

**SOUTH DAKOTA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES
May 26, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. CST**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

VIA CONFERENCE CALL: Eric Odenbach, Chairman
Bob Huggins, Vice-chairman
Kassidy Nelson, Member
Rolf Johnson, Member
Gerald "Jerry" Rieber, Member
Dave Luers, Member

DOT STAFF PRESENT: Joel Jundt, Jack Dokken, Jenny Boehm, Jon Becker, and Kari Kroll

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VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Karla Engle, Bonnie Olson, Tom Koch, Brad Remmich, and Kellie Beck

**OTHERS PRESENT
VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Steve Hamilton – South Dakota Pilots Association (SDPA); Dan Letellier – Sioux Fall Regional Airport

Chairman Eric Odenbach called the meeting of the South Dakota Aeronautics Commission (the "Commission") to order at 1:00 p.m. CDT. A roll call was taken to verify a quorum.

Odenbach opened the floor to the Commission members to disclose potential conflicts of interest and to present request for waiver pursuant to South Dakota Codified Law (SDCL) chapter 3 – 23.

No conflicts of interest were disclosed, and no waivers requested.

Odenbach asked for a motion to approve the March 11, 2020, Commission meeting minutes.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Huggins and seconded by Rieber to approve the March 11, 2020, Commission meeting minutes. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Odenbach opened the floor to public input. No members of the public addressed the Commission or offered input.

Deputy Secretary Joel Jundt presented the Secretary's Report. Jundt provided an update to the Commission on the back to normal plan for the Department of Transportation (the "Department"). The Department is in the process of transitioning back into the office from working remotely. The goal is to have all staff back in the office by June 15, 2020. He also shared that the June Aeronautics Commission meeting will most likely be conducted via teleconference. The Department will provide more information as the June meeting date gets closer.

Jundt presented a request received by Commissioner Rieber to change the Commission regular monthly meeting day and time to Monday or Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. CDT.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Rieber and seconded by Luers to change the Aeronautics Commission meeting to Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. CDT/ 1:00 p.m. MDT.

AN AMENDED MOTION WAS MADE by Rieber and seconded by Luers to change the Aeronautics Commission meeting to the 3rd Thursday of each month at 2:00 p.m. CDT/ 1:00 MDT. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion as amended carried.

The meeting date and time change will go into effect for the June 2020 meeting date.

Jon Becker, Office of Aeronautics, presented two fuel tax funding requests.

The first funding request was from the Sioux Falls Regional Airport (Foss Field) in the amount of \$488,756.00 for the replacement of snow removal equipment. The airport's current fuel tax balance is \$504,374.00.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Huggins and seconded by Johnson to approve the fuel tax funding request in the amount of \$488,756.00 for the replacement of snow removal equipment to the Sioux Falls Regional Airport. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

The second funding request was from the Brookings Regional Airport in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the replacement of mower equipment. The airport's current fuel tax balance is \$11,948.00.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Luers and seconded by Johnson to approve the fuel tax funding request in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the replacement of mower equipment to the Brookings Regional Airport. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

Jack Dokken, Program Manager for the Office of Air, Rail, and Transit presented information about CARES Act grants. Dokken shared this was no longer a request for consideration that required action but rather an informational item for the Commission.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act awarded the state of South Dakota \$36,218,983.00 in federal funds that will assist airports impacted by the COVID-19 public health

emergency. Dokken shared that the CARES Act establishes a formula for each group to allocate the funds to specific airports. These grants are 100% federally funded, with no state or local match required. The Department will distribute these funds through a fund other than the Aeronautics Fund. No action will be needed from the Commission to distribute the funds.

Grant funding amounts (by airport) are listed below:

Aberdeen	\$ 1,116,870
Belle Fourche	\$ 30,000
Bison	\$ 20,000
Britton	\$ 20,000
Brookings	\$ 30,000
Buffalo	\$ 20,000
Canton	\$ 20,000
Chamberlain	\$ 30,000
Clark	\$ 30,000
Custer	\$ 20,000
De Smet	\$ 20,000
Eagle Butte	\$ 20,000
Edgemont	\$ 1,000
Eureka	\$ 20,000
Faith	\$ 20,000
Faulkton	\$ 30,000
Flandreau	\$ 20,000
Gettysburg	\$ 20,000
Gregory	\$ 20,000
Highmore	\$ 20,000
Hot Springs	\$ 30,000
Howard	\$ 1,000
Huron	\$ 30,000
Kadoka	\$ 1,000
Lemmon	\$ 20,000
Lowry	\$ 20,000
Madison	\$ 30,000
Martin	\$ 20,000
McLaughlin	\$ 20,000

Milbank	\$ 20,000
Miller	\$ 20,000
Mitchell	\$ 69,000
Mobridge	\$ 30,000
Murdo	\$ 20,000
Onida	\$ 30,000
Parkston	\$ 20,000
Philip	\$ 20,000
Pierre	\$ 1,123,947
Pine Ridge	\$ 20,000
Platte	\$ 30,000
Presho	\$ 20,000
Rapid City	\$ 9,282,023
Redfield	\$ 30,000
Rosebud	\$ 20,000
Sioux Falls	\$ 22,454,505
Sisseton	\$ 20,000
Spearfish	\$ 30,000
Springfield	\$ 20,000
Tea	\$ 30,000
Vermillion	\$ 30,000
Wagner	\$ 20,000
Wall	\$ 20,000
Watertown	\$ 1,049,638
Webster	\$ 20,000
Wessington Springs	\$ 20,000
Winner	\$ 20,000
Yankton	\$ 30,000
Total	\$ 36,218,983

With no other business before the Commission, Odenbach declared the meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m. CDT.