

Yates County Airport Council Minutes

May 29, 2018

Present: Bill Middlebrook (Penn Yan Aero), Paul Middlebrook (At Large), Bryan Savage (Passero), John Socha (Milo), Doug Paddock (Yates County), Doug Marchionda Sr. (Penn Yan Flying Club), Robert Lawton (Yates County), Richard Leppert (Seneca Flight Operations), Tim Dennis (Yates County)

The minutes of the April 24 meeting were approved.

Correspondence: Doug M. requested that Bryan locate any documentation regarding the control of water drainage and fencing along the North side of the airport and provide that to the council.

Seneca Report:

The Mother's Day 5K race was a success. There were 67 participants and \$1,500 was raised for the New York Sheriff's Institute Summer Camp Fund. Seneca Foods Foundation will match that so a total of \$3,000 will go to the fund.

The SCCA event final planning is under way for the end of June.

The ARC race event is also in final planning stage. The main dates for participation are June 20 and 21. More publicity will follow.

We have four T-hangars vacant.

FCC license for NDB: Sheriff's office has been contacted. They manage radio communications for the County.

There was discussion on the deicing for aircraft. More information is needed. No action was taken.

There was mention that the grass runway needs another grass seeding.

The Airport Council did recognize and thank Rich Leppert for the extra effort in organizing the 5K race as well as the SCCA and ARC events.

Passero:

T-Hangar project. Bryan will be in discussion with Chrisantha regarding the gate closure problem. We may need to invoke the performance bond if there is no resolution.

Passer cont.:

The new round of NYSDOT Aviation grants has been announced. Applications are due by June 29. Rich Leppert had met with Dave Healey of Performance Aviation Inc. and Steve Griffin of the IDA regarding the possibility of building a new hangar and creating some manufacturing jobs at the new site. There was discussion regarding the timeliness of the application deadline and all the information and commitments needed to fit this schedule. It was decided a group from the Council would meet with Mr. Healey and decide the feasibility of that application. In addition, Bryan was directed to prepare an application for funding for a combination of needs that would benefit the airport. They are: a runway friction measuring device, a backup generator to meet the needs of airport operation, and an aircraft deicing facility.

New Business:

It was noted that this was Bob Lawton's last meeting as Yates County Administrator. He was thanked for his participation.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Timothy Dennis Secretary