

**FINGER LAKES REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**SENECA COUNTY, NEW YORK**  
**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 8, 2022 MEETING**

**Members Present:** Earl Martin, Committee Chairman; David Haimes, Airport Manager; Don Earle, Secretary; Jill Henry, Director of Seneca County Planning & Community Development; August Gillon; Dr. Kenneth Padgett; Vern Sessler, Jr.; Nelson Ronsvalle; Peter Same; Jeff Shipley, Robert Shipley

**Excused:**

**Absent:** Robert Pfeiff, Hunter Mollin

**Guests:** William Verfuss, McFarland Johnson Engineer; Mitchell Rowe, County Manager

Chairman Earl Martin opened the meeting at 7:04 PM. The meeting was held at the airport terminal building.

Minutes of the March 9, 2022 meeting were moved by Dr. Padgett and seconded by Nelson Ronsvalle 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
- FBO Activity
- Mowing/Plowing
- Car rental going well with both Eagle Auto and Enterprise
- Equipment Storage
- **Others:**
  - Mr. Sessler suggests that the airport pricing follow the market. If someone lands without buying fuel, there should be a landing fee of \$50.00. Most costs are paid in credit cards.
  - The west side runway light is out

**FLAPS Review:** by David Haimes

- All is going well. FLAPS is planning to work with the Waterloo Rotary for a fly in breakfast event.

**Engineering Review:** Presented by Mr. Verfuss

- Pumps for the fuel farm are due in August or September 2022

- Discussion on pavement maintenance plan
- AIP, AWOS, Master Plan Update and Runway Extension projects
- RFPs for the hangar will be held until fall
- BIL money: Trying to get NYS to alter airport's share due to area demographics
- Approval needed by NYS to change the size of the hangar

**County Review:** by Jill Henry

- Suit-Kote gave quote of \$19,000 for crack sealing. The sealing and striping is due to be done between summer and fall. Purchase orders are required and state bid is used for pricing.
- Robert Shipley was introduced as he replaced Michael Ferrara as a representative for the County on the airport committee
- Robert Shipley spoke of the Board of Supervisors support for a runway extension project. William Verfuss discussed how the project could fit into the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Ideas on how to build community and business support was discussed.
- Mr. Martin asked about grooving the runway and if it could be included in the next rehab.

**Chamber of Commerce Review:** Jeff Shipley gave updates on the broadband survey and status of high-speed internet within the County.

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- Mr. Haines requested options for the fuel truck shelter. Mr. Haines believes the option of a 24' x 44' building with a 12' door would suffice. Ms. Henry will research the costs.
- It was suggested that a natural gas backup generator be researched as there was mention of a possible natural gas extension for Martin Road.

The meeting was closed at 8:44 PM with a motion by Robert Shipley and seconded by Dr. Padgett.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be at 7 PM on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at the airport terminal.

**Submitted by:** Don Earle, Secretary