

Jerome County Airport TAC 1 Meeting

February 2, 2022

Meeting Notes

1 | Attendance

- Albert Lockwood, Airport Board Member
- Ralph Kincheloe, Airport Board Member
- Tim Larson, Airport Manager
- John Lane, Airpower Unlimited
- Jack Fields, Agri Beef
- Kent Atkins, J-U-B
- Neal Fraser, J-U-B
- Bryant Kuechle, J-U-B
- Jessica Krueger, J-U-B

2 | Introduction

- Planning is key to development at the Airport.
- All the planning findings will be documented and accumulated into a final report.
- The ALP will show the current and future layout of the Airport.
- FAA approval is required at two steps, the forecast and final report.
- The labor part of the master plan should be wrapped up by the end of the calendar year.

3 | The TAC

- The TAC is here to help and guide decisions the County will have to make.
- The TAC is a more technical perspective from airport users, while stakeholders provide perspectives on the wider community
- They should expect Working Paper 1 in the next couple of weeks.

4 | Initial Concerns

- Concern the footprint heavier aircraft loads have on the runway. (John Lane)
- A run-up area is needed on the West side. (John Lane)
- Compass rose needs to be updated and painted occasionally. It should probably be relocated to either Runway End connector. (John Lane)
- Below grade fuel storage isn't an issue, Jet A capacity is. (Tim Larson)
- Will need to look at additional hangars if we plan a runway extension. (Ralph Kincheloe)

5 | Public Involvement

- All project material will be posted on the project website.
- Stakeholders were chosen to get a cross section of interest.
- Runway concerns:
 - Agri Beef and their future use
 - Encroachment with the City and the nearby property owner whose land is in the path of the runway extension.
 - The City and the County have both already taken the encroachment into consideration and zoned accordingly. (Ralph Kincheloe)
 - The code will need to be reviewed to make sure it still meets all the needs/requirements for an airport expansion.

- There was a vicious battle when the initial airport zoning was established. (John Lane)
- Airport promotion:
 - There is opportunity for the Airport to be more of a player in the community.
 - There could be economic opportunities with the Airport's location right off the highway.
- Facility Improvements:
 - With the City getting closer there could be the potential for water and sewer hook-ups at the Airport.
 - In the case of additional Jet-A storage, where should it go?

6 | Inventory

- Jerome Flying Service is gone.
- Gerald Hay is operating a commercial helicopter service.
- Red Baron and another business are the two Ag operators at the Airport.
- An EA will be needed for a runway extension project.
- Adding the Cessna Citations from Precision Aviation won't change design code but might impact some other design elements in the future.
- Have FedEx operations been considered? B-I aircraft fly in occasionally. (Ralph Kincheloe)
- Mark's operations have really jumped in the last couple of months. (Ralph Kincheloe)
- Helitec operates in and out of the Airport all summer; it is a big thing but doesn't necessarily require another helipad. It is the reason for the one at the Airport now. (John Lane)

7 | Runway Lengths

- FAA is going to want the Airport to own the land outright. Who has the controlling interest? The FAA will want you to own it. Minimum 1,200-foot buffer off the end of the runway. The RPZ is the one the FAA is going to say you need absolute control over, not necessary for the approach.
- 200 feet would make a difference, the more the better. (Jack Fields)
- We need to look at the acquisition of land for future hangars as well; County has put money aside for the purchase of property. (Ralph Kincheloe)
- Working with the younger Forsyth will be better than with the senior Forsyth landowner. (John Lane)
- If land needs to be acquired for additional runway and hangars, there is a benefit to getting it all done at once. (Ralph Kincheloe)
- The Airport property ends at the fence line; doesn't include what is currently outlined. (Ralph Kincheloe)

8 | Next Steps

- Fill Ben Crouch in on findings and need for land acquisition. Get his input on best next steps.
- Pass out airport maps to other users to mark up and get to Kent.
- Get letter from Mark so we can get the forecast to the FAA.
- County fuel information expected from Tim Larson.