

# Positive Aurora Airport Management Meeting Minutes

Willamette Aviation Building – 8:30AM October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

## Members Present:

Tony Helbling	Jon Wenrich	
Jim Aukes	David Waggoner	
Bob Miles	Dan Riches	
Bruce Bennett	Kevin Sudbeck	
Dick VanGrunsven	Tony Holt	
Ted Millar		
Jim Hand		

## Ex-officio Members:

Matt Maass	Kevin Cameron	
Rod Yoder		

## Guests:

Eric Hlad		

**Call to Order:** Tony Helbling called meeting to order. Quorum present to vote on September's minutes. Jim Hand, Ted Millar Seconded, all in favor, passed unanimously.

**Membership Committee:** Nothing New

**Airport Safety Committee:** Bruce Bennett-Construction underway, one week ahead of schedule. Aurora Aviation engineering specs have changed, needing to offset the taxi ways. Can no longer be a straight shot from the runway to ramp.

During construction, aircraft required to back taxi onto runway because of that section of taxi way closed down. Excellent reviews on the tower thus far.

Ted Millar to Matt Maass-Tower needs to be here for meetings

Matt Maass-Tower wants to be here, unfortunately still requires more training and thinking that they will becoming to monthly meetings once things settle down with the tower.

**Airport Improvement Committee:** Ted Millar-Encourage everyone to apply for connect Oregon grants. Best to apply City of Aurora/Aurora Airport together. Also Bike/Ped fund for Airport Road improvement.

Kevin Cameron-Working on Connect Oregon.

Matt Maass-Obstruction removal most critical.

Ted Millar-Obstruction removal- Redwood has no value so not a lot of interest to remove.

Matt Maass-FAA most likely pay for tree removal, will work on this.

**Noise Committee:** Nick Kaiser-Not present.

Tony Holt-Still want a meeting with the tower/Raul Suarez. Once tower is up and running will report if any differences.

**Public Relations:** Tony Helbling-Canby Herald will be/have done a couple of complimentary reports and providing positive press.

Bruce Bennett/Tony Helbling did a tour of Aurora Airport with new Chamber of Commerce manager in Wilsonville as well as Canby's Chamber manager, with also the Canby Herald present. Both Chamber's had no idea of the magnitude of KUAO and what it generates for our economy.

Tony Helbling-If you have anyone who wants tour or info on Aurora Airport, please feel free to have them come see us-Tony Helbling/Bruce Bennett, as well as any of us here present today.

Kevin Cameron-French Prairie area/ODOT talking about traffic issues there.

Also talked about improvements to turn lane off of 551 to Keil Road for both directions.

Dedicated Left turn Ardnt/Airport road/551 and also Ehlen/551.

Eric Hlan from Marion County Enforcement Division-New Deputy Dale Hewitt in Aurora.

Tony Helbling-FBO's are available to Deputies for restrooms/meeting place/coffee etc.

Eric Hlan having good feedback from the Deputies as well.

Matt Maass- Connect Oregon grants apply by November 20<sup>th</sup> 2015.

Rod Yoder-Aurora Fire Department is training for new procedures for tower.

Purchased 5 more radios more critical now for talking to the tower for no cross boundaries for ARFF rig, as well is finishing up the training for rig.

Couple new engines coming in previously talked about.

New station South End toward Elhen Road, the board is actually talking about it again, only planning stages, downsize a bit to get the dollars down for funding, but have it constructed to be expandable later.

Clackamas County will have something on ballot per 10 cents per thousand dollars, regarding communications. Our taxpayers in Aurora will be asked to help pay for that, however Aurora will not have any benefit from it. Will be getting more information regarding this.

**Oregon Department of Aviation:** Matt Maass- Nothing New

**Treasurers Report:** Brian Sonnier Not Present

**New Business:** Nothing New

Dave Waggoner: General note for folks on the Airport- Confirmation from the FAA, will be bringing out their portable Hypoxia chamber for training, First full week of April 2016, not exact schedule yet, will be no charge for pilots, however they will need to be over 18 and have a current 3<sup>rd</sup> class medical. Will keep informed of specifics dates/time.

Tony Helbling-Anyone flying a pressurized aircraft should really go through this training.

**Next PAAM Meeting: November 19th, 2015, 8:30 AM Willamette Aviation building.**