

## Positive Aurora Airport Management Meeting Minutes

Willamette Aviation Building – 8:30AM February 25, 2016

### Members Present:

Tony Helbling	Dave Waggoner	
Bruce Bennett	Mark Pilon	
Tony Holt	Dan Riches	
Bill Granewich	Jim Hand	
Dick VanGrunsvan	Michael Gilpin	
Ted Millar	Bruce Bergman	
Nick Kaiser	Mike Keith	

### Ex-officio Members:

John Wilson (ODA)	Gary Dyke (Aurora Fire)	Bill Graupp
Kevin Cameron	Matt Maass (ODA)	

### Guests:

Nick Hunter (Marion Co. Sheriff)	Stu Musacchia (Hillsboro Aero Academy)	Joseph Schaefer (Aurora Planning Commission)
Bill Sherman (Marion Co. Sheriff)	Kevin O'Malley (Willsonville Chamber)	

**Call to Order:** Tony Helbling called meeting to order, Quorum present to approve Last several months minutes, one change to January minutes motion to approve January's amendment. All past minutes moved seconded and all in favor.

**Membership Committee:** No new news.

**Airport Safety Committee:** Bruce Bennett-Tower getting good reviews. Tower is still working with some pilots to help them understand procedure with a towered field.

Bruce Bennett-Vehicle incident by Aurora Aviation new ramp side. Pickup truck pulled on to the grass/dirt section and sank to its axle. Use caution where new ramp dirt/grass, as it is very soft and can't support vehicle traffic.

Ted millar and others members has concerns with standard arrivals, late hand offs, frequency changes and other issues.

Dan Riches-Noise complaint over Donald. Donald may become a noise issue because of changes right traffic 17.

All Hoping tower can attend a PAAM soon so these issues can be addressed.

John Wilson-Tower is planning to attend soon, they have had some changes with staff preventing them from being able to attend.

**Airport Improvement Committee:** Ted Millar-nothing new other than previously talked about regarding improvement to Airport Road/bike pad/internal path.

Tony Helbing-Outside of a PAAM meeting, suggest getting Commissioner Cameron and Commissioner Savas together, as well representative from both Marion and Clackamas Department of Transportation to discuss the safety improvements above. Been a struggle to get both sides together given the county boundaries.

**Noise Committee:** Nick Kaiser-Me and Tony Holt had a positive meeting with ODA and Tower Manager yesterday 02/24/16, discussed noise issues, has been some improvement in noise since tower has been present.

Tony Holt-Jets still turning over Charbonneau two miles from the airport to Charbonneau

Bruce Bennett-Jets accelerate 4 miles a minute so it uses up two miles very quickly.

**Public Relations:** No new news

**Oregon Department of Aviation:** John Wilson-My office schedule as repeated previously..... Monday, Wednesday and Friday at KUAO tower.

Please don't get off the pavement, the ground is too soft especially the new construction off the ramp in and around Aurora Aviation.

Will work with the tower regarding the noise reported in Donald.

Matt Maass-Submitted a connect Oregon application to purchase property south of the airport for runway protection zone. Doesn't look like our application is going to go through due to some political issues. Not going to get into details, but just know ODA is looking at every possible avenue to achieve airport improvements. Capital improvement plan has been submitted to the FAA about a month and a half ago regarding the 5 year plan for the airport. Initial application had some discrepancies so will be resubmitted.

Dave Waggoner: Update on when we are going to get an ATIS?

Matt Maass-Has had some issues with who is responsible, getting sorted out and is high priority for Tower.

Tony Helbling-Tree obstruction at North End, any progress?

John Wilson- Has come to a stop due to costs, Elevated to Chris Maletis (General Manager of Langdon Farms).

Matt Maass- Obstruction removal, it is part of the Capitol Improvement Plan for FAA, Airport GIS mapping is being done to identify obstructions once that is completed the FAA pay for it all. Looking at this summer 2016 or next summer 2017 for removal of obstructions.

**Treasurers Report:** Brian Sonnier-Not present

**New Business:** Marion County Sheriff department, Nick Hunter and Bill Sherman giving presentation of law enforcement incidences.

Acting Deputy in Aurora is Dale Huitt.

Reporting on what is happening in and around Aurora regarding the traffic areas Highway 551, Ehlen, Arndt/Airport Rd. intersection and Airport Road, Miley Road.

People using the secondary roads to skirt around traffic to get to the main Arterial.

Portland is extending out as it continues to grow into the smaller rural areas, will continue to see more traffic because of the growth.

A lot of call volume utilizing Marion Co. Sheriff's Department is in East Salem (More than ¾) and they are spread thin due to this. We would like to be able to enforce more around the Aurora State Airport, but unfortunately we cannot at this time. Going to work on traffic numbers and involve Clackamas County numbers as well. Please recap your issues regarding law enforcement. Could put a speed trailer out to reduce the speeding and will communicate with Clackamas county regarding the speed trailer for northbound and southbound traffic. We have a shift change right at the heart of traffic in AM, makes it difficult to monitor traffic.

Bruce Bennett-High concern is security for airport which has a lot of high value of equipment based here, also concern/reduce risk of vandalism, terrorism and highjacking.

Tony Helbling-Recapping on Aurora state Airport issues, increased traffic, speeding on Airport Rd., designated left hand turn signals for Arndt/Airport Rd. Turn off from 551 to Keil Rd.

We appreciate you and what you do, please know the FBO's are at your disposal for coffee and filing reports.

Bruce Bergman-Why is it an obstacle to reduce speed on airport Rd?

Marion Co. Sheriff-This is a study to be done by Public Works in order to determine changes. Will look into where we may be at that issue.

Kevin Cameron-Nothing new.

Stu Musacchia(Hillsboro Aero Academy)Here mostly to listening to meeting. We have aircraft fly into KUAO for training. Brought practice area maps that describes our training. Please contact me with any language barriers issues.

*Tony Holt asked that since Aurora Mayor Graupp and Aurora Planning Commission Chair Joseph Schaefer were present, could they speak about the City's intent to expand their Urban Growth Boundary and annex KUAO to provide water & sewer to the Airport. Mr. Schaefer said the City of Aurora Planning Commission and City Council had approved working to extend their Urban Growth Boundary taking in the area bounded roughly by Ehlen, Airport, Arndt Roads and Hwy 551. Annexation was not being considered at the moment. Tony Heibling suggested setting up a meeting outside of PAAM to discuss this in more detail with Mr. Schaefer and Mayor Graupp.*

**Next PAAM Meeting: March <sup>24th</sup> 2016, 8:30 AM Willamette Aviation building.**