

# Humboldt County Aviation Advisory Committee

## MINUTES

September 23, 2008

6:00 P.M.

Aviation Division Office

3561 Boeing Ave., McKinleyville

1. CALL TO ORDER @ 1800 by Chairman Goodwin. Followed by the Chairs' request to amend the agenda to include the addition of viewing a CalTrans airport video by the Committee. Also added under new business were: Item B. - FOT storage room request for AVI8CANDO; and Item C. - Discussion of a requested EKA field aircraft washing facility. There was no further discussion of this request and the changes were subsequently adopted.
2. ROLL CALL AND PARKING TICKET VALIDATION - **Members:** Chuck Goodwin, Jack Limmer, Bill Davidson, Dennis Lichty, George Jutila, Alistair McCrone, Rich Fenton. **Staff:** None, except Jacquelyn Hulsey briefly present at beginning of meeting. **Guests:** Dax Williamson, Pilot; Nancy Maas, Pilot and 99's member.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None available for review this meeting.
4. OPEN SESSION (to include community guests) – CalTrans Video.

The Committee viewed an 18 minute video on airport encroachment by CalTrans, detailing issues that can affect the utility of airports and explaining the availability of their Airport Land Use Handbook. The Committee Chair will write a memo to the County Board of Supervisors, Planning and Community Development Department, Public Works Department and others requesting that they view this video.

5. AIRPORT TRAFFIC STATISTICS  
The statistics were distributed to Committee members showing that enplanements and deplanements are up in 2008, possibly attributed to the new service by Delta.
6. AIRPORT REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE  
**Garberville:** Fencing is complete and the vehicle gate is allowed to be open during the day to allow access to the field.  
**Rohnerville (FOT):** – Runway lighting project is continuing.  
**Dinsmore:** Runway repaving is complete and the field was reopened on September 9<sup>th</sup>.  
**Murray:** A new restaurant is open at the field and is reported to be functioning well.  
**Kneeland:** No report.  
Arcata - renovation is continuing, with no stated completion date.
7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - A. Ratification of Committee Letter to Airport Land Use Commission – Moved by Rich Fenton and seconded by Alistair McCrone to approve and accept the letter as written by the Chairman to the Board of Supervisors on this subject. Unanimously approved.
  - B. Airport Land Use Commission Hearing – Jack Limmer reports that the Board of Supervisors has continued the consideration of this item for two weeks in order to allow

the Department of Public Works and the developer, Mr. Moser, to work out any remaining issues. Mr. Moser offered to drop Phase 2 and 3, plus lot #46 from his proposal if it would satisfy further public concerns.

C. AVI8CANDO Aviation Day, September 27, 2008 – George Jutila reported on the event, to be held this weekend, and the schedule of events and speakers.

D. Runway 01/19 Lighting at ACV – Discussion on this item was deferred to the next meeting when there may be Minutes from previous meetings to review earlier discussions on this subject.

E. Airport Security

- Gates at EKA need repair and Jack Limmer asked, as at our previous Committee meeting, that the Committee officially ask the County to repair them. Chair will include this request in his letter to the County.
- Bill Davidson asked that the gate code be changed for access to the field in order to restrict unauthorized access. Chair will include this request in his letter to the County.

8. NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE

A. Airport Land Use Commission Hearing on Development near ACV – see above discussion of Mr. Moser’s project under “Unfinished Business”.

B. Rohnerville (FOT) Storage Room Usage by AVI8CANDO – George Jutila reports that there is a need to complete a contract with the County, and that this process has been ongoing for some time.

C. Murray (EKA) Field Aircraft Washing Facility – this addition to any new project is probably not possible due to drainage concerns at the field.

D. Discussion occurred regarding the Board of Supervisors vision of this Committee and also the Public Works Departments’ vision of the Committees’ interaction with the Airport Division Manager and/or staff. Methods of reporting and or advising to the Board of Supervisors were discussed, with the possible suggestion that minutes be forwarded to them directly, as well as, posted to the County web site.

E. An FAA F.A.S.T. meeting is scheduled for tomorrow evening at 1900 in Northern Air. “What to do if your engine fails after takeoff”. Register on line for WINGS credit or just show up for the program, per Nancy Maas of the 99’s.

9. ADJOURNMENT @ 1915 by Chairman Goodwin

2008 MEETING SCHEDULE: 10/28, 11/25