

City of Mt. Pleasant
Airport Advisory Board

Thursday, January 10, 2013
MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chairman Verleger called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Donna Kriss, Glen Irwin, Cathy Tilmann, Mike Verleger, and
Jerry Elliot, MD (5:45 p.m.)

Staff: John Benzinger and Roger H. Rousse

Guests: Mr. and Mrs. D. Jones and Mark Drumheller

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Elliott, support by Irwin, to approve agenda as listed.

Motion approved.

III. Public Comment on Agenda Items

No comments were received.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Kriss, support by Tilmann, to approve December meeting
minutes.

Motion approved.

V. Airport Manager's Report

Benzinger stated that fuel sales were down for the year, but still good
even with the six week ramp closure and limited access to the pumps.
The fuel sales report was attached.

J. Ranck Electric Company needs to fix two taxiway lights.

Crawford Contracting will re-seed the rutted areas in the spring.

Snow removal efforts have begun with contractor, Pat McGuirk
Excavating.

VI. Old Business

Benzinger stated that the final inspection of the corporate hangar ramp was completed in December, see the aforementioned items. Drainage is not a problem at this time.

VII. New Business

Election of Officers;

Chairperson – Motion by Irwin, support by Elliot to elect Mike Verleger Chairperson. Motion unanimously approved.

Vice Chairperson - Motion by Kriss, support by Verleger to elect Cathy Tilmann Vice Chairperson. Motion unanimously approved.

Secretary - Motion by Verleger, support by Elliot to elect Donna Kriss Secretary. Motion unanimously approved.

Rousse stated that a Place Making Seminar, hosted by the Michigan Municipal League, is scheduled for January 14, 2013.

Rousse stated that a Boards and Commission training session, Roberts Rules, roles, etc., is scheduled for January 21, 2013.

VIII. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Tilmann presented a copy of the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration “GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORTS A NATIONAL ASSETT”, A Fresh look at the many roles General Aviation Airports play in the National Air Transportation System to all Board members and Guests, from May 2012

(http://www.faa.gov/airports/planning_capacity/ga_study/)

Discussion ensued regarding the need for flight training locally, supporting the Young Eagles Youth Group.

Benzinger reported that Pat McCarty expressed interest in opening a base of working operations.

Brian Hines, local pilot instructor, just got a new job with Corporate Airlines, and will be leaving the area.

Kriss brought a copy of “STRENGTHENING MICHIGAN’S AVIATION SYSTEM” for the Michigan Airport Conference hosted by the Michigan Association of Airport Executives and the Michigan Department of Transportation Office of Aeronautics on February 20-21, 2013, at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center in East Lansing. All interested Board members, City Board Members, and airport executives are welcome.

There is a Professional Development Financial Assistance Application that covers the cost of registration available for board members. (http://www.michigan.gov/documents/aero/2013-Michigan-Airport-Conference_406595_7.pdf)

No other comments were received.

IX. Adjournment

Motion by _____, support by _____ to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Motion approved