

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Madison County Airport Board**  
Madison County Administration Building  
January 9, 2023

**PRESENT:** Beau Bradley, John Hauck, Mary Oliver, Tyler Holland, Jim Frey, Scott Payne, Brett Owens,

**Commissioner/s:** Commissioner Ron Nye,

**Secretary:** Hannah Brook

**On WebEx:** Matt Wilder, RPA

**NOT PRESENT:**

**VISITORS:** Lance Bowser - RPA, Troy Hunter – Choice Aviation

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Board Co-Chairman, Beau Bradley called meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- No public comment

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Mary Oliver moves to approve, Tyler Holland seconds. All aye. Motion carried.

**BUDGET**

- Mary Oliver - Seven percent of the EKS budget spent for the year. Troy said most is spent on fuel.
- No one can spend over \$500.00 without approval.
- Mary Oliver said RVF has used 26% of their budget.
- Tyler Holland said hanger owners are required to have \$1 million in liability insurance.
- Discussion if county was taking inflation into consideration. Hannah Brook answered the county Commissioners were beginning to have those discussions. Budget time starts in March or April.

**RUBY VALLEY AVIATION CONTRACT**

- Scott Payne makes motion to amend Ruby Valley Aviation LC agreement.
- Beau Bradley says they need to keep up with rising costs.
- Tyler Holland moves to accept new fees of \$2,000 a month, Scott Payne seconds. Motion passes.

**RVF – Beau Bradley/Scott Payne**

- Snow blower is needed to blow by doors.
- Tenets need to use one, walk behind snow blower.
- Loader is going to need to carve out – especially T-hanger.
- Looking at \$5,000 - \$6,000 a unit.
- Money is in the budget.
- Beau motions to approve a purchase of snow blower. Price of \$5,000, basic commercial grade. Scott Payne seconds. Motion passed to approve purchase of new snow blower.
- New plow is doing its job, Mike is doing great.

- AWAS corrected today or tomorrow. Had issues with drifts but will have that.

#### **RVF HANGER LEASE APPLICATIONS**

- 125LLC – 90x130 – Private owner. Owner has agreed to write letters in support of expansion.
- Contingent on plans, John Hauck moves to accept lease, Scott Payne seconds. Motion passed.

#### **EKS – Troy Hunter**

##### **AIR FIELD CONDITIONS**

- All lights and signs functioning.
- Runway bare/dry
- Snow plowing (Max capacity, ice, RCAM 1, 1, 1)
- No runway closures.
- Three weeks of little traffic due to ice.
- It would be \$15,000 for liquid to de-ice for runway.
- John Hauck asked if airport road had closed. Troy said they brought 4-wheelers out to get staff in. Scott Payne asked if they can use plow on airport roads. Troy said 90% of plow is owned by FAA. Lance believes the FAA would not have an issue using plow on road if there was an emergency.

##### **PROJECTS**

- Snow is piling up around lights, need something to help snow push pass the lights. Kept lights cleared with loader.  
Lance said RPA is working on tractor bid, difficult with Made in America. There is a specific John Deere. Tractor would include snow blower. Price is \$120.00. Seven hundred series made in America.  
Tyler Holland asked if equipment needed to be brand new. Lance said it's a process, but FAA allows it.
- NOTAM Training
- Snow plow repair (Orings on hydraulic solenoids).
- Meeting with the FAA 19<sup>th</sup> COMPLETE (RAMP FUNDING)
- Geotech complete for Choice Hanger site.
- County truck needs tires (board approval \$800-1000).
- ADB Safegate account will be needed to purchase new light parts.
- Small pick-up needs winter tires. It will be \$850 - \$950 for new tires.
- State Aeronautics – LED. County policy is to not set up an account. Choice will need to invoice County. Beau Bradley mentioned there needs to be inventory.
- John Hauk motions to approve purchase of lights and winter tires. Jim Frey seconds. All aye. Motion passes.

##### **FBO Report**

- Avgas (1085) Jet A (2056)
- 8-Aircraft current in MX

##### **RTTF**

- Ryan Seth Riney/Mountain Park LLC
- Beau Bradley makes motion to approve RTTF for Ryan Seth Riney, Jim Frey seconds. All aye, motion passes.

## **ROBERT PECCIA & ASSOCIATES (RPA) PROJECT UPDATES – Lance Bowser**

### **EKS**

- Tract 22B closed, acquired 05/18/2022
- Tract 22B FAA has confirmed land is eligible for reimbursement, but only with future construction project of north apron.
- North Apron Expansions – FAA does not currently have any funding budgeted/planned within near term for apron expansion. Until this happens they will not support any design.\
- AIP-026-2023 Snow Removal Equipment
  - Completed FAA Pre-Design Meeting/Scoping.
  - MT Aeronautics Grant/Loan Allocation Meeting – January 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Coordination underway with Madison County Planning Department.

### **RVF**

- AIP-016-2021 – (Estimated \$1,070,000 total, \$860,000 FAA) SRE/SRE Building/Pilot Lounge
- FAA Grant Closeout: Final report submitted to FAA pending approval
- Final reimbursement - \$99,808.90
- AIP-019-2023 Pavement Maintenance
  - Recently completed FAA Pre-Design Meeting/Scoping, Engineering TO, MT Aeronautics Grant Application
- Assistance with runway widening justification and continued discussions with FAA.

### **PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY WELLS – EKS & RVF**

- Issue with ARPA Funding.
- DNRC has determined that the Minimum Allocation Funds cannot be utilized toward development of new Public Water Supply wells.
- Further discussion with Madison County Commission regarding LATCF and funding.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Webcams for airports?
- Lance believes cost would be \$13,000 in equipment. Grant pays for half.
- Last year Aeronautics awarded four airports that asked. First come first serve.
- We have the fiber optics.
- Next month agenda for discussion.

Meeting closes at 7:59PM

**NEXT MEETING**  
**Monday, February 27, 2023**  
**Madison County Administration Building**  
**UPSTAIRS**  
**6:00PM**