

IAHA Board Meeting

February 28, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Present were: Dave Martin, Alan Wright, Craig Cowles, Herb Jolliff, John Horn, Gary Van Horn, Robert English, and Kelly Wilson. Keith Moes attended as a guest. Gail Hill arrived later.

SECRETARY: The minutes from December's meeting have been posted on-line. **Herb Jolliff made the motion to approve the minutes as posted, and Dave Martin seconded. All approved by voice vote.**

ARCHITECTURE: 638 Luscombe Street is adding a 422 square foot workshop. The committee has approved it, and Buzz Thede is building it.

MAINTENANCE: Craig Cowles brought a section of belt that drives the three-blade mower, with lots of heat cracks in it, and he described the process of removing that serpentine belt as well as installing the new one. John Horn asked what the maintenance schedule should be on that tractor, and that started a discussion about what tractor maintenance could be taken to the John Deere garage (including work that would be dangerous for Craig to do). Craig thanked Lynn McDonald for mowing the grass along the ditch despite the danger, and Gail Hill for reimbursing him in a timely manner. Gary mentioned at this point that the ditches that Lynn has been mowing actually belong to the City, and we should refrain from that and let the City do the work. This started more discussion about the long intervals that the City takes between mowing.

PRESIDENT: Director's Insurance was the first topic that Gary had on his agenda. Norm Rainey said that the North Annex has State Farm insurance underwrite their policy, and so Gary went to the same agent to discuss the question. An email from that agent explained that the policy could not be underwritten, but the reasons they gave for turning us down were untrue and do not apply to our situation (for instance: the email stated that we annex the airport which is not true). Lots of discussion ensued from this, and the consensus was that Gary should go back to the agent and explain. Gary said he was also going to ask about a liability policy for the taxiway system as well.

City Budget Committee report: Gary is going to corral some other airpark citizens to form a Citizens Committee to oversee the City's budgetary guidelines. The City is going to refinance the bonds with an additional \$100,000.00 which is what it costs to run the pool and the museum. There will be a ballot vote on that proposal in May.

Drainage issue: the City has one section left to take care of, to the West beyond the taxiways, but the other locations have had all the work done they're going to do.

TREASURER: Gail passed around some copies of the latest balance sheet. The tax report is done, without any tax liability but we do have to file. There are a few members that have not paid their homeowner's dues. The bank balances look flush now because the ODA funds have not been transferred to the ODA yet.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: Oregon House bill 2766, an additional tax on aviation fuel, will have a hearing in Room E on the subject next Monday at 3:00 PM, on the "house" side of the capitol building. Dave asked if anyone present wanted to join the group that he is getting together to attend this meeting. There are some airports that are under threat of being shut down if there is not more taxation, but currently AvGas is bearing

a disproportionate burden of the taxation relative to Jet-A fuel. During the discussion that followed, Gary mentioned that the ODA, when they were part of ODOT, they were funded with gas tax. When the rule passed that the gas tax should only be used for automotive roads, much of the funding disappeared and AvGas got taxed.

The subject of the taxiway entry gate came up for discussion, again, as it is continuing to be a sore point. The State has done nothing about it. Some ideas were thrown around including purchasing the gate ourselves, but seeing that the gate is on State property that idea was dropped.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM. Next meeting is April 25 at the EAA hanger. Respectfully submitted by Robert English, secretary.

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