

SOUTH HAVEN AREA REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES

FEBRUARY 19, 2025

Pursuant to Act 267 of 1976, as amended (Open Meetings Act), the Board Members of the South Haven Area Regional Airport Authority (SHARAA) met at the South Haven Area Regional Airport, 73020 C.R. 380, South Haven, Michigan on Wednesday, FEBRUARY 19 2025.

Brent Nichols Called a regular meeting of the South Haven Area Regional Airport Authority Board to order at 7:30 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jon Woodhams, Geneva Township, Vice Chair
Mary Hosley, City of South Haven
Jim Sankofski, Casco Township
Todd Jensen, South Haven Township
Brent Nichols-Chair
Julian Allen, Covert Township
Ross Woodhams, alternate for City of South Haven

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Fred Bower, Covert Township

- I. **Agenda:** Mary Hosley motioned to approve the agenda for the FEBRUARY 19, 2025, Airport Board Meeting. Jon Woodhams seconded this motion. **All voted in favor. The motion to approve the agenda carries. YEA 6 / NA 0**

- II. **Public Comments:** NONE

Todd Jensen motioned to approve the consent agenda, and Mary Hosley seconded this motion:

Consent Agenda:

- Expenses from:
- January 2025 Totaling: \$27,487.55
 - Manager's report dated: FEBRUARY 19, 2025
 - Minutes of JANUARY 15, 2024

A roll call vote to approve the consent agenda was taken and **all voted in favor. The motion carries. YEA 6 / NA 0**

- III. **Committee Reports:** Mary Hosley provided the updated Airport Layout Plan to the Zoning Administrator for the City of South Haven. Since it was such a large file, Brent Nichols and Mary Hosley are working on summarizing the plan.
- IV. **Old Business:** Assistant Manager Dan Sanborn shared an update from engineering consultants Mead & Hunt regarding the tree removal that was supposed to be conducted this cutting season at the end of runway 23. We've now been told this work may not happen this year due to the grant paperwork being held up at the federal level. Mary Hosley asked if this will affect our licensing, and if it does, she asked if we should contact Congressman Huizenga and explain our situation. Dan Sanborn is to follow up with Mead & Hunt and inquire about this delay affecting the Airport's license and gather guidance on contacting Congressman Huizenga. Mary Hosley added that she would be happy to help Dan on the matter.
- V. **New Business:** Chairman Brent Nichols shared an update on SOUTH HAVEN AREA REG V CITY OF BANGOR 2024-0000073832-CZ from attorney Mike Roth:

The Court granted the motion in total, finding that because a 2/3 majority of the governing board never approved Bangor's withdrawal, it remains a member of the Authority. As such, it awarded summary disposition in our favor and a money judgment consistent with the amounts that we requested with the Court—\$22,762.09 plus interest, costs and fees. An order has been submitted for the Court to sign. If Bangor doesn't object to form of the order, the Court should sign it on or about February 26th. Bangor then has 21 days to file an appeal. If they don't appeal, we can enforce the judgment once that 21 days passes.

- VI. **Member Comments:** The South Haven Area Regional Airport Board and Authority welcomes Chief Julian "Jay" Allen as a new representative of Covert Township. The board is happy to have him and appreciates his willingness to serve.

Chairman Brent Nichols said he has provided the City of South Haven items from the updated Airport Layout Plan

Mary Hosley moved to adjourn the meeting Brent Nichols seconded this motion. The meeting was adjourned at: 7:47pm

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