

HARLAN AIRPORT COMMISSION – August 19, 2026

The Airport Commission meeting was held in person and offered electronically utilizing Zoom.

The Harlan Airport Commission met on Wednesday, **August 19, 2026, at 7:09 AM** at Harlan Airport.

Voting Members Present:	Scott McLaughlin, Rick Dotzler, Larry Chapman
Voting Member Absent:	Sharon Kroger
Also Present:	*Scott Pigsley, Gervas Mgonja, *Alexa Hazelton, Nathan Christensen (* indicates participating remotely)

The Commission meeting was called to order by **McLaughlin** at **7:09 AM**. It was moved by **Chapman** and seconded by **Dotzler** to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Any conflicts of interest are to be stated when applicable. None.

It was moved by **Dotzler** and seconded by **Chapman** to approve **July 15th, 2026**, meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

The financial reports for the month of **July 2026** were reviewed. It was moved by **Dotzler** and seconded by **Chapman** to approve the reports. Motion carried unanimously.

Airport Manager's August report on **July** activities was presented and filed. It was moved by **Chapman** and seconded by **Dotzler** to approve the report. Motion carried unanimously.

Business Items:

- **Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Project:** Alexa Hazelton of Kirkham Michael updated the Commission on the Airport Layout Plan (ALP) project. She reported that the project is currently under Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) review as part of the approval process. The FAA submitted several questions and requested clarification on certain items, and Alexa has provided the necessary responses and information. The City is now awaiting further communication from Junior with the FAA regarding the review outcome and whether additional information or revisions will be needed. The project will continue moving forward as the FAA completes its review and provides further direction.
- **Apron Expansion:** Nathan Christensen of Kirkham Michael updated the Airport Commission on the Apron Expansion Project. He reported that the project is substantially complete, with the two remaining aircraft tie-downs installed. Remaining work includes final site restoration, such as seeding and mulching,

along with any punch-list items needed for project closeout. Nathan noted that these items are being addressed as the project moves toward final completion.

- **Pavement Re-Hab/Crack Seal:** The Airport Commission reviewed Patriot's Choice Estimate #1212, totaling \$7,700.46, for additional runway pavement rehabilitation and crack sealing. After further inspection by the Airport Manager and a Patriot's Choice representative, several additional areas were identified as needing timely repair to keep the runway safe and serviceable. Once the work is scheduled, the airport is expected to close temporarily for approximately one week so the repairs can be completed safely and efficiently. It was moved by **McLaughlin** and seconded by **Chapman** to approve Airport Runway Pavement Repairs Estimate #1212 in the amount of \$7,700.46. Motion carried unanimously. The estimate will be forwarded to the Harlan City Council for final review and approval.
- **Discussion with Devin Messing from Arrow Energy to switch fuel providers:** Devin Messing of Arrow Energy spoke with the Airport Commission about a potential change in fuel providers for the Harlan Municipal Airport. He provided an overview of Arrow Energy's fuel services, pricing considerations, and possible benefits of using Arrow Energy as the airport's fuel provider. The Commission discussed the information presented and the potential effects of changing providers. **No formal action was taken during the meeting.** The Commission agreed to continue reviewing the matter before making any recommendation or decision.
- **Review Fuel Sale:** Airport Manager Scott Pigsley updated the Airport Commission on current fuel inventory levels for 100LL and Jet A, noting that inventory continues to fluctuate with usage and deliveries. Mr. Pigsley will continue monitoring inventory and market pricing to help keep the airport competitive. The Commission also reviewed Harlan Municipal Airport's current fuel pricing method. Harlan's fuel prices remain below those at Omaha airport, but slightly higher than some surrounding airports. After discussion, the Commission agreed to keep current fuel prices in place for another month. Fuel pricing and market conditions will be reviewed again at the next Airport Commission meeting, when the Commission may consider whether adjustments are needed.
- **Review Hangar Summary, Seniority & Compliance:** The Commission discussed the need to consistently enforce hangar lease requirements, including verifying that aircraft stored in City-owned hangars have a current annual inspection. The Commission agreed that written notices, with email copies, will

be sent to affected hangar renters explaining their compliance options. Renters must either provide documentation of the current annual aircraft inspection, pay the applicable higher rental rate for non-compliant storage, or terminate their hangar lease in accordance with City requirements. City Staff will follow up with affected renters to collect the required documentation and monitor ongoing compliance.

- **Camera Discussion: Airport Security Camera System Update:** Airport Manager Scott Pigsley updated the Airport Commission on the airport security camera system. He reported that the cameras were fully installed and operational as of July 20, 2026. The system is now functioning and provides additional security and monitoring for airport property. The Commission acknowledged the update.

Other Business:

None

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, **September 23rd, 2026**, at 7:00 AM at Harlan Airport (also offered via ZOOM). There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at **8:15 AM**.

Gervas Mgonja, Recording Secretary

These minutes are as recorded by the secretary and are subject to Commission approval at the next regular meeting.