Aransas County Airport February 2nd, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

- Members present were Chairman Travis McDavid, Vice Chair Betty Stiles, Jim Rester, Rick Smith, and Duane Scheumack. Also in attendance, Mike Geer, Secretary/Airport Manager, Pat Rousseau, Liaison from the Commissioners Court
- 2. 9:00a Meeting called to order by Chairman McDavid.
- 3. 9:01a Quorum declared by Chairman McDavid.
- 4. 9:01a A motion was made by Member Smith to accept the minutes from the January meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Member Rester and carried unanimously.
- 5. 9:04a Discussion of General operations. Airport Manager Geer briefed the board members on public safety and flight operations. Geer noted that there had been no reported runway incursions or safety concerns since the last meeting. Manager Geer presented a comparison chart for January 2022 fuel profit versus January 2021 noting that while fewer gallons had been sold and that profit margins are down from last year at this time, more money had been grossed and netted due to fuel prices having increased nearly 30% since last year. Next was a discussion about TxDOT providing feedback via an email and a phone call about compliance issues with how Stewart Legacy is using their hangar. Geer added that he will be working with the county attorneys' office to put together a response but that it's important that Stewart Legacy ultimately comply. The State should be sending a draft letter to help outline what exactly they feel the compliance issues are. The letter will help act as an outline and or tool for the county to gain compliance from Stewart Legacy. No action was taken.
- 6. 9:30a Discussion of Financial Statements. Revenue versus Expenditure for January was not available in time for the meeting. No action was taken.
- 7. 9:35a Discussion of Construction Projects. Geer informed the members that nothing has changed since the last meeting. No action was taken.
- 8. 9:36a Discussion of Airfield Lighting Repairs. Manager Geer informed the members that all the same outages existed as presented in the previous meeting. Rural Electric was on site in January but wasn't able to repair anything. The next site visit will be Feb 8 and they will be bringing the electrical engineer from their Arizona office. The engineer is planning to program the controller which should fix the issue with RY 32 REILS and allow for the edge lights to be placed into low intensity mode at night until they are intentionally stepped up by a pilot using the radio control feature. All the members agreed that the response from Rural has been too slow and that the manager should take action to get the lights fixed regardless of funding source. Member Rester suggested that Geer or the county put out an RFP for an engineering firm to provide a scope of work and spec out the repairs. Then discuss funding sources and or what to address first and then put out an RFQ for a contractor to do the work. Geer added that the best way to do that would be with the assistance of TxDOT and the airport planning office because they would be able to answer questions about funding sources as well as administer the grants if any were to be accessed. If no grant money could be found then the next best option would be for the county to put out the RFP. No action was taken.
- 9. 10:20a Discussion of Grants. It was agreed that grants had been covered in the previous discussion of Airfield Light Issues and didn't warrant further discussions. No Action was taken.
- 10. 1020a A Motion to Adjourn was made by Member Stiles, seconded by Member Smith and passed unanimously.

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Mike Geer, Airport Manager	
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