

# **SOUTH DAKOTA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION MEETING**

**Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. CDT**

Becker-Hansen Building/ Commission Room – 700 E. Broadway Ave, Pierre SD 57501

## **COMMISSIONERS PRESENT**

**VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Eric Odenbach, Chair  
Bob Huggins, Vice-chair  
Rolf Johnson  
Jerry Rieber

**DOT STAFF PRESENT:** Joel Jundt, Kellie Beck, Jack, Dokken, Jon Becker, Tom Koch, Nancy Hiller, Katlyn Wieme, and Kari Kroll

## **DOT STAFF PRESENT**

**VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Dustin DeBoer and Brad Remmich

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

**VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Steve Hamilton – South Dakota Pilots Association (SDPA); Tom Schauer – Mead & Hunt; Patrick Dame – Rapid City Airport; and Rod Senn – Rapid City Airport

Chairman Eric Odenbach called the meeting of the South Dakota Aeronautics Commission (the “Commission”) to order at 2:00 p.m. CDT. Roll call was taken and a quorum was determined.

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

No members of the Commission disclosed any conflicts of interest and no waivers were requested.

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Odenbach asked for a motion to approve the April 20, 2023 Commission meeting minutes.

Vice-chairman Bob Huggins pointed out a typo in the Secretary’s Report. The fourth sub-bullet point under the second bullet should read “...three additional” instead of “...three addition.”

A MOTION WAS MADE by Huggins and seconded by Rieber to approve the April 20, 2023 Commission meeting minutes as edited. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Odenbach opened the floor to public comment.

Patrick Dame of Rapid City Airport addressed the Commission about the Rapid City airport terminal expansion project detailing the funding sources to be used. He also referenced the current terminal state funding cap of \$200,000 from the Commission and is asking the Commission to consider waiving the state funding cap on future terminal projects.

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Secretary Jundt presented the Secretary's Report to the Commission. He reported that the Airport Needs Work Group had a kick-off meeting on May 12, 2023, in Pierre and via Teams. The intent of the group is to look at the needs of all the airports in the state and review revenue sources and limitation on a federal, state, and local view. The group plans to break down the airports into commercial (sub-groups: Rapid City/ Sioux Falls and Watertown/ Aberdeen/ Pierre) and general aviation airports (sub-groups: small, medium, and large). Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) report will be reviewed, and neighboring states will be polled for their fees and taxes for comparison. An August completion date is intended.

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Jon Becker, Office of Air, Rail & Transit, presented to the Commission for their consideration the following Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grant and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) grant applications.

**Aberdeen 3-46-0001-049-2023**

**AIP:** Runway 13/31 rehab and lighting improvements - engineering and IFE; concrete/asphalt

Federal Share	\$ 904,500.00
State Share	\$ 50,250.00
Local Share	\$ 50,250.00
Total	\$ 1,005,000.00

**Aberdeen 3-46-0001-050-2023**

**BIL:** Runway 13/31 rehab and lighting improvements; grading and marking

Federal Share	\$1,943,111.00
State Share	\$ 107,951.00
Local Share	\$ 107,951.00
Total	\$2,159,013.00

**Bison 3-46-0003-014-2023**

**AIP:** Airside pavement rehab (microsurface, crack seal and markings)

Federal Share	\$ 526,500.00
State Share	\$ 29,250.00
Local Share	\$ 29,250.00
Total	\$ 585,000.00

**Britton 3-46-0004-018-2023**

**AIP:** Construct avgas fuel system – construction and engineering fees

Federal Share	\$ 373,500.00
State Share	\$ 20,750.00
Local Share	\$ 20,750.00
Total	\$ 415,000.00

**Britton 3-46-0004-019-2023**

**BIL:** construct Jet A fuel system – Tank, dispensing cabinet, credit card reader, piping

Federal Share	\$ 207,000.00
State Share	\$ 11,500.00
Local Share	\$ 11,500.00
Total	\$ 230,000.00

**Brookings 3-46-0005-038-2023**

**BIL:** Purchase snow removal equipment

Federal Share	\$ 346,500.00
State Share	\$ 19,250.00
Local Share	\$ 19,250.00
Total	\$ 385,000.00

**Chamberlain 3-46-0071-017-2023**

**AIP:** Construct new terminal building

Federal Share	\$209,070.00
State Share	\$ 11,615.00
Local Share	\$ 11,615.00
Total	\$232,300.00

**Custer 3-46-0011-019-2023**

**AIP:** Construct east hangar taxilane extension, drainage improvements, earthwork, base, asphalt

Federal Share	\$ 578,000.00
State Share	\$ 32,111.00
Local Share	\$ 32,111.00
Total	\$ 642,222.00

**Custer 3-46-0011-020-2023**

**BIL:** Construct east taxilane – admin & observation, and materials testing

Federal Share	\$ 120,000.00
State Share	\$ 6,666.00
Local Share	\$ 6,667.00
Total	\$ 133,333.00

**Desmet 3-46-0063-019-2023**

**AIP:** Construct AWOS IIIP

Federal Share	\$ 280,800.00
State Share	\$ 15,600.00
Local Share	\$ 15,600.00
Total	\$ 312,000.00

**Faulkton 3-46-0016-015-2023**

**AIP:** Appraisals, land acquisition, attorney fees, exhibit A update

Federal Share	\$ 59,850.00
State Share	\$ 3,325.00
Local Share	\$ 3,325.00
Total	\$ 66,500.00

**Faith 3-46-0076-016-2023**

**AIP:** Design, replacement of MIRLs, non-lit signs, beacon, controls, electrical vault, wind cone, segmented circle

Federal Share	\$ 83,700.00
State Share	\$ 4,650.00
Local Share	\$ 4,650.00
Total	\$ 93,000.00

**Highmore 3-46-0059-016-2023****BIL:** Sealcoat and remark runway, taxiway and connectors, and hangar taxilane

Federal Share	\$ 125,234.00
State Share	\$ 6,958.00
Local Share	\$ 6,958.00
Total	\$ 139,150.00

**Madison 3-46-0029-024-2023****AIP:** Construct hangar taxilane; construction and admin/observation

Federal Share	\$ 408,600.00
State Share	\$ 22,700.00
Local Share	\$ 22,700.00
Total	\$ 454,000.00

**Madison 3-46-0029-025-2023****BIL:** Airport drive and parking lot reconstruction; admin/observation

Federal Share	\$ 304,000.00
State Share	\$ 16,888.89
Local Share	\$ 16,888.89
Total	\$ 379,125.17

**Parkston 3-46-0042-018-2023****AIP:** Design runway 15/33 connector, GA apron reconstruction

Federal Share	\$ 171,000.00
State Share	\$ 9,500.00
Local Share	\$ 9,500.00
Total	\$ 190,000.00

**Philip 3-46-0043-016-2023****AIP:** Design 12/30 reconstruction with turnarounds – includes aquatic and cultural surveys, and geotechnical exploration

Federal Share	\$ 207,000.00
State Share	\$ 11,500.00
Local Share	\$ 11,500.00
Total	\$ 230,000.00

**Rosebud 3-46-0082-018-2023****AIP:** Construct AWOS IIIP

Federal Share	\$279,000.00
State Share	\$ 15,500.00
Local Share	\$ 15,500.00
Total	\$310,000.00

**Rosebud 3-46-0082-019-2023****BIL:** Engineering for the AWOS-IIIP

Federal Share	\$ 112,500.00
State Share	\$ 6,250.00
Local Share	\$ 6,250.00
Total	\$ 125,000.00

**Sisseton 3-46-0051-021-2023****AIP:** Construct apron security fencing improvements, install 10' chain link

Federal Share	\$126,900.00
State Share	\$ 7,050.00
Local Share	\$ 7,050.00
Total	\$141,000.00

**Sturgis 3-46-0054-021-2023****AIP:** Construct AWOS-IIIP, including design, bidding, cultural and aquatic resource surveys

Federal Share	\$ 139,500.00
State Share	\$ 7,750.00
Local Share	\$ 7,750.00
Total	\$ 155,000.00

**Sturgis 3-46-0054-022-2023****BIL:** Construct AWOS IIP

Federal Share	\$ 234,000.00
State Share	\$ 13,000.00
Local Share	\$ 13,000.00
Total	\$ 260,000.00

**Tea 3-46-0057-020-2023****AIP:** Phase 1 apron reconstruction (200' x 270' north portion)

Federal Share	\$ 832,500.00
State Share	\$ 65,160.00
Local Share	\$ 46,250.00
Total	\$ 943,910.00

**Wall 3-46-0069-015-2023****AIP:** AGIS update after 12/30 reconstruction, extension and widening

Federal Share	\$ 95,000.00
State Share	\$ 5,278.00
Local Share	\$ 5,278.00
Total	\$105,556.00

**Watertown 3-46-0058-043-2023****AIP:** Design partial parallel taxiway C and B, including aquatic survey and geotechnical exploration

Federal Share	\$ 499,500.00
State Share	\$ 27,750.00
Local Share	\$ 27,750.00
Total	\$ 555,000.00

**Watertown 3-46-0058-044-2023****BIL:** Design partial parallel taxiway and ag operations area

Federal Share	\$ 130,500.00
State Share	\$ 7,250.00
Local Share	\$ 7,250.00
Total	\$ 145,000.00

**Wessington Springs 3-46-0080-016-2023****AIP:** Construct taxiway/taxilane improvements - correct direct access to apron, extend taxilane

Federal Share	\$ 1,048,500.00
State Share	\$ 58,250.00
Local Share	\$ 58,250.00
Total	\$ 1,165,000.00

**Wessington Springs 3-46-0080-017-2023****BIL:** Taxiway/taxilane improvements including electrical and engineering

Federal Share	\$252,000.00
State Share	\$ 14,000.00
Local Share	\$ 14,000.00
Total	\$280,000.00

**Yankton 3-46-0062-038-2023****AIP:** Construct north hangar taxilanes, access road and 20 end turnaround- admin/observation and AGIA

Federal Share	\$ 1,233,000.00
State Share	\$ 68,500.00
Local Share	\$ 68,500.00
Total	\$ 1,370,000.00

**Yankton 3-46-0062-037-2023****BIL:** North hangar taxilanes, access road

Federal Share	\$ 304,000.00
State Share	\$ 16,000.00
Local Share	\$ 16,000.00
Total	\$ 347,025.00

**SDDOT Pavement Maintenance 3-46-4600-029-2023****AIP:** Pavement maintenance for South Dakota Airports

Federal Share	\$ 1,093,500.00
State Share	\$ 60,750.00
Local Share	\$ 60,750.00
Total	\$ 1,215,000.00

A MOTION WAS MADE by Johnson and seconded by Odenbach to approve the AIP and BIL grants as presented for Watertown only. All present voted aye by roll call vote except for Rieber who abstained. The motion carried.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Rieber and seconded by Huggins to approve the AIP and BIL grants as presented except Watertown and Britton. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Rieber and seconded by Huggins to approve the AIP and BIL grants for Britton without any state match because the project is considered revenue producing. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.



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Nancy Hiller, Office of Air, Rail, and Transit, presented to the Commission the local results of the 2023 International Aviation Art Contest.

Hiller shared the total cost of the prizes is \$1,106.81. The South Dakota Pilots Association has donated \$600.00 towards the purchase of these prizes and the Department of Transportation (the "Department") is requesting the Aeronautics Commission approve the remaining costs of \$506.81 be paid for using the Aeronautics Fund.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Huggins and seconded by Johnson to approve the expenditure of \$506.81 from the Aeronautics Fund for the balance cost of the art contest prizes. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Hiller presented to the Commission their consideration of a request to amend the state match to 2022 AIP project Yankton Municipal Airport AIP #3-46-0062-36-202 in the amount of \$557.40.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Rieber and seconded by Huggins to approve the increased state match on 2022 AIP project Yankton Municipal Airport AIP #3-46-0062-36-2022 in the amount of \$557.40. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Becker presented for the Commission's consideration information requested by Chairman Odenbach on funding for non-federal AWOS3 maintenance. Becker shared that the Department has received annual maintenance estimates from various vendors, and they range from \$21,600 to \$61,200 for all nine sites in South Dakota. He shared the following scenarios for the Commission to consider:

**Scenario 1:** The State acts as the contract administrator without making any financial contribution towards the maintenance fees incurred by the sponsors.

**Scenario 2:** The State covers 100% of the sponsor's maintenance fees, relieving them of any financial obligation.

**Scenario 3:** The State pays a reduced percentage of the total contract amount, sharing the maintenance costs with the sponsors.

The Commission asked the Department to get more specifics costs/ quotes for each of the nine airports, work out agreement details, and then report back to the Commission. Once these finer details are determined, the Commission can then decide a direction on this topic.

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With no further business to come before the Commission, Odenbach adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m. CT