

**AIRPORT ADISORY COMMITTEE  
MAY 8, 2008  
AIRPORT SERVICES CENTER, SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
GWINN, MI 49841**

**Members Present:** Bob Struck, Scott Schulz, Frank Rosado, John LaCourt, Fred Benzie, Steve Rodgers, Andy Sikkema

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Keith Kaspari, Scott Erbisch

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Struck at 4:10 pm.

**Approval of Minutes – April 5, 2008**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of April 5, 2008 by Fred Benzie, second by Frank Rosado and carried unanimously.

**Approval of Agenda**

Fred Benzie made a motion, supported by Frank Rosado to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment**

None

**Informational Items**

**Summary of Accomplishments**

Scott Erbisch provided an overview and documentation of accomplishments at Sawyer in 2007. It showed a record year for passengers with a 1% increase along with parking revenue.

**Updates on Airport Construction Projects: AIP & MAP**

Keith Kaspari reported that the parking lot expansion will begin on Monday and last for approximately 52 days. The main, employee and rental car lots will all be expanded.

Four bids were received on the runway project with Associated Constructors being the lower bidder. It was stated that the project may be complete in 28 days.

**Federal & State Funding Update**

Sawyer is still waiting for the Capital Outlay Bill to be signed.

### **Letter from Jim Bjorne**

A letter from Jim Bjorne, candidate for Marquette County Sheriff was received by the committee.

### **Old Business**

#### **WAAS Letter & Update**

Scott Erbisich informed the committee that he received a call from Bart Stupak's office asking for a revision to the letter that was sent by the county regarding WAAS. Stupak's office requested additional explanations and information.

#### **Strategic Planning**

Scott Erbisich provided the committee with a list of strategic plan priorities. He asked that the committee look at the list and consider how items are to be accomplished. John LaCourt discussed T-hangars and suggested a flat rate for the winter months.

#### **Master Plan**

The committee was provided with three appendices to the master plan. They were surveys for Air Passengers, General Aviation, and Business. Scott Erbisich gave an update on the master plan.

### **New Business**

#### **Parking Access & Revenue Control System Cost Benefit Analysis**

Scott Erbisich reported on a draft cost benefit analysis on a gated parking system. He asked the committee for input and it was agreed that a gated lot is the correct thing to install. Staff will follow up for the next meeting

#### **General Aviation Web Promotion**

John LaCourt made comment that general aviation was not included on the Sawyer Web Page. Scott Erbisich stated that it is in the works and will be added.

#### **Public Comment**

None

#### **Staff & Committee Member Comment**

Scott Erbisich reported that Argonics is still moving forward and other new prospects are looking at Sawyer also.

#### **Adjournment**

John LaCourt made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 pm with Frank Rosado second, the motion carried unanimously.