

COUNTY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN

Sawyer International Airport Airport Advisory Committee Thursday July 8th, 2021

Minutes

Members Present: Walter Paegel, Karen Alholm, Vito Carello, Bob Muelle,

Members Absent: Steve Rodgers, Christopher Sholander, Frank Rosado

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

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

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: None.

4. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from June 10th were moved for approval by Karen Alholm with support from Vito Carello. All members were in agreement.

5. Items of Discussion:

6. Informational Items & Project Updates:

A. National Carbon Roof Repair: Independent Roofing will begin this project the next coming Monday and staging will begin tomorrow.

B. Hangar 665 Expansion Progress: This project is moving along smoothly.

C. Summer Event Updates:

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

b. Air Race (July 25th)

c. SCCA July 17th-18th and August 20th-21st

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

D. ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) Grant

a. The airport was given \$1,291,067 which can be used for operations and maintenance and/or COVID/pandemic improvements. Developmental improvements have to be COVID related. The concessions also received \$50,593 to offset their rent and minimum annual guarantee.

E. PFOS Update:

a. To update on the investigations on the Negaunee and Sawyer International Airport/Waste Water Treatment Plant there were a few minor hits in the Negaunee surface water. In the private wells investigated, there were minor findings as well with one above the state regulated level.

7. Late Additions:

A. Karen Alholm requested that Sawyer staff reach out to Aaron Karlstrom with the County regarding the elevator in the air traffic control tower.

8. Public Comment:

A. Greg Durand and Marty with the Marquette County Flying Club noted to Sawyer staff that badge expirations are of concern for the club's badge holders. Sawyer staff advised Marty and Greg to reach out to Julie with the badging office for lists of all member's expirations.

9. Staff and Committee Member Comment:

10. Adjournment: 4:48pm; Robert Muelle made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Vito Carello supported.
All members were in favor.