

Minutes of the Airport Advisory Board Hermiston Municipal Airport

November 7, 2018

Airport Terminal Hermiston, Oregon

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

Roll Call

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

Agenda

The Agenda was approved unanimously

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes from the October 3, 2018, were unanimously approved.

Public Comment

None

Financial Report

Mark Morgan reported that expenses were in within budget, however the fuel purchases were higher since the Airport is selling more fuel 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 the airport.
2. Master Plan Update: On November 14, 2018, Century West will hold a public session with the Airport Advisory Committee at the Airport and discuss the latest updates to the plan. These updates have been submitted to the FAA for an initial review and the FAA's responses and updates to the plan will be discussed at the scheduled meeting.
3. Education Outreach: Linda Stark and Rolf met with the Umatilla School District and separately with the Hermiston High School for initial meetings to discuss how the Airport might support the students with some programs at the Airport that can introduce aviation and all the related careers that are available in aviation.

Since those initial meetings approximately 20 students from the Umatilla School District spent two and a half hours at the Airport. They were introduced to the Airport and its activities; had a chance to listen to several speakers and watch some videos on aviation related careers; view various aircraft, watch an Army helicopter land and take off and sit in two different aircraft.

On November 19, 2018, members of the Hermiston High School and BMCC staff will meet with the Hermiston Airport staff and committee members to discuss how the three entities might work together in the future.

Airport staff is also reaching out to other school districts in the area to discuss potentially how the Airport can work with students in the future.

Potential youth programs at the Airport: The Airport is arranging 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 and youth groups.

4. Airport Snow Removal: At this time the Airport does not have any of its own for snow removal equipment. The City will provide snow removal as it has in the past. In addition, Mike Martin said he will bring a blade for his 4-wheeler that can be used around the hangars.
5. Angel Flight request: A fuel discount request from Angel Flight was discussed. At this time the Board decided not to offer a fuel discount for Angel Flights.
6. Miscellaneous: The Friends of the Hermiston Airport breakfasts, held on the last Saturday of each month continue to attract could attendance. The one held in October was attended by approximately 40 people. There will be no breakfasts in November or December 2018 due to the holiday schedules.

On Saturday, November 17, 2018, the Friends of the Hermiston Airport will hold an “apple squeeze” at 1:30 pm. Fresh apples will be squeezed for apple juice and there will be a small fire and marshmallows.

Mike Martin said he would follow up with Ron Sivey, of the Hermiston Road Department, as well as gather some information on installing a new Airport entrance sign from sign companies.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned a 5:09 pm.

Next special meeting date: Wednesday October 14, 2018.

Next regular meeting date: Wednesday December 3, 2018.

Ron Osgood, Chairman