

FINGER LAKES REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SENECA COUNTY, NEW YORK

Minutes of the December 11, 2013 Meeting

Members Present: Gerard Mirabito, Jr. – Chairman, David Haimes – Secretary, Milt von Hahmann – Airport Manager, Bill Bordeau – Planning & Community Development, Dr. Hunter Mollin, August Gillon, Peter Same, Paul Richardson, Robert Pfeiff

Excused: Donald Earle – Seneca Falls Town Supervisor, Jeff Shipley – Executive Director Seneca County Chamber of Commerce, William Verfuss - McFarland Johnson Engineers, Vern Sessler, Jr., Dr. Kenneth Padgett, Robert Skinner

Absent: Steve Churchill – Seneca Falls County Supervisor

Chairman Mirabito opened the meeting at 7PM and welcomed the members in attendance. Minutes of the September 11, 2013 meeting were accepted without revision.

Airport Manager's Report: by Milt von Hahmann

- Milt reported fuel sales steady and total fuel sales for year 2013 will be within \$1000 of the total for year 2012.
- Finger Lakes Flying Service continues to be busy providing aircraft maintenance services on the airport.
- Construction of the south half of the main parallel taxiway was completed in November 2013. The taxiway lights have been replaced on the south half of the taxiway and there is a new exit to/from the main ramp from the taxiway. Taxiway identification will be changed and new designation signs still need to be installed. The old house just east of Runway 01 has been demolished and removed along with unsightly brush. The north half of the taxiway construction is scheduled to begin in 2014 and will include the long awaited and much needed drainage improvement project for the airport.
- The County has received a commitment letter from NYSDOT to re-do the fuel system and to purchase a fuel truck for Jet fuel.

Engineering Report: by William Verfuss

- Bill Verfuss could not be at the meeting this evening as he is currently meeting with the FAA on issues directly related to the FLRA. His report is attached.

FLAPS Report: by David Haimes

- FLAPS continues to provide flight training to its members. Two pilots who recently earned their private pilot licenses with FLAPS are now close to earning their instrument ratings. Another student pilot from Cayuga County earned his private license in November 2013.
- Improvements to the FLAPS aircraft were made in the past month. A new turn coordinator and a new encoding altimeter.

- FLAPS plans to join with the Waterloo Rotary club to co-sponsor another Fly-In Breakfast event in September 2014. The breakfast held September 8, 2013 was successful.

County Review: by Bill Bordeau

- Bill reported that the County Board of Supervisors have approved the County budget for year 2014.
- After the next phase of airport construction is completed, which includes resolving the drainage issues, runway 01-19 will be lengthened to 5,000 feet. The runway is currently 4,600 feet long.

Chamber of Commerce Review: by August Gillon

- Audie, filling in for Jeff Shipley, said that he would speak to Jeff regarding getting photographs of the airport into the 2014 Seneca County Travel Guide which is due for publication in the near future.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Chairman Mirabito closed the meeting at 7:35PM. The first quarterly meeting of the committee is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 7PM at the Finger Lakes Regional Airport terminal conference room.

Submitted by:

David Haines
Secretary