June 26, 2024 – Airport Meeting
Town of Bashaw

Agenda

1. Introductions
   (circulate sign in sheet)

2. Review May 7, 2024, Meeting Minutes

3. Commentary on the meeting minutes. It is great to keep the facility, however where are the volunteers, and funds going to come from?

4. Discussion on ways to cover operating costs, vs Bashaw Taxpayers paying for it.

5. Ramifications of closure

6. Continued Airport Operations – How to proceed?

7. Next meeting date – if required.

8. Adjourn

May 7, 2024 – Airport Meeting Minutes
Town of Bashaw

	AIRPORT			
1-33-00-560-00	Hay Revenue - Airport	-1,360.59	-1,360.59	-1,360.59
1-33-00-561-00	Airport Hangar Lease	-800.00	-800.00	-800.00
		-2,160.59	-2,160.59	-2,160.59

	AIRPORT			
2-33-00-250-00	Airport Repairs & Maintenance	$40.47	200.00	2,000.00
2-33-00-274-00	Insurance	$2,871.80	2,871.80	2,814.56
2-33-00-520-00	Parts & Supplies	$1,445.38	1,800.00	1,500.00
2-33-00-540-50	Campus Energy Power	$665.37	1,200.00	700.00
		$5,023.02	6,071.80	7,014.56

Minutes.

1. Introductions – In Attendance
   Mayor Rob McDonald, CAO Theresa Fuller, Yvonne King, and Doug Hunt.

2. Financial information
   2023 – Deficit offset by taxes = $ 2, 862.43
   2024 – Deficit offset by taxes = $4, 853.97
   This does not include the cost of cutting grass, and snow clearing in the winter.
   Grass cutting – takes 16 hours at least once per month during summer months.
   Snow removal – depends on how much snow – typically 1 – 2 times per winter.

3. Vandalism – the Building has sustained damage.
   Ideas for discrete places, for access to the door code.
   Using the radio frequency for the door code was suggested.

4. Viability? Are you willing to pay more for your hangar land rental?
   Flight Schools use the runway for "touch and go", therefore the book is not signed. The book is how the town tracks the use of the runway.

   Terminal: Recommendation to shut the water, heat, and power off to reduce expenses.

5. Possible solutions?
   Comments Shared:
   - Flyin Breakfast to generate revenue to offset expenses.
   - Flight schools use it for practise.
   - It is a great strip; it is wide and long.
   - Host a public meeting to discuss the interest in the continued functionality of the Terminal and runway.
   - Set up photo eye to track touch downs.
   - Encourage a flight school to take it on
   - Fund raise for operations.

- Host something in conjunction with Hometown days.

6. Next steps?
   Wednesday, June 26, 2024 – 7:00 pm at the Town of Bashaw Council Chambers. Public Meeting, RSVPs encouraged.
   Zoom link to be provided.

   Town of Bashaw is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

   Topic: Town of Bashaw Airport Public meeting
   Time: Jun 26, 2024, 07:00 PM Edmonton

   Join Zoom Meeting
   https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82425907506?pwd=6X9wMkUKppH8jJF1vlB4nneU24RzwT.1

   Meeting ID: 824 2590 7506
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   Find your local number: https://us06web.zoom.us/u/kdQkMuupwW

7. Adjourn – Is another meeting required?
   Adjourned at 6:41 pm.

CAO

From: Roch Currier <rochcurrier22@gmail.com>
Sent: June 16, 2024 5:32 PM
To: CAO
Cc: Roch Currier
Subject: CKF2 possible closure

Dear Town Council Members,

I am writing to you today as a concerned central Alberta aviator regarding the future of Bashaw town's airport, CFK2. This small but vital airport has been a tremendous asset to central Alberta general aviations new and veteran pilots alike for many years and I urge you to make every effort to keep it open and operational.

As someone who has utilized CFK2 many many times in the past 10-12 years and continues to for recreational flying , tie-down Over night when I owned a Braseth Beach cabin, practicing circuits , landings and take offs on your well maintained grass air strip . I have seen firsthand how valuable this airport is, from aircraft landings when in an emergency situation to practicing take offs and landings as well as airport procedures to hone their skills .
Most of these pilots and airplanes are visiting from surrounding airports and we all appreciate this small but important airport.
CKF2 has been a part of Bashaws identity in the aviation world in Alberta for many years!
While I understand the financial constraints the town faces, I firmly believe that closing CFK2 would be a huge loss for Bashaw and the general aviation world!
Thank you for your time and consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,
Roch Currier (pilot)
Ponoka Airport Manager
780-984-6296
rochcurrier22@gmail.com
Sent from my iPhone

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CAO

From: Tim Mastel-Marr <tmastelmarr@shaw.ca>
Sent: June 24, 2024 9:49 AM
To: CAO
Subject: Airport Closure...

Hi Theresa,
I am a recently certified new pilot with property out on the lake at Brash Beach. I am in the market for an airplane and hanger space and am hoping to locate my airplane at the Bashaw airstrip.
I trained in Wetaskwin and flew over Bashaw and Buffalo lake many times during my training with the intent of soon being able to continue my flying activities out of Bashaw's airstrip.
It's a convenient location and well taken care of by the town.
I would be interested in supporting the cost of maintenance through reasonable use fees or increased hanger taxes if it would help keep the strip.
I would also like to suggest there may be additional uses for the area for things like a midway, car "show and shine" events, farmer's markets or other similar events (not directly on the strip but on the adjacent property). Other strips host "fly-in's" for pancake breakfasts throughout the year, even in the winter... possibly an event like this would increase awareness, usage and help generate additional revenue. A very popular fly-in event is to land on the ice at Lac LaBiche in early winter.
I would also be interested in volunteering to support the maintenance of the strip if that would help? I can drive a mower, do weed whacking, building maintenance, drive maintenance vehicles, etc...
It would be a shame to lose the strip, its value is much greater than the annual cost even though that might be hard to recognize at times.
Thank you, If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.
Timothy Mastel-Marr
(587)990-9534

To whom it may concern,

It has been brought to my attention that there has been talk of shutting down the Bashaw Airfield.

There are a lot of pilots that use runway 10/28 for practicing landings and takeoffs. I have been using the strip since 2015 at least twice a month and I know several other pilots who do the same. The alignment of the runway makes for great crosswind training and the grass strip is long, wide and forgiving, especially if you fly a taildragger.

I have not been going into the clubhouse and signing in, as I usually fly four circuits and leave; hot starting my aircraft after a shutdown can be a bit tricky.

I usually fly from Red Deer to Bashaw then on to Rimbey and Hespero for more touch and goes. About two hours of practice time away from the busy airports and more importantly for me, on grass or snow.

To get a more accurate number of airfield uses you may want to circulate an email request to local flying clubs and offer their members an option of emailing annual visits. I do this for the Red Deer Flying Club every year when I report my flights and landings at Ram Falls.

If you have a local club, I would gladly join and pay dues to offset field maintenance. It would be a real shame to lose this very special field.

Sincerely,



Mike Truant

Pilot: Mike Truant

Bushwheels or skis

From Log Book

Aircraft: 8GCBC (ACA Scout) C-FMTN

2015 CRD6 HOME			
MAY 23	BASHAW	6	TOUCH & GO'S
JULY 04	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
AUG. 08	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
NOV. 28	BASHAW	5	TOUCH & GO'S
DEC. 05	BASHAW	5	TOUCH & GO'S
2016			
JAN. 30	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
FEB. 25	BASHAW	5	TOUCH & GO'S
MAR. 01	BASHAW	5	TOUCH & GO'S
APR. 16	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
MAY 01	BASHAW	2	TOUCH & GO'S
MAY 14	BASHAW	7	TOUCH & GO'S
2016	**AIRCRAFT – 2016 DENAIL 8GCBC (ACA SCOUT) C-FMTN**		
AUG. 19	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
AUG. 26	BASHAW	2	TOUCH & GO'S
SEPT. 07	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
SEPT. 25	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
DEC. 20	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
DEC. 29	BASHAW	2	SNOW TOUCH & GO'S
2017			
JAN. 20	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
FEB. 03	BASHAW	2	TOUCH & GO'S
FEB. 11	BASHAW	2	TOUCH & GO'S
MAR. 17	BASHAW	1	TOUCH & GO'S
MAR. 25	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
MAR. 26	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
APR. 06	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
APR. 16	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
APR. 29	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
MAY 04	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
MAY 27	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
JULY 15	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
AUG. 25	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
AUG. 26	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S

SEPT. 02	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
SEPT. 10	BASHAW	2	TOUCH & GO'S
OCT. 09	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
NOV. 25	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
DEC. 08	BASHAW	6	TOUCH & GO'S
DEC. 16	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
2018			
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JUNE 17	BASHAW	5	TOUCH & GO'S
JUNE 24	BASHAW	2	TOUCH & GO'S
JULY 02	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
JULY 20	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
AUG. 06	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
AUG. 31	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
OCT. 26	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
DEC. 22	BASHAW	4	TOUCH & GO'S
DEC. 28	BASHAW	5	TOUCH & GO'S
2019			
JAN. 11	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
JAN. 20	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
MAR. 13	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S
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2020			
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APR. 11	BASHAW	3	TOUCH & GO'S

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2021			
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Rimbey and Hespero are usually include in my Bashaw trifecta.

Lakes added in for more landings

Winter Months:

- Buffalo Lake

- Gull Lake

- Sylvan Lake

- Buck Lake

- Pine Lake

Skis or bush wheels