

# Redlands Airport Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

May, 16 2024

Redlands airport Lobby

City of Redlands

## Board Members Present

Dennis Nodine, Board Member  
Amber Harrison, Board Member  
Jason Golembeski, Chair

Robert Pearce, Board Member  
Val Dotchkov, Board Member  
Mike Allen, Board Member

### 1. 1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM
- b. Pledge of Allegiance

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. Thomas Cook comments on the condition of the airport and its poor condition. He asked the board to hold the city accountable.
- b. Gil Brown- Updated the board on the status of the dispute between coyote aviation and the city of Redlands. He mentions that they currently have two appeals remaining and there will be more updates to come in the future.
- c. Walt Ferrar- Asked the board to introduce themselves and share a short Bio.
  - i. The members obliged and gave brief rundowns of their backgrounds.
- d. Bob O'connor- Encouraged the AAB to walk the airport to get more perspective around the airport. This would identify issues with the airport.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. None For approval.

### 4. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. New Board members
  - i. Aj Lawson introduced A new board member Michael Allen.
  - ii. The other new member was not able to attend this meeting.
- b. Staff Report - Aj Lawson:
  - i. Operations & Admin-
    1. Presented operational data from the tracking system. 1754 operations were tracked from last month. More data will be presented soon.
    2. This data will be used to draw business to the airport.
  - ii. Hangar Inspections
    1. Hangar inspections continued with the help of the fire department, an issue of hanging debris on the walls was noted.
  - iii. West ramp use
    1. Mr. Lawson commented Non- Aeronautical use of hangars and ramps is allowed as long as you don't displace aeronautical uses, and a fair market rate is applied. This is in reference to some concerns over use of the west ramp for unused brewing equipment and motorcycle training.
    2. Bob O'connor made a public comment, He mentioned that the police department needs to justify the return of capital for use of the west ramp.
    3. Member Harrison- Commented that there should be a type of MOU created for the use of the airport from the city(for non aviation use).
  - iv. Maintenance
    1. Damaged lighting will be repaired on the west taxi way.
  - v. Grants

1. Cal-trans grant was submitted- this will be used for weed abatement
2. Banning airport has transferred their grant monies to REI.(\$150,000.00)  
More information to follow on this.

vi. Financials

1. There was not a quorum at the time of the budget meeting so the AAB was not able to weigh in on the most recent budget.
2. Member Pearce commented that the AAB was not involved.
3. Mr.Lawson will present the new budget to the AAB.
4. Member Nodine asked that the city come and answer to the AAB on the subject of the budget. ‘
5. Member Pearce noted there is resistance from the finance department with the AAB.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Financial presentation for future board meetings.

6. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.**

- a. No new items

7. **Board member comments**

- a. Member Dotchkov, would like a calendar of activities at the airport

8. **ADJOURNMENT/NEXT MEETING**

- a. Adjournment - 7:16 PM
- b. Next Meeting -6/20/2024 6:00 PM