Joplin Regional Airport
602 S Main Street
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CALL TO ORDER

The Airport Board met in the Conference Room at the Joplin Regional Airport Commercial Terminal building on June 13, 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. Mike King

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

C. Other
   a. Freedom of Flight Museum – Darryl Coit
   b. Olsson – Steve Stockam

MINUTES

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

MEETING

Mr. Starkey provided an update on the ARFF/SRE Construction and presented a timelapse video showcasing the progress of the construction so far.

Mr. Starkey stated that as of June 2nd, 2024, the stop in Decatur has been removed, making the flight to Chicago (ORD) nonstop. He also noted that the load factor is expected to increase as a result.

Mr. Starkey informed the board that the FAA reauthorization bill has passed, highlighting the increased funding for the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) and the PFAS replacement program.

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Mr. Starkey reported that the bid opening for the Runway 13/31 project occurred on May 30th, with Emery Sapp as the only bidder. There will be a negotiation process before the bid is officially granted. Construction is expected to begin Spring 2025.

The Airport Board discussed the outcomes of the GA Roundtable discussion, focusing on common concerns and suggestions expressed by attendees.

Mr. Coit provided an update on the Freedom of Flight Museum, noting that the museum has completed field trips for over 1,700 students and parents so far this year. Mr. Coit also noted that the museum is making good progress on the T-33 project and that preparations have begun for several public events to take place this fall and winter.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Osborn motioned to adjourn. This was seconded by Mr. King and unanimously agreed at 8:07 am.

Rob O'Brian, Chairman

Allison Zahner, Admin Assistant