

Seaside Airport Advisory Committee

Minutes of Meeting

July 26, 2011

Meeting called to order by Committee Chair Randall Henderson at 18:04hrs at Seaside City Hall.

Members present: Roy Bennett, Randall Henderson, Wally Hamer, Councilman Don Johnson, Neal Wallace, Tracy McDonald, Guy Williams, Councilwoman Diane Widdop and Steve Phillips.

Members Absent: None

Guests Present: Jack Bland and Bruce Francis

Changes to Minutes: Auto gate table until new gate opener is installed (2010/2011 project). Neal Wallace to write a thank-you letter to the Port of Astoria for the new bulletin boards in the bus shelter. Tracy McDonald in charge of the bus schedule postings on the reader/ad board. Wally Hamer and Roger DeLong coordinating the BBQ.

Review of Minutes: Motion by Guy Williams and a second by Steve Phillips to approve the May 24, 2011 minutes with changes. Motion Passed.

Items of safety & security:

Auto gate table until new gate opener is installed (2010/2011 project).

Guy Williams introduced a discussion about a seemingly high ratio of accidents in our area. Discussion resulting in determining that a lot of the accidents are due to pilot inexperience, pilot error, weather and minimal mechanical failures. Could do with some signage with McMinnville FAA phone # and Frequency.

Airport Future Development: None

Infrastructure / Improvements:

Project 2010/2011: Randy Kruckenberg appointed as the new project manager for WH Pacific. Communications have clearly improved. FAA on hold until congress approves budget/debt ceiling. FAA still needs to approve our project. Final plan and bid docs not yet complete. Fencing may be able to proceed but drainage part of the project is much bigger and the construction window (weather) is getting short.

Commercial Operations: No word on Jim's Bi-Plane Rides coming. Jim will be advised not to land in the grass, use runway only.

Other Items: Airport Committee BBQ set for Saturday Sept. 17th, 2pm. Wally Hamer and Roger DeLong to coordinate potluck style. Wally Hamer has secured a large BBQ. Bruce Frances to bring tables and chairs for the BBQ. BBQ invite list should include Seaside and Gearhart City officials, Craig of Kiwi Glass, any local aviation enthusiasts, Port of Astoria officials.

Tracy McDonald made motion to hold the September meeting at the BBQ, motion fail due to lack of second.

Reader/Ad Board: New bus schedule posted by Tracy McDonald. Airport still a flag stop or call phone # posted.

Next Meeting: Every other month schedule - **NEXT MEETING Tuesday, September 27, 2011, Seaside City Hall, 6pm.** If additional meetings need to be held they will remain the 4th Tuesday of each month.

For the Good of the Order: None

Meeting adjourned 18:35hrs.

Minutes by Roy Bennett,
Vice-Chair/Secretary

