

MINUTES OF JULY 11TH, 2007

The July 11th, 2007 meeting of the Bucks County Airport Authority was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at Quakertown Airport by Chairman Allen Black. Members attending were Mininger, Scarlett, and Tollini, along with Solicitor Graham.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of June 11th, 2007 were accepted with a motion by Mr. Scarlett, seconded by Mr. Mininger and passed unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Doylestown Airport FBO

Mr. Tollini said that after rebidding the HVAC for the Doylestown administration building 5 bids were received. Mr. Tollini made the motion to award the contract to the low bid with the alternate from McShea Mechanical of \$19,592. Mr. Mininger seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Tollini made the motion to rebid the Doylestown maintenance hangar roof replacement project with the bids to be opened on August 3rd. Mr. Mininger seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Quakertown Airport FBO

Jesse Leayman, Quakertown Airport manager, reported that the construction project has not affected the airport operations.

Quakertown Pilot Association

Jack Merritt reported there will be a Young Eagle Day this Saturday. He also reported that the pilot association will provide pilot for the Sertoma fly-around on September 29th.

Engineer's Report

Rick Holes, of L. Robert Kimball & Associates, reported that the Quakertown taxiway project is approximately 55% done and he thinks the paving will be complete in mid August.

The Quakertown subcommittee will be reviewing the proposed ALP for future hangar location.

Mr. Holes said they will address some of the uneven areas of the Quakertown runway at the completion of the taxiway project.

Jack Merritt, a Quakertown Airport tenant, said the current runway condition is horrible and asked the Authority to address the repair to last until the runway is completely reconstructed. The Board members pointed out that it would be difficult to persuade PennDOT to fund a major repair project for a runway that is scheduled to be completely reconstructed within a year or so.

Mr. Holes said the submission plans for the Stormwater Management, Phase II project at Doylestown were delivered to the Authority office today and the administrators will provide them to Buckingham Township tomorrow. He hopes the construction could begin by September.

Rick said he met with a Doylestown Airport neighbor today to hear of water runoff concerns and he said he would develop some suggestions, including the cost, to forward to the Authority.

Mr. Holes said Kimball will be making the changes to the Doylestown ALP drawing and forwarding them to PennDOT.

Rick said if the stormwater project begins in September, the bids for the access road rehabilitation could be accepted at the September meeting.

Mr. Holes said he would expect that the Authority would receive the grant for the Doylestown EA hearing shortly.

He reported the Pennsylvania State aviation conference will be held in Philadelphia on September 19-21st.

Administrator's Reports

Financial:

Treasurer Mininger recommended that the financial report be accepted and pay all bills presented, including additional bills of \$330,239.75. He reported bills paid in June from the operating account was \$91,538.89, while bills paid from the project account in June was \$472,134.48

Mr. Tollini made the motion, seconded by Mr. Scarlett, to accept the financial report and to pay all bills presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrative:

Mrs. Raterman said she spoke with the Doylestown Fire Co. #1 to invite them to the August picnic at Doylestown Airport. The Authority also said they would like to invite the neighboring township and borough officials, along with press coverage.

Mr. Mininger made the motion authorizing the Authority to continue to participate in the Federal Surplus property program. Mr. Scarlett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Solicitor's Report

Solicitor Graham reported the Lange hearing was today, and the Authority received monetary judgment.

Solicitor Graham said there are two Quakertown accounts with out-of-state residence that he will pursue in delivering notice for the district justice.

He will be discussing a lease for the Hughes for office space at one of the Doylestown properties.

Doylestown Subcommittee

Mr. Tollini said the grass is high due to problems with several of the mowers.

Quakertown Subcommittee

Mr. Mininger said five proposals were received for the Quakertown Airport FBO, and one withdrew. He said the subcommittee met with the interested parties and the decision is extremely difficult.

Mr. Scarlett said he was amazed with the talents and potentials that each was offering to provide.

Mr. Mininger announced that their recommendation for the FBO is Fowler Aviation. Mr. Scarlett made the motion to accept the Quakertown FBO proposal from Fowler Aviation subject to negotiating an agreement. Mr. Tollini seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Solicitor Graham was asked to begin to prepare a FBO lease commencing September 1st, 2007 for Fowler Aviation.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

New Business

Mr. Scarlett made the motion, seconded by Mr. Tollini, to sponsor the upcoming Pennsylvania Aviation conference at the \$500. level. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to adjourn at 8:52 p.m. was made by Mr. Scarlett, seconded by Mr. Mininger, and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen B. Raterman, Administrator