

# *Airport Advisory Board Meeting Minutes Anaconda – Deer Lodge Country*

**May 27, 2015 – 7:00 a.m. Pilot's Lounge**



**Members Present:** Chairman Greg Bahr, Vice Chairman Al Messer, Tim Casey, Jim Jonas, Jim Novak – Airport Manager, and Commissioner Terry Vermeire

**Guests:** None

**Absent:** Nick Nardacci

I. Chairman Greg Bahr called the meeting to order.

**II. Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Tim Casey to accept the minutes of the February 25, 2015 meeting. Jim Jonas seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**III. MANAGER'S REPORT:** Mr. Jim Novak

- The DiGiWx is experiencing problems with visibility report. There is one more test to be performed. If the system fails the test, the Digiwx will have to be sent in for repairs.
- Courtesy car: The County was awarded \$2,000 to put toward a courtesy car for the airport. Dr. Weber still has the eight passenger van for sale. In the past Nick Nardacci has volunteered to follow-up with Dr. Weber.

**Tim Casey made a motion for Jim Novak to confirm with Montana Aeronautics that the courtesy car grant can be used on a private sale and if so, to proceed with contacting Dr. Weber regarding his vehicle. Bill Willing seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

- Novak will follow-up with CEO Daniels to confirm insurance coverage for the courtesy car.
- Wildlife Fence: FAA is still waiting for confirmations from the tribes regarding the relocation of the fence out of the majority of Yellow Gopher site.
- Jet traffic is a bit heavier. Traffic is coming from Havre to Georgetown Lake. Delta contacted Novak asking for a staff person on site during takeoff and landing.
- The fixed wing and helicopter life flights continue. A fixed wing from Butte flies to Salt Lake or St. Patrick's in Missoula.

#### **IV. OLD BUSINESS:**

- Board members discussed the need for the hangar leases to be reviewed by County Attorney Ben Krakowka. Paula will follow-up with Ben.
- Board members also want to know who enforces the lease agreements and how is contact made if violations are noted.
- Discussion continued regarding safety issues related to vehicles being kept on site at the hangars. Currently there is a motor home by Walter's hangar that has been there since last year. The wheels are sunken into the pavement.

#### **V. New Business:**

#### **VI. MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Bill Willing received an historical post card of Bowman Field. He is going to contact the Anaconda archives whether they would like it for their collection.

**Adjourn:** A motion was made to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Planning Department Secretary