

**Gogebic-Iron County Airport
Special Board Meeting Minutes**

**Gogebic-Iron County Airport
Airline Terminal
N11800 Skyway Ln.
Ironwood, MI 49938**

**July 22, 2021
9:00 A.M.**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 A.M. by Mr. Hanson.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: (5) Mr. Byrns, Mr. Lorensen, Mr. Siirila, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Hanson

Absent: (0) None

Others Present: Mike Harma, Kristi Freeman, Tom LaVenture & Members of the Public

Approval of the Minutes

1. July 12, 2021 – Regular Board Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Snyder and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes as presented.

Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Lorensen, supported by Mr. Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda as presented.

Citizens Wishing to Address the Airport Board on Agenda Items (5 Minute Limit)

None

Essential Air Service

1. Denver Air Connection

Denver Air Connection had three presenters – Mr. Jon Coleman, Mr. Marc Hesting and Ms. Amanda Hall who provided informational packets to each member in attendance. Denver Air presented and discussed airline facts, sufficient baggage space, trained pilots, and high maintenance standards. Denver Air noted a 99.75% completion rate with a 97.10% on-time arrival rate from 2020 with only one maintenance cancellation for the last two years. The airline offered two 2-year term proposals using the ERJ145/328 Jets: Option 1 with 6 weekly IWD-MSP RT's and 6 weekly IWD-ORD RT's with a Year 1 subsidy of \$3,398,947 and Option 2 with 12 weekly IWD-ORD or IWD-MSP RT's with a Year 1 subsidy of \$4,143,766. DAC focused on Option 1, providing a sample schedule to the audience with noon time ORD flights and late afternoon MSP flights. Denver Air already has gate space in both Chicago O'Hare and Minneapolis with a United interline agreement. Mr. Coleman discussed their tiered pricing noting that they will offer aggressive fares no more than \$189.00 per local segment. If approved, the airline requires a minimum 30-day lead time.

Denver Air flew in with their 50 seat ERJ-145 and provided a tour to board members, airport staff and the press at the conclusion of the meeting.

Other Matters

None

Public Comment

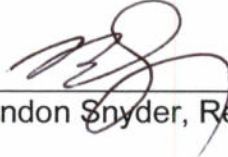
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Adjournment

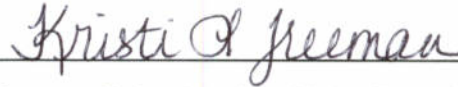
A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Snyder and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting by the call of Chairman Hanson. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

08/09/2021

Date Approved



Brandon Snyder, Recording Secretary



Minutes Submitted by Kristi Freeman
Confidential Secretary, Gogebic-Iron County Airport