



MINUTES
MANHATTAN REGIONAL AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
City Hall
1101 Poyntz Ave, Manhattan, Kansas 66502
April 12, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Jankovich, Ben Brent, Kenneth Mortensen, Charles Regan, John Roberts, Dave Rogers, Karen Rogers, Roger Sink

ALSO PRESENT: Peter Van Kuren, Airport Director; Shane Wright, Operations Assistant; Carolyn Johnson, Airport Administration; Ron Nordt, Kansas Air Center; Gordon Smith, Heartland Aviation; Greg Broussard, HWS Consulting; Larry Ross, American Eagle Airlines, Dale Wolcott, General Aviation Training and Testing Services (G.A.T.T.S.).

Minutes: Richard Jankovich, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order. The minutes from the March 8, 2010 meeting were presented for approval.

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried 6-0. (two board members arrived after the vote)

Introduction of American Eagle Station Manager: Peter Van Kuren, Airport Director, introduced Mr. Larry Ross, the American Eagle Airlines, Inc. Station Manager.

G.A.T.T.S. Hangar Lease Request: Peter Van Kuren, Airport Director, gave brief history of the relationship between G.A.T.T.S. and the Manhattan Regional Airport. He told the Board that Dale Wolcott, Owner of G.A.T.T.S. approached the City, requesting to renegotiate his hangar lease on the clear span hangar. Negotiations are currently ongoing.

Dale Wolcott, G.A.T.T.S., addressed the Board, stating his reasons for wanting to renegotiate the existing agreement.

Mr. Van Kuren answered questions from several Board Members.

This item was informational only, no action required.

Construction Update: Peter Van Kuren, Airport Director, gave an update on the following Airport Projects:

- Terminal Flooring: Being removed from 2010 CIP, will be rolled into anticipated terminal expansion project in a later year.
- Runway 3/21: Construction has resumed. Anticipated project completion in August 2010.
- Runway 13/31: Construction resuming week of April 12. Anticipated runway opening in June or July, 2010.
- Wildlife Fence: Bid opening April 21, 2010.
- Parking: Overflow lot has seen increased, and at times, very heavy usage since American Eagle began service. Airport is working with Public Works to add the parking lot to other City asphalt overlay projects being planned with the intent of saving on cost.

General Discussion: Richard Jankovich, Board Chair, opened the floor to general discussion.

- American Eagle has begun their 3rd daily flight (outgoing flight times are now 7:30 a.m., 12:05 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.). The new flight increases the total seats available. Enplanement numbers are still close to 80%. There is not a lot of historical data to predict how well the enplanements will hold over the summer months.
- Great Lakes Airline has decided to cease operations at Manhattan Regional Airport. The last flight was April 7, 2010.
- The Airport is sponsoring a Chamber of Commerce event, Business Showcase, on April 14.
- Food and Beverage service: Talks are ongoing to bring in a vendor to provide service.
- Mr. Van Kuren, in response to a question from the Board, stated that a first draft of the FBO Lease Agreement is almost done. The next step before providing it to Kansas Air Center will be a legal review.

With no further topics raised, the meeting was adjourned.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting will be held on May 10, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in the Conference Room, located in the Airport Armory Building at 1709 S. Airport Road.