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Public Works Committee Minutes
Tuesday, July 26, 2016 – 8:00 a.m.
Southern Wisconsin Regional Airport
Voyager Room
1716 W. Airport Rd.
Janesville, WI 53546

Call to Order. Chair Bussie called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 8:00 a.m.

Committee Members Present. Supervisors Bussie, Arnold, Driscoll, and Fox

Committee Members Absent. Supervisor Richard

Staff Members:

Ben Coopman	Public Works Director
Ron Burdick	Airport Director
Cynthia Hevel	Airport Specialist

Others Present:

Bonnie Cooksey	Janesville Jet Center
James Dillavou	SC Aviation
Norm Paulson	Paulson Kimball Construction
Russell Paulson	SC Aviation
Colin Byrnes	Rock County Planning
Dan Morrison	SC Aviation
James Otterstein	Rock County Planning
Nick Colombe	SC Aviation
Dan Avers	SC Aviation

Approval of Agenda. Supervisors Arnold and Driscoll moved today's agenda. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes of June 28, 2016. Supervisors Fox and Driscoll moved the minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements. Bonnie Cooksey inquired as to when Janesville Jet's parking lot issue was going to be discussed, Mr. Burdick replied that parking lots are taken care of by the Lessee, Ms. Cooksey stated that unless they are reading the lease area wrong, they do not lease the parking lot. Mr. Burdick replied that he is looking into their lease area, if they are not leasing it, they need to be. This will be on next month's agenda.

Mr. Coopman announced that there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony at the Avalon Road and I90/39 interchange on November 8th. This will be the State of Wisconsin's first diverging diamond

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interchange and there will probably be a lot of dignitaries attending. He thinks it will be in the morning but is not sure of the time. He will let the Committee know when he hears more.

AIRPORT BUSINESS

Consider Request from SC Aviation for Additional Vehicle Parking Along Endeavour Dr. Supervisors Arnold and Fox moved the request. Mr. Burdick passed out a map of the SC Aviation site to the Committee and put up several aerial maps on the monitor. He also passed out a copy of an e-mail he received on July 25th from the City of Janesville regarding this matter. Discussion regarding the proposed parking area took place. Mr. Burdick said that when he originally received the request he sent it to both Colin Byrnes in Planning and Mr. Coopman for their opinions. The e-mail Mr. Burdick received from the City of Janesville stated that County Committee approval was needed before they could approve the revised site plan. Supervisor Bussie asked if the committee reference was the Public Works Committee or the full County Board. Mr. Otterstein said that it should only be the Public Works Committee. Mr. Byrnes stated that the extra parking is not required by code and was concerned that if there was further development on the south side of Endeavour Dr. they may want to have similar parking; allowing it now may set a bad precedent. Supervisor Fox asked for clarification on the area of the parking to confirm the parking was not actually on the street, but was only adjacent to the street. Mr. Burdick confirmed that it was next to the road and vehicles would back on to the road to exit the parking places.

Mr. Dillavou from SC Aviation stated that when they originally looked at this a year ago, they never expected the business to explode the way it did. When they re-evaluated their plans they discovered that the parking was not sufficient for their current needs, let alone their expected growth. He stated that he has already asked Mr. Burdick to begin the process for requesting funding for additional ramp space to the west and that they expect to build another building on the south side of Endeavour Dr. in the future. Nick Colombe from SC Aviation stated that in 2011 they had 19 employees, currently they have 66 and they anticipate 97 employees by the year 2021.

Discussion regarding alternatives, emergency services access, fire truck turn-arounds, utilizing current parking lots and safety took place. Mr. Byrnes asked if the parking area would be leased. Mr. Burdick responded that the new parking area would have to be added to the lease. Supervisor Fox asked who would be paying for the construction and Mr. Burdick replied that parking lots are paid for by lessees. Supervisor Arnold asked why they couldn't move the parking over to the Discovery Dr. side and Mr. Norm Paulson responded that they cannot do it that way because of storm water issues and that the DNR would probably not allow it. Mr. Coopman expressed concern regarding utilizing land marked for expansion as ramp space. Mr. Burdick stated that the current Airport Layout Plan (ALP) is over 20 years old and needs to be updated. He is requesting an update to the ALP in his budget request, however there are still many opportunities for development in the current ALP on the Northeast side and over on Oakhill Ave. Supervisor Fox suggested that SC Aviation make it as big as they need it now and Mr. Dillavou said that he is very confident that this proposal will meet their needs for now. Supervisor Bussie asked Mr. Burdick what he recommends. Mr. Burdick replied that as long as they are willing to lease more property,

then he would recommend it. Mr. Otterstein stated that he was sure that he could get a letter from the City clarifying which committee approval is needed. Supervisor Bussie made a motion to tentatively approve the SC Aviation request upon clarification regarding the approving committee. Supervisor Fox seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Airport Accounts Receivables. Mr. Burdick passed out the report. Supervisor Driscoll asked if contact with Glen Erin had been made and Mr. Burdick responded that it had not. Discussion regarding the 120 day past due landings and how they are handled took place.

Report on Heavy Bombers Weekend. Mr. Burdick reported that it went well, they had around 2,800 people through the gate and at one point parking went past Glen Erin. He said the organizers liked the direct access to the ramp here, at Madison the attendees have to cross a taxiway to access the display. Supervisor Bussie asked if the event generated any revenue for the airport and Mr. Burdick replied that it did not but that the Heavy Bombers group would be paying the costs for weekend staff and additional cleaning services. Mr. Burdick stated that there were some issues that would have to be addressed if they want to bring the event here again and that ramp access was a concern. Bonnie Cooksey mentioned that Pete Buffington would have liked to have been at the meeting but that he was at EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh. She then handed out a letter that he sent her for the Committee regarding concerns that he had regarding the event.

HIGHWAY BUSINESS

Discussion/Possible Action: Project Scope for Bridge Work on CTH M Over the Rock River (Indianford). Mr. Coopman passed out information on this item. Mr. Coopman stated that during required analysis the engineer found out that design standards have changed since the project began. Options include rehabbing the bridge: this option has already been approved, cost \$1,481,827 and will last for 40 years. Supervisor Bussie asked if it is safe and Mr. Coopman said yes. The other option is a full bridge replacement. This option cost 3.8 million dollars, will last 75 years and may not be eligible for funding. Supervisor Bussie asked if the state would approve 80/20 funding on three million dollars. Mr. Coopman replied that, that is covered by state statute, probably not. Supervisors Bussie, Driscoll, Arnolds and Fox all stated that they are in favor of leaving the project as is with the slight change in cost. NO ACTION NEEDED.

Semi-Annual Report on Attendance at Conference/Conventions. Supervisor Arnold commented on the \$1,000 registration cost for the highway department. Mr. Coopman said that it was very valuable equipment training.

Next Meeting Date. The next airport meeting will be Tuesday, August23, 2016 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment. Supervisors Arnold and Driscoll moved to adjourn at 9:14 a.m. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia J. Hevel
Airport Specialist