

Baxter County Airport Commission

May 4, 2023

Attendance:

Airport Commission: Stephen Vester, John Bolding, Jim Brown, Paul Fagras, Sally Hall, Terry Small, Kyle McAlister
Baxter County Judge: absent
Airport Manager: Taylor Carmichael
Airport Tenants: Les Ives of Ozark Airworks
Guests: Katie Carlisle of Strider Consulting, State Representative Stetson Painter, Richard Sheid, Gerald Gaige, AOPA Rep; and Dan Clinton, Engineer from Grimes and Assoc., Kevin Crawford, Chris Nosari, Joey Peglar, Matt Martin, Brett Vaughn, Jay Carter

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm by Stephen Vester with the Pledge of Allegiance. Stephen then welcomed Guests.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Minutes were read into record. Jim Brown made the motion and Kyle McAlister seconded to accept as read. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report:

FBO lease is close to being finished. It is on the attorney's desk. There has been serious interest in Private Hangar construction. A hangar committee meeting will follow immediately after this meeting.

Manager's Report:

The FAA will be here May 9th for the Annual visit.
Website has launched

Committee Reports:

Hangar Committee – not met since last time.
Event Committee – not met last month but Paul is still investigating flow control

Old Business:

Ozark Airworks request for hangar construction project has received a bid. Dan would like to use the FY22 80/20 (for building) and the 90/10 (for paving and engineering fee) to build the

hangar. Motion was made by Sally and seconded by Kyle to move forward with the Ozark Airworks hangar project, using the FY22 80/20 and 90/10 grants, and will be contingent upon a commitment from Les Ives that the amount of rent that would be charged is acceptable to him prior to grant submission. Motion passed unanimously.

The proposed hangar building project south of Hangar A has received a bid from Arlynd Mallett to level this area, move utilities and do the appropriate drainage work in this area. This work will be necessary to build airport owned hangars in this area. He reports that there is more than enough dirt to level out and would have about 1,000 yds left. There is the option to use the left-over dirt to build pads where we plan on putting them. He also suggests that we move the fence prior to beginning the dirt moving. He also suggests that we put 6 inches of base on top and he will allow for storm drain and relocating utilities. He projects \$50,000 or \$60,000 to do this, but will get a written bid to Taylor in the next day or so.

John Bolding's term has expired. Jim made the nomination for John to fill this position. No more nominations were heard. Sally moved and Kyle seconded for nominations to cease. All were in favor of motions ceasing. All were in favor of John filling the position for another term. John has agreed to serve another term in his current position.

Dates set for Committee Meetings in May:

Hangar Committee to meet May 11th at 6 pm

Safety and Security to meet May 16th at 6 pm

Event Committee to meet May 11th at 5 pm

Rules and Standards Committee to meet May 11th at 6 pm

Dan Clinton presented an updated report from Lochner on the runway expansion project engineering design report and bid that will be submitted to the FAA. Dan asked if the commission approved the report to be submitted. Permission was given to send to the FAA.

AOPA Report:

Gere Gaige and Stephen Vester participated in a local radio show last month to promote the airport. Gere is scheduled to appear on XL7 TV in July. MHHS aviation STEM now has 68 students enrolled in the program. The airport social went well. The EAA 'Learn to Fly Day' will be on May 20 @ BPK. There will be flights available to interested adults.

Public Comment:

Discussion on the obstruction on runway 23 that is in the NOTAMs. Paul explained how there is still an obstruction and how the FAA sees it.

7 pm. Kyle made the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.