

**SD Aeronautics Commission
Meeting Minutes
April 28, 2015 1:00 PM**

MEMBERS: Skip VanDerhule, Chairman
Chris Funk, Member
Chad Hatch, Member
Arnie Hauge, Member
Eric Odenbach, Member
Dick Pearson, Member

ABSENT: Travis Lantis, Member

STAFF: Bruce Lindholm, Kevin Tveidt, Jon Becker, Jennifer Boehm, Jason Engbrecht, Kellie Beck, and Jeryl Lynn Stein

OTHERS: Steve Hamilton, Bob Mercer, Chad Comes, Roy Lindsay, Brandon Caneva, and Dan Allison

AGENDA ITEMS:

- Call to Order
- 1 Approve Minutes from March 17-19, 2015 meeting
- 2 Aeronautical Hazards
- 3 Army Aviation Heritage Foundation Heliport/co-presenter Dan Allison
- 4 Clear Lake request for runway marker cones
- 5 Gregory State grant amendment
- 6 Gettysburg fuel tax request, wind cone
- 7 Sioux Falls fuel tax request, tractors, mowers, snow removal equipment
- 8 Hot Springs hangar funding request
- 9 Madison fuel system funding request
- 10 Fuel Systems report
- 11 Statewide Hangar Program
- 12 Pilot's Bill of Rights
- 13 Transportation Hall of Honor
- 14 AOPA request for proposals
- 15 FAA UAV regulation update

Chairman VanDerhule called the regular meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with a quorum present. Travis Lantis was not present.

A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Hauge, to approve the March 17-19, 2015 aeronautics commission meeting minutes. Motion carried with a voice call (all ayes).

Jason Engbrecht - Aeronautical Hazards

No FAA determinations had been received so there were no hazards to act on.

Jason Engbrecht - Army Aviation Heritage Foundation Heliport/co-presenter Dan Allison

Jason introduced Dan Allison from the FAA to discuss the heliport. Dan stated that discussion is going on regarding the crash from last year regarding the wind turbine south of Highmore. The turbine did not have a working light on top at the time of the crash. FAA does not police lights on the turbines. A formal report should be coming out in six months.

Dan discussed the temporary private heliport coming into Sturgis during the rally. They will bring in four Vietnam helicopters and be placed east of the Sturgis high school. They will be charging the public for a ride to get the Vietnam experience. The helicopters will lift off to the northeast and the landing zone will be next to the highway. They are not the only company bringing in helicopters. FAA will have a meeting this week and a follow-up next week regarding the helicopters at the Sturgis rally.

Jason Engbrecht – Clear Lake request for runway marker cones

Runway 13/31 is a primary grass runway. Clear Lake is requesting \$2,200.00 for new runway marker cones. Jason will place an order with the other runway marker cones if approved to save money on shipping costs.

A motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Funk, to approve the Clear Lake request for runway marker cones. Motion carried with a voice call (all ayes).

Jon Becker – Gregory State grant amendment

Original grant from the state was \$28,200.00. The grant amount was increased by \$4,428.27 and the state share is 8%. The amendment amount for the state to pay would be \$393.62.

A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Odenbach, to approve the Gregory State grant amendment for the state to pay \$393.62. Motion carried with a voice call (all ayes).

Jon Becker – Gettysburg fuel tax request, wind cone

City of Gettysburg is requesting the use of their fuel tax funds for replacing the wind cone. No state funds will be used only the funds that the state is holding.

A motion was made by Odenbach, seconded by Hatch, to approve the Gettysburg fuel tax request in the amount of \$3,000.00 for a wind cone. Motion carried with a voice call (all ayes).

Jon Becker – Sioux Falls fuel tax request, tractors, mowers, snow removal equipment

The city of Sioux Falls is requesting the use of their fuel tax funds to replace 20 year old equipment. The request is for \$185,992.00 of their \$664,414.00 balance.

A motion was made by Funk, seconded by Hauge, to approve the Sioux Falls fuel tax request, tractors, mowers and snow removal equipment. Motion carried with a voice call (all ayes).

Jon Becker – Hot Springs hangar funding request

The city of Hot Springs is requesting funds for a ten stall T-hanger. The city has experienced growth and requests for additional hanger space. The mayor has stated that the city would need to match 5% of AIP funding but does not have the money in its budget so is asking for 100% grant. Discussion was held regarding looking at other states on how they handle revolving loan funding. It was also discussed about talking to GOED and using funds from the general funds.

A motion was made by Pearson, seconded by Funk, to approve the Hot Springs hangar funding request. Motion failed with a roll call (five nays, one ayes [Pearson]).

Jon Becker – Madison fuel system funding request

Jon introduced Chad Comes and Mayor Lindsay from Madison. Chad explained that SD Weights and Measures did a recent inspection and the report was not good. The city has looked into a new fuel system or upgrading the existing tanks to meet the inspection requirements. The City of Madison can cover 80% of the costs. They are requesting 20% of the grant with a maximum amount of \$60,000.00 to meet requirements for upgrade.

A motion was made by Funk, seconded by Hatch, to approve the 20% funding with a maximum of \$60,000.00 (whichever is less). Motion carried with a voice call (five ayes, one nays [Odenbach]).

Colton Stahl – Fuel Systems report

The report is still being researched, so this item was held over.

Commissioner Richard Pearson – Statewide Hangar Program

Discussion was held regarding how South Dakota can develop a program to assist with hangar space funding. An example from Nebraska's Department of Aeronautics was shown. It was also discussed how the railroad board has done this process and how it works. Contacts need to be made to find support with legal authority and funds.

Commissioner Arnie Hauge – Pilot's Bill of Rights

It was noted that there are two bills (S.571 and H.R.1062) in the Congress. It was stated that the commission would like to send a resolution stating support of the bills. Kevin had a resolution prepared and it was read for VanDerhule to all present. It will be put on letterhead and signed by VanDerhule to be sent to the congressional delegation showing support of the two bills by the Aeronautics Commission.

A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Hauge, to send resolutions to the congressional delegation in support of the bills. Motion carried with a voice call (all ayes).

Kevin Tveidt – Transportation Hall of Honor

Kevin informed the commission of submitting candidates for the Transportation Hall of Honor. The deadline for submitting a candidate is June 5, 2015.

Kevin Tveidt – AOPA request for proposals

AOPA is soliciting for airports for the 2016 fly-ins. It can't be a commercial airport and other requirements limit the number of airports in South Dakota that would meet the requirements.

Kevin Tveidt – FAA UAV regulation update

Discussion was held regarding the public safety of UAV within five miles of airports.

Chairman Vanderhule thanked Commissioner Pearson on his 14 years of service on the board. He also noted that the July 28, 2015 meeting should be moved because of the OshKosh Airshow during the same week.

Chairman Vanderhule adjourned the meeting at 3:05 p.m. with a motion from Hauge and a second by Funk.

Next Aeronautics Commission Meeting will be May 26, 2015.

SUBMITTED BY: Jeryl Lynn Stein, SDDOT Secretary for Office of Air, Rail & Transit

AERONAUTICS COMMISSION CHAIRMAN


Skip VanDerhule

DATE

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