

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN
Sawyer International Airport
Airport Advisory Committee
Thursday September 10, 2015 4:00 P.M.
Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Scott Schulz, Steve Rodger, Frank Rosado, Donald Kristola, and John LaCourt

Members Absent: Karen Alholm and Stephen Adamini.

Staff Present: Duane DuRay, Airport Manager

Staff Absent: Steve Schenden, Director of Operations

Guests Present: None

1. Call to Order:

Scott Schulz called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

A motion was made by Member Kristola, supported by Member Rosado, to approve the agenda as prepared. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Comment:

A. None noted

4. Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Member Rosado, supported by Member Kristola, to approve the August 2015 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Suggested Agenda Items:

A. None Noted

6. Items of Discussion:

A. Sawyer International Airport Amended Final Application:: DuRay reported on the FAA 3-26-0153-3915 AIP Grant. The grant application needed to be amended to cover the late additions of the Airport Layout Plan Update and Approach Survey. These additions were required after the FAA agreeing to approve 9,000' runway rehabilitation. Light discussion took place.

7. Informational Items & Project Updates:

A. American Airlines Rebranding: DuRay reported on the rebranding of the American Airlines ticket counters and gate areas. American Airlines are well on their way to

completing a rebranding of the AA station to include new counters, electronic flight displays, and new signage. Progress continues and the new additions are a welcomed redo following the Delta Air Lines rebranding the previous year.

- B. Air Service Presentation: DuRay reported to the Committee of the dates for the Trillion Air Service presentations to the Marquette County Board of Commissioners, the Transportation Task Force, and key individuals. The presentations will take place during the Trillion visit slated between October 5th through the 7th. The Airport Advisory Committee is invited to the presentation to be given at the regularly scheduled Marquette County Commissioners meeting on the 6th of October. Trillion will also be taken on an airport tour on October 7th before they depart.

- C. Sky Diving (NMU): DuRay reported to the Committee of the plan of having the Sky Diving Harbor Springs group come to Sawyer to support an NMU sky diving activity on September 12th and 13th. The group currently has approximately 60 jumpers and the jumps will take place over the two days. DuRay and Tower Manager Rosado had an initial meeting with Trevor Matthew, one of the group's managers, on procedures. DuRay anticipated the group will have a successful activity and may spin off into future activities or events. Light discussion took place.

8. Late Additions: None

9. Public Comment: None

10. Staff and Committee Member Comment: DuRay commented on the short agenda and said the future agendas should be a little more substantial. Member Rosado commented on carpet in the tower cab continue to show stains and the concern is the stains may be permanent. Member Rosado also was concerned about the lack of manual control for the operation of the rotating beacon. DuRay understood the concerns of Member Rosado and is looking into the issue. Member Rodgers commented on the plan to look into having a Storm Water Discharge Plan developed and thought it would be a good idea to involve the Airport in the discussions. DuRay informed the Committee that Mr. Schenden has been informed and both Mr. Schenden and DuRay feel it is a good idea to look into reviewing the need for Sawyer to have the current Spill Prevention, Control and Counter Measures Pollution Incident Prevention and Storm Water Pollution Plan reviewed and possible updated at the same time. Light discussion took place on all of the Committee Member Comments. Member Rosado asked about the possibility of having the SCCA out to the airport in the coming year again for another activity.

11. Adjournment: At 4:50 p.m., a motion was made by Member Rosado, supported by Commissioner Alholm, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Duane DuRay, Airport Manager