

The minutes of the meeting held on Sunday 4/3/2005

President Brian called the meeting to order at the appointed time. Those present were: Dave Dress, Jim Massey, Brian Reed, Roger Smith, Hank Tanzer, Jim & Carvin Alexander, John Balparda, Bob Case, Lori Walters, Dick Robinson, Rich Schisler, Rod Litchfield, Norm Gates, and new member Jim Daris.

Brian passed out plans drawn up by Dave that can be used to give to people during prospective site visits. At that point discussion was freeform concerning what we all speculated Fair Haven might do during the half hour preceding Bill Rosinski's arrival.

It was determined that Dave would write the ad for the garage sale event and Brian would get it published. Some limited ground rules were established that prohibit swapping of junk (excuse me....good stuff) between club members. All items must be purchased from the club. It was also agreed that the good stuff (aka junk...see prior sentence) could be dropped off at Dave's place on the Friday prior to the sale.

Bill Rosinski, chairman of the Fair Haven Airport Committee arrived at 3:30. He informed us that the Act 250 process was scheduled to begin in October 2005. He stated that the airport master plan was to be approved by May or June by the newly elected select board that is very pro-airport expansion. He further stated that he was heading a consortium to build Dana Hall the turn key building he has requested for his business.

Roger Smith questioned Mr. Rosinski directly if he felt we should get out. After much hemming and hawing Mr. Rosinski stated that Dana Hall wanted to work with us but that changes would have to be made as to where we would be located and how we would gain access to our site. When pressed by Hank Tanzer his responses did not sound very positive for the long-term health of the club remaining at Fair Haven airport.

Mr. Rosinski went on to state that work had to start by 10/01/2007 for the town to get Federal funds. Additionally, the location of the weather station may be located in our pit area or by the National Guard, he was not certain on this issue but was relatively certain that it would be erected in April or May of this year.

Mr. Rosinski made the comment that he felt we were good to stay for maybe 5 years. The general tenor of the club members was not buying into this by this time in the meeting. It was said that work would commence soon to widen the runway to 35-40 feet, end to end.

The next umpteen minutes were spent in meaningless blather about subjects and comments not related to the issues at hand. As a side note it was brought to the memberships attention that there was a fly-in planned 9/11 – 9/12 by Leslie Tarbell, the assumption is the field would not be available to us on these dates.

As the meeting wound down there was some debate over Tom Puma's jet runway width. General consensus was Tom must have been smoking something funny that day.

Meeting never formally adjourned. This reporters guess is that when a depressed looking President Brian started to drown his sorrow in chips and salsa.....the meeting, and possibly our existence at Fair Haven airport was over.

It can not be stated enough that if we are to find a new flying site that this must be an all out club effort.