Joplin Regional Airport
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CALL TO ORDER

The Airport Board met in the Conference Room at the Joplin Regional Airport Commercial Terminal building on March 14, 2024. The meeting was called to order by Mr. O'Brian at 7:00 am CT.

ROLL CALL

A. Board Members
   a. Chairman - Rob O'Brian
   b. Fred Osborn
   c. Brian Jones
   d. Bob Loudermilk
   e. Mike King
   f. Randy Moore

B. Staff
   a. Airport Manager – Bart Starkey
   b. Administrative Assistant – Allison Zahner

C. Other
   a. Freedom of Flight Museum – Darryl Coit
   b. Olsson – Jack Schaller

MINUTES

Mr. Jones moved to approve minutes from the February meeting. This was seconded by Mr. King, and it was unanimously approved.

MEETING

The groundbreaking for the ARFF/SRE construction occurred on Wednesday, March 6th, 2024. The event was successful with strong attendance from various media representatives. Construction has begun, and the contractors have set up a camera to capture a timelapse of the construction process.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) put out an RFP for EAS commercial air service in January. The results were received and the Board's recommendation to

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award the bid to SkyWest was discussed at the City Council Meeting on February 20th. With that recommendation, the City Council made a resolution to recommend the bid be awarded to SkyWest. The recommendation letter was sent to the DOT, and we are awaiting their action to execute the contract.

The airport is currently auditing the hangars to ensure tenants are complying with the terms of their lease agreements.

Mr. Starkey discussed the results from the Hay Bailing Bids. The bids were accepted through 10:00 am CT on March 11th, 2024. The bids were opened promptly at 10:00 on March 11th and were awarded to J-H Trading LLC at a bid of $16.50 per bail.

Corporate tenants were invited to a roundtable on February 20th, 2024, to discuss strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities at the airport. Feedback was taken into consideration to improve the operations at the airport. The board discussed more ways to involve the community to better serve their interests at the airport.

Mr. Coit provided an update on the Freedom of Flight Museum. Fayetteville airport contacted the museum to potentially donate a flight simulator. Airport tours are going strong with various schools, clubs, and other organizations showing interest. The T33 project is still underway with a meeting regarding the project set to take place at the end of the month.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Osborn motioned to adjourn. This was seconded by Mr. Jones and unanimously agreed at 7:54 am.

Rob O'Brian, Chairman

Allison Zahner, Admin Assistant