

The regular monthly meeting of the Gallatin Airport Authority was held April 10, 2003 at 3:00 p.m. in the Airport Conference Room. Board members present were Tom Nopper, Richard Roehm, John McKenna, Steve Williamson and Yvonne Jarrett. Ted Mathis, Airport Director, and Cherie Ferguson, Clerk, were present. Brian Sprenger, the Assistant Airport Director was absent.

The first agenda item was to review and approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 13, 2003. John McKenna moved to accept the minutes as mailed, Steve Williamson seconded the motion and it passed unopposed.

The second agenda item was the public comment period. There were no public comments.

The third agenda item was to consider revisions to the Gallatin Airport Authority Rules and Regulations. Tom Nagorski addressed several items that he believed should be changed or omitted. The Board said they would review his suggestions if they were submitted in writing before the next meeting. Doug Chapman requested that the wording on page 31, paragraph A, be changed from "properly permitted" to "properly authorized".

The Board said they would take the suggestions under advisement. They also requested that any other comments be submitted to Ted Mathis so that the Board can see them ahead of time because the meeting isn't a public committee.

The fourth agenda item was to consider the proposed terminal expansion project. Mr. Mathis said that the project as proposed is estimated to cost approximately \$1,500,000 and that \$905,000 in federal funds are available. However, federal funding may not be used for the break room and office for the TSA, or for any public space. New rules require the TSA

to pay rent so we will be able to charge them for their space. The Airport Authority has the funds available for the difference.

Jamie Lenon, of Prugh and Lenon Architects, made a presentation and said that the main thrust is to facilitate the exiting of passengers from the aircraft. After the project is completed, passengers will exit through glass doors down either the stairs or an elevator to the lobby area near the grizzly bear. This will eliminate the cross flow of traffic we currently experience.

The Board members asked Mr. Lenon and Mr. Mathis questions about office space requirements for the TSA, what affect the expansion will have on Phase III or a modified Phase III, how the proposed electronic exit device would work, how airflow and air conditioning in the upstairs area would be affected and if the current generators could provide sufficient power in case of a power failure.

After the concerns were adequately addressed, John McKenna moved to approve the project and the contract design. Steve Williamson seconded the motion, which passed unopposed.

The fifth agenda item was a report on Runway 12/30 rehabilitation project – Scott Bell. Mr. Mathis said that the FAA just informed him that the discretionary funds they had said Gallatin Field would receive would probably be diverted to security costs and projects nationwide. The FAA said we could take the \$905,000 in federal funds that we have allocated for the terminal expansion project and use it for the runway and then we would need to come up with 1.7 or 1.8 million dollars. The Airport Authority has the funds available.

Scott Bell said that it might be beneficial to reallocate the funds for the Runway rehabilitation project now and applying for discretionary funds for the terminal project later in the year because the terminal expansion is a security project.

Mr. Williamson moved to continue with the runway overlay project. Yvonne Jarrett seconded the motion and it carried without opposition.

The sixth agenda item was the report on passenger boardings and flight operations - Brian Sprenger. Since Mr. Sprenger was absent, Mr. Mathis reported that in March passenger boardings were 28,990 compared to 27,054 for March of last year. That is a 7.2% increase. Year to date boardings are 78,176 as compared to 72,830 from last year. That is a 7.3% increase.

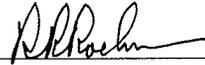
Tower operations of 4,465 for March were down 1.2% from last March's operations of 4,518. Most of those were general aviation except for 591 air carrier operations. Tower operations are down about 1.2% from March a year ago. This is probably due to poor weather conditions during the month.

The seventh agenda item was the Director's Report – Ted Mathis. Mr. Mathis recommended approval for a project by TMC Inc. to install a new phone line from the terminal to the shop building. The project will include burying 4" conduit 4' deep, which will provide enough capacity for future use. The cost is estimated at \$21,000. Mr. Nopper moved approval of the project and Mr. McKenna seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Karst Stage will be advertising as 4x4 Stage as well as Karst Stage. Ms. Jarrett said that sounds like dual branding. Mr. Mathis said that this is the first he had heard of it and that he hasn't heard any complaints. He also said that the car rental agencies will probably ask for approval of dual branding at the next Board meeting.

The eighth agenda item was to consider the bills and approve for payment. After review and discussion, Mr. Williamson moved to pay the bills and Mr. McKenna seconded the motion, which carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.



Richard R. Roehm, Chairman