

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN

Sawyer International Airport Airport Advisory Committee Thursday August 12th, 2021

Minutes

Members Present: Walter Paegel, Karen Alholm, Bob Muelle, Frank Rosado, Steve Rodgers

Members Absent: Christopher Sholander, Vito Carello

Staff Present: Megan Murray, Assistant Airport Manager, Duane DuRay, Director of Operations

Guests Present: Greg Durand with the Marquette County Flying Club and Roger Bentlage

1. Call to Order: 4:00pm

2. Approval of the Agenda: The agenda was moved for approval by Karen Alholm with support from Walt Paegel. All members were in agreement.

3. Public Comment:

4. Approval of Minutes:

5. Items of Discussion:

A. Demolition Project

a. The possible teardown of Building 600 where the EAA/IAC are located was discussed. This discussion will continue with Boreal Aviation, Sawyer staff, and those affected.

6. Informational Items & Project Updates:

A. National Carbon Roof Repair: This repair is complete and the County purchases a 15 year extended warranty.

B. Hangar 665 Expansion Progress: This project is moving along smoothly. There was a small amount of concrete dust left in front of the hangar causing dust to be tracked in by employees. This has been cleaned up.

C. Summer Event Updates:

a. Yooper Looper (Sept. 3rd-Sept. 5th)

b. Air Race (July 25th) Completed and was successful.

c. SCCA (Sports Car Club of America) August 20th-21st

d. Police Vehicle Training (July 19th-21st and 26th) Completed.

D. Airport Entrance Re-Route

a. Due to Superior Extrusions expansion, the airport entrance will be moving to 10th street. The temporary re-route will take place from 5th street.

7. Late Additions: None

8. Public Comment:

A. Greg Durand questioned who owned a specific hangar near Boreal, it is the local tribe. Roger Bentlage noted that the IAC is one of 40 chapters in the world and we have 17 members.

9. Staff and Committee Member Comment:

A. Steve Rodgers requested an update with the airport classification change and Sawyer staff noted TSA will be on site in early Sept.

10. Adjournment: 5:06pm

