

AIRPORT COMMISSION

Airport Conference Room

Wednesday

July 20, 2009

5:00 PM

Members Present: Michael Leger, Roger Lookingbill, Steve Tait,
and Michael Valenti.

Members Absent: Heath Gatlin (excused)

Others: Michael Garrity, Michelle Haynes, and Butch Lisenby.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

AGENDA

MINUTES

Motion: Move to approve the minutes of the June 15th meeting.

Motion: Steve Tait **Seconded:** Roger Lookingbill **Vote:** 4-0-0.

REPORTS

Security Camera System Update

Butch said that Security Design came for a second site visit but hasn't submitted an estimate yet. Two other companies that have been contacted are coming to do site visits.

Door Security Lock Update

This project has been completed and works very well.

OLD BUSINESS

EA/FEIR/DRI Update

Mike Garrity gave the update complete with more maps of proposed projects. He said that George Price is still out. Mike has also been dealing with Dave Clark from the NPS in Boston. Comments on the document is due this Friday.

In the meantime, Mike has been talking to the Cape Cod Commission and has had a couple of meetings with them. He's also contacting both DEP and National Heritage. One of the concerns that National Heritage has is the well-being of the vesper sparrows. They nest between mid April and August 15th in tall grass so if we can show that we won't mow certain areas during nesting time we might be O.K. with National Heritage.

Steve Tait wondered aloud, "Isn't that counter to keeping birds away from aircraft?" Mike cautioned that if National Heritage decided to create a take out of this they may say you might have to foster these birds and promote them elsewhere. The entire plan has to do with dunes, wetland, and grassland. The crux - according to Mike - is that we wind up with less pavement but may still have to do more mitigation. The map was displayed and

the Commissioners were told that it would mean not mowing in the vesper sparrow area but we're hoping to do the normal July 4th mowing. Butch said that this means that we may have to do an extra mowing.

Another concern is that Carrie Phillips is leaving but hopefully she will be able to finish our project before she leaves for the west coast. If the comments aren't submitted by Friday, it will delay everything.

David Flowers Productions Update

Butch said that the party went off very well. Michael Leger thought it was a pretty good event but we do have to address the issue of fees, etc. There were about 700 people at the party and at the last one a few years ago it was reported that there were over 1,000 attendees.

Attorney Holland, our legal counsel, was supposed to get back to M. Leger about fees but he hasn't as yet. Butch said that someone called in who may want to use the hangar for a wedding. M. L. will have to sit down and get the clarification from the legal department. Michelle Haynes at this point in the meeting said that Dan Wolf won't even discuss any event that would require a fee from Cape Air. Michelle said that the only reason the Circuit Party went on was that it was a marketing tool for Cape Air. She said that someone at the party commented that they didn't even know that Provincetown had an airport. Mike Leger suggested using it as a venue for the film festival. But first, let's get the legal counsel's opinion and see where we go from there.

Birds in the Hangar

M. L. is unhappy about the birds in the hangar. They were driven out for a bit by the loud music from Flowers party but have returned. Butch has contacted Bird-x and he wants something that's safe for the birds that will just drive them away.

Minimum Standards Update

M. L. is still working on that.

Cell Phone Tower Update

Michael L. talked to David Guertin and the cell phone tower people have signed a contract to lease the land and they're paying rent on it but still haven't gotten permits. Verizon lost a tower the week before the 4th of July and that raised all kinds of problems with cell phone coverage. Beau Jackett could come up with the booster for \$500 that probably would help the airport cell phone coverage.

Then there was a discussion about the airport's free phone. M. Valenti seemed to favor Vonage that could provide service for \$30/month. The negatives for Vonage are that you cannot call 911 and also someone could take over the phone for an unlimited time with no restraints. The limited free phone works better and people can call anywhere else on a credit card. The eventual solution is to get better cell phone coverage.

NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

Carnival Parade Float

Cape Air has contracted to build a float for the Carnival Parade which will market the airport and Cape Air; Randy Price from Channel 5 and Dan Wolf will be riding on the float and Channel 5 will be doing reports about it. They want to construct the float in the hangar. The float will have an aviation theme but it will also feature the Pilgrim Monument. It's a work in progress.

Motion: Move to approve the use of the hangar for the purpose of creating a float for the Carnival Parade which will promote both Cape Air and the Airport.

Motion: Michael Valenti Seconded: Steve Tait Vote: 4-0-0.

Butch asked Michelle if she had any idea of the measurements of the float because he doesn't want to block the hangar so that Ron can have access. She did not.

Signs:

M. L. said that the new signs are up. Roger L. did the work and M. L. feels that they've come out really well (he designed them) and they seem to be working.

Thank-You Note:

A very nice thank you note was received from Warren Costa who was an airport commissioner in the 80s. Warren recently lost his wife and flowers were sent from the Airport Commissioners.

Terminal Design Suggestion:

Roger had a suggestion for a design but he was told that the NPS is not too keen on modernistic designs. He saw the design in a magazine called Preservation. Mike G. said that the NPS doesn't want anything that can be reflective as in solar panels. Roger also wondered if the area in question regarding the vesper sparrows could be planted with sea grasses and that might eliminate mowing.

Rental Car Key Return:

M. L. said that he had wire brushed and painted the car key return.

Cape Air Numbers:

The passenger numbers for June 2009 were 1,008 and for the previous June 2008, they were 1,302. The dreary weather in June and the economy must have been factors.

PAYMENT VOUCHERS

N-Star		<u>\$758.45</u>
KDAL	mowing	<u>\$3,424.97</u>
JACOBS	#2 – phase 2 - EA/FEIR/DRI	<u>\$20,000.00</u>

JACOBS

#3 – phase 2 - EA/FEIR/DRI

\$15,000.00

**The above four payment vouchers were approved, seconded, and voted by all.
The vote was 4-0-0.**

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday, August 24th at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED: AUG 24, 2009