

MINUTES AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015

Bob McDaniel called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. Commission members present were Donavan Mayer and Aaron Kranz. Steve Whitcomb and Matt Larson were absent. Advisory members present were Ron Mergen, Public Works Director and Chuck DeWolf, Bolton & Menk, Inc.

Motion was made by Mayer to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2014 and August 3, 2015 Airport Commission meetings. Seconded by Kranz and unanimously carried.

CIP

DeWolf reviewed the plan:

- 2015 - 2016 the City loaned its entitlements to Faribault, MN
- 2016 - 2017 the plan is to crack seal the runway and acquire the property for future hangars
- 2017 - 2018 construct the hangar taxi lanes
- 2018 - 2019 construct a 10 unit tee hangar by borrowing \$600,000.00 of other cities entitlements
- 2019 thru 2022 pay back borrowed entitlements

It was questions what other sources of funding (i.e. bonding) that the City can use to build a hangar as the City has a waiting list of pilots to move in. Bonding was briefly discussed noting the revenues from the rent would not come close to covering the debt payments.

Motion was made by Kranz to approve the CIP as presented and recommend such to the City Council. Seconded by Mayer and unanimously carried.

AIRPORT ZONING

DeWolf updated the Commission on the zoning issues with the ultimate runway length of 4,450 feet; with the power lines to the west and the land density building of not less than 3 acres to the east. Also reviewed was information on what type of planes the airport can accommodate with the various runway lengths. After reviewing this information, members all suggested to wait with the zoning and redraft of the zoning ordinance and change the ultimate runway length to 4,150 feet.

2016 Fly In

Commission members discussed the information from the last meeting with Craig Schiller. The general consensus is, at this time, the Commission would plan the event without the services from Schiller. There was a short discussion on when the City should host the fly in, and what attraction could be held with it, car show, RV's, tractor etc. It was suggested that this be discussed when all the members are present and establish a Fly In Committee.

PILOT TRAINING

No report was given.

PRIVATE HANGAR

It was reported that the City has a party that is interested in constructing a hangar to store and operate a crop spraying operation out of. The location would be west of the existing fuel station.

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