

# CRV REGIONAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

## Regional Planning Committee Agenda

April 19, 2023; 5:00 – 6:00pm Gulkana Fuel Pilot Lounge

- I. Call to Order: By Bruce C. 5:12pm
- II. Roll Call:
  - a. RPO Members Present: Bruce Cain - CV Chamber of Commerce; Joe Bovee – Ahtna; Judy Chapman – DOT&PF; Martin Boniek - Copper Valley Air; Jennifer Rosenthal – CVDA (non-voting); Asa Brewi – CVDA (non-voting); Joe Kemp -DOT&PF (non-voting)
  - b. RPO Members Absent: Jerry Lesemann – Crowley; Terry Valentine – CVDA; Gary Schliesing – Glenn Transport/Gulkana Fuel
  - c. Guests: Tom Middendorf – DOWL
- III. Approval of Agenda: ***Motion to approve the agenda by Martin Boniek, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Bovee, motion passed.***
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes: ***Motion to approve the 3.15.23 by Martin Boniek, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Bovee, motion passed.***
- V. Discussion:
  - a. Bruce reviewed the provided a summary and reviewed the process that occurred to deliver the DRAFT CRV-RPO Operating Agreement and the process for ratifying the agreement. Discussion followed, the CRV-RPO Committee will vote to ratify the agreement, if that motion passes to adopt the Operating Agreement it moves to the CVDA Board for vote. The document should be re-formatted for easier reference to sections. ***Motion to adopt the CRV-RPO Operating agreement by Martin Boniek, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Bovee, motion passed.*** Jen will reformat the document and send it to the CVDA Board for a vote at the next their board meeting on Wednesday 4/26/23.
  - b. Jennifer resigned as the committee Secretary, she is not a voting member, and the position needs to be held by a voting member. Joe B. nominated Martin B. for Secretary, Martin accepted, ***no objections, Martin B is the secretary.***
- VI. Reports:
  - a. Judy and Tom presented the Draft ALP for Gulkana, the plans show options for short- and long-term development of the airport. Discussion followed, questions and clarification around the details of the plan, runway lengths, float pond locations lengths, final lease lots, safety, timing, process etc. A second public meeting is scheduled for Thursday 5/18, Copper Valley Air will host. All attendees from the previous meeting will receive and invite as well as public notifications on KCAM, the Local paper and on the website. The directive is to have a final ALP approved by the FAA in August.
  - b. It was brought to everyone’s attention that the DNR Copper Basin Area Plan is in the public comments phase, and we should be looked at this as it relates to the airport. Judy submitted comments as to the DOT&PF’s interest in the area around Dry Creek and possible airport extension, as well as airports listed as owned by BLM in the DRAFT Plan when they are actually owned by DOT&PF, this has been an ongoing dispute for certain airports that exist within the park. The comment period has been extended to June 12, 2023. The plan and the comment forms can be found here <https://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/planning/areaplans/crbapr/>
  - c. Jennifer reported the CVDA submitted Grant requests with the Denali Commission for RPO Planning Funding and a Rural Food HUB to be located at GKN. An appropriations request for Congressional Discretionary Spending for the First Responders Hangar was submitted through Senator Murkowski’s office.
  - d. Judy noted that the DOT&PF will be conducting Interior Alaska Transportation Plan in Glennallen, she will notify the CRV-RPO the date once that is confirmed.
- VII. Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 18, 2023, 5pm Copper Valley Air at GKN Airport
- VIII. Adjournment: 6:32 ***Motion to adjourn by Martin Boniek, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judy Chapman, motion passed***