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## Airport Board Minutes January 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Tom Case, 7:00 pm, at the airport. Members present were Tom Case, Todd Shannon, Levi Koerner, George Bittner and Darren Brewster. Others present was: Mike Scherschligt & Mel Olson.

Public Input: None

The minutes of December 2015 were presented. A motion was made by Darren Brewster, seconded by Todd Shannon to approve. Motion carried, minutes approved.

The following bills were presented for payment:

A & G Diesel, Inc.	\$ 1,482.60
Brown & Saenger	\$ 55.03
Campbell Supply Co.	\$ 181.23
Century Link	\$ 115.36
Crouse-Hinds	\$ 277.13
Meyer's Oil, Co.	\$ 1,270.42
Napa Auto Parts	\$ 272.49
Northwestern Energy	\$ 1,118.19
Wright Bros. Aviation	\$ 500.00
	<u>\$ 5,272.45</u>

A motion was made by George Bittner and seconded by Darren Brewster to approve the bills of December 2015 as presented. Motion carried, bills approved for payment.

The Financial Report for December 2015 was available. Motion made by George Bittner to approve the reports. Seconded by Todd Shannon. Motion passed.

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(EQUIPMENT – UPDATES & ACQUISITIONS) Recent equipment updates include a new clutch assembly in the 1992 Ford L-8000 plow truck. This (25 year old truck) is performing well considering its age. It is hoped that in the not too distant future, this truck would play more of a secondary roll, with limited plowing, some hauling (summer trees), and runway/taxiway sweeping. It is a short, utility type truck that would be hard to replace with an equally maneuverable larger plow truck. It is hoped that the airport, at some point, would take serious consideration in acquiring a pay loader, and utilize a large box blade plow for ramp cleanup operations. This is the typical airport ramp cleanup method used by larger airports. It would greatly enhance cleanup efforts, and long term benefits would greatly outweigh the initial investment. The question will be funding qualifications. Long range equipment planning is never easy, but must be done.

(VOR – DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE MODIFICATION) On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December, the FAA completed final navigational assessments regarding the Mitchell airport. The last remaining item will be a number change to the VOR Ground checkpoint Radial from 194 to 197. We will attempt to complete this change in house. It may be difficult; it has typical illuminated airport signs sandwich numbers between reflective material. If it cannot be completed locally, estimates will be obtained for review.

(WAAS – (18/36) RUNWAYS – NOW PUBLISHED) All navigational updates regarding WAAS GPS, with vertical guidance coordinates, and runway modifications are now published, and will eventually make their way to all pilot related publications and web based data bases.

(2015 – WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UPDATE) Attention to wildlife fencing and airport gate access continue to be important in maintaining a large-wildlife(deer) free airfield. The airport is quite happy that it has not needed to utilize its kill permits for two years. During this time, only a few deer have been removed by (herding) through gates. And, although, this is the preferred method, it will most likely not be the only one needed in the future. We do feel that we have communicated well with all entities utilizing the airport, and will maintain good communications when wildlife is detected.

Motion was made by Levi Koerner and seconded by George Bittner to adjourn. Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

By: Sharon Alane

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