SANTA YNEZ VALLEY AIRPORT AUTHORITY, INC.

REGULAR BOARD
March 2, 2023– Minutes
In Person Meeting with Zoom Option

Call to Order: 7:00 pm by President Jourdi de Werd
Pledge of Allegiance – led by Allan Jones
Directors Present – Kaslow, Krauch, Carrier, McGowan, Cleland, Kendall, Jones, de Werd, Porter
Directors Absent – None
Assistant Manager – Dave Romero present

Approval of Minutes – On a motion by Jones and second by James, minutes were unanimously approved with one correction.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Krauch presented January financials reflecting net income of $8,300. Fuel sales of 100LL are down at 3,000 gal. Jet A sales about average at 5,200 gal. On a motion by Jones and second by Kaslow, Treasurer's report was accepted.

President's Report – None.

Board comments, matters, and correspondence – McGowan reported that our FAA request for the Terminal Improvement Grant had been denied. We have three more years of the program and will consider our options.

Assistant Manager's Report – Dave Romero stated that fuel margins were consistent with prior month. He would like to lower our 100LL prices slightly to reflect the current market. He reported that Matt had given his notice. Gillian is doing very well and is now working shifts on her own. A new hire, Tony Valejo has just started training. Wilson Electric has acknowledged responsibility for some bad wire splices with the AWOS install and will be making corrective repairs. Backup generator again failed to come on due to a circuit board failure. There was some damage to the exit gate and there have been complaints about erratic behavior of the entrance gate keypad. This was due to moisture. There will be some military operations on March 31 and the "Fat Tire Flyin" on April 15.

Public Comments – None

Old Business –

1. Safety – Yves reported on the normal after-hours use of the picnic area by teenagers. He also had a suspicious person loitering around the airport. Yves stayed in his camper until the man left. Lt. Green recommended that we call 911 in the future suggesting that this suspicious person may have been hiding from the Sheriff's on duty and they would be happy to respond to the airport.

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2. Hangar Land Lease Update – Not much change in the last month due to Cathy Mehl being involved in tax season work. She expects to get back on track shortly to complete G Row, J Row, A13, and the port-a-ports.
3. Fans for Hangar G-9 – Dave Romero met with Lt. Green and they are considering options.
4. Expanded Ramp Parking for G-7 and G-9 – Dave Romero met with Lt. Green and noted that he has done a good job of cleaning up storage around G-9. Lt. Green stated that Air Operations very much needs to get all aircraft in to hangars and they want to find a way to build hangar G-10. They are also very interested in leasing another private hangar if any are available.

New Business

1. Policy on Live-in use of trailers/motorhomes – McGowan noted that we have no formal policy and asked if one was necessary since there have been several instances of people living temporarily onsite in trailers or motorhomes. It was clarified that any overnight stays must be approved by Dave Romero.
2. Update on Robert Perry Lawsuit – President de Werd reported that the Writ of Mandate filed by Perry had been thrown out as having no merit. The judge stated he would like to dismiss the originally filed Petition as well but because it was being heard by a different judge, he would leave it for the March hearing. Robert Perry was given three minutes to comment. He presented a letter to the Board (here).

Advisory and ad hoc committee reports –

Membership/Nominating Standing Committee – Chairman de Werd reported that a meeting was scheduled for week of March 6.

Airport Days – Director Krauch reported on progress in ongoing fundraising as well as promotional work. Flyer is out to Users and being distributed around town. Helen, our scholarship recipient from last year will assist in recruiting applicants for the scholarships at the high school. Chumash have approved $8,000 contribution.

By-Laws – President de Werd reviewed process of drafting updates and noted that our counsel and County Counsel had approved with minor adds. A public review with the membership is next followed by a membership approval vote and finally to the Board of Supervisors for their approval.

Trailer Options – The committee was asked by the Board to bring a proposal to the April meeting for replacement of the trailers along with a new septic system.

Adjournment of meeting at 8:30 on a motion by Director McGowan and second by Director Krauch.

Closed Session – A closed session followed the regular board meeting to discuss personnel and legal actions. A proposal for compensation for Assistant Manager Romero was approved by the Board. President de Werd will review with our counsel before presenting to Dave.

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