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NANTUCKET AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING
Special Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. by Chairman E. Foley Vaughan with the following Commissioners present: Vice Chair Sheila O'Brien Egan, Commissioner Dual A. Macintyre, Jr., Robert Atlee. Commissioner David C. Gray, Sr. joined the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Also present were Airport Manager Al Peterson, Airfield Supervisor Jeff Marks, Administrative Assistant to the Airport Manager Janine Torres, and Administrative Coordinator Yolanda Maxwell.

Catherine Flanagan Stover – NE Plane Crash Art Dedication:

Ms. Stover, representing a family member of a crash victim, who attended the NE Plane Crash Memorial Dedication would like to donate a piece of her art work to the airport. Ms Stover showed a plaque, to be displayed with the art work in the new terminal.

Vice Chair Egan requested a picture of the art work to be sent to Mr. Peterson along with the dimensions and Mr. Peterson will pass it along to the sub-committee.

Chairman Vaughan referred this matter to a sub-committee consisting of Vice Chair Egan and Commissioner Macintyre. The sub-committee will give there report to the Commission at the next Commission Meeting.

Falconry – Jeff Marks

Mr. Peterson reported we are almost complete of a Department of Agriculture Study which the airport is paying \$25,000.00 for this program which is required by the FAA. The airport has a remedial program now and is licensed to do depredation and are allowed to shoot the birds if they have to.

Mr. Marks reported falconry is another tool to use for bird mitigation. Right know they use pyrotechnics. Mr. Marks tries to scare them twice and if that does not work he will shoot them. With falconry, the birds soon realize there is another predator in the area and they will start to go away. This is not 100% however it is a very good tool. If the airport is interested in falconry Mr. Marks will get back into it.

Chairman Vaughan would like Mr. Marks to look into everything he needs and the airport will subsidize the cost. Chairman Vaughan also authorized Mr. Marks to purchase up to two Falcons.

Commissioner Atlee asked if there were any restrictions with working the Falcon. Mr. Marks responded not with deprecation you could work the Falcon 365 days a year if necessary.

The Commission **M/S/P** to allow Mr. Marks to start the process of getting the Falcon.

ARFF Update – Fennick and McCredie

Mr. McCredie reported:

- They have HDC approval
- The submissions have been made to the FAA and MAC and they are on board
- Mr. Peterson reported the original building was 6,000 sq. ft. and after looking over the circular the building went to 10,000 sq. ft. which meant the price went up from \$4.8 million to \$5.8 million. Mr. Peterson got all the documentation needed to be eligible for the grant last Thursday.
- The 75% design package has been submitted
- The sub-committee which consists of Chairman Vaughan and Vice Chair Egan met with Mr. McCredie today
- Bid documents available on March 4, 2009
- Should be able to break ground July 1, 2009, complete by May 1, 2010, and ready to occupy June 1, 2010
- Could be 100% FAA funded if the stimulus package passes

Mr. Peterson reported he had a meeting with FAA and MAC to go over the stimulus package. The FAA has a 26 point checklist, based on how far down you met the qualifications moves you further up for the money. The airport is around 90% down the checklist.

Mr. Peterson reported he spoke to Michelle Ricci (FAA) about grants and the stimulus. Ms. Ricci reported the airport is slanted for \$4 million for the terminal and \$4.8 million for the ARFF building. Mr. Peterson hung up the phone and a few minutes later Priscilla Scott (FAA) called about the PFC meeting. Mr. Peterson then told Priscilla the airport was given \$4.8 million for the ARFF building but we really need \$5.8 million, a few minutes later Priscilla told Mr. Peterson that would not be a problem.

The Commission **M/S/P** to pre accept the FAA Grant in the amount of \$5.8 million dollars.

It was **M/S/P** by the following vote to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss Legal Issues and Lease Issues, not to reconvene into Regular Session.

Chairman E. Foley Vaughan – Aye
Vice Chairman Sheila O'Brien Egan – Aye
Commissioner Dual A. Macintyre, Jr. – Aye
Commissioner Robert J. Atlee – Aye
Commissioner David C. Gray, Sr. – Aye

Meeting Adjourned at 5:03 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Yolanda J. Maxwell, Recorder