

**TWIN COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION  
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**REGULAR SESSION, DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2008, 2:00 PM  
AT THE AIRPORT CONFERENCE ROOM**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER: 2:00 PM**

**ROLL CALL: Present: Commissioners Lang, Dill, Berman, Kakuk and Johnson  
Mr. Sauve is present at 2:01 PM**

**REVIEW AGENDA: MOTION by Berman to approve agenda. SUPPORT by  
Johnson. MOTION CARRIED.**

**REVIEW MINUTES: Regular Session, November 16, 2008  
MOTION by Johnson to approve minutes. SUPPORT  
by Berman. MOTION CARRIED.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING AGENDA (No Debate): Garry Anderson provided the  
commissioners with a printout of comparison fuel pricing within 100  
miles of the airport. Mr. Lang stated that the fuel pricing is an  
agenda item, so we'll discuss this at that time.**

**PRESENTATIONS: Mr. Garry Anderson ~ Airport Fence Project.  
Mr. Anderson provided photographs of different areas of the new  
fence. Photographs showed the new fence, in some areas, up to 14  
inches away from the ground. He witnessed a doe and two fawns go  
right under the fence in one area. He believes that the deer are  
digging under the new fence. Also the fence is a "woven wire fence"  
not a chain link fence. The commissioners understood the new fence  
to be comparable to their current fence, which is an 8 foot chain link  
fence. Seeing the photos proved otherwise. There is much concern  
among the commissioners about the construction and placement of  
the fence. Jeff Lafleur added that the perimeter fence project is  
scheduled for 2010. He thought that the perimeter fence would be a  
chain link fence, not the interior fence, which was put there to help  
keep the wildlife out. Garry Anderson's opinion is that there should  
have been a 12 inch deep trench dug and then the fence put into the  
trench, to keep the wildlife out. Also, Mr. Anderson thinks that there  
should be 20 feet on each side of the fence in order to maintain brush  
control with a tractor. Consensus is to have URS engineers back here  
to discuss the interior fence and the continued wildlife problem.**

**OLD BUSINESS: There was none.**

**NEW BUSINESS: 1. Recognition plaque for Alfredson Brothers Construction Company ~  
There was no one present from Alfredson Brothers to accept the  
plaque. Consensus is to add this to January's agenda when a  
representative from the company may be present.**

2. **Discussion about Alltell communications Letter. Previous discussion with the FAA regarding an allowable height for a communications tower allows for any height BELOW 132 feet above ground level. Anything above that would warrant a determination of hazard to air navigation. There was also concern with how this tower may interfere with GPS systems. Johnson suggests to have the motion fall in line with the FAA recommendations.**

**MOTION by Johnson to consider FAA recommendations and to refer to URS for input of an allowable structure height for a Communications Tower Facility and how this may interfere with a GPS system. SUPPORT by Dill. MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **Review, Discuss and set the fuel sale prices ~ The commissioners were provided with handouts of current area fuel sale prices. The Airport bought fuel when prices were very high and now that there is a drop in fuel prices, we're stuck with fuel that we can't get rid of because our price is higher than competitors. The fuel can only be stored in a tank for up to a year before it must be disposed of. Our current selling price of low lead fuel is \$5.10 per gallon for full service and \$4.80 for self service. Jet fuel we have approx. 4,700 gallons that we paid approx. \$3.40 per gal. before taxes and mark-ups are added. Sauve suggests we match the lowest competitive prices to try to get rid of the fuel. Mr. Anderson adds that we should set the price at what we would currently pay. The airport lost customers due to the high prices, we need to regain those customers. Mr. Lang states that we should have some type of criteria so Bucky and Jeff can adjust the gas prices on a regular basis. Berman suggests to use a 100 mile radius comparison survey for competitor prices and adjust gas prices accordingly on a weekly basis.**

**MOTION by Berman to set low lead (LL) fuel, self serve at \$3.55 per gallon and full serve at \$3.75 per gallon. Jet fuel to be set at \$3.55 per gallon for full service (self serve does not pertain to jet fuel). SUPPORT by Johnson. MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **Motion to schedule interviews for the Twin County Airport Manager. Mr. Kakuk shared an opinion he received from Men. Co. Prosecuting Attorney, Dan Hass; MCL 15.322 prohibits the commission from hiring someone who contracts with the commission. Mr. Kakuk voices his concern with one of the applicants, Mr. Spreen. Mr. Spreen has a lease agreement with the commission, therefore he believes that Mr. Spreen should not be allowed to interview for the Airport Management Position. Mr. Berman says, why not interview him, he may not be the person we want anyway. Sauve says we have to be careful if there is a conflict. Dill will get the opinion of Marinette Co. attorney on this matter. Johnson suggests that "this commission" be the commission to appoint the new manager and not wait until after the first of the year.**

**MOTION by Johnson to schedule interviews for the top seven candidates for the Twin County Airport Manager as recommended by the personnel committee. Interviews to be**

held on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 beginning at 9:00 AM.  
SUPPORT by Berman. MOTION CARRIED.  
(The top seven candidates are: Severson, Spreen, Vernon,  
Edwards, Beyer, Routhier & Lauzer)

- MANAGER REPORTS:**
1. Profit & Loss and Airport Traffic for November 2008.  
MOTION by Dill to accept report. SUPPORT  
by Johnson. MOTION CARRIED.
  2. Reconciliation Summary for November 2008.  
MOTION by Berman to accept report. SUPPORT  
by Johnson. MOTION CARRIED.
  3. Vendor Balance for November 2008.  
MOTION by Sauve to accept report. SUPPORT  
by Johnson. MOTION CARRIED.
  4. Customer Balance for November 2008.  
MOTION by Sauve to accept report. SUPPORT by  
Johnson. MOTION CARRIED.
  5. Check Detail for November 2008.  
MOTION by Dill to accept report. SUPPORT by Kakuk.  
MOTION CARRIED.
  6. Capital Outlay Account as of November 30, 2008.  
\$10,075.23

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Regular Session ~ December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 at 9:00 AM at  
the Airport Conference Room.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** No Public Comment

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No other communications

**ADJOURNMENT:** MOTION to adjourn by Johnson. SUPPORT by Berman.  
MOTION CARRIED. Meeting was adjourned at 3:28 PM.