

Park hangar nears completion

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MT. VERNON — Nearly a year after a projected opening, the new community hangar at the Mt. Vernon Airport is open for business.

Manager Chris Collins reported at Tuesday's Airport Authority meeting the project in Innovation Park is 99.9 percent complete.

Collins said the only item left to finish is trim on the doors. He also said

by next month's meeting he will have a lease agreement ready for commissioners to sign.

The Authority approved a change order of \$1,409 to RT Electric related to

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the project. Collins reported it was for upstairs wiring and a circuit for a water heater.

Collins addressed the need for a sidewalk on the south entrance of the hangar. Quotes were received from Sheridan Concrete of \$2,449 and Lipps Construction of \$3,349. However, Collins recommended the airport's maintenance employees could do the job at a reduced cost and commissioners approved the recommendation.

Plans are for 173 square feet of sidewalk — four feet wide and four inches deep.

The cost of the Innovation Park han-

gar project came in under estimates. Construction came in at \$378,678 and with engineering and permitting fees added, the total cost of the project was a little less than \$420,000. Painting the hangar floor and adding office space added another \$47,000 to the project, which was scheduled to be completed in June 2013.

IN OTHER BUSINESS:

■ Commissioners approved a bid

of \$21,213 for a new Toro Master 3280-D mower through MTI Distributing — a state contractor. By going through the state contractor, the airport saved approximately \$10,000 for the new mower. The airport also has 1996 and 2002 models, but was offered only a \$2,000 trade-in for its newest model. Collins said the airport may sell that model over the Internet.

■ Greg Martin that installation of the

new doors at the airport will take place on April 21 and 22. It originally was scheduled to take place a week earlier, but Martin said work crews were unable to meet that deadline.

■ Collins said everything is looking good for the Kelly Miller Circus, scheduled April 19. Free children's tickets are available at city hall and at the Muni-West building, he reported. Shows are at 2 and 5 p.m.

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