



# Owosso Community Airport

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Shiawassee Airport Board

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Joy Archer — Owosso Township  
Becky Smith — City of Corunna  
Mona Lisa McLaughlin — Airport Pilot Rep.  
Garry Csapos, Secretary — Airport Manager

## SHIAWASSEE AIRPORT BOARD

Regular Meeting of April 11, 2024  
Airport Terminal

\*\*\*MINUTES\*\*\*

Approved June 20, 2024

### ATTENDANCE:

#### Roll Call

#### Members Present

Becky Smith	City of Corunna
Rick Musson	Caledonia Charter Township
Joy Archer	Owosso Township
Richard Ebert	City of Owosso
Julie MacKay	Shiawassee County
Garry Csapos	Airport Manager/Secretary
Mona Lisa McLaughlin	Airport Pilot Rep.

Members Absent: Becky Smith

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion to approve agenda by Dean Ebert supported by Joy Archer.

Roll Call: - Approved by all present.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of March 14, 2024 Meeting: Motion to approve by Dean Ebert supported by Julie MacKay.

Roll Call: - Approved by all present.

### CITIZENS COMMENTS:

a. None.

### COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Mona Lisa McLaughlin- Airport Pilot Rep.  
None.

### FINANCIAL REPORT:

Garry Csapos presented the financial report showing prepaid and unpaid bills of \$18,815.91 for March 2024. A Trial Balance report from the Shiawassee County Financial Administrator shows a pooled cash balance of \$79,686.35 in Horizon and \$73,141.02 in Chase ending March 31th, 2024. The AvFuel credit balance ending February 29th, 2024 is \$72,068.20. The March credit balance is not available yet. Total revenue deposited for the month of March 2024 was \$13,410.00. Motion to accept the financial report as presented by Joy Archer and supported by Dean Ebert.

Roll Call: - Approved by all present.

## **MANAGERS REPORT:**

Garry Csapos reported that fuel sales for the month March 2024 is 2488 gallons. Total fuel sales so far for the year 2024 is 5021 gallons. On Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup> two agents from Customs and Border Patrol (Selfridge) stopped by the airport. They were inquiring about any suspicious activity occurring at the airport. Their main concern was human trafficking and fentanyl trade. We collected their identification and contact information. On Friday March 29<sup>th</sup> we received in the mail the \$11,400.00 reimbursement check for the furnace with UVC and air conditioner. The annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Joe Lee's was held on Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup>. On Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> Doug Haskins and Garry Csapos met with staff at Baker College to see if they could rebuild the tetrahedron for the airport wind circle. MDOT Aeronautics has set new standards for the AWOS station. They are extending the obstruction radius from 500 feet to 1,000 feet. All applications for the 2024 upgrade have been filled. Our MDOT Aeronautics inspector has entered in our file that tree obstructions in the runway 24 approach have been removed.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Ron Spicer gave a presentation to the board regarding replacing our internet service. Ron Spicer got quotes from five different internet providers. Day Starr said there was not enough business here for them here and an agreement wasn't possible. ATT&T was \$65 to \$95 just for broad band and doesn't include any lines. T-Mobile \$60/mo. for one line but will include cellular service on top of that. Verizon was interested and competitive. Four lines and internet wireless was \$173/mo. Spectrum was very responsive and will put coax back here. Board members discussed the options of coax and fiber optics. They will put coax out here and give us four lines starting at 300 meg. They will also service all of the other hangars at the airport. Ron Spicer recommended Spectrum. They will deliver 600 meg, the four telephone lines for \$169/mo. No contracts, no construction complete installation. That's what I recommend you go with. There was more board discussion. Motion to approve Ron Spicer's recommendation for new internet service made by Dean Ebert, Joy Archer supported the motion. Roll Call: -Approved by all present.
- b. Rick Musson Started a discussion about the finish of the clearing of the RWY 24 approach. Each board member has handout with the quotes of each Tree removal service and an aerial photo of the area. There was board member discussion of the options available. Rick Musson recommended that we go with Wendling Dirt Works, the low bidder of \$4,500.00. Joy Archer made a motion that we hire Wendling Dirt Works to finish the clearing of the property in the approach to RWY 24. Julie MacKay supported the motion. Roll Call: -Approved by all present.
- c. Rick Musson started a discussion about homeless camps on airport property. The homeless person that was camping on the west side has decided to relocate with the other homeless along riverfront now. I talked with the sheriff. He is doing an investigation rather than just doing a simple trespass to see what can be done. I am going to meet him out here and we are going tour the homeless facilities. Doug Haskins cleaned up the location on the west side. The Sheriff is involved and we will get specific signs indicating this is airport property. Rick said to make an appointment with Mead & Hunt about constructing a fence from the corner of runway 36 to the corner of runway 06 and make a barrier. Then put up a sign every 20 feet. Board members discussed the truck and camper that was stuck in the mud by the pump house near the trail. Rick Musson is planning to attend a meeting of the River Trail Committee.

## **NEW AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

- a. Ron Spicer wanted to make everybody known that the tenant, Mr. Frazier, is having water service brought in to his hangar. Ron has checked with the Caladonia Township assessor, supervisor and the building inspector along with the Owosso Water Department. There was a question on how to assess a hangar on airport property. Technically and legally the airport is one parcel. The township is in the process of drafting an ordinance similar to how it would be done in a residential setting. If a tenant wants water service, they pay the assessment based on the structural footage frontal of the structure of the hangar at \$35.00 per foot. Ron also made the point that if anyone wants internet service now is the time to do it.

## **CITIZENS COMMENTS:**

- a. Lee Ann French thanked everyone that helped with the Easter Egg Hunt held at the airport.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

- a. **Dean Ebert expressed his appreciation for Ron Spicer staying on and helping. Julie MacKay echoed those thoughts. Rick Musson thanked everyone for attending this evening and to Lee Ann the event went off with out a hitch it was well maintained the people on the field paid attention to what was going on. Board members discussed the event and commented it was busy but well controlled.**

**ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn made by Dean Ebert and supported by all present.**

**Sponsor Members: Shiawassee County - City of Owosso  
City of Corunna - Caledonia Charter Township - Owosso Township**