

**ROCHELLE AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2013**

The Rochelle Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, April 22, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

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

Roll Call: Present: Greg Sparrow, William Tyler, Dale Meyers, Joel Thompson, and Mike Wood. Absent: John Kenney, and Norman Jenkins. Had a quorum of 5. Also present were Mark Delhotal (Airport Manager), Judy Schermerhorn (Deputy City Clerk), and Mayor Olson.

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Bill Tyler and seconded by Mike Wood: **"I move the minutes of February 25 be approved."** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.

Public Commentary: Mayor Olson thanked Mike Wood for joining the board and knows he will be a great asset.

Old Business:

- 1) **Runway Project Update:** Mark Delhotal
 - Waiting for State and FAA grant. No timeline at this point.
 - Bids were opened on March 8th and Mark had just spoken with low bidder.
 - Once he hears from the State, then can concur with the council.

- 2) **Taxiway Update:** Mark Delhotal
 - Bid letting on June 14th
 - Hope to start project in the fall

- 3) **Airport Advisory Board Email List:** Mark Delhotal
 - Checked board members email addresses to make sure they are able to get notifications, agendas, etc. and all are OK.

- 4) **At Risk After School Field Trip:** Mark Delhotal along with Joel Thompson and Mike Wood who both took part in.
 - 50 – 60 elementary aged kids
 - Had three corporate pilots there as well as Joel and Mike that they could interact with.
 - Had Kish Ed Consortium there with two simulators there which kids were able to use.
 - Carlos Santiago flew his Pitts and gave the kids a short aerobatic demonstration.
 - Mike Wood showed them components of parachutes
 - City Manager led a paper airplane toss
 - Kids were very impressed
 - They left with several prizes

- 5) **FAA 5010 Update:** Mark Delhotal
 - Changed frequencies over winter months
 - May 2nd publications will have updated frequencies

- 6) **Jet Fuel Cabinet Update:** Mark Delhotal
- Bought in 2009; now overhauled; ready to set.
 - Have to run 3-phase transformer (was held up by weather)
 - Will remove old pump/island; phasing in

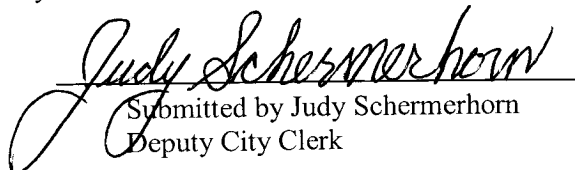
New Business:

- 1) **Illinois Aviation Conference – May 16th:** Mark Delhotal
- Joel Thompson and Mark will be going for the day.
 - Nice list of vendors
 - Barry Cooper FAA regional Director will speak
- 2) **July 6th Fly-In, Drive-In Fireworks Display:** Mark Delhotal
- CSC requested a fireworks display; Independence weekend
 - 15-20 minute display on Saturday night
 - Mark submitted paperwork to State for a permit
 - Lots of skydivers and skydiver-enthusiasts will be there;
 - Brings in lots of skydiving vendors
 - Will shoot fireworks 250 ft. north of runway (grassy area)
 - Will close airport ½ hour ahead and put X's on runway
 - Will have music and food
 - In contact with Chamber
 - Board felt that they had wanted to bring in more people and this type of event will help do that.

Announcements/Concerns:

- Bill Tyler enquired item brought up at previous meeting concerning O'Hare departure lanes that go over or near Rochelle area. Mike Wood has since attended two meetings where accommodations were made but still not a written agreement. (Extra weight point JUMPN created to keep arrivals clear of KRPJ)
- Joel Thompson has had several questions asked of him regarding the cost of fuel being higher than other providers. The 12/13 budget had a percentage put on fuel; at this time they cannot get a discount for bigger loads as tank unable to hold that much. The last load was bought at a higher price but was needed. Will discuss during budget planning which is presently taking place. Greg Sparrow feels that when new runway complete, there will be more business and that may be a point to use for consideration in future budgets. Actually, we are still within competitors cost range.
- Dale Meyers asked about weekend breakfasts; starting first weekend of May at the Flight Deck Bar and Grill.
- Next meeting is on calendar for **Monday, June 24, 2013 at 3:00.**

Adjourn Meeting: At 3:28 pm., moved by Joel Thompson and seconded by Bill Tyler, **"I move we adjourn the meeting."** Motion passed by voice vote without dissent.


Submitted by Judy Schermerhorn
Deputy City Clerk