

MINUTES
AIRPORT BOARD MEETING
5 South Main, Ephraim, Utah
Thursday, January 19, 2023
4:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Chair Tom Herbert, Jeremy Hallows, Ted Meikle, Ephraim Council Liaison Richard Wheeler, Manti Council Liaison Mary Wintch

Board Members Excused: Scott Larson

Staff Present: Airport Manager Shaun Kjar, Kevin Christensen, Candice Maudsley

Others Appearing: Jason Stevenson

CALL TO ORDER

The Manti Ephraim Airport Board convened on Thursday, January 19, 2023. Board Chair Tom Herbert called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.

I. MOTION AGENDA

A. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 17, 2022, MINUTES

Board Member Wintch moved to approve November 17, 2022, minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Board Member Wheeler. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

B. OPMA TRAINING (OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETING)

Candice gave the board the annual Open and Public Meeting training.

C. REVIEW STATUS OF SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT

Tomorrow at 11:00 AM there will be a meeting with Woolpert and UDOT concerning the snow removal equipment. There will be talks about putting out bids for the equipment. The right mower removes the need for a sweeper. It is hoped that good equipment will improve the care of the airport. The snow and mower equipment will be separate and possibly paid with two different sources. Cory from Manti City has done a great job with snow removal this year. The new equipment will be safer and easier to use. An extended indication marker to mark the lights in snow will be investigated. Using a brush to remove a small amount of

snow is better than pushing the snow if it is under one inch. A plow can cause a fine layer of ice in this circumstance.

A FOD Boss is being considered. It can be pulled behind almost any vehicle. It will gather all debris from the runway. This will make the runway safer and cleaner.

D. RAF (RECREATIONAL AVIATION FOUNDATION)/BACK COUNTRY PILOTS ASSOCIATION CAMP FACILITIES

Tom has been in conversations with both organizations. There is a camp facility being installed in Hanksville, UT. It is a designated campground for pilots. There is currently a camp in Escalante as well. The possibility for pilots to recreate in Sanpete would open with this campground. It is possible this idea could help the airport expand. The utility infrastructure and facilities were discussed. A second bathroom would be appreciated. The current water rights for the well are limited to two bathrooms. The existing leach field and septic system cannot have a permanent structure located over it. This may be a good location for the camp. The Ephraim City staff is concerned and hesitant about this campground. The police are concerned about policing the area. It has been recommended by staff that the campground be located outside of the fence. The code on the gate needs to be changed to prevent unauthorized people from coming into the airport. There will be more data collected from the airports that are already running these campgrounds. The organizations involved would like a proposed layout for presentation. A surveillance camera can be considered for the airport in general.

II. AIRPORT MANGER REPORT

- Sanpete County can be approached about contributing \$12,500 from the tourism funds to the airport.
- Jeremy Hallows suggested an annual report to the participating city councils and the county commission. This report would help them understand that 95% of the airport is federally funded.

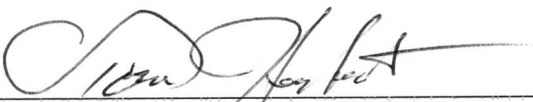
III. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jason Stevenson asked about the capacity of the well at the airport. The flow is .015 cubic feet per second. It is a four-inch diameter well. The irrigation rites are .5 acre with two restrooms. The restroom criteria will be researched.

There being no further business to come before the Airport Board for consideration, Board Member Wintch moved the Airport Board Meeting adjourn at 5:29 p.m. The motion was seconded by Board Member Wheeler. The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

The next Airport Board meeting is scheduled to be held on February 16, 2023, starting at 4:00 PM.

MINUTES APPROVED:



Tom Herbert, Chair

3/16/23
Date

ATTEST:



Candice Maudsley, Secretary

3/16/23
Date