

# SOUTH DAKOTA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. CT

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

## COMMISSIONER PRESENT

**VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Eric Odenbach, Chairman  
Bob Huggins, Vice-Chairman  
Christopher Funk  
John Taylor  
Jerry Rieber (joined at 2:02 p.m.)

**DOT STAFF PRESENT:** Joel Jundt, Kellie Beck, Jon Becker, Katlyn Wieme, Jacob Howard, and Kari Kroll

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VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Jack Dokken and Dustin DeBoer

**OTHERS PRESENT  
VIA CONFERENCE CALL:** Steve Hamilton – South Dakota Pilots Association; Brooke Edgar – Helms and Associates; Rod Senn – Mead & Hunt; Dan Letellier – Sioux Falls Regional Airport, and Patrick Dame – Rapid City Regional Airport

Chairman Eric Odenbach called the meeting of the South Dakota Aeronautics Commission (the “Commission”) to order at 2:00 p.m. CT. 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 commissioners disclosed a conflict of interest nor requested a waiver.

Commissioner Jerry Rieber joined the call at 2:02 p.m.

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Odenbach asked for a motion to approve the April 18, 2024 Commission meeting minutes.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Huggins and seconded by Taylor to approve the April 18, 2024 Commission meeting minutes. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Odenbach opened the floor to public comment.

No members of the public addressed the Commission or offered input.

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Secretary Jundt presented the Secretary's Report. He shared that Congress has passed and President Biden has signed the new FAA Reauthorization bill. He noted that funding apportionments for essential airports increased by 111%, service grants for small airports increased by 50%, and the funding for Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants increased to \$4 billion.

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Jundt presented to the Commission the draft of the South Dakota Airport Terminal Funding Application for the Commission's review. He shared that the Letter of Intent (LOI) for SB144 was approved by the Joint Committee on Appropriations on May 21, 2024, and recommended the following timeline for action:

1. Applications due to the Commission on June 10, 2024
2. Applications are heard by the Commission on June 20, 2024, at the Commission meeting
3. Decisions on which applications to fund are made on July 18, 2024, at the Commission meeting

A MOTION WAS MADE by Taylor and seconded by Funk to move forward as recommended by the Secretary. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Jon Becker, Office of Air, Rail and Transit, presented to the Commission for their consideration the following AIP and Bi-partisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) application.

**Aberdeen 3-46-0001-051-2024**

**BIL:** Acquire friction measuring equipment

Federal Share	\$ 99,000.00
State Share	\$ 5,500.00
Local Share	\$ 5,500.00
Total	\$110,000.00

**Hot Springs 3-46-0020-018-2024**

**AIP:** Construct hangar taxilane extension and hangar approaches (non-AIP).

Federal Share	\$ 324,000.00
State Share	\$ 18,000.00
Local Share	\$ 112,437.00
Total	\$454,437.00

**Milbank 3-46-0034-021-2024****AIP:** Design runway 13 end turnaround reconstruction; Geotech; aquatic resource study.

Federal Share	\$ 90,000.00
State Share	\$ 5,000.00
Local Share	\$ 5,000.00
Total	\$100,000.00

**Onida 3-46-0041-017-2024****BIL:** Design and construct AWOS-IIIP.

Federal Share	\$378,000.00
State Share	\$ 21,000.00
Local Share	\$ 21,000.00
Total	\$420,000.00

**Sioux Falls 3-46-0050-064-2024****AIP:** Environmental, design and bidding for east cargo apron expansion

Federal Share	\$ 414,000.00
State Share	\$ 23,000.00
Local Share	\$ 23,000.00
Total	\$460,000.00

**Tea FAA-ARP-AIP-G 001****AIP:** Supplemental discretionary. Reconstruction of hangar taxilane.

Federal Share	\$ 1,197,000.00
State Share	\$ 66,500.00
Local Share	\$ 66,500.00
Total	\$1,330,000.00

**Wagner 3-46-0057-021-2024****AIP:** Engineering for AWOS-IIIP w/cultural and aquatic resource survey.

Federal Share	\$72,800.00
State Share	\$ 4,000.00
Local Share	\$ 4,000.00
Total	\$80,000.00

**Wagner 3-46-0057-022-2024****BIL:** Construction of AWOS-IIIP.

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

**Yankton 3-46-0062-039-2024**

**BIL:** Design and bidding reconstruction of PCC apron in front of GA terminal.

Federal Share	\$ 80,600.00
State Share	\$ 4,500.00
Local Share	\$ 14,900.00
Total	\$100,000.00

A MOTION WAS MADE by Huggins and seconded by Taylor to approve all the AIP and BIL grant applications. All present voted aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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Becker presented to the Commission for their consideration a request from the City of Mitchell for \$4,280 of their fuel tax funds to pay for an updated VOR MHE VDME information sign at the Mitchell airport.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Rieber and seconded by Funk to approve the request from the City of Mitchell. All present vote aye by roll call vote. The motion carried.

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With no further business to come before the Commission, Odenbach adjourned the meeting at 2:23 p.m. CT.

