

**FLATHEAD MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: January 21, 2026

PLACE: Glacier Park International Airport, Kalispell, Montana

TIME: 4:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Marc Liechti
Duncan Scott
Rick Janisse
Michael Jackola
Tarn Abell

BOARD MEMBERS VIRTUAL: Dennis Beams

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Giuseppe Caltabiano

STAFF PRESENT: Rob Ratkowski, Airport Director
Daniel Reimer, Director of Development
Jennifer Donofrio, Director of Finance
Ashley Hahn, Staff Accountant
Julie Salyer, Director of Administration
Stephanie Denys, Receptionist
Charlie House, Contract Specialist
Will Monin, Projects & Development Coordinator
Caira Frank, Management Intern
Justin Leon, Management Intern

STAFF VIRTUAL: Ian McKay, Deputy Airport Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Shawn Baker, SQD; Steve Mora MCS Burbank; Andrew Pulliam,
Mead & Hunt

OTHERS VIRTUAL: Chris Holden, Atlantic Aviation; Iver Retrum, Business Aviation
Group; LaMonte Forgays, SQD; Tim Dacey, Mead & Hunt

CALL TO ORDER

The regular monthly meeting of the Flathead Municipal Airport Authority (FMAA) was called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Mr. Liechti.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Mr. Ratkowski introduced the guests.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – DECEMBER 17, 2025

The meeting minutes from the December 17, 2025, regular meeting were presented and considered.

MOTION: Mr. Scott moved to approve the December 17, 2025, Regular Meeting minutes.

SECOND: Mr. Jackola

MOTION PASSED: 6-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

GENERAL UPDATES

Terminal Project Update

Tim Dacey, Andrew Pulliam and Shawn Baker updated the Board regarding the terminal project.

BUSINESS ITEMS

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion Item 1 – Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Presentation

Mr. Reimer presented this item to the Board, emphasizing that the CIP supports FAA compliance, establishes project priorities, and is necessary to pursue future federal funding opportunities. A brief discussion followed.

FINANCIALS

Financial Statements – Ms. Donofiro presented the November 2025 financials.

December Check Summaries – Ms. Donofiro presented the December 2025 check summaries for checks numbered 52174 through 52357 and the direct deposits for the December payroll periods.

MOTION: Mr. Scott made a motion to approve the November 2025 financials and the December 2025 check summaries as presented.

SECOND: Mr. Beams

MOTION PASSED: 6-0

MANAGEMENT REPORT - ATTACHED

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS – Commissioners discussed recent fog events and their impact on airport operations and flight schedules, as well as challenges during irregular operations (IROPs), including airline staffing shortages and effects on the passenger experience. They expressed support for dedicated on-site airport law enforcement, requested updates on the Master Developer Agreement, and shared positive observations from the recent annual AAAE Aviation Issues conference noting its growth over time and the diverse range of industry stakeholders in attendance.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS – The Board Chair discussed how conference growth can affect attendee engagement, noting challenges in maintaining cohesiveness and connection when attendance exceeds venue capacity, particularly for off-site participants.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Liechti announced the date for the next regular board meeting will be Wednesday, February 18, 2026.

ADJOURN

Mr. Liechti adjourned the meeting at 5:12 P.M.

Approved: _____

Marc Liechti
Board Chairman

Attest: _____

Rob Ratkowski
Airport Director