

EPHRAIM-GIBRALTAR AIRPORT COMMISSION
THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015
GIBRALTAR TOWN CENTER
9:00 A.M.

Approved: June 18, 2015

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

Roll Call/Quorum:

Members present: Jon Neville, Martin Franke, Gary Chaudoir, Don Freix and John Cox

Members absent: Myrv Somerhalder

Agenda/ Proper Notice/Adopt Agenda: *MOTION (Franke, Chaudoir) to adopt the agenda with item #13 stricken from the agenda.* Freix asked – asked for clarification #10 “Chairman Report/Comments” what is meant to be happening and whose comments were allowed. Neville responded that it is meant to be his comments and the chair has latitude on the discussion. Freix requested for a future modification to the agenda to include a means for Commissioners to ask for future agenda items. Carried

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting: *MOTION: (Freix, Chaudoir) to approve the minutes of February 19, 2015 as presented. Carried with Cox abstaining. MOTION: (Freix, Chaudoir) to approve the minutes of March 19, 2015 as presented. Carried with Cox abstaining.*

Public Comment: None

Review of Year-to-Date Income and Expenses: The report was reviewed. A list of monthly expenses are to be included in the commission packets.

Recommendation on Sale of Hangar A-9: Peter Bridges is the current owner of hangar A-9. James Allen has made an offer to purchase. The sale price is \$60,000. *MOTION: (Franke, Chaudoir) to recommend that the town and village waive the first right of refusal and enter into a new contract with Allen. Carried*

Review 5 Review Year Airport Project Report: The BOA has recommended the project report be updated annually. The updated Statement of Project Intentions for Ephraim-Gibraltar Airport is as follows:

2015	Develop hangar area SE of beacon (7 sites)	\$230,000
	Clear and maintain runway approaches as stated in Transportation Administrative Code Chapter 55 (on or off property?)	\$34,607
2016	Paving of the runway run-out areas (250’ safety area on each end)	TBD
	Completion of additional tie-down area behind A row	TBD
2017	Design reconstruction of Runway 14/32 & connecting taxiways	\$90,000
2019	Reconstruct Runway 14/32 & connecting & hangar taxiways	\$900,000

Other discussion points included leveling specific areas of the grass runway, hangar layout design and additional tie-downs. *MOTION: (Franke, Freix) to submit the Statement of Project Intentions 2015-2020 to the town and village approval with submission to the state. Carried*

Brush Burning Around AWOS Site: Neville spoke with Tim Holbrook he is willing to bring a bulldozer to move the brush into small piles for a future training burn with the Village of Ephraim Fire Department using the burn as a training opportunity. Currently there is a burning ban. *MOTION: (Freix, Franke) to allow Tim Holbrook to proceed at his convenience to move the brush into small piles at the AWOS site for the training exercise. Carried*

Chairman Report/Comments: Neville had nothing new to report.

Airport Report: Franke stated there is a misconception on potential runway length. The current maximum length for the runway is 3,200’ which would require the runway protection zones be secured. Securing requires land purchase per the FAA. An Airport Report was distributed. Brush and tree clearing it is not automatically done by the state; if on a project site it can be included. There are 2,700 gallons of fuel in the ground. Fuel will be lowered \$.20 for the Young Eagles weekend. Neville stated at Reid Ribble’s transportation seminar it was noted in 2003

there were 1,000,000 take-off and landings at GA airports; in 2013 the number dropped to 300,000. Franke asked how maintenance should be handled with the new mower. Town staff goes off maintenance manuals. Sale of the surplus beacons will be requested of the town and village. Franke will be the contact person for the beacons. The next scheduled meeting is May 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Friends of the Airport Report: There are currently 59 members. The Young Eagles event is scheduled for May 16, 2015.

Adjourn: *MOTION: (Cox, Freix) to adjourn 10:07 a.m. Carried*

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Hagen, Clerk