

Garnett Industrial Airport Advisory Board

Minutes of Meeting

May 8, 2020

I. Call to Order Roll Call

The Garnett Industrial Airport Advisory Board met on May 8, 2020 at various locations including the Garnett airport FBO. Members present in the FBO were: Roger Brummel, Chairman, Bill Reeder and Gordon Blackie. Present on the Zoom teleconferencing app: Tom Horstick, Charles Allen and Chris Weiner, City Manager.

This was the second time using the Zoom app and there were some issues but they were worked through.

Chairman Roger Brummel called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. A quorum was present on Zoom and in person. Pat Schettler ran the meeting and Bill Reeder took minutes.

II. Minutes

The April minutes were discussed. A motion to approve the April minutes was made by Bill Reeder, seconded by Charles Allen to approve said minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Old Business

- A. The airport beacon lamp has quit again. This time it was the green lamp. It has lasted about 10 months. It was an used bulb and is the last used bulb we have. Pat was able to buy 7 brand new bulbs from an airport in Minnesota for much cheaper. We will be set with new good bulbs for a while(hopefully).
- B. We were able to buy Gary's tools for \$2200. Pat can now be more free to use the tools and fix equipment.
- C. The Gravely mowers main drive belt broke. It is the original belt. Pat replaced it and it is working well, just in time for the Ford bush hog deck to split. Charles said he could help me weld it on Monday.
- D. Fuel price is \$3.65. It is starting to attract new pilots.

IV. New Business

- A. Pat updated the board on the fuel apron project and the backup plan for fueling aircraft during construction. We are going to widen the area off the tarmac to allow aircraft tie downs.
- B. Bill Dempsey's plane is still here and he is behind on his hangar fees by two years. Pat has tried to contact him with no luck.

- C. The board discussed re-implementing a tie down fee. It should be high enough to incentivize the owner to not leave it for a long time. There should also be some leeway if it is a short term issue or fuel is bought on a regular basis. It was also discussed to allow the airport manager some judgment on the fee. Roger moved to implement a \$100 a month tie down fee with a fueling leeway and at the boards and airport manager's discretion. Pat will have to come up with some type of criteria for implementing the fee. The motion was amended to have a 30 day grace period before taking effect. The amended motion was seconded by Bill Reeder. With no further discussion, it passed unanimously. Pat will submit the criteria for discussion at the next meeting.
- D. Pat talked about the AWOS situation. The wind sensor has been fixed twice by Pat and it keeps failing. Jerry Miller is planning on coming to fix it, but it could be awhile. Pat updated the board on the options for the AWOS.

1. Buy a new AWOS system – It would cost in the neighborhood of \$120,000 to \$150,000 and none would be augmented by the FAA since they just paid for a new AWOS at Ottawa. KDOT would be unlikely to help either.

2. De-commission the current system and use it as an advisory system until it fails. This would allow us to stop paying to have a certified repairmen and FAA certification. This would allow us to maybe bank the money that we were paying Miller Electronics into a fund to help pay for an advisory system that would cost in the \$40,000 range. The KDOT would be much more apt to pay for this type of system. It would also still allow us to get GPS approaches into Garnett.

3. De-commission the current system and buy an advisory system in the range of \$40,000 and remove the current system.

The board is going to think about it and Pat said he would get more information with numbers to give to the board at the next meeting. He will also contact the FAA about the steps to de-commission the system.

VI. Manager's Report

Pat Schettler, Airport Manager presented his manager's report. There were no questions.

VII. Adjournment

There being no other business, Bill Reeder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Charles seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

Minutes taken by Bill Reeder for:

Pat Schettler, Secretary