

Grand Haven Airport Board Meeting Minutes August 22, 2023

Chairperson Ben Ennenga called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

Roll call by board secretary Richard Clapp. Members present: Ben Ennenga, Dale Hagenbuch, Richard Clapp, Denny Swartout, Tricia Harrell

Others Present: Earle Bares, Airport Manager

Guests: Mark Linn, Maria Boersma, Jennifer Bares, Tim Price

First Call to the audience:

Maria Boersma, introduced the open meetings act.

Jennifer Bares, trunk or treat, October 28th, 2-4p.

Board Minutes:

Approval of July 18, 2023 Minutes

Motion by Swartout, seconded by Clapp. Motion carried.

New business:

Adopt 2024 Airport Board Meeting Dates, Chairman Ennenga proposes moving July 24, 2024 meeting to 7/16/24. Unanimously approved.

At the city boards event, have two significant items to mention that we have accomplished at the airport in the past year.

1. Runway 9/27 rehab.
2. Trunk or Treat and Open House have generated a lot of public interest.

Rehab of runway 18/36, 2058'x60'. Earle discussed his interaction with MDOT on this issue, and states that it qualifies by MDOT standards for rehab based on winds and usage.

Old business:

None.

Airport manager report: Earle Bares

Ramp is busier, 8 aircraft tied down.

Terminal reader was due to be installed last week, delivery status not known.

Projects

Credit card terminal project is ongoing. Waiting on new terminal. Web based. It is wifi capable and there is an existing ethernet cable. Can we stop the phone line service to the terminal? Yes, since the new terminal is connected via wifi or ethernet.

South approach tree trimming delayed until late October due to Oak Wilt concerns.

"A" row hangar roof painting continues.

Maintenance hangar and interior work room painting, status unknown.

Security, safety, and noise abatement

3 callouts from the FAA regarding pilots not closing out their flight plans

Pilots making high speed passes.

Jennifer completed security training.

South door security push button lock has been replaced

Mobile home park wants to expand their parking lot. It is in the approach.

Notams

3 current Notams

Airport operations and activity

Getting new nozzle for fuel hose.

Continued problems with fuel system.

3,340 Gal. Jet A; 2,534 100 LL; 5874 Total Gallons fuel sold in July.

Fuel prices have substantially risen.

160 Tie downs in July.

59 Aircraft on the field.

40 on waiting list., ½ may be somewhat serious, 5 considered really serious.

Rolling grass to smooth out grass areas.

Two runway edge lights need to be replaced.

Administrative Liaison Report:

Airport Cash balance: \$352,000 less the fuel terminal.

Second call to the audience:

Tom Howard, regarding large cash balance, proposed investing the large cash balance into a CD.

Adjournment: Motion by Clapp, seconded by Hagenbuch at 6:31 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by board secretary, Richard Clapp