this is enforced. The fuel tank that was installed at the time the Snow Removal Equipment building was built, does not have a containment field. Justin Ferguson states that anything over 54 gallons need to have a containment field installed. The board will look into making this upgrade for the SRE fuel tank.

Steve noted that in the future environmental hazards should to be handled by contacting DEQ first. They are able to give guidelines on handling the issue in the most efficient manner.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Gardiner Airport Mowing Proposal- Hunter has a friend who was willing to mow the Gardiner Airport for \$300.00. Clint asked if the man was insurance. Hunter states the man doesn't have a mowing business so probably did not have insurance. Clint requested that this be put on hold until we could check with the Civil Attorney to see what coverage is needed to protect the county.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Russ has mowed the larger areas. The road department hasn't had a mower available yet for the tighter areas around the runway lights. While mowing a rock was thrown through the window of a parked car. Russ called Doug Parisi Inc to replace a leaking toilet valve in the men's room. The weeds were sprayed in the cattle guard.

Mission Field Cleanup- Russ was concerned about the safety of cutting open the empty fuel tank as Pacific Recycling won't take it unless both ends have been cut open. Russ said that it could be purged with CO2 prior to using a cutting torch on it to make it safer. The tank has 2 openings and has been empty for many years. It was felt that there is minimal risk to use a cutting torch since the tank has had time to evaporate well over the years. If both ends of the tank can be cut open and the tank hauled to the county impound where the junk cars are stored. Pacific can pick it up there.

All of the hangars are rented at this time.

The FAA has been setting up a new antennae for the ASOS on the northwest side of the VOR equipment.

## Comments from City/County Commissioners - None

## **Board Member Reports None**

<u>Safety</u> The Commission has a Safety Inspection Report form that may be useful for our hangar inspections. Clint will check into those forms. There has been concern about access to hangars in the event of an emergency such as an ELT (Electronic Locator Transmitter) alarm sounding off. Russ does have keys to several hangars for emergencies. The County Sheriff's office make random patrols of the area

<u>Public Comment for Non Agenda Items</u>- Elena, from AMTI commented that the statistics used for their Power Point presentation came from Federal State and county sources. They also used JetNet who receive information direct from the FAA and should be reliable.

<u>Audit of Claims</u> Claims for board member mileage/meeting reimbursements were signed.

Next Meeting is August 22, 2017 at Mission Field.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.