

Approved with corrections (See April)
Delta County Airport and Parks Commission
March 8, 2006 Minutes

I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Falcon, Jussila, Mark, Thill, Shirley and Bengry.

ABSENT: Commissioners Schultz, Lantagne, Herioux, and Larrabee

OTHERS PRESENT: Connie Ness, Kelly Smith, Cindy Thill, Terry Glimm, Gary Branz and Rory Mattson.

II. AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Commissioner Jussila and supported by Commissioner Thill. MOTION CARRIED.

III. MINUTES: Moved by Commissioner Jussila and supported by Commissioner Thill to approve February 1 minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS: (Placed on File)

A: Received:

- 1) State Fire Training Contract received. Yearly requirement. Sent to County, executed.
- 2) USAF Museum Contract for the F-84 Plane. Renewal with photos sent in each year.

B: Sent

- 1) Amendment to Taxiway Rehab. (Contract to include RSA). Executed by County.
- 2) MDEQ Permit Application for Runway Rehab access road and ditch; (runway 9/27)

VIII. REPORTS:

A. **Finance Committee -**

1. Airport Bills: Moved by Commissioner Mark and supported by Commissioner Jussila to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$34260.85. (March bills were \$32,329.39; bills from February approved on Feb 1, totaled 25240 and other bills paid in Feb now being approved totaled 1,679.06). MOTION CARRIED.
2. Parks Bills: Moved by Commissioner Thill and supported by Commissioner Shirley to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$636.48. MOTION CARRIED.
3. Discussion took place regarding the Audit held this past week. Also discussed budget information given to members in packets. Questions were compiled as to what needs to be asked of the County regarding Land sale to Dagenais (where the money went, what was paid and the \$30,000 approx. amount left), RZ dollars, Credit for Veteran's Office space, and ask how our financials will be tracked. The financials should be a stand-alone account, (like the City's electrical fund) and if money is used, it needs to be borrowed, possible interest collected, etc. Can we do this within FAA regulations and rules? Chairman Falcon asked the office staff to cross-reference the appropriation figures he received from Joe with the figures the airport shows in its books. Chairman Falcon will be on the agenda for the County board meeting on March 21, 2006 to try to give clarity to the airport's financial position.

B. Personnel Committee: NONE

C. Property Committee: NONE

D. Chairman's Report

E. Manager's Report

1. Airport Projects

a. Approval by County of (\$52,000) for Runway project 9/27 late spring/2006
F. Payne and Dolan – low bidder

a. Manager Ness discussed MAAE conference attended.

b. SCASDG – due April 7, discussed Boyd (consulting firm) and what we can apply for with grant money. Application will be to get Escanaba to Lansing service back.

2. Parks projects

a. Gary presented two grants to request 2% monies from Hannahville, 3/31/06.

b. Rory Mattson gave information regarding the timber sale, scheduled to start Friday March 9, on the 40-acre parcel in the RZ. Also discussed Sac Bay Timber sale.

3. RenZone Update:

a. Renaissance Zone Advertising request went to Finance Committee Mtg (County) on Feb. 24, 2006. Put on hold. Requesting more information. Asst. Smith will provide. Chairman Falcon asked for a rep from the Airport and Parks board to be on the RZ comm. Don Shirley volunteered.

4. Customer Service –

a. Enplanements: Midwest – 722 – a few flights were cancelled (mechanical).

b. CBA Assessment: Corrected copy given out again. Zoe Orca, State of Michigan will be here tomorrow, presentation to Chamber board at 9:00 a.m. and press conference here in Airport terminal at 10:30 a.m. Also available to us is another presentation from another State department, creating more community awareness. Manager Ness will look into this.

c. Manager Ness reported on other presentations made; Golden K Kiwanis was on 3/8/06 and three group tours of the airport took place throughout February. The WDBC Newsmaker Radio Program 3/7/06 was cancelled. Rescheduled in three weeks.

IX. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Manager Ness gave new information regarding the ACC Contract for the air handlers. The cost (\$3,600 - approximate) could be added to our runway project and be put towards our local share. The airport would have to pay the cost upfront, but would be allowed that credit on the project, less 2.5%. No decision was made. Not sure if the airport and parks board has the authority to approve this type of contract. Tabled again. Manager Ness needs to gather more information about the warranties.

B. Manager Ness informed the board the advertisement for the bids for an Engineer would be in the Daily Press throughout the U.P. this Thursday (3/9) and in Michigan Contractor and Builder on Saturday (3/11).

X. NEW BUSINESS: NONE

XI. PUBLIC AND BOARD COMMENT:

A) Don Shirley thanked Terry Glimn for his airplane ride around the airport and recommended other board members to do so. Terry also offered the rides once again, to all board members.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Commissioner Jussila and supported by Commissioner Thill to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Kelly J. Smith, Assistant Manager

Michael Falcon, Board Chairperson