## South Central Regional Airport Agency Meeting Minutes November 15, 2017

Committee Members Present: Dr. David Barnes, Pamela Blomgren, Randy Borgerding, and James Hansen. Absent: Sid Pinney, and Joe Warrick

SCRAA Staff Present: Mike Nardini, Pella City Administrator, and Michael Schrock Jr., Oskaloosa City Manager.

SCRAA Staff Absent: David Shanahan, Mahaska County Engineer

Meeting called to order by Chairman Hansen at 6:00 p.m. in Pella Public Safety Complex, 614 Main Street, Pella, Iowa.

It was moved by Blomgren, seconded by Barnes to approve the August 24, 2017 minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

Borgerding moved, seconded by Blomgren to include written comments received from Mr. Bandstra on behalf of Mr. Nugteren with the minutes of the meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

It was moved by Barnes, seconded by Blomgren to approve Resolution No. 20, entitled "Resolution Approving Airport Engineering Services Contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. for the Regional Airport" subject to comments to be provided and incorporated by the Federal Aviation Administration that are in the best interest of the Agency. Motion carried 4-0.

The time and date for the next meeting is yet to be determined for the month of December.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Mike Schrock

## Dear members of the Board,

I'm John Bandstra of Mahaska County, relaying coordinated comments with Danny Nugteren from Pella, who is unable to attend this meeting. We request these written comments be included in minutes for this meeting.

- 1. What is the status of 28E lawsuit between Mahaska County and the Cities of Pella and Oskaloosa? Rationale: The actions of this public Board violate the intent of the 28E agreement in that one of three parties (Mahaska County) is not represented in construction contract discussions or project direction. See 28E Article 1, Section C, Article 3, Section 2 and 4A, Article 7, Section 5. The current 28E agreement establishing this Board does not contain any member conflict resolution activities; ie Conflict Resolution Committee, Third Party Arbitrator, etc. Therefore, any construction planning that does not involve input from all three parties is fundamentally flawed. I don't think I need to remind you that all construction takes place in Mahaska County. The status of the lawsuits is therefore public information in addition to any public funds to settle a lawsuit, pay penalties, or legal fees incurred in reaching an out of court settlement. This Board is spending our public money, we have a right to know where it goes, budgeted or not.
- 2. Article 3, Section 4D, last sentence states the 'secretarial duties may be performed by staff' not the fiscal (Treasurer) duties. That's the responsibility of the 'not represented' Treasurer, party representing Mahaska County.

How does the Board legally spend money (ie establish contracts) without the 28E designated responsible officer? Article 7, Section 5 does not apply since the responsible Board Officer (Treasurer) is not physically on the Board? Staff can do the 'staffing or ground work' but the Treasurer is the designated responsible individual. The coordinating agency per Article 4, Section 2A is responsible to the Executive Committee/Treasurer for proper fiscal actions.

- 3. Mr Hanson, Chair, said via a personal email, he believes the next phase of this project will be funded by the Headquarters FAA. Request: Please release the documents that support the claim, after all, 90% of the \$40million dollars comes from the US Government struggling with annual budget. Federal project funding is highly questionable.
- 4. After land procurement that is funded by the existing 28E agreement, if HQ FAA funding or reimbursement does not materialize or is delayed beyond the existing timeline of 2025 completion for whatever reason, what is this Boards plan to manage this project? Where is this plan available for public review and comment? Per the 28E agreement Article 13, Section 2, this Board does not have a closure date or event. Rationale: This public Board is accountable to their citizens, city and county, for having project management options; build as desired, partial build or terminate.
- 5. Why has FAA Environmental Assessment public comment replies not been posted on the SCRAA public website six months after release? Ie May 2017. Rationale: My comments were obtained via hard copy from the Pella City Clerk. Those comments are included in Appendix O which not available on this Boards public website. Is this a clerical error or intentional oversight? What other areas of this project are 'hidden in the shadows'? I remind you, as members of this Board you work for the citizens of the cities and county you represent.
- 6. I leave you with a parting thought: What value does each Board member give to History? A dollar amount, family life, personal quality of life, sense of community, time, peace of mind, legacy?

Thank you for your consideration.