



Washington Island Airport

Town of Washington
Washington Island Airport Committee Meeting
May 21, 2014 2:00 p.m.
Community Center

Minutes

- 1) Call to Order: Chairman Berger called the meeting to order at 2:25 p.m.
- 2) Roll Call: In attendance was Mike Berger, Gary Crites, Ed Graf, Lu Beekman and Joel Gunnlaugsson.
- 3) Approval of Minutes: Motion by Graf, second by Crites to approve the minutes of the WIAAC meeting of 2/26/2014. Motion carried.
 - A) WIAAC 2/26/2014
- 4) Discussion and Recommendation Items:
 - A. Kevin Sielaff, Mead & Hunt presented an update of Airport Improvements: The ALP (Airport Layout Plan) is in the process of being updated showing various aspects of the whole aviation area, approach clearances with regard to PAPI installation and GPS. Requirements due to FAA regulations to bring airport up to code.
 - a. LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) for runway approaches to pinpoint which trees need to be addressed for trimming. Also to identify the glidepath for departure/approach corridors within respective runway zones in reference to the GPS and PAPI approaches.
 - b. Taxiways and paving of tie-down area.
 1. Reconfiguration of the parking area, taxiway area to create a separation of the public vehicle and aircraft pavements. As a matter of safety the airfield would be accessed from a separate access road to the south.
 2. The taxiways would not need repaving at this time rather coated.
 3. The area behind the Airport building, being low in grade, would not need to be paved at this time until this can be revisited.
 4. A taxiway portion could be included to the end of runway 20 since there is not reasonable access at this time due to a steep slope and a drainage ditch. Modification standards would need to be addressed.
 5. The paved tie-down area would be designed to accommodate the Lion's Club Tent for the Fly-in Fish Boil event.
 6. 12 inches of gravel would be needed as a base for the tie-down area. Gunnlaugsson stated all available gravel is being utilized for the Town roads. Alternatives will be researched for base and asphalt gravel.
 7. Priorities would be the tie-down apron, reconfiguration of vehicle parking area and pilot's access road.
 - c. Modifications of Airport use with regard to multi-purpose building

1. BOA will be doing an eligibility statement when they receive the petition.
2. They will check to see if eligible for AIP funding

d. Proposed Hangar Purchase/Building

1. Obtain a right of first refusal for Hangar #1.
2. Possibility of moving vehicle parking area to the east in which the multi-purpose building would be constructed in available space without purchase of Hangar #1.
3. Use of "green" technology, low maintenance materials, outdoor access restrooms.

B.) Community Input. An informal discussion occurred with several citizens giving input and asking questions concerning the future look of the airport. Their concerns included public access and utilization of the airport, safety issues, and public awareness and how non-pilots can utilize the facility. The Committee would like to have a public awareness open house at the airport to make the public more aware of the airports function and uses.

Carol Stayton requested something put in the paper defining safety issues and projected improvements.

C.) Board Input. This was included with the Community Input.

D.) Next Meeting Topics and Schedule. Approximately two weeks to discuss paving projects in order to respond to Kevin and update on AWOS.

E.) Adjournment. Motion by Graf, second by Crites to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Mike Berger

Ed Graf

Joel Gunnlaugsson

Gary Crites

Lu Beekman