



APPROVED Minutes
Airport Advisory Board

The Airport Advisory Board of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, held a Regular meeting on April 27, 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, Richard Downen, Matt Duffy, Melissa Gallagher, Robert Owens/Chair, Bernard Pupino/Vice Chair, and James Rhoades.

Also present were Airport Manager Renee Riani, City Manager Bill Nicklas, and two guests, Jeff Kohlert/Fly America and Andri Wiese/Win Aviation.

B. Approval of Agenda

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

C. Public Participation

Mayor Jerry Smith addressed the Board for the final time as City of DeKalb Mayor. He offered thanks to the Board for their continued good work and their diligence to improve and expand the airport in its place within the National Transportation Network. He encouraged them to work with the Congressional leaders.

D. Approval of Minutes – March 23, 2021

Paul Borek moved to approve the minutes of March 23, 2021 meeting; seconded by Matt Duffy with a note of edit for Item 5 bullet points. 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

No questions or discussion.

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

Matt Duffy provided an update. Jeff Kohlert requested more advance notice for tenants for future events.

No further questions or discussion.

4. Flight/Ground Operations

5. No questions or discussion.

6. Fuel Revenues

7. No questions or discussion.

8. 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

Andri Wiese and Jeff Kohlert raised questions on the possibility of having a portion of either runway available during the intersection construction airfield closure. Bill and Renee explained that possibility was not feasible for several reasons which included engineering cost constraints and FAA and City funding considerations. Andri offered to provide an Arizona airport manager contact for a similar construction scenario. No questions or discussion.

d. DKB-4875 Rehabilitate Taxiway C

No questions or discussion.

F. New Business

1. Events

a. DeKalb County Health Department Hazardous Waste Collection

No questions or discussion.

2. Airport Improvements

a. FBO Redesign

Compliments were made to the improvements in the FBO by various members. No questions or discussion.

b. Airport Coronavirus Response Grant Program (ACRGP)

No questions or discussion.

3. General Aviation Appreciation Month

Renee shared that in previous years, this Proclamation had been made in June. The Board members agreed that it would be appropriate to issue the same for 2021. No further questions or discussion

G. Adjournment

Bernard Pupino moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by James Rhoades. Motion passed by a majority voice vote of those present. Chair Owens adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Renee Riani, Airport Manager

Minutes approved during Airport Advisory Board Regular meeting on 05/25/2021.