SPRINGFIELD AIRPORT COMMISSION
Minutes of the meeting of
May 21, 2015
Hartness State Airport Terminal Building
5 p.m.

ATTENDEES: John Graves, Bruce Johnson, Mike Knoras, Peter MacGillivray, Walter Striedieck, Larry Perry, Shayne Wilcox, AOT temp employees;

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

Chris Beitzel called in from Rutland and briefed us on the current status of the selection of a maintenance business/FBO from the RFQ. The selection committee met including two local members and selected Springfield Aviation, LLC to fill the vacancy.
On a motion by Mike Knoras and second by John Graves it was voted to amend the current lease of Springfield Aviation, LLC to include maintenance. Four votes yea, and Peter MacGillivray abstained – conflict of interest. There included some discussion but all were very happy with the selection and the outcome.

Regarding runway safety improvements – on a motion by Bruce Johnson and second by Mike Knoras it was voted to approve the Purpose and Needs Draft of April 20, 2015 to be forwarded to the FAA. 5 – 0 approval.

Chris also noted that there was $20,000 available for hazmat remediation for the office beside the #1 hangar and another $40,000 available for possible upgrades. The State is also pursuing a USDA grant for small businesses in the state for $500,000 some of which could possibly be used to finish the upgrades to this hangar and possibly use it for the maintenance hangar with insulation and a new heating system. The access road from route 106 to the airport is completed and looks and feels great. Act 250 and storm water studies are in process and some complete for 3 hangars on the west end and 2 more sites near Walter's hangar and the Fish and Game building.

ACE Camp, the aerobatic competition weekend and 2 CAP glider encampments are all scheduled and will be held in July and August.

On a motion by Mike Knoras seconded by John Graves the minutes of the April 23, 2015 meeting were accepted as printed.

Larry Perry presented us with fuel figures since our last meeting and since 7/1/2014. He also had comparable figures for both periods from the two previous years. The good news is that we are up in Avgas and Jet A for the month and the year. The bad news is that we had low prices last summer and this year we are at midprice in the market. Fuel prices can be managed by the State to help us remain competitive. Cherokee rental is still good. The new hangar permitting process is still underway and the State will be looking at Act 250, the master plan and additional structure areas.
There will be another CFI-G school here from Sept 14 to 18 for those interested.

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 25th 2015 at 5 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m. on motion and second by Mike and Walter

Respectfully submitted: Peter MacGillivray,
Chairman