



Owosso Community Airport

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Shiawassee Airport Board

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Bob Ardelean ——Owosso Charter Township
Julie MacKay——Airport Pilot Rep.
Garry Csapos, Secretary——Airport Manager

SHIAWASSEE AIRPORT BOARD

Regular Meeting of June 11, 2020
Airport Terminal

*****MINUTES*****

Approved July 9, 2020

ATTENDANCE:

Roll Call

Members Present

Richard Musson
John Challender
Chuck Kerridge
Richard Ebert
Bob Ardelean
Garry Csapos
Julie MacKay

Shiawassee County
Caledonia Charter Township
City of Corunna
City of Owosso
Owosso Charter Township
Airport Manager/Secretary
Airport Pilot Rep.

Members Absent: Bob Ardelean

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve agenda by John Challender supported by Richard “Dean” Ebert.

Roll Call: - Approved by all present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of February 13, 2020 Meeting: Motion to approve by Richard “Dean” Ebert supported by Chuck Kerridge.

Roll Call: - Approved by all present.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

- a. Lee Ann French would like to have the Pilot Rodeo and candy drop event in the future when the restriction on crowd size is large enough so it would not prohibit such an event. Rick asked Lee Ann to give the airport a date and time when that might happen.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. Julie MacKay- Airport Pilot Rep. Julie MacKay commented the paint job on the Café looks really nice. They have put a lot of work into it. Its nice to come out on weekends see the life and all of the airplanes on the ramp. At one time there was 22 aircraft on the ramp mostly they were visiting the café. She also expressed her appreciation to the airport staff for all of the efforts done by the airport regarding the pandemic.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Garry Csapos presented the financial report showing prepaid and unpaid bills of \$3,587.39 for June 11, 2020. A report from the Shiawassee County Financial Administrator shows a cash Trial Balance

of \$80,436.73 ending May 31, 2020. The AvFuel credit balance for April 30, 2020 was \$34,020.20. Total revenue deposited for the month of May was \$5,650.41. Garry also presented the financial data from the months of March 2020, April 2020 and May 2020. Due to the pandemic there were no meetings during those months.

Motion to accept the bills as presented by John Challender supported by Richard “Dean” Ebert.
Roll Call: - Approved by all present.

MANAGERS REPORT:

Garry Csapos reported that fuel sales for the month May 2020 is 2,281.2 gallons. Total fuel sales so far for the year 2020 is 9359.3 gallons. On Thursday May 14, 2020 Mike Soper inspected the AWOS and it checked out OK. Garry gave a great shout out to all of the people that showed up On May 21st and 22nd to paint the café. It looks great! To reduce costs and follow the lead of other municipalities the Airport Board voted to cut the hours of airport employees by 20%. This vote was conducted by e-mail and concluded on June 1, 2020. The replied vote passed 3 yes to 1 no. Sunday morning June 7, 2020 an aircraft landing on runway 11 struck a deer. There were no injuries but there was some aircraft damage. Garry reported the manager reports for the months of March 2020, April 2020 and May 2020. Due to the pandemic there were no meetings during those months.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Robert Ching of Aura LLC expressed his interest in renting the SASCON building and office area. Richard Musson gave Robert Ching copies of the standard lease agreement for their review. Any changes to the present lease could be negotiated with the board in the future.

NEW AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- a. Rick Musson explained the mechanical issues with the airport’s dodge truck and arranged for an estimate for getting it fixed. Rick would like to roll the cost into the funding of the Cares Act.
- b. Rick Musson reported on the status of the Cares Act Operational Grant. The Airport has to spend the money first and then we will be reimbursed. We are in the process of documenting qualifying expenses and will submit them to MDOT for further review.
- c. Rick Musson opened the topic of airport hunting for discussion. Board members discussed the deer strike that occurred and other near hits. The airport has some deer kill tags that could be issued. Rick stressed that hunters allowed to hunt need to know how to conduct themselves on the airport. We need to get hunting pressure on the deer. Rick said we will go ahead with the airport hunting program already in place with the rules that have been established. No fire arms bow hunting only.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

- a. Le Ann French informed the board she would need a new lease for the café. The board will act on it at the next meeting. Doug Haskins informed the board he completed the first mowing of the River Trail. Robert Ching asked if the party previously interest in the SASCON building is still interested. They are no longer interested.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

- a. Chuck Kerridge said he was glad to back here at the airport. John Challender said he can’t believe all of the time Rick Musson puts in at the airport and Doug echoed those sentiments

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn made by John Challender and supported by all present.

**Sponsor Members: Shiawassee County - City of Owosso
City of Corunna - Caledonia Charter Township - Owosso Township**