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MINUTES- AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Thursday, January 23, 2020
At WAAAM – 3:30pm

1. AAC housekeeping
 - a. AAC members- see attached excerpt from Port governance structure
 - i. 3 seats available now
 1. Judy Newman- expired 6/30/19
 2. Ken Musser- expired 6/30/19
 3. Vacant
 - ii. 2 seats coming up June 30
 1. John Benton
 2. James Stuart
 - iii. Discussion regarding when to fill seats, suggested timeline below:
 1. January 29th- notification and advertisement of 3 open seats
 2. February 19-Applications (letters of interest, experience etc) due.
 3. February 20- AAC meeting, appoint new members
 4. March 3- Port Board approval of appointees.

Members agreed to the above timeline and that Ken and Anne would work out the staggered terms. The AAC rules state a 3-year term, but they will need to be staggered so that an entire committee replacement does not occur in one year. The terms will revert to 3 years after the first appointments in 2020.

WAAAM and Tac Aero will now both be Ad-hoc members.

- b. Connect 6-
 - i. Bids out last week. Walk through completed 1-21. Bids are due February 14. IF the project moves forward, utility work will begin in March.
 - ii. ODOT granted reduction of scope (fuel tank and farm reduced)
 1. Members wonder if we can install tie downs where the fuel farm is supposed to be until such time as the fuel farm is installed.
 - iii. North Ramp will be Closed (with access to T-hangars and WAAAM allowed) starting in May, final date TBD.
 - iv. Discussion of tie-down parking options
 1. Anne and FBO will work together to determine where tie down parking will occur.
 2. Access to T-hangars will be uninterrupted throughout the projects

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c. *FAA projects*

- i. *North Apron will bid in February. Work will start in June.*

d. *T-Hangars*

- i. *T-hangar leases are being renewed. The Port changed the leases to require proof of ownership and have a flyable aircraft in the hangars. There has been some push back from tenants who cannot provide proof of ownership or a valid relationship with the aircraft in the hangar. The Port will terminate leases with those tenants and expects some wait list movement this year*

Anne introduced Daryl Stafford who is now managing the T-hangar leases. This position has turned over annually for the last 5 years. Daryl is learning fast and cleaning up the current issues with subleasing of the hangars, which is rampant. There was support from the members regarding cleaning up subleasing and allowing the wait list to move. Inspections and evictions will begin in February.

e. *Noise*

- i. *The Port continues to work on this issue. Experts in the noise field who conduct noise studies have been contacted. Additionally, Staff is working with the FBO and others to determine potential requirements for noise reduction during pattern work. I.e. modification of the aircraft, quieter aircraft etc.*
- ii. *Staff will likely place decibel monitoring equipment on the ends of the runways over the summer that track operations and noise. This will assist us in gathering base data.*

Ken reviewed the work that has been done regarding noise to date. Asked if more brochures could be put out at the FBO- Anne can do that.

- Josh Pruzek from AOPA stated that the Port was doing all the right things that are standard for how to address noise. That the HR airport is a gem and supporting the backcountry flying movement that is currently happening. AOPA is happy to help with this noise issue as needed.

2. *FBO update*

HR now only has 1 cub doing training all else has been transferred to the Dalles and AZ. They are pretty slow right now and only have one CFI in hood river and the dalles.

3. *WAAAM Update*

WAAAM revenue was up 16% this year, 30 cars were donated and they continue to grow. Over 30,000 volunteer hours!

4. *Glider Update*

Gliders are still in storage and they are looking forward to a great 2020.

5. *Additional items*

Next meeting February 20th at 3:00 PM at WAAAM.