

**Gogebic-Iron County Airport  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Gogebic-Iron County Airport  
E5560 Airport Rd.  
Ironwood, MI 49938

April 14, 2025  
5:00 P.M.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 P.M. by Mr. Hanson.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Roll Call**

**Present:** (5) Mr. Lorenson, Mr. Loreti, Mr. Matonich, Mr. Siirila, Mr. Hanson, *Mr. Risik\**

**Absent:** (0) None

**Others Present:** Jeremy Busch, Kristi Freeman, Logan Olkonen, \*Sam Risik - Junior Board Member through Iron County 4H, Megan Hughes

**Approval of the Minutes**

1. March 10, 2025 – Regular Board Meeting

**A motion** was made by Mr. Lorenson, supported by Mr. Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes as presented.

**Approval of the Agenda**

**A motion** was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Lorenson and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda as presented.

**Citizens Wishing to Address the Airport Board on Agenda Items (5 Minute Limit)**

None.

**New Business**

1. Manager Pay

Mr. Busch brought up moving his salary to the initially advertised \$65,000.00. Mr. Lorenson confirmed that Mr. Busch has received all the required certifications. A discussion continued about an evaluation that occurred. **A motion** was made by Mr. Lorenson and supported by Mr. Loreti to set the manager's salary at \$65,000.00.

**Roll Call**

**Yes:** (5) Mr. Siirila, Mr. Lorenson, Mr. Matonich, Mr. Loreti, *Mr. Risik\**, Mr. Hanson

**No:** (0) None

**Motion Carried**

2. Denver Air Schedule

Mr. Olkonen provided several airline updates including the Videcom system outage, an improved interline agreement, a BOGO promotion to Chicago and Minneapolis and a new regional manager. Then a lengthy discussion commenced over the Chicago schedule change and communication with airline management. The board requested Mr. Olkonen follow up on a letter sent by the board in March on getting a representative with authority to visit or call in.

**Manager's Report**

- 1. Mr. Busch stated we're preparing for more snow.
- 2. The staff have been working on equipment maintenance.
- 3. The FAA inspection is scheduled for May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- 4. Mr. Busch stated staff schedules may need adjusted and he will keep the board updated.

**Approval of the Reports**

- 1. Airline Performance Reports – March 2025
- 2. Accounts Receivable Aging Summary – March 2025
- 3. Outstanding Balances Report – March 2025
- 4. Aviation Fuel Report – March 2025

Mr. Siirila told Ms. Freeman to charge Ameriflight interest on their past due balance. **A motion** was made by Mr. Lorenson, supported by Mr. Matonich and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve Reports 1-4 as presented and place on file.

**Appropriations**

- 1. Approval of the Claims & Accounts**
  - a. Prepays & Credit Card – March 2025
  - b. Accounts Payable – April 2025
- 2. Approval of the Revenue & Expenditure Report – March 2025**

**A motion** was made by Mr. Lorenson and supported by Mr. Siirila to approve Appropriation 1 – Approval of the Claims & Accounts a & b and Appropriation 2 – Approval of the Revenue & Expenditure Report as presented and place on file.

**Roll Call**

Yes: (5) Mr. Matonich, Mr. Siirila, *Mr. Risik\**, Mr. Loreti, Mr. Lorenson, Mr. Hanson  
 No: (0) None

**Motion Carried**

**Other Matters**

- 1. Ms. Freeman was again told to charge Ameriflight interest on their past due balance.

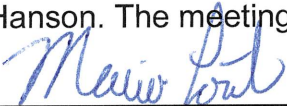
**Public Comment**

None

**Adjournment**

**A motion** was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Lorenson and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn the meeting by the call of Chairman Hanson. The meeting adjourned at 5:32 P.M

05/12/2025  
Date Approved

  
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 Mario Loreti, Recording Secretary

  
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 Minutes Submitted by Kristi Freeman  
 Administrative Secretary, Gogebic-Iron County Airport