

**PAYETTE AIRPORT COMMISSION**  
**January 10, 2023**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**4:30 PM – Regular Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Payette Airport Commission was called to order at 4:19 PM by Board President Frazer Peterson.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Frazer Peterson, Paul Sunderlin, Nikita Clark, Jeff Roper and Jan Zatloukal

Members Absent: Chandelle Huerta was excused

Staff Present: Jamie Couch, Streets & Parks Supervisor; Mary Cordova, City Coordinator; Ray Wickersham, Council Liaison

Others Present: Tim Avery

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

12-13-2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Roper and seconded by Zatloukal to approve the regular meeting minutes of 12-13-2022.

After a unanimous voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Fuel Sales – August  
Peterson read the August Fuel Sales to the Commission. It was noted that there was only 68.5 gallons of fuel sold in December. Cordova noted that the price of Avgas and mogas was lowered to \$6.60 today.
2. Update from Friends of the Payette Airport/Fly-In  
No update was heard.
3. Airport Fund December Income Statement  
No comments were heard regarding the Income Statement.
4. Disposition of City Owned Hangar  
Peterson floated the idea of asking the City Council to retain the hangar and enter into a long-term lease agreement with a private party. Zatloukal suggested that the lease amount should at least be more than what taxes due would equal. Peterson added that there should be some assurances that it could be leased for more than one year. Council Liaison Wickersham stated that the building has to be made safe. Mr. Avery recalled that part of the reason which was originally articulated to sell the building was to tear it down and build new. Peterson added that the cost to sell and build new is too expensive. Zatloukal reminded the members that there is no sewer and water available.

Sunderlin moved to suggest to the City Council that the City owned hangar be retained and made available for a long term lease. Roper seconded the motion.

Nikita Clark abstained from the vote as he is the current lessee of the airport hangar.

After a unanimous voice vote, the motion CARRIED.

5. Discussion on UL94 Unleaded Fuel

Peterson informed the Board members that he conducted a bit of research on this topic, and found out that it could be delivered out of California. Clark added that is really good for engines in as far as not fouling plugs and such. Peterson figured that we would have to get another ten thousand gallon tank, but would not want to abandon the 100LL right away. He discovered that our cost for landed fuel would be around eight or nine dollars, and it will be a long time before we hit the 100LL pricing. At this point in time, it is not very cost effective. It is still in the experimental stage, but we are not ready for it.

Nikita Clark said he is all for it. He believed that it would be a long term investment that would put us on the map. We just need another ten thousand gallon tank. Zatloukal thought we should wait until 100LL is outlawed. Peterson noted that we would need a full tanker load in order to get a good price. At two thousand gallons we would pay close to 9 dollars per gallon, and we would have to sell it for close to \$10/gallon. Peterson commended that he would never pay \$10/gallon for fuel .Peterson added that the UL94 I s an up-and-coming thing, and we should continue to look for ways to get funding for a project like this. Ray Wickersham suggested that someone call an airport that sells the UL94 fuel and find out how it is selling. Peterson asked that this topic be included on the next agenda.

### GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Tim Avery informed the Commission that he had made some phone calls and drove to the Weiser airport and asked them about their gate. Mr. Avery continued that the manager at Weiser stated that the gate at their airport is the second most maintenance burden at the whole airport. Clark noted that the gate at Weiser is really fancy, and Avery stated it is a cantilevered gate. Avery got a quote for such a gate and it came in at \$19 thousand dollars, not including the electrical. Ray Wickersham noted that he just installed a solar powered gate at C & T Storage and it runs off of a 12V battery.

Frazer Peterson wondered what the cost would be for just a plain steel pipe gate, as all we are trying to do is keep the kids out. Avery wondered if there really is a problem as he has never seen anyone. Clark added that people walking on the runway is more of a problem. He wondered if a gate is installed with a lock, is there any other way to get to his hangar. Jamie Couch commented that the hangar owners will not like getting out and unlocking the gate each time. Zatloukal did not mind a manual gate if it would get some car traffic off of the taxiway. Couch suggested that a big sign be placed that says "No Access" or something similar. He noted that there is a similar gate at Centennial Park. Some discussion followed regarding using the airport access road on the west side of the airport to access hangars. Couch believed the width was only 15 feet and would not be safe for two vehicles to pass.

- The Commission wondered about the asphalt piles that are being stored on the side of the road at the airport. Jamie Couch replied that the golf course has been stating that they are going to move the piles as they did not ask the City 's permission to place the asphalt on City property. Just last week the golf course asked for the City's help to load the piles an move it. Couch is waiting to hear back from Mike Holcomb.

### ADJOURN

A motion was made by to adjourn by Clark.  
After a unanimous voice vote, the motion  
CARRIED and the meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM

Signed and approved January 10, 2023

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Frazer Peterson, Commission President