

Airport Board Meeting November 7, 2023

Time: 5:30 PM PDT

Airport Terminal Building Pilot's Lounge

Present: Pat Gardiner, Don Jordan, Jay Wages, Mark Weber, Bob Blanford

Trey Dail from Ardurra, Dave Parker, Airport Manager.

- October minutes approved

- Environmental Assessment. Trey Dail reported that the Environmental Assessment final document has now been set back due to 3 hangars, H, K and A, being identified as having potential historic value. The EA is held up until this is resolved. Since the EA deadline for 2024 projects is January 15, there will be no projects in 2024. There has also been a cutback in Federal Funding for the FAA as congress attempts to resolve their budget issues – so it is unlikely 2024 projects would have been funded anyway. The budget cutback will cause a ripple effect that, along with the Historical determination, will affect project funding through at least 2025. Hangars Identified cannot be moved, repaired or modified until FAA and Idaho SHPO has completed the study.

The board is looking at options for dealing with the Historical Designation of hangars, Trey will gather more information. Pat moved to continue discussion until the next meeting, Mark seconded, passed unanimously.

- Idaho First Grant money that may have been available for land purchase has also now been restricted and is not available for small airports.

- Slope Stabilization Project. Is already awarded and not affected by cutbacks; will be completed next summer.

- North Bench Firehall lease. A lease is drawn up and being reviewed. 150'x150' land lease at \$.15 / sq ft annually. This will be a 5-year lease. The Fire Dept has obtained land to build a new fire hall North of 3 Mile.

- Iron Mike fitness center land lease for a 150'x55' area used for parking is nearly ready to sign. Lease rate is \$.15 / sq ft annually, 5-year lease.

- Hangar lease rate discussion. Dave Parker reported on all the leases at other airports around us. Rates were raised 2 years ago by 13% to the current rate of \$.15 per sq ft of building and surrounding ground lease area. (usually 5ft back and 10 feet sides and to taxiway.) The County has already raised taxes considerably for the Hangars, but the Board recommended a 9% lease rate increase to \$.16 / sq ft. for the ground leases. Motion by Bob, second by Mark. Unanimously approved.

- Airport Manager update. The Airport has purchased a box blade that is working well to improve access roads to hangars. Additional crushed rock was added as needed. Dave is working to improve drainage with the new hangar sites and changes to the Airport.

- A pavement inspection consultant will be on site November 10th to rate our pavement for the FAA as part of an Idaho State wide effort. This will be paid by the State.

- Fuel Flow : 100LL 2924 gallons Jet A 759 gallons

adjourned at approx. 7:15 pm