



## Airport Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, Jan 10, 2012 – 1:00 p.m.  
Gaylord Regional Airport 1100 Aero Drive  
P.O. Box 1396 Gaylord, MI 49734

### MINUTES

Advisory President Deerfield called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll call – Present: Mike Deerfield, Jeff Ratcliffe, Wally McCoy, Donna Stubenvoll, Jeff Wieber, Steve Johnson, Kris Klay, Dan Wagar, John Burt, Commissioner Paul Liss (ex-officio) Matt Barresi (Director)

Others Present: Greg Wilson    Absent: Bill Muzyl

#### Approval of Agenda

Motion by Stubenvoll to approve the agenda, Motion Approved.

#### Approval of Minutes

Motion by Stubenvoll to approve the minutes of Dec 6, 2011 Motion Approved.

#### A. Sub Committee Report

##### 1. Planning/Feasibility Study

Ratcliffe informed the Advisory that he had sent out 180 notifications for input focusing on transportation, education and industry. The Focus Group meeting has been set for Feb 8, 2012 at the University Center. Ratcliffe also stated he was working with the Community Foundation to try and secure the remaining \$38K needed for Phase III completion.

##### 2. Flight Training

McCoy stated that one of the key factors in any flight school was an economically sustainable trainer aircraft, both on fuel and maintenance. It would also require no less than 35 students to be cost effective. He added that he was still doing research and would have more to report at the February Advisory meeting.

#### B. Airport Manager's Report

##### 1. Business After Hours Event

Barresi invited the Advisory Committee to attend the January 2012 Gaylord Chamber of Commerce, "Business after Hour's" event which is scheduled to be held at the airport tomorrow the 11th. Barresi emphasized that this should not only be a great way to showcase the airport but also kick off fundraising for the airshow.

## **2. Airshow 2012**

Barresi handed out fundraising packets to members of the advisory and Barresi presented a detailed airshow planning map that Mr. Burt had made to more accurately help set up the 2012 airshow. The map identified positioning of vender booths bathrooms, support equipment, safety areas, aircraft and car parking and will encompass even more information when completed.

## **3. Alpine 4plex T-Hangar**

Barresi informed the committee that the county was having an assessment done on the T-Hangars connected to the old Civil Air Patrol building to determine its future. The first objective is to see if the hangar is still safe then to determine if the airport should refurbish or remove them.

## **C. Open Discussion**

### **1. AAC Members and Bylaws**

Ratcliffe asked about approval from the county on the request to have the Advisory Committee members increased by two persons. Mr Burt stated that it had been approved and has been updated in the bylaws.

### **2. Bicycles & Bike Rack**

Ratcliffe asked if we had obtained any bicycles for pilots to use and a bike rack to lock them up. Barresi stated that we did not get a bike rack but last summer we did receive abandoned bikes from the Gaylord Police and County Sheriff's Office. The bikes were not in the best of shape but a few were usable. Johnson offered to work on the bikes if needed to make more of them operational. Mr Burt stated that he would work with Barresi to try and acquire a bike rack.

### **3. Military Operations Area (MOA)**

McCoy asked if the airport was aware of a proposed temporary MOA for this coming summer. Barresi stated he had received notification in writing from the FAA of the military exercise from July 22 thru Sept 1. Barresi added that the FAA packet states that No Restrictions will be imposed on nonparticipating VFR aircraft. However Barresi added that pilots should be vigilant while transiting the temporary MOA.

The next meeting date will be on Tuesday, Feb 7, 2012 at 1:00 pm in the airport conference room.

The meeting was adjourned by Deerfield at 1:37.p.m.