

MINUTES
Nebraska Aeronautics Commission
December 17, 2004

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

Fuel System Discussion

Joe Even, Yant Equipment Co.
Roger Johnson, Plattsmouth Airport
Lance Schipporeit, Ainsworth Airport

General discussion about credit card fueling systems available. Joe and Lance gave Commissioners hand-outs with detailed information about various systems. Anticipate 2-3% service charge for using credit card. Systems can be installed that allow airport to bill tenants. Tenant cards avoid service charges. Roger Johnson indicated that Plattsmouth Airport Authority anticipates \$1,000 - \$2,000 per year for maintenance. Plattsmouth system was installed in 1999 as a stand alone unit. Need dedicated telephone line (\$60 - \$80 per month).

Satellite systems are available to replace telephone lines. Satellite installation costs approximately \$1,500 and there is an on-going monthly fee of \$40 - \$50. Satellite systems can reduce service charges from the credit card company by as much as 1%.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Wooden to approve the minutes of the September 29 and October 1 meetings as published. Second by Commissioner Risk. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

State Requests

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

FINANCIAL INFORMATION
 Nebraska Aeronautics Commission
 December 17, 2004

PROJECT GRANT FUND

Funds available August 31, 2004	\$470,553.93
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Commission Actions (10/01/04 meeting)

Blair allocation	\$100,000.00
Chappell allocation	-\$4,565.00
Hartington allocation	-\$11,960.00
Kimball allocation	-\$13,000.00
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Omaha-Eppley allocation	\$100,000.00
Oshkosh allocation	-\$11,200.00
Pawnee City allocation	-\$54,000.00
Seward allocation	-\$16,526.00
Sidney allocation	-\$18,640.00
South Sioux allocation	-\$75,600.00
Closed Project - Alliance 09	\$9,166.85
Closed Project - Fairbury 03	\$114.15
Closed Project - Nebraska City 05/06	\$2,850.42
Closed Project - Neligh 01	\$2,830.81
Transfer in from SOA Diversion Grant Fund	\$17,836.52

Subtotal	\$372,692.25
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Other Actions

None

Funds available November 30, 2004	\$97,861.68
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Funds available December 2003: \$288,444.26

STATE OWNED AIRFIELDS (SOA) DIVERSION GRANT FUND

Funds available August 31, 2004	\$17,836.52
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Commission Actions (10/01/04 meeting)

Transfer out to Project Grant Fund	-\$17,836.52
Subtotal	-\$17,836.52

Funds available November 30, 2004	\$0.00
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Funds available December 2003: \$17,836.52

SEAL COAT GRANT FUND

Funds available August 31, 2004		\$75,435.46
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Commission Actions (10/01/04 meeting)		
None		
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Other Actions (10/01/04 meeting)		
Closed Project - Arapahoe SA-6P	\$4,477.06	
Closed Project - Thedford SA-9P	\$8,179.12	
Subtotal		<u>\$12,656.18</u>
Funds available November 30, 2004		\$88,091.64

Funds available December 2003: \$125,435.46

HANGAR REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Funds available August 31, 2004		\$243,762.04
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Commission Actions (10/01/04 meeting)		
None		
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Receipts		
September 2004	\$32,333.30	
October 2004	\$31,223.55	
November 2004	\$44,012.30	
Subtotal		<u>\$107,569.15</u>
Funds available November 30, 2004		\$351,331.19

Funds available December 2003: \$138,654.34

Total amount in Hangar Loan fund: \$3,768,360

FUEL STORAGE LOAN FUND

Funds available August 31, 2004		\$150,747.72
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Commission Actions (10/01/04 meeting)		
None		
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Receipts		
September 2004	\$3,405.64	
October 2004	\$3,534.95	
November 2004	\$3,891.95	
Subtotal		<u>\$10,832.54</u>
Funds available November 30, 2004		\$161,580.26

Funds available December 2003: \$129,235.82

Total amount in Fuel Storage fund: \$336,500

Federal Projects

Anna Lannin presented the following projects. The airport sponsors are requesting approval for the use of federal funds. No state funds are requested at this time.

Alliance M-02

Scope: Lighted Wind Cones Runways 30 and 36; install runway signs for 12/30

Total Estimated Cost: \$52,375

The supplemental lighted wind cones and signs are required for Part 139 airports. These items will be added to the airports FY 06 project.

Blair M01

Scope: Wind Cone & Airport Layout Update

Total Estimated Cost: \$19,457

The FAA has not completed an airspace study for the planned runway and is requiring an ALP update prior to starting the study. The runway paving can not begin until the FAA's study is complete. Also, as part of the airport upgrade, a new windcone will be required.

The Commission requested an update on the current status of Blair's project. To date, approximately \$8 million in federal funds have been granted to the project. The grading is under construction and should be finished in about a month. The paving project is in the design phase and we hope to award the paving contract later this fiscal year.

Chadron B01

Scope: New Snow Removal Equipment Building

Total Estimated Cost: \$170,000

The City of Chadron requires a building to store and maintain their equipment. The City is requesting a project to purchase an existing building for use as a SRE Building.

Falls City SRE & Building

Scope: Purchase Snow Removal Equipment and Construct SRE Building

Total Estimated Cost: \$298,000

The airport currently has one older tractor which is inadequate for timely snow removal. The Airport Authority wishes to purchase snow removal equipment. The Airport Authority is also requesting a new SRE Storage Building.

Grand Island M02

Scope: Security Improvements per TSA Airport Security Category Change.

Total Estimated Cost: \$90,000

In accordance with Title 49, Section 1542 Airport Category III designation, the CNRA is required to upgrade the current security system. The security improvements will consist of security gate access, computerized monitoring system, media badge printer, camera and access control cards.

Lexington B01

Scope: Construct Terminal Building, Construct Parking Lot for New Terminal Building, Construct Access Road to new Terminal Building, Construct above ground fuel system

Total Estimated Cost: \$550,000

The existing terminal building is about 30 years old and is in poor condition due to improper construction, water damage and age. The cost to repair the building would be similar to the cost to construct a new building. A new building is planned because it will result in a better end product and the new building can be placed in a more central location within the building area.

A paved parking lot and entrance road are essential to provide access to the proposed new terminal building. The existing road parking lot and road are paved. Therefore, new facilities will be paved as well.

Presently the airport is only able to be open 44 hours per week. A self-serve (credit card) 100LL system would be available on a 24 hour basis, therefore transient and local aircraft would have much better service.

Oshkosh M01

Scope: Construct Snow Removal Equipment (SRE) Building
Aviation Fuel System Upgrade

Total Estimated Cost: \$199,000

A building for the snow removal equipment will improve its useful life and make seasonal maintenance easier.

Twenty four hours per day of self service fueling will decrease work load of Airport Authority members and possibly increase fueling from transient aircraft. The existing pump, hose, grounding/bonding wire, fire extinguishers and reels are old and need to be replaced.

Scottsbluff M01

Scope: Construct Supplemental Lighted Wind Cones at each approach

Total Estimated Cost: \$62,000

Supplemental lighted wind cones are required for Part 139 airports.

Sidney R02

Scope: Install Lighting Taxiway Guidance Signs

Total Estimated Cost: \$120,000

The airport receives considerable itinerant traffic, whose pilots are not always familiar with the airport layout and location of services. Installing lighted guidance signs will provide additional guidance to and from the runways and improve safety, especially at the 7 hold lines.

Holdrege M01

Scope: Aviation Fuel Credit Card System

Total Estimated Cost: \$23,000

Twenty four hours per day of self service fueling will decrease work load of FBO and Airport Authority members and possibly increase fueling from transient aircraft. The system can be monitored by off-site computer and fueling records are easily maintained.

Discussion

Motion by Commissioner Barry Colacurci to approve the use of federal funds for the projects listed above. Second by Commissioner Doug Vap. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Fuel Storage Loan Request

Broken Bow Fuel Loan

Scope: Credit Card System

Total Estimated Cost: \$22,686

The Broken Bow Airport Authority made a request for a loan to purchase a credit card operated 100LL aviation fuel dispensing machine to replace the current Card-Trol fuel dispensing machine.

Estimated cost of the credit card machine and installation is estimated to be between \$13,000 and \$15,000. Operating expenses will include a dedicated telephone line attached to a credit card clearinghouse at \$54.00 per month and the service fee from the credit card clearinghouse estimated at 3% - 5% of sales per month at \$180-\$300 per month.

The FBO, Mr. James Lohman, has taken another job and will no longer be providing 100LL fuel at the Broken Bow airport after October 1. The Card-Trol system, which requires a system card but cannot accept credit cards, has worked well over the past years but will no longer be a viable solution for transient aircraft as no FBO will be on duty to oversee fuel sales. Our current fuel sales operator estimates we should sell 30,000 gallons of aviation fuel on a yearly basis.

Motion by Commissioner Risk to approve the use of \$15,880 funds for the project listed above. Second by Commissioner Hulme. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Closed Projects

Motion by Commissioner Ken Risk to close the following projects and return the excess funds to the project grant fund. Second by Commissioner Barry Colacurci. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**Closed Projects
December 17, 2004**

<u>Airport</u>	<u>Original State Allocation</u>	<u>Increase in State Funds Required</u>	<u>Decrease in State Funds Required</u>
Chappell SA-5 (Displace threshold)	\$ 4,565.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.08
Cozad SA-8 (PAPI)	\$ 56,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,061.89
Holdrege 03 (Rehab runway)	\$ 12,600.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,108.32
Lexington 04 (Rebuild hangar taxiways)	\$ 9,900.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,136.77
Minden 05 (Land; SRE)	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
NDA 03 (AWOS equipment and construction)	\$ 63,400.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,507.15
Totals	\$ 146,465.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 24,814.21

Net Decrease Total - \$24,814.21

Approval of State Pilot

Parker D. Lucas

Discussion of "Place-naming" Process in Federal Legislation

Mr. MacTaggart and Ms. Lannin recapped the methods of funding airport projects, addressing "primary" and "general aviation" airports, the types of funding available as well as the impact of place-naming. The Commission then discussed and signed a resolution to go forward to Nebraska's Congressional delegation, requesting restraint in place-naming general aviation airport projects when federal dollars are taken from state apportionment funds.

Election of Chairperson for 2005

Commissioner Doug Vap was unanimously elected as Chairman of the Nebraska Aeronautics

Commission.

Department Report

Ms. Aman presented a draft proposal of LB 824, "Aviation Promotion." The Commission approved the draft.

The next meeting was tentatively set for Friday, February 11, 2005, 1:00 p.m. CDT in the Lincoln offices.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Submitted by,

Stuart MacTaggart
Secretary