

FINGER LAKES REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE SENECA COUNTY, NEW YORK MINUTES OF THE SEPT 12, 2019 MEETING

Members Present: David Haimes – Airport Manager, Don Earle- Secretary, Jill Henry – Director Seneca County Planning & Community Development, William Verfuss – McFarland Johnson Engineers, Dr. Kenneth Padgett, Robert Pfeiff, Vern Sessler, Peter Same, Earl Martin, August Gillion

Guest:

Excused: Craig Saxton

Absent: Hunter Mollin, Mitch Rowe, Jeff Shipley

Acting Chairman Vern Sessler opened the meeting at 7 PM.

Minutes of the June 13, 2019 meeting were moved by Peter and second by Earl and accepted without revision.

Airport Manager's Report: by David Haimes

Please see attached report for details.

Items covered in Manager's report include:

- Airport Activity
- Fuel Sales and Purchases
- 2019 Summary of Sales and Purchases, minus Dec
- FBO Activity
- Car Rental is going well.
- Other:

If there is some money left over possibly new furniture could be purchased for the lobby.

Equipment Storage is a huge issue. The new Snowplow truck is in a lean-to and is not a good way to protect a new piece of equipment. Also, there is a large plane in there as well and there is a possibility of it being damaged by the plow truck's wing

Discussion of Jet Traffic and how to get more support. As talked at the last meeting, Some talk of maybe contacting some of the larger businesses to ask them for a letter of support.

Capital Improvement and Master Plan Update are slated for the time period of 2019 and 2020.

From 8-1-2019 To now there have been 13 Jets in and out of our airport.

Engineering Review was presented by Bill Verfuss of McFarland Johnson. Please see attached for details.

The Hanger Project has seen a snag as the contractor is not wanting to do a contract as was bid.

The New Hanger will be re-bid.

Still looking at holding the plus or minus 3 percent participation as to what may be added or decreased.

This Friday there will be a conference call with the DOT and will be asked if the grant can be increased.

What drove the cost up? More details need to be investigated.

Earl Martin suggested working with a contractor to make suggestions on bidding negotiations.

The 6,000 Sq. ft building seems like the cost of steel may have been a factor.

FLAPS Review: by David Haimes

FLAPS continue to provide primary and advanced flight instruction to its members.

There are now 12-15 members with 3 that are active and 1 instructor. It appears that we will lose about 2 members

There will be a fly-in breakfast this Sunday

AOPA advertises Learn to Fly

- **County Review:** by Jill Henry

Air Methods Improvements to the sewer and Air conditioning have been done.

Parking will also be done soon.

The Airport Wi Fi will be looked into for improvement.

Jill and Earl will look into possibly running fiber to the Airport. They will contact Spectrum.

New card reader will cost \$14,000 to \$17,000

Old reader will not be supported after

Chamber of Commerce Review:

No report. It was mentioned by Vern that there will be a Business after hours at the Sampson Park Marina next Wed the 18th at 7:00pm.

Old Business:

None discussed.

New Business:

Members up for Re-Appointment: Bob Pfeiff, Earl Martin, David Haimes, and Lee Davidson.

Motion to recommend that they be accepted by Dr. Pagett and seconded by Auddie Gillon.

Milt von Hahmann sent in his letter of resignation and was accepted.

Dave Haimes wants to nominate Nelson Ronsvalle for this committee.

The meeting was closed at 8:10 PM. by Vern Sessler, Motion by Dave Haimes and seconded by Earl Martin.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be on Dec. 11, 2019 at 7 PM at the airport terminal conference room.

Submitted by:

Don Earle

Secretary