

Driggs Reed Memorial Airport Board

June 20, 2012

5:00pm

Driggs City Hall

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

AMENDMENT TO THE ADGENDA

Charles Jones made a motion to add Noise Abatement Update to the Agenda under Old Business. Tom Hunter seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from May 16, 2012 were reviewed.

Charles Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 16, 2012 meeting. Ash Alexander seconded the motion.

Jim Jackson asked that a correction be made to the minutes.

Charles Jones made a motion to approve the minutes from May 16, 2012 as amended by Jim Jackson. Tom Hunter seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ash Alexander reviewed the account balances and the invoices received. Discussion of training and conference attendance for the next fiscal year began.

Charles Jones made a motion to pay the invoices. Tom Hunter seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

1000 North Relocation Update

Lillian Bowen presented information to the Board. She stated 5 bids were received for the 1000 North Project. However, all were higher than anticipated. She further stated that there were a few items within each bid that were considerably higher than estimated. Ms. Bowen discussed the bids and explained a few of the itemized costs.

Ms. Bowen stated the City Council voted to send the bids to FAA in hopes that they will contribute an additional \$300,000 to the project. If the FAA does contribute the additional funds, the Airport Board would be responsible for 8% of the cost, as the State will more than likely pay for 2%. The City Council has agreed to pay \$30,000 and Ms. Bowen hoped the County and the School District would also be willing to contribute since the road benefited both.

The Board discussed items that could be changed or eliminated to lower the bids.

Ms. Bowen suggested submitting the bids to FAA to determine if they would be able to increase the funding to cover the project.

Charles Jones made a motion to direct Lillian Bowen to submit the bids for the 1000N Project to the FAA. Tom Hunter seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Ms. Bowen continued to discuss the AIP. She stated the FAA continued to disagree with the 900 foot shift in the runway as presented in the AIP. At this time the FAA would participate in the Runway Protection Zone (RPZ). Ms. Bowen stated that the City Attorney felt that at the time land was sold in the RPZ, the city and FAA should try to acquire it. However, Mr. Zollinger did not feel it should be a forced action, but rather something that was stated in the Master Plan as an action that would try to be accomplished. The FAA would like the airport to own all land in the RPZ.

Ms. Bowen stated the FAA would like to see priorities of purchasing land and maintenance of the new runway. Ms. Bowen was requesting the FAA approve the CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) before making changes to the AIP.

Mustang Drive Vacation

Mr. Christensen reviewed the letter from Jay Mazalewski, Teton County Engineer, stating that an application for a vacation of Mustang Drive had been received. The scheduled Public Hearing for the vacation would be on August 13, 2012. This is after the deadline given for a gate to be placed at the access point.

The Board will revisit the issue at the August meeting.

Noise Abatement Committee

Charles Jones reported on the committee. He stated the committee was currently working on how to get planes in and out of the valley with minimal disruption to the community. He stated the noise survey had reported that more people liked the airport than disliked it. They also determined where the noise issues were coming from and have worked out a way to keep planes out of over populated areas.

Mr. Jones explained that planes should stay south of Victor and west of Highway 33. He further explained the different approaches and departures and stated a map would accompany the information to be distributed to pilots who come to the area.

Mr. Christensen suggested Stephen Zollinger review it for legal purposes, but didn't feel it would be necessary. Mr. Jones stated that a graphic map would be made and the next step would be to develop signs to be placed at the run-up areas.

Tom Hunter made a motion to continue to process with the Noise Abatement procedures. Jim Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Council Member Mosher stated that if the Board presented information and a budget regarding signs, the Council may participate in more funding for those in the next fiscal year.

NEW BUSINESS

5-year Renewal Request for Anthony Vest Lot G-10

Tom Hunter made a motion to approve the renewal request from Anthony Vest. Ash Alexander seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

National Based Aircraft Inventory Program

Mr. Christensen stated he and Rachel Tiede from Teton Aviation were working on obtaining the information to submit the form.

Mr. Christensen informed the Board that Search and Rescue was now stationed at the airport and has an office at Teton Aviation.

Jim Jackson reported on the IAMA Conference he attended in McCall.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Charles Jones moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim Jackson seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 6:46pm.