

WAHOO CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
Monday, June 16, 2025 - 4:30 PM
Council Chambers, City Hall, 605 N Broadway, Wahoo, NE 68066

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Announcement of location of Open Meetings Act

Call to Order and Roll Call

Airport Engineer Report and associated actions

Action Items

1. Review and approval of invoice for jet fuel system repairs; authorization to proceed with purchase and installation of final part

Chairperson's Report and associated actions

Maintenance Contractor Report and associated actions

Ex-Officio Report and associated actions

1. Review of fuel sales, hangar rentals and rents recieved.
2. Claims submitted for payment and acceptance of prior month bank reconciliation
3. Minutes

Adjournment

Next meeting date:

June 9, 2025

TO: Airport Authority Members

FROM: Melissa

RE: Jet Fuel System

Today I got a phone call from Midwest Petroleum to let me know that we would be receiving an invoice for just under \$16,000 for the repairs made to the jet fuel system. I spoke with Jimmy and Les for about 15 minutes about this invoice and they took the time to explain the process they have gone through to determine the issue.

This invoice represents the parts and labor (78 hours) to find the issue and repair the system. After installing the last part they ordered and it still not fixing the situation, Les said he call the manufacturer of the system – OCV – and was able to get connected to an engineer. Les said he sent photos of the system and upon review by the engineer, it was discovered that the piping of the system was not routed properly from the beginning. Because of this, the pressure valve, while it did operate, did not operate properly. Thus the delay between when the system was turned on and when the fuel would flow. This repair was made, and the system is now working. With the system being put in service in 2013, it is not possible for us to file a claim against the manufacturer or the installer of the system.

Going forward, Les indicated there was only one remaining solenoid that needs to be replaced as it is showing significant wearing. He estimated it would cost between \$1,500 and \$2,000 for the part, and then there would be installation. I would like the Board to decide whether we should proceed with this or not. In my opinion it makes sense to do this, and schedule the replacement for a time after the aerial application season is completed. So In addition to the approval of the current invoice, I suggest we approve ordering and replacing the final part.

The pump system is working, however we have sent a sample of the fuel out to be tested to determine quality. Once we receive that information back and know the quality of the fuel is sufficient, the jet fuel system will be put in service.

The Wahoo Airport Authority, in accordance with agenda posted at City Hall, Post Office and First Bank of Nebraska, met in regular session. Chairperson Brian Homes called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Homes indicated the Open Meetings Law was located in the room for the public's use. The following board members answered roll call: Homes: Present, Lawver: Present, Schmit: Present, Virgl: Present, Landry: Absent. Also in attendance were Paul Taylor, airport maintenance and Eric Johnson, Engineer.

Eric Johnson with Kirkham Michael reported the FAA had provided a Go letter for the Hangar project, which gave them permission to begin work on the design process. Plans and specifications for the project are due to the FAA by October. Johnson also reported work was complete on the containment pad for Novus Ag and it turned out well. It was noted that reinforcement in the paving was included, though not required. Final items of seeding and the road extension will be completed soon.

Discussion was held on the maintenance of the jet fuel system. Paul Taylor reported he had been working closely with Midwest Petroleum to have repairs made. Harrell reported the system had been installed in 2012 for a cost of \$330,000. Discussion was held on the issues the contractor was having making the repairs, and it was agreed that if the system did not work by the next meeting further steps would be taken.

Members of the EAA Lincoln Chapter 159 were present to review their request to use the main hangar to host a fly-in breakfast on the 3rd Saturday of each month. They reported they typically have between 80 and 120 people attending the event, which runs from 8:00-10:00 a.m. They stated they own their own equipment and complete all set up, take down and clean up for the event. They have spoken with Steven Sherwood, and he has agreed to let them store their equipment in his space at the Airport. They further reported the breakfast is a free-will donation with the proceeds used to raise funds to send kids to Oshkosh for an aviation camp. A motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Virgl, to allow the chapter to use the Wahoo Airport, provided the occupant of the main hangar was on board, for a monthly fly-in breakfast. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Virgl, yes; Homes, yes; and Schmit, yes. Landry, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Walker Luedtke was present asking if the Authority would participate in any expense of the road. Harrell provided information to the Authority that the initial construction of the existing road was funded privately by Storm. It was agreed that the initial construction of any extension would be handled the same way. Discussion was held on the on-going maintenance, but no action was taken.

A motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Homes to table any action related to the lease of the office space in the main hangar for the next meeting. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Homes, yes; Virgl, yes; and Schmit, yes. Landry, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the possibility of leasing grass for mowing/hay. Motion by Lawver, seconded by Schmit to authorize moving forward with the lease of the grass land, while acknowledging this will be less than prior to the runway reconstruction. Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Schmit, yes; Virgl, yes; and Homes, yes. Landry, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

The Authority provided directions that Ben Gilbert should be given until August 1 to pay any rent that is past due. If this rent was not paid, he would not be offered a renewal. If the rent for 2025-26 was not paid current, the Authority would move forward with eviction. A letter is to be sent to him indicating this and to get any past due amount collected.

Paul Taylor reported that the 911 emergency phone had been installed as required by the new State of NE Fire Marshall.

Discussion was held on the inspection of hangars to determine which tenants are 1) using the space as required by the FAA for hangar-ing an aircraft, and 2) having an active aircraft and the space is not being used for storage only. Virgl and Lawver will complete these inspections and report back to the Authority so that by August 1 we can determine which rental agreements may be considered for non-renewal on October 1.

A motion was made by Lawver, seconded by Virgl to approve the following claims submitted for payment:

Check #		Amount
8931	Papa Tango	\$4,060.00
8932	Amazon	\$42.57
8933	Bomgaars	\$404.85
8934	Bromm, Lindahl, Freeman-Caddy	\$190.00
8935	City of Wahoo	\$37.30
8936	DH Pace	\$1,130.33
8937	Jackson Services	\$100.00
8938	Waste Connection	\$85.60
529501	NDOT	\$1,025.00
529502	Wahoo Utilities	\$878.20
529503	Windstream	\$312.39
529501	World Fuel	\$30.00
		\$8,296.24

Roll call vote: Lawver, yes; Virgl, yes; Homes, yes; and Schmit, yes. Landry, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Homes, seconded by Schmit to approve the minutes of the April Authority meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Homes, yes; Schmit, yes; Virgl, yes; and Lawver, yes. Landry, absent and not voting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:42pm.

Melissa Harrell, City Administrator