



Transportation and Airport Committee Minutes

Thursday, 10 April, 2014 – 09:00 a.m.
Gaylord Regional Airport 1100 Aero Drive
P.O. Box 1396 Gaylord, MI 49734

MINUTES

Commissioner Liss called the meeting to order at 09:00 a.m.

Roll call – Present: Paul Liss, Ken Borton, Doug Johnson

Others present: John Burt, Theron Higgins, Matt Barresi, Erma Backenstose

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes of 13 Mar 2014. Motion Carried.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Liss to approve the agenda with the addition of (Item D. Federal Funding) to the Bus report, Motion Carried.

A. Transportation Manager's Report

1. Bus Finance Report

Higgins provided QuickBooks balance report. Motion by Commissioner Borton to acknowledge report as shown, all in favor, Motion Approved.

2. New Buses

Higgins informed the Committee that the County Bus is authorized to replace 7 buses and 2 mini vans based on MDOT requirements for replacement. Higgins will put in a capital request with MDOT for the replacement vehicles, and based on past procurement processes the County bus will probably be approved for 5-7 replacements instead of all 9 In FY2015.

3. Saturday Bus Services Change

Higgins mentioned that this past Saturday, April 12th 2014 was the first Saturday with the new reservation procedures. Everything went good, and we had no complaints so far with this new process.

4. Federal Funding

Higgins discussed Federal Funding issues concerning capital asset requests, and the lower amount of federal funding that will be available in FY2014 to purchase or upgrade radio systems, or large dollar items such as equipment used in the Motor pool area by the mechanics. Buses replacements will be funded in FY2015, but limited in the current fiscal year.

B. Airport Manager's Report

1. Airport Financial Report

Barresi presented his monthly financial reports to the Committee. Motion by Commissioner Liss to acknowledge the financial report. All in Favor, Motion Approved.

2. Appraisal

To be in FAA/MDOT compliance The airports "Exhibit A" is up for renewal to redefine the airports boundary. Also to legally turn the Ballparks next to the airport over to the Parks and Recreation Department. The County had an appraisal done of the ballpark parcel and it valued the property at \$26,000.

3. Airshow Update 2014

Barresi informed the committee on planning for the 2014 Wings over Gaylord Airshow. Everything from performers attending to infrastructure set up was discussed. Weather continues to be the most unpredictable element with snow still falling in April and June fast approaching. Barresi explained that the parking situation was changing to allow for more cars since last year had the airshow almost running out of attendee car parking. Airshow performers for 2014 include the Vintage WWII Aircraft of Yankee Air Force, The B-25, C-47. The Jet School Bus, The Jet Razor, The Extra 300, Parachute Jump Team, Aero Stars Formation Aerobatics, Wing Walker, Super Stearman, Military Vehicles, Aircraft and Helicopter rides and the aviation themed inflatable park "Kid Zone".

The next meeting date will be on Thursday, 8 May 2014 at 9:00 am in the airport conference room. The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Liss at 9:45 am.