

**CABLE UNION AIRPORT
AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022 - 4:30 P.M.
CABLE COMMUNITY CENTRE**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chairman Rowe called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

2. Attendance:

Chairman Rowe; Commissioners Hurula, Nelson, Rasmussen, Rogers, Thurn; Airport Manager Mike Nichols and Treasurer Dale Kruse

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Hurula to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

4. Approval of Minutes - December 21, 2021 Meeting

Two corrections were noted to the December 21st minutes:

Page 1 - spelling of Commissioner Hurula

Page 2 - reference to sod should be For

Motion by Commissioner Hurula, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve the December 21, 2022 minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

5. Treasurer's Report

The December 31, 2021 end balance is \$8,991.15, which will be carried over into 2022. All outstanding invoices for 2021 have been paid. Commissioner Thurn noted that \$16,000 was budgeted in 2022 as carryover from 2021. That will have to be reconciled.

The Commission has received its allotment of \$8500 from Namakagon. The allotment check from Cable has been signed and is in the mail. Commissioner Rasmussen noted that Bayfield County has committed to giving \$5000 for a contingency fund.

There were 343 gallons in fuel sales in December; the total number of sales in 2021 was 14,000.

Motion by Commissioner Rogers, seconded by Commissioner Nelson to approve the treasurer's report and file it for audit.

6. Manager's Report

Mike Nichols reported that Joe Connelly is the new Road Foreman in Cable. Plowing has been good.

Rod and Teresa Peters have notified the Commission that they are unable to build their planned new hangar because of the cost of building materials. Their lease is paid through December. A termination document is needed for them.

OLD BUSINESS

7. Update from BOA - Matt Messina

Matt Messina was unable to attend the meeting.

8. EA Update - Brad Volker

Mr. Volker reported that the EA is being written. Matt Messina has asked for some exhibits to be modified.

9. Hangar Expansion Update - Brad Volker

Mr. Volker stated that Bayfield Electric has been contacted for power sites for the hangars. One of the current hangar owners will talk to Norvado regarding internet service to the hangars, which will help with flight planning.

Mr. Volker will find out if BOA can fund internet connection.

The Commission's share for the airport hangar expansion is \$24,000. It is expected the project will be bid in the spring and groundbreaking will be next summer depending on when the bloc grant is received by the BOA.

9. Terminal Restoration Update

It was the consensus of the Commission to invite Dean Hambrecht to the March Commission meeting to discuss an interior design for the terminal.

10. Airport Security

As soon as frost is out of the ground, poles and gates will be installed.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Birkebeiner Use of Airport Property - Ben Popp

Mr. Popp reported that he has met with Bayfield County Administrator Mark Abeleson-Allison. A lot of federal dollars are available for infrastructure, including \$25 billion for airport infrastructure. Bayfield County has hired a consultant to help with grant possibilities. The contact person is Economic Development Director Cole Rabska after February 1.

Telemark has applied for a federal grant to build a building of approximately 12,000 square feet for a coffee shop and changing space. Grant approval should be known by June.

Mr. Popp explained the Birkie's desire to use airport parking for the Birkie event February 26, 2022.

After some discussion, Commissioner Rasmussen suggested the Birkie pay the Commission \$2,000 per year and be able to use airport property for parking for whichever events they choose during the year. Mr. Popp agreed and will have an agreement drafted for execution. After five years, the agreement will be reviewed after five years for renewal.

Motion by Commissioner Rasmussen, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to execute an agreement with the Birkie, beginning in 2022, for five years for the Birkie to use airport property for event parking at the rate of \$2,000 per year. Motion carried.

9. Letter to Bayfield County

A letter was sent to Bayfield County requesting the \$5,000 additional funding. Commissioner Rasmussen reported that the check will be issued and deposited into the airport general fund.

10. Next meeting agenda:

EA Update
Hangar Expansion
Birkie parking agreement
Infrastructure funding through Bayfield County and FAA

11. Next Meeting Date: February 24, 4:30 at Cable Community Centre

12. Adjournment:

Chair Rowe declared the meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.