

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF WICHITA
WICHITA AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, April 4, 2016

Present: Joseph Ellzey, David Eslinger, Charles Fletcher, Dwight Greenlee, John Hennessy, Rich Kerschen, Carl Koster, Karyn Page, Thomas Pryor, Thom Rosenberg, Bill Ward, Brent Wooten

Airport Staff: Brad Christopher, Leah Gisick, Traci Nichols, John Oswald, Ty Richardson, Victor White, Valerie Wise, Jean Zoglman,

City Staff: Mike Pepoon, Deputy City Attorney

Chairman Wooten called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and asked if anyone was present to speak on the public agenda. No one came forward to speak.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Greenlee and second by Mr. Rosenberg, to approve the minutes of the February March 7, 2016 Wichita Airport Advisory Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report – Victor White

The Terminal project has won the 2016 Honor Award from the National Terrazzo and Mosaic Association out of Texas, for the Terrazzo flooring in the terminal.

The Chamber of Commerce is having an honors award dinner this Thursday. WAAB Chairman, Mr. Wooten, along with Mayor Longwell, will be invited on stage to accept the Ad Astra outstanding achievement award for the Terminal project. A video produced by the airport staff will also be shown during the event.

Midwest Corporate Aviation (MCA) is going to sublease Hangars 7 and 8 to Executive Flight Services. MCA will renovate the two hangars and build an add-on for offices.

A lease agreement has been signed for the old administration building at Jabara by the local chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA). EAA will be renovating the building.

An FAA Reimbursable Agreement is on the City Council's agenda. It's for the FAA to observe the relocation of cables and make sure the cables leading to the Control Tower are correctly connected on the airfield.

Air Service Development Updates – Valerie Wise

On April 6th, United Airlines will upgrade its 7:43AM Departure flight to Chicago to a 737-900 which will seat 179 people. April 6th is also United Airlines 90th anniversary. On April 12th, Southwest Airlines will begin nonstop service to St Louis and Phoenix. Allegiant will have nonstop service to Orlando twice a week, on Wednesdays and Saturdays, beginning May 25, 2016.

The Greteman group is working with the Airport on developing a Southwest Airlines ‘grassroots’ strategy. The goal is to gain support from the local community so as to keep fares low and create economic development opportunities.

Project Updates – John Oswald

Mr. Oswald presented a Power Point Presentation with pictures of the installation of a 25,000 gallon oil and water separator, remnants of the old terminal building still in the midst of demolition, and the removal of pavement behind the old terminal building. To go along with this presentation a short video of the demolition was shown.

Mr. Oswald also shared a Power Point Presentation from October of 2004 that was initially presented to City Council by the then-Director of the Airport, Bailis Bell. It went over the different options that were then being explored in relation to the old terminal, with estimated costs for renovation and expansion as opposed to rebuilding. The presentation also showed initial area plans, site plans, floor plans, and preferred concepts.

Other Business

The next WAAB meeting will be Monday, May 2, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 3:50 p.m. by Mr. Hennessy, 2nd by Dr. Rosenberg

Leah Gisick, Clerk