

**CITY OF GREENSBURG**  
**Board of Aviation Commissioners**  
**Monday, June 28, 2021**  
**7:00 PM – City Hall**  
**315 S. Ireland**

**Call to Order** –President Bill Ernstes called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Roll Call** - Board members present were: Gary Bailey, Jon Dooley, Bill Ernstes, Deborah Potter, and Kevin Whipple. Airport Manager Jerry Scheidler, Paul Shaffer BF&S, Zach Weber BF&S Construction Project Supervisor, BOAC Attorney Don Tribbett of Tribbett Law, and Mayor Josh Marsh were also present. Judy Curd performed the duties of secretary.

**Agenda Approval** - The meeting agenda was reviewed. Jon Dooley made a motion and Kevin Whipple seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0.

**Minutes** – The minutes of the May 24, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Kevin Whipple made a motion and Jon Dooley seconded the motion to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 4-0. President Bill Ernstes abstained because he was absent at the May 24 meeting.

**Financial Report** – Jon Dooley read the Financial Report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Update on Runway Construction – Zach Weber - BF&S Construction Project Supervisor**

HIS Construction is approximately one month behind schedule due to the weather. Greensburg sustained a 6.5 inch 100-year-rain event on June 18 & 19 that washed out recently installed erosion control. They have been working 12 hours a day six days a week to reinstall the erosion control. The original schedule called for the project to last 230 days beginning on approximately March 8, 2021 ending on October 20, 2021. The weather event could push the completion date into November, 2021.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Paul Shaffer – BF&S

Paul Shaffer presented the following BF&S Action Items to the board for approval:

1. **American Rescue Plan Act Grant** - The FAA announced an ARPA grant in the amount of \$32,000 will be issued for the Greensburg Airport. Jon Dooley made a motion and Gary Bailey seconded the motion to have President Bill Ernstes and legal counsel Don Tribbett execute the ARPA FAA grant in the amount of \$32,000. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0.
2. **Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA) AIP-17 PPR #1** - Kevin Whipple made a motion and Deborah Potter seconded the motion to claim \$13,000 that is due to the BOAC from CRRSA on AIP-17 PPR #1 for \$13,000. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0.
3. **Motion to Approve AIP-16 PPR #5** – Gary Bailey made a motion and Jon Dooley seconded the motion to approve AIP-16 PPR #5 for \$540,625.66 for project construction and engineering costs. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0. This grant is 100% Federally Funded.
4. **Contractors Progress Estimate # 3 for HIS Constructors, Inc.** – Jon Dooley made a motion and Kevin Whipple seconded the motion to approve Contractors Progress Estimate # 3 for HIS Constructors, Inc. in the amount of \$509,320.52. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0.
5. **Motion to Engage Forth Engineers** – Kevin Whipple made a motion and Jon Dooley seconded the motion to engage Forth Engineers to conduct an Independent Fee Estimate (IFE) of BF&S services under the Fiscal Year AIP 21 grant which will be in the Inspection Services for Phase 2 paving and lighting for \$4,500. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0. This is 100% reimbursable under the grant.
6. **Motion to approve Phase 2 Advertisement for Runway 1-19 Paving & Lighting Bids for AIP #18 on July 22, 2021** – Paul Shaffer reviewed the plan set for the 1-19 runway project Paving and Lighting. The scope of work includes:
  - a. Paving and installing lights on the new runway
  - b. Connecting to the old runway via a taxi way
  - c. Tree trimming and avigation easement
  - d. The runway will be closed for 30 calendar days during Phase 2 to connect the electrical circuits and clear the old runway pavement north of the new runway.

He also noted that asphalt bidders in this area have typically been Dave O'Mara Contracting and Milestone Contractors. They are hoping to attract more bidders for this project. Paul then asked for a motion to approve the advertisement for bids for the Phase 2 paving and lighting portion of the project.



Kevin Whipple made a motion and Gary Bailey seconded the motion to approve the advertisement of Runway 1-19 Phase 2 Paving and Lighting to receive bids on July 22, 2021. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0.

#### **Don Tribbett, Tribbett Law – Properties Update**

Mr. Tribbett stated that there were four properties that we needed to acquire for this project: the Beggs, Goddard, Haston, and Sterchi properties. We received sufficient title to these properties by the end of April, 2020. All four land owners took exceptions to the court appointed appraisers. Therefore, a trial for final determination has to happen. All four land owners have also requested a jury trial. This will happen unless there is a negotiated settlement. Their attorneys have stated that they will be obtaining their own appraisals. To-date this has not happened. Mr. Tribbett also noted that he wants to obtain depositions from the appraisers and will ask the judge to set deadlines for discovery.

Also, in conversations with Paul Shaffer, Mr. Tribbett was notified that there are still two parcels yet to be obtained from the Robbins Family Trust: Parcel #3 a 1.557 acre tract to be obtained in fee simple, and Parcel #4 a 2.474 acre avigation easement.

Mr. Tribbett has received the following appraisals for the two parcels: Parcel #3 for \$23,355 and Parcel #4 for \$26,000 for a total of \$49,355. He then requested that the board approve that he make an offer to the Robbins Family Trust for \$49,355 and to proceed with an eminent domain acquisition if the offer is not accepted.

Jon Dooley then made a motion and Kevin Whipple seconded the motion to approve that board attorney Don Tribbett proceed to make a good faith offer for Parcel #3 for 1.557 acres in the amount of \$23,355 in fee simple and Parcel #4 for 2.474 acres avigation easement in the amount of \$26,000 for a total of \$49,355 and to proceed with an eminent domain acquisition if the offer is not accepted. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0.

Mr. Tribbett also reported that there is 6.733 acre avigation easement located on a 34.0292 acre tract owned by Dennis and Mary Dickman that needs to be acquired. He has agreements from the appraisers, Larry Misner and Lowell Griffin, for appraisal fees as follows: an appraisal for \$3,500, an appraisal review for \$1,500, and an appraisal problem analysis for \$250. He stated that he needs Board approval for those appraisal fees.

Jon Dooley made a motion and Kevin Whipple seconded the motion to approve appraisal fees of \$3,500 for an appraisal of the 6.733 acres avigation easement, \$1,500 for the appraisal review, and \$250 for the appraisal problem analysis for the avigation easement to be acquired from Dennis and Mary Dickman and for President Ernstes to sign appraisal agreements prepared by Mr. Tribbett. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0.

**Airport Manager's Report** - Jerry Scheidler reported that operations are normal and all hangars are full. The low lead fuel order has arrived and Jet A will need to be ordered soon. Jerry also noted that the airport received 6.2 inches of rain during the heavy rain event on June 18 – 19.

The runway flooded in several places. When the water receded, it left a lot of debris on the runway and caused the airport to be closed for a short time in order to remove the debris.

**Approval of Bills** – Bill Ernstes presented Docket #1 dated June 28, 2021 for Payroll Expenses and General Claims for \$628,454.81. Jon Dooley made a motion and Gary Bailey seconded the motion to approve the payment of Docket #1 for \$628,454.81 as presented. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote 5-0.

**Comments from the Board and/or Public** – None

**Meeting Adjournment & Next Meeting Date** - There being no further business before the board, Kevin Whipple made a motion and Deborah Potter seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote 5-0. Bill Ernstes adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium at the temporary City Hall building located at 315 S. Ireland Street.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Curd  
Recording Secretary

  
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Bill Ernstes – President

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Jon Dooley – Vice President

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Gary Bailey – Board Member

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