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Minutes of the meeting of

March 31, 2016

Hartness State Airport Terminal Building
5 p.m.

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OFFICE OF THE MANAGER

ATTENDEES: Pete Andrews, Kathleen Fellows, John Graves, Bruce Johnson, Mike Knoras, Peter MacGillivray, Walter Striedieck, Larry Perry, FBO/AOT temp; Heath Marsden, Jacobs Assoc.; Chris Beitzel (by phone) AOT Aviation;

The meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. and on a motion by Bruce Johnson, seconded by Mike Knoras the minutes of the February 25, 2016 were approved as presented.

Larry presented fuel sales for the period since the last meeting – 2/25 to 3/31/16 and 100LL was only 603 gallons as compared to 870 last year. The chief reason was that the self-service machine was inoperative for most of the month. Jet A was up 56% - 720 gallons compared to 460 last year. We still have only charters and a couple of regular customers so need to build that base. Parts are on order for the self-service system and should be operating this coming week.

Walter reported that New England Soaring will be having the assembly day for the gliders on April 2 and that will begin their season. The NESAs soaring contest is still scheduled for the 2 weekends of 6/25 and 7/4.

Heath Marsden reported that the EA (environmental assessment) is done and going to the FAA for review. There will be a 30 day comment period when it comes back. One last public hearing and we can begin work on aviation easements, tree clearing, and other issues.

Larry commented that there is scheduled to be some construction by the Corp of Engineers on the dam during the aerobatic competition and the "box" is being moved to comply with FAA mandates. Mike Knoras and Bruce Johnson moved and seconded that we go on record recommending the closure of the east end of Maple St where the dam road begins beyond the residential area during the aerobatic competition. The town will send Larry a parade permit to make out for road closure during that period – 4 days.

Chris Beitzel updated us on the Quonset hangar – roof work is scheduled to begin sometime around 6/15. He will look into asphalt repair or sealing in front of the maintenance hangar where it is breaking up. He is also working on changing terminal lights to LED and replacing the A/C unit which has died.

Larry is looking at a Grand Opening of 4/23 for the maintenance operation. Mike Nesshoever will be doing a safety seminar – Are You Ready to Fly and Runway Markings from 10:30 to 12:30. Larry is planning a continental breakfast and will get this to Jen Davis and Rob Luther for posting on the website for a fly-in.

Next meeting will be 4/21/16. Kathleen and Walter moved we adjourn at 5:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter MacGillivray, Chair