

Grand Haven Airport Board - Minutes of the July 19, 2022 Meeting

Chairperson Ben Ennenga called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.

Roll call by Board Secretary Denny Swartout

Members Present: Denny Swartout, Ben Ennenga, Dale Hagenbuch

Member Absent: Chris Kostamo,

Others Present:

Tom Manderscheid, City Liaison Earle Bares, Airport Manager

Guests:

Tom Howard, Rick Clapp, Brian Green, John Kinch, Tricia Harren

First Call To The Audience: Rick Clapp mentioned that there is still leaking occurring on the SkyDive hangar door.

Board Minutes: Acceptance of the June 28, 2022 Board Meeting minutes. Motion by Swartout seconded by Hagenbuch. Motion Carried.

New Business: None

Old Business:

Update On Solar Panels

- Tom met with Acting City Manager Ashley Latsch and she would like have a meeting to discuss this issue. A meeting will be attempted the week of August 1st.
- Ben mentioned that city council was given a layout of possible solar panel locations

Update On Clear Span Structure

- City Manager to look into what the fair market value for the property is at other airports
- Tony is looking to postpone any discussion on this proposal until next year

Update On Proposed Community Event

- There is no 'Top Gun' movie available therefore it was suggested that they look for another aviation movie to take its place

Airport Manager Report:

- Runway and taxiway crack sealing and paint marking will be completed by the end of summer at a cost of \$45,000 of which \$2,250 would be our cost
- Earl is actively looking to find A&P with IA mechanic and it is his intent to have a full time person in that position

Administrative Liaison Report:

- Fund balance is now \$35,000 due to high fuel cost
- MDOT requires us to front the cost of the purchase of air easement rights and Grant 0475 needs to be recorded with the county
- Block grant funds may be issued on an annual basis and not on a quarterly basis as in the past

Final Call to the Audience: - Rick Clapp asked if the \$240 in past due hangar fees are worth turning over to collection since we would get half

- Tricia Harren asked if we were looking at competitive fuel pricing and Tom responded by saying we try to be competitive with Fremont and Holland and still keep a decent margin
- Brian Green asked where we were on the search for a mechanic and wondered if we were in violation of the lease agreement and it was suggested he meet with Earl to discuss the matter

Adjournment: Motion by Swartout, seconded by Hagenbuch to adjourn at 6:05 PM.

Motion Carried