

**GRAND COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD
REGULAR MEETING**

**Grand County Courthouse
125 E Center St.
Hybrid virtual participation on Zoom
Moab, Utah**

**Approved Minutes
January 5, 2026**

The Grand County Airport Board met in a regular meeting on January 5, 2026. The meeting was held in-person at the Grand County Commission Chambers with hybrid virtual participation available via Zoom.

Board Members Present: William Hawley, Randy Martin, Dan Wheeler, Jason Taylor, Bill Winfield
Board members on Zoom: Rachel Paxman, Jody Patterson, Howard Trenholme
Present on Zoom: Chris Drake, Lochner, Alvin Chung
Staff present was: Jessiqua Zufelt, and Steven Gleason
Others Present: Judd Hill, Lochner

Call to Order: Jody Patterson called to the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Citizens to be Heard – None

General Business

1. **Approve Minutes of December 1, 2025** – Motion to approve the minutes of December 1, 2025 by Bill Hawley. Second by Howard Trenholme. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. **Interview Board Member Applicants** – AJ Throgmorton, Brittney Melton, Jordan Killen, Tye Shumway, Alvin Chung

AJ Throgmorton: AJ is a director in the IT Department of a non-profit. He is active in local politics and civics and is familiar with so local and state government. He has served on the Grand County Solid Waste Special Services Board, and the Budget Advisory Board. He is pursuing his private pilot's license, he would like to help foster this resource, CNY, for the betterment of residents and visitors.

Brittney Melton: Brittney owns a local insurance company. She is serving on the Economic Development Advisory and the Chamber of Commerce Boards. She coaches high school and youth sports. She is excited about the future and growth of CNY.

Jordan Killen: Jordan works at Edwards Jones, and just recently moved to Moab. She is excited to meet community members and settle into her new town. She has strong leadership within her previous HOA board, PTA member and her financial firm.

Tye Shumway: Tye is the Founder and President of TWS Construction, Inc. He brings a robust background in construction, development and financial management. He is deeply involved in the local community and has a strong commitment to personal development and community engagement. He looks forward to contributing both his professional expertise and community focused perspective to CNY.

Alvin Chung: Alvin is a pilot with Redtail Aviation and currently flies in and out of CNY regularly. He would like to see growth and help build the future of the Moab Airport.

Jody notes that he is pleased to have so many applicants and interest in the future of CNY. Rachel thinks that Brittney Melton would be a great addition to the board for her community knowledge and want for growth. Bill Hawley thinks AJ Throgmorton has a lot of aviation background and knowledge and is his first pick with Brittney being his second. After a short discussion everyone agreed.

Motion by Randy Martin to recommend AJ Throgmorton be appointed to the board, seconded by Jason Taylor. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **Approve 2026 Airport Fee Schedule** – Motion to approve 2026 Fee Schedule by Randy Martin. Second by Jason Taylor. MOTION PASSES 3 Abstain, Jason, Bill H, & Dan Wheeler
4. **Elect 2026 Board Chair** – Steve Gleason states that typically whomever was the Vice Chair the previous year would move into the Chair position. Bill Hawley said he wouldn't mind the job if no one else saw it as a problem. Motion to elect Bill Hawley as 2026 Board Chair by Randy Martin, seconded by Howard Trenholme. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
Motion to elect Rachel Paxman as 2026 Vice Chair by Howard Trenholme, seconded by Bill Hawley MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion Items

5. Project Reports

- a. **Taxi lanes E, F, G & J** – Permanent striping will be completed in the Spring once weather is better.
- b. **Apron Expansion** – This is being done in two parts. For the Apron Expansion some of Rocky Mountain power lines will need to be re-routed. LeGrand would like to do this as soon as possible, they would like to begin the construction the end of January or beginning of February weather dependent. For the Apron Rehab TSJ is the contractor and this will begin in the Spring, so there will be a bit of a wait for this project. Judd reports that we will also be doing Pavement Maintenance in 2026, this will be the entry road, roundabout and to the Airside gate. As well as the Runway and Taxiway. This will be done in stages to create the least amount of disruption for Airport users as possible. Looking at late summer time frame.
- c. **ARFF Truck** – ARFF truck was approved by the FAA and sent out for bids in two parts. Part One for the Truck only, two bids were received, Oshkosh & Rosenbauer. Oshkosh won the bid by a small margin and we will move forward with them. Part Two is for the Equipment and Rosenbauer is the only bid we received for this and we will be moving forward with them.

Reports

6. **County Commission** – Bill Winfield says there isn't much to report, he missed the last County Council meeting. 2026 Budget is done, money is short and there is a current freeze on hiring.
7. **City of Moab** – Jason says there isn't anything new happening at the city currently. They have Strategic Planning coming up.
8. **Travel Council** – Howard Trenholme reports they are paying close attention to the AEAS process this year as they saw some reports showing that enplanements have dropped off since Contour took over the contract.

9. **Director's Report** – AEAS is the airports priority project as it has strict deadlines this year. He is hoping the County and the City will approve funds to move forward with hiring a consultant to aid CNY with this process. Steve says he has had several interested carriers. Steve Reports that the airport lost a very valued staff member, and he is sad to see Andrea Erwin leave.
10. **Other Reports** – Jessiqua reports that the billboard is ready for installation and given weather cooperation it will be installed next week. Bill Hawley would like to see the new ARFF Truck in next year's light parade if it is completed in time.

Future Considerations

Adjourn – Jody adjourned the meeting at 5:23 pm.