

Boundary County Airport Board Meeting October 12, 2021

Present: Don Jordan, Mark Weber, Rick Durden, Jay Wages and Trey Dail.

Manager: Dave Parker appeared telephonically

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM by Jay Wages.

Pursuant to the Board's action at the last meeting, the minutes were sent to all Board members prior to the meeting with notice that they would not be read at the meeting—members should review the minutes and come prepared to either approve them as presented or make corrections. Rick Durden moved to accept the minutes of the September meeting as presented, the motion was seconded by Mark Weber and approved unanimously.

Hilt Venture Capital Hangar. The hangar has completed the approval process, however, Dave Parker reported that in a conversation with the company principal, Hilt Corporation owner Don Flemming indicated that he was interested in having the hangar fit in with others on the airport and wanted to downsize to a 100 x 100-foot hangar. The Board conversation indicated that there were no objections of any sort and that it supported such a move. As the hangar has been approved, should the desire of the lease holder be for a smaller one, the Board felt that details of site and location could be worked out between Dave Parker and Hilt, Corp.

Fire Hall Update. Dave Parker reported that discussions are continuing with fire hall personnel but no resolution on the property line issue or relocating the fire house has occurred.

Other Hangar Updates. The three hangars that were started in the last several months are effectively complete. The new hangar road is complete. Dave Parker indicated that there are funds available to lay some gravel on the older hangar access road on the south and west side of the hangars. Board members supported the idea as the road is not in good shape. Don Jordan moved that the airport manager pursue obtaining and laying gravel for the older hangar access road. Rick Durden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There was further discussion of what is shaping up to be a concern—people desiring to lease land and build hangars just to get the land tied up even though they do not have airplanes to put in the hangars. That matter and rules regarding what may be stored in hangars will be discussed at the next Board meeting. It was felt that there should be a requirement that if a person builds a hangar that an airworthy (or under construction airplane with a timeline for completion) be in the hangar within six months.

Pavement Maintenance. The project was not completed as the contractor did not have the correct equipment and materials for wide crack repair and coal tar sealing. Everything else is done. The remaining work requires outside air temperatures above 50 degrees F. That probably means that it won't get done until next spring.

Pancake Breakfast. The end of September EAA pancake breakfast was a success with over 160 people and \$1,300 taken in for the scholarship fund.

Howard Land Strip on east edge of Airport. Dave Parker reported that the Commissioners should have signed an agreement with the state to pursue this—it is on Dave’s agenda to follow up.

Environmental Assessment. Trey Dail reported that the environmental assessment for the projects that will result in runway extension has been going on for one year. The data on the landslide area and ongoing water drainage in the area indicates that slope stabilization of the area may not require a retaining wall. It will require some work on the adjacent private parcel of land, so a construction easement will be required. Mr. Dail will be speaking with the landowner.

The matter of power line relocation is progressing—options for location have been established, now trying to get cost information from Smith Creek Hydro.

Trey Dail said that we’ve submitted chapters 1 & 2 of the Environmental Assessment, chapter three is being prepared. The FAA’s single environmental specialist is currently overwhelmed, so we haven’t received comments on chapters 1 & 2. County Commissioners will be briefed on the status.

Trey Dail also passed out the current Capital Improvement Program for FY 2021-2026. It will be provided to the Commissioners with the upcoming briefing.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 pm.