

# **Provincetown Airport Commission**

**March 2, 2005**

**5:30 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Steven Page, Richard Silva, Jason Stover, and Steve Tait

**Members Absent:** Lenny Alberts & Joan Drysdale (both excused absences)

**Airport Manager:** Butch Lisenby

**Consultant:** Mike Garrity from Edwards and Kelsey

## **Agenda:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 p.m.

### **Security**

Because Joan Drysdale has been ill there has been nothing done on this subject. The letter for Salter, and the minutes have not been done yet. There is no change on the security issue. The staffing level is 2 and 3 and has been reduced with no complaints. Also there have been no issues of detained or arrested passengers. No issues for New Years, either.

### **Logan Airport Peak Period Pricing Update**

The final version is out. Provincetown probably will be getting an exception, but MASSPORT will not give it to us automatically because they'll be committed to all others with similar problems. The main problem with the first version was that a request for an exemption could not be put in until 90 days before you need an exception, thus the request has to be put in by April – and by the time you know the answer – it's too late. As soon as MassPort meets – the CEO of MassPort will be making the final decision.

Also other criteria changed i.e., non-stop service to Boston and it has to be year-round service. Butch said that “On paper it seems very doable to get an exemption.” As yet no template or format has been received. He further feels that it will be this month that they will be voting on it. Mike Garrity will call to try and find out more information. The CEO has 60 days to decide.

### **Parking Apron / Security Improvements Project Update**

Project has been finished. Everything is up and running.

### **Master Plan Update**

Mike Garrity reported on his progress thus far. E & K has done all the background

information on the flora and fauna and is now waiting for the spring to find out if there are any rare species. He is going to review future needs to see what the airport needs. He is now working on the airport layout plan. Mike admitted that he had been caught up in the minutia of the plan initially until Butch urged him to look at the “big picture.” Butch also requested that any further information be sent electronically so that he can share it with the Commissioners.

Butch also told the Commissioners that E & K had sent out letters to all relevant committees, i.e. National Park Service, Cape Cod Commission, ConCom, etc. He further said that the NPS is concerned about the drainage of the parking lots.

Mike said he received a letter back from the NPS that basically stated, “no runway extension” and that seemed to be their basic caveat. The master plan does address the possible runway extension and has always been part of the master plan.

### **Payment Vouchers**

The following payment vouchers were examined individually and all were approved with unanimous motions.

<b>1. Epsilon Associates</b>	<b>\$ 783.75</b>	
<b>2. Fruan Utilities</b>	<b>\$ 810.35</b>	lighting issues
<b>3. Fruan Utilities</b>	<b>\$ 4,931.05</b>	hook-up for trailer
<b>4. Kenyan Wheeler</b>	<b>\$ 1,365.00</b>	parts such as bulbs, etc.
<b>5. Edwards &amp; Kelsey</b>	<b>\$ 8,850.00</b>	invoice #2)
	<b>\$ 7,100.00</b>	invoice #3) Master Plan
	<b>\$16,000.00</b>	invoice #4) work by E & K
	<b>\$32,000.00</b>	invoice #5)
<b>E&amp;K Total</b>	<b>\$63,950.00</b>	

### **Other Business**

Butch informed the Commissioners that Hal Averbuck wants to do sightseeing tours in an open cockpit plane from the Provincetown Airport. He conducted similar tours with a seaplane from the harbor but found there was too much time involved in ferrying people out and back to the plane. The group wondered what will happen with Willie Air Tours? Butch doesn't think there will be a problem but put in a contingency – “If Willie comes back then Hal finds another spot to run his business.” There is concern that not enough effort has been put into getting Willy up and running so the contingency may be a moot point. Butch wants to keep the door open for Willy for at least a year.

Butch also updated the group on Lenny Alberts who left Outer Cape Health and is currently in Cambodia. Hopefully he'll return for the May meeting.

The Airport budget for next year was approved by the Board of Selectmen (BOS) and

now only has to go to Town Meeting.

**Minutes**

There were none due to Joan's illness.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup>.

Adjournment happened at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPROVED: MAY 4, 2005