

## Aransas County Airport May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

1. Members present were Chairman Travis McDavid, Vice Chair Betty Stiles, Jim Rester, and Rick Smith. Also in attendance, Commissioner Pat Rousseau, Liaison to the Commissioners Court, Mike Geer, Secretary/Airport Manager, Jerry Brown and by phone, Cody Stewart. Absent, Member Duane Scheumack.
2. 9:03a Meeting called to order by Chairman McDavid.
3. 9:04a Quorum Declared.
4. 9:06a Chairman McDavid asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion made by Vice Chairman Stiles, seconded by Member Smith and passed unanimously.
5. 9:06a Chairman McDavid asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion made by Vice Chairman Stiles, seconded by Member Smith and passed unanimously.
6. 9:08a Chairman McDavid allowed Jerry Brown and Cody Stewart to speak about the potential date for a fly-in event. Cody Stewart said that since the previous 2 fly-ins had been in December, and because word has circulated throughout the aviation community in South Texas, that it would be a good idea to target a date in December of this year which didn't conflict with any other local event. Mike Geer suggested that it might be a good idea to hold the event on the FBO side of the airport due to more facilities and tie downs being available. Jerry Brown informed the members that he is working on a channel through which military planes could be more easily requested. Member Smith made a motion for the board to support the airport manager asking the commissioners court for approval for the fly-in on December 10-11, 2022. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Stiles and passed unanimously. Manager Geer said he would take the matter to the May 23<sup>rd</sup> commissioners' court in order to have time to line up potential donors and other public support which might help offset costs incurred by the airport fund.
7. 9:25a Discussion of General Operations. Manager Geer informed the members of the declining number of operations which is most likely due to rising fuel costs, adding that each week yields a new all-time high for aviation fuel prices. Geer noted that there have been no incidents, accidents or runway incursions since the last meeting. No action was taken.
1. 9:46a Discussion of Construction Projects. Geer informed the members that according to a conversation with Kathleen Hicks of RPA, we could expect FPS Recovery to begin work on Hangar Tall within 2 weeks' time and then expect the hangar to be completed within 4 months. Geer informed the members he had forwarded an email to them from Ms. Hicks detailing issues which have caused delays in the rebuild of the airport hangars. Geer told the members that he will work with FPS to ensure the proper FAA paperwork for the airspace study for Hangar T-4 is filed in a timely manner. No action was taken.
2. 9:48a Discussion of Airfield Lighting Repairs. Geer advised the members that a new regulator for Runway 14 PAPIs was installed however there was an error made by Rural Electric which has caused the PAPIs not to illuminate 24 hours a day however the lights are available by pilots taking action through the Pilot Controlled Lights or PCL. A NOTAM has been issued detailing the PAPI instructions. Geer added that a new photo cell was needed and so Rural Electric was told to order one and install it when they come back for the PAPI issues on Runways 14, 18, and 36 later this month or as soon as the parts arrive. No action was taken.
3. 9:51a Discussion of Grants. Geer said that he only has one "no obligation" grant request working at the moment which is for terminal expansion and improvements which would also allow for fuel farm relocation. No Action was taken.
4. 10:15a Discussion of Future Meeting Agenda Items. Texas Open Meetings Act will be on the agenda in June and Mike Geer will ask County Assistant Attorney Jen Osteen to be present so the members can ask questions relative to the airport board being subject to TxOMA.
5. 11:00a Vice Chair Stiles asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Member Rester, seconded by member Smith and passed unanimously.



Mike Geer, Secretary

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Chairman or Designated Board Member