

WALKER FIELD AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES - FEBRUARY 11, 1974 - 4:30 P. M.

Those Present: Chairman Harry Colescott, Members Lawrence Aubert, Edwin S. Lamm, Jack Wadlow, Stanley Anderson, and Larry Kozisek. Others Present: Treasurer Vic Vance, Clerk T. M. Ford, Manager Jim Spelman, Attorney Gerald Ashby, City Public Works Director Gus Byrom

The minutes of the last meeting, dated January 24, 1974, were approved on a motion by Kozisek, seconded by Wadlow.

Attorney Ashby reported the Currier land purchase has been completed, and that he is working on settling the Hamlin property purchase, and hopes to have the W. R. Hall land purchase completed soon. Both have been filed for Condemnation in court and will be on the docket March 4, 1974.

Treasurer Vance reported copies of the final financial report for 1973 were mailed to all members, and it shows a carryover of \$279,227.59. Vance recommended he be replaced as Treasurer due to a conflict with his being City Treasurer. He also recommended the establishment of a separate checking account for the Authority. He said with this established he would bill the Authority monthly for all expenditures. Anderson moved the Authority accept Vances resignation as Treasurer. Lamm seconded the motion which passed. Anderson then moved that Spelman be appointed Treasurer. Wadlow seconded this motion which passed. Anderson then moved a separate banking account be opened and that two signatures be necessary for each check ... either the Chairman or Vice Chairman and either the Secretary or Treasurer. He also moved the bank account be established in the corporate name of the Authority. Kozisek seconded this motion which passed. Anderson then moved the banking account be established in the First National Bank of Grand Junction. Aubert seconded this motion which passed.

Former Airport Manager Gus Byrom reported on last years activities, and said a net gain in passengers boarding of 794 occurred. He also said January 1974 boardings were up over a year ago.

Airport Manager Spelman requested the Authority name Byrom, "Consulting Director of Aviation", and pay his dues to the American Association of Airport Executives.

Anderson so moved, and Kozisek seconded the motion. Wadlow said he was opposed to the idea, that Spelman did not need any help. Spelman explained Byrom would not be doing his job, and that no pay was involved. The motion then passed unanimously.

Spelman introduced two new employees, Maintenance Chief Gerry Meyers, and part time office worker Kristine Lange, and reported he soon will move into office space on the third floor of the tower.

Spelman also reported on the following: that flight service will determine when runway lights are turned off and on as an energy saving measure ... that agreements have been sent for the proposed use of the baggage claim area by United Airlines ... that he met with all parties and decided no change will be made on space of car rental agencies, or Western Airstages until after April 15, 1974 ... that he is trying to work up expenditures by cost centers to help develop a rationale for rental and use charges, and that depreciation schedules will be worked out. Other items could be added, if the Commission desires, such as return on investment.

Spelman reported that estimates for changes in the electrical metering, and replacing the electrical service in the basement seemed high, so he would wait for a while. He also said his snow budget was overspent, and he asked how the Authority wished him to handle overexpenditures. Member Lamm said he felt it was all right to overspend line items, but not the overall budget. Spelman said a summer project of providing additional fencing, more fire equipment and fire equipment storage building was being considered. Member Wadlow wondered if the Airport was annexed to the City of Grand Junction if fire fighting equipment would be needed.

Spelman said, yes, it would, the city fire fighting equipment was different than what is needed for an airport.

Madlow also wondered if the annexation was desirable. Spelman said if the Authority did not want annexation, there would be no annexation. Chairman Colecott said he would provide the Board members with a list of reasons why the annexation would be desirable.

Spelman said an interior decorator is needed to improve signing and painting of the terminal interior. Architect Bob VanDeusen said there are some 50 different signs inside and outside the terminal. The Board informally agreed to go ahead with some redecorating, and signing.

The Board also informally agreed to spend \$200.00 toward two Grand Junction Firemens attendance at an Aircraft Fire Fighting School at Yuma, Arizona.

The meeting time was again discussed, and Member Lamm moved it be changed to 3:00 P. M. each second and fourth Monday of the month. Anderson seconded the motion which passed. Clerk Ford was to change all meeting notice signs.

The Authority adjourned at 6:05 P. M.

T. M. Ford, Clerk