

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

Gogebic-Iron County Airport
E5560 Airport Rd.
Ironwood, MI 49938

April 10, 2023
3:00 P.M.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 P.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: Todd Richter, Kristi Freeman, Joseph Pinardi, Megan Hughes

Approval of the Minutes

1. April 4, 2023 – Special Board Meeting

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

Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Lorensen 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

Old Business

1. Airport Manager Vacancy

The board briefly discussed the applications received. They are satisfied with the current leadership and would like to wait for the right applicant. Advertising will cease unless aviation specific and resumes placed on file.

2. Airport Operating Fund Balance

Ms. Freeman is unable to complete the motion to transfer money as approved at the March 13, 2023, board meeting. She recommends a transfer now of \$150,000 and reviewing an increase of appropriations when budgeting for the next fiscal year to cover the increase in jet service costs. A motion was made by Mr. Siirila and supported by Mr. Lorensen to transfer \$150,000 from the capital outlay fund to the operating fund.

Roll Call

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

No: (0) None

Motion Carried

3. Essential Air Service

Two airline proposals were received and discussed; with the main talking point being a Part 121 carrier compared to a charter carrier. The board is very pleased with our incumbent provider Denver Air Connection. A special board meeting will be scheduled to approve a recommendation upon the review of both proposals.

4. Airport Vehicles - Bids

A motion was made by Mr. Lorenson, supported by Mr. Snyder and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve opening the vehicle bids.

- a. Sealed bids for the 2012 Dodge Charger were received from David Glowacki, Mark Suvanto and Ramme's Auto.

A motion was made by Mr. Lorenson, supported by Mr. Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to accept the Dodge Charger bid from Ramme's Auto for \$851.00.

- b. Sealed bids for the 1997 Ford F-350 were received from 4 Seasons, 906 Tree Service, Dick Dezur, Dick Holm, Jim Impola, Paul Kaul, Tyler Motter and Ramme's Auto.

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Lorenson and carried by unanimous voice vote to accept the Ford F-350 bid from 906 Tree Service for \$12,274.00.

Manager's Report

1. Mr. Richter inquired into transportation for two separate ARFF training days in May. **A motion** was made by Mr. Lorenson, supported by Mr. Snyder and carried by unanimous voice vote to authorize taking the county vehicle or renting a vehicle to attend the training.

Approval of the Reports

1. Airline Performance Reports – March 2023
2. Accounts Receivable Aging Summary – March 2023
3. Outstanding Balances Report – March 2023
4. Aviation Fuel Report – March 2023

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Snyder and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve Reports 1-4 as presented and place on file.

Appropriations

1. **Approval of the Claims & Accounts**
 - a. Prepays & Credit Card – March 2023
 - b. Accounts Payable – April 2023

2. **Approval of the Revenue & Expenditure Report – March 2023**

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila and supported by Mr. Lorenson to approve Appropriation 1 – Approval of the Claims & Accounts a & b and Appropriation 2 – Approval of the Revenue & Expenditure Report as presented and place on file.

Roll Call

Yes: (5) Mr. Byrns, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Siirila, Mr. Lorenson, Mr. Hanson
No: (0) None

Motion Carried

Other Matters

Mr. Richter questioned a courtesy car replacement. **A motion** was made by Mr. Lorensen and supported by Mr. Byrns to adopt Mr. Siirila to investigate a salvage vehicle, appropriate given his expertise in vehicles, with an authorization to buy not to exceed \$10,000.00.

Roll Call

Yes: (4)	Mr. Lorensen, Mr. Byrns, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Hanson
No: (0)	None
Abstain: (1)	Mr. Siirila

Motion Carried

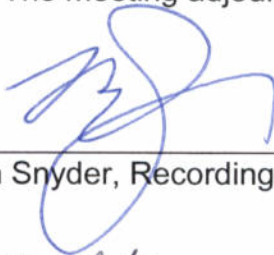
Public Comment

Mr. Siirila asked about the airline garage; however, Mr. Richter prefers to refrain until an airline has been recommended.


Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Lorensen and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting by the call of Chairman Hanson. The meeting adjourned at 3:39 P.M

04/24/2023
Date Approved



Brandon Snyder, Recording Secretary



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