

Humboldt County Aviation Advisory Committee

Approved Minutes

September 22, 2020 6:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Alex Stillman at 6:08 PM

Members in attendance, Alex Stillman, Chris Nelson, Bill Wickman, Kyle Gabel, Justin Zabel, Lt. Ryan O'Neill, Joe Shepp

Members absent, John McBeth, Brian Renner

Staff in attendance, Cody Roggatz, Jennifer Corgiat

Public in attendance, Mike Dikun, Western Territory Manager for Armstrong Consultants

2. Public Comment

No public comment was offered

3. Approval of Minutes

The draft minutes of the 8/25/2020 meeting were approved as corrected

4. Department of Aviation Update

A) FOT Gate Problem

Cody Roggatz reported that the gate is included in the emergency power system at FOT but that because of a component malfunction the gate was not functioning under emergency power. This component was replaced or repaired and the gate now functions under emergency power.

B) Sewer Overflow at EKA

There has been a temporary repair. The county is awaiting a quote for a permanent fix. This may be available this week or next. There is no estimated completion date. The

C) Tree removal at ACV

The FAA has been contacted and specific trees identified. There are also trees near the approach end of runway 12 as well as the trees at the approach end of runway 30.

D) Signage at ACV

The two smaller signs are now available but are yet to be installed. The larger sign material, which is 3'X7', is on order and may be available next week.

E) ACV tie downs and tie down markings

The tie down chains on the general aviation ramp have been replaced. Overnight closures for painting runway 32-14 are planned for next week and the tie down markings may be repainted at that time.

5. Old Business

A) Solar array project update

There has been correspondence with the FAA on the solar draft environmental assessment. A date will soon be identified for public comment on this project.

B) Discussion of Cares Act funding use

1. There was no update on funding use. There was a discussion of priorities of for use of Cares Act money. There was a discussion of ACV electrical repair and replacement of visual approach guidance at EKA.

2. There was a discussion of work on the FAA compliance letter, the project is on track to have a report to the Board of Supervisors by the end of this year.

3. The question of the installation of AWOS Kneeland airport was brought by Lt. Ryan O'Neill. Acquisition of a Kneeland AWOS might be funded in part by the Coast Guard.

C) County Budget

1. Electrical and pavement projects are expected over the next two to three years at ACV.

2. There was discussion of the importance to air safety of a VASI or PAPI to runway

6. New Business

A) There was a discussion of past use of the \$250000, allocated for re-establishment of restaurant facilities at ACV. It was stated by Cody Roggatz that this was an internal loan program some of which was used to help establish Ramones. This money is repaid to the allocation from the county general fund.

7. General Aviation at ACV for additional ideas

A) Joe Shepp commented on the continuing lack of response to his questions concerning fuel acquisition costs to the county. And requested this question be included in next month's agenda.

B) Bill Wickman commented on the general state of the airline industry and the

8. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 7:08 PM.