

SPRINGFIELD AIRPORT COMMISSION

Minutes of meeting of

August 21, 2014

Hartness State Airport Terminal Building

5 p.m.

ATTENDEES: Kathleen Fellows, Bruce Johnson, Bob Flint,(SRDC), Peter MacGillivray, Heath Marsden (Jacobs Engineering), Walter Striedieck, John Graves, Pete Andrews, Larry Perry (AOT airport manager at KVSF).

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m.

Larry gave us a comprehensive overview of the fuel sales since our last meeting on April 17th. He also gave us the highlights of the other activities that have taken place to include ACE camp, the aerobatic competition, a May pot luck fly-in that was almost rained out, CAP glider camp and the rental aircraft that Larry has made available.

Bob Flint briefed us about a possible plan to have an aircraft maintenance program in Springfield. The idea is in its early stages so there are many questions to answer. He also spoke about the State putting out an RFQ for an FBO here who would mow, plow and maintain runway lights. The need for contracted electricians and plumbers was discussed.

Heath Marsden explained about the runway non-standard safety area mandated for change by the FAA. It appears that the requirements can be managed without shortening the runway or using displaced thresholds.

Bruce mentioned that SAPA TV will celebrate their 15th anniversary on Thursday, September 18th at the Unitarian Universalist Church.

Larry also mentioned that we should have some sort of event on October 17th to commemorate the dedication of the opening of the north/south runway – runway 5/23. Lots of work went into fund-raising for that project.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 11th 5 p.m. here.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Peter MacGillivray

Springfield Airport Commission Meeting

Thursday, August 21, 2014

Airport Manager's Report

Fuel sales since last Commission meeting (April 17, 2014) as compared to previous year:

	4/17/2013 to 8/21/2013	4/17/2014 to 8/21/2014	% +/-	
Avgas 100LL	6,265 gallons - \$35,466	9,481 gallons - \$50,300	+51% gallons	+42% \$\$\$
Jet A	10,425 gallons - \$52,151	9,978 gallons - \$49,791	-4.3% gallons	-4.6% \$\$\$

Sum 5.89

Fuel sales FY 2013 vs. FY 2014:

	Avgas 100LL	Jet A
7/1/2012 to 6/30/2013	9,789 gallons	19,719 gallons
7/1/2013 to 6/30/2014	13,218 gallons	18,463 gallons
% +/- 2013 vs. 2014	+35%	-6.4%

Avgas sales are up primarily because VSF (and DDH, CDA, and 6B0) have had the lowest fuel price within an at least 100 mile radius for the past several months. Flight planning software and online route planners (ForeFlight, AirNav.com, FltPlan.com, etc) look at a pilot's planned flight route and suggest fuel stops based on the least expensive fuel prices. We've seen several aircraft on cross-country flights choose to refuel at VSF simply because of our low fuel price.

Jet A sales to our largest volume customers in FY 2013 (Scotts/Hagedorn, Flight Options, Henschel, and Whelen Engineering accounted for 59% of Jet A sales in FY 2013) are off by 38.5%. ALL our Jet A sales in FY 2013 were to a total of 14 customers. Total Jet sales in FY 2014 were to a total of 25 customers.

Other activities:

Late May Pot Luck fly-in – solid IFR – 1 “fly-in”; 18 “drive-ins”

Valley Soaring weekend May 23 – 26; about a dozen members from this club

Trees removed from approach end of RWY 5

Aerobatic Contest – July 11 to 13; 40 competitors, largest contest to date, and greatest number of aerobatic competitors short of the National Championships

ACE Camp – 14 participants July 14 to 18

CAP glider camp – 25 participants

RWY 5/23 block patching and crack filling; Both RWY 5/23 and 11/29 re-painting

Ground School – June 18 to September 3; 11 students participating; 4 taking flight instruction

Cherokee N4652R – Available for rent @ \$49/hr (dry) since May 15; about 20 rentals so far