

AIRPORT MEMO

To: Chester County/G.O. Carlson Airport (MQS) Tenants

From: Gary L. Hudson, Airport Manager

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Subject: Airport Manager's Quarterly Report (fourth quarter), 2014

The following list below, is a description of airport issues and improvements that have taken place during Chester County/G.O. Carlson Airport's (MQS) Fourth Quarter (October 1st thru December 31st, 2014)

OCTOBER

- * **Airport Tour:** On August 27th, I gave Mark Rupsis, who is the Chief Operating Officer for Chester County, a tour of the airport.
- * **Runway 11-29 Repair Work:** From August 27th at 10:00 pm, until August 28th at 6:00 am, a section of pavement (heaving) was repaired on the runway.
- * **Runway Weed Killing Project:** On August 27th, weed killer was sprayed on weeds growing up from cracks in the runway pavement.
- * **Marker Installed:** On August 27th, a North Point Marker was installed near the Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS) weathervane.
- * **Aviation & Aerospace Conference:** September 22nd -24th, I attended the 34th Annual Aviation & Aerospace Conference in Bedford, PA. The sessions that I attended discussed, 1) Airport Economic Impact Development, 2) Airport Approaches and Obstructions and 3) Pennsylvania Act 89 – Multimodal Transportation Funding. I also was able to visit the Flight 93, National Memorial site.
- * **Emergency Generator:** On September 2nd, the Automatic switch on the emergency generator was repaired.
- * **AWOS:** On September 2nd, the Temperature and Dew Point Sensors were replaced on the AWOS.
- * **AWOS Inspection:** On September 2nd, a representative from the FAA came to the airport to perform an annual inspection on the AWOS. There were no problems with the system.
- * **Tree Removal:** On September 19th, trees on the south side of the airport were cut down, when it was discovered that some of the branches were overhanging on a residents property.

- * **Sewer Lift Station:** On September 22nd, a pump was replaced on the Sewer Lift Station.
- * **Gate Replaced:** On September 30th, the apron drive-thru gate was replaced.
- * **Airfield Windssock:** On October 2nd, a lot bulb was replaced on the airfield windssock.
- * **Roof Replacement Project:** On August 28th, the Terminal Roof Replacement Project was finally completed.
- * **T-Hangar Repair:** On September 4th, a section of sheet metal was replaced on T-Hangar D.
- * **Doors Repaired:** On September 29th, the two steel bilcow doors located in front of Hangar 9A, were reinforced and replaced.
- * **Storm Water Drain Project:** This project is still in progress.

NOVEMBER

- * **Fall Flying Festival:** On October 4th, the Chester County Area Airport Authority (CCAAA) and the Chester County Airport Pilots and Tenants Association, joined forces and hosted their second Fall Flying Festival. The purpose of the event was to support and promote the Community Outreach and Aviation Education programs established by the CCAAA's community outreach initiative. The event was open to the public (free admission) and provided activities that consisted of a Car and Motorcycle Show; Aircraft and Vehicle Static Displays; Food Vendor Booths; Airplane and Monster Truck Rides; Fly Bys and Flight Demonstrations.
- * **Sewer Lift Station:** On October 2nd and 8th, M & S Service Company, Inc. performed a Preventative Maintenance Inspection and a service call (replaced a pump), on the sewer lift station.
- * **Right-of-Way Tree Clearing Project:** On October 10th, "Authority" maintenance personnel cleared trees and overhanging branches that were blocking the electrical wires Right-of-Way, which provides power to the T-Hangars. PECO was also called, to replace a transformer.
- * **Airfield Sign Repaired:** On October 14th, bulbs and sockets were replaced on the Taxiway Alpha Directional (Terminal) sign. On October 28th, a bulb was replaced on the Taxiway Alpha Directional Sign.
- * **Snow Removal Equipment:** On October 15th, airport maintenance personnel started servicing MQS's snow removal equipment, in preparation for the 2014 -2015 winter season.
- * **Airport Four Year Planning Session:** On October 16th, Dave Jones and I met with PENNDOT – BOA representatives, to discuss airport projects at MQS for the next four years. The meeting was held at Capital City Airport.
- * **FCC License Renewal:** On October 27th, I submitted an application for the renewal of MQS's Call Sign **KD53008**. This radio license is for the transmitter that sends information to the airport's Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS). The license is scheduled to expire on January 24, 2015 and will be renewed for 10 years.

- * **Parking Light Repaired:** On October 28th, a transformer was replaced on the Short Term Parking Lot light.
- * **Flagpole Light Repaired:** On October 28th, a bulb was replaced on this light.
- * **Washington Lane Task Force Meeting:** On October 22nd, Al Koenig, Paul McMinn, Dave Jones and I, attended the third Washington Lane Task Force Meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to get an update regarding the proposed underpass construction project.
- * **Storm Drain Project:** This project is still in progress.

DECEMBER

- * **Building Secured:** On November 3rd, the fence surrounding the storage shed on the South side of the airport, has been repaired and secured. This building will be used to store the airport's summer equipment for the winter.
- * **Roof Repaired:** On November 3rd, the room and wall inside the barrel roof barn, located on the South side of the airport, were repaired. This building will be used to store the airport's vehicle trailer and small dump truck, for the winter.
- * **Light Bulb Replaced:** On November 4th, the light bulb was replaced on the airport rotating beacon.
- * **Absorbent Booms Installed:** On November 5th, absorbent booms were installed on the top of the terminal building, in order to prevent grease generated from the restaurant exhaust vent, from getting on the newly installed roof material.
- * **Doors Painted:** On November 10th, the wall panels on T-Hangars A, C, D and F, were painted.
- * **Snow Blower Repaired:** On November 18th, a new fuel pump was installed on the snow blower.
- * **Deer Repellers:** On November 19th, deer repellers were set up on the South side of the airport, to try and prevent deer from coming near and/or accessing the runway. This has become a problem, due to deer being more active and aggressive because of the deer mating season, which runs October thru the end of November.
- * **Hold Short Sign:** On November 25th, a light bulb was replaced on the Runway 29 Hold Short sign.
- * **Terminal Building HVAC Units:** On November 25th, a representative from Brubaker, Inc., performed Preventive Maintenance on the Terminal Building HVAC units.
- * **Storm Water Drain Project:** This project has stopped and will start up again next spring.

