

**Hurricane City Municipal Airport
Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2022**

Present: Art Granger, Mike Vercimak, Doug Heideman, Dave Houston, Norm Anderson, Cathy Clark, Kate Wadsworth, Laron Hall, Jim Lemmon, Scott Freeman, Mayor Billings, and Dayton Hall

Guests: Robert Hall, Steven Cox, Mike Burton, Lauren Burton, Steve Lemmon

Item #1 Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Prayer

Art Granger called the meeting at 9 am Art Granger led pledge of Allegiance and Dave Houston offered the prayer

Item #2 Review Minutes from October 18, 2022

Art motion to approve minutes of October 18, 2022. Motion passed. Cathy Clark didn't receive a copy of the minutes Angie will double check to make sure we have the correct email address.

Item #3 Election Board Chairperson – Art Granger

Art Granger talked about that his term for Airport board chairman is coming up. He has no problem with continuing to represent the Airport board. Jim Lemmon motion to keep Art Granger as the Airport board chairman. Norm Anderson second motion. Motion passed.

Item #4 Addition to add to the Airport Policy: Helicopters need to go up 1000 ft before making cross wind turns – Mayor Billings

Mayor Billings was wondering if the airport policy has any information about how high the helicopters need to go before making a crosswind. To add this to part of our policy downwind to 1000 ft

Scott Freeman gave a brief discussion of how the policy reads now. Mayor Billings would like it to be added into the policy to make it clearer for the helicopters. This is a complaint that she hears a lot of stating that the helicopters are flying to low.

Norm Anderson suggested that we have signs put up with bigger lettering. Scott Freeman said that the signs have been made just need to get them hung up. Scott suggested that we make some flyers to pass out to those that visit and use the airport.

Scott Freeman suggested that we put something in the policy on how long they can run for. The suggested time was 30 minutes by doing this it might help with some of the complaints. He suggested that later we put this in the noise policy.

Mayor Billings stated that she received the phone calls since the noise complaint link wasn't working. She said most of her complaints are about how high they are flying and how long.

Steve Lemmon said google made a policy change. So, they are replacing the link with one that works since it wasn't working under certain browsers. Steve Lemmon had his code writer guys fix the link and should be working now.

There was a suggestion to put it up signs at both ends of the airport so those will be able to see at any area.

Kate Wadsworth asked when does the 1000 ft start and end. Scott Freeman explained that with landing and taking off its hard to stay at those feet.

After a brief discussion this is in the policy already. The suggestion is to create a handout to give out also with the signs that will be posted outside the airport visible to all.

Kate Wadsworth suggested that we add the 30 minutes aircraft time for pattern work that are above 80 decimals. This would be for pattern work.

Mayor Billings suggested adding for helicopters no more than 30 minutes and other aircrafts at 80 decimals will make a practical effort to go up 1000 feet before downwind turns and pattern work.

Scott Freeman will do a summary of the policy and sent to Mayor Billings to have it printed and send out.

Art Granger motion to recommend having Scott Freeman write it up and get to Dayton Hall to send to City Council for adding the 30 minutes for pattern work for helicopter and aircrafts above 80 decimals will make a practical effort for downwind turns and pattern work. Kate Wadsworth second motion. Motion passed.

Item #5 Noise Abatement link on City website – Kate Wadsworth

Kate Wadsworth talked about the link on the city website not working. Stephen Lemmon said that the link has been fixed. Kate talked with Kendra Rich which does the city newsletter and said that the information has been added to the city newsletter.

**Item #6 Proposal to create task force to provide lightening for emergency night landing –
Cathy Clark**

Cathy Clark had some questions on what we would do if we had to have someone land at night. Could we use our cars to shine our lights on the runway. Can we use dispatch to help with this if we had an emergency night landing.

Kate Wadsworth asked if we had an emergency night landing issue then she would hope the pilot would use an airport close that has lighting installed to make it safer for the pilot and the residents nearby. Some suggestions would be St George or Grassy Meadows airport.

Steve Lemmon explained that you can land at an airport that don't have lights so it would be nice to have a reflector. Dave Houston said with FAA airport we are not allowed to do that unless we do FAA lightening only.

Discussion only

**Item #7 Presentation on enhancements to the traffic/noise monitoring software – Scott
Freeman**

Scott Freeman presented some data on the aircraft operations from June to November which showed day and times. It also shows the types of aircrafts. Helicopters make up about 40% of the usage of the airport. Most of our usage is SUU.

Mayor Billings thanked Scott for bringing this information up for the airport board and guests to see.

Mayor Billings thanked Scott Freeman and Steve Lemmon for all their work on getting this going and keeping up with it. Steve Lemmon explained that they monitor this very closely so even if they don't get a noise complaint they can see if someone isn't following by the rules and contact those individuals.

Scott Freeman explained when he has a complaint, he can show actual data which works great.

New Business

Mayor Billings had question about the airport protection overlay which Dayton Hall gave a brief discussion on what had presented to the Planning Commission and will be a draft that will be going to City Council this week on November 17, 2022. Once passed the ordinance will be added to all new building ½ mile of any public or private airport will have a note added to the plat for any new subdivisions.

Kate Wadsworth had a question on adding the ½ mile compared to what others want is 1 mile. Dayton Hall explained that it was to warn residents that buy next to the airport, and it will protect the city. Making it wider just covers more of the city.

Doug Heideman asked Dayton Hall if he could explain what the City Council changed in the airport lease template is that if the city ever decides to relocate the airport the hangar owners would pay to move their own hangar with the same lease terms.

Long discussion about hangar owners on how they don't feel that the moving of the airport and having them bare the cost of moving their hangar on them.

Dave Houston discussed that we have additional software to supply airports with traffic monitoring software which is covered for the next five years. The software is set up now in the city hangar. Which is project justification this is covered for the next 10 years. He isn't sure if this software does noise abatement.

Dave Houston asked Mike Vercimak if had any news on tractor. Mike Vercimak said the tractor has arrived so they can get it out to airport and get using it to take care of the issues.

Adjourn

Art Granger motion to adjourn the meeting. Kate Wadsworth seconded motion. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 10:20 am