COUNTY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN

Sawyer International Airport Airport Advisory Committee Thursday December 8th, 2022

Minutes

Members Present: Christopher Sholander, Frank Rosado, Steve Rodgers, Vito Carello, Bob Muelle, Karen Alholm,

Bob Muelle

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

Public Present: Bruce Finn and Marty Munger (EAA and MCFC), Eric Sibley (BP Capital), Melody Wagner

Call to Order: 4:05pm

1. **Approval of the Agenda:** The agenda was moved for approval by Bob Muelle with support from Karen Alholm. All members were in agreement with the addition of a Boreal discussion from Duane DuRay.

2. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from November are being reviewed at the next meeting.

3. Informational items & Project Updates:

- A. Santa Fly-In: This event was a success.
- B. Hangar 664 Fire Suppression Upgrades: This is the last MAP (Military Airport Program) funding project for the airport. Premeau construction is the chosen contractor and the project has begun.
- C. Re-branding Project: This community survey has completed and more results than expected were received. This will be analyzed by our consultant and results will be shared soon.
- D. By Law Changes: The committee approves all changes, but also changing the quorum to the majority of committee members (with new additional members.) They also request mileage and per-diem for each meeting. Sawyer staff will bring this to the County Board.
- E. Pump Station Airport Services Center: Sawyer staff shared that the pump station was contaminated with PFOS and has been flushed, cleaned, and shut off until the cleaning can be completed.
- F. Parking Fencing Project: This has been completed, but there is old fencing material needing to be removed by the contractor.

4. Late Additions:

A. Boreal Aviation: Sawyer staff shared that Boreal has been presented with a letter outlining issues that need to be corrected/completed per the lease. They have 10 days to respond.

5. Staff and Committee Member Comment:

- A. Chris Sholander questioned if the higher education and medical manufacturing positions that will be added are specific to a company. It was discussed that a member from Northern Michigan University and RTI will be joining most likely.
- **6. Adjournment:** 5:00pm; Chris Sholander made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Bob Muelle supported. All members were in favor.