

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF WICHITA
WICHITA AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Monday, July 06, 2015

Present: Charles Fletcher, U.L. Gooch, John Hennessy, Richard Kerschen, Carl Koster, Brent Wooten, Ron Ryan, Thom Rosenberg, Bill Ward, Tom Pryor

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

City Staff: Jay Hinkel, Deputy City Attorney

Others: Pat McCollom, ACT 3 Project Manager, AECOM
Lonnie Wright, Guest
Edward Andrews
Jerry Siebenmark

Chairman Hennessy called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Chairman Hennessy asked if anyone was present to speak on the public agenda. No one came forward to speak.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Dr. Rosenberg, second by Mr. Koster, to approve the minutes of the June 1st, 2015 Wichita Airport Advisory Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report – Victor White

Discussion and viewing of the new TV commercial for the new terminal at Dwight D. Eisenhower National Airport.

Mr. Christopher briefed the board about revised and updated Commercial Ground Transportation regulations regarding general rules, apparel, and the picking up and dropping off of passengers by taxi cabs, shuttles, limousines, courtesy vehicles, and Transportation Network Companies. The new regulation draft update went out last week to ground transportation stakeholders and hotel properties that operate courtesy vehicles to the airport.

The Commercial Vehicle Lane, closest to the parking garage, is dedicated exclusively to commercial ground transportation vehicles. The lane features an island and an overhead structure with Automated Vehicle Information (AVI) receivers and gate arms. Each category user is designated exclusive locations for pick-ups and drop offs. No pick-ups are allowed at the passenger curbside, only allowed in the commercial driving lane.

A stakeholder engagement meeting will be scheduled during the week of July 20th, 2015, to review rates and charges for two sets of fees. One set will be the semi-annual permit application fee which

extends two years, and the second fee will be a vehicle per trip fee. The billing system for said per trip fee will be an AVI card system equipped to count each trip, based on the seating capacity of the vehicle. This permit process began two years ago with no charges being incurred for the last two years until the new facility opened. The process will be revenue generating, but also record much needed data as well.

Ground transportation companies will have the choice to use the commercial vehicle lane and pay per trip fees, or use public parking lots and pay to park.

No permit will be required for buses using the bus lane a small number of times per year.

Parking and Rental Car Facilities Project Update – John Oswald

Mr. Oswald reviewed the bidding process for the demolition of the old terminal. The bids will be divided in two different phases, one for demolition of the concourse area, which will have Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant funding. Pending FAA paperwork completion, the WAA will award the project to start in September. The second phase of the project, the demolition of the main terminal area will be bid later this calendar year.

Mr. Oswald reviewed the economy parking lot and employee parking paving activities and parking control system. The close in lot is open with 306 stalls available, running at 50 percent capacity, after being open for only a week. Pay on foot machines are located in the close in lot and the terminal, but are not functional yet. Signage is needed for the close in lot and economy lots for exiting purposes.

ACT 3 Project Update – Pat McCollom, ACT 3 Project Manager

Mr. McCollom announced that this would be his last presentation at a WAAB meeting, as he is scheduled to start work in San Diego, California.

The new terminal opened successfully on June 3rd, 2015. Punch list items being addressed are polishing the terrazzo floors and signage issues. Pieces describing art hanging in the terminal will soon be on display. Food concessionaire numbers overall, are greater than expected for the first few weeks. A play area for children will be bid for construction and ready by the end of summer. Clear Channel advertising is sold out. Six honor flights have flown out this year, and everyone is enjoying the spacious, open area as they arrive to greet the honor flight veterans.

Magic Flight relocation-John Oswald

The Magic Flight sculpture, along with its base, came from Brooklyn, NY. The center of gravity causes concern, and therefore the decision has been made not to redesign the base, but structure a border surrounding it. New placement for the Magic Flight Sculpture and location in the new terminal building was discussed.

Other Business

At 3:36 WAAB board resigned into executive session, to come out no earlier than 4:00 p.m.
Motion to come out of executive session at 4:00 p.m. No decisions were made.

The next WAAB meeting will be Monday, August 3rd, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 4:05 p.m. by Mr. Ryan, 2nd by Mr. Fletcher.

Belinda Witt, Clerk