

SPRINGFIELD AIRPORT COMMISSION  
Minutes of the meeting of  
August 27, 2015  
Hartness State Airport Terminal Building  
5 p.m.

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ATTENDEES: Kathleen Fellows, Bruce Johnson, Mike Knoras, Walter Striedieck,  
Larry Perry, Chris Bietzel (by phone)

The meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. Walter Striedieck, acted as Chair of Commission in his role as Vice Chair.

Moved by Mike Knoras, seconded by Bruce Johnson to approve the minutes of commission meeting of July 23, 2015. Approved unanimously

Larry Perry presented monthly report. Sales of Aviation fuel up 1% and jet fuel also up this month. Would appear that with Rutland runway work causing their gas sales to be down for same period, Hartness State Airport have picked up some of those sales. Larry reported that aviation fuel is down 17% from 1 year ago while jet fuel is up 17% from a year ago. Larry also stated that since fuel prices are more in line with other airports in the region, there are not as many aircraft making a stop for cheaper fuel here. Larry also reported that there had been two very successful CAP glider camps this month.

Walter Striedieck reported on a very successful ACE Camp in August. 17 young attendees signed up and participation was Very Good. Walter reported that this was one of the best camps he had been involved with. He expressed his appreciation for the birthday cake and model airplane gift the youngsters gave him. He thanked the Vermont State Aviation Administrator for his support and for handing out the graduation certificates and for the scholarships that will be given to the outstanding female and male campers. He also thanked the Rutland EAA Chapter for the help they provided to this year's camp.

There was also discussion about next year's ACE Camp and where that might take place. Walter did suggest that he didn't feel he could do another camp at Springfield without more help. Also mentioned that some folks from Rutland had expressed an interest in a camp at Rutland Airport. Chris Bietzel suggested that it might be possible to hold camps at both locations. More discussion will be taking place in up coming weeks on future of ACE Camps.

Chris Beitzel reported that site work on a new hanger at west end of the field is underway. Work on the future airport project is moving forward, but is running a bit behind schedule, but Chris is hopeful that progress can be made to get things back on schedule in the near future.

A discussion on the possibility of an open house to celebrate the opening of Springfield Aviation's new maintenance shop in October was put on hold as Larry Perry felt that they were too busy just getting things running smoothly at this point. We will work with Larry to figure out when and what to do as far as a celebration is concerned. Instead of a big deal, it was decided to just plan a pilots' local get together on September 26<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for breakfast. Focus of that get together will be on forming a local pilots' organization. Information will be shared through EAA. Insurance is covered. Chris Bietzel did volunteer Jennifer Davis who does publicity for the VTrans Aviation as a person who can assist in publicity for events at the airport. Contact at [jendavis@vt.gov](mailto:jendavis@vt.gov).

Article 6 on the agenda was tabled till next meeting.