MINUTES OF MEETING
JOPLIN AIRPORT BOARD MEETING
April 13, 2017

The Airport Board met on the Second Floor in the Conference Room at the Joplin Regional Airport Terminal Building. The meeting was brought to order at 7:03 A.M.

Item 1:

Roll Call and Approval of Minutes from last meeting.

Board members in attendance included Bill Harding, Tim Forker, Mel Walbridge, Bob Loudermilk, Kelli Norris and Randy Moore. Maurice Clark was absent.
Staff in attendance included Melissa Hunter and Steve Stockam.
Guests in attendance were Josh Crooker from the Alpha Air Center.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Forker moved to approve the minutes from March's meeting. Ms. Norris seconded. All were in favor.

Item 2: Old Business

Mr. Stockam addressed the board regarding the capital projects schedule for the **C & F taxiways**. Mr. Stockam said he'd had a meeting with the contractors about phasing and we are ready to go. There will be no major changes until after the 5K on the Runway taking place on May 5th and 6th. The same contractor is doing work for the Pittsburg Airport and must finish there before they begin here. He added, at the start of phase one there will be no major impact on the runway except to displace the threshold on 36. This will take place after the race as Delta is part of the race. Phase 4 which is the intersection work of 18 and 13 is planned to be done at night and will now only take about 3 days. The contractor made some helpful suggestions saving time. That portion will be done around the beginning of August to minimize the chance of rain and wind issues. Mr. Stockam thinks it will work out well.

Next, Mr. Stockam discussed the two upcoming maintenance projects at the airport. They are re-coating the Mizzou hangar roof and the final phase of the GA terminal roof. The hangar leased by Mizzou Aviation will receive a new roof coating like what was applied to the A Hangars. These projects shouldn't have much effect on the airports daily operations. Although, we will need to make sure cars are not parked where they will get overspray on them from the Mizzou project.

Mr. Stockam stated that we are monitoring our current parking situation and the employee parking issue. With the new aircraft size, both TSA and American Airlines have added additional staff which has filled our employee lot over capacity in the afternoon hours. We are looking to expand that lot to the south and we hope that can be done internally using the Public Works staff.

Next, Mr. Stockam reviewed some topics discussed in our last month's board meeting regarding the new budget process. He announced that Mr. David Hertzberg is the new Public Works Director. Mr. Stockam stated that he and Mr. Hertzberg have known one another for 27 years. Mr. Hertzberg is supportive and knowledgeable about airport issues. Mr. Stockam

attended a meeting with the City Manager where they discussed the Priority Based Budget. Additionally, they discussed how the airport is different from the rest of the city due to all of our regulations. They also discussed Mr. Stockam's concern for conveying that information to the decision makers. Mr. Stockam has been attending peer review meetings as well. He was placed on a committee to review safety budget issues. The committee went through the PBB and ranked each item as regulatory or non-regulatory etc. Mr. Stockam stated the next phase would be to present the council with their budget. Also, priorities within the community's core group of issues will be discussed with council in work sessions along with the City Manager. They will make note of items that MUST be done. For example, since we are a Part 139 airport, we will have a certain set of requirements. All the departments' unnecessary expenses will be looked at and reviewed. Mr. Stockam asked the City Manager if he thought we should have a joint meeting to discuss our priority issues. The City Manager did not think that was necessary. Mr. Loudermilk asked if everything below a certain line was going to be okay. Mr. Stockam replied that the main categories of the airport are regulatory compliance which would be deemed necessary services. He asked what is the cost benefit of providing additional services and is it worth it. That is the decision to be made. If it costs X amount of dollars to do this or that, what is the cost benefit? He added, what is the value of becoming a certified department? It probably isn't much benefit to John Doe. Mr. Moore added that ISO compliance is a label to tell customers you have standards, it could cost a company $50,000 per year. Mr. Stockam agreed that it is PR to promote your product. It is hard to go back to not being ISO compliant. Mr. Stockam mentioned that he felt like he has a good insight to the process and the feeling from the City Manager that we would be involved. We plan to sit tight and follow the process set forth. Mr. Stockam added that some council members are familiar with what we do. A lot have not been exposed to what we do as much, and may have a more public view of what we do. We are going to see a lot of movement over the next 60 days concerning budget. Additionally, we are looking to put an emergency generator in next year's budget for the terminal building and that is not cheap. We have had three power outages so far this year. Each time the airfield and tower have power, but not the terminal building.

Item 3: New Business

Mr. Stockam asked the board to take a look at the traffic report provided in their binders. In the first month of operation with the new plane size we have seen 1000 more passengers. The new plane is sold as 75 seats and last Friday we had 71 passengers. Mr. Loudermilk added that there are less departures and more passengers and that is good. Mr. Stockam continued to discuss the total operations numbers that impacts the south end of the airport as far as Mizzou and Alpha. We have not had a lot of bad weather but, it has been extremely windy. We had a flight diversion due to wind shear one day which is rare. Mr. Loudermilk agreed that we have had numerous days with extreme wind. Mr. Stockam added that it must have had some impact. He added the market is up and the economy is doing well and request for hangars is up as well. There is no good answer on why operational numbers are down. Mr. Crooker added that it is just part of a cycle. Mr. Stockam mentioned that freight is up. People are shipping a lot of animals but that will stop this summer when it heats up. Mr. Harding asked if it was pets being shipped. Mr. Stockam replied that it is breeders shipping pets. He added that we have continued to work with American Airlines on service issues. The Mayor asked us to address certain things such as pursuing the Chicago route. Mr. Loudermilk

asked about our policy on removing overbooked passengers. Mr. Stockam stated that he just had a discussion with American Airlines regarding that issue yesterday. Mr. Stockam stated the officers that removed the United passenger were airport officials. The biggest issue was that the passengers were already boarded and the flight crew showed up late as MUST ride passengers at the highest priority. Mr. Stockam and the American Airlines managers agreed if that issue arises at our airport the entire plane would be unloaded and everyone would be treated the same. Then American Airlines can control who gets back on the plane. Mr. Stockam stated the United Airlines CEO admitted they messed up and threw all airports under the bus. Ticket rules states that the airline can remove you from the plane. We are now worried that this occurrence will become more common. If everyone is off the plane, make a plane and re-board then everyone will be satisfied.

Next, Mr. Stockam stated that the Public Safety Training Facility is complete. There has been some movement out of the GA building and they should be out by the end of the month. Mr. Stockam displayed the buildings layout on the smart board. Alpha Air Centers space, the lobby and the bathrooms will remain the same. The main level space to the left and right will be available for lease at approximately 5000 sq. ft. total. We plan on putting out a request for qualifications. Mr. Stockam addressed the need for the airport to have a conference space for meetings such as the RSAT. We reviewed the layout and made suggestions on what space would work best for the airport. The first space on the right side was suggested. Mr. Moore asked how big the space was. Mr. Stockam replied it would be about twice the size of our board room. Mr. Forker asked how there would be access if we divide the space. Mr. Stockam stated there would need to be outside access or cut in anther door. Mr. Walbridge stated the need for a hand rail or ramp. Mr. Stockam stated that Alpha Air Center has also brought this need to his attention. We have discussed trying to do something with that entrance. Mr. Stockam added that we may need to develop a ramp project and perhaps have a meeting with Jake Asbell to make a partnership to correct the problem. We may need to take out the planters. Mr. Stockam has brought this need to the attention of city officials and the need to come up with the funding will be addressed. Mr. Harding asked if the space upstairs was leased already. Mr. Stockam stated that it was. Mr. Stockam plans on putting bids out with his conference space an alternative. To make up the revenue we would rent out the space. We have a weekly commitment from the CAPS to provide a meeting space. Another possibility would be to work with the new tenant to have a room we could use. The new training facility across the street is not the same as being at the GA terminal. We will try to have the RFQ out in the next few weeks. Mr. Stockam will send a copy to the board as well. There will be a minimum bid of $.40 per sq. ft. per month which covers lights, sewer, heating etc. For the request sheets that come in there will be qualifications because we want to enhance our operations. We will give priority to aviation related business. Mr. Crooker asked if we had the dimensions. Mr. Stockam stated it is approximately 2500 sq. ft. per side.

Item 4: Other Business

Mr. Stockam told the board about State Aviation Day coming up in Jefferson City. Also the real ID portion of the bill passed senate. We are hoping folks understand what they are doing as Missouri is one of only four states that is not compliant. The issue is to do with recording and transferring of data and the process, not the ID itself. The states don't want to provide the information to the federal government such as SSN's and addresses. Mr. Stockam

stated that the federal government already has that information. The issue is the perception of the state providing that information to the government in that format. Mr. Stockam added that people have the option to opt out of Real ID, but then they would need a passport to fly. Mr. Moore mentioned he saw signs in the Springfield airport regarding the Real ID law coming up as of September 1, 2017. Mr. Stockam stated that we have those same signs. He added that anyone who has a cell phone, the federal government already has your information. If the issue does pass, the next issue will be that everyone will have to get a new driver's license. The new format won't be met until you get a new ID. The state only anticipates 10% of Missouri residents will need it immediately. They thought this amount could be processed in 30 days. Mr. Walbridge asked if there would be a new test involved. Mr. Stockam stated it would just be an issuance of a new license. He mentioned that he stopped at a military base recently and wasn't allowed access using his driver's license, but his airport badge worked for an acceptable ID. Mr. Stockam also mentioned the abandon aircraft issue and the antique aircraft issue.

Mr. Stockam informed the board about the upcoming 5K on the Runway on May 5th and 6th. They are already booked to 48 runners for the night race and the limit was 50 so they are almost sold out. Monday night we will be out on the runway to review the lighting levels.

Mr. Stockam also mentioned the Rusty Pilot meeting scheduled May 13th from 9:00AM to 12:00PM for up to 75 people. This is for people trying to get current with their pilots license. This will be a credit that will go towards their recertification. It is being put on by the Joplin Flyers in the GA terminal meeting room.

Next, Mr. Stockam addressed the fact that Mr. Loudermilk and Mr. Moore's terms are up in May 2017. Mr. Moore asked if he could write a letter asking for an additional term. Mr. Stockam informed him that is decided through the city clerk's office and he has no say. He stated that Mr. Moore was welcome to address that with the City Clerk's office. Additionally, he stated that we may need to elect a new chairman in the next few months to replace Mr. Loudermilk. Mr. Richard Russell has applied but we are not aware of anyone else.

Mr. Walbridge moved to adjourn the meeting.
Mr. Loudermilk seconded, all were in favor.

Approved,

Melissa Hunter, Airport Clerk

Bob Loudermilk, Chairman of the Board