

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
ST. LOUIS REGIONAL AIRPORT  
July 16, 2026**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the St. Louis Regional Airport was held at the airport administration building #8 Terminal Drive, East Alton, IL 62024 on Thursday, July 16, 2026, at the hour of 5:00 P.M. On call of the roll, the following Commissioners answered present: Karla Harris, Christopher Herzog, Nicholas Hobbs, Brian Keister, Robert LaMarsh, Dave Wilson and Matt Kelly. Also present: Airport Director Danny Adams, Airport Attorney James Sinclair, Accounts Receivable Denine Anderson and Accounts Payable Crystal Geisen. Assistant Airport Director Drake Blackwell was absent.

Guests Present were Janice and Randy McKee with EAA 864, Simon Stearns and Josh Partl-public. Jan McKee spoke on behalf of EAA stating they were there to support Nichols Hobbs as an EAA member and board member. She stated that during the ARC youth event approximately 62 kids attended and were served at the pancake breakfast hosted by the EAA chapter 864 and there were several volunteers from all over. There were also cadets on the airfield watching the airplanes. October 10<sup>th</sup> is the next pancake breakfast. Simon Stearns' comment was why is the airport in need of snowplows and not additional T-hangars.

Chairman Kelly presented the Regular board meeting minutes from June 25, 2026. Commissioner Hobbs moved to approve the meeting minutes. Commissioner Keister seconded the motion and in a roll call vote, the Commissioners voted:

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| Commissioner Harris-  | aye |
| Commissioner Herzog-  | aye |
| Commissioner Hobbs-   | aye |
| Commissioner Keister- | aye |
| Commissioner LaMarsh- | aye |
| Commissioner Wilson-  | aye |
| Commissioner Kelly-   | aye |

The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Board in favor.

Chairman Kelly presented the financial statements for the first month of fiscal year 2026-2027. Commissioner LaMarsh moved to approve the statements as printed. Commissioner Hobbs seconded the motion and in a roll call vote, the Commissioners voted:

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| Commissioner Harris-  | aye |
| Commissioner Herzog-  | aye |
| Commissioner Hobbs-   | aye |
| Commissioner Keister- | aye |
| Commissioner LaMarsh- | aye |
| Commissioner Wilson-  | aye |
| Commissioner Kelly-   | aye |

The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Board in favor.

Chairman Kelly presented the bills for approval. Commissioner LaMarsh moved to approve the bills as printed. Commissioner Hobbs seconded the motion and in a roll call vote, the Commissioners voted:

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| Commissioner Harris-  | aye |
| Commissioner Herzog-  | aye |
| Commissioner Hobbs-   | aye |
| Commissioner Keister- | aye |
| Commissioner LaMarsh- | aye |
| Commissioner Wilson-  | aye |
| Commissioner Kelly-   | aye |

The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Board in favor.

The following bills have been paid since the last meeting:

|                                     | Date       |       | Memo                           | Amount    |
|-------------------------------------|------------|-------|--------------------------------|-----------|
| ACE HARDWARE                        |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 8010 · Other Expenses          | -25.98    |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6411 · 10-12 john deere 7330   | -4.28     |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6265 · T-hangar                | -50.97    |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6424 · 22-graco lazer 5900     | -62.68    |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6501 · Aeronautical            | -40.07    |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6241 · 1-The Terminal/Piston   | -24.99    |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6235 · Shop, tools, sm equip   | -85.13    |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6660 · Cash Discounts          | 41.88     |
| Total ACE HARDWARE                  |            |       |                                | -252.22   |
| Air Race Classic Inc.               |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6201 · Events-Air Race Classic | -882.36   |
| Total Air Race Classic Inc.         |            |       |                                | -882.36   |
| Alton-Griffin Emergency Group       |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 07/07/2026 |       | 6150 · Health Insurance        | -50.69    |
| Total Alton-Griffin Emergency Group |            |       |                                | -50.69    |
| AT & T                              |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6713 · Internet                | -73.29    |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6711 · Telephone               | -44.85    |
| Total AT & T                        |            |       |                                | -118.14   |
| BETHALTO WATER DEPT                 |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6732 · Water                   | -637.90   |
| Total BETHALTO WATER DEPT           |            |       |                                | -637.90   |
| CARD SERVICES                       |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 06/29/2026 |       | 6201 · Events-Air Race Classic | -4,003.86 |
|                                     | 06/29/2026 |       | 6502 · General                 | -36.09    |
|                                     | 06/29/2026 |       | 6265 · T-hangar                | -121.82   |
|                                     | 06/29/2026 |       | 6421 · 19- 22 t770 bobcat      | -599.44   |
|                                     | 06/29/2026 |       | 6416 · 15-22 exmark            | 514.78    |
| Total CARD SERVICES                 |            |       |                                | -4,246.43 |
| Culligan Water                      |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 07/08/2026 |       | 6550 · OPERATIONAL EXPENSE     | -119.30   |
| Total Culligan Water                |            |       |                                | -119.30   |
| Danny Adams                         |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 06/26/2026 | 26-27 | 6712 · Cellular                | -234.36   |
| Total Danny Adams                   |            |       |                                | -234.36   |
| Drake A Blackwell                   |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 06/26/2026 | 26-27 | 6712 · Cellular                | -170.28   |
| Total Drake A Blackwell             |            |       |                                | -170.28   |
| EAA CHAPTER 864                     |            |       |                                |           |
|                                     | 07/02/2026 |       | 6201 · Events-Air Race Classic | -704.00   |
| Total EAA CHAPTER 864               |            |       |                                | -704.00   |
| Envision                            |            |       |                                |           |

|  |                                           |            |  |  |                                   |            |
|--|-------------------------------------------|------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|------------|
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -215.00    |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -228.35    |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -155.11    |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -75.00     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -50.00     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -171.18    |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -10.00     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -273.00    |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -1.78      |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -39.42     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -75.00     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -25.00     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -685.00    |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -184.77    |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -42.70     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -5,108.31  |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -22.40     |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -160.00    |
|  |                                           | 07/02/2026 |  |  | 6150 · Health Insurance           | -145.00    |
|  | Total Envision                            |            |  |  |                                   | -7,667.02  |
|  | <b>ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND</b> |            |  |  |                                   |            |
|  |                                           | 06/30/2026 |  |  | 6581 · IMRF                       | -7,267.22  |
|  | Total ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND  |            |  |  |                                   | -7,267.22  |
|  | <b>IPAA</b>                               |            |  |  |                                   |            |
|  |                                           | 07/02/2026 |  |  | 6520 · Meetings/Seminars          | -545.00    |
|  | Total IPAA                                |            |  |  |                                   | -545.00    |
|  | <b>John Deere Financial</b>               |            |  |  |                                   |            |
|  |                                           | 07/02/2026 |  |  | -29.84                            |            |
|  |                                           | 07/02/2026 |  |  | 6411 · 10-12 john deere 7330      | -112.51    |
|  | Total John Deere Financial                |            |  |  |                                   | -142.35    |
|  | <b>Midwest Tractor Sales</b>              |            |  |  |                                   |            |
|  |                                           | 06/26/2026 |  |  | 6746 · Equipment                  | -46,504.00 |
|  | Total Midwest Tractor Sales               |            |  |  |                                   | -46,504.00 |
|  | <b>PETTY CASH-SLRA</b>                    |            |  |  |                                   |            |
|  |                                           | 07/07/2026 |  |  | 6554 · Postage                    | -6.24      |
|  |                                           | 07/07/2026 |  |  | 6450 · Fire/Medical/Radio Equip   | -17.63     |
|  |                                           | 07/07/2026 |  |  | 6220 · Janitorial Supplies        | -45.69     |
|  |                                           | 07/07/2026 |  |  | 6530 · Office Supplies/Furn/Equip | -38.88     |
|  | Total PETTY CASH-SLRA                     |            |  |  |                                   | -108.44    |
|  | <b>SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC</b>              |            |  |  |                                   |            |
|  |                                           | 07/02/2026 |  |  | 6731 · Electric                   | -52.91     |
|  | Total SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC               |            |  |  |                                   | -52.91     |
|  | <b>TOTAL</b>                              |            |  |  |                                   | -69,702.62 |

THE FOLLOWING BILLS WERE APPROVED:

|  |                                                 | Date       | Memo | Account                         | Amount    |
|--|-------------------------------------------------|------------|------|---------------------------------|-----------|
|  | <b>Amateur Sports Promotion</b>                 |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6180-2 · Community              | -100.00   |
|  | Total Amateur Sports Promotion                  |            |      |                                 | -100.00   |
|  | <b>AMERENIP</b>                                 |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6731 · Electric                 | -8,697.72 |
|  | Total AMERENIP                                  |            |      |                                 | -8,697.72 |
|  | <b>Anderson Healthcare</b>                      |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6150 · Health Insurance         | -49.10    |
|  | Total Anderson Healthcare                       |            |      |                                 | -49.10    |
|  | <b>AT &amp; T</b>                               |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6712 · Cellular                 | -66.89    |
|  | Total AT & T                                    |            |      |                                 | -66.89    |
|  | <b>Banner Fire Equipment</b>                    |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6450 · Fire/Medical/Radio Equip | -798.00   |
|  | Total Banner Fire Equipment                     |            |      |                                 | -798.00   |
|  | <b>C R SYSTEMS</b>                              |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6220 · Janitorial Supplies      | -107.50   |
|  | Total C R SYSTEMS                               |            |      |                                 | -107.50   |
|  | <b>CARD SERVICES</b>                            |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6680 · Dues/Fees                | -80.50    |
|  | Total CARD SERVICES                             |            |      |                                 | -80.50    |
|  | <b>Datatronics</b>                              |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6450 · Fire/Medical/Radio Equip | -133.89   |
|  | Total Datatronics                               |            |      |                                 | -133.89   |
|  | <b>Flight Light Inc.</b>                        |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6501 · Aeronautical             | -1,414.16 |
|  | Total Flight Light Inc.                         |            |      |                                 | -1,414.16 |
|  | <b>ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY</b> |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6680 · Dues/Fees                | -500.00   |
|  | Total ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  |            |      |                                 | -500.00   |
|  | <b>Intermedia</b>                               |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6711 · Telephone                | -243.24   |
|  | Total Intermedia                                |            |      |                                 | -243.24   |
|  | <b>Kane Mechanical</b>                          |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6241 · 1-The Terminal/Piston    | -1,222.46 |
|  | Total Kane Mechanical                           |            |      |                                 | -1,222.46 |
|  | <b>MCKAY</b>                                    |            |      |                                 |           |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6400 · Maintenance of Equipment | -77.34    |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6436 · 30-2024 F550             | -153.42   |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6235 · Shop, tools, sm equip    | -19.98    |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |      | 6501 · Aeronautical             | -68.28    |

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|--|-------------------------------------------------|------------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------|
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |  | 6403 · 2-2016 chev<br>sil 1500 | 32.98             |
|  | Total MCKAY                                     |            |  |                                | -286.04           |
|  | <b>Sherwin-Williams</b>                         |            |  |                                |                   |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |  | 6424 · 22-graco<br>lazer 5900  | -14.95            |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |  | 6501 · Aeronautical            | -436.57           |
|  | Total Sherwin-Williams                          |            |  |                                | -451.52           |
|  | <b>Stobbs &amp; Sinclair, LTD</b>               |            |  |                                |                   |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |  | 6705 · Legal Fees              | -2,653.98         |
|  | Total Stobbs & Sinclair, LTD                    |            |  |                                | -2,653.98         |
|  | <b>United States Department of<br/>Treasury</b> |            |  |                                |                   |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |  | 6150 · Health<br>Insurance     | -42.24            |
|  | Total United States Department<br>of Treasury   |            |  |                                | -42.24            |
|  | <b>USDA</b>                                     |            |  |                                |                   |
|  |                                                 | 07/16/2026 |  | 8050 · Wildlife<br>Control     | -1,225.00         |
|  | Total USDA                                      |            |  |                                | -1,225.00         |
|  | <b>TOTAL</b>                                    |            |  |                                | <b>-18,072.24</b> |

Discussion/Action on Property Encroachment/Authorization for Sale of Real Estate – Adjacent property was appraised in 2022 using fair market value at \$1.91 per square foot. Suggested minimum \$3.00 per square foot at \$12,338.64. Title transfer is \$2,000.00 and legal fees are \$500.00. Commissioner Harris moved to establish Resolution 2026-01 for sale of real estate property. Commissioner Keister seconded the motion and in a roll call vote, the Commissioners voted:

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| Commissioner Harris-  | aye |
| Commissioner Herzog-  | aye |
| Commissioner Hobbs-   | aye |
| Commissioner Keister- | aye |
| Commissioner LaMarsh- | aye |
| Commissioner Wilson-  | aye |
| Commissioner Kelly-   | aye |

The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Board in favor.

Commissioner Hobbs moved to approve minimum bid as established and presented by Director. Commissioner Keister seconded the motion and in a roll call vote, the Commissioners voted:

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| Commissioner Harris-  | aye |
| Commissioner Herzog-  | aye |
| Commissioner Hobbs-   | aye |
| Commissioner Keister- | aye |
| Commissioner LaMarsh- | aye |
| Commissioner Wilson-  | aye |
| Commissioner Kelly-   | aye |

The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Board in favor.

Commissioner LaMarsh stated “with regard to Resolution No. 2026-1, I think it is prudent to add into the meeting minutes that this resolution is in response to an encroachment on airport property by a landowner whose property line abuts airport property, which was identified by posted signage and ignored or removed, and therefore should not set a precedence for other current and /or future landowners, whose property adjoins St. Louis Regional Airport property, to act in a similar manner.”

Discussion/Action on 2 Airway Ct Lease – Director Adams reported the airport proposed a maximum annual increase based on CPI not to exceed 5% but a minimum increase of 2% annually. Have not heard back from them. Will report back.

Discussion on Snowplow Replacement- Director Adams gave a report on the condition of the snowplow. Parts are difficult to source because it is aging. There are options:

- 1<sup>st</sup> option- do nothing.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> option -Rebuild plow and hitch assembly estimated cost \$55,000.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> option – Replace plow and hitch assembly estimated cost \$100,000.
  - 4<sup>th</sup> option -Replace plow and chassis estimated cost \$320,000.
- There are two 11ft plows used on taxiways and two 8ft plows used on pick-ups as backups. Director gave the FAA recommendations to the Board of Commissioners and after a lengthy discussion about average snow falling and suggested snowplows, Director will do more research

Discussion on New Horizons Flight Academy – Nick Carpenter founder of New Horizons Flight Academy approached the Director about opening a flight school at the airport. He was supposed to update his business plan and get back to Director Adams, but updated plan has not been received at this time.

Discussion/Action on Operator Agreement with Fix N Fly, LLC. - Luis Doherty Carbonell reached out to airport director with interest in opening a mobile aircraft service for aviation maintenance (no competition with West Star business). He provided valid LLC, and proper insurance. Documents were approved and changes were made by airport attorney before they were produced. Commissioner Keister moved to accept a commercial agreement with Fix N Fly, LLC. Commissioner LaMarsh seconded the motion and in a roll call vote, the Commissioners voted:

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Harris-  | aye |
| Commissioner Herzog-  | aye |
| Commissioner Hobbs-   | aye |
| Commissioner Keister- | aye |
| Commissioner LaMarsh- | aye |
| Commissioner Wilson-  | aye |
| Commissioner Kelly-   | aye |

The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Board in favor.

Discussion on Fuel Facility Projects – Director Adams explained to the Board that the engineering designs are finishing up with electrical utility and review is being completed by IDOT. Still requires 1 month bid period, waiting on IDOT to award bid and initiation of contract. Funding is only at risk if governor pulls funding source. It is planned for this fiscal year.

Discussion/Action on Regular Meeting Time was added to agenda at the request of a Commissioner. Commissioner Keister stated that making such a decision without all Board of Commissioners present and not considering how a change may impact others should be considered or at least all should have some input. After some discussion among the Commissioners. Commissioner Keister moved to return the board meeting time to 4:30p.m. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion and in a roll call vote, the Commissioners voted:

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Harris-  | aye |
| Commissioner Herzog-  | no  |
| Commissioner Hobbs-   | no  |
| Commissioner Keister- | aye |
| Commissioner LaMarsh- | no  |
| Commissioner Wilson-  | aye |
| Commissioner Kelly-   | aye |

The motion passed by a majority vote of the Board in favor.

Airport Manager’s Report:

- Have had several inquiries concerning the strip mall. No contracts/agreements at this time.

Attorney’s Report:

- None

Board member comments:

- Commissioner Hobbs commented Spirit St. Louis airshow has been canceled for the next two years. He would like to know if St. Louis Regional Airport could work with Spirit to keep it going at this airport? Director Adams will reach out to Spirit St. Louis Airport. Hobbs also asked is Hanson actively looking for grants for our airport? Director Adams stated - all the time. He talks to Barry Stolz weekly. Commissioner Hobbs stated he will do his best to get to the board meetings at 4:30 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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**Matt Kelly**

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**Robert LaMarsh**

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**Karla Harris**

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**Christopher Herzog**

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**Brian Keister**

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**Nichols Hobbs**

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**Dave Wilson**