

Creswell Airport Commission Minutes
City of Creswell
DATE: January 25, 2007

Commission Members Present

Larry Lowenkron	Chairperson (Airport User)
Mark Stroble	Citizen at Large
Richard Jeffryes	Airport User

Commission Members Absent

Bill McCoy	City Council Representative
Keith Morgan	City Planning Commission Representative

Ex-Officio Members Present

Shelley Humble	City of Creswell Airport Manager
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Others Present

Press – 1
Audience – 12

I. Minutes

Mr. Larry Lowenkron called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mark Stroble made a motion to accept the May 30, 2006 minutes as typed. Motion seconded by Richard Jeffryes, unanimously carried.

II. Comments from Airport Commission, Airport Manager and City Administrator.

Airport Manager, Shelley Humble, passed out an attendee sheet, please fill in your name and email if you would like to be included in all the airport notices.

III. Public Forum

Brian McBeth, property owner adjacent to the Creswell Airport, would like to request changes to the City of Creswell Rules and Regulations that apply to through the fence access. He stated that currently there are several criteria that limit any sort of commercial activity. For example, if a person wanted to have a Flyin' Bed and Breakfast Commercial operation, it is not permissible under the current rules. Also, currently there's a requirement for through the fence access that the property owner provide proof of insurance in the amount of \$1 million dollars naming the City of Creswell as an additionally insured.

After discussion, Mr. McBeth will email the Airport Manager for distribution a detailed list of requested/proposed change(s) for the Airport Commissioners review.

IV. Old Business

A. AIP MLP Update – Shelley Humble

Airport Manager, Shelley Humble, handed out the latest data sheets and Airport Layout Plan diagrams that include our options as discussed at the last MLP meeting. Mr. Miller will be completing the process and then will be forwarding the documents to the Airport Committee, Airport Commission and City for final review. Ms. Humble stated that she believes that one more public meeting will be needed to close out the project.

B. AIP Fire Suppression Project Update – Shelley Humble

Airport Manager, Shelley Humble, stated that she has been informally notified that we will receive \$150,000 of AIP funds for 2007. These monies are tentatively scheduled for release in March of 2007. When these funds are released, the AIP monies for the airport will total \$390,000. The fire suppression quote that was completed in the spring of 2006 came in at \$350,000. This would bring a single fire hydrant to the southwest corner of the airport property. This hydrant will be for fire suppression ONLY. Drawings are 70% completed. The Fire Marshall has agreed to accept this plan of action. Once the fire hydrant is installed, we will then move the fire suppression tanks from the ramp and place them on the north end of the airport. This will satisfy the Fire Marshall for the next several years until more funding could be found.

Ms. Humble gave a brief overview of the AIP (Airport Improvement Program) and matching funding that accompanies this program, currently a 5% match is required.

V. New Business

A. Right Hand Traffic for Runway 33 – Richard Jeffryes

Mr. Jeffryes, Airport Commissioner, explained that he would like to have a discussion on two issues: (1) Raising the traffic pattern from 800 ft to 1000 ft and (2) changing runway 33 traffic to right hand pattern.

1. Traffic Pattern Altitude Increase

Mr. Jeffryes stated that he would like to see the traffic pattern raised from 800 ft to 1000 ft as when in the pattern we fly over the City of Creswell, a congested area. He stated that this would make the aircraft a little higher and a little quieter. Also increase safety, giving a pilot an additional 200 ft if a problem occurred.

Discussion followed.

Action item: Shelley will send out email for input from all users on pattern altitude change with discussion points on raising the traffic pattern to 1600 ft.

2. Mr. Jeffryes stated the following reasons for changing the runway 33 traffic pattern to right hand; a lot of pilots follow I5 and break our pattern by doing so, and some people mistake the airport for Cottage Grove and fly a right hand pattern.

Discussion followed:

Mr. Jeffryes stated that it's clear that the majority of folks here want to keep the left hand pattern so I withdraw my request.

B. Published Pattern – Larry Lowenkron

Mr. Larry Lowenkron stated; this can vary from various ways, i.e. pattern entry. Clean entry consistent entry into the pattern. A published pattern makes the pattern a little cleaner. Handouts reviewed. If we decide that we want to do a published pattern, just ensures that we all fly the same to optimize safety. Just ensures that everyone flies at the same altitude.

Do we want to publish a pattern? There was some confusion or lack of clarity regards coming into the pattern, if we could all agree on it, publish it, then it's an added safety issue.

After Discussion – Airport Manager, Shelley Humble, will check with NOAA to see if a published pattern could be placed in the AFD and what type of documentation could be placed on the charts.

C. Hangar B Rental Agreement – Richard Jeffryes

Copies of the current agreement handed out. Richard Jeffryes handed out a draft of what he would like to see the Hangar B rental agreement to look like.

Due to his personal interest, Mr. Jeffryes stepped down causing no quorum. This item will be carried to the next meeting.

D. Other -

1. “Airplane Garage Sale” – Flying Flee Market
Steve Hardt, airport user, would like to see an “Airplane” Garage Sale – flying flee market. Thoughts about getting EAA involved. He wanted to know if any interest with the pilots on the airfield. Thoughts of getting other airports involved. It is going to be time oriented, are people willing to get involved and spend the time needed to have this type of function. Maybe a pancake breakfast here, get lists of parts for sale on our airport.

Airport manager, Shelley Humble, will check with Independence Airport to see what it this type of venue entails.

2. Creswell Airport Community Day

Dave Koester, airport user, would like to see some type of positive publicity instead of all the negative publicity last year, for all of Creswell (i.e. airplane rides, aerobatic rides, skydiving exhibitions, etc).

After discussion – As the EAA did that type of day last year, approach EAA to see if the airport users could help with this year's event and help to make it bigger and better.

3. Mr. Moore, Eugene Skydivers, suggested that the Airport Committee meet on a more frequent basis (i.e. monthly).

After discussion – Airport Commissioners will meet more frequently than stated in ordinance (quarterly) only if issues are present that require additional meetings.

VI. Schedule Next Meeting

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 28, 2007 at 6:30 pm in the Community Conference Room.

VII. Adjournment

There being no other business to be brought before the Airport Commission, the meeting was adjourned by Larry Lowenkron at 9:00 p.m.

Larry Lowenkron, Chairperson

Date