MINUTES
Nebraska Aeronautics Commission
August 6, 2021

The Nebraska Aeronautics Commission held their regular meeting at the McCook Municipal Center, McCook, Nebraska. The legal ad was published in the July 23 edition of the McCook Daily Gazette and July 27 edition of the Lincoln Journal Star and is posted on the website https://dot.nebraska.gov/aeronautics. The Commission Book and Public Meetings Act were also posted on the website. Acting Chairperson Diana Smith called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. CDT. Commissioners Tom Trumble, and Dick Trail were in attendance. Also present were Engineering Division Manager Anna Lannin, Director Ann B. Richart, and Deputy Director/Legal Counsel Andre Aman. Commissioners Michael Cook and Scott Tarry were absent.

Public Comment

Commissioner Trumble has been asked to list on Pireps who to contact to list events.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Trumble to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2021, meeting. Second by Commissioner Trail. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Aeronautics Director's Report

- New employees:
  Katie McGuire has stepped in to Barb's role as our Accountant II
  Braden Smets, Navaids Tech
  Roman Kulbashnyi, intern from UNK through the end of the year
  Jacob Jurgens, intern from UNO through the end of the year

- Efforts in making NDOT a multi-modal agency:
  Flew John Selmer and Shannon Ankeny to BFF, VTN, EAR for introduction
  Similar trip is now being planned for Legislative leaders
  NDOT-Communications suggested and outreach
  NDOT-Communications is developing a marketing program to ensure that the multi-modal message is out

- Over $24 million in AIP this year and also nearly $100 million in additional relief funding

- System Plan work has identified the top issues for Nebraska airports:
  1) Revenue Generation
  2) Training and Educational Resources
  3) Marketing/Promotion/Community Education
  4) Staffing of Maintenance Positions

5) Assistance with Management Documents (minimum standards, rules & regulations, rates & charges)
6) Assistance with Airport Protective Zoning
7) Coordination among Airports
8) Assistance with DBE Participation

- October and December Meetings
  Locations?
  Be prepared for hybrid

Report of State Funds Available
Andre Aman presented a written report of state funds available.

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PROJECT GRANT FUND

Funds available March 31, 2021		$1,058.94
Commission Actions (04/23/21 meeting)		
None		
Subtotal		$0.00
Other Actions		
Closed Project - So. Sioux City SA-04	$29,700.00	
Subtotal		$29,700.00
Funds available July 31, 2021		$30,758.94

Funds available at June 2020 meeting: $4,257.24

STATE OWNED AIRFIELDS (SOA) DIVERSION GRANT FUND

Funds available March 31, 2021		$0.00
Commission Actions (04/23/2021 meeting)		
None		
Funds available July 31, 2021		$0.00

Funds available at June 2020 meeting: $0

SEAL COAT GRANT FUND (Pavement Preservation Program)

Funds available March 31, 2021		$405,792.18
Commission Actions (04/23/21 meeting)		
None		
Subtotal		$0.00
Other Actions		
None		
Subtotal		$0.00
Funds available July 31, 2021		$405,792.18

Funds available at June 2020 meeting: $405,792.18

HANGAR REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Funds available March 31, 2021		$778,239.23
Commission Actions 04/23/21 meeting)		
None		
Subtotal		$0.00
Other Actions		
Lapsed Allocation: Fremont	$750,000.00	
Lapsed Allocation: Loup City	$436,333.00	
Subtotal		$1,186,333.00

Receipts		
April 2021	$21,715.43	
May 2021	$21,693.00	
June 2021	$21,693.00	
July 2021 (includes $60,000 annual pymt from 08K loan)	$81,693.00	
Subtotal		$146,794.43
Funds available July 31, 2021		$2,111,366.66

Funds available at June 2020 meeting: $745,656.90
Total amount in Hangar Loan fund: $3,768,360

FUEL STORAGE LOAN FUND

Funds available March 31, 2021		$302,780.29
Commission Actions 04/23/21 meeting)		
None		
Subtotal		
Other Actions		
None		
Subtotal		$0.00
Receipts		
April 2021	$958.33	
May 2021	$958.33	
June 2021	$958.33	
July 2021	$958.33	
Subtotal		$3,833.32
Funds available July 31, 2021		$306,613.61

Funds available at June 2020 meeting: $292,238.66
Total amount in Fuel Storage fund: $336,500

NON-PRIMARY ENTITLEMENT TRANSFER PROGRAM

Funds available March 31, 2021	$936.75
Commission Actions (04/23/21 meeting)	
None	
Funds Disbursed	

Subtotal	$0.00
Funds available July 31, 2021	$936.75

October meeting will include robust conversation about Hangar Loan Fund/Fuel Storage Loan Fund/Operating Fund, etc.

Motion by Commissioner Trail to accept the report of State Funds. Second by Commissioner Trumble. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Federal Aid Project Requests

Manager Anna Lannin presented the following projects for Commission approval to forward to the FAA with requests for funding, as required by state statutes. The FAA considers the request for future federal funding as funds become available. No state funds are requested at this time.

Atkinson R-02
Scope: Runway 11/29 Turnarounds, Connecting Taxiway, and Apron Pavement Rehabilitation
Total Estimated Cost: $440,000

Pavement rehabilitation (remove and replace joint sealant, selective panel replacement, spall repair, and pavement marking) will extend the life of the pavement and create years of maintenance free use for the airport.

Creighton R-01
Scope: Runway 13/31, Turnarounds, Connecting Taxiway, and Apron Pavement Rehabilitation
Total Estimated Cost: $590,000

The existing pavement was placed in 2006, regular pavement maintenance has proven to extend the usable life of all pavements. The project shall consist of removal and replacement of joint sealant and pavement marking, also crack repair and selective panel replacement.

Ord B-03
Scope: Construct 80' x 80' Storage hangar (With Heat and Insulation)
Total Estimated Cost: $910,000

The airport needs a storage hangar to store itinerant aircraft overnight and in bad weather conditions.

Scottsbluff M-12
Scope: New Guidance Sign Panels
Total Estimated Cost: $320,000

The existing guidance signage was installed in 2004 and as per the Part 139 safety inspection notes the panels need to be replaced to meet certification requirements. The Airport wants to replace all of the incandescent guidance signs with new LED signs to meet Part 139 certification requirements.

Scottsbluff M-13
Scope: New Storm Drain Piping and Grading Improvements
Total Estimated Cost: $775,000

The existing airfield storm water drainage system was installed in 1943 as part of the original airport development. The outfall area of the storm water drainage system is showing signs of deterioration and erosion. The airport needs to improve the outfall area with new concrete piping, grading and retention improvements.

Sidney B-02
Scope: New Box Hangar
Total Estimated Cost: $1,350,000

The airport currently does not have any vacant hangars available for GA aircraft storage and the airport has a waiting list of clients wanting hangar space for GA aircraft. The airport would like to install a new 4-place Box Hangar with concrete taxi lane access pavement. The new hangar will provide additional storage for GA aircraft at the airport.

Motion by Commissioner Trumble to approve the CIP data sheets and forward them to the FAA. Second by Commissioner Trail. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Hangar Loan Request

Burwell Hangar
Scope: Construct 3 Bay Hangar
Representative: Curt Christianson, Olsson
Total Estimated Cost: $990,000
Loan Request: $276,634

Constructing the new hangar will allow for safe aircraft storage. The airport currently has a citizen of Burwell that would like to store his aircraft at Cram Field, however, the current hangars on the airfield are not large enough to store this aircraft. All additional hangars located at Cram Field are currently being rented. The airport would like to construct the 3-Bay Storage Hangar for the following reasons: 1) Provide aircraft storage for the individual on the wait list; 2) Provide storage for future aircraft wanting to store their aircraft at Cram Field; 3) Provide aircraft storage needs of itinerant aircraft.

Motion by Commissioner Trumble to approve the Burwell Hangar Loan. Second by Commissioner Trail. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

System Plan Update

Jon Large provided an update on the current progress of the State Airport System Plan. Topics discussed were a review of the Visioning Statement; the status of data collection, including Airport Manager Surveys and Regional meetings; the forecasting methods approved by the FAA for development of the system plan; early considerations of performance metrics to be used to assess system plan progress; and preliminary discussions on how the plan will address emerging technologies in the aviation industry.

Closed Projects

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Airport	Original State Allocation	Increase in State Funds Required	Decrease in State Funds Required
Blair-16 (Pave on airport ground access to facilities)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Columbus 13 (SRE Building)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Cozad 10 (Rehab apron & taxiway; expand apron)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Cozad 11 (Rehab apron & taxiway; expand apron)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Falls City-13 (Pavement airport road & parking lot)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00

Hebron SA-4 (Replace Beacon)	$ 45,000.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Nebr. City 15 (Rehab runway, Taxiway & apron)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Norfolk-23 (Runway 01/19 Surface treatment)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
No. Platte 35 (ARFF)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Seward-12 (T-Hanger)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Sidney-07 (Taxiway guidance signs; Lighted wind cones)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Superior-06 (Fuel system improvements)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Wayne-14 (Parallel taxiway To RW 18/26)	$ 0.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Totals	$ 45,000.00	$ 0.00	$ 0.00

Motion by Commissioner Trail to approve the Closed Project list. Second by Commissioner Trumble. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Approval of State Pilots

Evan Taylor, Donald Cook and Tiernan Siems are submitting Pilot Qualification Sheets to be State Pilots.

Motion by Commissioner Trumble to approve the State Pilots. Second by Commissioner Trail. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Proposed Motion Regarding Use of Pilot Not Approved by the Aeronautics Commission

Director Richart presented a request to the Commission regarding the Division's emergency use of qualified pilots to act as Second in Command of the state's King Air prior to their approval by the Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Trumble to approve the Division's use of pilots as follows:

In the event pilots previously approved by the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission as per Neb. Rev. Stat. Statute §3-104(4) are all unavailable for state-owned King Air C90 flights requesting a second pilot; the Aeronautics Commission hereby authorizes NDOT Aeronautics' Flight Operations Manager, David Morris, to utilize a non-approved pilot provided:

1. The pilot meets the qualifications of a Class III pilot; and
2. The pilot will not act as PIC (Pilot in Command) nor otherwise have control of the aircraft except in an emergency; and
3. A pilot used under these circumstances will be considered for approval by the Aeronautics Commission, and ratification of the Department's use of this pilot requested, at the next regularly scheduled Aeronautics Commission meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Trumble to approve the Proposed Motion. Second by Commissioner Trail. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The next meeting is tentatively set for Friday, October 22, 2021 at 1:00 pm CST in Beatrice, Nebraska. Motion by Commissioner Trumble to adjourn the meeting. Second by Commissioner Trail. Roll call vote. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

Submitted by,

Ann B. Richart, AAE
Director

PILOT QUALIFICATION SHEET – Contract Pilot

In accordance with paragraph 3-104 of Nebraska Statutes, the below listed individual seeks approval from the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission to be utilized as a Contract Pilot by the NDOT – Division of Aeronautics.

Name: Evan Taylor Date: 6-9-2021

Address: 671 N 16th Road, Unadilla, NE, 68454

Agency: _____

FAA Airman certificates & ratings currently held:

ATP, CFI, CFII, MEI Single Engine Land, Multi Engine Land, Instrument

Airman Medical Certificate: Date: ~~[illegible]~~ 06/20 Class 1st

Flight Experience	NDOT/Aeronautics Division Recommended Flight Time	Applicant's Flight Time
Total Flight Hours	1500	1860
Pilot In Command	1500	1513
Cross Country	500	767
Instrument (Actual or Simulated)	75	182
Multi-Engine PIC	300	600
Night Time PIC	50	100

I certify the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

Recommendation of Director

I have reviewed the qualifications of the above applicant. I X (Do) ____(Do Not) recommend Commission approval of the applicant as a Contract Pilot.

Director, NDOT – Division of Aeronautics

The applicant is X (Approved) ____(Disapproved) by the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission as a Contract Pilot.

Deana Smith

acting Chairperson, Nebraska Aeronautics Commission

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PILOT QUALIFICATION SHEET

In accordance with paragraph 3-104 of Nebraska Statutes, the below listed individual seeks approval from the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission to be utilized as a Contract Pilot by the NDOT – Division of Aeronautics.

Name: Tiernan T. Siems Date: 7/13/21

Address: 1337 S. 101st St. # 218 Omaha, NE 68124

Agency:

FAA Airman Certificates & Ratings Currently Held:

#3651519ATP, CFI, CFII, MEI, PIC Type CE500

Airman Medical Certificate: Date: 12/15/20 Class 2d class

Flight Experience	NDOT/Aeronautics Division Recommended Flight Time	Applicant's Flight Time
Total Flight Hours	1500	3613
Pilot In Command	1500	3525
Cross Country (over 50nm)	500	2431
Instrument (Actual or Simulated)	75	426
Multi-Engine PIC	300	468
Night Time PIC	50	320

I certify the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

Recommendation of Director

I have reviewed the qualifications of the above applicant. I X (Do) ____(Do Not) recommend Commission approval of the applicant as a Contract Pilot.

Director, NDOT – Division of Aeronautics

The applicant is X (Approved) ____(Disapproved) by the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission as a Contract Pilot.

Acting Chairperson, Nebraska Aeronautics Commission

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PILOT QUALIFICATION SHEET

In accordance with paragraph 3-104 of Nebraska Statutes, the below listed individual seeks approval from the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission to be utilized as a Contract Pilot by the NDOT – Division of Aeronautics.

Name: **Donald R. Cook** Date: **2 June 2021**

Address: **1110 1/2 Oke St, Papillion, NE 68046**

Agency: _____

FAA Airman Certificates & Ratings Currently Held:

ATP AMEL; CSEL; CFII/MEI

Airman Medical Certificate: Date: **3 March 2021** Class **First**

Flight Experience	NDOT/Aeronautics Division Recommended Flight Time	Applicant's Flight Time
Total Flight Hours	1500	**3,141**
Pilot In Command	1500	**2,480**
Cross Country	500	**1,703**
Instrument (Actual or Simulated)	75	**411**
Multi-Engine PIC	300	**1,040**
Night Time PIC	50	**167**

I certify the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

Recommendation of Director

I have reviewed the qualifications of the above applicant. I X (Do) ____(Do Not) recommend Commission approval of the applicant as a Contract Pilot.

Director, NDOT – Division of Aeronautics

The applicant is X (Approved) ____(Disapproved) by the Nebraska Aeronautics Commission as a Contract Pilot.

Diana Smith

acting Chairperson, Nebraska Aeronautics Commission

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