

MINUTES OF JULY 13TH, 2011

The July 13th, 2011 meeting of the Bucks County Airport Authority was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Chairman Mininger at the Quakertown Airport. Members in attendance were Black, Beans, McKay and Tollini, along with Solicitor Graham.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of June 8th, 2011 were accepted with a motion made by Mr. Black, seconded by Mr. Tollini, and passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Mininger reported that there are only 11 days until EAA's Air Venture in Oshkosh.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Doylestown Airport

Rick Witt, of Leading Edge Aviation, reported that the grass growth is slowing down and that he has seen modest increases in business for the flight school and charters.

Quakertown Pilot Association

Chairman Mininger reported that 35 Young Eagles flew on June 18th and the next Young Eagle day is this Saturday at Quakertown Airport.

Doylestown Pilot Association

Mike Junod, of the association, reported the June picnic was cancelled due to inclement weather and the July bus trip to Old Reinbeck was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Mr. Junod said the pilots are looking forward to supporting the August community group recognition picnic and they also have a fly-in breakfast scheduled for September.

Engineer's Report

Bill Patrick, of L. Robert Kimball, reported they have been working with Solicitor Graham on the RW 11 easement project at Quakertown Airport.

Bill said Gilmore & Associates has done the field survey for the Quakertown fuel farm and the design is proceeding.

Bill said he will check with Rob Betz, of the Bureau of Aviation, to find out what items are outstanding on the former Vo. Tech. school acquisition project.

Mr. Patrick said the 5010 response letter for Quakertown was being presented this evening for the Authority's signature.

Bill reported there are only a few items outstanding on the East Ramp project acceptance by Buckingham Township. Solicitor Graham is working on some of these items.

Bill said the final inspection of the Doylestown Pavement Rehabilitation project is scheduled for tomorrow morning. Rick Witt said the crack-sealing still has a taffy-like consistency.

Mr. Patrick reported that Gilmore & Associates is finalizing their proposal to do the boundary surveys for the Doylestown RW5 obstruction clearing project.

Mr. Patrick said Kimball has sent the revised clearing plan for Van Sant to the Authority.

Administrators' Reports

Financial:

Treasurer Beans recommended accepting the financial report and paying all bills presented, including additional bills totaling \$465. He reported that bills paid in June from the operating account was \$73,288.72, while bills paid from the project account in June was \$1336.50.

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

Administrative:

The Board chose the Bucks County Housing Group as the community group to honor at a picnic at the Doylestown Airport on August 24th. Mrs. Raterman will contact the group to invite the group on behalf of the Authority and the Doylestown Pilot Association.

Mr. Beans made the motion to donate \$150. to Midway Fire Police for their help at the May open house. Mr. Tollini seconded and it passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Graham said the Authority has received a judgment for the possession of the Schiller hangar together with a judgment of approximately \$36,000.

Solicitor Graham also reported he has filed a complaint on a storage unit tenant at Quakertown Airport.

Solicitor Graham reported three bids were received for the clearing of trees on the High property adjacent to the Doylestown Airport RW 5 with Campbell Tree Service being the low bid of \$7500. Mr. Tollini made the motion, seconded by Mr. Black, to award the High property clearing to Campbell Tree Service for \$7500. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Mininger asked Solicitor Graham to review standard industry storage unit leases and advise whether the Authority should revise their current storage unit leases.

Quakertown Airport Subcommittee

Mr. Black made the motion authorizing up to \$500. for purchase of eight (8) solar lights for the second taxiway turnoff for RW 29. Mr. McKay seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Raterman was asked to have the sensor for the ASF parking area adjusted because it is not working properly.

Solicitor Graham was asked to work with one of the Quakertown operators concerning an aircraft abandoned on the ASF tie-down area.

Doylestown Airport Subcommittee

Mr. Beans said the painter has scheduled the painting of the "I" hangar for next week.

Mr. Beans made the motion, seconded by Mr. McKay, directing L. Robert Kimball to submit an estimate for the preparation of documents and a budget for the new administration and maintenance facility buildings at Doylestown. Mr. Tollini seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Van Sant Airport

Mr. Tollini and Mr. Black are continuing discussions on the lease agreement with George Taylor.

Willow Grove Air Base

Mr. Beans made the motion approving \$2500. As the Authority's share toward an aviation feasibility study for that portion of the former Willow Grove Air Base outlined in the Authority's Notice of Interest that was previously submitted. Mr. Tollini seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Motion to adjourn at 8:50 P.M. was made by Mr. Beans, seconded by Mr. McKay, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen B. Raterman
Administrator