

Minutes

Airport Board Municipal Airport, 19623 40th Street, Oelwein, Iowa September 10, 2025 - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Woodraska, Schares, Reinking, Brackett

Absent: Bagge, Ricchio

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. July Minutes.

The board reviewed the previous minutes.

A motion to approve was made by Reinking and seconded by Schares. Motion carried unanimously.

EXPENSE REVIEW

- 2. June Expenses.
- 3. July Expenses.
- 4. August Expenses.

One item of interest was a salary expense of \$2,100. Board requested clarification from the city.

Noted strong fuel revenue. A motion to approve expenses was made by Schares and seconded by Brackett. Motion passed unanimously.

FBO REPORT

Mike Wilhelm submitted a note stating he has three aircraft annual inspections scheduled. He believes increased traffic is due to competitive fuel pricing.

OLD BUSINESS

- 5. Young Eagles Event Recap
 - Held successfully on a rescheduled Sunday.
 - RC demonstrations were a highlight; discussion held on ways to expand and promote that portion of the event next year.
 - Suggestions included adding signage and encouraging visitors to explore all activities.
- 6. Electrical Vault Project
 - o Project is completed; dirt leveled and grass seeded.
- 7. Unairworthy Aircraft
 - Owner contacted and plans to bring aircraft up to compliance; annual not yet scheduled.
- 8. Service Hangar Ceiling
 - o Ceiling and LED lighting installed; positive comments on appearance.
 - Some concern over access to mechanical components now covered by ceiling.
- 9. Hangar Door Issue
 - o Maintenance completed on Theresa's hangar; loose sensors were tightened.

NEW BUSINESS

10. Vacant Hangars

- o Clarified that City Hall maintains a waiting list and contacts those on it.
- Discussion held on importance of pilot communication and interest in newer hangars.

11. FBO Listing and Grant Funding

 Dylan reported that being listed as an FBO does not disqualify grant eligibility, though it may slightly impact scoring.

12. Fuel Price Visibility

- Emphasis placed on ensuring accurate and updated fuel prices across multiple platforms (AirNav, SkyVector, FlightPlan, etc.).
- Discussion on difficulties updating listings due to access restrictions; suggestions made to increase consistency.

13. Phone Line Redundancy

- o Discussed eliminating old airport phone number (283-5089) to save costs.
- City to verify whether AWOS line is billed separately by DOT.

14. Fuel System Access

- Discussion held on fuel pump access issues; some temporary failures resolved remotely by Tommy.
- o Emphasis on keeping Tommy or a backup reachable; number posted at pump.

15. Terminal Cleanliness

- o Concerns raised about poor cleaning standards in terminal.
- Photos taken and submitted; recommendation made for consistent restroom cleaning (weekly during warm months, bi-weekly in winter).

16. Groundskeeping and Mowing

- Mowing work satisfactory overall; wet conditions noted.
- Suggestions included trimming or spraying near hangar bases to prevent unsightly grass buildup.

17. Planter Maintenance

Weed trimming noted; ongoing care discussed.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING DATE

Next meeting scheduled for October 8, 2025, at 6:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Reinking and seconded by Schares. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.