



CITY OF RED BLUFF

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REGULAR AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

Date of Meeting: October 11, 2017
Time of Meeting: 5:30 p.m.
Place of Meeting: Council Chambers, City Hall
Commissioners Present: Chairperson Robert Moore
Vice Chairperson Wanda Schuler
Commissioner Lynn Chamblin

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Don Ferreira
Commissioner Dave Cappello

Staff Present: R. Scott Miller, Airport Manager
Marie Jensen, Administrative Technician

Commissioner's Approval of Minutes

August 9, 2017

Commissioner Chamblin moved to approve the August 9, 2017 minutes.

Motion: Schuler
Seconded: Chamblin

Ayes: Chamblin, Moore, and Schuler
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstained: None

1. Citizen's Comment

Ken Johnson said that there was a 3 ft. hole in the field off the Taxi Way, West of the wash rack in the open field. Scott Miller, Airport Manager was not sure what it was but said he would look into it.

Ken Johnson said he was flying back from Redding at 5:00 a.m. recently, and it was impossible to see the Beacon from certain approach angles. Scott Miller, Airport Manager said he would investigate and if the glare from the lights of two hangars is causing the Beacon from being seen, shields may need to be installed on the two lights by City Staff.

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Commissioner Moore also inquired if the Windsocks need to be replaced and/or generally serviced.

2. Current Business

2.1 **Fixed Base Operator (FBO) – Cardan Aircraft Services**

Gary Walker, Fixed Base Operator, reported that the Forest Service is using the Red Bluff Airport again, and talking about setting up a more permanent operation in the summertime to base Helicopters out of Red Bluff. The Forest Service mentioned they would get with the City Manager, Rick Crabtree, and get some activity going again.

The Red Bluff Airport received an award from the Forest Service for assisting them during the Buck Fire incident. Mr. Walker presented the award to the commission.

Mr. Walker said that the End of Summer Fly-in went really well. Commissioner Wanda Schuler said she is still hearing people talk about it, and how much fun it was. Commissioner Schuler asked when are we going to do it again, and if people are willing to help with the event. Mr. Walker commented that it should happen yearly instead of every other year.

Mr. Walker had mentioned that there was some excitement with a non-emergency plane landing and that the Police Department, and Fire Department were contacted by Oakland Approach and were waiting on the airfield as a precautionary safety measure. It turned out to be an electrical issue on the plane and that the pilot landed the plane safely. The precautionary emergency response of resources worked as designed.

Mr. Walker said that there is a feral cat issue developing at the Airport and that they are going to be a problem. Commissioner, Moore inquired if someone has been feeding them. Mr. Walker was not sure but it needs to be addressed.

2.2 **ACA Update (Association of California Airports)**

Scott Miller, Airport Manager, reported that he attended the ACA Conference in South Lake Tahoe, in September, and said it was very informative. Mr. Miller said they covered several topics such as Consultant Selections, Safety and inspections. They also talked about the civilian volunteer DART Program which is a Disaster Airlift Response Team. Mr. Miller offered to send information to the commissioners if they were interested.

3. Old Business

- 3.1 Commissioner, Bob Moore, asked Mr. Miller, if he had anymore more contact with Mr. Mc Kay regarding the electrical for his hangar, and Mr. Miller said that he informed him that it is not possible at this time.

Scott Miller, Airport Manger, informed the Commissioners that the City Code states that the position for Airport Manager does not need to go to City Council, and that the City Manager

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can appoint someone for this position. Per the previous request of the Commission and as of last month City Manager, Rick Crabtree, appointed Scott Miller to the position of Airport Manager, which Mr. Miller accepted.

4. **Closing Comments**

From the information presented from the ACA Conference, Rob Schmid asked Mr. Miller if the Caltrans Aviation Loan Program could be used to construct a front-line hangar in an attempt to attract a Commercial Airline to Red Bluff. Mr. Miller said that it was his understanding that this type of project would qualify. Mr. Miller reminded him that it's still a loan and the City would have to repay the Capital Expense.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



R. Scott Miller
Public Works
Associate Civil Engineer and Airport Manager