

MINUTES

REEDLEY AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER
A meeting of the Reedley Airport Commission was held at the Reedley Community Center, 100 N. East Avenue, Reedley, California and called to order by Carl Smith at 04:03 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
 - A. Commissioners Present: Carl Smith, Chairperson; Butch Agrifoglio; Vice Chairperson; Anthony Jewell, Matt Cochran, Joseph Oldham
 - B. Commissioners Absent: N/A
 - C. Staff Present: Sarah Reid, Airport Manager; Kayla Cheney, Administrative Assistant
 - D. Others Present: Joseph Woolsey, Reedley College; Jason Aslin, Reedley College
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. Motion by Commissioner Jewell, seconded by Commissioner Oldham to approve the July 15, 2021 Airport Commission minutes. Motion carried.
4. PUBLIC DISCUSSION – Joseph Woolsey and Jason Aslin from Reedley College’s Aeronautics Club (AERO Club) introduced themselves and the AERO club. They expressed the club is to promote a friendly environment where students can connect with each other and share in a common interest for aviation. Students enjoy participating in aviation related activities including recreational pilot flight training, aircraft maintenance training and aviation leadership. Eventually the plan is to have this program out at the Reedley Municipal Airport.
5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. **2021 Airport Barbeque Planning Saturday, October 2, 2021** – Reid shared there are currently seven raffle prizes, a few more would be great. Commissioner Jewell stated he would reach out to Mechanics Bank to see if they’re interested in donating. Reid asked the Commission if anyone has connections with law enforcement specifically so they can fly their helicopter in to keep on display for the day. Commissioner Oldham and Agrifoglio have connections with the Sheriff Department. Joseph Woolsey has a connection with CHP. Joseph Woolsey also shared there may be some students from Reedley College that can help out the day of the Barbeque.
6. STAFF REPORTS
 - A. Airport Manager – Reid shared with the Commission two options to replace the AWOS; Mesotech and All Weather Inc. All Commissioners present were in favor of moving forward with Mesotech as the new AWOS system. Reid stated Bill from Avcom Co will still service the new system. The hope is to have this up and running late Spring. Reid shared with the Commission the Municipal Well was approved by City Council. This project will go out to bid. The Engineering and Public Works Department will assist Community Services Department on this project.
A newsletter was shared with the Commission, so tenants know what’s going on in advance. The hope is to have this mailed out quarterly, depending how much information there is to share. The October Newsletter will be mailed out with tenant’s bill at the end of September. Copies will also be available in the Pilots lounge. Commissioner Oldham stated this is a great way to get the word out and communicate with tenants.

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7. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

- A. Capital Improvements – Moving forward with AWOS replacement Mesotech
- B. Weed Control – Winter weeds are around the corner. Reid is working with Paul Huebert, the RC Event team and gathering quotes to find what the most feasible option for disking the property.
- C. Landscaping/Parking – N/A
- D. Public Relations/Airport Promotion –N/A
- E. BMX Track – The extension has been approved. The annual rent increased by \$229.50 a year.
- F. Hangar Vacancies – N/A
- G. Electric Planes/Charging Station – Oldham shared the Reedley electric plane will participate in an electric air rally in May of 2022. Oldham plans to be the pilot.

8. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, it was moved by Commissioner Oldham, seconded by Commissioner Agrifoglio to adjourn at 5:14 p.m.

Carl Smith, Chairperson

Sarah Reid, Airport Manager

Kayla Cheney, Administrative Assistant