

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**GRANITE COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025, 7:00 P.M.**  
**REMOTE MEETING – ZOOM**

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1. Call to order. - 19:03
  2. Attendance:
    - a. Airport Board Members:
      - Donovan Jones - Present
      - David Lee - Absent
      - Michael Thompson - Present
      - Dave Sanson - Absent
      - Eric Anderson - Present
      - Gary Snyder - Present
      - Benton Rooks - Present
    - b. Guests and Public:
  3. Previous Meeting's Minutes:
    - a. Board Minutes from 19FEB2025 discussion and decision
      - i. Moved to approve as is by Mike Thompson, Seconded by Eric Anderson
  4. Correspondence:
    - a. Montana and the Sky March 2025 MDT newsletter
    - b. FAA Project Contact Info
    - c. Airport Cameras
  5. Old and Ongoing Business:
    - a. Field updates

- i. Riddick Field:
      - 1. Excessive plowing this year, including the need to use a snow blower to knock down banks.
      - 2. Please keep gate closed to prevent unauthorized access
    - ii. Drummond Field:
      - 1. No Updates
  - b. Riddick Field ALP updates
    - i. Final - Signed version is available on the county website link
    - ii. This is the first step in securing FAA grant for airport safety improvements
  - c. Airport Beacon replacement updates
    - i. All beacon equipment is at the site
    - ii. NWE is scheduled to perform work in early/mid June.
  - d. DNRC Land Use Application
    - i. No response from DNRC on land use application.
  - e. 5010 Inspection Review Corrections (repaint rwy numbers, rwy light repair, rwy ID sign)
    - i. All complete except runway ID sign
    - ii. Airport address signs installed at main entrance, main gate, and hangar 1 by Benton Rooks (Thank You Benton)
  - f. Airport Board and Philipsburg Town Coordination
    - i. No new information since the Airport board last attended this meeting. Once we have the final layout of the access road and walking path, an Airport Board member will attend the meeting to present.
  - g. Review options for replacing the wood airport sign
    - i. Airport board members will independently draft a plan for replacement that will be voted on at the next meeting.
  - h. Northwestern Energy utility service relocation
    - i. Initial service expected by mid June, final overhead wreck out expected by end of summer.
- 6. New Business:
  - a. Airport cameras at Riddick Field
    - i. The Airport Board recommends the camera proposal be presented to the Commissioners. All agree that this would be a valuable safety improvement to the airport.
    - ii. Mike to check on Blackfoot internet service cost to Hangar 1
- 7. Open Floor for Public Comment.
  - a. No Public present
- 8. Schedule next regular meeting:
  - a. 16APR2025 at 19:00 via ZOOM (Third Wednesday of the month)
- 9. Adjournment. - 19:22
  - a. Moved to adjourn by Mike Thompson, seconded by Gary Snyder