

Minutes of Meeting
Airport & Airport Advisory Board Update
February 25, 2019
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 item. Also present were Airport Director Steven Kjergaard, Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney R. David Ferguson and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present were Airport Advisory Board Chair Joan Genter, Airport Advisory Board Member Mark Vehr, Wally Jacobsen from the Panhandle Area Council, Robb Bloem from StanCraft and hangar owner Harry Craviotto.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business:**

February 13, 2019 Airport Advisory Board Meeting Follow-Up (Discussion)

Airport Advisory Board Chair Joan Genter shared that Robb Bloem of StanCraft and Wally Jacobsen from the Panhandle Area Council presented their plans for an FBO (Fixed Base Operator) at their meeting. She said that the Airport Advisory Board Guidelines were being reviewed and updated by a working group. She reported the group planned to present their recommended changes at the March meeting.

Airport Director Steven Kjergaard shared the updates he had presented to the Advisory Board. He said the BOCC was still reviewing the updated Rules and Standards document and the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) had not yet made their response to the Master Plan. He reminded the Board the FAA still needed to approve the Airport Layout Plan.

Mr. Kjergaard provided a graph of fuel flowage rates from 2009 through 2018. He pointed out that jet fuel demand had doubled, while regular avgas demand had remained about the same.

Mr. Kjergaard shared that the AIP47 Northside Taxilane AGIS Project grant application had been signed. He said the grant would be for about \$250,000, with 90% funded by the FAA, 5% funded by the State and the remaining 5% funded by the County.

Commissioner Bill Brooks asked that the minutes from the Airport Advisory Board be made available to the BOCC further in advance of a meeting to allow the Commissioners time to digest the information. Mr. Kjergaard and Ms. Genter agreed.

Chairman Fillios reported he had received an email from Mike Henkowski regarding his concerns for provisions for helicopters at the Airport. Commissioner Leslie Duncan read the content of the email into the record. Mr. Kjergaard said that Mr. Henkowski's

concerns could be handled through the variance provisions in the Minimum Standards document.

Mr. Kjergaard confirmed that the Rules and Standards could be adjusted again in the future. He explained any future changes would be presented to the BOCC in the form of a resolution.

- 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.

Airport hangar owner Harry Craviotto introduced himself and remarked that he did not feel the helicopter provisions should be included in the Rules and Standards document. He pointed out the issue was already covered adequately by FAA regulations. He said it also placed an undue burden on him, because he now had to go to the Airport to request a variance if he wanted to store a helicopter in his hangar. He also pointed out that landing a helicopter as prescribed would clog up an entire taxiway.

Ms. Genter voiced her disagreement and commented that there were other problems posed by helicopter operation such as prop wash picking up debris and causing damage to other craft or structures. Commissioner Brooks urged that the process of receiving a variance be streamlined.

- E. Adjournment (Action):** Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
