

Dec. 12, 2017

2:20 p.m.

Newport, Oregon

The Airport Committee met on the above date at the Newport Municipal Airport.

In attendance were: Committee Members Ken Brown, Jim Shaw, Terry Buggenhagen, Jeff Bertuleit and Mark Watkins. Also in attendance were: Airport Director Lance Vanderbeck, Deputy City Recorder Gloria Tucker and City Council Liaison Laura Swanson.

Absent were: Committee Members Susan Reese Painter and Ralph Busby.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION was made by Buggenhagen, seconded by Brown, to approve the minutes of the Nov. 14, 2017 meeting. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Part 139 Certification Issue

Watkins said the committee needs to discuss how its decision is going to affect the broader picture of the 2040 Vision. He said there's no white and black reasoning to go one way or another. He recommended tabling the issue but urged going before the City Council soon. He said the committee needs to consider how can to incorporate the decision with the 2040 Vision.

MOTION was made by Watkins, seconded by Shaw, to table the issue until more members are present. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

Bertuleit said if the Fire Department is willing to take a reduction in its budget because less money would be spent on training for the ARF, then he would be willing to look at relinquishing the Part 139. He said, otherwise, the city isn't saving money. He added the City Council would like to have the reasoning behind the committee's recommendation.

Swanson asked if the maintenance standards at the airport would diminish if the Part 139 Certificate went away.

Vanderbeck said grant assurances also require standards. He said without the Part 139, the airport would still be held to the same maintenance as with it.

Watkins said the biggest issue is once the airport loses it, the certificate is gone.

Vanderbeck said the airport's ARF truck is the smallest in the region and it has already been paid for. He said if the city wanted to sell the truck, then 90 percent would go back to the FAA. He added the ARF truck would stay in Newport without the Part 139.

Nov. 2, 2017 Public Outreach Presentation

Vanderbeck introduced the Nov. 2, 2017 Public Outreach Presentation agenda item.

Seismic Resiliency Plan Draft

Vanderbeck introduced the Seismic Resiliency Plan Draft agenda item. Brown noted the slip-lining of the pipe under the airport grounds may further stabilize the area and asked that project be taken into account for the final plan. Vanderbeck asked the committee to tell him if they think of anything else that may need to be included in the final plan.

Goal Setting Session

Tucker introduced the Goal Setting Session. The committee agreed to keep the following goals: expansion of water and sewer services to the airport, pursue commercial and/or private-for-hire airline service to facilitate regional travel to the Central Coast, explore the possibility of constructing additional T-Hangars, and work with Destination Newport and others to develop marketing.

OPERATIONS REPORT

The committee agreed to waive explanation of the report.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.