Joplin Regional Airport
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Joplin, Missouri 64801
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Joplin Regional Airport Board
Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Joplin Regional Airport Board met in the Administrative Conference Room at the Joplin Regional Airport Commercial Terminal on Thursday, April 9, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Brian Jones at 7:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

A. Board Members
   1. Brian Jones
   2. Tom Christensen
   3. Joshua Oathout
   4. Tom Robertson
   5. Kris Zibert
   6. Michelle Steverson

B. Staff
   1. Airport Manager – Allison Zahner
   2. Operations Supervisor – James McBryde
   3. Administrative Assistant – Cristy Short
   4. Public Works Assistant Director – Jeremy Hagerman
   5. Airport Police – Alan Purcell

C. Other
   1. Olsson – Steve Stockam - Virtual

MINUTES

Mr. Jones moved to approve minutes from the April board meeting. This motion was seconded by Mr. Oathout and unanimously approved.

MEETING

Ms. Zahner provided an overview of the annual FAA Part 139 inspection conducted January 21-22. Discussion was held regarding inspection observations, actions taken since the inspection, and operational improvements, procedural enhancements, documentation updates, and resource considerations intended to strengthen overall compliance and airport operations.

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Ms. Zahner provided a brief update on ongoing Capital Improvement Projects at the Airport. Discussion included the Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting (ARFF) building project, including progress on a change order to incorporate an updated Emergency Alert System. Updates were also provided on the Runway 13/31 rehabilitation project, including completion of activities such as final grading, backfilling of select areas, and repainting of pavement markings as weather conditions permit. Ms. Zahner additionally noted that the North Perimeter Road project is anticipated to be advertised in the near term, with a bid opening to be scheduled following completion of the advertising period.

An update on the 2026 Capital Budget and strategic priorities previously discussed in the January board meeting was presented, including the status of established goals and priority areas for the year. Items discussed included lease and hangar audit activities, general airport repairs and improvements, and software upgrades. The board discussed these items and provided general comments regarding ongoing progress and focus areas.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jones motioned to adjourn. This was seconded by Mr. Zibert, and the motion carried unanimously at 7:23 A.M.

Brian Jones, Chairman

Cristy Short, Administrative Assistant