

FALLBROOK AIRPARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FALLBROOK COMMUNITY AIRPARK
2155 S. Mission Road, Fallbrook, CA 92028
Phone: (760) 723-8395

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. on May 4, 2009 at the Fallbrook Public Utilities District, 990 East Mission Road, Fallbrook, CA.

ROLL CALL Members present represent a quorum.

Ken Kalbfell	Present
Carl Morrison	Present
David Duffer	Present
Doug Dwyer	Present
Jeff Holstein	Present

COUNTY STAFF PRESENT

Peter Drinkwater-Airports Director
Bo Donovan-Fallbrook Airport Manager
Lee Ann Lardy-Real Properties Supervisor
Michael Khoury-DPW/Airports Project Manager
Bob Wadell-Wadell Engineering
Cynthia Curtis-Environmental Services Unit
Jeff Kashak- Environmental Services Unit

MINUTES

The minutes from the February 2009 meeting were noted and approved. Motion to approve by Mr. Kalbfell, seconded by Mr. Dwyer and passed 5 ayes, 0 nays.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

There was no Committee business to conduct.

PROPOSED FIRST AMENDMENT TO GROUND LEASE

Mrs. Lardy presented a lease amendment for the Fallbrook Sports Association and the following motion recommendation:

“Fallbrook Airpark Advisory Committee recommends the Board of Supervisors approve the Proposed first Amendment to Ground Lease/Airports with Fallbrook Sports Association, Inc.”

Motion to approve by Mr. Dwyer, seconded by Mr. Kalbfell and passed 5 ayes, 0 nays.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Drinkwater introduced Mr. Wadell who presented the Committee, and those attending, with a PowerPoint presentation on the design plan for the runway translation and its components. The presentation consisted of an outline of the various proposed design elements of the translation project, the various grading options and the environmental issues to be resolved.

Mr. Wadell then answered questions from the Committee and those present. The questions mostly focused on the details of the operational issues of the runway and the timetable for the project itself. It was stressed that this was a runway translation, not a runway extension, and that the runway length would remain the same (2,160') and the project is to add appropriate safety areas at each end of the runway. There was a new project design component of an additional 1,000' of fill build up on the south end of the runway in the runway safety area bringing this to runway grade. This fill dirt would come from the hillside that must be removed because of runway safety design requirements and avoid costs associated with trucking the dirt off site. It is a win-win for the project improving safety and reducing costs. Furthermore, it may allow expedited construction because earth-movers will be able to carry the fill faster and in larger quantities than if it were to be trucked off site. There were questions regarding the relocation of aircraft during construction, Mr. Drinkwater pointed out that other County Airports would be made available to provide complimentary tie-downs to tenant aircraft affected during the construction period. In addition, options would be explored to further reduce impacts on Fallbrook Airpark during this extensive redevelopment involving so much earth work and pavement.

Mr. Khoury gave a presentation on the project's time-line/schedule, based on the current design status. Staff was not yet prepared to predict how long the runway would be closed to construct this project, but after questions, estimated the runway would be closed for a period of 90-120 days. Although the runway will be closed, it is not expected there will be a period of time when the airport would not be accessible to its tenants. However, the County plans to offer tie-down space available at Ramona Airport, Palomar Airport and Gillespie Field to Fallbrook tenants who wished to relocate during the construction period so that they can continue to fly their aircraft. It was also noted by Mr. Drinkwater and Mr. Khoury that the FAA was being advised on the project continuously and as late as last week expressed very positive interest and confidence in the project's funding.

Ms. Curtis gave an update on the environmental issues that remain, such as the SKR mitigation, community comment period and the Environmental Report documents.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to report.

STAFF/MANAGER'S REPORT

Open House. Mr. Donovan reported to the Committee on the April 19th Open House, stating that it went well, however attendance was down. Mr. Donovan thanked the members of the Friends of Fallbrook for their participation and George Watson and Sky Raider Bob for their fly-over, along with Mercy Air and the Palomar RC Flyers.

Secondary Security Gate. It was reported that a delivery truck had wiped out the keypad and that the trucking company was paying for the damage. Repairs are expected to be completed by 5/5/09.

Operations Counts. 6,258 year to date. 1,296 for the month of April.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no further business

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Morrison expressed his appreciation for the staff's work on the design presentation, but still had some concerns regarding the relocation of aircraft during the construction process and the runway closure.

SET AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 3, 2009 at 7:00 P.M.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Kalbfell to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Mr. Duffer and was approved with 5 ayes, 0 nays. The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 P.M.

Bo Donovan
Airport Manager
Fallbrook Community Airpark