

City of Colville
Airport Board Minutes
8 March 2017

The meeting began at 6:05 pm

In attendance:

Board Members: Bud Budinger, Gary Gibson, Steve Pietroburgo, Derrol Sater, Jerry Sater, Airport Manager Dave Garringer

Absent: Jon Bateman

City Council: Ms. Annie Lawson

Public: Steve Beattie, Julie Howell, Scott Platz (Avista Corp.), Ken Sampson (Avista Corp.), Josef Sinka, Dave Shaw

Budget: Dave has sent expenditure reports via email to the Board. He reviewed the 2016 close-out figures. The expense and income statement indicates a deficit of \$26,000. Most of this is accounted for by unforeseen expense to replace the HVAC (\$11,000) and unsold fuel in the tank at year-end (\$10,500).

Old Business:

- 1. Natural Gas.** Mssrs. Sampson and Platz related to the Board and public some details regarding the opportunity to run gas lines and install meters to individual hangars. Mr. Sampson has worked out the cost of installing gas service to all hangars on the east side at \$27000. Currently, Avista Corp. offers a \$4480 cost "allowance" for each meter installed, which means that 6 installations would cover the cost of gas lines to the entire area. Attendees were able to view a plan for installation and Mr. Sampson stated that where lines intersect existing pavement they would be able to push under the pavement without excavation. Meters would be placed at the rear, gabled ends of hangars and work could begin in April. Dave Garringer will collect names of hangar owners interested for forwarding to Avista.
- 2. Replumbing the fuel tank.** Derrol has been in touch with a company that recommends replumbing with materials other than stainless steel. He will get an estimate this coming week on refitting the system with UV-resistant plastic piping.
- 3. Beacon.** The beacon was repaired and Dave has researched some replacement information. Avista Corp. does offer some financial incentives for replacing the beacon with a more efficient technology. However, Dave reported that LED beacons are not available although other forms

of LED airport lighting are. He estimates that a replacement would cost \$4000-\$4500, some of which could be borne by the utility.

4. **Capital Facilities.** The City will make application this year for a grant from the Washington Department of Transportation in order to complete the engineering work required to widen, repave and possible realign the runway and taxiway "A". The planned storage shed will continue but the projected cost is now below the threshold for including it in the Capital Facilities Plan.

New Business:

1. **Board Vacancies.** There are now three vacancies on the Airport Advisory Board.

The next Airport Board Meeting will be June 7, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the Airport Office.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Pietroburgo, Secretary