

## **Grand Haven Airport Board Meeting Minutes November 28, 2023**

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

Roll Call: Board Secretary Richard Clapp

Members present: Ben Ennenga, Richard Clapp, Denny Swartout, Tricia Harrell, Dale Hagenbuch

**Others Present:** Earle Bares, Airport Manager

**Guests:** Jennifer Bares, Tim Price, Bob Monetza, Mark Lynn, David Rozelle

### **First Call to the audience:**

Jennifer Bares, trunk or treat, many thanks to the airport community for their contributions and support.

Earl Bares; Grand Haven Airport Association airport open house on Sat. June 1, 2024 and is also the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the airport. There will be a dawn patrol with a breakfast and will feature the “Hooligans” flight team.

EAA meetings will be on first Thursday of every month.

### **Board Minutes:**

Approval of October 24, 2023 Minutes

Motion by Swartout, seconded by Ennenga. Motion carried

### **New business: (none)**

### **Old business:**

#### Security, safety, and noise abatement

Safety inspection logs filled out at least once per week.

Noise abatement: Airport Mgr. Earl Bares discussed the airport noise assessment at the airport two years ago, and zoning notifications to property owners five years ago. Real estate agents are required to notify property purchasers and crane operators are supposed to notify the FAA with a 7460 form when a crane penetrates a 100' to 1' ratio plane from the center of the

airport, out to 20,000'. Earl still gets noise calls, but typically its air activity originating from outside the airport. Skydive alters path to accommodate local noise abatement.

Airport Mgr. Earl Bares detailed various safety and security programs that are active at the airport which include:

Safety and Security program is reviewed yearly to include:

- Airport watch program
- Emergency plan
- Promote limited access to the tarmac at the airport
- Detailed runway checklist filled out weekly
- Safety checks

### **Airport manager report: Earle Bares**

#### Activity

Good activity despite bad weather days. Weather was a factor for Skydive Grand Haven.

#### Projects

New fuel credit card terminal to be installed on December 18, 2023.

Winter maintenance items complete.

South approach tree trimming: Contractor is set to go. Waiting on the survey of the area and will have to schedule a work day to inform all parties, (including neighbors to the parcel), for coordination of the tree trimming. Prein & Newhoff waiting for contract signing by the city.

Snowplowing to start at 3 a.m. daily.

3 current NOTAM's issued.

MDOT is drafting a letter for interim use of hangar space.

Approximately 6000 people and 1500 kids attended the "Trunk or Treat".

#### Fuel sales & Operations

100LL fuel may be changed due to regulation. The new environmentally regulated fuel can be mixed and used by any aircraft that has a supplement type certificate, (STC).

709 Gal. Jet A; 1059 Gal. 100 LL; ## Total Gallons fuel sold in September. (amounts not given)

Fuel price: Lowest fuel price in the local area

68 Tie Downs, 60 Aircraft home based on the field.

Aviation fuel prices are average.

Notams

3 current Notams; Snow plowing NOTAM issued daily.

Airport operations and activity

Hangar doors have been untracked recently due to winds. Rollers have been adjusted.

Skydive hangar hydraulic power unit failed, fixed right away.

Snow fence is up.

Earle discussed hangar door style and cost by Powerlift Corp. \$57,000 for a door the size of Skydive. \$10,000 for apron work. \$400,000 for a 60' x 60' hangar, (including hangar door cost and apron work).

**Administrative Liaison Report:**

Airport Cash balance: \$366,484. Expecting the fuel pump to cost around \$26k.

Great shape with budget.

RFP is active for painting hangar roof A. Skydive building repairs.

Receivables, only one in arrears at \$400

**Second call to the audience:**

David Rozelle, flight school owner spoke of requesting a special meeting of the airport board to consider his application for a SASO as described in the airport minimum standards document for the purpose of growing a flight school.

**Adjournment: Motion by Swartout, seconded by Clapp at 6:22 pm. Motion carried.**

**Minutes submitted by board secretary, Richard Clapp**

