

MINUTES OF THE POTSDAM AIRPORT COMMITTEE
Tuesday, October 9, 2007, 7:00 P.M.

A meeting of the Potsdam Airport Committee was held on Tuesday evening, October 9, 2007, at 7:00 o'clock P.M., in the Civic Center Board Room, Park Street, Potsdam, New York.

PRESENT: Brad K. Clements, Airport Manager
David Morrison
Mark Penell
Rob Klein
Paul McGrath

Absent: Rob Snow
Jim Kane
Ron Scott

Also in Attendance Darren Mesibov, Potsdam Aviation
Robert Ballan
Don Henline
Michael D. Weil, Village Administrator

Call to order by Brad Clements at 7:00pm.

1. Recommendation of committee chairman

Jim Kane has moved out of the area, and can no longer fulfill his duties as cmte chairman. Dave Morrison was suggested as a candidate, seconded and motion carried unanimously.

2. Report on Clarkson Land acquisition

The village of Potsdam recently acquired from Clarkson University, 8.25 acres of property adjacent to the new apron. An initial appraisal of this property indicates a value of approximately \$110,000. A second appraisal may be required by the FAA. We expect to be able to carry over, and leverage the appraised value of this property by up to 40x the appraised amount on future federal projects. That is, the property may provide sufficient local match on future federal projects totaling up to \$4 million.

3. Status Report on Potsdam Aviation - Darren Mesibov

Darren gave a short presentation on how he would use a large conventional hanger to expand his business by providing year round FBO service, charter operations - Part 135, aircraft management services and aircraft maintenance and repair.

4. **NYSDOT Security Grant**

Mike reported that we have received the grant for improved security features at the airport (new gates and cameras) for the amount of \$186,000. Construction is expected to start in 2008.

5. **Fuel Sales Report**

Mike reports that to-date we have sold about 18,000 gallons of fuel. He expects the sale price to remain around \$4.05/gallon in the near future.

6. **Discuss T hanger**

We had a long discussion about the feasibility of constructing a private T hanger on the new apron pad vs. trying to obtain grant money for a T hanger. The current grant cycle requires that grants are based on economic development (that is, grants are linked to job creation). No conclusion was reached, other than private parties have until next spring to propose a building plan, if said plan requires changes to the phase III apron project. For example, if a private party wants to build a T hanger on the apron, but have a full concrete floor, that has to be determined before the apron area is paved.

7. **Status of Phase II and III Apron Project.**

Acts II construction started working on the apron project this week. They are not expected to pave the apron until next year, due to the late start and wet conditions we typically experience in the fall.

8. **ACIP Plans**

A list of possible ACIP projects were presented and members were asked to rank their priority and/or suggest totally new projects. The projects were ranked in this order:

- a. Rejuvenate and crack seal runway and taxiways
- b. Runway 24 LPV obstruction study
- c. Runway 24 LPV obstruction removal
- d. Taxiway E to become Access roadway Alpha - Under this project, the committee proposes that the back RT 11 entrance road be abandoned, and that Taxiway E become the new secondary access road (being reconstructed in the process)

9. **Airport committee membership**

Dave Morrison and Mark Penell agreed to accept another term if appointed by the Board. A list of potential new non-pilot members was compiled and will be presented to the mayor for his selection. Potential members are Kevin Blanchard, Robert Ballan, and Tom Derosa.

10. **Meeting adjourned** at 9:45 p.m.