

RESOLUTION #2025-0106A
PETITIONING THE SECRETARY OF
TRANSPORTATION FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT
AID

Town Board of La Pointe
Ashland County,
Wisconsin

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin hereinafter referred to as the sponsor, being a municipal body corporate of the State of Wisconsin, is authorized by Wis. Stat. §114.11, to acquire, establish, construct, own, control, lease, equip, improve, maintain, and operate an airport, and

WHEREAS, the sponsor desires to develop or improve the Major Gilbert Field, Ashland County, WI

"PETITION FOR AIRPORT PROJECT"

WHEREAS, the foregoing proposal for airport improvements has been referred to the town plan commission for its consideration and report prior to Town Board action as required by Wis. Stat. §62.23(5), and

WHEREAS, airport users have been consulted in formulation of the improvements included in this resolution, and WHEREAS, a public hearing was held prior to the adoption of this petition in accordance with Wis.Stat. § 114.33(2) as amended, and a transcript of the hearing is transmitted with this petition, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the sponsor that a petition for federal and (or) state aid in the following form is hereby approved:

The petitioner, desiring to sponsor an airport development project with federal and state aid or state aid only, in accordance with the applicable state and federal laws, respectfully represents and states:

1. That the airport, which it is desired to develop, should generally conform to the requirements for a Small General Aviation type airport as defined by the Federal Aviation Administration.
2. The character, extent, and kind of improvements desired under the project are as follows: Acquire Snow Removal Equipment; clear and maintain runway approaches as stated in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, and any necessary related work.
3. That the airport project, which your petitioner desires to sponsor, is necessary for the following reasons: to meet the existing and future needs of the airport.

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the improvements petitioned for as listed will be funded individually or collectively as funds are available, with specific project costs to be approved as work is authorized, the proportionate cost of the airport development projects described above which are to be paid by the sponsor to the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (hereinafter referred to as the Secretary) to be held in trust for the purposes of the project; any unneeded and unspent balance after the project is completed is to be returned to the sponsor by the Secretary; the sponsor will make available any additional monies that may be found necessary, upon request of the Secretary, to complete the project as described above; the Secretary shall have the right to suspend or discontinue the project at any time additional monies are found to be necessary by the Secretary, and the sponsor does not provide the same; in the event the sponsor unilaterally terminates the project, all reasonable federal and state expenditures related to the project shall be paid by the sponsor; and

WHEREAS, the sponsor is required by Wis. Stat. § 114.32(5) to designate the Secretary as its agent to accept, receive, receipt for and disburse any funds granted by the United States under the Federal Airport and Airway Improvement Act, and is authorized by law to designate the Secretary as its agent for other purposes.

"DESIGNATION OF SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION AS SPONSOR'S AGENT"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the sponsor that the Secretary is hereby designated as its agent and is requested to agree to act as such, in matters relating to the airport development project described above, and is hereby authorized as its agent to make all arrangements for the development and final acceptance of the completed project whether by contract, agreement, force account or otherwise; and particularly, to accept, receive, receipt for and disburse federal monies or other monies, either public or private, for the acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance and operation of the airport; and, to acquire property or interests in property by purchase, gift, lease, or eminent domain under Wis. Stat. §32 .02; and, to supervise the work of any engineer, appraiser, negotiator, contractor or other person employed by the Secretary; and, to execute any assurances or other documents required or requested by any agency of the federal government and to comply with all federal and state laws, rules, and regulations relating to airport development projects.

FURTHER, the sponsor requests that the Secretary provide, per Wis. Stat. §114.33(8)(a), that the sponsor may acquire certain parts of the required land or interests in land that the Secretary shall find necessary to complete the aforesaid project.

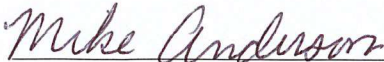
AIRPORT OWNER ASSURANCES"


AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sponsor agrees to maintain and operate the airport in accordance with certain conditions established in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, or in accordance with sponsor assurances enumerated in a federal grant agreement.

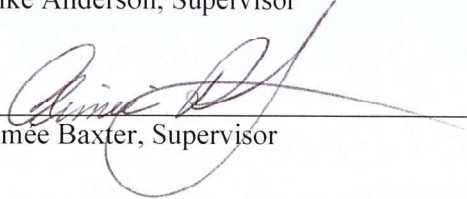
AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE Town Chair, Glenn Carlson and Town Clerk, Alex Smith be authorized to sign and execute the agency agreement and federal block grant owner assurances authorized by this resolution.


Glenn Carlson, Chair

Sue Brenna, Supervisor


Mike Anderson, Supervisor


Samantha Dobson, Supervisor


Aimée Baxter, Supervisor

CERTIFICATION

I, Alex Smith, Town Clerk of the Town of La Pointe, Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of a resolution introduced at a Special Town Board Meeting on January 6th, 2025, adopted by a majority vote, and recorded in the minutes of said meeting.



Clerk

**AGENCY AGREEMENT AND
FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT OWNER ASSURANCES**

**Department of Transportation
Bureau of Aeronautics
Madison, Wisconsin**

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin, hereinafter referred to as the sponsor, desires to sponsor an airport development project to be constructed with federal aid and/or state aid, specifically, the Major Gilbert Field Airport project to:

Acquire Snow Removal Equipment; clear and maintain runway approaches as stated in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55; and any necessary related work.

WHEREAS, the sponsor adopted a resolution on January 6th, 2025, a copy of which is attached and the prescribed terms and conditions of which are fully incorporated into this agreement, designating the Secretary as its agent and requesting the Secretary to act as such as set forth in the resolution, and agreeing to maintain and operate the airport in accordance with certain conditions; and

AGENCY AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, upon such request, the Secretary is authorized by law to act as agent for the sponsor until financial closing of this project;

NOW THEREFORE, the sponsor and the Secretary do mutually agree that the Secretary shall act as the sponsor's agent in the matter of the airport development as provided by law and as set forth in the referenced resolution; provided, however, that the Secretary is not required to provide legal services to the sponsor.

By: SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

David M. Greene, Director (Date)
Bureau of Aeronautics

FEDERAL BLOCK GRANT OWNER ASSURANCES

WHEREAS, the sponsor does agree to the conditions established in Wis. Admin. Code Trans §55, and for projects receiving federal aid, to the attached federal sponsor assurances, which are a condition of a federal grant of funds.

The federal block grant owner assurances shall remain in full force and effect throughout the useful life of the facilities developed under this project, but in any event not to exceed twenty (20) years from the date of the finding (except for land projects, which shall run in perpetuity);

Acceptance: The sponsor does hereby accept the agency agreement and the federal block grant owner assurances.

Sponsor: The Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin

Cheryl Carlson
Name
Town Board Chair
Title
JAN. 6, 2025
Date

Alex Smith
Name
Town Clerk
Title
Jan 6th, 2025
Date

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