

Minutes

Airport Board Municipal Airport, 19623 40th Street, Oelwein, Iowa 6:30 PM

> April 19, 2023 Oelwein, Iowa

Mayor: Brett DeVore Mayor Pro Tem: Lynda Payne Board Members: Tom Stewart, Greg Bryan, Ken Woodraska, Tommy Nations, John Bagge, Jim Tuchscherer

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bryan called the meeting to order at 6:30.

Present: Greg Bryan, Ken Woodraska, Tommy Nations, John Bagge, Jim Tuchscherer

Also Present: George Tegeler, Pam Tegeler, Kyle Rich, Melody Rich, Dave Garrigus, Dylan Mulfinger

Absent: Tom Stewart

ROLL CALL

Open Meeting and Public Comment Discussion.

Chair Bryan advised meetings are for business decisions and that public comment would be taken only during a time approved by the board. Bryan opened the floor for public comments.

Kyle Rich questioned the new business item "Businesses at Airport". Kyle Rich stated that Crop Care by Air is a large contributor to the airport and that the information presented should show that. Rich requested the information be corrected before going to the City Council.

Pam Tegeler questioned the information going to council and requested the board vote on documents sent to the City Council.

Melody Rich informed the board Crop Care by Air provides job in the community, buys from local stores, and has high school children employed. Melody handed out a letter to the board showcasing the business and its impact.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March Minutes.

Motion by Nations to approve the minutes, seconded by Tuchscherer. All in favor, motion passed.

EXPENSE REVIEW

March Expenses.

Woodraska questioned the two energy bills and the land rent income. Mulfinger said the land rent is on a new contract.

Greg Bryan informed the board that Old Business would be first and New Business second. He requested the next agenda reflect this accurately.

FBO REPORT

George Tegeler said the grass runway was rolled and is now open.

George Tegler asked Mulfinger the progress on the lock changing at the airport. Mulfinger said he had made no progress.

George Tegler asked Mulfinger about the furnace in the shop and if it would be replaced. Mullinger would refer it to Public Works.

Bryan questioned access to hanger keys. Bryan would like to see the keys more secure. George Tegeler said he has never had an issue. Bryan stated there are issues and he had his plane vandalized. George Tegeler disagreed. Geroge Tegeler said he wants they keys available to hanger rentals in case they lock themselves out. Woodraska stated he thinks the keys should be available to tenants because he himself has needed them for his hanger. Geroge Tegeler stated if someone really wants to make sure no one has access they can put on an electronic keypad and provide a pin to the FBO, then the owner would know who enters. Bagge questioned if this was a problem. The board did not make a decision on hanger key access.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion on Security Cameras.

Bryan stated the city should only have security cameras and the FBO should not be allowed private cameras. Tuchscherer said the board has tried for years to get cameras from the city to no avail. Bryan stated with improved technology the airport could get a set that would work wirelessly. Woodraska said a new system should be able to see every door. Nations motioned to ask the city attorney about the legality of cameras at the city airport, Woodraska seconded. All were in favor.

The board discussed projects they wanted to see completed. Mulfinger advised he is taking quotes on each project and will report back. The board has \$10,000 in capital improvement funds starting July 1. Mulfinger let them know that council sees their minutes and can chose to address items if they want to vote on an item. Bagge said he is working on quotes for the repair of the community hanger. Bryan said it might be a little soon to take quotes on the hanger.

Bryan asked about the fuel credit card machine. Mulfinger said a couple more weeks was the answer from the company again.

Bryan wanted to address a comment from the previous meeting by Woodraska. Bryan began to read a statement about the previous meeting but was stopped by Woodraska. Woodraska felt the item was over with and the board had moved on from the item. Woodraska asked Mulfinger if they had to hear Bryan's statement. Mulfinger stated Bryan runs the board as chair. Mulfinger questioned the amount of items that were brought up that were not on the agenda, but it is the chairs decision along with the board on what they want to discuss. Mulfinger reminded the board that if they did not want to talk about something they could motion to move onto the next agenda item. Woodraska motioned to move to new business and it was seconded by Bagge. All in favor were Bagge, Woodraska, and Nations. Bryan and Tuchscherer did not vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion on Chapter 6 of City Code Airports.

Bryan read through the city code 6-104 Powers and responsibilities of the board. Bryan reminded the board that they answer to the City Council, not the Mayor and not the City Administrator. Bryan said the board must work to make sure anyone who wants to use the airport can use the airport.

Discussion on Businesses at Airport.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE

The board questioned how they get items on the agenda. Mulfinger stated the chair set the agenda and that members could place items on the agenda if they requested it to the chair or if they had two airport board members make the request. Bryan said he would be more than willing to put items on the agenda and can be contacted by the board.

The board discussed the next meeting for the 17th of May.

ADJOURNMENT

The board adjourned at 7:45 PM

Information Related To Businesses Based At Oelwein Municipal Airport

There are two businesses with operations at the Oelwein Municipal Airport.

Tegeler Aviation

21193 Grape Rd, Elkader IA. 52043

Tegeler Aviation is owned by George Tegeler. George is also the Fixed Base Operator (FBO).

As FBO, George receives a salary of approximately \$3,000 monthly from the City of Oelwein.

When not performing duties as the FBO, George is free to work as an aircraft mechanic at Tegeler Aviation.

The Oelwein Airport does not directly receive any revenues generated from operations at Tegeler Aviation.

As FBO, George is provided office space within the terminal building. Tegeler aviation is provided a hangar / shop facility, with paid electric, for its operations. Tegeler Aviation does not pay rent for the office or the hangar /shop facility.

Tegeler Aviation provides the fuel and fuel sales at the airport. The City owns and maintains the fuel system. The City receives \$.10 per gallon of fuel sold. The City expects to receive \$3,000 from fuel sales this year.

Crop Care By Air

14500 X Avenue, Sumner IA. 50674

Crop Care By Air provides agricultural aviation services in the Oelwein area. The Oelwein Airport does not directly receive any revenues generated from these services.

Crop Care By Air rents a 3,072 sq. ft. hangar, 2 Tee hangars and a storage bay. Total Monthly rent for these is \$391.

Crop Care By Air is the major fuel purchaser at the Oelwein Airport.

This information is submitted by the Oewlein Advisory Board Chairman Greg Bryan

Greg Bryan



April 19, 2023

RE: Crop Care By Air Business at Airport

We have conducted our aerial application business from the Oelwein Municipal Airport since 2005. We are grateful that we have been able to work from this airport in order to serve the farmers/growers in the area who depend on our services.

The airport receives funds indirectly from our operation through taxes paid by local establishments that we do business with. The taxes are paid to the City of Oelwein who, in turn, funds the expenses at the airport. We paid Super 8 approximately \$15,000 last year, and Fareway \$2500. Our pilots get groceries and snacks at the local grocery stores, convenience stores, and other retail stores. They do laundry at the laundromat, and purchase subscriptions at the pharmacy. Dollars paid to restaurants would be in the thousands each summer. Auto fuel purchases would be in the thousands, and so on. In addition, the city has received thousands of dollars from the fuel we have purchased at the airport over the last 18 years.

We pay \$391 per month for hangar rentals, which amounts to \$4692 per year. We also recently starting paying more each month as a good faith gesture for office ground and miscellaneous.

As has been mentioned before, we have airport board members who do not support the airport by purchasing fuel, utilizing the FBO services, etc.

Kyle and Melody Rich

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