



Airport News

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Town Hall Meeting July 15th

Pilots, hangar owners and anyone interested in safety at our airport will gather from 7 - 9 PM on Tuesday, the 15th in a 'town hall' format in the Hubler Terminal building on Linden to talk about what's going well and what we can work on improving.

Our topics will include: ground operations; our growing aircraft mix; traffic patterns; CTAF use and congestion. Time permitting we'll cover other things that arise during the discussion. Please join in the discussion of how we can make best use of our airport.

AIP Project Sample Drilling

The transient ramp, which is generally the big open area out in front of the Café building, is some of the oldest asphalt on our field. Due to its age and condition, it is slated for rehabilitation under the FAA maintenance grant program called the Airport Improvement Program during the summer of 2016. This summer, the engineering and design work will be completed so we will know exactly how to properly specify what we need when it comes time to bid the project. The first step is to bore through the existing surface and evaluate the condition of the base material.

A drilling crew will be boring five sample holes on the transient ramp on Wednesday, July 9th, beginning early in the morning. Both fixed and rotary wing operations should be able to proceed more-or-less normally by just avoiding the drilling trucks and people as they work at the five different drill sites in turn.

Safety Focus

- **Tracking gravel**

Cutting corners and driving off the taxi lanes "tracks" both dirt and gravel onto the pavement, especially when it's wet. Use some common sense and keep this preventable problem from turning into expensive prop damage for an aircraft.

- **Dumpster [Mis-] Use**

Private hangar owners and renters are welcome to use the city's dumpsters near gate #4 for small amounts of trash and recyclables – beyond that, please kick on your common sense and realize that it's definitely not appropriate to place large items into the dumpsters.

- **Red Zone Driving**

Despite the improving weather, our airport's "Red Zone" remains off-limits to all ground vehicles unless approved by the airport manager on a case-by-case basis. The only routine exception to this policy is for the Silverhawk fuel trucks which have approval to move through the Red Zone as needed to provide fuel.

I recently spoke in person to a hangar owner who was permitting a young child to ride a recumbent bike on the taxiway while he flew. Even from my pickup, the child was so difficult to see that he was in grave danger from almost any of our aircraft – since pilots often cannot clearly see unexpected obstructions close to them on the taxiway. Pilots escorting visiting animals and people must monitor them carefully while they're on the field to prevent a tragedy.



Have a Safe
& Happy
Independence
Day!!!

Past Due Charge on Hangar Bill

Our hangar lease agreements provide a penalty for missing the annual payment. In recent years this penalty has not been applied to overdue accounts. Going forward, as our accounting controls continue to improve, we will be applying past due charges to overdue lease accounts. As always, this provision will not apply to accounts that are paid by the annual due date.