

MINUTES OF MAY 13TH, 2009

The May 13th, 2009 meeting of the Bucks County Airport Authority was called to order by Chairman Allen Black at 8:10 p.m. at the Doylestown Airport. Members attending were McKay, Mininger, and Tollini, along with Solicitor Graham.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Mininger made the motion to accept the minutes of April 11th, 2009 with the suggested corrections. Mr. McKay seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Quakertown Airport FBO

Bob Fowler, of Fowler Aviation, reported the Brass Bucks County car show is this weekend. Bob said JML landscaping is interested in presenting a proposal for grass-cutting for 3 years at this year's cost. Bob said one of his flight schools planes has been sold, but he is looking into getting another aircraft.

The subcommittee asked that the 3 year grass-cutting proposal be placed on the June meeting agenda.

Bob said the tile work in the administration building will be done next week.

Doylestown Pilot Association

Rick Hadden, of the association, reported the open house is this weekend. He said Midway Fire Co. fire police will be assisting in parking at neighboring business facilities. Rick said there are about 7 volunteers for giving sky rides. He said some of the interesting activities will be a German flying bicycle and a Twilight Wish will be granted to a couple from the area.

Rick said the association has done a survey of the field lights and will be replacing and repairing them on a regular basis.

Engineer's Report

Bill Patrick, of L. Robert Kimball, said he will be replying to PennDOT's comments on the engineering supplement for the Hughes acquisition project.

Bill said Verizon asked about including their facility on the entrance sign to the airport and the subcommittee said that was fine, and to contact the subcommittee.

Mr. Tollini said the Bureau of Aviation said the runway markers for Van Sant are not reimbursable under the project. Mr. McKay displayed a white metal round marker used on golf courses that could be placed along the runway for marking. Mr. Tollini made the motion, seconded by Mr. McKay, authorizing up to \$1000. for the purchase of runway markers for Van Sant Airport. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Patrick said Kimball is scheduling the final inspection for the Van Sant runway project for May 19th.

Mr. Patrick said he will provide the bid information on the runway 29 obstruction project, so that the Board can determine what parts of the bid they choose to award.

Administrators' Reports

Financial:

Ms. Landis presented the financial report, she reported bills paid from the operating account in April were \$140,745.59 and bills paid from the project account in April were \$5128.59. She reported additional bills to be considered total \$6174.50.

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

Administrative:

Mrs. Raterman asked if the Authority would like to make a donation to the Midway Fire Police for their assistance in handling the parking for the upcoming open house at Doylestown Airport. Mr. Tollini made the motion, seconded by Mr. McKay, to make a donation to the Midway Fire Police for \$100. The motion passed unanimously.

She reported that the Doylestown Pilot Association will be helping with a Buckingham Mom's group outing at the airport this Friday.

Mr. Tollini made the motion to request an extension to the "East Ramp" land development at Doylestown Airport. Mr. McKay seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

Mr. Tollini made the motion to approve the agreement with the Bernabei's, authorize the establishment of an escrow account for \$15,000. and the payment of attorney fees of \$5000. Mr. McKay seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Mininger called the Bernabei's to confirm that a tree service company would be on their property tomorrow morning.

Solicitor Graham reported he has gotten an extension of time on the Van Sant lawsuit and will be producing an affidavit.

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Mr. Mininger said he will be representing the Authority at the Upper Bucks Business Expo and invited Fowler Aviation to share the exhibit.

Mr. Mininger said Sertoma would like to hold a 5K race that would be run on township roads and have the North hangar tenant's permission to use his area for staging and Sertoma will have insurance coverage. Mr. Mininger made the motion, seconded by Mr. Tollini, to allow Sertoma to use airport property for the staging of their 5K race and Sertoma is to provide the necessary insurance documents. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Tollini said he will attempt to reach the delinquent commercial tenant to discuss payment of his account.

Solicitor Graham said the review appraisal has been done on the Alburger easement and he suggests that the Authority make an offer to the owner for the appraised amount.

Mr. Mininger made the motion, seconded by Mr. McKay, authorizing Solicitor Graham to make an offer of the appraised value of the Alburger easement to the property owner. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mininger made the motion ratifying \$14,630. for the emergency tree clearing at Quakertown that was necessary to be considered for the granting of federal stimulus funds, and further authorize the funding of the tree work that needs to be completed on the Bernabei and Milford Township properties. Mr. McKay seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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Mr. Tollini reported FAA has requested information for consideration of a GPS approach for runway 5.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

New Business

Mr. Tollini made the motion, seconded by Mr. Mininger, to sponsor the Pennsylvania Aviation Advocacy Day at last year's level, but not to exceed \$500. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m. was made by Mr. Mininger, seconded by Mr. McKay, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen B. Raterman
Administrator