

*Approved*  
Delta County Airport Advisory Board  
September 12, 2007

I. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Falcon, Bengry, Kinsey, Schultz, Woodworth

ABSENT: Kwarciany, Schomin

OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Branz, Connie Ness, Mr. & Mrs. Prey, Terry Glimm

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Moved by Schultz and supported by Bengry to approve September 12, 2007 agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved by Kinsey and supported by Woodworth to approve the August 8, 2007 minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED:

Letter from Mr. & Mrs. Prey dated Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>.

V. COMMUNICATIONS SENT:

Letter sent Mr. & Mrs. Prey dated Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Prey presented his stand on preferring that some of their trees be trimmed instead of removed. Discussion was held and issue tabled. Will forward their easement to county administrator for possible attorney opinion.

VI. REPORTS:

A. **Chairman's Report:** Thanked members who attended the budget meeting of September 6<sup>th</sup> with the county.

B. **Manager's Report:**

1. **Holly/District Conservation:** Reported that permits for UST removal were free. Had talked with Rick Pawley and felt there was no problem in waiting to do both tanks at once next year. Gave Ness permit forms and Ness will check with Pawley on status of unused tank.
2. **Hangar Rent Increases for Commercial Operations:** Manager Ness reported that Midwest lease dated 1997 was reviewed and utility charges can be assessed at 15% of terminal bills. This will be implemented as it has not been in the past. The board requested that other airport commercial hangar be studied for comparison with our charges for next meeting.
3. **Tree project:** Previously discussed – No start date from contractors yet, expected to be beginning of October.

**Lighting project:** Contractor expected to start last week of September.

4. **Escanaba Loan Board Mtg.8/28:** Mike Falcon and Manager Ness met with the loan board and the city of Gladstone. A follow up meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 16th. The loan board requests a plan to make the hangar more productive. Manager Ness shared that just this morning an FBO lead called. Ness will work on estimates for overdue maintenance on the hangar.
5. **Budget Meeting 9/6:** Marilyn Kinsey made a motion to have Dave Woodworth and Mike Falcon be representatives for the special committee to further study Airport finances. Dave Woodworth seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED
6. **Customer Service:** Enplanements and Fuel sold tables.  
**Discussion about G. L.:** Board requested a letter specifically addressed to Levin with cc to G.L., & DOT parties addressing our decreased boardings and effects due to confusion of service. Connie will also go over the situation with Matt Brinker, Bureau of Aeronautics, at the convention next week.

VII. OLD BUSINESS: Pig Roast review: May form sub committee in the future. Motion made by Dave Woodworth to schedule the event the first weekend in August 2008.

Darrel Bengry seconded and MOTION CARRIED.

MAAE conference next week at Boyne Mt. Our MAP meeting is at 3:00pm the 18<sup>th</sup>.

Harvey Setter will be honored during the Michigan Aeronautics Commission meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am. You are welcome to attend.

Kiwanis are raking proposed park. A letter of understanding for equipment maintenance is being negotiated.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS: BAH – SEPT. 26<sup>TH</sup> – LOG CABIN – 5:30 The Airport is a co-sponsor with MI Works and Parks and we were able to get 2 round trip tickets to wherever Midwest flies donated. Board requested Logo nametags.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: Terry Glimn thanked the board for the Thank you note and is happy we're scheduling another event. Talked with Joe Erickson about the courtesy car and relayed the information that the car needs to be owned by someone other than county. Terry presented to Chamber where they will discuss possibilities tomorrow. He suggested a plan for investing in new hangars with the possibility of storage as rent income.

An Airshow Event will be held at the Ford Airport in Iron Mountain Saturday 9/15.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted by:

Connie Ness, Manager

Michael Falcon, Board Chairperson