

**MINUTES OF THE
AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE CITY OF LAMPASAS
WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2023
JACK CALVERT MUNICIPAL BUILDING
302 E. THIRD STREET, LAMPASAS, TEXAS
6:00 P.M.**

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

Airport Advisory Board Members Present:

Ken Cattles
George Elsea
John Fingerhut
Kevin Smith
Robert Lansford
Mike Watson

Airport Advisory Board Members Absent:

None

City Staff Present:

Chris Eicher, Parks & Recreation Director
Vicki Tower, Parks Secretary/HR Coordinator

REGULAR SESSION

I. Call to order

Chairperson Cattles called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Open forum for citizen comments and questions (limited to five (5) minutes per person)

There were no citizen comments.

III. Discussion and possible action concerning 2024 Total Solar Eclipse

Chris Eicher, Parks & Recreation Director, discussed the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse with the Board.

Topics of discussion included:

- AWOS concerns
- Can't legally just close the airport – has to be an emergency
- Expecting traffic to be grid locked
- Public Safety
- Portable Restrooms
- Liability issues

Board member Watson moved to recommend that City Council designate the airport as an eclipse viewing site for passengers and crew arriving by aircraft on the day of eclipse only. The motion was seconded by Board member Smith and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

IV. Discussion and possible action concerning AWOS

Chris Eicher, Parks & Recreation Director, discussed AWOS with the Board.

Topics of discussion included:

- TxDOT funding available – AWOS system replacement cost is approximately \$150,000.000 and TxDOT funding at 90/10 match would cost the City approximately \$15,000.00 to replace AWOS

There was no action taken.

V. Discussion and possible action concerning hangar lease agreements

Chris Eicher, Parks & Recreation Director told the Board that he didn't have any new updates to report regarding lease agreements.

There was no action taken.

VI. Discussion and possible action concerning approval of minutes dated March 8, 2023

Board member Watson moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Board member Smith and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

VII. Discussion and updates regarding Airport Maintenance and Daily Operations

Chris Eicher, Parks & Recreation Director, discussed Airport Maintenance and Daily Operations with the Board.

Topics of discussion included:

- Water leak – Corix approved the leak forgiveness request
- Corix would like to get an easement on the west side of the airport to run a 6" water line
- Tree trimming
- Taxiway -- need to repair/replace broken reflectors
- Replacing fuel filter in pump due to sediment
- Received approval to execute the contract with Parkhill Smith & Cooper
- Core sample on runway

VIII. Any item the Board would like to have placed on the next agenda

- Board vacancy
- 2024 Total Solar Eclipse

IX. Adjourn

Board member Watson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion was seconded by Board member Elsea and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Ken Cattles, Chairman

ATTEST:

Vicki Tower, Parks Secretary/HR Coordinator