

Minutes of Meeting
Airport and Airport Advisory Board Update
February 24, 2020
9:00 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present were Airport Director Steven Kjergaard and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present were Airport Advisory Board Chair Joan Genter and Civil Air Patrol Member Michael Venning.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business (Discussion Items):**

Snow Removal Equipment/Building

Airport Director Steven Kjergaard reported that he had completed negotiations with T-O Engineers for the planning phase of the SRE Building (Snow Removal Equipment). He said the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) had reviewed the material and the project was slated for a \$1 million grant from them to be paid in FY21 or FY22. He remarked that he intended to relocate his offices to part of the new building and hoped to pay for part of it by selling the Armory Building. He confirmed that the local match for the SRE Building was 10%, of which the State would cover between 2.5% and 5%. He added that the cost of the Airport offices would not be included in the grant; those would be paid for by the County only.

In response to a question from Commissioner Leslie Duncan, Mr. Kjergaard said they were in negotiation with the City of Hayden regarding property the Airport wants to subdivide. He stated he was waiting to hear from Hayden's representatives.

Runway Decoupling Project

Mr. Kjergaard reminded those present that this was an FAA-driven project. He stated they were moving ahead with the design work and predicted the Commissioners would receive a contract very soon. He said this would be part of the FY2021 construction projects, with a cost of about \$500,000, with a 10% local match. He noted that part of that 10% would probably be covered by the State, but he could not offer the exact percentage at this time.

Mr. Kjergaard remarked that the project would have an impact on the Forest Service's ramp, but he was not yet sure to what extent.

Mr. Kjergaard predicted he might have to travel to Washington D.C. for meetings related to the project, since it was under the control of the FAA at the national level, not the local level.

Taxiway D-North Project

Mr. Kjergaard reported that the Taxiway D-North Project was also planned for this year and that the FAA had \$1.5 million set aside for it. He said that this taxiway would be thirty-five feet wide, rather than fifty feet. He added that the County would need to pay for the installation of a gate, to shield the area from intrusion. He predicted this would cost between \$5,000 and \$10,000 and said the FAA would not cover any of that amount.

StanCraft Update

Mr. Kjergaard provided the Commissioners with a recent picture of the StanCraft hangar's progress. He reported this would be a 30,000 square foot structure and should hold between ten and twelve aircraft. He said StanCraft had predicted that it would be fully completed before the end of June, but commented he thought the timetable was probably too optimistic.

- D. Public Comment (Discussion):** This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County-related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing.

Mr. Kjergaard said that new members were introduced and departing members were honored in the most recent Airport Advisory Board meeting. He stated they were beginning work on their budget. He noted that the Airport would probably have to increase its sewer rates; this year they had collected only \$42,000 but had spent \$45,000 in that area. He acknowledged that a public hearing would have to be scheduled to change the rates.

- E. Adjournment (Action):** Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
