

Driggs Reed Memorial Airport Board

February 15, 2012

5:00pm

Driggs City Hall

Members Present: Lou Christensen (Presiding), Charles Jones, Ash Alexander, and Jim Jackson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from January 18, 2012 were reviewed. Mr. Jackson and Mr. Jones made changes to the minutes.

Charles Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from January 18, 2012 with the corrections stated. Ash Alexander seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Alexander reviewed account balances and invoices and stated Carol Lenz had sent out invoices for the annual leases and agreements. Mr. Jackson stated he discussed the electrical rates with Fall River and had obtained a lower rate, which would save the board approximately \$700 a year. He also stated the city would begin to include airport tanks in their propane contract with Suburban Propane, saving considerable money on propane. The Board reviewed the invoice from Berry Oil and discussed options to reduce that bill as well.

Charles Jones made a motion to accept and pay all bills as presented in the Treasurer's Report. Jim Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Master Plan Update

Lillian Bowen reported on the City Council meeting she attended to explain the Master Plan to the City Council. She presented the schedule of projects and received no comments or concerns from the Council. She stated the draft would be submitted to the FAA by the end of the month.

Ms. Bowen reviewed the TO Engineers and HDR Engineers estimate for the road construction and explained that TO Engineers was higher. She requested the Board approve the application for the full project so it can be sent to the FAA. She wanted a bid to be done and construction to start in July or August with the hope to end the work before school started. Ms. Bowen concluded by stating the grant would not be received until the bid process began in June.

Charles Jones made a motion to move forward and recommend the Mayor sign the grant application and contract. Jim Jackson seconded the motion.

Mr. Alexander and Mr. Jones stated they understood the prior commitments the Board made, but did not feel this project was a priority for the airport.

The above motion passed with all in favor.

Noise Abatement Committee Update

Charles reported on the Noise Abatement Committee meeting prior to the Board meeting. He stated the committee wanted to do a survey for the public and would be receiving those through March 15, 2012. They hope this survey would determine what areas were affected the most by noise.

Mr. Alexander questioned how long the committee would be in place. Mr. Jones stated he felt it would meet monthly until the noise issues were resolved and then felt the committee could be more of a public relations group, meeting quarterly to resolve any issues.

Mr. Jones concluded by stating the committee would also do a press release with information to provide a better knowledge base for aviation. The next Noise Abatement Committee meeting would be March 21st, 2012.

Board Retreat Reminder

The Board Retreat would be February 16th, 2012 at 4:00pm. Stephen Zollinger would be present to discuss the Open Meeting Law, Carol Lenz would discuss the financial aspects and Lillian Bowen would discuss the history of the airport.

NEW BUSINESS

Teton Air Ranch

Lou Christensen stated a letter was mailed to those involved with Teton Air Ranch with a documentation of the history. At this time, no comments had been made from the receiving party.

Mr. Christensen stated he was waiting on approval from Stephen Zollinger regarding a letter to Mustang Ranch regarding fencing. He stated the letter provides them with a short window to fix the problem or the Board would put up a fence and Mustang Ranch property owners would not be able to access the runway.

A discussion of snow plowing began. Trevis Allen, from Teton Aviation, stated that owners in Sweetwater and Mustang Ranch were pushing snow onto the runway. He stated he discussed the issue with both parties. Mr. Alexander felt the board should write a letter addressing this issue.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Charles Jones moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim Jackson seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 6:22pm.