# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MOJAVE AIR AND SPACE PORT January 6, 2015

The Board of Directors of the Mojave Air and Space Port duly met for a Regular Meeting at the District Offices in the Administration Building at Mojave Airport, Mojave, California, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock p.m. on Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

The Clerk called the roll and the following Directors were present: Balentine, Deaver, Evans, Peterson. Also present were the District's Chief Executive Officer, Stuart Witt and District's Counsel, Scott Nave by telecom.

Acting President Peterson presented the Agenda. Upon motion by Director Evans, seconded by Director Balentine and unanimously carried, it was:

**RESOLVED:** That the Agenda be approved as submitted.

# **Board Vacancy:** Consideration of Applicants and Appointment of New Board Member

Acting President Peterson noted that Joann Painter has formally submitted her resume and application for appointment to the position of Director for Mojave Air and Space Port and asked if there was anyone else interested for consideration. There were no other interested persons in attendance. Acting President Peterson commented that for the first time in a number of years there were more candidates on the ballot last November. Bill Deaver, David Evans and Mike Hill were elected by the voters but due to the death of Mr. Hill the Board must now fill that vacancy. The vacancy was posted in December and there were three respondents of which two were disqualified since they resided outside the boundaries of the Mojave Air and Space Port District. Acting President Peterson stated that as part of the appointment process the Board is seeking applicants that have the necessary qualifications and experience to serve on the Board and who also have a commitment and dedication to the Board and an interest in serving. He further stated that the applicant, Joann Painter definitely meets these requirements. Director Evans stated

that considering the comments made by Acting President Peterson he shared those thoughts as well. Director Evans stated that he was deeply saddened by the loss of Mr. Hill who was a personal friend. In light of the foregoing Director Evans nominated Joann Painter for the position of Director to fill the vacancy which was seconded by Director Deaver and unanimously carried. Joann Painter took the oath of office and was seated with the Board of Directors.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Elliot Seguin asked why the price of fuel was at its current high price compared to other airports. CEO Witt responded that it is based on the price of fuel at the time the District purchases bulk quantities and fluctuates based on the going market rate.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Acting President Peterson presented the Consent Agenda. Upon motion by Director Evans, seconded by Director Deaver and unanimously carried, Consent Agenda was approved as submitted.

### 4A) Minutes of Regular Meeting December 16, 2014

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 16, 2014 be approved as submitted and further reading thereof be waived.

### 4B) Minutes of Special Meeting December 23, 2014

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of December 23, 2014 be approved as submitted and further reading thereof be waived.

# **BUSINESS ITEMS**

### 5A) Check Register 12/22/14

Acting President Peterson presented the General Fund Check Register for December 22, 2014 with the schedule of electronic fund transfers delineated below.

# SCHEDULED ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS

AV Fuel	12/26/14	\$ 21,514.87
AV Fuel	12/26/14	\$ 21,251.43
AV Fuel	12/27/14	\$ 21,256.96
AV Fuel	12/28/14	\$ 21,309.66
AV Fuel	12/30/14	\$ 21,819.93
AV Fuel	01/01/15	\$ 22,388.23

Upon motion by Director Balentine, seconded by Director Evans and unanimously carried, it was:

**RESOLVED:** That Board approve check numbers 052848 through 052878 on register date December 22, 2014 in the amount \$64,894.02 and Electronic Fund Transfer payments in the amount of \$129,541.08 for a total of \$194,435.10.

# 5B) Check Register 12/30/14

Acting President Peterson presented the General Fund Check Register for December 30, 2014 with the schedule of electronic fund transfers delineated below.

### SCHEDULED ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS

AV Fuel	01/10/15	\$ 19,601.33
AV Fuel	01/10/15	\$ 19,613.92
AV Fuel	01/10/15	\$ 19,545.89
AV Fuel	01/10/15	\$ 19,608.89
AV Fuel	01/13/15	\$ 698.75
AV Fuel	01/13/15	\$ 37.63
State Board of Equalization	12/29/14	\$ 742.00
State Board of Equalization	12/24/14	\$ 5,509.00

Upon motion by Director Balentine, seconded by Director Evans and unanimously carried, it was:

**RESOLVED:** That Board approve check numbers 052879 through 052897 on register date December 30, 2014 in the amount of \$37,278.33 and Electronic Fund Transfer payments in the amount of \$85,357.41 for a total of \$122,635.74.

# 5C) Sale of Tax-Defaulted Property

CEO Witt reported that District has received a list of tax-defaulted properties from the Kern County Treasurer-Tax Collector. Each year the District is given the opportunity to

purchase tax-defaulted property which the District deems suitable or to submit a letter of consent to the sale of these properties. Staff has reviewed the list of tax-defaulted properties for the period March 23-25, 2015 and determined that none of the properties on the list are desirable for District purchase and recommends that Board authorize CEO to sign letter of consent to the sale of tax-defaulted property approved by the Kern County Board of Supervisors. Upon motion by Director Evans, seconded by Director Painter and unanimously carried, it was:

**RESOLVED:** To approve consent to the sale of certain tax-defaulted properties as approved by the Kern County Board of Supervisors (Resolution #2014-369) dated December 4, 2014 provided that none of the properties are contiguous to the airport.

#### **Reports/Announcements**

#### 6A) Community

Cathy Hansen reported that Plane Crazy Saturday will be held January 17<sup>th</sup> with Elliot Seguin and Jenn Whaley representing WASABI Air Racing who will be guest speakers at the event. Elliot will discuss the design and construction of their WASABI Race Plane that will be on static display. Mrs. Hansen recapped the exciting Plane Crazy Saturday held in December which celebrated the 28<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the epic flight of the Voyager. Dick Rutan was the Command Pilot of the Voyager as it set the world record for circumnavigation of the planet non-stop and unrefueled. He captivated the audience in attendance at the MA&SP board room as he gave his first-hand account of the many exciting and harrowing experiences of the historic flight.

#### **6B)** Board Committees

No report

### **6C)** Board of Directors

Director Deaver asked if staff could research the viability of placing an air lock at the

ramp entrance to the Voyager Café as it currently allows drafts and aircraft exhaust to

enter the restaurant. Director Painter noted that long time Mojave Airport tenant Tom

McMurtry passed away last Friday and he will be greatly missed.

**CEO/GM Approved Expenditures** 

1. SETP Membership Dues

CEO reported that he approved expenditure in the amount of \$500.00 for annual

membership in the Society of Experimental Test Pilots for the period through 31

December 2015.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

There being no further business to come before the Board, the chair adjourned the

meeting at 2:40 p.m.

**RESOLVED:** That the regular meeting

of January 6, 2015 be and the same

is hereby adjourned.

**Acting President** 

**ATTEST:** 

Secretary

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