



AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, August 13, 2018

The Rochelle Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, August 13th, at 3:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Rochelle Community Airport.

Call Meeting to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Greg Sparrow.

Roll Call: Present at the meeting Board Members: Greg Sparrow, Norman Jenkins, Gary Dunn, Joel Thompson, William Siemer and Bill Tyler. Also present: Mike Hudetz, Mayor Olson, Adriana Milan, and Trent Holder.

Absent: Skip Kenney and Doug Smith.

Chairman Sparrow announced Mr. Siemer as a voting member of the board replacing Mr. Carmichael.

Minutes: ***A Motion by Mr. Jenkins and Seconded by Mr. Tyler to approve the Airport Advisory Minutes dated April 23, 2018.*** Motion passed by voice vote.

Operations:

a. Airport – Mike Hudetz reported the following activities and improvements:

- Repaired the swivel light in the windsock April 28th
- Carlos Santiago and Rob Flannigan toured 50 bi-lingual schoolchildren from Central School on May 9
- Mike Hudetz toured the Chamber Leadership Group on May 17
- Mike Hudetz gave a presentation on airport operations to The Golden K Club on May 31st
- Rochelle Airport hosted a meeting between the Rockford Tower and the Rochelle Pilots on June 1
- A new septic field was installed at the airport house on June 2
- A meeting with CSC, RMU and Rochelle Water Dept was held to discuss Sept. event needs on June 4
- A severe storm on June 15 caused damage to our runway lights. Insurance claim submitted. Repairs scheduled for August 25th.
- A Cirrus Pilot reported our AWOS signal to be very weak on July 1. Service call was made. The antenna will be replaced (paid by IDOT)
- Chain link fencing around the Rochelle Truck Center was re-attached for the 3rd time on July 3
- Runway was closed for Fireworks on July 6
- Fly-in/Drive in was held on July 7
- City of Rochelle Employee Picnic was hosted on July 11

- FAA basedaircraft.com was updated on July 21
- IDOT made their annual inspection on July 25
- A replacement hose on the 100LL pump was installed on July 30
- The white owl, often seen around the airport, was found dead next to the AWOS tower on August 1

b. Rochelle Avionics – Diane Wickson: Business is picking up and have new employees.

c. Chicago Skydiving Center – No update. Mike stated that they are very busy planning for the National Sky Diving Competition.

d. A&M Air Sports – Mike Hudetz

- Attended OshKosh Air Show
- Training has started and been picking up

New Business:

Change of plans for the Airport Rehab project - ½ of North ramp will be resurfaced this year 2018. The Planned resurfacing of the taxiway has been pushed to next year with the runway in 2019. Since this is a five-week project an alternative landing surface could be the grass area north of the runway. A special permit application is required.

Old Business:

Airport Layout Plan – Handouts were distributed to the board. Trent from Hanson review the options with the board. Consensus was made to improve the airport load bearing capacity of the runway was of significance to accommodate bigger aircrafts.

Public Commentary:

Mayor asked about letters of support from airport users and potential users with heavy aircrafts.

Next Meeting: The next Airport Advisory Board meeting is October 22, 2018, at 3:00 p.m.

Adjournment: *“A Motion by Mr. Thompson and Seconded by Mr. Tayler to adjourn at 3:59 p.m.”*

Motion passed by voice vote.

Submitted By,
Adriana Milan