Rutland Southern Vermont Regional Airport Committee Meeting

January 28th, 2016

Attendance:

Christopher Beitzel, Tyler Richardson, Mike Davidson, Marge Graff, Jen Jacobs, Fred Nicholson, Lyle Jepson, Tom Donahue, Michael Klopchin, Tracy Adams, Brian Pinsonault, Abbott de Rham, Joe Giancola

Minutes:

- Tyler and Lyle from Castleton discussed the new relationship between Castleton University and REDC. The mission of REDC will remain the same but Castleton University believes they will bring new energy to the community and increase its outreach to the community including the airport. REDC will still remain its own organization with its own board and personnel.
- The Wildlife Hazardous Management Plan is still in draft. The federal and state depredation permits have been renewed.
- Altius is still interested in starting a run from White Plains to Rutland. They may start the run this summer.
- Kobo will be on the field next week to change out the taxiway "A" and "E" panels. The FAA is also working to restore service to the RCO next week. A flight check for the localizer still needs to be accomplished before ILS for Runway 19 can be reopened.
- The solar array is now operational and producing energy for the airport.
- The new snow removal sweeper system will be here on Tuesday.
- AOPA regional Fly-in
 - The idea of a regional fly was supported by Joe Giancola, Abbott de Rham and Chris Reese. Abbott has an AOPA contact who can offer more information on how to plan/organize a large fly-in. Tom Donahue also enlisted the Rutland Regional Chamber of Commerce to help coordinate the event planning.
 - Chris Reese proposed the additional idea to host a regional event that could be tailored more towards a specific make or following of a particular aircraft.