

MEETING MINUTES

April 29, 2021

Members: Thomas Main (presiding) Cope Lawrence
Melma Gillis Suzanne Johnson

Attendees: Von Memory David Padgett

Chairman Thomas Main presented the agenda for the Board to adopt. Cope Lawrence made a vote to adopt the agenda with a second by Suzanne Johnson. All members in attendance agreed. Thomas introduced the minutes from the March meeting. Cope made a motion to approve the minutes with a second by Suzanne. All members agreed. The financials were reviewed by the Board. Suzanne had nothing new to report. Insurance was brought up to date. Thomas confirmed \$18,000 in the general fund with \$159,000 in the grant account. Mowing expenses will start soon. David reminded the Board there is still grant money, about \$32,500 that has been allotted to Franklin Field that is earmarked for airport projects. Cope suggested that money goes towards purchase of a new AV gas tank. Suzanne made a motion to approve the financials with a second by Melma. The financials were adopted by the Board.

Thomas addressed the ongoing activities with the website and fence project. Some new fuel sales seen this past month.

Von Memory reported on his visit with Mrs Calhoun and his effort to brief her on the upcoming closing of the sale of her property to Franklin Field. Von encouraged her to have a family member present at the closing and wanted to make sure she understood the process. Von informed the Board the sale will be signed off by Chairman Ellis. Cope questioned whether the sale was going to be to Franklin Field Airport or the County. Thomas informed the Board the deed ownership could be transferred later. Thomas wanted to clarify with Counselor Memory if the contract should be in the airports name or the county since there is a 100% match grant to be awarded. Von informed the Board Mrs Calhoun inquired about an additional \$5000 for moving expenses. Von inquired if an environmental study was needed or is there any need to get the property settled immediately. Cope reminded the Board the fence project would start soon and Von stated she requested 60 days to move. David Padgett stated he explained to her the process of reimbursement for moving expenses. Von stated he could add to the contract a moving timeline. The Board deliberated about the clean up of the property and the resale value of the trailer. David reminded the Board that FAA regulations will dictate the distribution/use of monies from the sale of the trailer. Thomas stated that the County gave the Airport the authority to purchase in their name. A resolution to purchase was brought up and Matt Thomason will meet with Mrs Calhoun to explain moving expenses and the FAA reimbursement.

The Penn property purchase for approximately 2.5 acres was reviewed with a purchase price around \$14,000. A

survey and legal description will be needed for this purchase since it is being split off a larger piece of land.

The Board discussed a need for an above ground fuel tank and the utility grant money needs to be utilized by September. A site for the pump was decided on, the area closest to the pump. Thomas also brought up the decommissioning of the underground tank and the expense of removal or filling. Thomas does not think the airport is ready to start selling jet fuel. Most jet owners do not pump their own fuel. Cope asked what size tank does the airport need with the current tank at 4000 gallons. Cope was concerned about the tank being half full and rusting. The airport activity is increasing so an 8000 gallon tank may be feasible.

David would like to set up a function for the utility companies to showcase the airport. The airport is also getting exposure through a Southeast Consortium trade show venue.

Suzanne made a motion to adjourn with a second by Cope.

Suzanne Johnson Secretary/Treasurer