MINUTES OF MEETING
JOPLIN AIRPORT BOARD MEETING
June 14, 2018

The Airport Board met in the Second Floor Conference Room at the at the Joplin Regional Airport Commercial Terminal Building. The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 A.M.

Item 1: Roll Call and Approval of Minutes from the last meeting.

Board members in attendance included Bill Harding, Maurice Clark, Kelli Norris, Mel Walbridge, Tim Forker, Mike Bentley and Richard Russell.
Staff in attendance included Melissa Hunter and Steve Stockam.
Visitors in attendance included Josh Crooker from Alpha Air Center and Bob Loudermilk a former and recently re-elected as of July, airport board member.

Approval of Minutes:

Mr. Russell moved to approve the minutes from May's meeting. Mr. Walbridge seconded. All were in favor.

Item 2: Old Business

Mr. Stockam addressed the board regarding **Mr. Clarks** last meeting. He stated that Mr. Clark has served two full terms on the airport board and is now required to be off the board for at least a year. Mr. Bob Loudermilk has been off the board for a year and is now re-appointed into Mr. Clarks position. Mr. Stockam thanked Mr. Clark for his service and expressed appreciation for his time. He welcomed Mr. Loudermilk back and thanked him for joining us as well.

Mr. Stockam spoke to the board about the recent legislative session that just ended. Most of the session was about Governor Greitens and his impeachment. Things that were passed were secondary. The abandon aircraft bill got lost in the mix. According to Mr. Stockam it was prepared for two years in a row with no opposition. We may need to tag it onto another passing bill next year. Senator Richards named the Joplin Regional Airport as a priority to get one million for airport improvement. Fort Leonard Wood will get 2.5 million to build a new terminal building. However, Mr. Stockam pointed out that last time the Senator approved the one million dollars for us, the funding was never appropriated by the governor. This money will be used for getting the new entrance road prepared and lined up with Swede Lane and adding a signal at the intersection. We should know more by August Mr. Stockam stated. Governor Parsons has stated that he would approve everything already set forward. Additionally, the Federal government has released the Trump billion-dollar infrastructure package. That process is beginning and we will discuss how we can apply when the bill comes out.

Mr. Stockam brought attention to the budget spreadsheet and grants list that was given to each board member. There is an extra billion dollars of infrastructure money over a three-year program available. The first round will be appropriated in September. We must have our bids in hand on September 1st to be eligible. We will be working with our Pavement Management Plan on 18-36 and Delta. The next council meeting we will take the CMT agreement for approval. We have had an evaluation done on the pavement and the PCI

numbers, which measures the pavement condition have come in. Mr. Stockam stated that anything below a 70 needs to be improved. One year ago, we were around a 72 to 73 on Delta taxiway and 18-36 runway was 77. Currently, after one year with the larger planes, the Delta taxiway is 60 and the 18-36 runway is 64 to 65. Mr. Stockam added that we have held off on these readings until spring so we could have a full freeze thaw season to see what happened. He stated that the taxiway is now worse than the runway. That is because the full weight of the planes is on the taxiway in the same areas repeatedly, whereas the runways coming in for a landing, may not hit the same exact area each time. Mr. Stockam added that the life expectancy ran out last year on the runway, compounded by the larger plane size. In three weeks, Mr. Stockam plans to take the Pavement Improvement Plan to council. More immediately, we are taking the re-design and construction of Delta to council. We are attempting to qualify for the first round of money available and since our pavement is failing, it is our top priority. If successful, the grant will be issued after October 1st. The construction won't begin until the following construction year. Mr. Russell asked if the rutting was consistent the entire way down. Mr. Stockam stated that it is, but it is worse in some areas than others. Mr. Stockam added that this would be a two-year project with Delta being first then followed by 18-36 the following year. The runway would be closed for 18 months. He added that we would attempt to shove everything down to decrease time but it will be a long closure.

We will open bids for the new fire truck this morning at 10:00am. This will take one year to build. Mr. Russell stated that at the last city hearing on budget, it was said there was a $450,000.00 fire truck in Joplin that wasn't being used. He asked if that would be something the airport could use and transfer the funds to the fire department. Mr. Stockam stated that the city fire truck doesn't meet the airport's needs. It would cost more to convert the city truck than it would to purchase a new one. Additionally, the FAA will pay for most of the cost of a new one. Mr. Stockam stated that the city truck was purchased after the storm and was intended to be used at the training facility. It will not fit our needs, it is a structural tanker truck. Mr. Clark asked if American Airlines could come forward to say they could not land at Joplin if the runway deteriorated to a certain degree. Mr. Stockam stated that is why we are moving forward with the Pavement Improvement Plan. He added that we could wait until we begin losing chunks of asphalt and repair them as they appear. The project would still need to be completed. It will cost approximately 16 million dollars for the Delta 18-36 project. Mr. Clark asked if some of the pavement could be graded off and resurfaced. Mr. Stockam said that is not an option, the ruts run all the way down. Mr. Walbridge asked what thickness the new runway would be. Mr. Stockam answered that it will be 12-16" of fly ash, 14" of base rock and 9-10" of asphalt. This will provide a 20-year life cycle. There will be issues with intersections and Mr. Stockam stated he would go over that further at another meeting. He also stated that we must plan how to reconstruct and how things interact and it all needs to go along with the master plan. It will be aggressive he added. Mr. Forker asked if we have to wait a month to present this to the city. Mr. Stockam replied that he wants to put bids out on August 3rd. The bids must be listed for 21 days. Then we would have a few days left for bid opening. Crawford, Murphy and Tilley has already gone out and done preliminary work in expectation of us getting the grant money. Mr. Harding asked how these projects would affect the city funds. Mr. Stockam replied that it does affect the city and the money would come from the transportation

sales tax fund set aside specifically for transportation. He added that a lot of the issues currently being discussed with the city funds are regarding the general fund. Mr. Russell added that there has been some heartburn with the fire department being required to pay for the land were the Public Safety Training Facility sits. Mr. Stockam stated that everything was discussed in open hearings in front of the council before building the Public Safety Training Facility. Several of the people who oversaw making those decisions are no longer with the city. Mr. Stockam added that there are several issues happening in the city. Staffing, overtime and callbacks along with pensions for the police and fire. How that gets solved is a big issue.

Item 3: New Business

Mr. Stockam addressed a spreadsheet given to the board members showing our requested budget items for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. He added that due to an increased number of passengers, we had to increase several of our regular budget amounts like janitorial supplies. The capital equipment listed is; modifications need to be made to the fire barn to fit the new fire truck. That will be at a cost of $20,000.00. We will need to remove some old racks and cut a hole for a new door to make it a drive thru. Phase 1 of the LED lighting will be complete this fiscal year with all the lights being replaced on the entrance road. Phase 2 we plan to do next fiscal year and it will replace all parking lot lighting with LED as well. This is about 100 fixtures and it will cost $100 each for a total of $100,000.00. Next, it is new paint on the Mizzou Hangar. This was requested last year as part of their roof replacement but it was pushed back due to budget constraints. Mr. Stockam stated that we plan to add additional lamp heads to light fixtures in the parking area expansion and update some exterior cameras that are approaching 10 years old. There are several robot gates that need serious repair or replacement. The A hangar gate is being rebuilt now. Mr. Bentley expressed that the bearings appear to be shot in the A hangar gate. Mr. Stockam added that we would like to do some work towards the bathroom installation at the A hangar building. We originally thought the sewer and water hook ups were closer than they are. We also need to replace the carpet in the lobby of the terminal building as it is 11 years old. We have 75,000 people through the lobby per year. We have replaced different sections to prolong its life and we continue to shampoo sections as well. Additionally, we need to purchase a terminal generator. We have the building and switch gear ready and that will be a cost of $175,000.00. Mr. Russell made a comment about the memorial hall generator not being used. Mr. Stockam replied that there is a proposed agreement with Culture to Culture. He stated that the generator at memorial hall was purchased with tornado money and is tied to memorial hall in some way. Mr. Stockam stated that we would also like to purchase new speakers for the lobby area. There have been complaints that the speaker system is not well heard or understood. We also have been in need for a maintenance equipment building. All our equipment sits outside such as tractors. If we were taking care of it properly, we would have them stored inside out of the elements. Other items we need to purchase according to Mr. Stockam, is a smaller spreader box for the operations managers truck. The large one that goes in the dump truck is simply too large for most of our applications. We are asking for a hand me down backhoe in place of our loader. We think we could get better use from a backhoe. The tan Chevy truck has 210,000 miles on it and the city garage is stating that it needs to be replaced. We also need a road broom that will attach to our tractors. The current road broom we have is not practical because of its turning radius. Mr. Stockam stated that it takes 40 acers to turn it around. Additionally, we need a

FMC sprayer. We spray acers of fence lines and lights and our current sprayer is from 1962. We need an updated more efficient system. We are looking to purchase two AED units. Hopefully Human Resources will be able to supply one from a safety grant for the terminal building. We will purchase an additional one for the GA hangar. We would also like to purchase a computer so the operations personnel can begin doing inspections on the computer rather than on paper.

Item 4: Other Business

Next, Mr. Stockam spoke about the jet bridge repairs. The replacement parts we need have been delayed. American Airlines continues to have a mixture of 145's and 175's so the bridge continues to need adjusted daily. Mr. Russell asked if we couldn't fabricate the parts that we need. Mr. Stockam stated that he didn't want the liability. We prefer, with the 25 million-dollar planes, to use equipment that is correctly made for the machine. Mr. Harding commented that it is nice to see the traffic is up 40% from last year. Mr. Stockam stated that the additional flight is not on Tuesday, Wednesday or Saturdays during this month. However, on Monday we had 66 passengers on the first morning flight and 30 on the second. The morning flight will be at 11:00am after this month. In September they will put bids out for the EAS. Mr. Clark commented that Laughlin will not be flying out of Joplin until this fall. Mr. Russell commented that Allegiant flies out of Springfield. Mr. Stockam stated that Allegiant seems happy with where they are at in Springfield however, Frontier did show some interest. Mr. Clark asked if the local casinos were interested in doing some charter flights into Joplin. Mr. Stockam stated that they mostly do busses at this point and they are full on the weekends already. Sometimes they have to send people to Joplin hotels. Ms. Norris asked if the airline schedule could be added to the board meeting binders monthly. The flights are changing so frequently, it is becoming hard to keep track of them. Mr. Stockam stated that beginning July 5th we will have 3 CRJ700's per day. Then on August 20th will be the next change. He agreed that trying to keep up with the schedule was crazy.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 am.
Motioned by Ms. Norris, seconded by Mr. Walbridge.

Approved,

Melissa Hunter, Airport Clerk

Kelli Norris, Chairman of the Board

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