

M I N U T E S
AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION
January 8, 2019

The Airport Advisory Commission of the City of Farmington met on Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 4:00 p.m., in the City of Farmington Executive Conference Room, 800 Municipal Drive, Farmington, New Mexico.

Members Present:

Richard Neely, Chairman
 Johnny Arrington, Pro Tem
 Theresa Pacheco
 Richard Roderick
 Steve White

Members Absent:

Wayne Mangum

Staff Present:

Mike Lewis, Airport Manager
 Jody Carman, Administrative Aide
 Julie Baird, Assistant City Manager

Others Present:

Felicia Bekis, Atlantic Aviation
 Bruce Henry, Airport Tenant

Call to Order

The Airport Advisory Commission (AAC) meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Airport Advisory Commission Chairman Richard Neely, there being a quorum present the following proceedings were duly had and taken.

Approval of the January 8, 2019 Agenda

Chairman Pro-Tem Johnny Arrington asked for a motion to approve the agenda for December 11, 2018. He asked if anyone had changes or wanted a discussion. A motion was made by Richard Neely and seconded by Theresa Pacheco to approve the agenda for December 11, 2018 and passed unanimously by a vote of 3-0.

Approval of the Minutes from the December 11, 2018, Regular Meeting of the AAC

Chairman Richard Neely asked for a motion to approve the minutes from December 11, 2018. He asked if anyone had any changes or wanted a discussion. A motion was made by Richard Roderick and seconded by Theresa Pacheco to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2018 regular meeting of the Airport Advisory Commission and passed unanimously by a vote of 3-0.

Operations Report

In addition to the data included in the agenda for January 1, 2019, Mike Lewis noted operation numbers were a little lower this December over last December, most likely due to the bad weather, but higher year over year. No Worries Restaurant numbers reflected the possibility of their new meeting room rentals and/or the National Football League (NFL) being back in favor with fans this season, or both. The car companies reflect steady business even with no commercial service at Four Corners Regional Airport.

Johnny Arrington noted No Worries Bar and Grill has added greatly to the business and activity at Four Corners Regional Airport. Mike Lewis added restaurant staff was responding well to alcohol related issues and were responding well to parking lot trash maintenance. Mike wishes No Worries Bar and Grill well, with the addition of the new conference room, for plentiful business opportunities.

Additional Operations Information

1. Archipele Technologies Inc. Signed a lease for Hangar 9 and are coming in this week with a deposit check. Johnny Arrington suggested we invite the owner of Archipele to come to an AAC meeting and introduce himself, as well as sharing information about the manufacturing that will occur in Hangar 9. Mike noted the business included drones and 3-D metal printers. The new company is looking into building additional property for aluminum forging.
2. The experimental airship company, SCEYE from Roswell, might fly in the new year, weather permitting. Administrative Aide Jody Carman will send out notification to Four Corners Regional Airport (FCRA) tenants when the flight is scheduled to occur.
3. Airport runway upgrades are on track. The bidding process for construction could start by May 1, 2019.
4. Airport is awaiting for the FAA approval for building the Gary Mize hangar. Gary is working with contractors, and would like to break ground in February. The location of the new hangar will be between existing Hangar 7 and 9. Additionally, a 1952 Hiller Helicopter owned by Zachary Gwyn will be housed in the new Mize hangar. There was a short discussion regarding the Hiller flying in local air density.
5. Research regarding the request for proposal (RFP) for airport fixed base operator (FBO) is well underway and Mike is preparing to work with purchasing regarding the bidding process.
6. Snow was plowed for 6 days after Christmas and there was no loss of flight operations, as the runways were kept open and clear.

7. Mike thanked Steve White for his service of three (3) consecutive terms of three (3) years on the Airport Advisory Commission. In honor of Steve's service, cake was served. Mike Lewis informed the AAC Steve White would also be honored at the City Council meeting this evening of January 8 at 6:00 p.m. Mike also noted AAC member Wayne Mangum, who was unable to attend this month, will be moving to the city commission for Planning and Zoning. We will greatly miss both members. Mike Lewis added Theresa Pacheco would, most likely, move from her alternate position on the commission to a regular member.

There was a short discussion regarding how the new members for AAC would be chosen. Mike explained it was at the liberty of the Mayor to appoint new members, however airport staff has notified airport tenants there are positions to be filled, and if anyone has an interest in serving on the commission, they were welcome to apply. Commission members were specifically needed at this time as the RFP for FBO progresses.


Business from the Staff:

Chairman Richard Neely asked if there were any more questions from staff. There were no questions or comments.

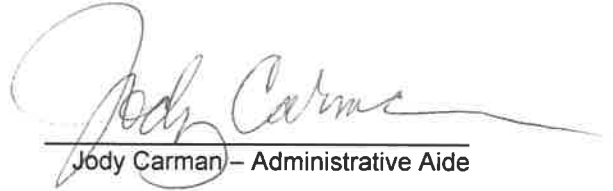
Business from the Floor:

Chairman Richard Neely asked if anyone from the floor had something to say. There were no questions or comments.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the January 8, 2019 meeting was adjourned by Chairman Richard Neely, the motion was made by Johnny Arrington and seconded by Richard Roderick at 4:18 p.m.



Richard Neely - Chairman



Jody Carman - Administrative Aide