



Transportation and Airport Committee Minutes

Thursday, February 12, 2015 – 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 – Paul Liss, Ken Borton Doug Johnson
Others present: John Burt, Theron Higgins, Erma Backenstose
Excused:

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Borton to approve the minutes of January 8, 2015. All in Favor, Motion Approved.

A. Transportation Manager's Report

1. Bus Finance Report

Higgins provided a QuickBooks Balance sheet to the Committee. He reported that no federal money has been received yet since the State is holding it currently. He believes his budget should be fine for now. Motion by Commissioner Johnson to acknowledge report as presented. All in Favor, Motion Approved.

2. Bus Accident

Higgins reported that a bus was totaled when crossing Alba Road from North Thumb Lake Road to South Thumb Lake Road. No one was seriously injured. The driver was ticketed. The Busy System will take the parts they can use, sell the rest for scrap, and get a \$20,000 reimbursement from MMRMA.

3. Saturday Bus

Higgins reported that they hired a driver solely for the Saturday bus service. She is working from 7am until 7pm and is the only bus on duty. They had previously used two buses. It has worked out well so far, with no complaints received.

4. FY2016 Proposed Budget

Higgins reported that the County Board will have to approve the resolution for his FY2016 proposed budget at their next meeting. He is still working on the numbers.

B. Airport Manager's Report

1. Airport Financial Report

Burt presented the airports monthly financial reports to the Committee. Motion by Commissioner Borton to acknowledge the financial report. All in Favor, Motion Approved.

2. Dickerson Road Project

Burt informed the Committee that the City is redoing Dickerson Road this summer. They require permission in order to place a drainage swale along Airport property on the east side of Dickerson. The swale would be outside of the approach. Meade & Hunt, the County's engineers, did not believe that would be an issue as long as there was language in the agreement that if the City would be responsible for removing the swale at their cost if the property is ever needed for airport purposes. There also cannot be standing water for long in the swale. Burt will present an Interlocal Agreement to the County Board for approval once prepared.

3. Veteran's Coffee

Burt reported that the participation in the Veteran's Coffee gathering is continuing to grow.

4. Airshow

Burt updated the Committee that there was an Air Show safety Committee earlier in the week. Burt and Barresi are still working on the lineup of acts for the show.

The next meeting date will be on Thursday, March 12, 2015 at 9:00 am in the airport conference room.

The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Liss at 9:36 am.