



Effingham County Board
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August 7, 2024 9:00 A.M.
Effingham County Airport Commission Meeting

MINUTES

Commission Members Present: (Roll Call Taken) Tony Siemer, Phil Toops, Jeremy Deters, Ken Wohltman, Josh Douthit
Absent:

Others Present: Jerry Tate, County Engineer-Greg Koester, City Engineer-Greg Koester

Minutes

- P. Toops moved to approve July 10, 2024 minutes/J. Douthit seconded. Unanimous, *Motion carried.*

Review and Approve Bills

- J. Deters moved to approve July bills for a total of \$36,326.36/P. Toops seconded. Unanimous, *Motion carried.*

Correspondence

Old Business

- Airport Road Reconstruction – G. Koester stated he still anticipates the road opening to traffic in couple of weeks with final grading, seeding, and other incidental work be performed while open to traffic.
- Road Relocation of 1425th Street – G. Koester shared tentative construction start date of August 26th. G. Koester has already authorized 1500 tons of CA6 rock that will be needed, half of which has already been delivered to the shop. Rock will be invoiced next month at \$15.47 per ton. 3 Sisters of Teutopolis extended the MFT bid price from last December. G. Koester also reported that minor utility adjustments underway and still waiting on final FAA approval of revised alignment, but hope to receive soon.
- T-Hangar and Access Pavement Funding – G. Koester shared as reported last month, have not received a program letter from Division of Aeronautics. The design section will not look at plans until project on program. G. Koester reported that there's been quite a bit of correspondence on moving both the hangar and the access pavement forward with result to combining the projects into one program letter that is expected to be received today. K. Wohltman shared concerns with plans not being completed at this time. K. Wohltman recommended changing from asphalt to concrete for the apron. Current plans are for asphalt. K. Wohltman recommended asphalt be sealed regularly. Commission reviewed the estimate/funding breakdown of both the hangar and the pavement that includes the following:
 - First two years of BIL, \$451,000 federal @ 90/5/5 state and local matches
 - One year of oldest FY21 GAE, \$166,667 @ 100/0/0
 - State Apportionment for the non-revenue area, \$240,000 @ 90/5/5 state and local matches
 - Local Only (in addition to local matches above), \$694,527, with local matches included, total local comes to \$732,916

This breakdown indicates the county may not need the entire \$900,000 of ARPA funds earmarked for hangar. This will be communicated to the board for their planning purposes.

The revised schedule looks like the following:

- Program Letter 8/6 or 8/7
- Revised final plans to include paving, 8/16
- 3-week review by Aero for concurrent to award, 9/6

- Advertisement 9/6 to 10/4
- 2 month buffer to 12/31 to award hangar/pavements and secure local funds

K. Wohltman authorizes the Superintendent to execute any documents needed to proceed as presented and advertise for bids/J. Deters seconded. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

New Business

- Runway Extension
 - Preconstruction Meeting – G. Koester shared the County received the fully executed contract last week and is waiting to hear date for pre-construction meeting
 - Groundbreaking Ceremony – T. Siemer recommended hosting Airport Commission meeting at airport for September with groundbreaking ceremony to follow.

General Information

- Draft 2025 Airport Budget – G. Koester shared he has a working draft, but it is not ready for review by the Commission at this time.
- Hangar and Fuel Flow Report – J. Tate shared report of hangar rent showing \$4450.00 for July. Report showed Jet-A at 8075.1 gallons sold for July; Avgas at 1377.2 gallons sold for July with a total fuel volume sold in July being 9452.3 gallons.
- J. Tate shared crop duster outfit out of Argentina (currently operating out of Flora) has approached him about basing in Effingham and would like to build a hangar.
- G. Koester (City) shared the City has kicked off comprehensive planning and proposes sending information regarding airport to G. Koester (county) to update base information for incorporation into reporting of current and future airport projects. G. Koester (City) stated the City will want to meet with Airport Commission to determine what will go in final plan.

Adjourn/Next Meeting

- J. Douthit motioned/J. Deters seconded to adjourn the meeting. Unanimous. *Motion carried.*

Minutes submitted by Angie Thompson, Administrative Aide to Airport Commission