

# **CITY OF HASTINGS ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES**

February 14, 2024

Hastings Municipal Airport Terminal

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Brent Hoops Called Meeting to order at 11:32AM

## **ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

PRESENT: Aaron Schardt, Brent Hoops, Shawn Hartman, Jason Haase,

ABSENT: Phil Beda

OTHERS PRESENT: Matt Kuhr, Jim Howsden, Jeff Haasenstab, Roger Knobloch, Mark Funkey, Luke Meyers, Carson Kinney,

## **MOTION TO ADOPT CURRENT AGENDA:**

Motion by: Shawn Hartman Second: Jason Haase

Motion adopted and carried by consensus of the Advisory Board

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Approval of minutes for previous Meeting (November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Motion by: Shawn Hartman Second: Jason Haase

## **Public Notice:**

- 1) PUBLIC NOTICE – Official Notice of the meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune, and a copy of the meeting was posted at City Hall and the Airport. Pursuant to the Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda and all reproducible written material, which will be discussed at today's meeting, is located in the lobby of the Hastings Airport Terminal Building. In addition, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the West Wall of entry way in the Terminal Building which is accessible to members of the public.

## **Garver (Engineering Consultant) Update on 2024 Apron Project:**

The Geotechnical tests and surveying are complete. Geo tech found that the subsurface under the apron concrete might be insufficient. The plan is when the project is bid to have an alternate of replacing subsurface. A decision will be made at that time. FAA money is being held up in congress. Project completion will be late this year or early 2025. Project will be funded by Airport entitlement and BIL funding. The aging airport lighting issue came up and a preliminary cost estimate was discussed. Lighting will be the next major project as there are many issues with airport lighting and reliability.

Hanger construction was discussed. A location and cost estimate of \$722,000 was presented from Garver. This hanger could house a jet and satisfy our regional airport status which would allow us to receive additional FAA funding opportunities. With our airport growth there is demand for larger hangers to base light jet aircraft. We had to turn a couple away due to lack of space.

The Airport Manager was asked by the board to move forward to try and find funding as additional estimates to build a hanger for a based jet aircraft.

## **Airfield HailStorm (2022) Repair Update:**

Most hail repairs have been completed. Zeimba is finishing up the roofs on building 11 and building 1. That will complete all repairs from the 2022 hailstorm. We might look at repairing some of the doors on a couple buildings yet and the EAA door needs repainted. There was a long discussion of how to use up the remaining funds. After the discussion it was decided that this will be left on the agenda and discussed regularly with updates.

## **FBO (Fixed Based Operator) Fee Discussion and Contract:**

Luke Meyers and Carson Kinney attended the meeting to discuss the continuation of the FBO Contract with the city. Thoughts and ideas were discussed on the rates and fees that should be charged to the FBO in the continued contract. A 2-year contract is desired.

A motion was made by Aaron Schardt and seconded by Shawn Hartman to suggest that the Fuel Farm Rental rate be increased from \$500/ month to \$575 for inflation with no fuel flow fees. All were in favor.

The Airport Manager will have a meeting with the City Attorney and Finance Director to discuss the contract and move forward to the City Council for approvals later this year.

## **Update on Private Hanger Construction**

Construction is complete. The building inspector and Fire Marshall have done final inspections. Tenants have moved in.

## **General Airport Manager Update:**

Working with engineering to complete the Capitol Outlay project to repair the Fixed Based Operator and Terminal Building parking lots. Should be completed this spring.

June 8<sup>th</sup> there will be an Airport open house in cooperation with the Museum and the Library to have an 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary D-Day Remembrance. Several WW2 Aircraft will be on display as well as possibly a rededication of the repainted F4 aircraft if completed. More to come on this as plans are in the works now.

The Yearly CIP (Capital Improvement Program) projects were submitted to the FAA and the Department of Aeronautics. Lighting is the next large project for our airport.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE**

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by: Jason Haase, Second by: Shawn Hartman

Adjourn at 1:26 pm