

Meeting Minutes
Madison County Airport Board
Ennis Big Sky Airport
Ennis, MT
June 8, 2020

Attendees: Tom Miller, Jim Frey, John Hauck, and Scott Payne. Peter Fitzgerald participated via phone.

Absentees: Beau Bradley and Tyler Holland

Commissioners: Jim Hart, Ron Nye

Secretary: Jani Flinn

Visitors: Lance Bowser and Will Senecal, Robert Peccia & Associates; Troy Hunter s, Choice Aviation, and Breon Roberson, private citizen

Board Chairman, Tom Miller, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes: John Hauck moved to approve the 5/18/20 meeting minutes as submitted. Peter Fitzgerald seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Report Twin Bridges Airport: Beau reported a little more traffic for Twin Bridges, and slightly larger aircraft are starting to come in. They currently have no hangars available.

Report Ennis Big Sky Airport: See attached report from Choice Aviation. Troy reported on current projects including county truck repairs, riding mower front tires, and parking lot millings coordinated with Roy Hill. Two people are currently interested in hangar leases. Brush truck is scheduled for service the end of June. FBO Report shows no activity due to airport shutdown during construction.

Robert Peccia & Associates Project Updates: The Board reviewed the attached RPA Airport Board Meeting Notes. Topics discussed included:

- **AIP 020-2018: SRE/ARFF Building.** Final punch list prepared.
- **Land Acquisition:** Probably two months out to finalize request for reimbursement.
- **AIP 21-2020 and AIP 22-2020:** Working on earthwork, culverts and electrical on West side. Crusher will be here Wednesday to set up at Longhorn. 100,000 yards of dirt to move + 80,000 back by hangars. Dan and Ray are working with SK to request crushed road gravel. Starting the cut east of runway. Longhorn offer is \$109,408.40 for gravel & easement; Montana Land Reliance offer is \$14,673.44 to extinguish conservation easement.
- **Twin Bridges:** 012-2017 Master Plan ready to send to FAA for review. Need to update Airport Layout Plan. FAA has turned down our request to use the 3-letter identifier, TWN. Lance again requested getting support from the Commissioners to write their Congressmen and protest this decision, and will send details to the Commissioners for that request.

Fire Suppression Well: Lance presented a Task Order proposed by RPA to prepare a Preliminary Engineering Review for a new water well at the Ennis Airport. After review and discussion, Scott Payne moved to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to accept the

proposal in the amount of \$12,485.00 to determine the four phases needed to drill a fire suppression well. John Hauck seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Breon Roberson: New Hangar Lease. Breon would like to select a space at the end of the hangar area and start construction in the Spring of 2021. Lance explained that to skip a space would be detrimental to construction of the middle space, so that would not be recommended. After discussion, it was decided that Breon will wait until next month's meeting to discuss further.

Other Business:

- The Board agreed that the Grand Opening event at the Ennis Airport following completion of construction this fall will remain on hold for now.
- Lance will send an email to Tisler to see if he is interested in selling.

With no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:41 p.m.

Tom Miller, Chairman

Minutes prepared by Jani Flinn, Airport Board Secretary

The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 13, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at the Twin Bridges Airport.