

Kentland Airport Board MINUTES

To: Jim, Debby, Mike, Pat, IN Dept. of Aviation
From: Jim Butler
Subject: Airport Board Meeting, Monday, May 1, 2023

The Airport Board met on the date shown above, at 6:00 PM at the airport. The first Monday of the month is our regular meeting time and we have posted this on the bulletin board at the airport as well as notified the newspaper.

Board members present were Terry Deiter, Jerry Carlson, Terry Hafstrom, Jim Butler and Jake Shufflebarger

Old business:

Jim reported that Rick Negele is continuing work on the post stabilization and skirt board replacement for the Tee hangar building. He has completed the post stabilization and is working on the skirt boards. The board viewed his work so far and is quite pleased. He had to stabilize 46 posts. It is a very good thing this wasn't delayed any longer as we could have lost the building to the high winds with this many posts being questionable.

Evidence of a burrowing insect was found in the joint seals of the runway. This insect makes a hole in the sealant and burrows into the foam backer rod. The sealing contractor said he found approximately 100 of these holes in the old sealant and suggested a program of applying an insecticide twice per year may be required to protect the sealant from being degraded. Jake suggested contacting Fowler Pest Control as they have a truck mounted spraying system that may be a good fit for this application. Jim reported he talked to Fowler Pest Control representative and he suggested treating the runway twice per year, once in May and again in September and the cost would be between \$1,000 and \$1,500 per treatment.

At the December 2022 meeting Terry reported he ran the car and found the engine maintenance light illuminated. After the first of the year he will take it to the dealer to find out what is wrong. Jake made a motion to approve this expense, seconded by Jerry, motion passed unanimously. Terry updated the board on the status of the car. The mice have chewed the wiring and sensors, causing approximately \$1700 in damage. Terry will

have the car repaired and a chemical applied to deter the mice. Terry Deiter made a motion to approve this expense. The motion was seconded by Jake and passed unanimously. The crew car is now back in service, however the final cost was approximately \$300.00 higher than the estimate.

At the April meeting, Terry reported that we have a few taxiway lights that are in need of repair. Dave Welsh of Hopkins Electric will take care of these as soon as his schedule allows

New Business:

1) Fuel sales for April were \$2,413.98 for AvGas and \$1,214.15 for JetA. The amount of AvGas on hand as of this writing is 2003 gallons. The amount of JetA on hand is 554 gallons.

The Board would like to remind all pilots to please register their flights on the form next to the weather computer. These numbers are shown monthly to the Kentland Town Council as well as the people of Kentland so they will know how much their airport is being used and what it means to the economy of the surrounding area. Please indicate if your flight is for business, pleasure, training, etc.

Jim reported that the AvGas pump for the fuel system broke again. Pemco was called and the new capacitor that was installed a week or so prior had failed. Pemco removed the motor, took it to the motor shop, where it was repaired at no charge. Pemco brought the motor back and installed it. The system is once again working as desired.

Jim reported the expenses for April included Scientific Sales, \$178.87 for a replacement anemometer for the weather system, Pemco, remove and replace fuel system motor, \$321.00 and Lock Doctor, \$208.56, for a new key pad and battery for the combination lock for Hangar 1 entry. Jake made a motion to approve these expenses. The motion was seconded by Jerry and passed with a unanimous vote.

Joe Worley was unable to attend the meeting but he emailed the Engineer's report to Jim:

The design of the final phase of the west ramp/stormwater project is nearly complete. The project will be advertised for bid and the bid opening will be conducted in May. Once bids are received, we will coordinate with INDOT and the FAA to decide how we will proceed.

There being no further business, Jake motioned to adjourn, seconded by Terry Deiter. Motion carried unanimously.

Sincerely,

Jim