

EPHRAIM-GIBRALTAR AIRPORT COMMISSION
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
9:00 A.M.

Approved: November 16, 2017

Call to order: The Ephraim-Gibraltar Airport Commission meeting was called to order by Marty Franke at 9:01 a.m.

Roll call/quorum:

Members present: Myrv Somerhalder, Marty Franke, Gary Chaudoir, Jon Neville, Brett Lecy

Absent: John Cox

Agenda/ proper notice/adopt agenda: *MOTION: (Neville, Chaudoir) to adopt the agenda as presented. Carried*

Approve minutes of previous meeting: *MOTION: (Neville, Chaudoir) to approve the minutes of September 21, 2017, as amended. Carried.*

Public comment: Mr. Ross suggested the Town/Village give the land owners \$500/tree and only cutting about 40 trees instead of the estimated 80. Also suggests not cutting into the 10 ft buffer. Franke is waiting to hear from the BOA to determine if any funds will be available for the removal of trees.

Remove from the Table Review Airport Insurance: *Motion: (Chaudoir, Neville) to Remove Review Airport Insurance from the table. Carried*

Review Airport Insurance: Quotes were received from David Insurance. Franke is wondering if \$1,000,000 general liability is enough coverage.

Motion: (Neville, Lecy) to raise the property deductible to \$2500. Carried.

Motion: (Lecy, Neville) to add \$20,000 to the coverage for fuel. Carried.

Will look into whether coverage can be increased for general liability to at least \$2M or if it could be an additional umbrella policy.

Review Updated Financials: *Motion: (Chaudoir, Neville) to approve the financials as presented. Carried.*

Consideration of Tree Planting along Maple Grove Road (SE end of Airport): Highway Pavers has been contracted to berm, plant and mulch trees along the corridor. They say they will take care of watering. Concerned about the freeze and it being late in the season.

Motion: (Neville, Lecy) to approve the planting of, up to 25 FAA approved trees. Clarifying that watering is done and trees are guaranteed. Carried.

Chair Report: Franke attended last night's budget meeting and requested the 2% funding for the potential tree clearing of \$2000.

Friends Report: Neville reported YTD is 78 members. \$12/year for 2018. Scholarship is moving forward.

Airport report: Neville reported that he and Lecy had meeting with the neighboring property owners: Brad Russel, Camilla and Karl Ross, Patrick and Barb Montenero, via phone William Vande-Logt, also present: Town Chairman Skare, Village President McCutcheon, Hal Davis. David Montesinos and Diane Danielson via phone. It was a good discussion and a lot of questions were answered. Reviewed all options. Neighbors will meet to determine a consensus on how to proceed. If the ordinance is enforced, the owners will have to pay for everything. The State does not pay to cut trees unless there is an easement. Montesino did say there is a possibility that they may be able to include in current project. Everyone sounded willing to work together.

About 1800 gallons of fuel. A full load per gallon is \$3.60. A split load will cost a little bit more. Budgeted for a load and a half. Would like to be in a position to purchase a full load in May when prices are typically the lowest.

This past summer, volunteers gave about 100 hours to the airport mowing grass etc.

New Holland tractor is still not cleaned up.

Payment of Bills: *Motion: (Neville, Lecy) to pay the bills as presented. Carried.*

Set Next Meeting Date: November 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn: *MOTION: (Neville, Lezy) to adjourn at 10:12 a.m. Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Murre, Deputy Clerk