

AIRPORT COMMISSION

Airport Conference Room

Tuesday

March 25, 2008

5:00 PM

Members Present: Heath Gatlin, Michael Leger, Steve Tait,
and Michael Valenti.

Members Absent: None

Others: Michael Garrity and Butch Lisenby

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

MEETING AGENDA

MINUTES

Motion: Approve the minutes of the February 5, 2008 minutes as written.

Motion: Heath Gatlin Seconded: Steve Tait Vote: 4-0-0.

REPORTS

Budget – FY2009 Update

The FinCom approved the budget as proposed.

(Steve said the energy costs will probably go over budget.)

Sightseeing Shack Porch Repair Update

Work has begun and the panels have been taken down – basically when the weather improves the DPW will come back in. Michael Leger would like to know if there is a problem and he would be willing to contribute monetarily if needed. The key is the weather and the other problem is time. Michael Leger wants to do a whiz bang job. He also wants to put balusters on the railing and not the panels.

Michael Leger also had another idea; he wants to have a self-help on a Saturday morning and put a coat of paint on the shack once it's repaired.

SRE Update

The truck has been delivered and we haven't had a flake of snow since! The old truck has been turned over to the DPW and they got it a day before they needed to remove the sand from Route 6. They took 3K yards out of the dune encroaching on Route 6 and put it next to the DPW garage.

Door Access Controls Update

Butch is still working on it. The issue now involves the Town's Building Inspector and then the problem is one of emergencies so you have to have it alarmed. Butch thought that a solution might be - when an alarm goes off the locks would release - but that too had its problems.

Michael Valenti wondered if there were an arm of TSA that could direct us? Butch said that other airports have been fined in the past for this problem.

Michael V. said that the feds should trump the locals.

Michael L. said that a crash bar where the alarm goes off might work. Butch says that it isn't that simple - it's not that it's not doable - it will just take time.

Butch said that a keypad and crash bar will cost approximately \$7K! Butch also said that he will find out what the rules are for the number of egress doors. Steve Tait said that we can't solve it here and we have to talk to the Building Inspector.

OLD BUSINESS

EA/FEIR/DRI Update

Mike Leger, Mike Garrity, and Butch Lisenby attended a meeting between the Park Service and the FAA. Basically they went through the projects in the EA document. There were certain things they pointed out that would be more difficult. They want to see alternatives on a couple of issues. The Park Service was happy to here that there was a possibility of no fence in Hatches Harbor area. Mike Garrity said that there will still be a lot of hurdles. The Park Service also spoke of an archaeological study (it has been done in the past).

The FAA input in the meeting between the Park Service and the Airport.

This time the Park Service seemed to have ideas on what we needed to do. Butch said that the manager of the Airport Division took George Price aside for a private conversation. It was wondered by members of the Commission - what the FAA reaction was to not fencing in Hatches Harbor? Right along the FAA has been in favor of natural barriers.

The Park Service is vehemently opposed to additional parking for the Airport. Butch said that the need is for 25 or 30 additional parking spots. The Park Service would like to see some regulation on the parking and they have issues on long-term parking. The parking issue discussion took up a lot of the meeting time.

There were thoughts on a gated area for parking – registering parkers – policing problems with overseeing any of the options and the discussion eventually died under its own weight!

Butch's opposition to any gated alternative is related to his concern about emergencies and having the only phone in isolated area. Butch also said maintenance would be a head-ache. Michael Leger felt that next time they should point that out the difficulties and their concerns to the group.

Butch suggested asking for 54 additional parking places with a projection that we phase in 20 now and more as the need increases.

Using the Visitors Center's parking lot was a suggestion from the Park Service but that would entail shuttle buses and the attendant problems. The preferred option is the most environmentally advantageous option.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the major issues were the fencing and catch basins. The Park Service was interested in catch basins along the runway.

They were also concerned on what we were doing with the shack. They mistakenly felt it was owned by them and wondered about whether was a historic building.

Terminal Ramp Reconstruction Update

The proposal will be advertised in April – and after Labor Day the construction will begin with probably a 6 week project time.

LEO Contract Update

Butch is still trying to make contact with the elusive Aimee Jackson. All the forms that Butch filled out cited Aimee Jackson as the knowledgeable contact and she's notoriously incommunicado. Butch spoke to her assistant just this afternoon who said that "Aimee" was in and the assistant said that she would have her call as soon as possible which turned out to be "not at all." The rules keep changing and now the Airport is allowed an hourly rate of \$25.94 for a 10.84 hr/day which will come up short on funds. After a bit more discussion, Steve Tait said, "Just go over her head since she's not responding!" Michael Leger said he'd be willing to fly to Washington to meet with the non-responding Aimee. Michael also said that the way to go would be to ask for flexible response year-round.

Another Commissioner suggested looking at private security. The problem with that

option, according to Butch, is that any private agency would have to have employees who had all the capabilities of a town police officer, i.e., police training, weaponry, and arrest powers, etc..... to be continued.....

NEW BUSINESS

None to be discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS

None to be discussed.

PAYMENT VOUCHERS

Kenyon Wheeler (electric) \$695.

Motion: Move to pay Kenyon Wheeler in the amount of \$695.

Motion: Steve Tait Seconded: Heath Gatlin Vote: 4-0-0.

NStar (1st invoice) \$1,165.56

Motion: Move to pay NStar in the amount of \$1,165.56

Motion: Steve Tait Seconded: Heath Gatlin Vote: 4-0-0.

NStar (2nd invoice) \$1,088.80

Motion: Move to pay NStar in the amount of \$1,088.80.

Motion: Steve Tait Seconded: Michael Valenti Vote: 4-0-0.

M H Q Municipal Vehicles (SRE) \$90,587.00

Motion: Move to pay M H Q in the amount of \$90,587.00

Motion: Heath Gatlin Seconded: Steve Tait Vote: 4-0-0.

Cape Cod Oil \$849.18

Motion: Move to pay Cape Cod Oil in the amount of \$849.18

Motion: Steve Tait Seconded: Michael Valenti Vote: 4-0-0.

Jacobs, Elwards, & Kelsey EA/FEIR/DRI (invoice #2) \$25,000.

Motion: Move to pay J., E., & K. #2 in the amount of \$25,000.

Motion: Steve Tait Seconded: Heath Gatlin Vote: 4-0-0.

J, E, & K EA/FEIR/DRI (invoice #3) \$25,000.

Motion: Move to pay J., E., & K. #3 in the amount of \$25,000.

Motion: Steve Tait Seconded: Michael Valenti Vote: 4-0-0.

URS Corporation \$2,800.

Move to pay URS Corp in the amount of \$2,800.

Motion: Heath Gatlin Seconded: Steve Tait Vote: 4-0-0.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 6TH AT 5:00 P.M.

Adjournment happened at 6:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED: MAY 6, 2008