

Minutes - Airport Advisory Committee Meeting
March 2, 1976 - 7:30 p.m.
Port/Chamber Conference Room

Present: Members Sterling Hanel, Ted Ekker, Jay Lawhon, Arne Udelius and Chuck Smith. Also present were John Weber, Dallas Dusenbery, Mel Lingren and Don Bonta.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as distributed. Jay Lawhon read the notes of a report made from the meeting with Century West Engineering of Bend, which was attended by Jay Lawhon and Ted Ekker. This was discussed at some length with Dallas Dusenbery saying they were to get six or seven proposals, and from these proposals pick three or four of the firms and have them all in for a one day meeting to try to pick out a firm to do the best job for us. There was discussion of what a master plan is and how it is arrived at, with the different people involved and the different problems and benefits.

Jay Lawhon had found maps of the previous State Board of Aeronautics master plan and layout of 1971. These were looked at and discussed and it was pointed out that they no longer fit except in general ways because of the acquisition of the property to the north of the airport from Mr. Wright. These maps were turned over to Dallas Dusenbery.

Discussion was held regarding how the Port Commission is doing on getting the easements for aviation settled as required by the FAA from the County, and Dallas Dusenbery said the easements or condemnation proceedings had been filed on the Sherrell and Grunke property and are now being processed. He also brought up that the title to the property, the airport, from the County to the Port has not been completed as yet, and this was being cleared as fast as possible.

At the previous meeting we had talked about the twelve tie downs that were approved for installation at the airport, and had had a motion to ask for \$3,000.00 for that, plus grading and general clean up at the airport. John Weber gave us a report that at a Port meeting the Commissioners had approved the tie downs, with a \$2,000.00 fund to be used for these tie downs, the grading and clean up. We are waiting for a dry time to mow the grass so we can find out where the tie downs will be and get them started. John Weber reported that he had talked to Percy Jensen of the Hood River County Fair Board, and Percy had given okay on using their mowing equipment. Details are to be worked out later. It was suggested that a heavy mower be used first to get the rough stuff knocked down and then use the smaller Fair Board mower from then on. Ted Ekker has the equipment to do the mowing and the hole digging for the tie downs, and he agreed to go out by or around the 6th of March and do the first mowing job and get the holes ready for the tie downs. Motion was made by Chuck Smith, seconded by Arne Udelius, to set aside \$300.00 of the \$2,000.00 to be used for tie downs, if they cost that much, and the balance of the \$2,000.00 to be used for grading, mainly on the southeast corner from the gas pumps east and to the south of the taxiway, in that general area, grading and leveling as far as the money will go. This motion was passed. It was discussed and agreed upon that half inch iron rod about 30 inches long with about an eight inch plate on the bottom welded to it should be sufficient to serve for these tie downs on a temporary basis.

Hanel Lumber Company has a grader and some equipment available for doing the grading and we had previously agreed that if he had the equipment and the time we would like to have him do the grading and leveling. A motion was made by Arne Udelius, seconded by Jay Lawhon, to have Hanel's do this grading as far as the balance of the \$2,000.00 will go. The motion was passed.


It was agreed that since Ted Ekker has the mowing equipment and the hole diggers and lives close by, he would do the first job of mowing and hole digging and this would be classed as regular maintenance and not part of the \$2,000.00 set aside. John Weber said this would be no problem, since it is the Port Commission's announced intention to do a general clean up job and get the grass mowed anyway at the airport. Mr. Hanel said he would move his equipment to the airport probably within the next week and get started on the grading as soon as the weather is dry enough to permit it.

Dallas Dusenbery advised the Committee that the Port was meeting with the State Board of Aeronautics members, in this room, at 7:30 p.m. on March 11, and would like to have as many committee members attend as possible.

The next regular meeting of the Airport Advisory Committee will be in this room, at 7:30 p.m., on Tuesday, March 16, 1976.

This being about as far as we could go for this session, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Jay Lawton, Secretary