

Mt. Vernon Airport Authority
Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Held August 10, 2018 at 6:00 PM

Present: Gary Chesney	Chairman
Eddie Lee	Vice Chairman
Ryan Wellmaker	Secretary
Mike Ancona	Treasurer
Marty Cox	Commissioner

Staff: Chris Collins
Sheila Jolly-Scrivner

Guests: Steve Willis, Don Lewis, Ruth Anne Strawn, Josh Jones, Brian Edmison & Jessica (Commissioner Wellmaker).

PUBLIC INPUT

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

REPORTS

Minutes

Minutes were presented for the July 10th, 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 concerns with the Treasurer's Reports, motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Reports as presented. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor of the motion.

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 none, Chairman Chesney moved forward with the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Hangar A-800 Revitalization

Mr. Collins presented a Bid Tabulation Sheet to the Commissioners. Bids were received at 1:00 p.m. that afternoon with Mr. Collins, Mrs. Scrivner, and Mr. Brian Edmison present. The low bid received for Package #1 (General Trades) was submitted by Wheeler Construction Concepts at \$84,850. The second lowest was \$98,000 provided by Bevis Construction. Depew & Owen submitted a \$138,852 bid also. For Bid Package #2 (Electrical), KT Electric submitted a bid of \$16,030. Purcell Electric submitted a bid in

the amount of \$17,962. For Bid Package #3 (Hangar Doors), only Powerlift Doors of Illinois submitted a bid. That amount was \$110,198. Bid Package #4 (Painting) was an alternate scope. There were three bids submitted - Bevis Construction at \$9700, Depew & Owen at \$10,000, and Wheeler Construction Concepts at \$36,500. Mr. Collins began the discussion focusing on the doors. He recommended approval of the lone bid for the doors due to the price being as quoted earlier in the year when he and intern Matt Michael solicited estimates from several door manufacturers. At that time, several estimates were collected. Mr. Collins explained he had a good understanding of what to expect when bids were officially sought. Back to the present situation, Mr. Collins noted that one of the manufacturer's submitted a quotation for doors only – thereby disqualifying itself for not following sealed bid rules nor complying with the Specification that mandates the door company supply the doors and the installation. Mr. Collins noted that quotation was nearly the same price as Powerlift without shipping or installation. Mr. Collins recommended approval of the low bid submitted by KT Electric for Bid Package #2. Mr. Edmison noted the electrical bid was very close to his estimate. For Bid Package #1, Mr. Collins and Mr. Edmison recommended that package be re-bid. Selecting the low bids for Packages #1 - #3, eliminating Alternate Package #4, and adding in Mr. Edmison's fee, the pair reasoned the project would be over budget by at least \$13,000. Placing more demolition and preparatory work on the Airport Maintenance Staff, the airport purchasing some components, and a few more smaller measures could bring the project back to the \$200,000 level. Another reason for the re-bid recommendation was that the pair had significantly changed the work scope of Package #1 to the point that negotiating with the low bidder and entering into a contract for more than a 10% price differential would not be fair to the other bidders. Discussion ensued with Commissioners expressing sympathy with the positions of the bidders regardless of what choice was made. In the end, the Commissioners believed re-bidding Package #1 was the best option for the project. Motion was made by Commissioner Cox and seconded by Commissioner Lee to accept the lone bid of \$110,198 from Powerlift Doors of southern Illinois, accept the low bid of \$16,030 from KT Electric, and re-bid Package #1. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Tax Levy Ordinance 2018-04

Mr. Collins presented the Annual Tax Levy Ordinance 2018-04 for approval. He mentioned the Ordinance includes a “frozen” levy amount of \$123,128, the same amount levied the previous three years. Mr. Collins noted the small rate increases on the tenant base should negate the loss of the Personal Property Replacement Tax Revenues (that occurred the previous year). Motion was made by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Wellmaker to approve the Annual Tax Levy Ordinance #2018-04. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

Prevailing Wage Rate Ordinance 2018-05

Mr. Collins presented the annual Prevailing Wage Rate Ordinance for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Wellmaker to approve Prevailing Wage Rate Ordinance #2018-05. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

ARFF Training Class

Mr. Collins explained that Assistant Chief Kevin Sargent has scheduled a class with the approval of the City. He noted an ARFF Training Class is desperately needed. The MVFD has not had an ARFF Training Class anytime in his tenure. There are currently ten ARFF qualified firefighters on the department split between three shifts. A different platoon covers the station every third day. The FAA requires one ARFF qualified firefighter at the station at all times as per 14 CFR Part 139 requirements. Mr. Collins stated this can be difficult to comply with sometimes. Mr. Collins voiced another concern – the future. All of the current ARFF qualified firefighters are within five years of mandatory retirement. Since the last class was taught nearly 15 years ago, and all of the current qualified ARFF Firefighters will be retiring in the next few years, Mr. Collins stressed the time is now for a class! The upcoming ARFF Training class is dependent upon the City and the Airport sharing the cost of the class. Class costs involve overtime pay for the teacher, attendees, and books. The class will be taught in Mt. Vernon by the department's own Captain Chris Yenne. Captain Yenne is a USMC Reserve ARFF Firefighter and State Level Fire Science Instructor. He will be assisted by Firefighter Chris Heiken who doubles as the Illinois Air National Guard ARFF Fire Chief. Mr. Collins stated to have this type of experience and talent on the local ARFF Crew is almost unheard of for an airport such as KMVN. Since the class can be held at home and taught by our own, costs are far cheaper than sending our guys off site. Mr. Collins noted the bottom line cost for this class has been estimated at Not to Exceed \$5000 per entity. Mr. Collins recommended approval of the class as there may not be another opportunity. If approved, the class will begin on Monday, August 20th. Mr. Collins believes all eligible firefighters have signed on. With this participation level, he explained, the ARFF Qualified Staffing at the ARFF Station will be nearly 100! Motion was made by Commissioner Cox and seconded by Commissioner Lee to approve the ARFF Training Class. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor.

Midwest LSA Expo

Mr. Collins provided an update on the 10th installment (yes, ten years) is on track with nearly 100% of the old plus a few new exhibitors. With an improving economy and the Anniversary, interest is high. A dedication ceremony for the SW21 Concept Jet is also planned during the event.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Collins provided an update on efforts to control weeds and obstructions to the fence along the north side of the airport. Weed killer has been carefully applied to nearly all areas of the fence.

Mr. Collins notified the Commissioners that funds will need to be expended for emergency repairs to the walk in cooler inside the restaurant.

Mr. Collins noted that Donnie Wilkey is in room #3232 at St. Mary's Good Samaritan Hospital. Donnie is recovering from several recent strokes.

There being no Executive Session items, no additional Other Business items, and no further items for discussion on the Agenda, motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call vote, all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.