

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE
GREATER ROCKFORD AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Greater Rockford Airport Authority was held on Thursday, March 26, 2026, in the Greater Rockford Airport Authority Auditorium, 60 Airport Drive, Rockford, IL.

Chairman Schablaske called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Commissioners & Legal Counsel	Present	GRAA Staff	Present	Guests/Other Staff
Pat Agnew	X	Zack Oakley	X	Isaac Mendoza
Al Caruana	X	Michelle Cassaro	X	Josh VanBriesen
Jake Castanza	X	Michael Peranich		Chris Fisher
Paul R. Cicero	X	Tracey Halbrader	X	
Dianne Parvin	X	Kathy Bruggeman		
Mike Schablaske	X	Chip Geiger	X	
Leslie West	X			
Gino Galluzzo	X			

A motion was made by Commissioner Castanza, seconded by Commissioner Agnew, and was unanimously approved to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Commissioners on February 26, 2026. A motion was made by Commissioner Parvin, seconded by Commissioner Castanza, and was unanimously approved to accept the minutes of the Planning & Finance Committee Meeting on March 19, 2026.

STAFF REPORTS:

Michelle Cassaro, Deputy Director of Finance and Administration, reported the following:

- There are several resolutions on the agenda tonight. All were reviewed at last week's meeting.

Michael Peranich, Director of Operations and Maintenance Manager, reported the following:

- Annual FAA airport certification inspection completed with an outstanding outcome and strong staff performance.
- Airport underwent annual FAA certification inspection this past month; inspection is intensive. Acknowledged staff: Isaac Mendoza (office manager), John Van Briesen (assistant maintenance manager), Chris Fisher (maintenance supervisor), Matt Zinke (maintenance manager - absent).
- Zero-discrepancy inspection recognized — a rare achievement (noted as one of five in the last 15 years).
- FAA inspectors review pavement, lighting, markings, signs, field conditions, and records, including nighttime inspections for lighting and markings. Inspectors rotate every 3 years to provide fresh