

MINUTES OF AUGUST 13, 2008

The August 13th, 2008 meeting of the Bucks County Airport Authority was called to order by Chairman Allen Black at 7:30 p.m. at the Doylestown Airport. Members attending were Beans, Mininger, and Tollini.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of July 9th, 2008 were accepted with a motion by Mr. Mininger, seconded by Mr. Beans, and passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Black reported the County Commissioners appointed Lou McKay to fill the vacancy on the Authority. Chairman Black said the Board will elect members to fill the offices at the September meeting.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Doylestown Airport FBO

Mr. Tollini said he spoke with Rick Witt, of Leading Edge, and that Mr. Witt was pleased with the communication and cooperation of the contractor currently working on the stormwater project.

Quakertown Pilot Association

Mr. Mininger said there will be a Young Eagle's Day at Quakertown Airport this Saturday.

Doylestown Pilot Association

Joe Newton, of the association, said they are preparing to help with the food and the aircraft rides for the August picnic for the Fire Companies.

Engineer's Report

Bill Patrick, of L. Robert Kimball & Associates, reported a letter was received from Blooming Glen's counsel in which they are challenging the interpretation of the rock excavation in the Quakertown taxiway project, as well as the quantities. Mr. Patrick said Gene Miller, who was Kimball's project supervisor, came to this evening's meeting to answer any questions the Board may have concerning this issue.

Mr. Tollini suggested having Kimball ask the Bureau of Aviation to meet with both parties to help resolve this matter, because if any change orders are issued for increased payment, BOA would have to ultimately approve them.

Mr. Mininger made the motion to engage Robert Oakley to update the appraisal of the Alberger tract at Quakertown for a fee not to exceed \$750. and the Quakertown subcommittee will choose a review appraiser from their list. Mr. Tollini seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Patrick reported that the DEP permit has been issued for the work on the Tech. School parcel.

Mr. Patrick said seven bids were received today for the Vo. Tech. roof replacement project. Mr. Beans made the motion, seconded by Mr. Tollini, to table the bids at this time. The motion passed unanimously.

Bill said he has information to forward to Knight Engineering for Phase I of the stormwater project at Doylestown.

Mr. Patrick said the weather has been good and Phase II of the stormwater project is progressing well. Mr. Patrick said he received a payment request from Nimaris today, and asked the Board to approve it pending recommendation by Kimball. Mr. Tollini made the motion to approve the Nimaris pay request, pending Kimball's approval. Mr. Beans seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Bill asked if the Board wanted fill area #1 still filled in and the Board said they did. He also asked if excess material stock piled in fill area #3 could be exported. The Board agreed to let the contractor remove about half of the material, upon the Solicitor's approval of an indemnification for any claims made against the Authority by reason of the material.

Mr. Tollini asked Mr. Patrick if the new parking spaces were standard, and he said they are 8 feet wide, but because they are longer they appear narrower. The final inspection for the access road project will be next Monday morning, Bill stated.

Kimball was told to work with Solicitor Graham on a reply to the letter from Knight Engineering concerning issues brought up by Susan Goff. Solicitor Graham is also being directed to ask that the cost of this billing be reimbursed to the Authority.

Mr. Tollini said Bill Mitchell, of the Parks Department, is working on a plan for the obstruction removal at Van Sant and it will be provided to PennDOT when it is completed.

Mr. Patrick said Kimball will respond to the 5010 report done at Van Sant Airport. Mr. Tollini said the Authority will work to get a grounding reel installed.

Administrators' Reports

Financial:

Treasurer Mininger recommended accepting the financial report and paying all bills submitted including additional bills totaling \$250,241.17. He reported that bills paid from the project account in July was \$223,954.98, while bills paid from the operating account in July was \$82,933.83.

Mr. Tollini made the motion to accept the financial report and to pay all bills presented. Mr. Beans seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Administrative:

Mrs. Raterman said that with the responses from the fire companies, approximately 50 will be attending the August 27th picnic. She will work with the Doylestown Pilot Association to arrange for parking of any of their fire trucks.

Chairman Black said that the Authority has chosen L. Robert Kimball as their consultant, after conducting the selection process. Mr. Tollini made the motion, seconded by Mr. Beans, to engage L. Robert Kimball & Associates as the Authority's engineering consultant for a 5-year term. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board was asked to forward their input to Kimball for any of the projects for Doylestown and Quakertown to update the JACIP.

Mrs. Raterman said she was getting prices from some local heating oil suppliers for a capped rate for heating fuel for both Doylestown and Quakertown for the upcoming season, the lowest being \$4.11 from Brinker. Mr. Tollini made the motion, seconded by Mr. Mininger, to agree to a capped price of \$4.11 for heating oil from Brinker for Doylestown and Quakertown Airports for the heating season. The motion carried unanimously.

Quakertown Airport Subcommittee

Mr. Mininger reported that the skydiving operation that planned on relocating to Quakertown Airport is on hold due to ATC.

He reported Air Methods, a company that services Medivac helicopters, might be interested in sharing the BiPlane Adventure hangar.

Mr. Mininger said he would like the Authority to consider having public water hooked up to the Vo. Tech. building and using the existing EDU. Mr. Tollini made the motion to authorize up to \$7000. to hook up public water to the Vo. Tech. building. Mr. Beans seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Mininger said the existing well might have to be capped.

Doylestown Airport Subcommittee

Mr. Tollini asked that the landscaper who performed the weed control along the fence provide the Authority with a price to spray along the fence between the airport and the South Main Tire buildings.

Mr. Tollini said he asked Leading Edge to trim around the vacant building along Swamp Road.

Bill Patrick asked the subcommittee if they had accepted the engineering agreement for the Swamp Road building demolition, and they said they will be prepared to discuss it at the September meeting.

Public Comments

Helen Mitchell asked if the public water was more desirable than well water. She was told that the airport was connected recently to be able to provide emergency hydrants and the well water in that area does not taste good.

New Business

Mr. Beans made a motion to be a sponsor for the upcoming Aviation Conference at the \$500. level. Mr. Mininger seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. was made by Mr. Beans, seconded by Mr. Tollini, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen B. Raterman
Administrator