

SPRINGFIELD AIRPORT AUTHORITY

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Springfield Airport Authority was called to order by Chair Vala at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

PRESENT: Frank J. Vala, Chair
Mike Meyer, Vice Chair
Elizabeth Delheimer, Commissioner
Tim Franke, Commissioner *
Dianne Hardwick, Commissioner
Mike Houston, Commissioner
Susan R. Shea, Commissioner *
Mark Kinnaman, Treasurer
R. Beverly Peters, Secretary *
Jim Lestikow, Attorney *
Mark Hanna, Executive Director
Ken Boyle, Director of Admin & Finance
Roger Blickensderfer, Director of Facilities & Maintenance
* Attended via Conference Call

ABSENT: None

VISITORS: None

Chair Vala asked for a motion regarding the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2020. Commissioner Houston made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2020, seconded by Commissioner Meyer and carried with a roll call vote of 7 ayes/0 nays.

Treasurer Kinnaman gave the Treasurer's Report. Director of Finance and Administration, Ken Boyle gave the Comptroller's Report and Commissioner Houston presented the Finance Chair Report.

Commissioner Houston reported the Budget & Finance Committee has discussed the options regarding the tax levy to be adopted next month. He reported the

recommendation is being made to approve the option to levy taxes at the maximum allowable increase in non-G.O. Bonds. Commissioner Houston made a motion to levy \$2,962,000 in total taxes for 2020 payable in 2021 and direct staff to prepare the appropriate Tax Levy Ordinance for approval at the July Board meeting, seconded by Commissioner Shea and carried with a roll call vote of 7 ayes/0 nays.

Chair Vala gave an update on construction projects.

Chair Vala discussed the ongoing perimeter fence project including the purchase of wetland credits for an area to the southwest of the Charlie Ramp. Commissioner Houston made a motion to approve the purchase of wetland mitigation bank credits from Northern IL Wetland, LLC in the amount of \$205,590 and authorize the Executive Director to sign any project agreements/documents necessary to complete this wetland mitigation and make payments as required, seconded by Commissioner Hardwick and carried with a roll call vote of 7 ayes/0 nays.

Commissioner Hardwick reported a decrease in year-to-date airline passenger activity due to less flights being scheduled on account of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Commissioner Hardwick reported that fuel sales for the month of May were 83,273 gallons with revenue of \$11,027. All categories of gallons sold were up sharply providing some positive momentum with one month left in FY20. Total gallons sold ending in May stands at just over 1.25 million.

Commissioner Shea reported for informational purposes that staff has negotiated with Roberts' Aviation Services for a one year lease for office space located in the West Terminal area. Mr. Roberts plans to start an aviation training center at SPI in the next 3-5 years.

Executive Director Hanna reported that he recently met with the CEO of the Springfield Sangamon County Economic Development Corporation. Funds have been

requested regarding the Payroll Protection Program for the airline industry; we have received the first installment of approximately \$80,000 with the balance to be received by September. Mr. Hanna reported that Allegiant's June bookings are doing very well; every flight in June is over 100 passengers and some over 90% full. American Airlines is resuming its daily two flights in early July and they are seeing 40-60% load factors, some up to 80%. United Airlines is flying the minimum flight schedule allowable by U.S. DOT. Allegiant is not leaving Springfield, contrary to recent media reports. They will take their typical hiatus between August and late September. Hangar 1 is reported to be substantially complete at the end of June; possibly do a grand opening for Stellar late summer/early fall.

Commissioner Hardwick made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Frank J. Vala, Chair

R. Beverly Peters, Secretary