

Boundary County Airport Board Meeting October 3, 2023.

Present: Don Jordan, Mark Weber, Pat Gardiner, Rick Durden, Scott Hittle, Jay Wages, Bob Blanford, Caleb Davis and Trey Dail.

Airport Manager: Dave Parker

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM by Don Jordan as Jay Wages was briefly delayed in getting to the meeting.

Rick Durden moved acceptance of the minutes of the September meeting as corrected, Pat Gardner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## **Old Business**

### **Environmental Assessment—Update**

Trey Dail reported that we received the FAA's most recent comments and immediately submitted the final version to the FAA for approval. We are dealing with a January 14, 2024 deadline for all approvals needed from the FAA to pursue grant funding for next year. There is some concern that the FAA will not complete the approval process in time even though we have been pushing this hard for over a year.

### **Review of Slope Stabilization**

Dave Parker reported the delay in obtaining the needed access easement has caused the contractor to ask to push the work back to next year, probably July or August. The funding is in place and the contractor has agreed to do the work at the agreed-upon cost, there will be no price increase for the delay.

### **North Bench Fire and Iron Mike's Land Leases**

Dave Parker reported that the County Attorney has promised the agreements by Thursday so that we can send to the FAA for their approval then to North Bench and Iron Mike's can review and sign them.

### **Hangar Construction Update**

Dave Parker reported that there has been nearly no activity on the promised upgrades to Hangar L—he will be writing the owner a letter noting that airport rules require an airworthy aircraft in the hangar.

Hangar A7 is progressing, the structure is done.

Other hangars that have not had doors installed for the last few months are in the same condition as they were.

## **New Business**

### **Airport Manager's Report**

It is attached to these minutes.

### **FAA Predesign Meeting**

They reported that the airport will be meeting with the FAA to discuss projects that we anticipate submitting grant applications for in 2024. This led to a discussion of the projects that the Board had identified in the CIP. Motion was seconded and approved for the Airport to conduct a predesign meeting with the FAA for FY2024 projects listed on the CIP. This would be the It was moved and approved that we that we had submitted to the FAA for projects over the next several years, primarily to prepare for and then accomplish the needed runway shift. After extensive discussion Rick Durden moved and Don Jordan seconded a motion to go to the FAA predesign meeting with the following projects in 1) acquire what is commonly referred to as the Howard property; 2) acquire the house and land on runway centerline on the approach to runway 02; 3) build taxilanes so that additional hangars may be constructed on airport property set aside for hangars. The motion passed unanimously.

Idaho grant application.

There is a process now available to apply for grant money for the State of Idaho division of aeronautics they have \$35 million available. The board discussed various options and priorities.

The final motion was:

First priority to buy easement, land and or house on centerline South of airport.

Second Get money purchase land east of runway if they are a willing seller.

Third extend taxi-lanes to new hangar sites.

Dave will check with land owners to see if they are willing to sell.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Following adjournment, Jay Wages noted that he had received a letter from Bert Wolf dated October 2, 2023 regarding the expiration of his two hangar land leases. A copy of the letter is attached to these minutes following the Airport Manager's report. The meeting was reopened at 6:36 to allow the Board to read the letter and discuss any needed action.

Although Mr. Wolf was advised that his leases will expire at the end of the year, and the Board, having inspected the hangars, previously recommended that the leases not be renewed and that the hangars are in poor condition and should be removed, Mr. Wolf advised that he wished to renew the leases.

During discussion, Board members noted that the hangars involved have space for 12 airplanes, but during the majority of this year there have been no more than two airworthy airplanes in them. There was also discussion of repeated promises by Mr. Wolf to upgrade and/or repair the hangars over the last several years, but very little work has ever been accomplished and that the hangars have deteriorated to the point where they are potentially dangerous. As the matter of Mr. Wolf's leases has been discussed in previous meetings and action taken by the Board, it was decided that no further action was required at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Fuel Sales for September: 100LL-3025 gallons; Jet A-1254 gallons

## Airport Manager Report 10/3/2023

- \* Hangar "L" old Helicopter Building - not much progress  
Bought by Hangar LTA + CORP Jan/1/2023
- \* Cliff Kramer Hangar "AD" Progressing well -  
It is steel w/ wood and taking longer  
Wants Road Widened.
- \* Advised Lucero Hangar "K" Lease ending  
4/22/24
- \* Sprayed Weeds + Brush around Airport - Especially 6.2  
ACRES we cleared along East Fence.
- \* started Repairing Roads on Airport
- \* Brought in Drain Rock to Solve Ditch Drainages
- \* Increasing Parking Area Slightly
- \* Main Wind sock turned inside out + repaired lights  
+ Electric eye
- \* updated County Asset List + turned in -
- \* worked on Counties Cost for State/Federal Grants #
- \* Reading Equipment for winter operations
- \* Review 2024 Budget 17% Rise requested 9% Received
- \* Inspected 6.2 Acres for Wood Kill
- \* Phone/Email Jennifer Schilder - Slope Grant 90/5/5 %
- \* Email - John P. Lohr - Land purchase - no response -
- \* Phone call w/ Chuck Remy about Land Purchase -
- \* Eric Travis - Hopes to have Thursday this week -  
Son from Mike + Fire Building lease
- \* ~~we are going to in the~~

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To the airport Board

Last mo. at the board meeting I  
verbally said I wanted to renew my  
ground lease on the 4 bay hangar C &  
also on the 8 bay hangar A on the  
Bainbridge County airport

In writing I still want to renew  
my ground lease for another term

You indicated you didn't want to  
renew the lease, but didn't give me  
a clear answer to why not.

I have an interest there & want a good  
answer

Robert D. Wolff