

**DEER LODGE CITY/POWELL COUNTY AIRPORT**  
**Board Minutes**  
**February 15, 2021**

**Present:**

**Board Members:** Ron Snow, Rex Anderson, Tony Pfaff via email vote

**Others Present:** Travis Eickman, Kyla Johnson, Commissioner Dan Sager, Mayor Diana Solle, Councilman John Skibsrud

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:00pm.

**January 18, 2021 Minutes:** Rex Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes, Ron Snow seconded. All were in favor.

**New Business:**

1. **Environmental Assessment** – Morrison Maierle has received the initial FAA Comments on Chapter 1-3 and have been provided with Chapter 4. Commissioner Sager, Mayor Solle and Travis all met with the FAA and discussed the EA. The existing EA grant, granted in 2017, will need to be closed by May/June, they are only able to stay open for 4 years. The FAA has requested that the airport divide the EA into the current improvements needed (BII) and future improvements (CII) to facilitate future funding. We will maximize the current EA grant to the greatest extent, close it, and then put in for a new grant to finish off the last 6-8 months of environmental work. Travis provided the sponsors with a draft grant application. Rex made a motion to approve moving forward with the EA as discussed with Travis. Ron seconded. All were in favor.

Projected FAA Funds – The FAA has found state apportionment funding. Morrison Maierle plans on getting the EA moving as quickly as possible and begin land acquisition proceedings mid-year.

2. **Board Letters of Interest** – Two letters were received to replace Jim Magone's position on the board. The board made a recommendation to the Commissioners.
3. **Armory Fencing** – The golf course is wanting to build a pickle ball court and has asked if they can have the fencing at the armory. No one expressed any concerns in giving them the fencing, they will be responsible for removal.

**Old Business:**

**Non-Agenda Items:**

The County lost their lease with the City on the junk vehicle site. The County needs a small area to put if they get any vehicles in until the DEQ picks them up. Commissioner Sager asked if there was any room at the airport to be able to place those that would be out of the way. This will be revisited at next month's meeting.

Hangar and Pasture Lease Statements have all been sent out.

**Public Comment:** No public comment.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:28pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Kyla Johnson, Administrative Assistant