

Humboldt County Airport Advisory Committee
November 29, 2005
1800
Airport Terminal, Manager's Office

- 1) Call to Order: 1800 p.m.
- 2) Parking ticket validations - Completed
- 3) Roll call – Members: Alistair McCrone, Chairman; Jack Limmer, Al Castaldi, Kyle Gabel, Rich Fenton, Chuck Goodwin, Bill Davidson, Dennis Lichty, Guests: Mike Kiel, TSA; Jim Bisiar, Trinidad resident; Humboldt Skeet Club Representative (name unknown); Dave Ravetti, community member; Elaine Weinreb, reporter, Humboldt Advocate.
- 4) Approval of Minutes for the 10/22/05 meeting - Moved by Alistair McCrone to adopt by consensus with corrections as follows: Add Richard Fenton as present under “3) Roll Call” and delete noted discussion “item iii.” by Chuck Goodwin under “10) Open Discussion”. Seconded by Jack Limmer – unanimously approved.
- 5) Mr. James Bisiar presented his concerns regarding the Humboldt Trap and Skeet Club's effect on his enjoyment of his property. A member of the Humboldt Trap and Skeet Club was present to answer questions and partially respond to these concerns. He reported that normal club activities result in shooting hours from 1000 to 1500 most days & on occasion in the summer from 0600 to dark. The normal activities have not changed significantly over the years, and he believes that the club is in conformance with the County's lease agreement. This assertion was respectfully challenged by Mr. Bisiar. The matter was deemed inappropriate for any action by this Committee, and Mr. Bisiar was thanked and asked to present his concerns to the Airport Manager and Real Property Manager, followed by the appropriate chain of command, should he feel it is necessary.
- 5) Airport Manager's report:
 - a) Standing airport projects
 - i) Rohnerville: RW/TW lighting design continues.
 - ii) Kneeland: Runway project has been 100% completed this period.
 - iii) Dinsmore: Storm drain project has been completed this period in less than the allotted time for construction.
 - iv) ACV: The GA ramp project is under review for value engineering to cut costs and ease constructibility.
 - v) ACV: The FAA's response to the County for the funding of the Benefit Cost Analysis (BCA) for ACV runway expansion was to state that the Engineered Material Arresting System (EMAS) should be put into place in the first phase of a two phase project to ease funding concerns for the FAA. They deferred the funding of the BCA for the Runway 14/32 extension until after the County changes their application to a Runway Safety Area (RSA) Study/Environmental Baseline Study Grant. This study grant will include the possible use of EMAS for the RSA modifications and these modifications appear to be considered by the FAA to be necessary prior to applying for runway extension funding. Jacque will take these comments and proposed phasing to the BOS for direction and approval.
 - vi) ACV: Master Plan Updates – Jacque thanked the Committee for their support of the Master Plan as recently presented to the BOS.
 - vii) EKA: Two consultants have applied for the preparation of this environmental document and will be interviewed next week.
 - b) Statistics – enplanements and deplanements continue to be better than expected for 2005. Rental car income has also shown an increase over the year and a graphical analysis was distributed to the Committee.

- c) The Grand Jury visited the airport on October 27th, reviewed the airport operations and interviewed the County staff. They forwarded a letter of thanks to Jacque for her cooperation.
- 6) Manager's professional activity: No new information; Jacque reports normal airport activities.
- 7) Nominations – Chairman McCrone requested nominations for a new Chairman for the Committee, and was informed that the position carries a life term. This also appears to apply to the Secretarial position.
- 8) Old business and correspondence: Al Castaldi asked again that the Murray Field pilot controlled lighting be made usable in the daylight hours in order to assist in runway recognition during periods of low visibility. Jacque reports that there are regulatory issues related to the operation of the rotating beacon during periods of "low VFR" conditions. She also reported that the County has applied for a grant to redesign and upgrade the Murray Field lighting system, but that there was no immediate solution to this issue at this time.
- 9) Open session: to include community guests
 - i) Alistair McCrone commented on the recent reports of bright lights in the sky and was given the telephone information for reporting these sightings to the government.
 - ii) Alistair McCrone asked about the possibility of formally informing the Coast Guard and the CDF of the date and time of our monthly meetings. Jack Limmer informed the Committee that he used to e-mail them a copy of the agenda approximately one week before the meeting on a regular basis. It was decided that the Airport Manager would inform them of the yearly schedule in January as soon as it is available.
 - iii) Mike Kiel commented that the Sherriff's office deputies have been a welcome and helpful resource in order to spot suspicious activities and stopping them prior to any incidents occurring.
- 10) December meeting cancelled due to the holidays. Jacque will forward a year long schedule for 2006 reflecting the same Tuesday meeting dates as the previous year.
- 11) Adjournment at 1900