



Airport Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday 12 Jan 2016, – 2:00 p.m.
Gaylord Regional Airport 1100 Aero Drive
P.O. Box 1396 Gaylord, MI 49734



MINUTES

Deerfield called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

Roll call – Present: Mike Deerfield, Don Matz, Donna Stubenvoll,
John Burt, Paul Liss (Commissioner), Matt Barresi (Director)

Approval of Agenda

Motion by stubenvoll to approve the agenda, Motion Approved.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Stubenvoll to approve the minutes of 10 Nov 2015. Motion Approved.

A. Subcommittee Report

1. AOPA Updates

Deerfield briefed on subject areas to include:

2015 AOPA issues from UAS usage and licensing to AVGAS Aviation Fuel replacement progress to the adoption of ADS-B technology. He also briefed on the AOPAs new look by introducing an updated logo and new tag line “Your freedom to fly”. The logo is to be released to the public soon.

The full Senate has passed the Pilots Bill of Rights 2, which will now go the House. Support for medical reform continues to grow. A big step toward this would be much needed changes to the 3rd class medical process.

FAA has issued updated guidance for flight instructors conducting flight reviews and instrument proficiency checks. AOPA urges pilots to look closely at the changes.

The GA Caucus is urging the FAA to protect airports from redevelopment to other than aviation use. This as a result of some communities being pressured by large non-aviation developers to repurpose the land for home, condo and/or factory construction.

B. Airport Manager’s Report

1. Airport Updates

Barresi provided the Advisory with the 2015 Airport Year in Review report. Motion by Deerfield to accept the report and forward to the Transportation Airport Committee. All in Favor, Motion Approved

2. Wings Over Norther Michigan (WONM) Updates

Barresi briefed on the scheduled acts that have been signed for “Wings over Northern Michigan”. He stated that the show would cost around \$125,000.00 this year. Deerfield commented that he felt it was a reasonable increase based on the forward progression of the airshows development. Barresi also stated the airshow would be purchasing weather insurance along with all other appropriate event insurance.

Barresi was pleased to announce that the Air Marshal for 2016 Wings over Northern Michigan was the Advisory’s own Mike Deerfield. Mike is the 6th Air Marshal in the 7 years of the present running airshow. He is our first Wings over Northern Michigan recipient. Barresi added that the appointment was well-deserved and overdue.

C. Open Discussion

3. Engineering Review Selection

Deerfield asked with the completion of the 2015 taxi lane project and before entering into further development contracts if the Advisory should asses the need for new engineering selection process to commence. Barresi stated that March will mark 3 years with the current engineering firm and the Advisory could initiate the selection process if they so wished. Stubenvoll stated that the subcommittee used for the process last time could be used again to help decide whether to move forward or not.

The next meeting date will be on Tuesday, Mar 8, 2016 at 2:00 pm in the airport conference room. The meeting was adjourned by Deerfield at 3:10 p.m.