

Positive Aurora Airport Management Meeting Minutes

Willamette Aviation Building – 8:30AM June 25th , 2015

Members Present:

Tony Holt	Jim Higgins	
Tony Helbling	Dave Waggoner	
Dan Riches	Nick Kaiser	
Mark Pilon	Bob Miles	
Nick Kaiser		
Jack Kahle		
Jim Hand		

Ex-officio Members:

Rod Yoder	Kevin Cameron	Susie Stevens
Greg Dyke	Matt Maass	

Guests:

Bill Graupp (City of Aurora)		
Brandi Ebner		

Call to Order: Tony Helbling called meeting to order, everyone introduced themselves, no quorum present to approve meeting minutes.

Membership Committee: Nothing New

Airport Safety Committee: Bruce Bennett not present attending another meeting.

Jim Hand-Can understand most of the foreign students fairly well, but wants to reiterate what Jack Kahle has mentioned regarding ASOS blasting in the background and can't hear what the intent is of the aircraft.

Tony Helbling to Jim Hand- Please communicate to Stu from Hillsboro via email and inform as he really wants to help with any issues.

Airport Improvement Committee: Ted Millar not present attending another meeting.

Noise Committee: Nick Kaiser-No news.

Public Relations: No News

Oregon Department of Aviation: Matt Maass- Two cent fuel tax going full House and Senate. Will provide great things for our airports in the State of Oregon. Sunset clause after 6 years of two cent tax in place will show what has been done for our airports after 6 years of tax in place.

Still on track for tower opening in August 2015. Some talk about a firm date for tower chief, waiting to here from Serco. Operational equipment installed, waiting on FAA desktop computers.

Matt Maass to Jack Kahle-Received the e-mail regarding the Chinese pilot, reported that incident and it is being checked into. Jack Kahle and another person with him down wind experienced communication error last Saturday morning to a aircraft turning on final irradially, finally landed, taxied back in the grass and took off with no communication. E-mail was forwarded on to Hillsboro Aviation.

Columbia Helicopters has a helicopter parked down by Aurora Aviation will be moving to different location due to safety concerns.

Jack Kahle-Went down to Home Depot bought a \$10 pail of asphalt to repair the hole he has brought up last couple meetings.

Tony Helbling-Please keep on the table when the tower chief is identified/available to make known the list of concerns Bruce/PAAM committee has worked hard to establish in the past. Also include Nick Kaiser and Tony Holt in regards to that meeting/additional meeting.

Treasurers Report: Brian Sonnier not present
Renewals for PAAM membership taking place this month.

New Business: Jim Higgins-Regarding Safety-Two bad accidents on Airport Road/Ardnt Road. Discussion among many at meeting-Intersection is not a designated turn rather a oncoming traffic warning, which seems to have attributed to accidents. Designated turn only could be a good solution.

Tony Helbling- Will make Bill Graupp an ex-offcio member when a quorum is present.

Tony Helbling-Update on the signs, North and South signs sent out quotes to 12 different companies, 5 responded. Going to meet with the board to find a solution for all aspects.

Kevin Cameron-Biggest topics we are following is the drought conditions, State and Marion County had an update this week from Army Corps, all the reservoirs in the Willamette water shed were as of this week at 48% of normal, Detroit was at 33% of normal. We have asked for a monthly update regarding situations. However, found out this week St. Paul is a year from being out of water in their well systems so we are now asking for a weekly updates. Talked with some well businesses in the valley, basically said not panicked yet, but are getting some calls a month earlier than normal on what they would get regarding groundwater issues.

Kevin Cameron-As meeting progresses today, sending in an email regarding the safety issues on Airport Road/Arndt Rd. to Sheriff Myers and public works director to try and get them up here for PAAM meeting for awareness and will continue to keep up in our public safety meetings.

Had a meeting with the Sheriff this week and DA regarding north traffic in rural North Marion County and growing concern by congestion on I-5 and drivers punching in by GPS, alternate routes and discovering how to get around the congestion. Continuing to deal with the issues regarding the transportation commutes.

Kevin Cameron-Community grants are coming in for possible repairs or updates, may want to consider that.

Bill Graupp-Put out voluntary water conservation. We are cautious but not reactive yet in Aurora.

Strawberry festival coming on soon and Colony Days will be in beginning of August.

Starting Second year with Marion County contract for police and changed officers, Dale Huitt will be taking over. Will invite him to the next PAAM meeting for introduction.

Susie Stevens-Business as usual with the city of Wilsonville. No water issues being reported as of yet.

Jim Hand-Oregon Air Show July 17, 18, 19, 2015. If anyone has concerns regarding the effects of air show please email him. Will be a TFR in effect pay attention when heading to the NW from KUAO.

Rod Yoder-ARF rig acquired from the Port of Portland. Approval from board for purchase along with donations of 10% from each of the following: ODA, Ted Millar, Helicopter Transport Services. Aurora Fire Department and Columbia Helicopters split what was left about 35% each. Total was \$35,000.00 for the ARF unit, another \$2500.00 for new tires, admin fees, buyers premium for a total of \$41,647.00. ARF Rig will hold 400 gallons of foam. ODA and Fire District split the cost of foam roughly \$4000.00 each.

Lieutenants from the Port of Portland whom have operated this ARF rig has agreed to come and train accordingly. Aurora Fire Department has approximately eight ARF trained fire fighters as of now. Looking for a permanent place for ARF to be stored at KUAO and also for volunteers around the airport for the ARF's operation. This ARF requires only one fireman to actually run the rig.

Training foam costs \$10.00 a gallon, however someone has donated foam from a vacated building, a win win situation for both owner liquidating the foam from building and Aurora Fire. Goal to have ARF fully operational by September 2015.

Greg Dyke drove the ARF rig to its new home in Aurora State Airport from the Port of Portland. ARF Rig is not just an asset to Aurora State Airport, but also to Interstate 5, Willamette River, two local rail lines that can benefit from such a asset. Weight of the ARF is 67,500 lbs.

Any emergency call 9-11. Medical does come out of Woodburn, however 911 takes care of the call/response for the dispatch to the attending different response teams in various locations.

Would like to do a public relations story most likely at the tower on revealing the purchase/donations of the ARF Rig. Also will bring the different agencies regarding the ARF purchase/donations for individual pictures. It will consist of one big story.

August is elections for new officers.

Next PAAM Meeting: July 23th, 2015, 8:30 AM Willamette Aviation building.