

West Michigan Airport Authority

April 1, 2025, Special Meeting

MINUTES (Draft)

Call to Order: 8:00am (0800) Chair Murray called the West Michigan Airport Authority into session.

Rollcall: The following members answered the roll call: Roden, Gruppen, Dannenberg, Brandsen*, Shea (8:10am). Ex-Officio: VanBeek*, Fogg* Also present: Jennifer Orme, Kevin Ranken, Lynn McCammon*; city of Holland. Jim Storey, interim manager.

*= Remote attendance

Interview – Chair Murray called upon Ms. Orme to conduct the formal questions interview with airport manager candidate Adam Marymee. Members of the board then asked questions and Mr. Marymee asked questions of the Board. Orme asked the Board members to complete scoring sheets for Mr. Marymee and all candidates.

Public Comment: Chair Murray called for public comment. None were offered.

Recess: 8:44am The stated business of the session having been completed; Chair Murray declared a recess without objection to 4:30 p.m.

Reconvene: 4:30pm. Chair Murray declared the board back in session.

Rollcall: The following members answered the call: Brandsen, Dannenberg, Gruppen, Roden, Shea, Byrd* Ex-Officio: Fogg*
Also present, Orme, McCammon, Ranken, Storey.

Interview Chair Murray called upon Ms. Orme to conduct the formal interview with airport manager candidate Nick Biniker. Following the formal interview, the board asked additional questions, and Mr. Biniker asked the board questions. The interview ended at 5:00pm

Interview: at 5:16pm Chair Murray asked Ms. Orme to begin the formal interview with Matthew Neyens; the board members asked questions following the formal interview and Mr. Neyens asked the board questions. The interview ended at 5:47pm.

Pu0blic Comment: Chair Murray invited public comment at 5:49 pm. None were offered.

RECESS called by chair at 5:50 until 6:00pm

Reconvene: 6:00 pm (1800) The chair called the board back into session.

Roll call: Zeerip*, Brandsen, Dannenberg, Gruppen, Roden, Shea, Byrd*, Ex Officio, Fogg*.
Present also: Orme, McCammon, Rankin, Storey.

Discussion: The board discussed the candidates, deciding whom to invite for in-person interviews. **Moved** by Shea to invite Neyens and Binker for in person interviews, seconded by Dannenberg. Passed unanimously.

HES - Chair Murray brought before the board the matter of the April 12 expiring leases with HES for the tractor and snow blade retained for the winter season. Moved by Dannenberg, seconded by Brandsen to allow both leases to expire. Passed unanimously.

TT Fly-In – Storey advised plans were underway for the airport to host a Fly-In for the first Saturday of Tulip Time, May 3, 2025.

Adjournment: The business of the board having been completed, Dannenberg moved to adjourn, Gruppen seconded. Passed unanimously. 6:50pm (1850).

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Storey
Interim Airport Manager