

**AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY – FEBRUARY 23, 2009
AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING**

The Muscatine Airport Advisory Commission meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. Commission members present were Phil Fitzgerald, Wayne Tooman, and Bill Leddy. Also present were City Administrator A.J. Johnson, Airport Manager Janet Lewis, and Carver Aero Mike Woerly.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the September 22, 2008 minutes.

It was moved by Commission member Tooman and seconded by Commission member Leddy that the minutes be approved. There was no discussion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

The second item on the agenda was an update of various projects. City Administrator Johnson informed the Commission on the progress of the crosswind taxiway project. He indicated staff hopes to have some resolution of this matter soon. The project has not yet been completed and is waiting for the electrical work and the final markings on the taxiway to be completed before it can be finalized. There was general discussion concerning the general contractor and why he took so long to complete the project despite numerous requests from the city to finish the project on time and also extensions they had received from the original date of the contract approval in 2007.

Commission members also spoke about the new truck that was recently delivered and also the possibility of the city receiving federal stimulus money for the construction of a new maintenance building.

There was also discussion concerning the HNI leases and how they might be restructured given the current situation involving the sale of one plane and the pending sale of another. City Administrator Johnson stated he had been working with HNI representatives on this matter but had informed them the Commission would not be in a position to support a lease that would include the ability of HNI to privately sublet or allow for other aircraft to utilize the hangars that are currently available to them for corporate purposes. In addition, the City Administrator stated there had been some plumbing problems between the HNI building and the manhole that feeds the pumping station and they would be addressing that.

The City Administrator also stated he had received no updates as of yet from the Iowa National Guard concerning the Armory project. As soon as he does, he will forward that information on to Commission members.

Finally the City Administrator provided brief information concerning the possibility of utilizing city property for a driver's education program sponsored by Bridgestone-Bandag. More information has been requested before a final decision is made.

The final item on the agenda was approval of the selection of a new chairperson for 2009 which will be Wayne Tooman.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A.J. Johnson
City Administrator