

Regular Meeting Minutes for March 20, 2025

CALL TO ORDER Meeting called to order at 3:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL Commission Members Marsh, Thompson, DiMartino, Miller, and

Stooksbury were present. Chair Arndt and Commission Williams were

absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT Acting Chair Marsh opened the floor for public comment:

 Terry Cecil stated that he has been working towards the development of site B for Professional Aircraft Services. Mr. Kinney stated that the development of sites B and C will be discussed at the May Commission meeting. More details regarding estimated infrastructure costs will be presented at that time.

- Stephen Hayne stated that he and his partners submitted four proposals to develop hangar buildings on airport property. The concept created for site C does not consider their needs and is not affordable for their group. Mr. Hayne spoke in opposition to an RFP process for development which is cost-prohibitive.
- Scott Holst stated that he is appreciative of the work done by John Kinney and Dylan Swanson.
- Rick Turley requested that planning begin for new T-hangars.
 The infrastructure assessment and other factors keeps pushing back the timeline to get new hangars built before the C hangars are demolished. Mr. Kinney stated that all proposals, including financial obligations and projected revenues, can be presented to the Commission in April.
- Trell Kennett requested more information on the reopening on Runway 6-24. Mr. Kinney stated that there is still a line-of-sight obstruction with the terminal building and operations on 6-24 will be discussed at a future meeting.

Commissioner Williams entered the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Thompson moved to approve all items presented on the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Miller, carried with five Commissioners present voting in favor thereof. Commissioner Williams abstained from the vote.

Pulled Items: None

Consent Follow up:

Public Comments: None

REGULAR AGENDA

3. AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

John Kinney, Airport Director, provided the following updates in conjunction with the February Airport Director's Report:

- A meeting with the Air Show Network is scheduled for Monday March 24th to discuss the level of support required for the event.
- A request for through-the-fence access on site C has been denied.
- A lease on the north side of the airport is being terminated and staff recommends that the Commission pursue annexation by the City of Loveland.
- The City of Loveland Economic Development Department is reviewing future uses for the west side of the airport property.
- The airport passed the FAA's annual Part 139 inspection.
- An RFP will be open for contractors to submit proposals for the runway widening project by the end of March. Revenue projects for 2026 were presented with two separate scenarios.
- The STARS radar system was removed from FNL. Staff will continue working with the FAA and the Congressional delegation to enhance controllers' capabilities.
- There is evidence that airfield safety infractions previously submitted to the FAA were not accurately logged in their systems, but this should now be resolved. It is recommended that pilots continue to report all incidents using the FAA systems.
- The CDOT Aeronautics report states that some grant funding might be available for construction of a traditional tower.

Chair Arndt entered the meeting at 3:32 p.m.

4. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SUBCOMMITTEE (PDSC)

John Kinney, Airport Director, presented the item in accordance with the Agenda Item Summary. Members of the Planning and Development Subcommittee (PDSC) reviewed their roles and suggested serving the Commission in a standby status until they are assigned a specific project.

Commissioner Marsh moved to place the PDSC into a "standby status" as presented. The motion, seconded by Commissioner DiMartino, carried with six Commissioners present voting in favor thereof. Commissioner Williams abstained from the vote.

5. WASHINGTON DC
CONGRESSIONAL
DELEGATION MEETING
UPDATE

Commissioner DiMartino and Arndt and other Fort Collins representatives attended the National League of Cities conference in Washington DC. During that time, they were able to meet with Senator Hickenlooper, Senator Bennett, and Congressman Neguse to discuss the radar and ATC tower situation. Senator Hickenlooper recommended writing a one-page follow-up document which is

currently being drafted. The FAA was not available to meet during the visit.

6. 2025 REVIEW OF COMMISSION ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Laurie Wilson, Deputy City Attorney for Loveland, and Diane Criswell, Senior Assistant City Attorney for Fort Collins, presented the item in accordance with the Agenda Item Summary and provided a <u>PowerPoint presentation</u>. A more in-depth presentation will be provided at a future date to provide more details regarding "personal interest" and conflicts of interest in conjunction with the Commission Bylaws.

7. AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER PROGRAM UPDATE

Commissioner Marsh moved to go into Executive Session for legal discussion regarding the air traffic control tower program. The motion, seconded by Commissioner Miller, carried with six Commissioners present voting in favor thereof. Commissioner Williams abstained from the vote.

Public Session ended at 4:02

Executive Session began at 4:08 p.m.

Executive Session ended at 4:30 p.m.

Public Session began at 4:30 p.m.

8. BUSINESS FROM None presented. MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT Chair Arndt adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Airport Commission Chair, Jeni Arndt