

## *City of Lago Vista Airport Advisory Board*

### *Meeting Minutes*

*Wednesday, May 30, 2012*

An announced 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 on Wednesday, May 30, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Coltharp at 7:01 p.m.

In attendance at this meeting were Board Members Bill Coltharp, Keith Land, Jim Orr, Baron Carter, Chris Dehnel and alternate member Don Barthlow. Also in attendance were Councilwoman D'Anne Gloris, Councilman Fill in the blank, POA Vice-President Linda Coltharp, POA member Brian Bridges and City of Lago Vista Assistant Manager Frank Robbins. The published Agenda for the meeting is attached.

1. Reading of the Minutes. In accordance with the published agenda of this meeting, the minutes of the January 25, 2012 meeting were read and approved. Then the minutes of the March 28, 2012 meeting were read and approved.
2. Staff Update. The waterline extension to the airport construction has been completed; testing is on-going and should be completed by Monday, June 4, 2012. One water permit has been issued, within approximately 2 weeks the city will send letters out to all property owners within 150 feet of the new water line advising them of their ability to connect to the new waterline.

The City is working on moving all of the Fuga aircrafts that have been parked on taxiways to private property and it was reported by Councilwoman D'Anne Gloris that this movement has been accomplished.

3. Airport POA Update. Vice-President Linda Coltharp of the airport POA reported that a survey of the property owners on the desirability of a deer fence has been completed with one owner being in favor of the fence, 19 owners being opposed to the construction of such a fence and five property owners in favor of conducting a study of the feasibility of the fence. Committee member Keith Land observed that in his experience, deer fences are an effective way of keeping deer from airport runways and that deer at the Rusty Allen Airport have cause aircraft go-arounds in order to avoid collision.

A discussion of the Wi-Fi system at the airport was conducted; it was decided to request that the City study the advisability of provide Wi-Fi to the airport environment inasmuch as the City is already contracting to provide Wi-Fi at the City Hall and the Public Library.

It was discuss that, if there were additional costs that would not be absorbed by the city, there was the possibility of the POA voting to raise their annual contract contributions to the City to cover such costs.

It was discussed that it would be in the best interest of the POA to not be engaged in providing services inasmuch that this might trigger involvement with new State laws involving the nature of POA agreements but rather the POA contribute essentially block grant money to the City with the City providing the Wi-Fi service.

It was discussed that the CC&Rs for the airport POA have been reviewed and found to need no revision(s).

4. Airport Advisory Board Enabling Ordinance. The Airport Advisory Board Enabling Ordinance was discussed with the markups provided by Chairman Coltharp, additional markups were suggested and the Chairman has agreed to incorporate these into a revised markup of the Enabling Ordinance to be presented at the next AAB meeting.
5. TxDOT Aviation Capital Improvements. The recommendation of the Airport Advisory Board to the City Council concerning the abandoned aircraft ordinance was discussed. The Board voted unanimously to recommend that the City Council adopt the Ordinance with two changes to its current status.
  - 1) an addition of 120-days into the blank provided for the period of time that a disabled aircraft may remain at the airport, and
  - 2) the suggestion that a typo be corrected specifically Section 8.905 Hearing sub-paragraph B, that the letter m between the word junked and aircraft be omitted. The recommendation that this Ordinance be adopted by the City Council was voted on and passed unanimously.
6. Citizen's Comments. There was a continued discussion of the consideration of the deer-proof fence and other possible Capital Improvements.

It was discussed that TXDOT was unwilling to provide funding for any portion of a fence which might have to exist on private property and it was suggested by Chairman Coltharp that any private property that the fence might pass through would in all likelihood be owned by one of the POA members who had just voted 19-4 against consideration of the deer fence.

POA member Brian Bridges discussed the fact that TXDOT has yet to study the feasibility of installing a deer fence and requested that the AAB consider meeting with TXDOT to obtain their advice concerning the feasibility of the deer fence.

IT was agreed that Chairman Coltharp would draw a suggested installation of the deer fence and accept additional suggestions from the POA and the City-at-large and that these suggestions would be presented to TXDOT in a meeting, hopefully conducted at the Airport grounds to obtain their advice and recommendations concerning the fence's feasibility.

7. Board Member Issues. It was observed that the Board had yet to elect Officers for the Current Term. To that end, Chairman Coltharp suggested the following be enacted by acclimation. That the Chairman be Bill Coltharp, the Vice-Chairman Baron Carter and the Secretary Jim Orr. The members voted unanimously to adopt this slate by acclimation.

Alternate Board Member Don Barthlow discussed the fact that it might be possible to obtain a list of Lago Vista business that would be willing to provide transportation to transient pilots to and from the airport for the purpose of visiting their businesses in Lago Vista.

It was discussed that Chairman Coltharp would contact the Chamber of Commerce and attempt to determine those businesses that would consider such a program and that should such a list be developed that Don Barthlow would attempt to provide these recommendations in internet based directories of Airport facilities.

8. Citizen Comments. Frank Robbins explained that his feeling that the Airport Board Enabling Ordinance ought to be changed to allow the Chairman of the Board to vote on any resolution before the Board rather than the current restriction that the Chairman vote only in the case of a tie. This suggestion was accepted by Chairman Coltharp and will appear in the revised draft of the Airport Advisory Board Enabling Ordinance to be presented at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Board Member Jim Orr discussed the fact that the POA is allowed to nominate one member for consideration to serve on the Airport Advisory Board but, according to the POA rules, must take place by a popular vote during the annual meeting which occurs in March, yet the Airport Advisory Board Members are appointed in January. It was suggested that the Airport Advisory Board adopt the convention that that member whose term is due to expire in January, voluntarily continue to serve on the Board until March, at which time during the POA annual meeting the POA's suggested Board Member can be voted upon.

9. Date of the Next AAB Meeting. The date of the next Airport Advisory Board Meeting was selected as Wednesday, July 18, 2012 at the same place and time. This date, one week early, was chosen to avoid possible conflicts with the OSKOSH Air Show.

8. Adjournment. The AAB meeting was adjourned by Chairman Coltharp at 9:59 p.m.

End of Minutes.