

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
April 23, 1981

Members Present: Chairman Albers, Commissioners Barney Barnett, Rick Enstrom, Dale Hollingsworth and George White. Airport Manager Paul Bowers and Clerk Mary Ann Harms
Guests Present: Dick Pond, Aeroplane Restaurant and Joe Bestgen from Avis

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Albers. April 8 Minutes were informally accepted as mailed. The Resolution of Appreciation to departing Board Member Bill O'Dwyer was signed and will be presented to him with the placque signifying his years of service to the Board.

Commissioner White nominated Dale Hollingsworth for Chairman of the Authority. Commissioner Enstrom seconded the motion. Mr. Hollingsworth was elected Chairman by acclamation.

Chairman Hollingsworth stated his appreciation to the Board followed by his thanks to the outgoing Chairman for her excellent leadership and the progress made, especially in obtaining the Oil Shale Trust Funds. Commissioner Albers thanked the Board for their help and team effort in making such progress possible.

Chairman Hollingsworth suggested the airport change the By-laws so the Chairman of the Airport Authority be a one year term commencing in January following the County Commissioners taking office. The Board agreed to this change informally and asked that the procedure for By-law change be initiated.

The vending contract with Pond Brothers, Inc. was presented for signature. Mr. Bowers said Attachment A, which defines the vending machine lease area, was omitted from the contract; it will be attached showing the vending areas Mr. Pond now occupies. This was checked with Mr. Pond in the audience and he agreed this was acceptable. This contract has the same right of refusal Mr. Pond's restaurant contract

contains on the new terminal building. Mr. Bowers said that the current vending operations on field now outside of this lease still need to be addressed and are planned as an agenda item at the next meeting.

The new terminal is planned to go to bid near month end with an anticipated 30 day bid period. The last design team meeting discussed the exterior of the terminal building. The lower portion is planned as precast concrete with fairly smooth aggregate, with the top portion of the building to be weathered steel finish. For economic reasons the upper portion needed to be constructed with some type of light weight skin to minimize superstructure costs. A concern of rust staining of lower levels was expressed with the upper steel shell, a concern also expressed by the architect who indicated this could be handled design wise. The Board discussed various coverings, with Commissioner Barnett suggesting they investigate a "ball" metal. Chairman Hollingsworth said he would trust the design committee's judgement. The next meeting of the design team will be Wednesday, April 29 at 7:00 a.m. in Jack Porter's office (changed from a planned Monday April 27 date). It will be for materials selection and Board members were urged to attend.

The Airport will be advertising for an airport engineer on the upcoming airport projects to satisfy an FAA imposed requirement (pursuant to OMB Circular A-102). The Board maintains complete discretion over selection of an engineering firm.

Annexation of the Airport to the City was briefly discussed and postponed until the next Board meeting. Asst. City Manager Rusky is preparing a paper pointing out the City's position on the advantages/disadvantages of annexation. Commissioner Albers said the Board needs to meet with the tenants and Commissioners Barnett and White said a meeting needs to be arranged with Grand Valley Rural Power also.

Accounts Payable were approved on a motion by Commissioner Albers, seconded by Commissioner Enstrom, and unanimously passed. Accounts Receivable were reviewed (especially those 90 days past due though payments on most of these accounts had been received in April).

Enplaned passengers were down substantially, partially due to the poor ski season and air fare increases. Commissioner White asked if there was something that could be done about the high rates between Grand Junction and Denver. Chairman Hollingsworth said rates have become an increasingly serious problem since deregulation and noted the Chamber of Commerce has been actively pursuing this, as well as other aviation problems on an ongoing basis. Commissioner White said the Authority should do what it can to make the airlines aware of the community's dissatisfaction with current high fares.

The Authority will be sponsoring a Fire School the 27, 28 and 29th of May. It will be a FAA approved and certificated school for Walker Field volunteer firemen, the Grand Junction Fire Department, and other western slope airports that desire to participate.

The May 13th meeting was cancelled since Manager Bowers will be out of town attending an AAAE business meeting. The next regular meeting will be May 28.

The Board elected Commissioner Rick Enstrom as Chairman pro tem on a motion by Commissioner White, second by Commissioner Albers and unanimously approved.

Commissioner Barnett suggested the discontinuance of "H" Road be more clearly defined, especially for night driving. Also the the intersection of "H" & Horizon Drive and some curb marking would be appropriate. Mr. Bowers said he would pursue this.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 A.M.