

**DEER LODGE CITY/POWELL COUNTY AIRPORT**  
**Board Minutes**  
**September 19, 2022**

**Present:**

**Board Members:** Ron Snow, Tony Pfaff, Rex Anderson, Gary Chilcott

**Others Present:** Travis Eickman, Andy Galen, Kyla Johnson, Bruce Anderson

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:00pm.

**April Minutes:** Rex made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Gary seconded, all were in favor.

**New Business:**

1. **Environmental Assessment Status** – The assessment is progressing, it is still in review, the FAA has hired new environmental staff who have reviewed it and will provide comments to the board when available. Tony sent photos to Travis of the Runway, he passed them along to the FAA. Still need to find a review appraiser.
2. **Land Acquisition Status – Recommendation of MMI Contract for Appraisal Services** – There are 8 parcels of land for acquisition that are a combination of 2 from Prison, 2 from Verlanic, 2 from Forson, and 2 from Mattheson. The FAA has been advised and will move forward with the appraisals. Appraisal Services – Scott Bell and Travis met with the landowners and all parties have accepted moving forward with the appraisal aside from Mattheson who has still not been reachable. Greg Cocina will charge \$30,000 to complete the appraisal. Gary made a motion to get 3 more appraisal bids, motion was amended to do an email okay after the others have been looked at, and prior to the next board meeting, Rex seconded, motion carried.
3. **Annual CIP Update** – As of this morning, in 2024 the FAA has a little over 1M in state apportionment funding, in 2025 7.8M between discretionary and state apportionment, these numbers will change. Travis did a brief annual overview of the CIP. Recommending approval of the capital improvement plan. Gary made a motion to adopt the CIP as written, Rex seconded, all were in favor.
4. **MDT Weather Camera Status** – The cameras should arrive in October. Camera location, internet access, and assistance on installation. The cameras will hopefully be up and running in the next month or two.
5. **Airport Maintenance** – Tony suggested to have someone mow at the airport, normally tony does it, but does not have the time. Tony will check with Will Hogan first to see if he has any staff available to do it.

**Old Business:**

**Non-Agenda Items:** Gary would like to have the board think about taking a piece of the airport ground and helping the community out with an industrial area to have for businesses to site. There is an area on the ALP designated for non-aeronautical use, but the FAA does have to approve any non-aeronautical uses for the land.

**Public Comment:**

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:38pm.

Respectfully submitted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kyla Johnson, Administrative Assistant