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Airport Advisory Commission Calendar

All meetings are at 7 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month in the Palmer City Hall Council Chambers, 231 W. Evergreen Avenue.

- ❖ January 15, 2019
- ❖ February 28, 2019
- ❖ March 28, 2019
- ❖ April 25, 2019
- ❖ May 23, 2019
- ❖ June 27, 2019
- ❖ July 25, 2019
- ❖ August 22, 2019
- ❖ September 26, 2019
- ❖ October 24, 2019
- ❖ November 13, 2019
- ❖ December 26, 2019
Cancelled

Contact: Chair Ken More at 907-240-3286 or flyartic@articsairacademy.com for more information.

Your source for news at the Warren “Bud” Woods Palmer Municipal Airport.

What’s Happening?

Construction Project Updates: Proposed 2019 “Airfield Safety Improvements” Project

The design work has begun for a new FAA AIP grant for the 2019 construction season. If granted, this project will complete important airfield safety elements to include the following:

- Replacement of poorly functioning airfield directional signage
- Repair of perimeter fence line and gates
- Provide for needed safety lighting to aircraft parking aprons
- Provide for better automobile and pedestrian directional signage
- Tree removal south of RW 10/28 on the transitional surface

The City anticipates putting this project out to bid this spring and if the grant is awarded by the FAA, to have construction begin in the summer and completed by the fall.

Additional PAQ News Updates

Palmer Municipal Airport Advisory Commission

After many years of service both John Lee and Allan Linn have stepped down from the Airport Advisory Commission. Both John Lee and Allan Linn have been valuable Commissioners who were committed to help improving the airport. If you happen to see either John or Allan, please thank them for their service as their continuous contributions will be missed.

Replacing Mr. Lee and Mr. Linn on the AAC board are Liz Swearingin and Richard Best. Please welcome them aboard when you see them and feel free to share your airport questions, comments and concerns. At the November AAC meeting, the Commissioners also elected Ken More as the new AAC Chair with Liz Swearingin elected to the Vice Chair position. As a reminder, the Airport Advisory Commission meetings are open to the public and the AAC always appreciates participation from airport users and the citizens of Palmer.



Palmer City Council Recognizes John S. Lee

After over 40 years of airport operations and untold hours of volunteer service to the City of Palmer on various boards and commissions, the Palmer City Council recently recognized Mr. Lee by naming the newly completed helicopter operations area in his honor. Thank you to all those who wrote letters of support to the City Council in favor of this recognition and thank you to John Lee for his many years of service. The new “John S. Lee Helipad” sign should be completed and installed by the spring.

Palmer Municipal Airport Private Construction Projects 2019

The airport has recently approved four new airport leases with anticipated construction starts in the late spring of 2019. Two notable highlights are the new Knick Air Service hangar being built by Jamie and Heidi Hastings. Knick Air Service will provide Flight Instruction, Aircraft Rentals, Custom Wing Covers, a Pilots Lounge and a small Airport Café. The airport has also leased space to a developer to provide two (2) new ten (10) unit T-Hanger facilities. The first new T-Hanger facility will begin construction this spring with anticipated completion in the fall and the subsequent facility to begin the following year. Additional information should be available in the spring newsletter.

Operations Spot Light

Palmer Municipal Airport and Public Works Snow Removal Efforts

With the assistance of the FAA and a new Airport Improvements Program grant, last fall the City of Palmer ordered a new Caterpillar 950M Wheeled Loader, Snow Plow Blade attachment and a Wausau MP 318 High Capacity Snow Blower. It is anticipated that this equipment will be delivered by mid-February to aid in the City’s efforts to clear snow timely for all airport users.



Photo: Representative Cat 950M Wheeled Loader with Wausau MP 318 Snow Blower attachment