

**OLDHAM COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, August 13, 2008

At 4:37 P.M., local time on the above date, this meeting of the Oldham County Airport Board, hereinafter called the Board, was called to order in the Court Room of the Oldham County Fiscal Court Building, LaGrange, Kentucky, by Chairman Westbrook.

Members Present: Five Board members were present at the beginning of the meeting as listed below:

Mr. Alex Babey
Dr. Tom Clark
Mr. Bob Sargis
Mr. Dan Skeeters
Mr. Jonathan Westbrook

Members Absent: Ms. Courtney Baxter

Staff and Consultant present:

Ms. Emily Liu, Staff
Judge-Executive Duane Murner

Others: Eleven people signed in at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Dr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Sargis to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Mr. Skeeters and seconded by Mr. Sargis to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2008 Board meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

None.

OLD BUSINESS

- Airport RFQ: Chairman Westbrook reported that the advertisement in the local media for the RFQ (Request for Qualifications) resulted in limited responses. Staff was instructed to advertise the RFQ nationally at the AAAE's *Airport Report* with a new deadline of August 29, 2008.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Meeting with Commissioner of Aviation: Chairman Westbrook summarized the meeting with Commissioner Winn Turney and Deputy Commissioner Steve Parker at the Kentucky Department of Aviation in July.
 - Jonathan Westbrook and Emily Liu attended the meeting.
 - At the meeting, Jonathan Westbrook provided an update on the Oldham County airport project
 - Commissioner Turney and Deputy Commissioner Parker stated that the Oldham County airport project was initiated by Oldham County, not the Kentucky Department of Aviation. Any further funding for the Oldham County airport project will depend on the strong commitment and will of Oldham County Officials. They both felt the Oldham County airport is a great project.
 - The Kentucky Department of Aviation believes GA airports are infrastructures to support businesses and economic development.
 - Commissioner Turney stated that the balance of the grant for the Airport Feasibility Study (approximately \$119,000) can be used for other studies as the Board sees fit.
- Planned Future Use of Funds:

The Board decided to continue the consultant selection process for the three areas of studies (Economic Impact, Property Value Impact and a Business Plan) that were advertised. The remaining grant from the Airport Feasibility Study will be used to conduct these three studies. The Board also voted to use a portion of the remaining grant to conduct a public opinion survey.

A motion was made by Mr. Sargis and seconded by Mr. Clark to authorize funds to retain a consultant to conduct a public opinion survey. Motion passed 4-1. Mr. Skeeters voted no.

Chairman Westbrook appointed Mr. Sargis, Mr. Babey and Ms. Courtney to an Airport Survey Committee to oversee the public opinion survey. Chairman Westbrook will inform Ms. Baxter.

- o Entran's Response to Spencer County: Chairman Westbrook stated that Fiscal Court and the Airport Board received a report on the proposed Spencer County Airport conducted by GRA, an airport consulting firm located in Pennsylvania. In response to this report, Entran prepared a twelve-page letter outlining their disagreements with the report.

The Board was encouraged to further review both of these documents.

SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING:

The next Board meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, September 3, 2008 at 4:30 PM. The meeting will be held in the Court Room of the Fiscal Court Building.

A motion was made by Mr. Babey and seconded by Mr. Skeeters to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.



Dr. Tom Clark, Secretary
Oldham County Airy Airport Board

Oct. 1, 2008

Date Approved