

To: Oelwein City Council

From: Greg Bryan, Airport Advisory Board Chairman

I am in receipt of The City Administrator's 6/27/2022 letter to The City Council regarding airport items.

As last year, The Board has not approved a compensation increase for the FBO. Our decision is based on several factors that include the FBO's performance, services offered, facilities provided for his use and comparisons with other airports. The Board stands firm on this recommendation.

The City Administrator's letter indicates that last year the FBO received a contract pay increase of \$1,100, lowered the fuel flow rate and paid utilities for the hangar shop that his repair business operates in. The Board was not consulted with or informed of these decisions that are contrary to our recommendation.

The Board's recommendation on the fuel system is based on the following points:

Jet A

The crop spraying operation is the largest user of jet A. This requires the FBO's management.

The FBO should purchase the fuel and be paid funds collected by The City less an established flow rate.

AV Gas

Self – service does not require management that would entitle the FBO compensation

The City will be capable of monitoring the fuel levels within the fuel program

The City can order fuel as other cities without FBOs do

The Board is adamantly against the FBO selling fuel that was purchased with public money

Speaking for the board, I request The Council to consider postponing action on the FBO contract to allow The Board to reevaluate the FBO's contract and review the new fuel system.

The Airport Advisory Board's members are a diversified group with expertise in many different areas. We are focused on serving the community by our positions on this board as ordained by the City code. Unfortunately The City Administrator does not respect The Board's authority. He has repeatedly excluded The Board from matters we are responsible for. At this point The Board's level of mistrust with the City Administrator is irreparable.

