

AIRPORT COMMISSION MINUTES

August 13, 2013

4:00 P.M.

Eastern Conference Room

The following were present at the Danville Regional Airport Commission Meeting on Tuesday, August 13, 2013.

Attendees:

Marc Adelman, Director	John Lippert	Libby Rembold, General Aviation
Charles Ellis	Joseph Miller	Bruce Newcomb, Asst. Dir.
Helm Dobbins	Bill Apgar, FAA	Lisa Bivens, Admin. Asst.
Mark Stevens	Steve Finnerty, FAA	

Approval of Minutes

Helm Dobbins moved that the minutes of the July 9, 2013 meeting be accepted as presented and Mark Stevens seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Localizer Project Update

Bill Apgar, Resident Inspector Engineer and Steve Finnerty, FAA Project Manager were both in attendance for the meeting to update the Commission on the progress of the localizer project. Bill Apgar completed a PowerPoint presentation. He indicated that forty percent of the project will be complete by the end of the week. The rainy weather has impacted the project slightly. After the project is completed Steve Finnerty will schedule a flight check with the FAA to check the localizer.

Maintenance Update

Bruce Newcomb informed the Commission that the Runway 2/20 lights are still running on the backup regulator and the contractor is waiting on parts to complete the repairs to the regulator. Newcomb also indicated that the Runway 13/31 project has started. Some of the signage has been relocated and several cans and junction boxes have been put in place to support taxiway lighting modifications. Boring work has been completed under Taxiway F to run the new lines for the REIL lights. Dewberry was at the airport today shooting the points for the new PAPI lights. Barnes and Powell, the electrical contractor indicated that they have all the parts necessary to complete the project. The projected date to reopen Runway 13/31 is October 7th.

Runway 13/31 Centerline Repairs

Adelman said that Adams Construction is planning to begin milling and paving Runway 13/31's centerline on August 26th. Hopefully they will be able to get this project done quickly so that it does not impact the Runway 2/20 rehabilitation project.

Update on Runway 2/20 Rehabilitation Project

Adelman said that he attended a progress meeting this week with the general contractor and the airport engineering firm regarding the Runway 2/20 project. While the general contractor has still identified October 7th as a planned date for beginning work on the south end and opening Runway 13/31 there is no cushion built into that timeframe. At the end of the meeting Mick Metcalf said that a conservative estimate for project completion would be the spring of 2014.

Update on Runway 2/20 Rehabilitation Project (continued)

Presently, it is projected by the end of the week the north end of the primary runway will be cut to finish grade. The contractor indicated that 100% of the new drainage system has been installed. This week they were also planning to begin lowering the runway to meet grade requirements and prepare for the installation of stone. It was also emphasized that this work is very weather sensitive due to compaction requirements. Discussion continued.

Adelman said this month a pilot landed on closed Runway 13/31. In conjunction with this incident and Dr. Lippert's recommendation, the airport continued to look into opportunities to append the ASOS message to include runway closure information. The airport will attempt to gain approval to append a message but if this is accomplished it is likely this capability would be a temporary situation that would cease once construction activities are complete.

Contractor Staffing Changes

Adelman said that there has been a staffing change with Barnes and Powell. This company is the electrical contractor for Rifenburg on the Runway 2/20 project. The project manager has left the company. Adelman said that hopefully this staffing change will not affect the project but felt it necessary to keep the Commission informed.

Virginia Department of Aviation Projects

The two projects that were submitted for consideration at the August Board Meeting have been recommended for state funding. These projects include engineering services to complete repairs for the Taxiway Connections D&E at the south ramp and construction work involving a 2" mill and overlay for 800' of Taxiway A between Taxiway E and D. The airport expects to be under grant with the state for these projects this fall. Discussion continued.

The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. in the Danville Regional Airport's Eastern Conference Room.**