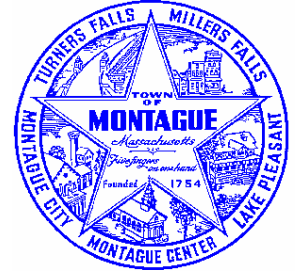


Town of Montague Municipal Airport Commission

Meeting Minutes

September 12, 2011



The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM in the Airport Admin Bldg.

Commissioners present: David Brule, Gary Collins, Peter Golrick, Mike Sokolosky, and Brian Carroll

Others present: Brian Smith (Gale Associates), Josh Simpson (7:20), Malcolm Clark (7:40)

Mike made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of 8/8/2011, seconded by Gary, passed unanimously.

GALE REPORT

AIP-11 – Nothing new; AIP-12 – Survey is complete; AIP-14 – Comments on the archeological work have been sent to UMass and now to MHC. Gale to begin a survey of points demarking the proposed tribal area on the hill. Runway lights are operational as of 9/8, PAPI's will be flight checked by FAA. There is a small punch list being worked on by the contractor. Phase II is still on hold; consists of remaining taxiway, beacon, Hadley Grant Road area, etc. AIP-15 – Tribal Investigations, approx. \$160k project. Discussion of possible fence project. CIP meeting date needs to be scheduled.

MANAGERS REPORT

No report tonight as the Manager was in Boston today getting grant submitted.

PILOT, TENANT, USERS, PUBLIC

Josh Simpson reported that from the users group perspective, we have had no night operations for almost 2 years, when it was expected to be 3 to 4 months. They are not happy with what we have done for them in terms of canceling the rate increases for one year, instead he claims that we have refused to waive or reduce rent. He proposed that all leases be extended by 22 months. In his hangar with the pilot's lounge, he then claimed that propane delivery company was repeatedly denied access. He claimed that he suffered a loss of \$6,000 and that he believes that the Commission has some culpability. He further claimed that Osterman was denied another access card.

SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES

B&G reports that the temporary access gate to the RCFC is fixed, Wills Hills light will be fixed tomorrow.

Treasurer reports that we have spent \$3,950; and that we have \$32,476 left.

We need to have the sensitivity adjusted on the runway lights and the rotating beacon is being repaired.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES

None tonight.

NEW BUSINESS – OLD BUSINESS – OTHER

Old – Windsock is on order.

Other – Mike made a motion that we approve the following wording for a warrant article for Special Town Meeting, seconded by Gary, approved unanimously.

ARTICLE {next} MOVED: That the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$157,895 of which \$150,000 is expected to be reimbursed by federal and state grants, and 7,895 is to be funded by the Airport Enterprise Fund, for the purpose of funding a Planning Project consisting of archeological investigation for the completion of Phase 2 of 2 phases of the Runway Reconstruction Project, \$157,895 to be raised from borrowing in anticipation of grants, with the \$7.895 Town share to come from the Airport Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings account.

Also under Other – Brian reported that the Airport was selected to undergo a random FAA audit, which we passed with flying colors because we had all of the necessary votes documented.

At **8:04** Mike made a **MOTION** to adjourn, second by Gary, passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted: Peter Golrick

Voted ____ (Aye) ____ (Nay) ____ (Abstain) at an Airport Commission Meeting on: ____/____/____

(Airport Chair Signature)