

Town of Montague Municipal Airport Commission

Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2007



The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM

Commissioners present: Brian Carroll, Peter Golrick, Mark Fairbrother,
Frank (Mike) Sokolosky, Gary Collins

Others present: Mike Sweeney (Manager), Brian Smith (Gale), Bruce Bohonowicz, Marje
Levenson, John Reynolds, Kip Miskinis, Rod Herzig, Josh Simpson

Motion by Frank to approve the minutes of 2/2/2007 and 2/12/2007, seconded by Gary, passed unanimously.

Motion by Mark to the Committee to Save the Airport (CSA) 15 minutes on tonight's agenda after the Gale Update, seconded by Gary, passed unanimously.

GALE REPORT

The NHESP needs minor modifications to the Management Plan to codify all existing agreements. Gale is updating the archeological surveys for MHC. 95% plans should arrive by end of week. The utilities relocation on West Mineral Road is ongoing. There was a discussion of REILs, PAPIs, and the current Phasing Options. Bruce Bohonowicz request as much advance notice of closings, including documentation that he can use to inform his customers.

CSA

8:05 **Motion** by Mark that we direct the Airport Manager to send a cover letter together with a copy of the current SOPP to all registered airport users. This letter will include an invitation to receive comments on ways to improve the SOPP. Please keep in mind that suggestions on improvements must meet FAA and MAC rules and regulations. Furthermore, improvements to the SOPP must be practical to implement within the constraints of the airport's limited resources. I further move that a joint sub-committee be formed with two members of the CSA and two members of the AirCom, specifically Gary Collins as the Commission's User representative, and because of the significance of this matter, Chairman Brian Carroll. Realizing both the desire of the CSA to seek constructive changes in the SOPP and the need to provide sufficient time for the users to respond I would ask that the sub-committee meet over the next month and prepare to inform the Commission at the April 9th meeting on the status of this effort. Seconded by Peter. During the discussion, Josh demanded that a member of the BOS be added. Marje made a suggestion to charge the subcommittee and name it. Brian was unable to commit to the subcommittee, so Peter was substituted by **Motion** of Peter, Seconded by Frank. Amendment passed unanimously. Marje suggested that Patricia Pruitt be picked as BOS member, the Commission agreed to approach the BOS about this. Tuesday or Thursday were suggested as meeting dates, with a 6 or 6:30 start and 2 hour time limit. Amended Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Peter that we direct the Manager to contact the BOS for a representative to join the subcommittee, seconded by Frank, passed unanimously. There was a suggestion about getting the information posted on the Town website.

8:35 Brian led a discussion of the mis-information that has been bandied about. Bruce suggested that we have a printed copy of the MAC and FAA documents for the subcommittee to use. John Reynolds suggested adding a couple of Town Meeting Members be present (not voting).

MANAGERS REPORT

Dave Celino believes that the money is on the way for the tree clearing project. The Town Accountant has updated our accounts (income & expense) to reflect current activity. Discussion of Pydych/Caloon hangar status. **Motion** by Mark to send them informal notification that the request for inspection will not be acted upon until an update from the newly formed subcommittee is heard by the entire Commission, at the next meeting on April 9, seconded by Peter. Due to potential conflict of interest in a tenant matter, both Frank and Gary recused themselves. Motion passes unanimously (3-0-0).

9:30 **Motion** by Mark to adjourn, second by Frank, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Peter Golrick

Voted ____ (Aye) ____ (Nay) ____ (Abstain) at an Airport Commission Meeting on: ____/____/____

(Airport Chair Signature)