

## **MINUTES AIRPORT COMMISSION**

**APRIL 28, 2010**

Chairperson Bert Stanley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Members present were Gene Beavers, Steve Whitcomb, Troy Caldwell, and Steve Brown. Also present were Ron Mergen, Chuck DeWolf, Bolton & Menk, Inc.; and Tim Mahoney. Renee Eckerly was absent.

**Motion was made by Beavers to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2010 Airport Commission Meeting. Seconded by Whitcomb and unanimously carried.**

### **2010 FLY IN**

It was noted that for the air show Darrel Massman needs to cancel; however, Massman did line up Pete Tallarita who also fly's a Pitts. The Lions Club will be handling the breakfast and it was strongly suggested to them to change the menu. There is a tentative commitment to have two Army Helicopters and the State Patrol unit here pending no emergency calls.

### **LAND REIMBURSEMENT LETTER**

A copy of the law that the Willmar Airport used in order to enter into an agreement to allow land acquisition funds to be utilized on other improvement projects was reviewed. It was noted Senator Fischbach is aware of the law and is looking to introduce a similar one for the City. It was also discussed and noted that we should not repay the fund at this time.

### **RENTAL OF STORAGE UNIT**

The contract for storage area rental was discussed. This would be for an 800 square foot area, 2 year term, and the renter must be the owner of an airplane. The fees average \$45 - \$75 for similar areas. After a short discussion,

**Motion was made by Caldwell to approve the contract, set the fee at \$50.00 per month and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Beavers and unanimously carried.**

### **OVERHANG ON NORTH SIDE OF OLD HANGAR – ICE ISSUES**

DeWolf presented cost estimates on installing a rain gutter system. The cost was estimated at \$17,000.00 and the proposal comes with a strong discouragement not to install the rain gutters as they feel freeze ups are inevitable, even with the heat tapes. It was questioned what else can be done. It was noted this is an issue at all airports and some airports blade the ice as much as possible and some may use chemical which would damage (rust) the building. On the old hanger it was noted that Erect Tube makes a deflector shield that can be installed on the doors in order to deflect the water away from the door. DeWolf will look into this.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.