Town of Montague Municipal Airport Commission

Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2008 The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM



Commissioners present:Peter Golrick, Mark Fairbrother, Frank (Mike)Sokolosky, Gary CollinsSokolosky, Gary CollinsOthers present:Mike Sweeney (Manager), Brian Smith (Gale),

Sokolosky, Gary Collins Mike Sweeney (Manager), Brian Smith (Gale), Malcolm Clark, Rod Herzig, Josh Simpson, Richard Kulis, Dave Vallette (Union News)

Motion by Frank to accept the minutes of 4/14/2008, second by Gary, passed unanimously. **Motion** by Frank to reduce the TFMAC Requested budget from \$50,687 to \$27,285, second by Gary, passed unanimously.

CSA REPORT

The CSA discussed the term of the agreement in the proposed TTF agreement, looking for a shorter term than 1 year. There was discussion of grant funding and the gates. Mark Fairbrother pointed out that we closed the access for security reasons, and MAC has confirmed that this is a "local decision". If we can get all hangar owners, Pioneer, and the BoS to agree to sign a "hold harmless" agreement to release from liability from anyone entering that way, we could open the way again. **Motion** by Mark that the TFMAC offer to reopen the access to Pioneer upon signing of a liability release agreement by all of the hangar owners, Pioneer Aviation, and the Board of Selectmen, second by Gary. There was discussion about whether the signs would constitute a protection against liability. Motion passes unanimously.

SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATE

Building and Grounds reports that the Frosted Elfin butterfly are laying their eggs on the newly planted lupine.

GALE REPORT

On the Runway Project, the focus of the Part 106 involvement is on reconnaissance. A new proposal is due to the FAA (by the Tribes) by June 1. **Motion** by Frank to authorize the Chairman or Vice-Chair to sign the grant offers from FAA and MAC for \$160,000, with no local share, second by Mark, passed unanimously. **Motion** by Frank to authorize the Chairman or Manager to negotiate and sign a contract with Gale, not to exceed \$155,000, with no local share upon the preparation of an independent fee estimate (if required), second by Gary, passed unanimously.

MANAGERS REPORT

Based Aircraft report was filed, 6% increase in based planes in last 6 months.

Commissioner Updates – none this month.

8:32 Motion by Mark to adjourn, second by Gary, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Peter Golrick

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