

City of Mt. Pleasant
Airport Advisory Board
Thursday, October 9, 2014
Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

Present: Glen Irwin, Cathy Tilmann, Donna Kriss, Mark Drumheller, and
Jerry Elliot

Absent: None

Staff Present: John Benzinger and John Zang

II. Proclamations and Presentations

None

III. Approval of Agenda

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

Motion passed.

IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Irwin, support by Tilmann to approve the minutes of the Sep-
tember 11, 2014 meeting.

Motion passed.

V. Public Comment on Agenda Items

None

VI. Airport Manager's Report

Fuel sales were better than expected with 48 jets in September, averaging
over 30 per month.

MMI is supposed to do the windows twice a year.

Lights are still not working as they should. John Zang will look into this on
Monday. The front lights are not installed according to the contract (miss-
ing).

Chris Coale does not get paid for call outs; he doesn't get all of the notifi-
cations, and, just by happenstance, was here for a jet. Chris went to the
free Fuel Safety Supervisor Training offered by AVGAS in Lansing.

VII. Old Business

A. Hay Baling / Grass Cutting

Bill Cline has baled only the very north area. According to the contract,
John Zang must call him (be on record). If he doesn't show, then we have
a reason to break the contract. Give him a date that the grass must be cut

by. He doesn't want some of the stuff with Queen Anne's Lace, (he said it is toxic to horses), but the contract does not specify that.

B. Skydivers' Insurance

There was a lengthy discussion regarding insurance for the skydivers. Every other business at the airport must provide insurance. John Zang said that when CMU bought insurance when they jumped there with the flag. Chris said they had insurance on the plane and all of the employees, but nothing on the jumpers. It was stated that the jumper may sign a release or waiver, but that doesn't preclude his family from suing. The City wants the Advisory Board to make a recommendation. Kriss said that she could not support running a business off of the airport. A discussion ensued concerning liability issues; what would be covered if a jumper hit a building? Elliot suggested finding out what other airports do. More information is needed. The discussion concluded. Scott Schlosser, Central Michigan Skydivers, is to be invited to the next board meeting, so information can be gathered and relayed to the City in December. John Zang will have the office staff extend an invitation to Scott to come to the next meeting with information.

VIII. New Business

A. Crack Sealing and Painting

All crack sealing that was planned is done. The painting is on hold most likely until spring.

B. Term Expiration

Jerry Elliot's term will soon expire. Suggestions about filling the board vacancy include: extend Jerry's term and / or invite others who live in the City limits to apply.

IX. Public Comment on Non-Agenda and Agenda Items

None

X. Announcements on Airport Related Issues and Concerns

None

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Elliot, support by Irwin to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Motion passed.