

**MINUTES**

**TWIN COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION  
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**Special Meeting 11/15/2010 – 1:00 p.m.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anderson, Dill, Berman, Hartz and Furlong

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Sauve

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sauve

OTHERS PRESENT: Airport Manager Tim Spreen, Menominee County Prosecutor Dan Hass, The Eagle Herald, Peshtigo Times, Bay Cities Radio and Freight Runners Express

**1. Call to order.**

Anderson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Approve/amend agenda**

Motion (Furlong/Hart) to accept agenda with the change of putting public comment after agenda item #4. Motion carries. No negative votes.

**4. Public comment**

Chip Zens commented on the Airport manager, Tim Spreen and lineman Jeff LaFleur. He also commented on the fuel farm.

Tony Krysiak commented on the fuel farm and Jeff LaFleur.

Jeff Orear commented on safety issues with fuel and the impact it would have on lives.

**5. Discuss/consider report on the TCA fuel farm, action if any.**

Discussion only.

A report given to the TCAC from Dan Hass, Menominee County Prosecutor, was reviewed and discussed by the commission. James Furlong asked questions on how the daily records were kept, who kept them and where. He also asked questions about the daily inspections and why the days were signed off if nobody did the inspections.

Garry Anderson explained the fuel tank sumping process and what equipment is used for it. Also, he explained that the equipment wasn't properly "set up" to take the sumping samples. He then went on to explained the steps that were taken from the day the airport manager found the discrepancies to now.

Tim Spreen explained how he found the discrepancies in the record keeping and the process that took place from that day on.

**6. Discuss/consider the dismissal, or suspension, or discipline, or hear complaints against Jeff LaFleur. This portion of the meeting may be done in closed session if Jeff LaFleur requests a closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(8)(a) and Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1) (b) to consider dismissal of a public employee, action if any**

Motion (Dill/Hartz) to dismiss Jeff LaFleur effective immediately. Motion carries. Furlong and Berman opposed.

Discussion that took place during agenda item #6:

Jeff LaFleurs wife Ann spoke mostly for Jeff during the discussion phase of the agenda item. She went on to explain many of the ways that Jeff inspected the fuel farm and why he signed the paper work the way he did.

The commission and the airport manager spoke out many times through out, explaining the report and the findings from the company that cleaned the tank.

James Furlong questioned the airport manager on the daily inspections and how the record keeping was kept.

**7. Discuss/consider immediately hiring temporary help, action if any**

Motion (Hartz/Dill) to have airport manager immediately hire temporary help. Motion carries. Furlong opposed.

**8. Communications/correspondence.**

**9. Dialog between manager and TCAC**

None

**10. Dialog between airport users and TCAC**

Chip Zens made comments about current commissioners, past and present management.

**11. Public comment**

Tony Krysiak spoke about the commission

**10. Adjourn**

Motion (Hartz/Dill) to adjourn. Motion carried. No negative votes.