

EPHRAIM-GIBRALTAR AIRPORT COMMISSION
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2017
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
9:00 A.M.

Approved: January 18, 2018

Call to order: The Ephraim-Gibraltar Airport Commission meeting was called to order by Marty Franke at 9:00 a.m.

Roll call/quorum:

Members present: Marty Franke (via telephone), Gary Chaudoir, Jon Neville, Myrv Somerhalder, John Cox
Absent: Brett Lecy

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

Approve minutes of previous meeting: *MOTION: (Cox, Chaudoir) to approve the minutes of October 19, 2017, as amended. Carried.*

Public comment: Mr. Ross submitted a proposal for \$10,000 to cut the top of the trees. Mrs. Ross suggested the funds come from both Ephraim and Gibraltar. It was clarified that only instrument approaches are not allowed at night.

Remove Two Hazardous Trees from Airport Property: The Sherman's have requested two trees be removed from airport property that are threatening their property. An estimate from Dave's Tree Service was received for removal of both the trees for \$1050.

Motion: (Cox, Chaudoir) to remove the trees for \$1050 with Dave's Tree Service. Carried.

Review Updated Financials: Cox suggested looking into alternative internet/phone coverage. Neville researched credit card charges last month. Prices are comparable and would need to purchase new equipment. *Motion: (Chaudoir, Cox) to approve the financials as presented. Carried.*

Review BOA offer for tree planting: The state has offered to plant trees along Maple Grove Rd. 50% would be paid by the state. The Friends group would pay the other 50%. The president of the Friends group has offered to purchase the appropriate trees. Need to make sure the plantings are done outside the road ROW and will not affect the power lines. Somerhalder will measure the road ROW.

Motion: (Franke, Somerhalder) to table. Carried.

Chair Report: Franke reported a quote was received to increase the general liability coverage. Will be on next month's agenda.

Friends Report: Renewal notices have been sent out. Financially, the group is doing very well. Young Eagles is tentatively scheduled the week after Memorial Day.

Airport report: Franke received an email and phone call from a builder for John Parrish. Construction will begin soon. About 1400 gallons of fuel in the ground. Fuel prices are up. May have enough to get through January. Tree cutting has been approved by 2 of the 4 property owners. The State is willing to pay for the tree cutting if the owners agree. If the owners do not agree, the ordinance will need to be enforced, then the owners will have to cover the cost. Easements would take a couple of years and affect property values.

Chaudoir thanked the Board and the Airport for sending him to the BOA land use seminar. BOA is very concerned with unmanned aircraft (drones).

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

Set Next Meeting Date: January 18, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn: *MOTION: (Cox, Somerhalder) to adjourn at 9:45 a.m. Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Murre, Deputy Clerk