

**CITY OF ABILENE
AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

May 4, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Abilene City Hall

419 N Broadway St. Abilene, KS 67410

Members Present: Jim Price (Chair), Jeremy Gorman (Vice-Chair), Jim Curtis (ex-officio, Airport Manager), Bruce Youtsey (Member), James Ferguson (Member), Rebecca Perkins (Member)

Members Absent: None

Others Present: None

Staff Present: Finance Director Kelsey Briand

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm by Chair, Jim Price.

Approval of Agenda

Jeremy Gorman moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Bruce Youtsey. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes – April 6, 2026

Rebecca Perkins moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by James Ferguson. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Business

Financial Report – April

Staff presented the financial report for April. Questions about the land lease agreements were discussed. Discussion of replacement of the courtesy cars also occurred.

Hangar Discussion/Updates

Discussion about the commission meeting regarding the approval of the bids for the airport hangar project occurred. Staff confirmed that the commission approved awarding the bid for the t-hangars and included in that motion, they approved the increase to the hangar rental fee to \$173 per month.

Airport Overlay Variance Request

Staff received a request for a variance to the airport overlay from a company wanting to install a communications tower in the county on the west side of Fair Rd near Red Bud Lake. Staff shared the approval from the FAA to allow the variance. This item was discussed amongst the board. Rebecca Perkins made a motion to proceed with the variance according to the requirements presented in the FAA letter regarding lighting and marking, as this will not affect the airspace. Jeremy Gorman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

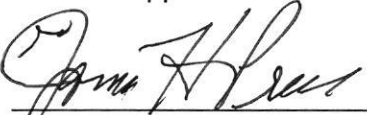
Pancake Feed/Fly-In Discussion

Jim Price shared he thought maybe the 1st part of October would be good.

Adjournment

Bruce Youtsey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jeremy Gorman. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Minutes Approved,



Airport Advisory Board

Attest:



Kelsey Briand
Finance Director