

AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES July 12, 1976

Those Present: Chairman Lawrence Aubert, Members Larry Brown, Howard Roland, Maxine Albers, Robert Van Houten, Airport Manager, Jim Spelman, Clerk T. M. Ford

Minutes of the June 14, 1976, meeting were approved as mailed on motion by Mr. Van Houten, seconded by Mrs. Albers.

Mr. Van Houten noted the July 12, 1976 Accounts Payable list indicated a bill owed the Airplane Restaurant in the amount of \$39.63, while the Accounts Payable list showed the Airplane Restaurant owing the Airport over \$7,000.00. Mr. Van Houten suggested the bill owed the restaurant be deducted from what they owe the Airport. Mr. Spelman explained that the restaurant is paying its monthly bills current and that the \$7,000.00 was from some time ago and might eventually be written off. Mr. Brown and Mr. Van Houten both indicated they were not anxious to write this amount off. Mr. Van Houter then made a motion that any creditor who owes the Airport and who presents the Airport a bill, that this bill be offset and no cash exchange hands. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Mr. Aubert suggested a reasonable period of time such as a four month past due bill, since this could occur quite often. Mr. Van Houten agreed to amend the motion to include Accounts Receivable that are four months overdue. The Board further discussed this motion and some of its ramifications and then a vote was taken on the motion with Mr. Brown and Mr. Van Houter voting yes. Mrs. Albers and Mr. Roland voted no. Mr. Aubert then asked for a recommendation from Airport Manager Jim Spelman who

said he felt the policy could cause problems. Mr. Aubert then voted no on the motion. Mr. Van Houten then moved that all Accounts Payable dated June 28, 1976 and July 12, 1976 be paid with the exception of the \$39.63 bill to the Airplane Restaurant. Mr. Brown seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Van Houten suggested that the Accounts Receivable listing each month note those accounts which are four months past due. The Board informally agreed to instruct the Airport Manager to make this notation in the future.

Mr. Spelman asked that a resolution be passed which calls for two signatures on all checks issued by the Authority through the First National Bank. Authorized signed members include Chairman Aubert, Vice Chairman Brown, Manager Spelman and Clerk Ford. Mr. Van Houten moved approval of this resolution. Mrs. Albers seconded the motion, which passed.

Mr. Spelman introduced a proposed assignment for the Bynum's Western Wear lease from Richard A. Smith and Glen R. Smith to Richard A. Smith. Mr. Van Houten moved that this assignment be approved. Mr. Roland seconded the motion and it was passed.

Mr. Spelman reported that Mr. Al Stassen of the North Avenue Merchants Association is working on an air show for Walker Field to be held October 16, 1976 and under the auspices of the Grand Junction Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Spelman suggested approval of the air show with the following conditions:

1. That the group make their own arrangements with Air Traffic Control.
2. That they provide insurance coverage with a clause holding the airport harmless.
3. That the sponsoring organization arrange for crowd control.

Mr. Brown moved for approval of the air show with the conditions outlined by Mr. Spelman. The Board briefly discussed what minimum liability insurance coverage should be provided. Mr. Aubert suggested that this matter be left to the Airport Manager and that the agreement be brought back to the Board for final approval. Mr. Brown indicated he would have this as part of his motion and also the Authority should provide whatever help possible to have a successful air show. Mrs. Albers seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Spelman outlined a brief synopsis of various cost centers at the airport, and indicated he would like to see application made for the following projects:

1. Reconstruct and lower the main runway at a total cost of \$1,662,000.
2. Extend the taxi way at a cost of \$663,000.
3. Strengthen and expand the apron at a cost of \$484,000.

Mr. Spelman indicated that the new A.D.A.P. Bill would provide funding for the next two years and that the FAA presently owed Walker Field approximately \$200,000 from the 1971 project. This money could be used to help the aforementioned projects and without

borrowing any extra money. Mr. Spelman recommended the Authority pass a resolution authorizing the Chairman to sign pre-application forms and letters for these projects. Mr. Van Houten moved the Chairman be authorized to do so. Mr. Roland seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Spelman said he would like to employ Greg Isbell & Associates to engineer the project and would draw up a contract for approval by the Authority at a later date. The Board informally gave Mr. Spelman approval to negotiate a contract with Isbell and bring the contract back to the Board for final approval.

Mr. Spelman reported that FAA officials, the Pilots Association and other groups were very anxious to have VASI installed at the airport and he suggested the Authority execute an agreement to lease property to the FAA for the installation. Mr. Spelman indicated it would cost approximately \$50,000 but might have to be moved later at a cost of \$10,000, if installed prior to reconstruction of the main runway. Several Board members objected to this extra expenditure to move the installation and indicated they would rather wait and install the VASI after the runway project is completed. Mr. Spelman suggested that FAA John McCormick be invited to the next meeting to fully explain the VASI installation and the Board agreed. Mr. Spelman said the financial condition of the airport is good and recommended that the Authority allow the airport area to annex to the Grand Junction Rural Fire District.

This proposal was discussed but no action was taken. Mr. Van Houten

moved that the by laws of the Authority be amended so that any single member of the Authority may recess a regular meeting for a period of one week when a quorum is not reached at a regular meeting. The recess period should not exceed one week. Mr. Brown seconded the motion and a roll call vote was held with all members present voting yes. The Authority adjourned at 5:01 P.M.