



Minutes - October 20, 2025

Call to Order: Chair Bobzien called the meeting of the Airport Board to order at 8:00 a.m.

Adopt Agenda: Chair Bobzien informed that item 7C — Alcohol Permit for Geronimo Hospitality DBA Bessie's Diner would be tabled until the next meeting. Supervisor Homan and Mr. Mr. Leyes moved the agenda. ADOPTED.

Airport Board Members Present: Supervisors Mark Bobzien, Erica Boehlke (arrived at 8:06 a.m.), and Dave Homan; Brent Fox, Greg Johnson (appeared by zoom), Rick Leyes, Chris Meisner, Cody Pillman, and Christine Rebout.

Staff Members Present: Aimee Scrima, Airport Director; Larissa Hinkel, Administrative Professional III

Other Members Present: Dave Haas, T-Hangar Tenant; Joe Quint, Blackhawk Aircraft Maintenance; Jim Freeman, Helicopter Specialties; William Grepelar, Citizen; Mike Frasier, Citizen; Josh Gowey, Propel Forward; Carson McCarty, Elevation Air, Kristin Vander Kooi, Finance Director; Rick Greenlee, Rock County Corporation Counsel.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Fox and Mr. Leyes moved the minutes. ADOPTED.

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Citizen Participation, Communications and Announcements: Chair Bobzien welcomed all the visitors to the Airport Board Meeting.

Consent Calendar:

Approval of Transfers: None.

Review of Payments: Mrs. Scrima provided clarification on the Annual Flow Testing.

Resolutions and Committee Endorsements: None.

Updates, Discussion and Possible Action:

Review of 2026 Recommended Budget: Chair Bobzien noted the presence of Finance Director Kristin Vander Kooi in the audience, who was available to address any questions. Mrs. Scrima

presented the proposed 2026 budget, as recommended by Rock County Administrator John Light to the County Board. She reported no significant changes to expenditures or revenues from the prior year, with revenues projected to increase in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The proposed budget does **not** include funding for the following capital items: replacement of the terminal HVAC system, purchase of a new mower, upgrades to conference room equipment. Ms. Vander Kooi elaborated on the planned reduction in the 2026 property tax levy. Mrs. Scrima and Ms. Vander Kooi provided follow-up clarification regarding stormwater utility fees.

Land Lease Agreement between S. Dacy Enterprises, Inc and Southern Wisconsin Regional

Airport: Mr. Fox and Supervisor Homan moved to renew the land lease for S. Dacy Enterprises, Inc. Mrs. Scrima informed Sue Dacy has been a long-term tenant at the airport and is requesting a renewal of the land lease. MOTION CARRIED.

Alcohol Permit for Geronimo Hospitality DBA Bessie's Diner: Chair Bobzien informed this item will be discussed at the next Airport Board meeting.

Event Agreement Between Propel Forward, Inc for the 2026 Pistons & Props Airshow and

Southern Wisconsin Regional Airport: Mr. Leyes and Supervisor Boehlke moved to approve the event agreement between Propel Forward, Inc and the Southern Wisconsin Regional Airport. The agreement changes reflect the necessary changes to accommodate an airshow in 2026. Mr Gowey provided a general overview of the event. MOTION CARRIED.

Alcohol and Sign Permit for Propel Forward, Inc for the 2026 Pistons & Props Airshow: Mr. Fox and Supervisor Homan moved the Alcohol and Sign permit for Propel Forward, Inc. for the 2026 Pistons & Props Airshow. MOTION CARRIED.

Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Foam: Mrs. Scrima discussed the hazards are safety regarding the current foam used for Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting which contains PFAS. Mr. Rich Greenless, Rock County Corporation Counsel, introduced himself and discussed liabilities of the County should the foam be deployed.

Airport Director's Updates:

- Airport events:
 - Riverview Elementary School, Beloit. A day at the airport — thank you to Meisner Aircraft, Midwest ATC and UW Med Flight for participation.
 - Mrs. Scrima attended the Wisconsin County Association as an exhibitor representing the Wisconsin Airport Management Association.
 - Mrs. Scrima presented at the Beloit College's Society of Continued Learning.
- Upcoming for airport operations:
 - Part 139 training for snow.

- Part 139 Wildlife training with the USDA wildlife biologist
- In conjunction with our wildlife management efforts, airport staff will hold on allowing hunting on airport land in 2026 and manage internally. Public hunting policy will be under review for 2027 seasons.
- Capital Projects update:
 - T-hangar roof repair project for 6 and 7 will begin mid-November.
 - FAA is not currently evaluating airspace requests. Therefore, those who want to build new hangars are currently placed on hold.
 - Bureau of Aeronautics (BOA) is evaluating taxiway eligibility. This will affect phase two of the East Hangar Development.
 - The interpretation of the NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) has changed — suggesting that a "major change" to the Airport Layout Plan (ALP) triggers an environmental study. This would apply to privately developed hangars.

Committee Requests and Motions: None.

Next meeting date and time: Monday, November 17, 2025 at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Mr. Leyes moved adjournment at 8:53 a.m., seconded by Mr. Fox. ADOPTED.

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