

Minutes of the Airport Advisory Board Hermiston Municipal Airport

December 5, 2018

Airport Terminal Hermiston, Oregon

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm

Roll Call

Members present: Mike Martin, Linda Start, Dan Burns, Ron Linn and Ron Osgood. Staff present: Mark Morgan of the City of Hermiston and Rolf Anderson Leirvik of Gorge Aviation Services.

Agenda

The Agenda was approved unanimously

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes from the November 7, 2018, were unanimously approved.

Public Comment

None

Financial Report

Mark Morgan reported that expenses were in within budget; the fuel sales are higher this year than last year.

Managers' Report

1. Fuel Report: The fuel report was presented showing the previous fuel sales, fuel prices at other airports and takeoff and landing activity on this airport.
2. Education Outreach: Ron Linn and Rolf met with the Stanfield School District to discuss how the Airport might support the students with some programs at the Airport that can introduce the students to aviation as well as all of the related careers that are available in aviation. Gorge Aviation and the Friends of the Hermiston Airport are working to set up a program in 2019 where students are invited to participate in aviation activities at the Airport. This initial meetings are anticipated to be scheduled for week day evenings. The first project will be disassembling and then reassembling an aircraft engine.

Airport staff is reaching out to the other school districts it has met with in the past with the aim of identifying students who may be interested in this evening program.

The Friends of the Hermiston Airport is still working with the Pendleton Airport Museum to reach an agreement to bring a "Link" trainer to the Airport. It is hoped this WWII era flight simulator can become a project at the Airport that can be refurbished with support from the Friends of the Hermiston Airport, Gorge Aviation and youth groups.

3. Mike Martin discussed updates on the possible replacement of the Airport sign located at the corner of US 395 and Airport Way. Mike distributed a drawing of a suggested sign design and he is having a second sign company provide their ideas and estimated price for a new sign. The

Board discussed potential funding sources for a new sign. Over the next few Airport Board meetings the Board will continue to discuss ideas and funding for a new Airport sign.

4. The Friends of the Hermiston Airport held an apple squeeze on Friday afternoon, November 17, 2018. It was well attended with 30-40 participants. While the day was beautiful it was a little cool for an outdoor event, so next year the apple squeeze will be scheduled for a little earlier in the year.
5. On December 8, 2018, Gorge Aviation and the Friends of the Hermiston Airport will be having their first film night. The community is invited and Gorge Aviation will provide free hot dogs, chips and drinks. The film will be shown in the Terminal building and people are asked to bring a chair or blanket to sit on.
6. The Airport staff has received several requests from local and visiting pilots that the Airport work with the FAA to have new instrument approaches approved for the Airport. More instrument approaches will make it easier and more efficient to land at the Airport when the weather is marginal. Gorge Aviation is communicating with the FAA to see if it can start this process.
7. Miscellaneous: The Hermiston Chamber of Commerce has told the Airport it has created a Kiosk for the Airport Terminal building and will be installing it soon.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Next regular meeting date: Wednesday January 2, 2019.

Ron Osgood, Chairman