



AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

Thursday, May 21, 2026 at 8:00 AM

Owatonna Degner Regional Airport

James Keltgen Commissioner

Greg Krueger Commissioner

Justin Lindee Chairman

Angie Lipelt Commissioner

Paula Snitker Commissioner

Sharon West Commissioner

Matt Thurnau Vice Chairman

Dave Beaver Airport Manager

1. Airport Commission Agenda

1.a. Agenda

2. Call to Order

3. Roll Call

4. Approval of Agenda

5. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

5.a. Approve Minutes

6. Action Items

6.a. Chair Reports

6.b. Staff Reports

6.c. 2026 Project Updates

7. Adjournment



**8:00 AM, May 21, 2026 - Charles S. Crandall Center at City Hall
540 West Hills Circle, Owatonna, MN**

AIRPORT COMMISSION:

Madeleine Haberman	Commissioner
Greg Krueger	Commissioner
Anthony Louris	Vice Chair
Tim McManimon	Commissioner
Dave Purscell	Commissioner
Daren Tarpenning	Commissioner
Matt Thurnau	Chair
Dave Beaver	Airport Manager

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Minutes Approval of the Apr. 16, 2026 Airport Commission meeting minutes.
5. Action Items
 - a. Chair Reports
 - b. Staff Reports
 - c. 2026 Project Updates
6. Adjournment

AIRPORT COMMISSION MEMBERS RSVP, IF YOU WILL NOT BE ATTENDING (774-7141)

Airport Commission Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2026 – Charles S. Crandall Center – Meeting Room, City Hall
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1. Call to Order

Chair Thurnau called the meeting of the Airport Commission to order at 8:00 am.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Attending

Madeleine Haberman	Commissioner
Greg Krueger	Commissioner
Anthony Louris	Vice Chair
Tim McManimon	Commissioner
Dave Purscell	Commissioner
Daren Tarpenning	Commissioner
Matt Thurnau	Chair

Commissioners Absent

None

Staff Attending

Dave Beaver	Airport Manager
Kristen Kopp	Senior Administrative Technician

Visitors Attendings

Don McCann	City Council
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3. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Haberman made a motion to approve the agenda and Commissioner Tarpenning seconded the motion. All Commissioners voting Aye, the motion carried.

4. Minutes

Commissioner Purscell made a motion to approve the minutes from March 19, 2026, Airport Commission meeting and Commissioner Haberman seconded the motion. All Commissioners voting Aye, the motion carried.

5. Action Items

Chair Reports

None

Staff Reports

Airport Manager Beaver reported on monthly fuel numbers. Beaver reported on activities including Accelerated Aviation flight training activities. Staff are changing equipment over from winter to spring / summer. Work is also being completed on grant closeouts for the dome hangar roof replacement and security fencing projects.

2026 Projects Update

Beaver reported that the Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) is scheduled to be moved to a different location on the airport. This is a MnDOT Aeronautics sponsored project. Beaver presented the layout showing the planned relocation site. The new site should not interfere with any existing or future building area. Beaver provided an update on the proposed apron reconstruction project and presented a drawing indicating potential design alternatives for the layout. Staff are working with the airport engineer, SEH, Inc. to review alternatives and funding eligibility for different aspects of this work. Beaver explained that the initial FAA discussions have included concerns regarding taxilane connector positioning to the main parking apron. There was a discussion regarding the initial apron layout alternatives.

Beaver reminded the Commissioners that the Civil Air Patrol Fly-In Breakfast is May 17. Don McCann said that the Council approved the Event Permit in Consent Agenda at the April 7 meeting. Commissioner Tarpenning said that he did not recall seeing a final review of the application. Beaver said he will look into it, make sure that the Commissioners receive a copy and if they have any comments to submit them electronically. Beaver reported that the airport farmland leases discussed at the previous meeting have been approved by Council. There is still one small parcel being reviewed with the existing renter. Dave gave an update on the fuel card reader and said it should be installed before June. The parking lot and taxilane project is still on schedule to start the day after the Fly-In Breakfast, on May 18. This is expected to be an 18-working day project.

6. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.