

To: Airport Advisory Board

February 2, 2012

From: John Benzinger, Acting Board Secretary

Subject: Airport Advisory Board Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2012

An Airport Advisory Board meeting was held at the Mt. Pleasant Airport terminal building on January 12, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. Board member, Mike Verleger, was present along with Roger Rouse and John Benzinger. Guests in attendance were: Dick Evans, Adam Raycraft, Al Bryan, and Todd Tarlton.

There were no minutes taken at the December 8, 2011, meeting.

A note was made to contact Jerry Elliot about serving a second term on the Airport Advisory Board. Dick Evans initiated a discussion about the city expanding Airport Advisory Board nominees to include the township and county. Mike Verleger suggested the requirements be revised to include other entities. This might attract more qualified people to serve on the board.

A discussion on the pros and cons of an Airport Authority was held.

Questions on Dan Otto's Airport Best Practices Report were asked. John thought Dan's report would be available by the end of January.

Dick Evans raised a concern on the security at the airport, noting that many times T-hangars were left open for days. John and Todd said they would address this problem more vigilantly. John said he will draft a notice to be sent to all T-hangar lessees to ensure that their areas will be closed and locked in their absence.

Roger gave an overview on the 2012 Airport Budget. Additional information was requested on revenue descriptions and depreciation line items.

Roger reported that the Airport Master Plan (ALP) is being developed by Mead and Hunt. Roger asked for AAB and City Commission input on the drafting of the ALP, and on setting goals for the future of the airport.

Todd presented his concerns about the airport and the direction it is heading. He feels that the city is not using the knowledge that is available at the airport, in planning a course for the future. Todd also mentioned the many inquiries he has made to City Hall without any response.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. The next meeting of the Airport Advisory Board is scheduled for February 9, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. at the airport terminal building.

