

Mt. Vernon Airport Authority
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Held January 8, 2013 at 6:00 PM

Present: Greg Martin	Chairman
Michael Ancona	Vice Chairman
Gary Chesney	Treasurer
Joe Bob Pierce	Commissioner

Absent: Galen Monk Secretary

Staff: Chris Collins
Mary Barnett-Johnson

Guests: See Attached

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There being none, Chairman Martin moved forward with the meeting.

REPORTS

Minutes

Minutes were presented for the December 11th, Meeting for approval. There being no changes to the minutes, motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

Treasurers' Reports

There being no questions or concerns with the Treasurers' Reports, motion was made and seconded to approve the reports as presented. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

Bills for Approval

There being no questions or concerns with the Bills for Approval, motion was made and seconded to approve the bills as presented. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

There being no items of Correspondence, Chairman Martin moved forward with the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Innovation Park

Mr. Collins noted that bids for the hangar portion of the project are due at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 17, 2013. A Pre-Bid Meeting was held on Thursday, January 3, 2013 and there was not a vacant seat in the room. The contractors asked many questions and some things will need to be addressed via the addendum process. Mr. Collins noted that once the bids are opened, Carey Lipps and Brian Edmison will review them and ensure the low bidders have met the specifications. Mr. Collins suggested scheduling a special meeting for Tuesday, January 22, 2013 where Carey Lipps and Brian Edmison can be present to provide their recommendations. If

all goes well, bids can be accepted on that date. If costs are too high, Mr. Collins noted that the team could provide recommendations at the meeting. The Commissioners agreed to schedule a Special Meeting for 6:00 p.m. on January 22, 2013 for the purpose of Innovation Park.

Mr. Collins presented a revised budget that included more dollars to the site work line item due to more fill being required. More money was also added to counter possible utility relocations such as the sewer line. He noted the tentative budget is still hovering around the \$360,000 mark.

Mr. Collins presented the Finance Agreement between the Mt. Vernon Airport Authority and Bean Capital Banking Center for Innovation Park Hangar #1. Mr. Collins noted that he drafted the Agreement, and after several iterations the Agreement is acceptable to the bank. Mr. Collins submitted the Agreement to Legal Counsel prior to the meeting and asked for approval of the Commissioners pending approval of Legal Counsel. Motion was made by Commissioner Chesney and seconded by Commissioner Pierce to approve the Finance Agreement between the MVAA and Bean Capital Banking Center pending approval of Legal Counsel. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

Regarding the Ramp/Taxiway portion of the project, Mr. Collins explained that Hanson Professional Services' Rob Waller submitted a new concept for the airport to consider regarding the vehicular roadway. Mr. Collins stated the new concept makes a lot of sense. It requires less fill and materials, orientates a future maintenance building extension in line with the other new hangars (to the Building Extension Line), will allow easier parking lot construction for future hangars, and probably better opens the farm field between the new road and Highway 15 for a non-aeronautical building location. The only negative that Mr. Collins noted was that the depths of any future hangar would be constrained to approximately 125 feet. Mr. Collins stated that this will probably never impact the airport as most aircraft utilizing the airport are not that large. Mr. Collins asked the Commissioners if they would be in favor of altering the plans for the vehicular roadway to the new concept. Discussion ensued and the Commissioners agreed to change to the new plan as submitted by Hanson Professional Services.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Aviation Report

Mr. Collins stated that despite the downturned economy, the airport held its own in 2012. There were just over 23,000 total operations, which was nearly identical to the 2011 total operations count of 22,928. Mr. Collins attributed this to the usual reasons: great infrastructure, available services, and friendly faces. Locally based tenants flew more in 2012 than in previous years which helped as well. U.S. Military operations were way up (102 – the airport's best ever). The July airlift operations pushed the airport ahead of the previous best number. Jet operations lagged the 2011 figure, but 2011 was exceptional. Jet operations in 2012 far exceeded the 2010 count. As far as based tenancy, there was no change in total numbers. The airport lost a few, but gained a few. As of December 31, 2012, there are 33 Single Engine Land, 10 Multi Engine Land, and 2 Helicopters based at Mt. Vernon Outland Airport. Mr. Collins noted there are two new Light Sport Aircraft coming to the airport in early 2013. Another Multi Engine Aircraft may be on its way as well. He also hopes to find a way to entice one of the Multi Engine Aircraft that left in late 2012 back "home" sometime this year. Mr. Collins summed it up by

stating the airport had a great year - lots of safe events, a great mixing of small and large aircraft, and airport tenants getting better at what they do.

OTHER BUSINESS

There being none, Chairman Martin moved forward with the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There being no items to discuss in Executive Session, Chairman Martin moved forward with the meeting. There being no further business to discuss under Other Business, no further items for discussion on the Agenda, and no items to be taken from Executive Session, motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.