Airport and Farm Meeting Blue Room, Logan County Safety Complex February 4, 2013

Present: Gene Rohlfs; Bob Farmer; Bill Martin; Andy Meister; Chuck Ruben

Absent: Rick Aylesworth

Guests: Curt Fox; Sam Evans; Dennis Ramlow; Adam Ramlow; Dennis Huffman

Mr. Rohlfs called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Mr. Farmer, seconded by Mr. Martin, to approve the minutes from the January 7, 2013 meeting as printed. Motion passed.

Old Business:

- 1) New "T" hangar construction update: The electrical walk-through was completed last Wednesday morning. There were a couple of minor items that will need re-checked. Adjustments also need to be made to the operation of the doors on the storage areas. The substantial completion walk-through will be completed soon and then the hangar will be available for opening. The anticipated date for occupation is March 1st. The landscaping will be completed in the spring.
- 2) Review farmland cash rent bidding: The advertisement will be published in the Courier on February 13th and 14th. Bids will be opened at the committee meeting on March 4th.
- 3) Airport surplus equipment: The 1985 International tandem-axle dump truck, the 1985 International Tractor 584 and the Ford tractor 6610 will be listed with Mr. Aukamp of the Highway Department for the surplus auction. The sealed bidding will be in March. If the items are not sold, they will be taken to the Lake Fork Auction. The committee discussed various ways to determine the value of this surplus equipment. It is necessary that these items be declared as surplus equipment. A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to declare these items as surplus equipment. Motion passed.

New Business:

- Purchase alfalfa seed: Mr. Ramlow requested the purchase of two bags of alfalfa to re-seed some bare areas because of Balloon Festival traffic and weather issues. A <u>motion</u> was made by Mr. Farmer, seconded by Mr. Meister, to allow the purchase of alfalfa seed in an amount not to exceed \$600.00. Motion passed.
- 2) Farmland lease: The committee reviewed the farm land lease and discussed modifications. Mr. Ruben suggested the elimination of requirements for the tenant to provide information regarding production and farming practices, since that cannot be required in a cash rent lease. A motion was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve the lease with the recommended changes. Motion passed.

Airport Report: Mr. Evans reported there has been no snow plowing. Some runway lights have been replaced, along with the threshold under the door. Mr. Rohlfs reported 450.5 gallons of fuel were sold in January. He also informed the committee he has requested a 100-kilowatt generator for the airport as part of the County Hazard Mitigation Plan. If there were to be a catastrophic event including a power outage, the airport would currently be useless to assist in relief efforts. The supply could be split among three separate units. If the decision is made to supply one large unit, it would require significant wiring work to tie everything together. Mr. Ruben discussed periodic maintenance required for generators. Any concerns can be addressed if this request ends up being included in the plan. Mr. Farmer and Mr. Rohlfs attended the Division of Aviation meeting in Springfield. At that meeting, lack of bid letting was discussed and attributed to concerns with funding from the federal government. It will be at least April before the lighting project can be bid. Future TIPS projects were discussed. In 2014, this would include the replacement of the fuel

system. Future projects would include runway overlay/extension and construction of an additional T-hangar. Nothing further to report.

HIF Report: Mr. Fox reported a grant was approved by the state to rehab the museum building. The first renovations will be roofing and siding. The siding will be problematic because there is large foliage and a large, dead tree in close proximity to the building. They are asking the committee for approval to remove all foliage surrounding the building, as well as the dead tree. The work would be done with volunteers and all waste would be removed from the property. If there are funds remaining after this project, they would consider providing landscaping in the future. The committee approved the work. Nothing further to report.

Farm Report: Nothing to report.

Budget Review: No concerns.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Ruben, to approve the bills as presented for payment. Motion passed.

A <u>motion</u> was made by Mr. Ruben, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 7:35 pm.