

Montana Aeronautics Board
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Aeronautics Board

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Jeff Kadlec, MDT Yellowstone Airport

Guests

David Anderson, Cut Bank
Ed Auker, Big Horn County
Kristie Brabeck, Valley County
Fred LeLacheur, Morrison-Maierle
Bill Burkland, Robert Peccia & Associates
Lance Bowser, Robert Peccia & Associates
David Pippin, Valley County
Rick Newman, St. Ignatius Airport
Jeff Walla, KLJ Engineering
Scott Eaton, FAA
Dave Noble, FAA
Roy Nollkamper, Cut Bank
Bob Lipscomb, Glasgow

Mike Beckhoff, Dowl HKM
Jim Greil, Dowl HKM
Travis Eickman, Morrison-Maierle
Ron Klaphacke, Stevensville
Steve Knopp, Stevensville
Shaun Shea, Morrison-Maierle
Nigel Davis, Morrison-Maierle
Rick Donaldson, Robert Peccia & Associates
Jeff Fasteen, KLJ Engineering
Tyler Reed, Morrison-Maierle
Carl Seilstad, Lewistown
Ron Downey, Lincoln County

Administrative Rules Discussion – 8:00 a.m.

- Carol Grell-Morris told the board their rules have not been amended in eight years. By statute MDT does a biannual rule review. If the board feels something should be clearer or have some they don't use now is the time to clean them up. She encouraged the board to review the rules. Chairman McKenna said the board can study the rules and we will have them on our agenda at the June meeting. Debbie Alke asked the board to have any comments to her by May 1, Tim Conway will send a copy of the rules out to the board. Chairman McKenna also mentioned the on-line loan and grant application. She wondered when the input from the board should be in for that. Tim Conway said we have a draft of the on-line application we will get that out also and ask for comments on that by May 1 also.

Loan/Grant Allocations

- **Big Timber** – Project for Obstruction, Survey, AGIS, Master Plan. No one was present for Big Timber.

- **Canyon Ferry** – Project for fencing. No one present for Canyon Ferry. Chairman McKenna wanted to clarify that they were replacing the existing fence. Wade Cebulski said yes.
- **Cut Bank** – Rick Donaldson and Lance Bowser, Robert Peccia and Associates, David Anderson and Roy Nollkamper of Cut Bank represented Cut Bank Airport. Project is for rehab of runway and taxiway and lighting. Lance Bowser said runway is 30 years old. The design is completed they are ready to bid. FAA is ready to go with the project. Rob Buckles asked how much has been completed? Lance Bowser said they completed pavement maintenance last year. Dave Anderson said airport is growing, busy. They are working long term for runway extension so they have to pay for that themselves since FAA does not participate in that portion.
- Debbie Alke introduced Director Mike Tooley. Mike Tooley thanked the board for the work they do, it is important to airports.
- **Dillon** – Rick Donaldson and Lance Bowser of Robert Peccia & Associates represented Dillon Airport. Project is for pavement maintenance, taxiway fillets, Apr. Protection, paved access road. Rick said plan to pull out the portion to finish the access road, they will do a small part of that area for about \$30,000.
- **Eureka** – Nigel Davis, Morrison-Maierle represented Eureka Airport. Project is for pavement maintenance, fog/crack seal, restriping airfield and electrical rehabilitation.
- **Fort Benton** – Bill Burkland, Robert Peccia & Associates represented Fort Benton Airport. Project is for design engineering. They are reducing the amount requested to \$3,400 loan and grant.
- **Glasgow** – Rick Donaldson and Lance Bowser, Robert Peccia & Associates and Bob Lipscomb, Dave Phippen and Kristy Brabeck represented Glasgow Airport. Project is for Wildlife Hazard Assessment and Wildlife Mitigation Plan, above ground fueling systems and money to acquire fuel trucks and credit card fueling system and construct revenue generating hangars. Lance Bowser said #1 is Wildlife Hazard Assessment that is high priority with FAA bids have been received. They want to withdraw the portion to install above ground fueling systems (application #2). Application #3 is the non-federal portion to purchase fuel trucks, credit card system and construct hangars as they have a waiting list. Dave Phippen explained county is a strong backer of the airport. They do not want to give up Part 139 status and want to get it back. The airport needs the board's assistance.
- **Glendive** – Nigel Davis, Morrison-Maierle represented Glendive Airport. Project is for runway lighting electrical rehabilitation. The project is good to go with the FAA.
- **Hamilton** – Rick Donaldson, Robert Peccia & Associates represented Hamilton Airport. Project is for airport layout plan, apron rehabilitation, and pavement maintenance of runway/taxiway.
- **Hardin** – Fred LeLacheur, Morrison-Maierle and Ed Aucker, manager represented Hardin Airport. Project is for phase 2 of the new airport. Fred explained situation is unique as FAA does not allow both airports to be open at same time. This is a non-fed project. They will be revenue generating hangars.
- **Harlem** – Cory Kessler, Morrison-Maierle represented Harlem Airport. Project is for snow removal equipment, a SRE building and AGIS survey.
- **Harlowton** – Rick Donaldson, Robert Peccia & Associates represented Harlowton Airport. Project is for pavement rehabilitation design.

- **Hot Springs** – No one was present for Hot Springs. Project is for light replacement, wiring and beacon repair.
- **Jordan** – Bill Burkland, Robert Peccia and Associates represented Jordan airport. Project is for pavement maintenance and revise signs.
- **Lewistown** – No one was present for Lewistown but they are delayed because of weather the board will call on Lewistown when they arrive.
- **Libby** – Nigel Davis of Morrison-Maierle represented Libby airport. Project is for airport master plan study and AGIS survey.
- **Lincoln** – Tim Conway of MDT Aeronautics represented Lincoln airport. Project is for pavement maintenance, fog sealing and re-striping.
- **Livingston** – Lance Bowser and Rick Donaldson of Robert Peccia and Associates represented Livingston airport. Project is for snow removal equipment and snow removal building.
- **Polson** – Jeff Walla of KLJ and Rick Newman from Lake county airport board represented the Polson airport. Jeff said they are currently under a grant for a master plan update and environmental assessment and AGIS survey. He has those items on there but because they were in a separate grant application he left those costs out, if possible he would like the board to consider some of those costs the master plan update and the AGIS survey have a \$205,000 fee and EA \$55,000 so a \$26,000 local match. Chairman McKenna asked if he would like to change the application. Jeff said yes he would like to change the application to include what they have under grant right now, it is part of the project but he didn't specifically request money for that piece. Chairman McKenna deferred to Carol Grell-Morris to see if the board could consider. Carol Grell-Morris said if the board feels it is described sufficiently in the application they can move forward. Jeff said he is withdrawing the Polson #1 for pavement maintenance and the land portion of Polson #2.
- **Red Lodge** – No one was present for Red Lodge. Project is for striping of taxiway and runway.
- **Sidney** – Jeff Fasteen of KLJ represented Sidney airport. Project is for pavement maintenance crack/fog sealing and new striping.
- **Saint Ignatius** – Rick Newman represented Saint Ignatius Airport. Request is for money to replace tractor and rotary cutter.
- **Stanford** – Bill Burkland of Robert Peccia & Associates represented Stanford airport. Project is for pavement maintenance, re-striping and soil sterilization.
- **Stevensville** – Shaun Shea of Morrison-Maierle and Steve Knopp, airport manager represented Stevensville airport. Project is for final design for runway 12-30, environmental assessment for future runway 12-30 reconstruction.
- **Superior** – Jeff Walla of KLJ represented Superior airport, they submitted the application on their own but he is aware of the project. Project is for hangar ramp asphalt rehabilitation.
- **Terry** – Jeff Fasteen of KLJ represented Terry airport. Project is for pavement maintenance, crack/fog seal and re-striping.
- **Three Forks** – Travis Eickman, Morrison-Maierle represented Three Forks airport. Project is for taxi-lane construction, pivot gate improvement for hangar expansion.

- **Troy** – Nigel Davis of Morrison Maierle, Ron Downey, County Commissioner represented Troy airport. Project is for materials for re-paving airport.
- **Twin Bridges** – Rick Donaldson, Robert Peccia & Associates represented Twin Bridges airport. Project is for reconstruction of runway, taxi, apron, lights, extend runway. Lighting, building, nav aids, instrument approach, procedure development.
- **Wolf Point** – No one was present for Wolf Point. Project is to replace and relocate beacon and windsock, drainage improvements.
- **Yellowstone** – Travis Eickman, Morrison-Maierle and Jeff Kadlec, Airport Manager represented Yellowstone airport. Project is for ARFF building construction. Chairman McKenna asked about getting funds from resort tax. Debbie Alke said they will meet with mayor and airport advisory board to discuss again before they open this season.

Public Comment – 11:00 a.m.

- Chairman McKenna said in accordance with Montana Code Annotated Section 2-3-103, the Board of Aeronautics will hold a public comment period. Please note the public comment section is the public's opportunity to address the board on any topic. While the Board cannot take action on the issues presented, the Board will listen to comments and may ask that the issue be placed on a subsequent agenda for Board discussion.
- Dave Pippin wanted to add that at Glasgow airport 30,000 people rely on Stat Air. We feel we are the airport in NE Montana that has essential flights. They have had 182 flights since December 23. Impressive for a small airport.
- No further public comment.

Loan/Grant Allocations, continued

- **Lewistown** – Carl Seilstad of Lewistown was delayed due to weather so board offered the opportunity to discuss Lewistown project. Carl Seilstad and Nigel Davis, Morrison-Maierle represented Lewistown Airport. Project is for pavement maintenance, master plan and snow removal equipment.
- The board discussed and offered the following loans and grants for fiscal year 15.
- **Big Timber**- \$0/loan; \$2,730/grant.
- **Canyon Ferry** - \$0/loan/grant.
- **Cut Bank** - \$260,780/loan; \$76,051/grant.
- **Dillon** - \$11,650/loan; \$11,184/grant.
- **Eureka** - \$0/loan; \$12,713/grant.
- **Fort Benton** - \$3,400/loan; \$3,264/grant.
- **Glasgow #1** - \$7,879/loan; \$1,921/grant.
- **Glasgow #3** - \$100,000/loan; \$0/grant.
- **Glendive** - \$14,000/loan; \$13,440/grant.
- **Hamilton** - \$0/loan; \$6,144/grant.
- **Hardin** - \$0/loan/grant.
- **Harlem** - \$0 loan; \$12,600/grant.
- **Harlowton** - \$0/loan; \$4,800/grant.
- **Hot Springs** - \$0/loan; 14,400/grant.
- **Jordan** - \$6,000/loan; \$5,760/grant.
- **Lewistown #1** - \$0/loan; \$18,144/grant.
- **Lewistown #2** - \$0/loan; \$3,600/grant.
- **Lewistown #3** - \$0/loan/grant.

- **Libby** - \$0/loan; \$6,485/grant.
- **Lincoln** - \$0/loan; \$4,080/grant.
- **Livingston** - \$9,625/loan; \$9,240/grant.
- **Polson #1** - \$0/loan/grant.
- **Polson #2** - \$0/loan/grant.
- **Red Lodge** - \$0/loan; \$4,320/grant.
- **Sidney** - \$12,288/loan; \$11,796/grant.
- **St. Ignatius** - \$10,000/loan; \$4,800/grant.
- **Stanford** - \$5,500/loan; \$5,280/grant.
- **Stevensville #1** - \$0/loan; \$7,992/grant.
- **Stevensville #2** - \$0/loan; \$5,952/grant.
- **Superior** - \$0/loan/grant.
- **Terry** - \$9,000/loan; \$8,640/grant.
- **Three Forks** - \$0/loan; \$22,889/grant.
- **Troy** - \$0/loan; \$38,400/grant.
- **Twin Bridges** - \$0/loan; \$100,656/grant.
- **Wolf Point** - \$0/loan; \$3,696/grant.
- **Yellowstone** - \$0/loan; \$4,800/grant.
- *Fred Leistiko said he provided consultant services to Valley County so he would abstain from voting on any issues involving Valley County/Glasgow Airport.*
- *Bill Hunt made a motion to accept all loans/grants as indicated with the exception of Glasgow. Fred Lark seconded the motion that passed unanimously*
- *Bill Hunt made a motion to accept all loans/grants as indicated for Glasgow Airport. Fred Lark seconded the motion that passed unanimously, with Fred Leistiko abstaining from the vote.*
- *Roger Lincoln made a motion to accept the pavement preservation allocations in the amount of \$8,000 for each airport (\$56,000 total). Rob Buckles seconded the motion that passed unanimously.*
- *The board tentatively set the June meeting for June 10 at 9:00 a.m., this will be a 90 minute conference call.*
- *Debbie Alke recommended the board review the administrative rules at that meeting and offer any comments on the online loan/grant application. We will distribute so everyone can look at them.*
- *The January meeting was tentatively set for January 21 & 22, 2015, with a 1:00 p.m. start on the January 21 and a 8:00 a.m. start on January 22.*
- *Chairman McKenna asked Tim Conway to send the finished loan/grant allocations to the board electronically. Roger Lincoln and Walt McNutt requested a printed copy.*
- *Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.*

Tricia McKenna, Chairman

Roger Lincoln, Secretary