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Airport Advisory

Commission Calendar

All meetings are at 7 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month on a quarterly basis in the Palmer City Hall Council Chambers, 231 W. Evergreen Avenue. Special meetings will be held on an “As Needed” basis on the fourth Thursday of the month following the regularly scheduled quarterly meeting.

- ❖ January 28, 2021*
- ❖ March 25, 2021 (Special)
- ❖ April 22, 2021
- ❖ July 22, 2021*
- ❖ October 21, 2021*
- * Cancelled Covid 19

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.

“The aeronautical gateway to Palmer and the Matanuska Valley”

What’s Happening?

Palmer Municipal Airport Receives Two New FAA Grants!

“Avigation Easement Planning Study Phase II”

The next phase of this study will among other things involve general public outreach, meetings, comments, and a new website to disseminate accurate planning and project information. It will also fund environmental field studies and work, a new obstruction survey, agency consultation for 4(f) and 6(f) review and complete the environmental assessment work. Please stay tuned for information regarding the new informational website now underway.

“Taxiway November Design Project”

This new FAA grant will provide for the design work associated with the future construction of Taxiway November. This B III capable taxiway will provide airside access to over 20 acres of land just south of the crosswind Runway 10/28. This property is already served by Cope Industrial Way and has the full complement of utilities available. Project elements will include: The extension and realignment of Taxiway Juliet, removal of westerly sections of Taxiway Bravo, grading of the taxiway safety areas just east of the north parking aprons, storm drain upgrades, continued transitional surface tree clearing off Runway 10/28 and finally, Taxiway November.

The Great Alaska Aviation Gathering to Return to Palmer Municipal Airport and the Alaska State Fairgrounds for 2022!

During their September board meeting, the Alaska Airmen’s Association voted to return to Palmer for the 2022 Great Alaska Aviation Gathering on May 6, 7, and 8. Thank you again to the 2021 sponsors and business participants, the local support from PAQ businesses helped to make the 2021 event a great success. We look forward to an even better 2022 gathering with more vendors, busses and neat events. Please continue to join and support the Alaska Airmen’s Association as they advocate and educate for general aviation throughout Alaska. You can visit their website at www.alaskaairmen.org or call them at (907) 245-1251 for additional information.

Additional PAQ News Updates

Fuel Flowage Fee Program Amended

At the request of the Palmer Airport Advisory Commission, on July 13th the Palmer City Council past Ordinances 21-011 and 21-012 changing Palmer municipal codes 3.16.050 and 12.08.15 respectively. As of November 1, 2021, the City of Palmer will discontinue the collection of sales tax at the Palmer Municipal Airport on all fuel products and replace it with a fuel flowage fee of five cents (\$0.05) per gallon for all fuel. This change effects non-aviation fuel at both the wholesale and retail distribution level for all fuel at the airport. Specifically:

12.08.15 Fuel Flowage Fee.

A. Any person, firm, or corporation who delivers any type of fuel product for use in, or transportation by, aircraft to any person, firm, or corporation, including self-fueling, at the Warren “Bud” Woods Palmer Municipal Airport shall pay a fuel flowage fee of five cents (\$0.05) for each gallon of fuel.

B. The funds derived from fuel flowage fees shall be utilized solely for the maintenance, operation, and improvements of the Warren “Bud” Woods Palmer Municipal Airport.

The funds from this important program assist the airport in maintaining and growing the quality of services and airside improvements available. To report and remit usage to the fuel flowage fee program if bringing in fuel from an off airport source after November 1st, please visit the city website at: <https://www.palmerak.org/forms>

32nd Annual Palmer Pride Picnic

Palmer Mayor Edna DeVries recognizes two outstanding community members at the July 23rd Palmer Pride Picnic event, including our very own Leighton Lee. Mr. Lee, the President and CEO of New Horizons Telecom, Inc. was instrumental in the success of the 2021 Great Alaska Aviation Gathering at the Palmer Municipal Airport. Leighton Lee was awarded the “2021 Palmer Citizen of the Year”. Mr. Lee also serves as Vice Chair of the Airports Advisory Commission. Thank you and congratulations!



Photo: Dr. Alex Hills “Lifetime Achievement Award”, Mayor Edna DeVries, and Leighton Lee “Citizen of the Year”.

Construction Activities for Private Hangars Continue

ADD Investments, LLC

Skye Quest Aviation, LLC

Both ADD Investments LLC and Skye Quest Aviation LLC are pushing hard to get concrete in before winter snow arrives. Lease space will be available once hangars are up and running. Please see the airports business and services directory for company contact information.



Photos: ADD Investments driveway, pad and red iron await a new slab. Skye Quest Aviation driveway and site preparation are nearing completion.

Operational Highlights

Glenn Air, Inc. picks up fuel from Northern Petroleum Services, prior to takeoff this summer. Glenn Air, Inc. and Northern Petroleum Services have been kept busy this summer servicing mining customers with fuel in the Southcentral region of Alaska.



Photo: Doug Glenn and Jeff Helmericks fueling “Smokin Joe” one of two M-18 Dromaders owned by Glenn Air Inc.

Jeff Helmericks and Northern Petroleum Services have been operating at PAQ for over three decades and Mr. Helmericks is the longest serving board member of the Airports Advisory Commission. Located on the north ramp, Northern Petroleum Services offers 24-hour credit card self-fueling as well as delivery to the wing.



Photo: Doug Glenn “Smokin Joe” and his son Lavan Glenn “One Eyed Willy” filling up their two M-18 Dromaders before takeoff