

MINUTES
Nebraska Aeronautics Commission
August 29, 2008

The Nebraska Aeronautics Commission held their regular meeting at the department's offices, Lincoln, Nebraska. Chairman Ken Risk called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. CDT. Commissioners Steve Wooden, Doug Vap, Barry Colacurci, and Dorothy Anderson were in attendance. Also present were Director Stuart MacTaggart, Project Management Division Manager Russ Gasper, and Flight Operations and Aviation Services Division Manager Bill Lyon, and Deputy Director Andre Aman.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Wooden to approve the minutes of the June 13, 2008 meeting as published. Second by Commissioner Anderson. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

Report of State Funds

A written report of state funds available was presented by Andre Aman.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION
Nebraska Aeronautics Commission
August 29, 2008

PROJECT GRANT FUND

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Funds available May 31, 2008 | | \$223,173.56 |
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| Commission Actions (6/13/08 meeting) | | |
| Closed Project - Fremont SA-12 | \$7,537.87 | |
| Closed Project - North Platte 21 | \$6,298.59 | |
| Closed Project - Plattsmouth 07 | \$7,727.86 | |
| Closed Project - Thedford 03 | \$26.72 | |
| Subtotal | | \$21,591.04 |
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| Other Actions | | |
| None | | |
| Subtotal | | \$0.00 |
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| Funds available July 31, 2008 | | \$244,764.60 |

Funds available August 2007: \$278,039.48

STATE OWNED AIRFIELDS (SOA) DIVERSION GRANT FUND

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| Funds available May 31, 2008 | \$0.00 |
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Commission Actions (6/13/08 meeting)

None

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| Funds available July 31, 2008 | \$0.00 |
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*Funds available August 2007: \$0***SEAL COAT GRANT FUND**

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| Funds available May 31, 2008 | \$167,890.77 |
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Commission Actions (6/13/08 meeting)

None

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| Subtotal | \$0.00 |
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Other Actions

None

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| Subtotal | \$0.00 |
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| Funds available July 31, 2008 | \$167,890.77 |
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*Funds available August 2007: \$162,811.01***HANGAR REVOLVING LOAN FUND**

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| Funds available May 31, 2008 | \$641,411.81 |
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Commission Actions (6/13/08 meeting)

None

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| Subtotal | \$0.00 |
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Other Actions

None

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| Subtotal | \$0.00 |
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Receipts

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| | \$40,311.9 | |
| June 2008 | 3 | |
| | \$35,609.0 | |
| July 2008 | 0 | |
| Subtotal | | \$75,920.93 |

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| Funds available July 31, 2008 | \$717,332.74 |
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*Funds available August 2007: - \$421,889.45**Total amount in Hangar Loan fund: \$3,768,360***FUEL STORAGE LOAN FUND**

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| Funds available May 31, 2008 | \$89,422.78 |
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| <u>Commission Actions (6/13/08 meeting)</u> | | |
| None | | |
| Subtotal | | \$0.00 |
| <u>Other Actions</u> | | |
| None | | |
| Subtotal | | \$0.00 |
| <u>Receipts</u> | | |
| June 2008 | \$3,372.95 | |
| July 2008 | <u>\$3,372.95</u> | |
| Subtotal | | \$6,745.90 |
| Funds available July 31, 2008 | | <u>\$96,168.68</u> |
| <i>Funds available August 2007: \$97,230.97</i> | | |
| <i>Total amount in Fuel Storage fund: \$336,500</i> | | |

NON-PRIMARY ENTITLEMENT TRANSFER PROGRAM

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|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Funds available May 31, 2008 | | \$3,800.00 |
| <u>Funds Disbursed</u> | | |
| Superior Municipal Airport | -\$100.00 | |
| Subtotal | | -\$100.00 |
| Funds available July 31, 2008 | | <u>\$3,700.00</u> |

NOTE: Commissioner Wooden asked if is possible to transfer funds from the Hangar Loan Fund into the state's Project Grant Fund, should that fund fall short of their needs. Ms. Aman replied that, while it may not be a good practice, it can be done.

Federal Projects

Russ Gasper presented the following projects. The airport sponsors are requesting Commission approval for the CIP data sheets to be forwarded to the FAA, as required by state statutes. The FAA considers the requests for future federal funding as funds become available. No state funds are requested at this time.

Blair X02

Scope: Grade, Pave & Light Taxiway to Runway 31
Total Estimated Cost: \$1,216,500

Construction and paving of a partial parallel taxiway from the center connecting taxiway to the runway 31 end turnaround will allow aircraft to taxi off runway 31 and increase safety on the airport. Grading and drainage structure to the taxiway will prepare for paving the taxiway. After the partial parallel taxiway to runway 13/31 is constructed medium intensity taxiway lights will provide a visual guide for pilots thus making the taxiway safer. A new 2-box PAPI for runway 31 will provide

visual glide slope for pilots thus making landing on runway 31 safer.

Creighton G01

Scope: Replace Wind Cone

Total Estimated Cost: \$24,000

The existing wind cone is in need of replacement. Replacement parts for this style of wind cone are becoming more difficult to purchase. The new wind cone will be an internally lit LED wind cone. New conduit and cable were replaced during the runway rehabilitation project in 2007.

Red Cloud G01

Scope: Replace Wind Cone

Total Estimated Cost: \$46,000

The existing wind cone is in need of replacement. Replacement parts for this style of wind cone are becoming more difficult to find. The new wind cone will be an internally lit LED wind cone. New conduit, counterpoise and cable will be installed from the wind cone to the electrical vault.

Motion by Commissioner Colacurci to approve the use of federal funds for the above projects. Second by Commissioner Wooden. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Hangar Loan and State Aid Requests

Jerry Schultz and Greg Lower presented the following for the Columbus Airport Authority.

Columbus SA-11

Scope: 10-place 60' x 255' Nested T-Hangar, 48' Doors

Total Estimated Cost: \$291,000 (State Funds: \$203,700; Sponsor Funds \$87,300)

It would be located south of the existing t-hangar as shown on the ALP. There is a waiting list from current and area aircraft owners that need hangar space for aircraft.

Columbus SA-11

Scope: Hangar Taxilane Paving

Total Estimated Cost: \$68,000 (State Funds: \$61,200; Sponsor Funds: \$6,800)

With the hangar construction, Columbus needs to pave taxilanes to the hangar. This request is being made because pavement beyond 27.5-ft of the hangar is not eligible under the hangar loan program.

Harold Stewart and Diane Hofer presented the following for the City of Ogallala.

Ogallala H-03

Scope: 65' x 80' Shop Hangar with 60' door

Total Estimated Cost: \$360,000 (State Funds: \$252,000; Sponsor Funds: \$108,000)

The City of Ogallala currently leases hangar space to the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP). The hangar they are in is no longer big enough for their needs. The city would like to build a bigger hangar with a larger door to allow for the possibility of storing a helicopter in addition to other aircraft. There is a possibility the NSP may have to move their operation if a new hangar isn't

built and the city would like to keep them in Ogallala.

Ogallala SA-6

Scope: Hangar Taxilane Paving

Total Estimated Cost: \$38,000 (State Funds: \$34,200; Sponsor Funds: \$3,800)

With the hangar construction, Ogallala needs to pave taxilanes to the hangar. This request is being made because pavement beyond 27.5-ft of the hangar is not eligible under the hangar loan program.

Commissioner Wooden expressed concern about approving a grant at this meeting which may well have a lower priority than the requests scheduled to go before the Commission in November. He cited Columbus' taxilane request as an example. The Commission queried the Columbus airport manager, Jerry Schultz, if the airport could cover this expense if the grant request were disapproved or if approval were delayed until it could be heard in November. Mr. Schultz said yes, the airport could afford the expense. Mr. MacTaggart then posed another option to the Commission; however, this option is not consistent with the hangar loan program which only funds pavement within approximately 25-ft of the hangar. With this option, the Commission could approve a loan in an amount to include both the hangar and the taxilane, so the airport's project would not be delayed. In November, the airport could request a grant to replace the taxilane portion of the loan. Motion by Commissioner Wooden to approve the hangar loan for \$203,700 and include the taxilane paving (\$61,200) in the hangar loan. Second by Commissioner Vap. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Commissioner Colacurci expressed that Ogallala's request should be approved as presented because the building is for the State Patrol and there could be security issues with the State Patrol sharing a building open to the public. Commissioner Colacurci made a motion to approve the hangar loan and state aid request as presented. Second by Commissioner Vap. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Closed Projects

Motion by Commissioner Wooden to close the following projects and return the excess funds to the project grant fund. Second by Commissioner Vap. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**Closed Projects
August 29, 2008**

| | Original State Allocation | Increase in State Funds Required | Decrease in State Funds Required |
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| Airport Blair SA-5 (AWOS III) | \$ 57,513.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 2,633.75 |
| Fairbury 06/07 (Parking lot; fuel farm; Construct part parl | | | |

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| taxiway) | \$ 15,301.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Fairbury 08 (Complete parallel taxiway) | \$ 12,108.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 372.75 |
| Grand Island 29 (SRE) | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Rushville 03 (Aviation fuel system) | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Sargent 02 (Land) | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Sidney SA-7 (Hangar taxiway) | \$ 20,700.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Tekamah SA-7 (Update ALP) | \$ 32,400.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 827.03 |
| Thedford 02 (Land) | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Thedford 04 (Widen, extend runway) | \$ 14,000.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 2,901.41 |
| Valentine SA-10 (PAPI's) | \$ 135,810.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 13,356.72 |
| Wayne 07 (ALP) | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| | | | Totals |
| | \$ 287,832.00 | \$ 0.00 | \$ 20,091.66 |

Net Decrease - \$20,091.66

Department Report

Mr. MacTaggart explained that the department will meet or exceed the Governor's goal of 3% saving over current expenditures. He further commented that revenue figures have varied, plus or minus \$250,000 per year, over the past 10 years. He confirmed that Mr. Vap and Ms. Anderson will be attending the FAA Airports conference in September, and asked that the Commissioners contact him with any topics they would like aired at the conference. He relayed

that the FAA safety team (FAAST) visited the department and that he envisioned a healthy relationship with the members: Bobby Reed; Chris Mathe; June Tonsing; and Verle Engel. He then introduced the university's nominee to fly the Saratoga: Mr. Darrell Nelson. Mr. Rick Perk and Greg Love further explained the program. Finally, Mr. MacTaggart thanked Commissioner Anderson for orchestrating the annual, state fly-in at Holdrege and presented her with a framed, aerial photograph of the event.

The next meetings were tentatively set for Thursday, November 6 at Cozad (1:00pm) and Friday, November 7 at Lincoln (1:00 pm) CDT.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Submitted by,

Stuart MacTaggart
Secretary