

Humboldt County Aviation Advisory Committee MINUTES

June 23, 2009

6:00 PM

Aviation Division Office
3561 Boeing Ave, McKinleyville

1. The meeting was called to order at 1800 by Chairman Charles Goodwin. In the absence of the Secretary, Chairman Goodwin appointed Jack Limmer as Secretary Pro Tem.
2. ROLL CALL – **Members present:** Alistair McCrone, George Jutila, Dax Williamson, Jack Limmer, Kyle Gabel, Dennis Lichty and Charles Goodwin.
Members absent: Richard Fenton, Bill Davidson
Staff present: Jacquelyn Hulsey and Emily Jacobson
Guests: Dave Carlisle FAA, Ray Wickel and a McKinleyville Press Reporter
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of May 26, 2009. Motion to approve made by Alistair McCrone, seconded by Dennis Lichty. Minutes approved.
4. OPEN SESSION – Ray Wickel thanked the airport staff on their quick response to repairs needed to his hanger at Murray Field. Ray also announced an Aviation Seminar to be held on July 21, 2009, 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Coast Guard Station, McKinleyville. Attendance will count toward a pilots “WINGS” qualification. Seminar sponsors are AVI8CANDO and Northern Air.
5. AIRPORT MANAGER REPORT
 - A. Reports
 1. Passenger traffic is continuing to be strong for all air lines.
 2. Relations with the Rohnerville Sheriffs farm program is very good.
 - B. Projects
 1. ACV Terminal expansion is complete, with just punch list items to be corrected. A date has not been set for the formal expansion dedication.
 2. ACV Runway Improvement bid requests have been sent out and are due back by July 29, 2009
 3. AWOS funding request for Rohnerville and Garberville airports has been sent to the Board of Supervisors.
6. AIRPORT REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE
 - A. Jack will forward information to Tom Mattson, Humboldt County Public Works Director, the information that the hanger sub committee has compiled regarding airports that have recently allowed hangers to be constructed by private individuals.
 - B. Garberville – Dennis and Jacquelyn reported that a car was driven into the fencing at the Garberville airport, and when leaving the scene the front

license plate was left behind. The police were able to identify the driver from the license plate.

- C. Dinsmore – Cal Trans is scheduled to do a Form 5010 compliance inspection at the Dinsmore airport.
 - D. Eureka Murray - Renumbering of the runway to 30/12 has been completed.
7. NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDANCE
- A. A letter was received from Michael Walsh proposing a name change of the Rohnerville airport to “Gates and Meade Field”. Leroy Gates and Jim Meade created Gates and Meade Flying Service, which was located at the airport for many years, offering a flying service and airplane repair. Both men were very active in the Fortuna/Hydesville community. After discussion, the committee decided to send an letter to the Board of Supervisors recommending that a plaque be installed at the airport in recognition of their contributions to the community and aviation development at the airport. (It was noted that changing the name of the airport would be a very long and expansive process, involving many government departments at the local, state and federal levels.)
 - B. The committee will send a letter to the Board of Supervisors supporting the construction of T hangers at the Eureka Arcata airport. Chairman Goodwin will draft the letter.
8. NEW BUSINESS – none
9. ADJOURNMENT at 7:00 PM