



Manistee County Blacker Airport Authority

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Monday, July 13, 2009
12:00 Noon

Manistee County Blacker Airport
Conference Room

Members Present: Ervin Kowalski, Chairperson; Charles Brooks, Vice-Chairperson; Paul Schulert; Dale Picardat; Glenn Lottie; Ed Haik; and Bob Wilson

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Barry Lind, Airport Manager; George Saylor, Airport Legal Counsel; and Rachel Nelson, Airport Authority Secretary

Ervin Kowalski, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.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, June 8, 2009.

There was a motion by Mr. Lottie, supported by Mr. Wilson to approve the Airport Authority regular meeting Minutes of Monday, June 8, 2009, as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Accounts Payable Report and Financial Statement were not available in Mr. Pomeroy's absence. After discussion,

There was a motion by Mr. Lottie, supported by Mr. Wilson to authorize payment of the outstanding invoices for June 2009 for ordinary expenses at the Airport Authority Treasurer's discretion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: 7 (Kowalski; Brooks; Wilson; Picardat; Lottie; Schulert; Haik)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried.

Mr. Lind handed out sheets showing airplane passenger numbers for 2009 as well as the previous four years (APPENDIX A). Mr. Lind noted that for a flight to be considered delayed, it must be more than 6 minutes late for outbound or 15 minutes late for inbound. In June, approximately 2/3 of the delays and cancellations were due to mechanical issues and 1/3 were weather related. It was pointed out that the mechanical issues are necessary maintenance, which should be expected since there is only one plane.

The Manistee Local Revenue Sharing Board awarded \$7,800 to the Airport for the 2009 required firefighter training. Having invited other area firefighters to participate in the training helped in receiving the grant.

Having the B17 Bomber at the Airport during the Manistee National Forest Festival in early July was a huge success. The money that was raised by the organization that brought the bomber exceeded their expectations. There was non-stop traffic almost all weekend, and it also helped educate the public on what the Airport has to offer. Mr. Lind sold the fuel for the B17 Bomber at cost, but did not calculate in the 15¢ flow fee, which would have been approximately \$210. After discussion,

There was a motion by Mr. Haik, supported by Mr. Brooks to forgo the 15¢/gallon flow fee for the fuel that was sold to the B17 Bomber in July 2009.

A roll call vote was taken:

Yeas: 7 (Haik; Schulert; Lottie; Picardat; Wilson; Brooks; Kowalski)

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried.

Mr. Lind informed the Authority that the Airport has been asked to host the Mid Michigan Chapter 82nd Airborne Division Association's Camp Trooper 2009 and 3rd Annual Salute to Veterans on September 12-13. The group will do WWII re-enactments, including paratrooper drops. It was noted that the local VFW Posts should be notified as well as the United Veterans Council.

There was a motion by Mr. Kowalski, supported by Mr. Brooks to allow the Mid Michigan Chapter 82nd Airborne Division Association to hold their Camp Trooper 2009 and 3rd Annual Salute to Veterans at Manistee County Blacker Airport on September 12-13, 2009. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mr. Lind noted that the hangar pad project has been completed. The airplane tiedowns are almost completed.

Mr. Lind reminded the Authority of the two capital improvement projects which are being federally funded this year. The first is replacing the reflectors on the taxiways with lights, and the second is repainting the markings on the runways and taxiways. The order of these projects has been switched, so now the repainting will be completed in the fall and the reflector project will be completed in early spring of 2010.

Mr. Lind has acquired the manisteeairport.com domain again and expects the Airport's new website to be completed next month.

There were no incidents at the Airport to report for June 2009.

Mr. Kowalski noted that it's important to help stimulate business at the Airport. The local travel agencies should be contacted to let them know that things are going a little more smoothly with Great Lakes now. Mr. Brooks added that local customer testimonials on the Airport's website could be helpful also.

With there being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Nelson, Airport Authority Secretary

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APPENDIX A

Manistee County Blacker Airport

Enplaned/Deplaned

	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	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
Feb	183/147	330	137/133	270	198/184	382	215/200	413	112/93	205
Mar	168/199	367	197/203	400	224/229	453	213/200	413	149/139	288
Apr	132/152	284	191/218	409	183/239	422	18/38	56	119/140	259
May	162/152	314	200/217	417	238/251	489	0/0	0	134/180	364
Jun	147/169	316	233/283	516	252/309	561	GL 94/113	207	166/213	379
Jul	232/208	440	318/332	650	340/348	688	278/301	579		
Aug	223/228	451	349/358	707	348/305	653	300/293	593		
Sep	171/158	329	268/267	535	278/217	495	219/190	409		
Oct	131/135	266	263/221	484	276/248	524	173/174	347		
Nov	159/148	307	210/205	415	275/280	555	168/166	334		
Dec	142/146	288	224/242	466	203/205	408	159/122	281		
Total		3951		5520		6004		4035		

On-time Performance

	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time	Cancel/Delay	On-time
Jan									13%/25%	62%
Feb									18%/16%	66%
Mar									8%/11%	79%
Apr									10%/16%	74%
May									2%/10%	88%
Jun									7%/18%	75%
Jul										
Aug										
Sep										
Oct							11%/31%	57%		
Nov							13%/32%	55%		
Dec							36%/44%	20%		