

**City of Greensburg, Indiana**  
**Board of Aviation Commissioners**

**Monday, May 22, 2017**

**7:00 PM – City Hall**

**Call to Order** – President Bill Ernstes called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Roll call** - Board members present were: Jon Dooley, Bill Ernstes, Don Whipple, and Jim Pruett. Jerry Scheidler, Airport Manager, Paul Shaffer of BF&S, and Mayor Dan Manus were also present. Board member Oris Reece was absent. Judy Curd performed the duties of Secretary.

**Agenda Approval** – The meeting agenda was reviewed. Jim Pruett made a motion and Jon Dooley seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously by Voice Vote 4-0.

**Minutes** – Judy Curd read the April 24, 2017 minutes. Don Whipple noted that under “Approval of Bills”, the minutes should show that Bill Ernstes presented the bills for approval. Jon Dooley made a motion and Don Whipple seconded the motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously by Voice Vote 4-0.

**Financial Report** – Jon Dooley read the Financial Report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Water Meter for Terminal** – Requests for quotes for a water meter installation for the airport terminal were sent to Right Choice Plumbing, Schneider Plumbing and Geis General Contracting. Only Geis General Contracting responded with a quote. After discussion, Don Whipple made a motion and Jim Pruett seconded the motion to accept the quote from Geis General Contracting for a trench-type installation at \$2,100. The motion passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote 4-0.

**“No Drone Zone” Signs** – In order to help insure the safety of air traffic at the local airport, Bill Ernstes presented a proposal to purchase eight 12” x 18” No Drone Zone signs for a total cost of \$358.24 to be installed at the airport and on other commercial properties near the airport. Two signs each will be installed at the entrance to the city park, fairgrounds, ball diamonds, as well as the airport. Since the FAA Code forbids the use of drones within five miles of any airport, Bill

stated that the signs would help notify the general public using facilities in the area that drone use is not permitted. After discussion, Jon Dooley made a motion and Bill Ernstes seconded the motion to approve the purchase of eight 12" x 18" No Drone Zone signs for a total of \$358.24. The motion passed by Roll Call Vote 3-1. Voting in favor were Jon Dooley, Bill Ernstes, and Jim Pruett. Don Whipple opposed the motion.

**Paul Shaffer (BF&S)** – Paul Shaffer reported on the following items:

1. BF&S is still participating in the bi-weekly environmental tele-conference calls with the FAA.
2. BF&S is recommending the submission of two grant applications, one grant application if the environmental is approved by the end of the fiscal year and another grant application if the project is not approved by the end of the fiscal year. The CIP will include both options. The funds will be used for the taxi-lane rehab. Don Whipple made a motion and Jon Dooley seconded the motion to authorize President Bill Ernstes to sign the grant request documents. The motion passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote 4-0.
3. Paul reported on recent State funding initiatives. He explained the details of HB102 and how the bill affects airport funding. The bill included the establishment of a dedicated fund to capture taxes collected on aviation fuel sales. Since the bill is tied to road funding, there is also a 10¢ per gallon increase on aviation fuel sales as well as vehicle fuel sales. The proceeds from the sales tax increase on the aviation fuel funds will be captured for specific airport projects. An earlier 10¢ increase was not included in this bill but they are going back to correct this error in the bill. The House also authorized INDOT to fund a 5% match for airport projects. This action reduces the impact on cost for the upcoming Greensburg BOAC runway expansion by one-third. Paul recommended that the board thank their State Representatives for their hard work and support.
4. The next Aviation Association of Indiana Quarterly Meeting will be held at the North Vernon Municipal Airport on Thursday, July 20, 2017. Board member training will also be available at this meeting.

**Approval of Bills** – Bill Ernstes presented the bills for approval. Don Whipple made a motion and Jon Dooley seconded the motion to approve the payment of bills as listed. The motion passed unanimously by Roll Call Vote 4-0.

**Comments from the Board and/or Public** – At the next meeting, Bill Ernstes will provide information on expenditures for the last two years to aid the board in their upcoming budget discussions.

**Meeting Adjournment & Next Meeting Date** – There being no further business before the board, Jim Pruett made a motion and Jon Dooley seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed unanimously by Voice Vote 4-0, and President Bill Ernstes adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 26, 2017 at City Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Curd – Board Secretary

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Bill Ernstes  
BOAC President

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Jon Dooley  
BOAC Vice-president

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Jim Pruett  
BOAC Member

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Oris Reece  
BOAC Member

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Don Whipple  
BOAC Member