

AIRPORT MEMO

To: Chester County Area Airport Authority (CCAAA) Members

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Subject: Airport Hot Topics

For your review, below is a listing of issues affecting the Chester County/G.O. Carlson Airport (MQS).

NEW BUSINESS

Airport Vehicles: On February 25th, the Ford Explorer and Dodge 1500, were driven to Stottsville Automotive, for maintenance and to get their annual vehicle state inspections.

Automated Weather and Observation System (AWOS) Radio Transmitter License: On March 5th, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) received clarification from Airport Maintenance/Safety Supervisor Doug Eadline, on the location and height of MQS's AWOS antenna. The FCC needed that information in order to renew this license.

Dodge Truck: On March 11th, the drive shaft was replaced on this vehicle.

Drive-thru-Gate: On March 11th, the Aviation Way drive-thru-gate was re-programmed to close at 12:00 am and open at 4:45 am.

Deer Repellers: On March 11th, the batteries were checked on all of the deer repellers.

Maintenance Workshop: In preparation for doing concrete repair work on the Hangar # 2 stairs, Airport Maintenance Repairer Paul Hackman, attended a Concrete Repair Workshop in Oaks, PA on March 12th.

Airfield Sign: On March 13th, the Taxiway Alpha Directional sign located near the approach end of Runway 11, was repaired.

Gate Controller: On March 16th, four angle irons were installed on the apron gate controller cover. The angle irons will enable the cover to securely fit on the controller without tipping to one side.

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Training Workshop: March 16th – 20th, Doug Eadline attended an OSHA workshop in Willow Street, PA. The topics covered in the workshop consisted of, 1) Why OSHA is important to workers, 2) Workers rights under OSHA, 3) Employer responsibilities under OSHA, 4) The use of OSHA standards, 5) How OSHA inspections are conducted and 6) Utilizing helpful worker safety and health resources.

Pedestrian Gate: On March 20th, the Cypher lock on the Hangar #3 pedestrian gate was replaced.

Dodge Truck: On March 23rd, a windshield wiper motor was replaced on this vehicle.

Airfield Sign Removed: On March 23rd, the Runway 29 Instrument Landing System Hold Short sign was removed, when it was determined that the sign does not serve any functional purpose.

AWOS Inspection: On March 24th, Stanwyck Avionics came to MQS to perform the Federal Aviation Administration required Quarterly Inspection on this system.

Roundtable Discussion: On March 25th, Doug Eadline accompanied me to a Risk Mitigation and Workplace Safety Roundtable Discussion, that was hosted by the Chester County Economic Development Council. The topics covered in this roundtable discussion consisted of, 1) Workman's compensation fraud, 2) Preventing falls, 3) Driving Safely and 4) Protecting company assets from internal and external cyber intrusion.

CCAAA Employee Lunch: As a show of gratitude by myself and the CCAAA Board members, on March 27th, I treated all four maintenance crew members to a nice lunch at "Harry's" restaurant, for the great job they did this past winter, regarding snow removal operations. At the conclusion of the winter season, a total of 19 Events (snow removal operations) were conducted by CCAAA management/maintenance crew personnel.

CCAAA Office: On March 30th, CCAAA maintenance personnel completed the installation of new ceiling tiles in that office.

Wildlife Permit: On March 30th, the CCAAA received its new Federal Fish and Wildlife Permit from the Department of the Interior.

Vista Today: On March 31st, Robert Ciszewski (General Manager – Landmark Aviation) and I, met with Ken Knickerbocker (Publisher – Vista Today), to discuss how Vista Today can help promote MQS and Landmark Aviation. Vista Today is an electronic magazine (website) that is associated with the Chester County Economic Development Council.

Airport Parking Lot: On March 31st, the potholes in the airport parking lot that provides vehicle parking for airport maintenance personnel and Sikorsky Global Helicopter employees (Hangar #3), were filled in with cold patch.

OLD BUSINESS

Terminal Building Ceiling Tiles: On March 17th, the Terminal Building Ceiling Installation Project was completed.

Terminal Building Bathrooms: On March 26th, the Phase I Terminal Building Bathrooms Project was completed. The work done on this project consisted of, 1) Installing ceiling tiles, 2) Cleaning the floor tiles, 3) Painting stalls/door trims and 4) Installing stall protectors.

