

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN

Sawyer International Airport Airport Advisory Committee Thursday August 13th, 2020

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Agenda

1. Call to Order:

2. Approval of the Agenda:

3. Public Comment:

4. Approval of Minutes:

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5. Items of Discussion:

A. Marquette County Flying Club

- i. Megan Murray with SAW and Greg Durand have been in contact with Jackie Lykins regarding the tax calculations. She stated the taxes would need to be covered, but would not go into effect until 2021. Jackie also stated that the county is planning on coming out to the hangar to complete an in-person inspection for a full-appraisal value. This is pushed out a few months due to scheduling. The MCFC is interested in possibly renting out spaces in hangar 402 instead of the entire hangar, similar to ESC's rate of 100\$ per aircraft; this is up for discussion.

1. Concerns with the MCFC taking on a lease. Ex. Low-lighted areas, security, etc.?

6. Informational Items & Project Updates:

A. Project Updates

- i. Hangar 665 Expansion Project: The planning for the expansion of Hangar 665 is near completion. Construction is expected to begin in early 2021. No update.

ii. Crack Sealing and Pavement Marking and De-Ice Storage Tank Projects:

1. Construction is still expected to begin August 22, 2020 (tentative) for the Crack Sealing and Pavement Marking project.

B. CARES Grant Funds

- i. SAW granted \$18,075,846. Will be used for operational expenses and airport development projects. No update.

C. National Carbon

- i. Roof repair coordination has begun with National Carbon. No update.

D. MLI Update

- i. Marquette County has been chosen as the next vertical launch site in partnership with the Michigan Launch Initiative (MLI) and the Michigan Aerospace Manufacturers Association (MAMA). The site will provide low-earth orbit vertical launch capabilities that are in high demand, including thousands of jobs for the surrounding area. Operation expected to begin in 2024.

E. Flat Tires on Airfield

- i. There has been an increased number in flat tires, possibly caused by FOD on the airfield. SAW has purchased a magnet bar to be installed on their operations vehicles to assist in removal of metal fragments from the airfield.

F. Greg Durand with the MCFC requested that a \$25 reduced rate be added to the rent for Hangar 38. This request has been approved by the Marquette County Board and the addendum is being written by our civil council.

G. Frank Rosado shared concerns with the status of the Air Traffic Control's emergency escape system. The tower repeller system is currently not to code and needs to be re-certified. SAW will be sending out this system for re-certification.

H. Robert Muelle questioned the status of the repair of Hangar #26. SAW currently is working with an engineer to assess and repair this hangar issue.

7. Late Additions:

8. Public Comment:

9. Staff and Committee Member Comment:

10. Adjournment: