

CITY OF RED BLUFF

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REGULAR AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

Date of Meeting:

January 13, 2016

Time of Meeting:

5:30 p.m.

Place of Meeting:

Council Chambers, City Hall

Commissioners Present:

Chairman Don Fereira

Vice Chair Robert Moore

Commissioner Wanda Schuler

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Chamblin

Commissioner Wulfert

Staff Present:

Bruce Henz, Director of Public Works

Anita Rice, Administrative Technician

1. Approval of Minutes

Schuler requested and received clarification from the December meeting minutes regarding the cell tower in the Fixed Base Operator Report and then motioned to approve the minutes with Moore seconding the motion.

AYES: Moore, Schuler and Fereira

NOES: None

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING: Chamblin and Wulfert

ABSTAINED: None

2. <u>Citizen's Comments</u>

Pete Taylor questioned why there hasn't been any grant work done at the airport in 5 years.

Director Henz explained the grant approval process and the steps the City has taken to gain eligibility to apply for grants. After advertising for requests for qualifications (RFP), the City contracted with Mead and Hunt airport consultants. They are assisting the City with a grant application for drainage repairs and runway repaying.

3. Current Business

3.1 Fixed Base Operator—Cardan Aircraft Services

Owner Tom Jaharis reported the airport activities have been slow and fuel sales were down. Low lead fuel was down 200 gallons from the previous year and 900 gallons down from the year before that. Jet fuel sales were down as well

probably due to the lack of a restaurant. Jaharis reported he sold the maintenance facility to his chief mechanic Gary Walker and he would have to close the paint shop.

4. Old Business

4.1 Restaurant

Henz reported there is a lot going on with the restaurant construction even though progress isn't very noticeable. The interior design has required some modifications with structural add-ons and electrical enhancements. To stay in budget the number of cabinets were reduced with the intentions of adding the cabinets back if money could be saved in other areas. Due to a larger stove/grill the gas line had to be increased and leaks had to be tracked down so the roof could be reconditioned. The contractor is close to installing the sheet rock and then the space will look more like a restaurant and it will seem more obvious that progress has been made.

Schuler invited the audience to make comments.

Fereira inquired who is managing the project, the City or the contractor because there is a big lag in progress. Henz stated the contractor is managing the project but he consults with the architect and for each adjustment it takes time going back and forth to come to the best solution.

Moore stated the sheet rock cannot be done until the roof is on and inquired if the roof is being repaired or replaced.

Henz stated the roof is being repaired with materials equal to a 10 year roof.

Irwin Fust questioned when the job would be finished that surely it should be known by now what needs to be done.

Henz explained there was no way to know about the structural repairs until the walls were torn out. They basically had to reframe the windows and they're trying to come up with the most economical best ways which requires going back and forth between the architect, permitting and budget approval. He is waiting on final budget numbers to take to council for approval for extra money as council requested an update. It takes a lot of cooperation from several agencies and every time a change is made, you have to look at everything all over again to ensure it fits in with the plans and specs.

Ferreira agreed with Fust that there should be an estimated opening date.

Henz stated he optimistically expects to be done in 4 to 5 weeks and then apply for permits.

Schmid suggested the AB 109 crew for help like the county did for the new landfill building. They could build the cabinets at a fraction of the cost versus reducing the amount of the cabinets.

Shuler inquired if the cabinets were already ordered.

Henz stated the cabinets were not already ordered and he would look into the AB 109 crew for assistance.

Schuler stated if a load is added to the gas lines, PGE must be notified.

Henz assured her that everything has gone through the contractor and the architect.

4.2 Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan (ALUCP)

Henz reported the County adopted the ALUCP and Red Bluff and Corning opted to either adopt their own plans or adopt the County's in the future with a resolution if needed.

Schmid suggested the commission read the ALUCP so they are informed of what the County has on the plans.

Henz stated he would present any future plans to the commission before submitting to council.

5. Verizon Cell Tower

Henz reported he contacted Verizon's consultant and expressed concerns regarding the height of the cell tower and how close it is to the airport without lighting on the top. The consultant said the County didn't have restriction for them but he agreed to look into lighting and also will check with the Federal Aviation Administration.

6. Comments

Schmid reported there has been a camper at the airport and a silver ford van parked at the park.

Henz described some of the difficulties the City has had with the homeless.

Feriera stated it is a matter of enforcement.

Respectively Submitted,

Bruce Henz Public Works Director Airport Manager