

At the March meeting, he would like it determined whether there will be four or five on-airport car concessionaire counters or whether the current agreements will be extended. He recommended not extending the current agreements as it would probably invite a lawsuit. He also said that Enterprise Rent A Car has indicated that they will submit a bid.

Rex Leipheimer, the local Avis manager, said he has seen a lot of stability here in the last few years. He said that Enterprise generally charges lower rates and that he believes that commissions to the Airport Authority will drop. He added that he would like to know what the consultants have recommended.

Mark Tellvik, the local manager of Budget Rent A Car, and Marci Funk, the local manager of National/Alamo, both said they would like bigger offices, and they would like to meet with the consultant.

Mike Lucero, the local Hertz Rent A Car manager, said that the airline situation is affecting the car rental agencies as well, and if the off-airport car rental agencies want on airport, they should bid in. He added that most consultants feel that more counters are better.

Mr. Mathis will schedule a time for the car rental concessionaires to meet with the consultant and have a recommendation before the next meeting so we will have an RFP ready to send out after the meeting if it meets the Board's approval.

Mr. Mathis also reported that the terminal construction is moving forward and may be done by the contract end.

Mr. Mathis said it is time to further discuss a radar system installation at Gallatin Field. Our FAA representative said he believes that the timing is right for us to make an offer and recommended that we send a letter stating that the Airport Authority will pay \$1.5 million toward the project. Mr. Roehm moved to send the letter confirming that we will

contribute \$1.5 million toward the cost of the radar installation, Mr. McKenna seconded the motion and it passed.

The ninth agenda item was to consider the bills and approve for payment. After review and discussion, Mr. McKenna moved to pay the bills and Ms. Jarrett seconded the motion, which carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.



Steven H. Williamson, Chairman