

## MID-WAY REGIONAL AIRPORT JOINT AIRPORT BOARD MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Mid-Way Regional Airport Joint Airport Board was held on Thursday, August 12, 2010, at 4:00 p.m., in the Administrative Conference Room, at Midlothian City Hall, 104 West Avenue E., Midlothian, Texas.

Members Present: Paula Baucum, Chairman  
George Kent, Secretary  
Kent McGuire  
Gary Richter  
Ray Barksdale

Members Absent: Jim Polewchak

Others Present: Andy Biery, Airport Manager  
Tammy Bowen, Airport Operations  
Ray Brindle, Airport Tenant Liaison  
Chris Dick, Finance Director, City of Midlothian  
Andrew Branca, Reporter, Waxahachie Newspapers

Opening: Chairman Paula Baucum called the meeting to order and Gary Richter gave the invocation.

Board Announcements: Paula Baucum welcomed Ray Barksdale to the Board. Paula told the Board that she would like to start an online newsletter for the tenants.

### Election of Officers:

Gary Richter moved to nominate Paula Baucum as Chairman; second by George Kent. All Ayes.

Paula Baucum moved to nominate Gary Richter as Vice Chairman; second by George Kent. All Ayes.

George Kent moved to nominate Kent McGuire as Secretary; second by Gary Richter. All Ayes.

### Minutes:

George Kent moved to approve the Minutes of June 17, 2010 as presented with change; second by Gary Richter. All Ayes.

Gary Richter moved to approve the Minutes of July 15, 2010 as presented; second by Kent McGuire. All Ayes.

Financial Report: A financial report was reviewed by the Board. Andy Biery said that the City of Waxahachie budget cycle is at 10/12's, or 83%, and the TxDOT cycle is at 11/12's, or 91%.complete. Year to date, 108% of planned revenues have been collected, and 98% of the plan has been expended. The difference of these two results is a positive variance of \$40,170. Paula Baucum said that she has asked Andy to do a hangar rent assessment of other Airports to see where our Airport stands with other competitive Airports.

### Managers Report: Andy Biery reported:

A preliminary report has not been released from NTSB regarding the fatality accident at the Airport.

### Airport Operations for the month of June

Runway Extension Update: The concrete pouring for the extension of runway and taxiway is completed. A new excavation contractor is back on sight and has resumed grading operations. As soon as the south end of the airport is brought to grade, we will be moving on to Phase 4, which begins the widening of the existing runway, and overlay of the existing asphalt. At that point, the runway will be down to 3,000 ft. The FAA has approved the use of the taxiway as a runway during phase 6, allowing us to conduct daytime VFR flights.

Hangar Leases: All of the hangar leases have been sent out, except for those identified as being non-airworthy. Most of the leases have been received back, and utilities changed over where applicable. We will start making phone calls next week to remind the remainder that the leases are necessary.

Terminal Building Renovation: The Terminal Sub-Committee selected a contractor in July, and delivered to TxDOT. TxDOT is now conducting contract negotiations with Scott Tucker Construction of Arlington. Once they are under contract, we will begin pre-construction planning, and conducting final reviews of floor plans, etc.

FY 2010-2011 Budget: Andy Biery told the Board that the only difference in the proposed budget from last month's meeting is that the \$2,000 to acquire a front loader for the tractor was removed, and the marketing dollars were reduced in order to make the budget balance.

George Kent moved to approve the FY 2010-2011 budget as presented; second by Gary Richter. All Ayes.

Bill Fuller, Hangar #1, Midway Aircraft Maintenance, registered as a speaker, expressed his dismay about the idea of moving the Sheriff's Department to the top of the hangar waiting list. Mr. Fuller said that they would not generate any revenue (i.e. fuel, maintenance) for the Airport businesses other than hangar rent, as some of the others would that have been waiting on the top of the list.

Hangar Lease request by Sheriff's Department: Paula Baucum told the Board that after further conversations, the Sheriff's Department is willing to pay for hangar space to store their patrol aircraft. Paula said that a situation has arose that they can not wait for a hangar and has made a request to be moved to the top of the T-hangar waiting list. The Board agreed that because the department is an entity that increases safety and reduces crime, and would enhance the safety of the Airport by their presence, that it would be appropriate to try to accommodate their request.

Gary Richter made a motion to try to accommodate the Sheriff department's request to be moved to the top of the T-hangar list, through a process of talking with the top ten applicants on the T-hangar waiting list, explaining the situation, to see if they would be willing to give up their spot. The final action will be brought back to the Board next month for implementation; second by George Kent. All Ayes.

Charles Crist, 1903 Alexander Dr., Waxahachie, TX, registered to speak regarding the Part 13 complaint he made to the FAA. Mr. Crist said that he would like to see the letter that he sent to the FAA be a part of the packet/Minutes of the meeting.

Part 13 complaint by Charles Crist to the FAA: Andy Biery explained to the Board that the letter that was sent by Mr. Crist to the compliance program manager with the FAA was referred to Mr. Bill Gunn with TxDOT, who is responsible for administering this type of process on the behalf of the FAA and TxDOT. Andy told the Board that Mr. Gunn called him and requested documentation and explanation for the Airport's position relating to the accusation. Mr. Gunn later called and said that he would like to have a meeting with Mr. Crist and himself, and any Board members interested, at the Airport, on Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, to give their assessment of those documents, and whether or not they are in compliance.

2010 Balloon Festival Recap, pre-planning of 2011 Balloon Festival: This item was tabled because Debby Standefer with the DFW Summer Balloon Classic was not present to speak.

Letter to Cities of Midlothian and Waxahachie requesting master Plan Update and TxDOT support of Mid-Way Regional Airport: This item was tabled. Paula Baucum said that the Terminal Building Renovation Subcommittee and the Economic Development Committee needs to meet for more discussion.

Public Comments:

Bill Fuller, Hangar #1, Midway Aircraft Maintenance, registered as a speaker in regards to an Airport safety issue. Mr. Fuller said that he has picked up several pounds of construction debris around the Airport. Mr. Fuller asked if the City Street Departments could be contacted about bringing out their street sweepers.

Paula Baucum wanted to give everyone an update regarding the issue of the tenant living in his hangar. Paula said that this issue has been looked into and the homework has been done. The tenant is in compliance. He has assured us several times that he is not living in the hangar, and because he is in a sprinklered hangar, the RV is allowed in the hangar with his airplanes.

Adjournment: There being no further business,

George Kent moved to adjourn; second by Kent McGuire. All Ayes.