Town of Montague Municipal Airport Commission

Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2006

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

Commissioners present: Brian Carroll, Peter Golrick, Mark

Fairbrother, Frank (Mike) Sokolosky, Gary

Collins

Others present: Mike Sweeney (Manager)

Karla Kozik, Perly Felton, Bob Sojka, Art Gilmore, Brenda Silva, Patricia

Conway, Peter Conway, David Detmold, Mike Naughton

This special meeting was held at the Millers Falls Library for the purpose of presenting to the people of Turners Falls and the public in general our proposal for improving the Airport. The Airport extends its' thanks to the Millers Falls Library and the Library Trustees for this opportunity.

There was a presentation about the Airport Runway Improvement Project followed by a question and answer period for the public to air their concerns. The following is a summary of the Q&A session.

Will we use Local Contractors? We explained that the process has to go out to bid.

Environmental issues were raised. We assured the public that we are doing the right thing for the Town and have been through a very thorough environmental and archeological review process with State Agencies.

Concerns about jets were raised. We explained that the jets would be the type of plane that we expect to carry no more that about 15 people.

We were asked if the FAA would send someone to Town Meeting, we answered that the FAA has indicated that they would not attend.

Mark restated that in as late as October of 2005, he was opposed to the extension, but he is now convinced that with the efforts underway that he is in full support of the runway project.

We were asked about return on investment and whether we needed to "take" any more land. We explained that we the extension requires no further land takings.

We were asked about a Commercial overnight shipping operation. We explained that we know of no plans for such a facility, and that due to our configuration it is unlikely to happen.

We were thanked for our efforts to bring the presentation to the villages and keep the public informed of the process of the project.

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Voted(A	ye)(Nay)	_(Abstain) at an Airport Commission Meeting on: _	/	_/
(Airport Chair	Signature)			