

6) Citizens Comments & Presentation

No citizens were at the meeting.

7) Finance & Activity Reports

7a) Fuel Report

Tiedeman presented the Fuel Sales Report for January and February 2016. Fuels sales are on pace with 2015 sales. He also presented two graphs that show fuel prices from the surrounding airports. It was noted that the high price was from MSP and that we might want to remove those entries so that the graphs were more apples to apples.

7b) 2015 Budget Report

The Budget Report Spreadsheet was unavailable. When it comes available it will be distributed accordingly.

8) Project Status

8a) 2016 Projects

Tiedeman covered the planned 2016 projects. Pavement projects: Crack Sealing & Compass Rose (painted by Minnesota 99's). Equipment projects: Blower attachment, Upgrade meeting room projector, sound system, and tables; Upgrade Fuel Master Software. Building/Structure: replace sliding doors on Hangar #5, Roof replacement on 2 of the bowstring hangars (most likely #5 and the next one most in need, possibly #3), and epoxy coat and seal on the airport maintenance hangar.

8b) Airport Development

Tiedeman discussed the recent inquiries as to the availability of space for operations here at Fleming Field. Lake Superior Helicopters out of Duluth is looking for space to begin flight instruction on helicopters. They are going to lease space and then evaluate the success at a future date to see how big a draw they have, leading to building or buying space for continued operations.

Aero Spray, an aerial spray & firefighting operation utilizing the AT-805 Fire Boss, is looking to build a maintenance facility to combine the ability to maintain the aircraft and the ability to quickly coordinate with Wipaire for needed parts and floats.

We have also had multiple inquiries into building in the West Hangar Area. We have one lot that has been purchased, waiting on the FAA's determination for obstruction evaluation.

Update on Ballistic Recovery Systems (BRS). We have heard some remarks about the stability of BRS. There have been no discussions with the local manager to ascertain if there are any future plans to relocate. Their lease was restructured in August 2015 with a reduction in rent September 2015 thru August 2016. The

reduction would be recovered by increased rents for the remainder of 2016 and over the next 4 years. This is the second restructuring of their lease.

9) **New Business**

9a) CAF IUP and Bob Brown III Car Show IUP

Airport staff met with Commemorative Air Force coordinators (CAF) and the Bob Brown III Car Show for the hangar dances and car show, respectively. The topic was making the IUP a multiyear IUP so that there would be schedule conflicts between the CAF and the City Council meeting. There was a question about the Mad Further Car Show. No one from that car show has approached the airport about hosting it here.

9b) McMorrow Field Improvements

Tiedeman reviewed the plans for the improvement of McMorrow Field, changing it from mixed use to a soccer only field. There are several items to be changed to avoid creating future obstructions in the current RPZ. Chris Esser and Tiedeman met with neighbors of the McMorrow Park on February 25th. The discussion reviewed the plans; offered the audience a chance to have input and went over general construction topics. There will be another review with the project engineer, WSB & Associates, when the plan is at the 90% stage.

10) **Old Business :**

8a) MnDOT Needs Meeting

The MnDOT Aeronautics Office has requested an Airport Needs Meeting for the South St. Paul Airport. MnDOT is requesting representatives from the airport, the Commission, and the City Council at the meeting. Airport staff will email out a set of dates to all parties to get a consensus for the meeting.

8b) Wrecked Cessna 340

The aircraft has been removed, however the mattress' remain. They are frozen to the ground and will be removed when they are no longer stuck. The NTSB accident report was attached to the packet.

8c) South Metro Fire Department - Commercial Inspection Fee Program

During the January 15th the South Metro Fire Department Board of Directors met and determined that the inspection fees should be removed from hangars that the **AIRPORT** identifies as non-commercial. However, commercial hangars would still be assessed the inspection fees. The fees as amended still need to be approved by the West St. Paul City Council.

11) **Commission Comments :**

None

12) **Adjournment :**

Motion made by Sheridan, second by Schoen to adjourn the commission meeting
at 7:18 PM.

Motion carried

8 ayes/0 nays