CITY OF LONGMONT | Vance Brand Airport Advisory Board

AGENDA
AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
350 Kimbark St.
June 12, 2025 -- 6:00 PM
Regular Meeting (In Person Only)

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Invited to be Heard
4. Approval of the May 8, 2025 Minutes
5. Updates from the Airport Manager
6. Information Items
   i. Vance Brand Noise Abatement Program
7. Action Items
8. Final Public Invited to be Heard
9. Board, City Council Representative, and/or Staff Comments
10. Adjourn

*Notice: In the event, the Airport Advisory Board does not reach a quorum of 4 board members, the board is required to adjourn.

MINUTES
Airport Advisory Board
May 8, 2025
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The May 8, 2025, Airport Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jordan at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

2. ROLL CALL

Kayla Picciau, Recording Secretary, called roll. Those present were Chairperson Melinda Jordan, Vice Chairperson Dan Meester, and Board Members Malcolm Dean, Steve Shook, and Matt Gibson.

Those absent were Board Member Charles Shilling and City Council Member Matthew Popkin.

Staff present were Levi Brown, Airport Manager, and Kayla Picciau, Recording Secretary.

3. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

Chairperson Jordan opened the Public Invited to be Heard.

Scott Stewart, 229 Grant St, Longmont; voiced concerns about the safety of flights over the town. He also spoke about charging landing fees to help support the airport.

Michelle Poole; 6024 St Vrain Rd, Longmont; voiced her concern about low flying aircrafts, pollution, flight school traffic, and aircraft noise.

Rick Bassier, 229 Airport Rd, Longmont; voiced his concern about the flight instructors and their lack of aviation and flight knowledge and safety.

Chad Rennicke, 907 Champion Cir, Longmont; voiced his concern about the extreme amount of aircraft traffic and student flights.

Howard Morgan, 1932 Amethyst Dr, Longmont; voiced his opposition of charging landing fees. He also spoke about the large amount of aircraft traffic at the airport.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak with the board, Chairperson Jordan closed Public Invited to be Heard.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

i. April 10, 2025 – Minutes

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Header Date should state 2025 not 2024

BOARD MEMBER MOVED DEAN, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON MEETSER, TO APPROVE THE APRIL 10, 2025, MINUTES AS AMENDED.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

5. UPDATES FROM AIRPORT MANAGER

Levi Brown, Airport Manager, provided an update on the following items:

Levi Brown spoke about the Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS) stating there have been issues. Levi stated he is in discussions with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to find a solution. Levi stated there is possibility of a Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) grant for AWOS upgrades.

Levi Brown noted that there was an offsite plane landing.

Levi Brown spoke about the pavement rehab project stating the work has begun. Levi stated the work is going slower than expected due to weather and equipment issues.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

i. Vance Brand Noise Abatement Program

Levi Brown stated he will be attending the Colorado Airport Operators Conference and the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) Conference. Levi stated he is hoping to attend the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) Noise Abatement Conference as well.

Levi Brown stated there will be a Front Range Noise Abatement meeting on May 29th. Levi stated for this meeting all the local flight schools have been invited.

Board Member Shook asked Levi that when he is at the Front Range Noise Abatement meeting that he suggests to the flight schools to only perform 5 touch and go at the Vance Brand airport.

7. ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

8. FINAL PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

Chairperson Jordan opened the Public Invited to be Heard.

Rick Bassier, 229 Airport Rr, Longmont; stated he will contact the Federal Aviation Administration Safety Team (FAAST) to discuss the issue of the flight school negligence.

Chad Rennicke, 907 Champion Cir, Longmont; agreed with Rick Bassier. He asked Levi to report back to the public about what happens at the Front Range Noise Abatement meeting. He also stated that the flight schools are taking advantage of the airport.

Scott Stewart, 229 Grant St, Longmont; spoke about his perspective about needing to implement landing fees.

Michelle Poole, 6024 St Vrain Rd, Longmont; requested of the board to provide a list of talking points from the Front Range Noise Abatement meeting.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak with the board, Chairperson Jordan closed Public Invited to be Heard.

9. BOARD, CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE AND/OR STAFF COMMENTS

i. Ideas for future agenda items

Board Member Dean spoke about the charging of landing fees. He spoke about how other airports have eliminated landing fees.

BOARD MEMBER MOVED DEAN, SECONDED BY VICE CHAIRPERSON MEETSER, FOR CHAIRPERSON JORDAN TO WRITE A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL TO

DISCOURAGE THE CHARGE OF LANDING FEES OR ONLY CHARGE AIRCRAFTS THAT ARE OVER 12500 POUNDS.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0.

Chairperson Jordan asked if when the public speaks to FAAST that they ask if the airport can host a training session.

Chairperson Jordan stated that there will be a Sun Dance Film Festival listening session next week. She stated she will not be able to attend but Dr.Grunsfeld will be attending.

Chairperson Jordan stated that the airshow will be pushed to 2027. She stated she is looking for leadership team members.

10. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairperson Melinda Jordan

Airport Advisory Board

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