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Monday, May 9, 2011
10:00 A.M.

Manistee County Blacker Airport
Conference Room

Members Present: Ervin Kowalski, Chairperson; Paul Schulert, Vice-Chairperson; Bob Wilson; Ross Spencer; Glenn Lottie; and Duane Anderson

Members Absent: Dale Picardat

Others Present: Barry Lind, Airport Manager; George Saylor, Airport Legal Counsel; Russell Pomeroy, Airport Authority Treasurer; Ken Grabowski, Manistee News Advocate; and Rachel Nelson, Airport Authority Secretary

Ervin Kowalski, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. Roll was taken by the Secretary.

The Chairman confirmed that each member had received a copy and had an opportunity to review the minutes from the regular meeting of the Airport Authority held on Monday, April 11, 2011.

There was a motion by Mr. Wilson, supported by Mr. Spencer to approve the Airport Authority regular meeting minutes of Monday, April 11, 2011, as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Authority next reviewed the April 2011 Accounts Payable Report (APPENDIX A). Mr. Pomeroy noted that the Automatic Equipment Sales & Service payment is for repairs to the automatic door; the Calhoun-Ayers Plumbing & Heating payment is for a service call for the heating; the Manistee Welding & Piping payment is for welding on one of the trucks; and the Primary Airport Services payment is the quarterly payment for PFC (passenger facility charge) handling/reporting.

There was a motion by Mr. Schulert, supported by Mr. Anderson to approve the April 2011 Accounts Payable Report and authorize payment of the outstanding invoices totaling \$31,935.43.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: 6 (Anderson; Lottie; Spencer; Wilson; Schulert; Kowalski)

Nays: 0

Absent: 1 (Picardat)

Motion carried.

The Authority next reviewed the April 2011 Financial Statement (APPENDIX B) which includes a Balance Sheet, a Statement of Revenue and Expenses, and a running account of the Passenger Facility Charges collected. Mr. Spencer asked how much money is collected each month in passenger facility charges, and Mr. Pomeroy estimated \$1,200 per month on average.

There was a motion by Mr. Anderson, supported by Mr. Wilson to approve the April 2011 Financial Statement. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Sheets were handed out showing airplane passenger numbers for 2011 as well as the previous six years (APPENDIX C), and the Orchard Beach Aviation rent information (APPENDIX D). April 2011 was a record month for passenger numbers. Frontier has not yet canceled any flights and the average for flights next week is 26.5 passengers per flight. Mr. Spencer stated that it might be a good idea to find out why people

are flying from the airport to help focus future advertising. As of the end of April, bookings for flights in July and August are doing well. It was noted that if the airport has more than 10,000 enplanements per year, the funding for capital improvement projects would be increased to \$1 million per year from \$150,000.

There were no Airport incidents to report. Mr. Lind presented a report on airfares which compares flights from Manistee, Traverse City and Grand Rapids for short notice travel in May 2011; with Frontier's sale fares for travel in June 2011; and with non-sale fares for travel in July 2011 (APPENDIX E). Mr. Lind intends to talk with Frontier about getting the short notice rates closer to those from Grand Rapids.

Mr. Lind reminded the Authority that the capital improvement projects for 2011 are the new four unit t-hangars, replacing the hangar area pavements and moving and installing a new beacon. The beacon will probably be postponed to next year since not all of the funds for this year have been allocated. The beacon only needs to be moved because of a proposed new building that would be a capital improvement project next year. The parking lot has become an unexpected issue with the increased traffic, and people parking in the grass is ok for now but won't work in the winter. The current parking lot can accommodate 57 vehicles in front and 24 vehicles on the side. Peckham Engineering has provided several estimates to expand the parking lot, adding 40 to 60 spaces, for \$60,000 to \$80,000. Mr. Lind proposed that this project be moved up on the capital improvement list for this year and be done instead of replacing the hangar area pavements. The hangar area pavement is bad, but has been for years and is not a safety issue. The Airport Authority agreed that the parking lot should be expanded this year. Mr. Lind will present the change in the capital improvement plan to the State.

Mr. Lind reported that he attended the Local Revenue Sharing Board grant verbal presentation meeting on April 11, 2011. The Airport Authority has applied for \$5,000 for marketing. Grants will be awarded at the next meeting of the Manistee Local Revenue Sharing Board on June 13, 2011.

Mr. Lind, Mr. Schulert and Mr. Spencer met with the co-owners of Mowry Leasing & Rental on May 5, 2011 to discuss the rental car situation at the airport. Mr. Lind stated that through conversations, he knows people have decided to fly to another airport because there weren't any rental cars available (all booked). Mr. Schulert and Mr. Spencer felt that it was a good meeting and they will be meeting again on May 19, 2011.

Mr. Lind stated that Frontier has signed and returned the Airport Lease Agreement. This agreement was approved by the Airport Authority on February 14, 2011 and is now ready for Mr. Kowalski's signature.

When Bob Westgate of Frontier was at the airport during the open house, he talked to Mr. Lind about referring to the airport as Manistee/Ludington on their website and in some marketing. This is done in other areas to help with marketing and awareness of where an area is. It was noted that people from out of state are more likely to know where Ludington is than Manistee. The FAA already refers to the airport as Ludington/Manistee, however, Mr. Lind requested that Frontier list Manistee first.

There was a motion by Mr. Schulert, supported by Mr. Lottie to allow Frontier Airlines to refer to the airport as Manistee/Ludington on their website and for marketing purposes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Lind noted that the open house and Business After Hours on April 18, 2011 were a huge success and thanked those that helped. Mr. Spencer thanked Mr. Lind for the work that he did.

Mr. Lind stated that things have been going as good or better than expected with Frontier. They are still operating with staff from Milwaukee, however, four new local employees have been hired and will start training on May 16, 2011. Mr. Lind is continuing to work with MS Creative for marketing. Since Frontier has extended the introductory fares, the second phase of advertising has focused on that. Currently, it's the second week of the second phase of marketing. Mr. Lind feels that a good plan for the rest of the year would be to have two weeks of marketing followed by three weeks without. The overall marketing strategy will shift from the low fares to focusing on the value that Frontier offers to travelers. Mr. Lind noted that they recently took down the Skyway banner that was on the end of the hangar and it revealed an old United Express banner. Mr. Lind is working to get a new Frontier banner that will cover the old one.

Mr. Lind informed the Authority that he attended an American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) conference on May 3, 2011 in Washington D.C. He flew on Frontier and had a positive experience and also took the time to take the Amtrak train from the Milwaukee airport to Union Station in Chicago and back.

People have stated that this was an option to get to Chicago, and Mr. Lind now feels confident in recommending it. The conference was held to give an update on the EAS (Essential Air Service) program. Senate and House staff gave updates on the current bills and stated that the goal is to have the bills reconciled by the end of May. The current FAA authorization bill (which normally lasts for four years) expired three and a half years ago and has been extended by months many times, so Mr. Lind doubts that there will be a solution by the end of May. Mr. Lind provided a handout which shows the differences between the two bills (APPENDIX F). It was noted that the Senate bill has two stipulations that would limit further participation in the EAS program. One is that the airport would need to be at least 90 miles from a medium or large hub (instead of 70 miles), which is not a problem for Manistee. The second is that the airport would need to have an average of 10 enplanements per day, and Manistee had 9.5 last year. The Senator that introduced the stipulation used the term "passengers" per day rather than "enplanements", and this makes a difference. Mr. Lind also met with DOT staff, Representative Huizenga's staff and Senator Levin's staff while in Washington D.C.

The required annual firefighter training was completed this past weekend at the airport. Due to electrical problems with the training unit, exercises were still being done late in the evening.

Mr. Lind informed the Authority that several parking lot bulbs were replaced recently. While the company was there, Mr. Lind asked for an estimate on replacing lights that are burned out in the lobby that shine on the mural and a few other lights. He received a quote of \$600 to replace the lights with LED so they wouldn't need to be replaced as often.

There was a motion by Mr. Schulert, supported by Mr. Wilson to allow the Airport Manager to spend up to \$600 for LED lighting in the lobby.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: 5 (Kowalski; Schulert; Wilson; Spencer; Lottie)

Nays: 1 (Anderson)

Absent: 1 (Picardat)

Motion carried.

Mr. Lind stated that there are several items that would need to be corrected before Frontier would be able to get fuel at the airport. Some of the items are procedure issues and some are equipment issues. No action needs to be taken at this time, but it may need to be discussed at a future meeting.

The Guidelines Committee provided a report (APPENDIX G) and a new draft of the rules and regulations. Mr. Saylor will review the proposed rules and regulations and this will be discussed again at next month's meeting.

There was no report from the Promotion Committee, however, Mr. Lind felt they might want to meet soon to discuss the July 4th weekend when the B17 bomber will be at the airport. Mr. Lottie stated that the Kaleva Lions Club is willing to have their food trailer at the airport. Parking for this special event will need to be discussed since the parking lot is already regularly full now.

Mr. Spencer expressed his concern that there aren't State signs on the road to direct people to the airport. The few signs that exist were put up by the Road Commission. Mr. Schulert also noted that the State highway maps don't show Manistee's airport as having a commercial airline. Mr. Anderson will talk to the DOT (Department of Transportation) regarding both of these issues.

With there being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:55 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Nelson, Airport Authority Secretary

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MANISTEE COUNTY BLACKER AIRPORT

APRIL 2011 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

CHECK #	VENDOR NAME	AMOUNT
	BARRY LIND	\$ 3,278.18
	CONSUMERS ENERGY	\$ 1,808.59
	A T & T	\$ 28.00
	MICHCON (DTE ENERGY)	\$ 401.62
	GOCKERMAN, WILSON, SAYLOR	\$ -
	AUTOMATIC EQUIPMENT SALES & SERVICE	\$ 1,095.00
	WEATHER SERVICES INTERNATIONAL	\$ 357.00
	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$ -
	ACE HARDWARE	\$ 39.72
	FASTENAL	\$ 89.25
	DIRECT TV	\$ 86.99
	CALHOUN-AYERS PLUMBING & HEATING	\$ 85.59
	MANISTEE WELDING & PIPING	\$ 200.00
	PECKHAM ENGINEERING	\$ 234.08
	JACKPINE BUSINESS CENTER	\$ -
	PRIMARY AIRPORT SERVICES	\$ 304.95
	WAHR HARDWARE	\$ 9.45
	TOTAL	\$ 8,018.42
	ADVERTISING INVOICES	
	MS CREATIVE SERVICES	\$ 6,234.35
	TOTAL	\$ 6,234.35
	ORCHARD BEACH AVIATION	\$ 17,682.66
	REGULAR HOURS 282 @ 15.00	4,230.00
	MAINTENANCE HOURS 111.5 @ 15.00	1,672.50
	PART 139 LABOR	11,630.16
	INTERNET	150.00
	GRAND TOTAL	\$ 31,935.43

MANISTEE COUNTY BLACKER AIRPORT

	APRIL 2011 REVENUE & EXPENSES		BUDGET REMAINING		42%
	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR-TO DATE	ANNUAL BUDGET	BALANCE \$	%
INCOME:					
HANGER RENTAL	\$ 1,275.00	\$ 11,029.80	\$ 20,400.00	\$ 9,370.20	46%
LANDING FEES - GREAT LAKES/FRONTIER	\$ 18,177.60	\$ 125,069.04	\$ 212,882.00	\$ 87,812.96	41%
LANDING FEES - GENERAL AVIATION	\$ -	\$ 207.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,043.00	83%
AUTO RENTAL SPACE	\$ -	\$ 3,147.90	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 1,852.10	37%
OFFICE RENT	\$ 955.00	\$ 6,685.00	\$ 11,460.00	\$ 4,775.00	42%
COUNTY OF MANISTEE	\$ 9,583.00	\$ 67,081.00	\$ 115,000.00	\$ 47,919.00	42%
FUEL SALES	\$ 346.40	\$ 2,420.82	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 4,079.18	63%
SIGN LEASE	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 3,800.00	\$ 700.00	18%
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ -	\$ 870.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 130.00	13%
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 32,737.00	\$ 219,610.56	\$ 377,292.00	\$ 157,681.44	42%

EXPENSES:

PERSONNEL - MANAGEMENT	\$ 3,278.18	\$ 22,947.26	\$ 39,340.00	\$ 16,392.74	42%
PERSONNEL - OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	\$ 17,532.66	\$ 124,836.12	\$ 218,872.00	\$ 94,035.88	43%
DUES & MEETINGS	\$ -	\$ 345.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 455.00	57%
SUPPLIES	\$ 89.25	\$ 906.65	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,093.35	77%
UTILITIES	\$ 2,447.20	\$ 25,118.14	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 9,881.86	28%
FUEL	\$ -	\$ 7,922.12	\$ 6,500.00	\$ (1,422.12)	-22%
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,429.76	\$ 8,867.61	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,132.39	11%
TERMINAL IMPROVEMENTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
CONTRACTED SERVICES	\$ 357.00	\$ 1,071.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 529.00	33%
LEGAL	\$ -	\$ 1,753.75	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 3,246.25	65%
AUDIT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	100%
ADVERTISING	\$ 6,234.35	\$ 6,234.35	\$ 5,880.00	\$ (354.35)	0%
TELEPHONE	\$ 28.00	\$ 136.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 164.00	55%
INSURANCE	\$ -	\$ 19,941.39	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 2,058.61	9%
TRAINING (FIRE FIGHTER)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	0%
EQUIPMENT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 19,500.00	\$ 19,500.00	0%
BOOKKEEPING	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	100%
NOTES PAYABLE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
TRANSFER OUT/FUND BALANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	100%
MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 539.03	\$ 1,593.64	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,406.36	47%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 31,935.43	\$ 221,673.03	\$ 377,292.00	\$ 155,618.97	41%

EXCESS REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES \$ 801.57 \$ (2,062.47)

BALANCE ON HAND - AIRPORT FUND

BEGINNING BALANCE 04/01/11 \$ 20,411.39
 APRIL RECEIPTS \$ 42,848.04
 MARCH DISBURSEMENTS \$ (29,909.46)

\$ 33,349.97

MANISTEE COUNTY BLACKER AIRPORT

APRIL 2011 BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	4/30/2011	3/31/2011
CASH	\$ 33,349.97	\$ 20,411.39
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		
FRONTIER GREAT LAKES AIRLINES	\$ 7,655.93	\$ 17,815.24
STATE OF AUTO RENTAL	\$ -	\$ -
MISC.	\$ 846.40	\$ 798.13
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 41,852.30	\$ 39,024.76

LIABILITIES	4/30/2011	3/31/2011
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - TRADE	\$ 31,935.43	\$ 29,909.46
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE - COUNTY	\$ -	\$ -
PREPAID HANGER RENT	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 31,935.43	\$ 29,909.46

FUND BALANCE	\$ 9,916.87	\$ 9,115.30
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$ 41,852.30	\$ 39,024.76
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PASSENGER FACILITY CHARGES COLLECTED THROUGH 04/30/2011		\$ 37,124.15
PFC FUNDS AVAILABLE		\$ 37,124.15
BALANCE DUE TO MANISTEE COUNTY ON THE FUEL FARM AS OF:	9/30/2009	\$ 19,577.36
BALANCE DUE TO MANISTEE COUNTY ON THE FUEL FARM AS OF:	7/1/2010	\$ 16,228.49
BALANCE DUE TO MANISTEE COUNTY ON THE FUEL FARM AS OF:	9/30/2010	\$ -
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND - CASH AVAILABLE		\$ 24,686.88
PAYOFF FUEL FARM FROM PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND (per Board of Commissioner action 7/20/2010)		\$ (16,228.49)
STATE OF MICHIGAN - TAXIWAY LIGHTING PROJECT		\$ (475.00)
STATE OF MICHIGAN - PAVEMENT MARKING PROJECT		\$ (1,400.00)
STATE OF MICHIGAN - TAXIWAY LIGHTING PROJECT		\$ (5,900.00)
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT FUND - CASH AVAILABLE AS OF 04/31/2011		\$ 683.39

Manistee County Blacker Airport

APPENDIX C

		<i>Enplaned/Deplaned</i>													
		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		2011	
		Out/In	Total	Out/In	Total	Out/In	Total	Out/In	Total	Out/In	Total	Out/In	Total	Out/In	Total
Jan	MW	141/118	259	MW 150/101	251	MW 210/164	374	MW 234/169	403	GL 138/106	244	GL 212/145	357	GL 201/169	370
Feb		183/147	330	137/133	270	198/184	382	215/200	413	112/93	205	196/150	346	202/194	396
Mar		168/199	367	197/203	400	224/229	453	213/200	413	149/139	288	216/231	447	225/215	440
Apr		132/152	284	191/218	409	183/239	422	18/38	56	119/140	259	272/255	527	GL 147/171 F9 486/389	1193
May		162/152	314	200/217	417	238/251	489	0/0	0	184/180	364	263/302	565		
Jun		147/169	316	233/283	516	252/309	561	GL 94/113	207	166/213	379	311/366	677		
Jul		232/208	440	318/332	650	340/348	688	278/301	579	388/439	827	521/551	1072		
Aug		223/228	451	349/358	707	348/305	653	300/293	593	429/359	788	482/395	877		
Sep		171/158	329	268/267	535	278/217	495	219/190	409	285/293	578	240/233	473		
Oct		131/135	266	263/221	484	276/248	524	173/174	347	282/275	557	270/246	516		
Nov		159/148	307	210/205	415	275/280	555	168/166	334	257/269	526	236/242	478		
Dec		142/146	288	224/242	466	203/205	408	159/122	281	228/279	507	194/235	429		
Total			3951		5520		6004		4035		5522		6764		2399

		<i>On-time Performance</i>													
		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010		2011 2010	
		Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time
Jan										13%/25%	62%	23%/22%	55%	15%/38%	48%
Feb										18%/16%	66%	13%/32%	55%	15%/28%	58%
Mar										8%/11%	79%	11%/19%	70%	21%/19%	60%
Apr										10%/16%	74%	13%/17%	70%	***	***
May										2%/10%	88%	12%/10%	78%		
Jun										7%/18%	75%	6%/26%	68%		
Jul										4%/16%	80%	5%/19%	76%		
Aug										2%/12%	86%	4%/5%	91%		
Sep										0%/9%	91%	18%/16%	66%		
Oct								11%/31%	57%	10%/8%	81%	15%/13%	72%		
Nov								13%/32%	55%	3%/10%	87%	16%/16%	68%		
Dec								36%/44%	20%	25%/39%	36%	32%/25%	43%		

ORCHARD BEACH AVIATION

April 2011

RENT

OFFICE	\$325.00	
HANGER	\$175.00	
FUEL	\$346.40	
LANDING FEES		
TWIN	\$0.00	(0 @ \$9)
JET	\$0.00	(0 @ \$18)
TOTAL	\$846.40	
100	633.3 Gal	
JET	1679.7 Gal	
TOTAL	2313.0 Gal	

May Short Notice Travel**Best Fares**

	MBL	TVC	GRR
Atlanta (ATL)	919 F9/UA	996 DL	655 FL
Boston (BOS)	570 F9	930 DL	508 DL
Dallas (DFW)	760 F9	1448 DL	557 FL
Denver (DEN)	590 F9	1042 UA	579 UA
Houston (HOU)	1087 F9	1227 DL	909 CO
Kansas City (MCI)	570 F9	923 AA	498 UA
Las Vegas (LAS)	812 F9/CO	1011 DL	598 CO
Los Angeles (LAX)	777 F9/CO	1038 UA	747 DL
Milwaukee (MKE)	430 F9	819 UA	729 UA
Minneapolis (MSP)	570 F9	1035 UA	926 F9/UA
New York Area (NYC)	570 F9	900 UA	502 F9
Orlando (MCO)	809 F9/UA	751 AA	288 DL
Philadelphia (PHL)	792 F9	896 UA	606 DL
Phoenix (PHX)	818 F9/UA	673 UA	848 DL
Portland (PDX)	720 F9/AS	962 UA/AS	688 CO
San Diego (SAN)	874 F9/AS	868 DL	724 CO
San Francisco (SFO)	847 F9/UA	949 UA	649 DL
Seattle (SEA)	737 F9	868 UA/AS	629 CO
St Louis (STL)	534 F9	806 AA	500 DL
Washington DC Area (WAS)	590 F9	840 DL	619 FL

Average Fare \$718.80 \$949.10 \$637.95
 Fares Pulled 5/7/11 for travel 5/10/11 - 5/12/11

Best Fares +7 days parking

	MBL	TVC	GRR
Atlanta (ATL)	919 F9/UA	1036 DL	709 FL
Boston (BOS)	570 F9	970 DL	562 DL
Dallas (DFW)	760 F9	1488 DL	611 FL
Denver (DEN)	590 F9	1082 UA	633 UA
Houston (HOU)	1087 F9	1267 DL	963 CO
Kansas City (MCI)	570 F9	963 AA	552 UA
Las Vegas (LAS)	812 F9/CO	1051 DL	652 CO
Los Angeles (LAX)	777 F9/CO	1078 UA	801 DL
Milwaukee (MKE)	430 F9	859 UA	783 UA
Minneapolis (MSP)	570 F9	1075 UA	980 F9/UA
New York Area (NYC)	570 F9	940 UA	556 F9
Orlando (MCO)	809 F9/UA	791 AA	342 DL
Philadelphia (PHL)	792 F9	936 UA	660 DL
Phoenix (PHX)	818 F9/UA	713 UA	902 DL
Portland (PDX)	720 F9/AS	1002 UA/AS	742 CO
San Diego (SAN)	874 F9/AS	908 DL	778 CO
San Francisco (SFO)	847 F9/UA	989 UA	703 DL
Seattle (SEA)	737 F9	908 UA/AS	683 CO
St Louis (STL)	534 F9	846 AA	554 DL
Washington DC Area (WAS)	590 F9	880 DL	673 FL

Average Fare \$718.80 \$989.10 \$691.95
 Parking Fees for one week are \$0 at Manistee, \$40 at Traverse City and \$54 at Grand Rapids
 Fares Pulled 5/7/11 for travel 5/10/11 - 5/12/11

June Travel with Sale Fares

Best Fares

	MBL	TVC	GRR
Atlanta (ATL)	281 F9/UA	381 UA	214 FL
Boston (BOS)	229 F9	401 DL	228 FL
Dallas (DFW)	254 F9	451 DL	259 F9
Denver (DEN)	230 F9	523 AA	249 F9
Houston (HOU)	381 F9	399 DL	248 CO
Kansas City (MCI)	190 F9	365 DL	238 F9
Las Vegas (LAS)	284 F9/UA	441 DL	379 DL
Los Angeles (LAX)	331 F9	463 UA	419 F9
Milwaukee (MKE)	71 F9	379 AA	277 FL
Minneapolis (MSP)	188 F9	373 US	399 F9
New York Area (NYC)	218 F9	401 DL	249 DL
Orlando (MCO)	259 F9/CO	331 DL	169 FL
Philadelphia (PHL)	239 F9	401 DL	358 FL
Phoenix (PHX)	273 F9	481 UA	418 DL
Portland (PDX)	458 F9	501 UA	499 DL
San Diego (SAN)	399 F9/CO	429 DL	409 F9
San Francisco (SFO)	393 F9/UA	551 UA	461 FL
Seattle (SEA)	534 F9	551 UA	469 FL
St Louis (STL)	194 F9	351 DL	232 DL
Washington DC Area (WAS)	218 F9	321 DL	129 FL

Average Fare \$281.20 \$424.70 \$315.15
 Fares Pulled 5/6/11 for travel 6/1/11 - 6/8/11

Best Fares +7 days parking

	MBL	TVC	GRR
Atlanta (ATL)	281 F9/UA	421 UA	268 FL
Boston (BOS)	229 F9	441 DL	282 FL
Dallas (DFW)	254 F9	491 DL	313 F9
Denver (DEN)	230 F9	563 AA	303 F9
Houston (HOU)	381 F9	439 DL	302 CO
Kansas City (MCI)	190 F9	405 DL	292 F9
Las Vegas (LAS)	284 F9/UA	481 DL	433 DL
Los Angeles (LAX)	331 F9	503 UA	473 F9
Milwaukee (MKE)	71 F9	419 AA	331 FL
Minneapolis (MSP)	188 F9	413 US	453 F9
New York Area (NYC)	218 F9	441 DL	303 DL
Orlando (MCO)	259 F9/CO	371 DL	223 FL
Philadelphia (PHL)	239 F9	441 DL	412 FL
Phoenix (PHX)	273 F9	521 UA	472 DL
Portland (PDX)	458 F9	541 UA	553 DL
San Diego (SAN)	399 F9/CO	469 DL	463 F9
San Francisco (SFO)	393 F9/UA	591 UA	515 FL
Seattle (SEA)	534 F9	591 UA	523 FL
St Louis (STL)	194 F9	391 DL	286 DL
Washington DC Area (WAS)	218 F9	361 DL	183 FL

Average Fare \$281.20 \$464.70 \$369.15
 Parking Fees for one week are \$0 at Manistee, \$40 at Traverse City and \$54 at Grand Rapids
 Fares Pulled 5/6/11 for travel 6/1/11 - 6/8/11

July Travel with Non-Sale Fares

Best Fares

	MBL	TVC	GRR
Atlanta (ATL)	403 F9/UA	401 UA	239 DL
Boston (BOS)	388 F9	442 DL	234 FL
Dallas (DFW)	350 F9	451 DL	248 F9
Denver (DEN)	428 F9	451 DL	395 F9
Houston (HOU)	583 F9	399 DL	259 CO
Kansas City (MCI)	310 F9	381 DL	238 F9
Las Vegas (LAS)	434 F9	441 DL	374 DL
Los Angeles (LAX)	448 F9	475 UA	431 DL
Milwaukee (MKE)	211 F9	399 DL	327 FL
Minneapolis (MSP)	310 F9	451 DL	432 DL
New York Area (NYC)	330 F9	409 DL	249 DL
Orlando (MCO)	390 F9/UA	331 DL	189 FL
Philadelphia (PHL)	418 F9	421 AA	378 F9
Phoenix (PHX)	370 F9	491 DL	442 DL
Portland (PDX)	528 F9	521 DL	517 DL
San Diego (SAN)	474 F9	512 UA	505 DL
San Francisco (SFO)	468 F9	571 DL	479 DL
Seattle (SEA)	498 F9	565 DL	481 DL
St Louis (STL)	348 F9	351 DL	232 DL
Washington DC Area (WAS)	390 F9	321 DL	149 FL

Average Fare \$403.95 \$439.20 \$339.90
 Fares Pulled 5/7/11 for travel 7/13/11 - 7/20/11

Best Fares +7 days parking

	MBL	TVC	GRR
Atlanta (ATL)	403 F9/UA	441 UA	293 DL
Boston (BOS)	388 F9	482 DL	288 FL
Dallas (DFW)	350 F9	491 DL	302 F9
Denver (DEN)	428 F9	491 DL	449 F9
Houston (HOU)	583 F9	439 DL	313 CO
Kansas City (MCI)	310 F9	421 DL	292 F9
Las Vegas (LAS)	434 F9	481 DL	428 DL
Los Angeles (LAX)	448 F9	515 UA	485 DL
Milwaukee (MKE)	211 F9	439 DL	381 FL
Minneapolis (MSP)	310 F9	491 DL	486 DL
New York Area (NYC)	330 F9	449 DL	303 DL
Orlando (MCO)	390 F9/UA	371 DL	243 FL
Philadelphia (PHL)	418 F9	461 AA	432 F9
Phoenix (PHX)	370 F9	531 DL	496 DL
Portland (PDX)	528 F9	561 DL	571 DL
San Diego (SAN)	474 F9	552 UA	559 DL
San Francisco (SFO)	468 F9	611 DL	533 DL
Seattle (SEA)	498 F9	605 DL	535 DL
St Louis (STL)	348 F9	391 DL	286 DL
Washington DC Area (WAS)	390 F9	361 DL	203 FL

Average Fare \$403.95 \$479.20 \$393.90
 Parking Fees for one week are \$0 at Manistee, \$40 at Traverse City and \$54 at Grand Rapids
 Fares Pulled 5/7/11 for travel 7/13/11 - 7/20/11

**Essential Air Service Provisions in
House and Senate FAA Reauthorization Bills**

	House Bill (H.R. 658)	Senate Bill (S. 223)
Funding/Eligibility		
EAS Funding	<p><i>Sec. 404:</i></p> <p>\$147.5 million in FY11; \$110 million in FY12; \$80 million in FY13.</p> <p><i>(Note: Annual funding levels include \$50 million from overflight fees.)</i></p>	<p><i>Sec. 415:</i></p> <p>At least \$200 million per year.</p> <p><i>(Note: Annual funding levels include \$50 million from overflight fees.)</i></p>
EAS Sunset	<p><i>Sec. 408:</i> Sunsets EAS program on Oct. 1, 2014 except for communities in Alaska and Hawaii.</p>	No provision.
90-Mile Limitation	No provision.	<p><i>Sec. 420:</i> Limits EAS to locations that are 90 miles or more away from a large or medium hub airport.</p>
10-Enplanements Limitation	No provision.	<p><i>Sec. 421:</i> Limits EAS to locations that average 10 or more enplanements per day.</p>
Other EAS Provisions		
EAS Marketing	<p><i>Sec 401:</i> Allows DOT to consider whether an air carrier has included a marketing plan in its proposal.</p>	<p><i>Sec. 417:</i> Requires carriers providing EAS service to submit a marketing plan with their applications.</p>

Notice to Communities	<i>Sec. 402:</i> Requires DOT to notify each EAS community receiving basic EAS for which compensation is being paid on or before the 45 th day before issuing any final decision to end compensation due to a determination by DOT that providing such service requires a subsidy higher than the cap.	No provision.
Contract Guidelines	<i>Sec. 403:</i> Allows DOT to encourage carriers to improve air service to small communities by incorporating financial incentives in EAS contracts and allows the agency to execute long-term contracts.	<i>Sec. 413:</i> Allows DOT to encourage carriers to improve air service to small communities by incorporating financial incentives in EAS contracts and allows the agency to execute long-term contracts.
Subsidy Cap Adjustment	<i>Sec. 406:</i> Allows DOT to make across-the-board increases in subsidy payments to carriers to compensate for increased aviation fuel costs. Also Allows DOT to waive the subsidy cap on a case-by-case basis.	No provision.
Repeal of Local Participation Program	<i>Sec. 407:</i> Repeals the EAS local participation program, which calls for up to ten communities to pay a local match to participate in the EAS program.	<i>Sec. 419:</i> Repeals the EAS local participation program, which calls for up to ten communities to pay a local match to participate in the EAS program.

<p>Connectivity Program</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p><i>Sec. 411:</i> Vision 100 included a provision that gave DOT the option of requiring air carriers to participate in a code-sharing pilot program at up to ten EAS communities. The Senate bill would strengthen that provision by requiring air carriers to participate in the pilot program.</p>
<p>Mileage Adjustment</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p><i>Sec. 412:</i> Extends a Vision 100 provision related to EAS mileage calculations and preserves EAS to three communities.</p>
<p>Conversion of Former EAS Airports</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p><i>Sec. 414:</i> Requires DOT to establish a program to provide GA conversion funding for airports that DOT has determined no longer qualify for subsidies.</p>
<p>Preferred Air Carrier</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p><i>Sec. 418:</i> Allows state or local government to submit a proposal to DOT for a preferred air carrier if state or local government is willing to pay the difference between the lowest bid and the preferred carrier.</p>
<p>Restoration of Eligibility</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p><i>Sec. 418:</i> A State or local government may submit a proposal for compensation for an air carrier to provide service to a community that exceeds the subsidy cap.</p>

Office of Rural Aviation	No provision.	<i>Sec. 418:</i> Requires DOT to establish Office of Rural Aviation to: 1) develop a uniform 4-year contract; 2) develop a mechanism for comparing applications; and 3) selecting air carriers to provide EAS service.
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Blacker Airport Rules and Regulations Committee Report

Presented: May 9, 2011

Mission:

To review and update the Manistee County Blacker Airport Rules and Regulations to be in line with and meet the current needs of the airport.

Need:

Although not a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirement, the FAA does have recommendations on commercial minimum standards and related policies. As stated in U.S. Department of Transportation Advisory Circular 150/5190-7 "*Although minimum standards are optional, the FAA highly recommends their use and implementation as a means to minimize the potential for violations at federally obligated airports.*"

Federal obligations requirements:

1. Airport facilities must be available for public use as an airport.
2. Terms imposed on those who use the airport and its services must be reasonable and applied without unjust discrimination, whether by the airport sponsor or by a contractor or licensee who has been granted a right by the airport sponsor to offer services or commodities normally required to serve aeronautical users at the airport.

Approach:

The Committee acquired the Rules and Regulations from several Michigan airports to compare and gather information.

Alpena County Regional Airport, Alpena, Michigan,
Capital City Airport – Lansing, Michigan
Jackson County Airport, Reynolds Field – Jackson, Michigan
Manistee County Blacker Airport, Manistee, MI
Southwestern Regional Airport - Benton Harbor/Saint Joseph, Michigan

Steps:

The committee met and prepared an original draft of a proposed set of Rules and Regulation for the airport.

This document was reviewed by the Airport attorney.

The committee met a second time to discuss the changes recommended by the Airport Attorney and to prepare an updated copy.

Follow-up:

It is the Rules and Regulations Committee's recommendation that a joint meeting with the Airport Attorney, Airport Manager, and the Rules and Regulations Committee be scheduled.

Respectfully submitted,

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Other Reference Material:

U.S. Department of Transportation Advisory Circular 150/5190-7, Minimum Standards for Commercial Aeronautical Activities
Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association publication, Minimum Standards for Commercial Aeronautical Activities