

**KENAI AIRPORT COMMISSION – REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.
KENAI CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
210 FIDALGO AVE., KENAI, AK 99611
CHAIR GLENDA FEEKEN, PRESIDING**

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Airport Commission was held on February 12, 2026, in the Kenai City Council Chambers, Kenai, AK. Chair Feeken called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Feeken led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

There were present:

Glenda Feeken, Chair	Paul Minelga, Vice Chair
Scott Bremmer	Cody Whicker
Dan Knesek (<i>remote participation</i>)	James Zirul

A quorum was present.

Absent:

James Bielefeld

Also in attendance were:

Mary Bondurant, Interim Airport Manager
Julie Semmens, Airport Administrative Assistant
Victoria Askin, City Council Liaison
Kevin Buettner, Planning & Zoning Director

3. Agenda Approval

MOTION:

Commissioner Minelga **MOVED** to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Zirul **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE: There being no objection; **SO ORDERED.**

B. SCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. HDL Engineering

Erik Jordt, Civil Engineer with HDL Engineering, provided updates on the following:

- The runway rehabilitation project construction is anticipated to begin mid-May and conclude by mid-October, weather permitting.
- Temporary runway instrument procedures are being developed in coordination with the City and airport; targeted for completion prior to runway closure.
- Apron pavement maintenance scheduled under separate contract with work to occur primarily at night with no anticipated daytime operational impacts.
- Apron maintenance expectations; potential to complete prior to runway closure, weather permitting.
- Construction safety and phasing plan establishing work hours with required operational access maintained at all times.

- Airport Master Plan process; draft development alternatives presented in preparation for upcoming public meeting.
- Four draft alternatives introduced including a no build option; commercial and general aviation expansion options; gravel runway relocation scenarios; taxiway configurations addressing identified hotspots; proposed de-icing pad relocation; proposed midfield taxiway; floatplane basin and general aviation development; snow storage expansion areas.
- Sustainability and emerging trends including terminal building expansion concept; accommodation planning for larger aircrafts; aircraft parking reconfiguration for larger air carriers; parking lot capacity study and overflow parking.
- Grass strip considerations and potential larger air carrier operations to be evaluated.
- ARFF index implications for potential larger air carrier operations to be evaluated.

C. UNSCHEDULED PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. January 8, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION:

Commissioner Wicker **MOVED** to approve the January 8, 2026 Airport Commission minutes. Commissioner Minelga **SECONDED** the motion.

VOTE: There being no objection; **SO ORDERED.**

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Discussion/Recommendation** - 2026 Annual Workplan Goals

Clarification was provided that a formal motion was not recorded at prior meeting despite prior discussion and consensus to move goals forward. Goals were placed into final layout for Council recommendation.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Discussion/Recommendation** - Special Use Permit to Rainbow River Lodge Aviation, LLC

MOTION:

Commissioner Zirul **MOVED** to recommend City Council approval of the Special Use Permit. Commissioner Bremmer **SECONDED** the motion.

Airport Manager Bondurant gave a staff report from information provided in the packet.

There was Commission discussion regarding proposed operations.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT was requested on the motion.

VOTE: There being no objection; **SO ORDERED.**

MOTION PASSED.

2. **Discussion/Recommendation** - Second Extension to the Airport Security Guard Contract

MOTION:

Commissioner Zirul **MOVED** to recommend City Council approval of contract extension. Commissioner Minelga **SECONDED** the motion.

Airport Manager Bondurant gave a staff report from information provided in the packet.

There was discussion confirming a current certificate of insurance was on file.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT was requested on the motion.

MOTION PASSED.

G. REPORTS

1. Airport Manager - Airport Manager Bondurant reported on the following:
 - Snow removal and plowing operations ongoing; airport operations reported as proceeding well.
 - Fiscal Year 2027 budget preparation nearing completion; notes submitted to administration prior to deadline.
 - Runway Safety Action Team meeting scheduled for April 21 at City Hall, meeting planned with Tower Manager to coordinate agenda.
 - Crowley Fuel reported to replace/upgrade fueling system at the Airport.
2. Commission Chair - Chair Feeken welcomed Commissioner Bremmer to the Commission.
3. City Council Liaison - Vice Mayor Askin reported on recent actions of the City Council.

H. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENTS** - None.

I. **NEXT MEETING ATTENDANCE NOTIFICATION** - March 12, 2026

J. **COMMISSION QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

There was discussion regarding snow removal and clearing; Airport Manager recruitment; Civil Air Patrol meeting; and the Volaire presentation. Commissioners are to review the January 2026 meeting presentation and submit any questions to the Airport Manager via email; Airport Manager will forward questions to Volaire for clarification and report back to the Commission.

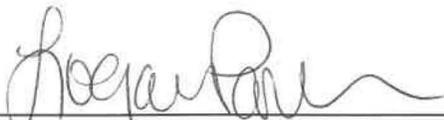
K. **ADJOURNMENT**

L. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

1. Calendar Year 2025 Enplanements
2. Kenai Strategy Update: January 2026 Volaire Aviation Consulting Presentation to Council
3. Kenai Airport Master Plan Update – Notice of Public Meeting
4. December 2025 Airport Mid-month Report

There being no further business before the Airport Commission, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:50 p.m.

I certify the above represents accurate minutes of the Airport Commission meeting of February 12, 2026.



Logan Parks, Deputy City Clerk