

Approved: May 17, 2018

EPHRAIM-GIBRALTAR AIRPORT COMMISSION
THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2018
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
9:00 A.M.

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, Gary Chadoir, Myrv Somerhalder, and Brett Lecy
Absent: Jon Cox and Jon Neville

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

Approve minutes of previous meeting: *MOTION: (Lecy, Chadoir) to approve the minutes of January 18, 2018, as written. Carried*

Public comment: Mrs. Ross summarized the process of removing and topping trees on her property. The buffer between their property and the airport has been removed. Their property is now subject to wind and noise from the airport. Would like to see that trees be replanted.

Franke stated the maps identified trees or a cluster of trees that could've been subject to cutting. The actual number of trees to be cut was determined on site.

Chadoir stated the vibrating noise could be hangar doors.

Review Updated Financials: Lecy would like to determine what expense the Commission feels comfortable spending on fuel.

Would like to determine a minimum balance in the checking.

Review Procedures for Checking Fuel System During Summer Months: Franke and Neville would like to create a procedure for checking the fuel at the airport by employees and volunteers. Neville thinks 4-5 times a week could be performed by staff.

Need to look into the various certification requirements.

Proposed Tree Planting on Airport Property: Franke stated the FAA will not pay to plant trees. The BOA has stated they will pay for half. OMNI has provided a price of \$275 per tree. Franke obtained a price of \$150 per tree (White Cedar). The contractor must be federally approved for the BOA to participate. Trees need to be planted along Maple Grove Rd and the north property line. It was suggested to plant a Black Hills Spruce. They grow to a maximum of 40-50 ft. About 100 trees are needed. Cost of the Black Hill Spruce for a 4 ft tree \$150. Seedlings are about \$25/piece planted. Lecy suggested a mixture of 4 ft trees and seedlings. Would like to see immediate relief for the property owners. The planting window is in Spring.

Would like OMNI to verify property line.

Motion: (Lecy, Somerhalder) to proceed with the planting of the trees, with the condition that the Friends cover the expense. The decision on number and size of trees to be determined by the Friends. Carried

Chair Report: Franke presented the Airport report at this week's Annual Town meeting. Parks and Lands would like to inventory invasive species on the Airport property.

Friends Report: Young Eagles is June 2nd. Neville is making calls to line up pilots and assistants. Next meeting will be in May.

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Airport report: Somerhalder inquired about keeping the brush mowed. Franke stated the brush hog would get used annually.

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

Set Next Meeting Date: May 17, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn: *MOTION: (Lecy, Somerhalder) to adjourn at 9:58 a.m. Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Murre, Deputy Clerk