Boundary County Airport Board Meeting July 11, 2023.

Present: Don Jordan, Pat Gardiner, Rick Durden, Scott Hittle, Mark Weber, Jay Wages and Trey Dail.

Airport Manager: Dave Parker

The meeting was called to order at 5:42 PM by Don Jordan acting for Jay Wages who arrived a few minutes later.

Rick Durden moved acceptance of the minutes of the June meeting, Pat Gardiner seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### **Old Business**

## **Airport Manager Report**

Dave Parker reported that his team had mowed the level farmable portion of the old Wheatley property on the airport and mowed and bush hogged small trees just west of the landslide. This area should be a good spot for fire-fighting helicopters in the future and prep some more area to be farmed for next farming agreement.

He had a conversation with Iron Mike's regarding a land lease at 15 cents per square foot—the idea was received positively. Mike was going to get back with Dave if he decides to go ahead, Tevis would write up an agreement.

Weed spraying has been carried out aggressively nearly every day.

## **Environmental Assessment—Update**

Trey Dail reported that it has been submitted in full and we are awaiting FAA final review. Once that is done, FAA legal will review it as will the state historical society and then it will go out for public comment. Depending on comments commissioner approval is expected. We hope to get it done this year.

#### **Review of Slope Stabilization**

Trey Dail reported that he spoke with the FAA—it approved acquisition of the construction easements. The easements have been sent to the landowners for signature and Trey is going to follow up as we're running out of time under the construction contract. If it does not move forward this month, the contractor does not have to conduct the work at the contract price.

#### **North Bench Fire Land Lease**

Dave Parker reported that the FAA has agreed to the 15 cents per square foot for the lease. Now it's up to Tevis to draft an agreement and the FAA to approve it.

## **Hangar Construction Update**

Dave Parker reported that all hangars that have been approved have been erected although several are waiting for doors and electrical work.

## **Snow Removal Equipment Building Update (Idaho First Grant)**

Dave Parker reported that both lean-tos have been completed, the invoice has been turned into the state and approved. The close out report is completed, and the money is on its way. As of now all county equipment can be stored in one place.

## **Update on Cleaning Southwest Corner of Airport Property**

Dave Parker reported that he and his team have cleaned up the area, the land is farm ready and clover has been planted. He also noted that the farm lease is up this year.

#### **New Business**

#### Review CIP (Capital Improvement Projects) for 2023 and 2024

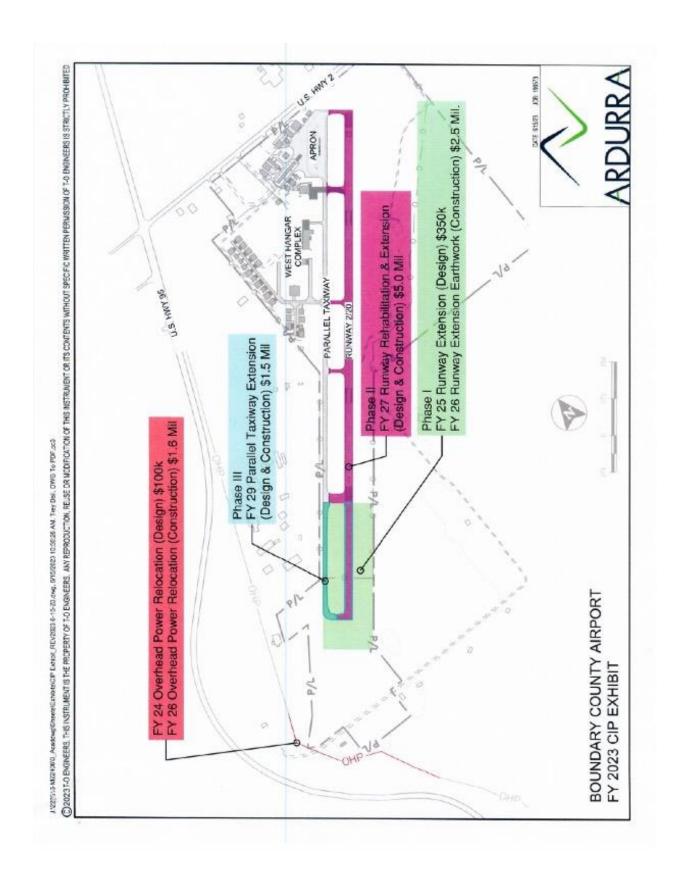
Trey Dail provided a diagram exhibit (attached) with actual numbers for construction of the desired airport improvements that he prepared after last month's Board meeting as he was following the Board's request to find ways to cut costs. He removed two elements:

Rehab of existing parallel taxiway, saving \$1.7 million

Lighting of parallel taxiway and extension, saving \$2 million

He stated that he had moved grading and base rock work for the parallel taxiway extension into phase one. He moved paving of the extension of the parallel taxiway to 2029. The Board agreed with his statement that this should demonstrate to the FAA that we have a realistic plan going forward.

Rick Durden moved that the CIP be approved as drafted, Don Jordan seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.



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Dave Parker indicated that he was going to arrange for an Independent Fee Estimate for the construction by an engineering company to assure that the CIP estimates are reasonable. The cost of the IFR (\$3,000-\$4,000) is reimbursable under the grant.

#### Hangar C-2 Sale

Dave Parker reported that the hangar has apparently sold. He has not received anything from Tevis. The hangar was inspected prior to the last sale and is in good shape. The sale involves an assignment of the existing lease, so the land lease rate of 13 cents per square foot will remain at that level for the next couple of years.

The assignment will have to be approved by the Commissioners.

## **Old Hangars**

Dave Parker followed up on last month's discussion regarding the condition of old hangars on which leases are expiring. It was agreed that the Board will inspect those hangars at the beginning of the next Board meeting.

# **EAA Chapter Activities**

Rick Durden reported that our local EAA Chapter 757 held its second Huckleberry Pancake Breakfast in May. It was a success with more than 200 people coming for pancakes and more than \$2,000 raised for aviation scholarships.

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm.