

City of Lago Vista Airport Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 26, 2011

A meeting of the Lago Vista Airport Advisory Board was held in the City Council Chambers of City Hall at 5803 Thunderbird Lane in Lago Vista, Texas in accordance with the published announcement on Wednesday, January 26, 2011. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Coltharp at 7:03 p.m.

In attendance at this meeting were Board Members Chairman Bill Coltharp, Members Keith Krago, Baron Carter, Jim Wood, Jim Orr, Rick Krider. Also present was Assistant City Manager Frank Robbins and Council Liaison D'Ann Gloris. Present in the audience were POA Members Bob Michie and Jim Awalt.

1. Reading of the Minutes. In accordance with the published agenda of this meeting, the minutes of the December 1, 2010 meeting were read and approved as amended.
2. Staff Update. The question of FAA and TX DOT requirements with respect to the granting of building permits for airport lots was discussed to the extent that it was recognized that some confusion apparently exists and it was recommended that a discussion of this topic be placed on the agenda for the next meeting with the goal of recommending to the City Council that some action be taken in order to make it clear to the public which lots can be constructed upon and which lots cannot.

It was discussed that the government form 7460-1 is the mechanism by which the FAA either objects or does not object to a proposed construction project, but that this action on the part of the FAA does not constitute any denial of the ability to construct.

It was also discussed that TX DOT evaluates the FAA's position with respect to the form 7460-1 but takes independent action.

It was also discussed that it is in the best interest of the City to respect TX DOT's desires with respect to which lots are considered buildable and not, and perhaps a map of the airport area could be constructed which indicates those lots which we believe TX DOT does not object to the development of, and in fact, such a map may already exist.

The City Staff has stated that \$50,000 has been placed into the draft budget for the next fiscal year for the City for the paving of Lot 52.

3. POA Update. It was discussed that there is a plan for the repainting of the F-4 which is estimated to cost \$3,000 which hopefully will bring the F-4's appearance into approval status with the Air Force. The City is proceeding in an attempt to obtain such approval.

4. Fees. Discuss and consider fees for parking on the airport property. It was mentioned that the POA recommends fees to the City Council, the City Council then approves or denies or modifies such fees, then the POA collects the fees and applies the monies generated towards the POA's contribution to the City for the maintenance and operation of the airport.
5. Aircraft and Vehicular Parking Standards. A discussion was conducted on the status of aircraft parked on the lot directly to the South of Horace Miller's hangar. It was discussed that the POA intends to send the property owner a bill for the aircraft on the Lot's contribution to the POA general fund and to take appropriate action depending upon the reaction of the property owner.

It was further discussed that any citizen can complain to the City if they feel that aircraft such as those on that lot constitute abandoned vehicles and the City has a procedure by which they can evaluate such a consideration and take action if appropriate.

6. Parking on Taxiway. It was observed that, at least at one time, an aircraft was parked for an extended period of time on one of the cul-de-sacs of the taxiways in the Anderson annex and it was observed and concluded that this constitutes improper parking in that it denies aircraft taxiing the ability to turn around at the end of the taxi stub. At this time, no aircraft are so parked and, as a consequence, no action is required.
7. Citizen Comments. Bob Michie commented that, in as much as the Airport Advisory Board is advisory only, that the Texas Open Meetings Act does not apply and that it is unnecessary to post the Agenda of the meeting, prior to the meetings, and it is also unnecessary to follow the Agenda item schedule by placing an item for discussion on the Agenda before a motion can be taken. It was discussed by the Board that, despite the fact that such may not be legally required, the Board has voluntarily conformed to such requirements at the request of the City and intends to continue to do so.
8. Date of the Next AAB Meeting. The date of the next Airport Advisory Board Meeting was selected as Wednesday, March 30, 2011. A motion was made by Jim Orr and seconded by Baron Carter the vote was unanimous and the meeting was so set.
9. Adjournment. At 8:37 p.m. Chairman Coltharp entertained a motion to adjourn which was made by Jim Orr and seconded by Baron Carter and, as a consequence, the meeting was adjourned.

End of Minutes.