

City of Mt. Pleasant
Airport Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, February 13, 2014

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chairperson Kriss called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Glen Irwin, Cathy Tilmann, Donna Kriss, and Jerry Elliot (6:05 p.m.)

Absent: Bob Bucholz

Staff Present: John Benzinger, Bill Brickner, and John Zang

Guests Present: Russ Alwood, Union Twp. Supervisor

II. Proclamations and Presentations

None

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Irwin, support by Tilmann to accept as written.

Motion passed.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Irwin, support by Tilmann to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2014 meeting as written.

Motion passed

V. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

VI. Airport Manager's Report

Most of the month was spent moving snow, scraping the runway/taxiway ramps, and keeping the airport usable. The January snow removal cost was \$4,558.15. Seven corporate jets diverted to MBS because of strong winds and frigid temperatures. Entertainer, Jim Belushi, flew in to speak at CMU.

VII. Old Business

None

VIII. New Business

A. Board Member Bob Bucholz – Absence

B. Revised By-Laws

The By-Laws were reviewed by all. Paragraph 1, change from seven (7) to five (5) board members, to two-year terms. A revised, typed version will be sent.

C. Ground School / Pilot Training

Tilmann met with Pat McCarty, who could not attend tonight but will be present at the next meeting.

IX. Public Comment on Non-Agenda and Agenda Items

Russ Alwood, Union Township Supervisor, discussed his desire to be more of a partner with the airport and the City of Mt. Pleasant. A discussion was held on making this airport a regional center airport. Russ has talked with several other individuals in the area, trying to collaborate in this area.

Discussion occurred regarding expansion of the runway and other upgrades.

X. Announcements on Airport Related Issues and Concerns

Discussed the Michigan Airport Conference to be held in Lansing on Wednesday and Thursday, February 19 – 20, 2014. Brickner, Zang, Tilmann, and Kriss will be in attendance.

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Irwin, support by Elliot to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Motion passed.