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## West Calcasieu Airport Managing Board

July 5, 2011

The July meeting of the West Calcasieu Airport Managing Board was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Joe Palermo, with the following members present Mr. Tim Dougherty, Mr. Abe Fontenot and Mr. Matt Vincent. Mr. Gene Mullin and Mr. Randy Farve were absent. Also attending the meeting were Mr. Chuck Stutes, Mayor Chris Duncan, Mrs. Darla Perry and Mr. Dalton Langford..

The invocation was offered by Mr. Vincent followed by the pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Fontenot.

Mr. Dougherty proposed accepting the minutes from the June meeting as written, seconded by Mr. Vincent.. The motion passed.

Mr. Palermo asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. Mr. Larsh asked that board approval of the final inspection of the Drainage Project and the T Hanger Project be added to the Engineer's Report. Mr. Vincent proposed accepting the addition to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Fontenot. The motion passed. Mr. Palermo asked that discussion of renting hanger space to Max Trost be added to the Manager's Report. Mr. Vincent proposed accepting the addition to the agenda, seconded by Mr. Dougherty. The motion passed.

Mrs. Perry gave the Finance Report. Mrs. Perry advised the board the month of May showed a slight loss. The loss was caused by AWOS repairs and insurance payments. The AWOS expense will be reimbursed at a later date. Mrs. Perry advised the board that the airport showed a small profit year to date. Mr. Fontenot proposed accepting the Finance Report, seconded by Mr. Vincent. The motion passed.

Mr. Larsh gave the Manager's Report. Fuel sales were down for the month of June. Avgas was ten percent below last years sales. Jet-A sales were down forty percent. Mr. Larsh attributed the reduced sales to less flying due to the economy. The Police Jury has recommended Mr. Dalton Langford to replace Mr. Gene Mullin on the board. The recommendation will be approved at the next Police Jury meeting. Mr. Larsh advised the board that Mr. Trost, Max Air Helicopters, had expressed an interest in leasing Hanger B with the same provisions that were offered to Performance Helicopters. Mr. Palermo asked if Performance Helicopters was planning to move to Southland Field. Mr. Larsh explained that following the aircraft incident, Mr. Lebrun was not able to relocate at this time. Mr. Palermo recused himself from discussions concerning Mr. Trost. Mr. Palermo informed the board that he had been investigated by the state ethics board. The investigation was based on allegations from Mr. Trost. After discussion Mr. Fontenot proposed tabling the discussion until legal advice had been obtained. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dougherty. The motion passed.

Mr. Stutes gave the Engineer's Report. Mr. Stutes advised the board that the Final Acceptance inspection of the T Hanger Project was completed. Mr. Langford expressed some concerns about the hanger construction. Mr. Stutes said that he would look into Mr. Langford's concerns. Mr. Stutes recommended that the board accept the T Hanger project as substantially complete. Mr. Dougherty proposed accepting the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Vincent. The motion passed. Mr. Stutes advised the board the Drainage project was substantially complete. Mr. Fontenot proposed accepting the Drainage project as complete, seconded by Mr. Dougherty. The motion passed.

Mr. Palermo gave the Chairman's Update. Mr. Palermo discussed the cost of aviation fuel. Mr. Larsh explained the cost of fuels and how they affected the airport. Mr. Palermo discussed the possibility of adding an ILS to the airport. Mrs. Perry advised the board that there was no provision for an alternate to the board. Mayor Duncan has not appointed an alternate due to questions about the joint services agreement.

Mr. Palermo advised the board that he had no further new business. Mr. Vincent proposed adjourning the meeting, seconded by Mr. Fontenot. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

7/6/2011 Date Joseph R. Palermo Jr. Chairman

Sam H. Larsh Recording Secretary