



Minutes
Airport Advisory Board

The Airport Advisory Board of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, held a Regular meeting on March 23, 2021, at the DeKalb Taylor Municipal Airport, 3232 Pleasant Street, DeKalb, Illinois, in the West Community Hangar.

Chair Robert Owens called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. Roll Call

Robert Owens called the roll and the following members of the Airport Advisory Board were present: Paul Borek, Scott Carlson, Richard Downen, Matt Duffy, Robert Owens, Bernard Pupino, and Tony Faivre.

Also present was Airport Manager Renee Riani, City Manager Bill Nicklas, and a guest, Carolyn Morris.

B. Approval of Agenda – Additions / Deletions

Paul Borek moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Bernard Pupino. Motion passed by a majority voice vote of those present.

C. Public Participation

None.

D. Approval of Minutes – February 23, 2021

Matt Duffy moved to approve the minutes of January 26, 2021 meeting; seconded by Scott Carlson. Motion passed by a majority voice vote of those present.

E. Old Business

1. Deice Truck

No questions or discussion.

2. 2200 Pleasant St. Hangar

Renee Riani provided an update to the process with approval by ComEd VP expected on Wednesday, Mar, 24, 2021. No further questions or discussion.

3. DeKalb Chamber of Commerce – Drive-thru Expo – Friday, May 14

Renee Riani provided update to the process in obtaining IDOT and FAA approval. Robert Owens offered a suggestion to add the KEC students as a point of local aviation involvement. No further questions or discussion.

4. Flight/Ground Operations

Renee Riani provided updates:

On Sunday, Mar. 21, I received a text from Jeff, Fly America, letting me know that a power supply line had pulled loose from the top of the FBO east hangar door. They were able to close the door safely, but they had to put their Cessna 152 in our West Community bay for the night. I let Andy know as a heads up for Monday morning. On Mon., Mar. 22, Kyle and Drew, PW electricians arrived, repaired the FBO east hangar door wiring, and performed an operational check; operation checked normal.

With regards to the Friday, Mar. 19 FAA-required three-year airfield inspection, on Tue., Mar. 23, Kyle and Drew, PW electricians, made bench repairs to runway and taxiway light fixtures that incurred damage during snow removal operations. I closed R2/20 so they could push runway edge light fixtures back down into the ground so that the break-away collars are no higher than 3" above ground.

5. Fuel Revenues

No questions or discussion.

6. TIP Projects (Transportation Improvement Program)

- a. DKB-4331 Taxiway-Rehabilitate T-hangar Pavements, Entrance Road Auto Parking Lot
No questions or discussion.
- b. DKB-4556 Replace the Existing Visual Approach Slope Indicator (VASI) Units on Runway Ends 2, 20 and 27 with Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) Units
No questions or discussion.
- c. DKB-4800 Rehabilitate Runway 2-20
Renee Riani pointed out that the pavement has held up well, despite being five years past its expected life span of 20 years, and, over a 25-year timeframe, closing the runways/airport for a potential total of 20 days for construction, is a small price to gain a newly overlaid runway. City Manager Nicklas commented that the cost of the entire runway overlay project, estimated at \$4.7M, would equal five years of the City's entire Streets Maintenance budget. Tenants will receive rent abatements in consideration of the closure. No further questions or discussion.
- d. DKB-4875 Rehabilitate Taxiway C
No further questions or discussion.

F. New Business

1. Events

- a. DeKalb County Health Department Hazardous Waste Collection
No further questions or discussion.

2. Airport Improvements

- a. FBO Redesign
Board members expressed their appreciation of the upgraded interior. No further questions or discussion.
- b. DKB Air Park
No further questions or discussion.
- c. Airport Coronavirus Response Grant Program (ACRGP)
No further questions or discussion.
- d. Fuel Supplier RFP
No further questions or discussion.

G. Adjournment

Bernard Pupino moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Paul Borek. Motion passed by a majority voice vote of those present. Chair Owens adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Minutes approved during Airport Advisory Board Regular meeting on 04/27/2021.