

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE  
AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE CITY OF LAMPASAS  
WITH THE GOVERNING BDY OF THE CITY OF LAMPASAS, TEXAS  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2021  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
302 EAST THIRD STREET  
5:30 P.M.**

The Airport Advisory Board for the City of Lampasas met in special session on the above date with Chairperson Ken Cattles presiding:

**Airport Advisory Board Members Present:**

Ken Cattles  
George Elsea  
Robert Lansford  
John Fingerhut  
Mike Watson

**City Council Members Present:**

TJ Monroe  
Chuck Williamson  
Randy Clark  
Bob Goodart  
Cathy Kuehne  
Zachary Morris  
Herb Pearce

**Airport Advisory Board Members Absent:**

Kevin Smith

**City Council Members Absent:**

None

**City Staff Present:**

Finley deGraffenried, City Manager  
Yvonne Moreno, Finance Director  
Becky Sims, City Secretary  
Jeffrey Smith, Fire Chief  
Kristy Acevedo, System Administrator  
Sammy Bailey, Police Chief  
Jody Cummings, Assistant Police Chief  
Chris Eicher, Parks & Recreation Director  
Vicki Tower, Parks Secretary/HR Coordinator  
Flint Geagley, Electric Superintendent  
Thomas Kelley, Apprentice Lineworker  
Garrett Bradley, Police Officer  
Van Sims, WWW Operations Manager

**JOINT WORKSHOP SESSION**

I. Call to Order

Mayor Monroe called the Joint Workshop Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Discussion with TxDOT Aviation Planner regarding communication and opportunities regarding Airport Projects, available funding, and timeline.

Finley deGraffenried, City Manager, explained that this joint meeting provides opportunity to discuss Airport Projects and available funding.

Chris Eicher, Parks & Recreation Director, advised that he does not have any updates at this time. Eicher advised that Jessie Acosta, Parks Superintendent, contacted BGIS today for an update on fuel pump and we are still waiting on a circuit board and some wiring diagrams.

Ben Breck, TxDOT Aviation Department, advised that his primary role is funding and project management. Breck advised that funds are tight and so it's important to program projects ahead of time.

Topics of discussion included:

- City of Lampasas can accumulate up to four years' worth of funding from TxDOT Aviation; \$600,000.00 is max the City can accumulate
- If the TxDOT Aviation funds are not used by the fourth year, \$150,000.00 drops off, then \$150,000.00 is added back at the end of the year
- Airport is important for our community; it's part of our transportation system
- There is always a need for hangar space
- TxDOT can only give up \$600,000.00 to construct hangars and the City would have to make up the difference
- Construction prices - steel prices have gone up
- If TxDOT funds are used towards hangar space, hangars have to be up to Federal specifications
- If City were to construct hangars on their own without TxDOT funding, it could be done cheaper
- Available space to build hangars -- available space to the South and available space to the West
- Another option would be to lease land to private investors; 20-30-year lease to construct hangars
- Return on investment -- each hangar would rent for approximately \$300 per month; plus fuel sales
- Would need to submit a Letter of Interest to TxDOT to have a project put on CIP list
- Fixed Base Operator (FBO) -- if you were to have an FBO, they may want a fuel contract and/or space for maintenance
- Runway extension -- would attract larger planes
- Runways are designed to hold a certain weight
- Need an updated Airport Master Plan
- Aviation Planning Study -- Would cost approximately \$150,000.00 and City could use some funding from TxDOT for it; 90% TxDOT and 10% City

### III. Adjourn Joint Session

After Council adjourned the Joint Session, the Airport Advisory Board immediately followed to adjourn the Joint Session at 6:05 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Ken Cattles, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Vicki Tower, Parks Secretary/HR Coordinator