

Lemhi County Airport Board Special Meeting

August 5, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Richard Natelson at 6 pm at the Lemhi County Court House Annex 200 Fulton St. Salmon, ID.

Present board members were R. Natelson, J. Crawford, D. Weston, F. McDonald, D. Shiner, B. Deurloo, and R. Schick. I. McCarty, L. Skunberg, and D. Williams were also in attendance.

Old Business:

Budget for 2021:

Natelson began the discussion explaining the need to approve the budget so it can be turned over to the county. McDonald and Deurloo had questions about some items in the budget and Weston explained. McDonald made a motion to approve the budget, Crawford seconded, and all approved.

Hiring FAA Law Firm:

Natelson explained this item is on the agenda because at the earlier county commissioner's meeting the airport board was advised not to discuss and vote on this in executive session. Natelson continued by describing three reasons why he believes the board should hire an FAA law firm. First, the law firm would help to further resolve remaining issues on the Peter Doyle FAA letter. Second, the firm would also help to better write the airport's rules and regulations. Lastly, the airport board is seeking legal guidance for becoming the only source of retail fuel sales on the county airport. Crawford made a motion to hire a law firm, Schick seconded, and all approved.

New Business:

Friends of the Airport:

FOA had asked to be on the agenda, but Dick Williams forfeited his discussion until another time.

Rebuttal to Gem Air:

Natelson read a draft letter of rebuttal with the airport board. The purpose of the letter was to address accusations Gem Air presented to the county commissioners at their previous session. Members read the draft and provided input. The draft focused on previous airport board minutes and fuel price history. Natelson received the feedback and asked for a motion in presenting this letter to the county commissioners at their next scheduled meeting. Crawford made the motion, Weston seconded, and all agreed.

Closing:

The board adjourned at 6:35 pm.