



AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION

MINUTES

July 18, 2024

3:30 p.m.

Santiam Room, City Hall/VIRTUAL

Approved: August 15, 2024

Call to Order

Chair Mel Huffman called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Chair Mel Huffman, Nathan Ahrens, Chuck Kratch, and Rodney Moore

Members absent: Theophilus Warren (excused)

Staff present: Transportation Manager Robb Romeo and Clerk III Anita Dodd

Others present: Tony Hann

Approval of June 20, 2024, Minutes

3:30 p.m.

Nathan Ahrens made a motion to approve the June 20, 2024, minutes as presented. Rodney Moore seconded the motion, and, after suggesting minor changes, the motion passed the commission 4-0.

Staff Updates

3:33 p.m.

Transportation Manager Robb Romeo gave an update on the Albany Municipal Airport improvements.

FBO Updates

3:35 p.m.

Tony Hann shared updates about the Albany Municipal Airport.

Business from the Commission

3:50 p.m.

Ahrens revisited the subject of raising the hangar rates as previously proposed and made a motion to move forward with a vote. Chuck Kratch seconded the motion. After some discussion, the commissioners voted 2-1 against the motion as Chair Huffman stated he would only vote to break a tie. The motion failed and will not be presented to the Albany City Council.

Kratch drew attention to a drain at the airport that is raised on one corner on the east side of Dan Miltenberger's building needing some repair. Romeo said he is aware of the problem and will investigate to possibly find a solution.

Chair Huffman acknowledged that even though most commissioners don't think it is a good solution to raise hangar rates, they do need to do something to help raise money and bring people to the airport, so he revisited the idea of hosting fundraisers.

Business from the Public

4:36 p.m.

None.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Thursday, August 15, 2024.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Chair Huffman adjourned the meeting at 4:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed by,

Signature on file

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Anita Dodd
Clerk III

Robb Romeo
Transportation Manager

**Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityclerk@albanyoregon.gov*