

## DEER LODGE CITY/POWELL COUNTY AIRPORT

### Board Minutes

January 16, 2023

#### Present:

**Board Members:** Tony Pfaff, Ron Snow, Rex Anderson, Mark Beattie

**Others Present:** Travis Eickman, Kyla Johnson, Bruce Anderson, City Councilman Gordy Pierson

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:01pm.

**January Minutes:** The January minutes were approved as written.

#### New Business:

- 1. Environmental Assessment Update** – The FAA has requested that we modify the Cultural Resource Survey. Travis will review it and make the appropriate changes and get them sent in next week. Once the Environmental Assessment changes are returned to the FAA, we hope comments will be returned within 30 days. Historical/Cultural portion will be reviewed more closely. There was a request for reimbursement of \$46,306.22, with an FAA eligible share of \$41,675.59, invoice includes addressing FAA comments to the Cultural Resource Survey, Chapters 1-4, and preparation of the annual CIP update. This grant is nearing one year of inactivity. Mark made a motion to approve the request for reimbursement, Rex seconded, all were in favor.
- 2. Land Acquisition**– The initial and review appraisals have been completed. The appraisals are being reviewed by Morrison-Maierle and will be utilized in the near future to work through negotiations with various property owners. A Real Estate Transfer Agreement (RETA) cannot be executed until the Environmental Assessment is completed. Depending on FAA funding, they may request that the Sponsor front all the land acquisition costs, anticipated to be under the Capital Improvement Plan estimates, to be reimbursed under a single FAA grant. An invoice was provided for Morrison Maierle no. 230357 in the amount of \$38,200 to cover subcontractor appraisal costs. The board agreed that Morrison -Maierle should proceed with land acquisition discussions. This was already approved at a prior meeting.
- 3. 2023 MDT Grant and Loan Meeting Results** – Results of the grant and loan meeting were emailed to the board, the airport received grants of about \$44,000 in grant and \$6,500 in loan funding that varied per project. Overall biggest return on investment was replacement of FuelMaster up to \$9,500 grant for new machine. The Deer Lodge City/County Airport received grants and loans on apron design, land acquisition and the armory demo, we cannot request funds until we get an FAA grant in place, then we can submit back for the grant and loan funds.
- 4. Requested FAA 163 Determination** – There was further discussion on the Industrial area to the west of the armory, any potential use does have to be proposed and accepted by the FAA.

5. **FuelMaster** – Tony will look into getting some quotes for a new system, at least for the control pedestal and computer that do need replaced. This will use the \$9,500 grant from the FAA.

**Old Business:**

**Non-Agenda Items:**

**Public Comment:**

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:28pm.