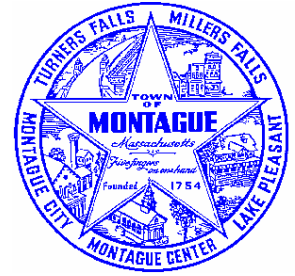


Town of Montague Municipal Airport Commission

Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2011



The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM in the Airport Admin Bldg.

Commissioners present: Keith LaRiviere, Gary Collins, Peter Golrick, Mike Sokolosky, and Rod Herzig

Others present: Mickey Longo (Manager), Brian Smith (Gale), Charlie (Solon Corp) and James (Portman Capital), Bruce Bohonowicz

Mike made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of 4/11/2011, seconded by Keith, passed 4-0-1, with Gary abstaining.

PROPOSAL BY PORTMAN CAPITAL AND SOLON CORP. RE: SOLAR ENERGY OPPORTUNITY

Solon Corporation is a major supplier to National Grid. The proposal is for a twenty year contract, which is the max allowed for the Commission to enter into under MGL c.90, and is designed and built around 1-acre units. These would be fixed units, not the type that tracks the sun, to reduce the possible impact of glare to pilots. The project would take about 6-8 weeks from the time the ground is cleared until the finished "solar farm". To proceed, we should execute a Letter of Intent. Mike made a **MOTION** to authorize the Manager to proceed with negotiating a Letter of Intent, seconded by Keith, passed unanimously.

GALE REPORT

AIP-11 – Nothing new; AIP-12 – Nothing new; AIP-14 – Archeological work has been identified and the Tribes have been notified. A draft of Change Order #3 has been sent to the contractor. Phase II is awaiting the completion of the archeological work, so that Gale can prepare the definition of the Area of Potential Effect (APE). We need an FAA Property Release for the solar project; the cost of this appraisal is usually borne by the developer.

MANAGERS REPORT

Mickey reported that he has applied for membership in MAMA. The tree that was across the power lines on W. Mineral Hill has been cleared, and the light is working. A surprise project resulted in our runway markings being repainted. Wills Hill light is still in need of service, currently underway. Photos have been taken to assist in the building of the new shed.

Managers Review tabled until next meeting because we have 2 Commissioners missing tonight.

PILOT, TENANT, USERS, PUBLIC

None tonight.

SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES

B&G reports that the mower deck is on the tractor, and the damaged tree out front has been removed. Lease Renewal reports that they are looking at Westfield as a model for an agreement. Mike presented the Commission with the Treasurer's Report, and reports that there is a new procedure for reimbursement requests. These requests will now have all amounts on a single cover sheet.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES

None tonight.

NEW BUSINESS – OLD BUSINESS – OTHER

None tonight.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None needed tonight.

At **8:41** Mike made a **MOTION** to adjourn, second by Keith, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Peter Golrick

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

(Airport Chair Signature)