

Minutes of Special Meeting Sept. 6th, 2022, as Recorded by Doug Stephens
As Approved Sept. 12th, 2022. Submitted by Doug Stephens, Sept. 13th, 2022

Airport Commission Special Meeting
Sept. 6th, 2022, 4:30 pm
Meeting held in-person, at the Platteville Airport, 5157 HWY 80, Platteville WI.

- I. Commission Meeting Call to Order: by Cooley, Chair @ 4:30 pm
 - a. Quorum achieved.
 - b. Attendance, Commission Members: Dennis Cooley (P), Doug Du Plessis (P), Chuck Runde (A), Joe Sener (P), Doug Stephens (P), Danny Xiao (P, arrived at 5:10 PM). Others: Adam Ruechel (City Manager), Nicola Maurer (Administration Director), Kathy Kopp (Council Representative), Andy Lange (Airport Management). Guests: Bill Cole (Attorney, for City of Platteville), Tia Fisher (Attorney, for Andy Lange) Allison Markowski (Attorney, for Andy Lange), Simeon Morell (City of Platteville Police Officer).
 - c. Attorney Cole stated that he wished to preface the meeting by stating that this is not a hearing, and that Mr. Lange is presumed innocent.
 - d. Andy Lange (A&A Aviation) is an independent contractor and not an employee of the City of Platteville. The charges against Lange are regarding a pending marital divorce, between he and Alaine Olthafer. Lange and Olthafer had owned and operated A&A Aviation, which managed the Platteville Municipal Airport as an independent contractor.
 - e. Maurer stated the four charges filed Sept. 1, 2022, in Lafayette County, against Andy Lange:
 - Count 1. Statute 940.32(2), Stalking (Severity: Felony i)
 - Count 2. Statute 947.012(1)(b), Unlawful Phone Use- Threaten w/ Obscenity (Misdemeanor B)
 - Count 3. Statute 942.08(2)(a), Invade Privacy- Use Surveillance Device (Misdemeanor A)
 - Count 4. Statute 947.013(1r), Harassment- Fear of Death/Injunction (Misdemeanor A)
- II. Motion to go into CLOSED SESSION per Wisconsin Statute 19.85(1)(e) -Deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – Airport Managers Contract
 - a. Motion to enter into Closed Session by Sener. 2nd by Kopp. Roll call vote to enter into Closed Session: Xiao – yes, Du Plessis – yes, Sener - yes, Kopp – yes, Kopp – yes, Cooley – yes, Stephens – yes. Passes unanimously. Entered into Closed Session at 5:10 PM. Attendance of Closed Session: Cooley, Du Plessis, Xia, Sener, Kopp, Stephens, Cole, Adam Ruechel, Maurer.
- III. Motion to return to Open Session.
 - a. Motion to return to Open Session by Du Plessis. 2nd by Sener. Passes Unanimously. Returned to Open Session at 6:49 PM
- IV. Action on Airport Management Contract if necessary.
 - a. Motion language read by Cole: The Airport Commission is to enact the 90 notice to terminate the Airport Manager’s contract and wishes to continue a relationship. The Commission requests the following from Andy Lange:
 - A contract proposal to the Airport Commission within 30 days,

- Provide a current Proof of Insurance, with the City listed as an additional insured on the Flight School, and Aircraft Maintenance operations,
- Bring the LLC into good standing,
- Cure performance issues or significant improvements,
- No personal use of Airport vehicles,
- No consumption of alcohol at the Airport, or being under the influence of alcohol during work,

The Airport Commission rescinds the order for Lange not to be on Airport property.

- b. Motion by Sener to approve the Motion Language as read by Cole. 2nd by Du Plessis. Roll call vote, passes unanimously.

V. Adjournment: Cooley

- a. Motion to adjourn by Kopp, 2nd by Xiao. Adjourned at 6.52 PM

If attendance requires special accommodation needs, please contact (608)348-9741, ext. 2238