

WHITE PINE COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Ely Jet Center

Present: Tim Parish, Richard Barber, Lloyd Phillips and Commission Liaison Shane Bybee , Airport Manager Lance Gale (Phone)

Also Present: Geri Wopschall, Tim Keough with USDA and Lori Romero, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

Tim Parish called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Tim Keough inquired about the status of the hangar that MEDX One is building. Lance responded a contract has been signed and payment for the first year of the lease has been received. Hangar plans have to be approved by the FAA and hopes are for the hangar to be completed by the end of the year.

1.*DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: MINUTES-CORRECTION AND/OR APPROVAL:

May 7, 2019 – Richard Barber made the motion to approve the minutes. Lloyd Phillips seconded the motion. All approved.

2. INFORMATION ONLY: Airport Usage Report

Tim Parish presented the Airport Usage spreadsheet.

3. INFORMATION ONLY: Update on Airport EMS & Fire Management, Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) and Basic Response with the New WP County & City of Ely Inter-local Agreement

Lance assured the board members the City personnel has been great to work with and will respond to all needs at the airport. He is in the process updating the response plan per FAA requirements. It is the mission of the County and City to get people certified or re-certified for ARFF. The Elko ARFF training center maybe available in the fall, otherwise individuals will be sent to Texas to complete the training

4. INFORMATION ONLY: Update on Airport Capital Improvement Projects

Lance reported starting on June 19th and 20th the main runway and taxiway will be closed up to 7 days while sweeping, fog sealing and striping take place. The South ramp will be the next project, which will take place the end of July or first part of August.

5. INFORMATION ONLY: Discussion “Day at the Airport” Events

It was the consensus to hold the “Day at the Airport” on Sept. 7, 2019. Advisory Board members will make contact with various organizations about participating. Two years ago when “Day at the Airport” was held approximately 480 attended and the cost of the event was approximately \$1500. Air Race Committee members have offered to help with the event. Lance will reach out to some of the organizations who were planning on participating in the Ely Air Show and see if they are interested in participating in this event.

6. INFORMATION ONLY: Update on Airport Weed Project on June 7, 2019 at 6:30 am

Lance Gale reported on June 7th at 6:30 am the Steptoe Weed Abatement Association will be at the airport to conduct weed abatement. Approximately ten volunteers are needed.

7. INFORMATION ONLY: Report on Airport Award (FAA Stakeholders Award)

Ely Airport, part of the Western Pacific Region, was nominated as a top airport due to the completeness of grants and projects. Lance accepted the FAA Stakeholders Award on behalf of the Ely Airport and White Pine County.

8. INFORMATION ONLY: Updates/Reports from Commission Liaison

Commissioner Shane Bybee stated the Board of County Commissioners are working with the City of Ely to get ARFF training completed for individuals.

9. INFORMATION ONLY: Report from the Airport Manager

Lance Gale reported:

1. He has a permit to eliminate seven antelope from the airport.
2. The County will start mowing on June 5, 2019 and a NOTAM will be issued.
3. May 28th the North side of the Navy Hangar will be painted.
4. Old wind sock approved for the west side.
5. A heliport will be developed at the hospital.

Commissioner Shane Bybee inquired if the airport has a geese problem as does the golf course. Lance responded there is a permit that allows the elimination of up to ninety geese a year.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS: For County Commission Agenda Items

11. RECOMMENDATIONS: For Airport Advisory Board Agenda Items

Agenda items were: usage report; Update on Airport Capital Improvement Projects; Day at the Airport Events; Update on Airport EMS & Fire Management, the Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting (ARFF) and Basic Response with the New WP County & City of Ely Inter-local Agreement

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

10. *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to be addressed by the Airport Advisory Board, Tim Parish called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lloyd Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Richard Barber seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Next Meeting Date: July 2, 2019