

LEMHI COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD MINUTES

November 11, 2024

Chairman Charles LaMoure called the meeting to order at 18:00. Other members in attendance were Vice Chairman Richard Natelson, Secretary Jim Mateski, Treasurer Michael Lane, Wade Ayala and Jeff Sheets. Other people in attendance were Tim Vennell, Jim Paulekas, TJ Park and Jo Schroeder.

Charles asked for a motion to approve the October 14, 2024 minutes. The motion was made by Jeff and seconded by Michael. The motion was passed unanimously.

Fuel and Facilities report

Jeff reported that we have 4,779 gallons of Avgas and 9,724 gallons of Jet A available. Jeff also reported we have the tractor snow plow ready and had taken our snow plow truck to Lemhi Tractor for inspection and service. They repaired a rear brake seal and installed a air over hydraulic plow lift valve and is ready to be picked up.

The need for additional hand held radios for snow removal was discussed and Jeff is going to supply the information to the County for purchase.

Charles reported that we had accepted the bid from System Tech for a new camera system and Jim had been notified that it should be installed by the first of next month.

Financial report

Charles reported that with it being a federal holiday, we didn't get a report from the county. We should have our year end report for next meeting.

Public input

Jim Paulekas started an open discussion about hangar leasing rate increases. When, how much, comparisons to other airports, new verses old construction was discussed. Tim Vennell initiated a 30 minute open discussion concerning the airports income reporting from the County Treasurer. It is hoped we can accomplish that in the new year.

Old Business

Leadore Airport

Jim reported that he had recently visited U00 and everything was holding up and looking good. He suggested that we have a committee meeting for long range planning inviting the locals for their input. Discussion ensued around items that should be addressed including where a pit toilet be located, parking and tie down area, Heli-pad, light maintenance, grant application, etc. Jim is going to schedule the meeting and Charles will post the required notices.

Project Updates

Charles reported the utility relocation project is progressing and the Power Co. will have a temporary outage on Thursday. He also authorized extending the power conduit to the hangar sites now, to avoid crossing two fiber optic lines during each hangar construction. We will recover the additional cost from the hangar owners

Committee Updates

Jeff reported a Snow Committee meeting was held Wednesday 11/6/24. It was well attended and priorities were agreed upon. It was also discussed that we have budgeted for a second part time employee for snow events. Charles had a couple of possible applicants.

New Business

Forest Service Lease

Charles reported that he had reached out to the guy in Ogden to set up a meeting now that the fire activity here had slowed down. The meeting should include Matt, the local FS manager, our Board Members and our County Commissioners.

Airport Lease rate

A 20 minute open discussion ended in a motion by Jeff and seconded by Jim to table the subject to a future meeting. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 19:15