

Watertown Airport Commission
1741 River Drive, Watertown, WI 53094 (920) 261-4567
Meeting Minutes from Wednesday, October 9th, 2024

Attendance:

Alderman Bob Wetzel	Present
Dr. Terry Turke	Present
Tom Finnel	Present
Sean Lapp	Present
Jeff Baum, Airport Manager	Present
Tom Klug	Present
Tom Hahn	Present
Eric Wegner	Absent

Others:

Krys Brown, Wisconsin Aviation – Present
Robert Stocks – Citizen of Watertown

1. Dr. Terry Turke called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.
2. A motion to approve the minutes from September 11th was made by Tom Hahn and seconded by Tom Klug. Motion carried.
3. A motion to approve the August bills in the amount of \$9,413.98 was made by Tom Finnel and seconded by Bob Wetzel. Motion carried.
4. Managers' Report:
 - Reviewed the Monthly Airport Use report.
 - Discuss: The EAA chapter Fly-In Food fest on September 18th brought in over 150 people and over 22 aircraft.
 - Reviewed: Insurance company has paid the City for the replacement of the rotating beacon by a Tip Down beacon pole minus the deductible. The contractor has ordered the pole and will start of the platform and electrical within 4-6 weeks.
 - Reviewed: The FAA released a mandate to have a North Marker for the AWOS (automated weather observation station) 3 years ago. This mandate was never conveyed to the airports resulting in disabling the wind information until a survey was done and a marker placed & certified. Krys immediately hired MSA Engineering that is the airport's engineering firm and completed the process within 3 days.
5. . Old Business:
 - Review and Take Action: The UPS parking – No new information was given.
 - Review: Runway 23/05 reconstruction project – During our bi-weekly zoom with the FAA and Bureau, the FAA indicated that we would not need a BCA (Benefit Cost Assessment) for the whole reconstruction project, just the extension of the runway. So, the cost of the runway reconstruction should then be below the 10 million cost factor.
 - Discussed: No new updates on the proposed stormwater plan for new hangar construction.
6. New Business:
 - Reviewed: The WI Aviation Conference sessions were discussed. The FAA from the ADO (airport district office) was well represented. The networking was great.

7. Adjournment:

- There being no further discussion, a motion for adjournment was made by Sen Lapp and seconded by Eric Wegner.

Respectfully submitted by: Krys Brown

Minutes are submitted unapproved