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Tri-County Airport Meeting

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VICTOR V. VLASAK RICHLAND COUNTY CLERK

When: February 20, 2020 at 11:00 A.M.

Where: Spring Green Town Hall, E4411 Kennedy Rd., Spring Green, WI.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Lins with Commissioner Deal, Commissioner Riek, Commissioner Storti, Commissioner Valtierra and Marc Higgs present. Also present were Wendy Hottenstein of the Bureau of Aeronautics, Aaron Stewert of Omnni Associates, Dennis Polivca, and Terry Sprecher. Commissioner Reik made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Storti. The motion carried.

Item #5: Approval of minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Storti made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Commissioner Deal. The motion carried.

Item #6: Scheduled Appearances. Aaron Stewart briefed the Commission on the scope of the design project which not only covers the rehab of the main runway and reconstruct of the west taxiway but also floodwater management on the airport thru ditches and culverts. Wendy Hottenstein spoke to the financial issues and funding from the F.A.A. and the State of Wisconsin. She brought up the issue of \$333,334.00 in unspent funding from 2015 and 2016 in the airport account with the B.O.A. that will have to be spent by April 1st or lost. This is in accordance with a new rule by the F.A.A.. This can be prevented by loaning the money to another airport in immediate need of funding in a swap and then the money is paid back later when the airport can use the funding. This would be handled by the Bureau of Aeronautics with permission from the Airport Commission. Wendy suggested that the lowa County Airport could be in use of the funding. Commissioner Deal made a motion that the Commission enter a swap agreement crafted by the Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics for the unused 2015 and 2016 funding, seconded by Commissioner Storti. The motion carried.

Item#7: Public Comment. Dennis Polivca commented on the effect of the big hollow ditch on the flooding and his disagreements with Commissioner Lins on the issue. Terry Sprecher commented on the need for permanent ditches in Richland County to continue flowing the water to Bear Creek.

Item#8: Communications. None

Item#9: Discussion on and paying of bills and vouchers.

Income received: \$6,099.63

Invoices paid: \$2,224.75

The income was from rent and fuel sales. The expense was utilities, propane, tractor parts, fuel for snow plowing and office supplies.. Commissioner Riek made a motion to pay bills and vouchers, seconded by Commissioner Valtierra. The motion carried.

Item#10: Managers report. Marc reported on airport operations, repairs to the tractor, issues with the door to the equipment shed, and bids on the restoration of the washrooms in the terminal building.

Item#11: Discussion and possible action on flood issues. The Commission discussed the report by Aaron Stewart on flood mitigation on the airport. Commissioner Lins reported on previous discussions he had had with Josh Miller concerning drain tile. Wendy Hottenstein said she was unaware of any previous project where the F.A.A. had approved financing for drain tile. Aaron Stewart said he needed to coordinate with the controlling authority, possibly Spring Green Township, for permits.

Commissioner Riek made a motion to adjourn until March 19 2020, seconded by Commissioner Valtiera. The motion carried.

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