

Meadow Lake Airport Association

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MLAA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 13, 2009

Members Present: Dave Elliott, Ron Lee, Wyman Varnedoe, John Scott
Jeff More, Richard Martin, Mark Shook

Members Absent: Jamie Johnston (notes taken by Wyman on digital recorder)

Call to Order: 3:12 p.m. by Dave Elliott

Meeting Minutes: Approval of last minutes:
Ron Lee had difficulty opening minutes. Wyman's name not spelled correctly. Richard could not open file. Put off approval of minutes till the next meeting.

Treasurers Report: Jeff Moore
Discussed checks written over the month.

MOTION: Mark Shook – Motion that we accept the treasurer's report
SECOND: Richard Martin
Vote: Unanimous

Interagency Coordination: Dave Elliott
Nothing new. Dave met with Travis, Jim and John Sweeny and went over the draft letter. The letter was too long to give to FAA. The FAA owes MLAA a written response on a few concerns. They will provide it to MLAA within two weeks. (That was four weeks ago.)

Business Plan: Dave Elliott
Two bills. ADG is working on the final segment of the Business Plan and will get it to us shortly. The final plan was to have an infrastructure and to provide tenants. The board is not impressed with what we've received so far. Mark Shook feels the whole thing has been a boondoggle. MLAA has paid \$100,000 for the business plan so far. ADG is a good company, but this particular document did not originate with Meadow Lake. Ron Lee asked if we can terminate the effort. Dave said the state asked us to get this and it doesn't look well for Meadow Lake if we terminate and don't allow them to finish. Dave will provide a summary of what's done and what still needs to be done.

ACC Report: Mark Shook
No new plans given to ACC.

By Laws: Wyman Varnedoe
Need direction on what needs to be done, and what the board wants done in relation to by-laws. Dave said Travis feels we don't charge our people enough. We have a budget

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and we meet our budget. Look at it from the State perspective. They feel Meadow Lake is the cheapest place to park your plane in the state. But is that true? Lamar charges \$125/month for a t-hangar. Mark charges \$399 for a Hangar. The same space is \$200 in Pueblo. We are not the cheapest place to park a plane in Colorado. Dave said the minimum charge to park a plane is \$75/yr. Mark Shook feels we need to raise our minimum assessment. The FAA has not given us a number. They just approved the one for Erie and their assessment was \$125 or \$150. Richard Martin asked if anyone here objects if we raise it from \$75 to \$120? (No objections.)

Dave Elliott stated \$120 shows good faith and it's realistic. He wasn't sure if this will make the FAA happy. Right now it's a significant challenge. The airports in FAA sights at the moment include MLAA, Erie and Ft. Collins. Ft. Collins is in trouble because of their prairie dogs.

Sandy got an email from someone who wants to shoot our rabbits. Sandy said he wanted to shoot rabbits on the airport with his .22. Sandy said it's not allowed. Most members are uncomfortable with the guns on the airport.

MOTION: Ron Lee Motion that MLAA not allow people to shoot wildlife on the property.

SECOND: Jeff Moore

Discussion: How do we be consistent with the application? Controlled hunting on certain dates. Is this guy a member? No. Why are we even discussing it? Too much liability.

Vote: Unanimous

Rules and Regulations: Mark Shook

Mark has created a copy to review but is working formatting issues. Dave suggested we need to organize the rules in a more readable fashion. Mark sent an email to the state and ADG to requesting copies of other airport guides we can use as a reference.

Airfield Management: Dave Elliott

Airfield Management will be part of airfield operations guide. No need to discuss right now.

Facility Report: Ron Lee

Provided paint quote comparisons. ADG provided the number of square feet we needed to paint. Ron asked if ADG has a plan that says what all needs to be painted?

Dave said just paint over everything that's already painted. Ron will work with ADG to make sure he's using the right painting plan.

MOTION: Richard Martin Let Ron proceed with the painting.

SECOND: Mark Shook

Vote: Unanimous

Which company should we use? Ron's recommendation was KSI. The board said he should find out who did it last time and NOT use them. Dave will check the computer and look for the invoice of who did the work previously.

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A regulator was ordered. It should be shipped around November 11.

Taxiway Signs: Ron Lee

There are taxiway signs we have, but they are not standard. They do not have frangible break offs. We need to get something that is standard. Ron and Richard will put a plan together to put signs on the taxiways.

Vehicles: Richard Martin

We have winterized everything. Richard gave a bill to Jeff Moore for the work done along with pictures of some of the damage on the equipment. We need to put a new shutoff on the 1 ton truck. You have to know where it is in order to get the truck to run. Otherwise the batteries drain. Batteries are the biggest problem we have.

Roads & Grounds: Dave Elliott

Dave asked if the fencing was complete. Richard said yes.

Grass Cutting: Ron Lee

Ron can't cut all the grass this year. Would the board agree to hire someone to cut the grass? Paul did a lot out there. Dave, will put a letter to the membership to see if anyone volunteers. Mark said we spend more repairing the mower from volunteers than if we hired someone. Dave suggested we hold this discussion in December when we do the budget.

Letters to the Neighborhood:

Jamie sent out the letters to the neighborhood residents. The board discussed whether people should ride horses on the airport off of Curtis Dr. Our policy needs to be consistent with what we just asked the Pfof residents to do.

AWOS: Dave Elliott

Dave discussed the appraisal for the Johnston property. It was \$509,000 with 3% interest for 10 years totaling \$600,000. That's \$91,000 interest for 10 years. The AWOS is tied to Johnston's property due to site location. The Board discussed the need to include the membership in this decision and conceptual plans for the property, if the membership agreed to the sale. The airport needs an easement from the Johnston's--or relocate the AWOS if MLAA does not buy the property.

EAA: Sandy Martin

Young Eagles rally set for 24 October.

Water Storage: Executive hangars will sell water to the association.

MOTION: Ron Lee: Motion to buy water from 4Way to fill up the tanks.

SECOND: Richard Martin

Vote: (Mark abstained) Yes, Ron, Jeff, Dave, Richard, Wyman

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Special Meeting: Workshop re: purchase of Johnston property.
October 22, 3:00 p.m.

New Business:

George Cold could blade the cross wind runway. Estimate is 6 hours for a total \$300.00.

MOTION: Mark Shook Motion to blade the cross wind runway

SECOND: Richard Martin

Vote: Unanimous

MOTION: Ron Lee: Motion to stop dumping on the airport

SECOND: Richard Martin

Vote: Yes, Unanimous

Need to put up a no dumping sign.