

Crivitz Municipal Airport FEDERAL ENTITLEMENT SUMMARY date 2/03/15:

	Programmed Under Project			updated 9/27/11	
	BG#	Allotted	Obligated	Spent	Not Spent
2007		\$150,000			\$0
2008, part 1	31	\$111,240			\$0
2008, part 2	35	\$38,760			\$0
2009, part 1	36	\$48,693			\$0
2009, part 2	41	\$101,307			\$0
2010	49	\$150,000			\$0
2011*	51	\$150,000	\$0		\$0
2012	54	\$150,000			\$150,000
2013	61	\$100,042			\$100,042
2014	65	\$100,042			\$100,042
2015#	70	150,000			\$0
					\$0
		\$1,100,084	\$0		\$350,084
		\$350,084			\$350,084
				MAUSTON	150.00
				BARABOO	150.00
				EAGLE RIVER	150.00
				Total Due Use	800,084

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 # no grant yet
 *needs to be obligated (put under Finding) by 9/30/13 & spent by 8/15/14

**9/19/11 Mauston signed form assigning their 2013 entitle to Crivitz
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 8/7/13 Crivitz signed ent transfer agreeing to accept repayment of 2008 with Mauston's 2015 instead of 2013 entitle

Talked to Dave Montesinos at Bureau of Aeronautics Verified Value

FACT SHEET- Public Information Meeting on Airport Funding – July 12, 2014

Who owns the airport? Where is it? The Crivitz Airport is owned and maintained by the Town of Stephenson. Located 3 miles SW of Crivitz on Cty W, and has been an asset to the Town and surrounding community since 1946. It is the ONLY public-use airport in Marinette County.

Why are we meeting now? Funding is available to purchase equipment to remove snow from the runways, cut grass, and maintain the airport, runways and taxiways. In addition, there is maintenance needed on both runways and existing buildings in order to keep the airport functioning properly. At the present time, the taxiways are in such poor shape that an aircraft was recently stuck in mud when trying to access the runways. We are NOT looking at expanding the airport.

How is the airport funded today? Right now all operating and other expenses at the airport are paid for by the Town of Stephenson, aided by donations from a local citizens group, Friends of the Crivitz Airport (FOCA); there is also income from hangar rental space, personal property tax from hangar owners, and timber sales. Although State funds were obtained in 2005 to perform needed improvements, since then we have not applied for funding and our available grants were given to other airports.

What are the funding options? Grant funds are available each year for all airports. These are NOT funded from local taxes. This grant program was started just after World War II. These are Federal funds which are passed through the State to individual airports and come from passenger ticket taxes, freight taxes, fuel taxes or other aviation-related fees. 90% of project costs are covered by federal funds, 5% by the state, and the remaining 5% are borne by the Town, and it should be noted that FOCA has offered to cover the Town's share of the expense up to the first \$150,000 of the grant, amounting to \$7500.

Are the funds restricted? Funds cannot be used for operating expenses, but are for purchase of maintenance equipment or projects of not less than \$25,000 and upgrades of equipment.

Do we have to repay these funds? These are grants not loans and would only have to be repaid if projects were not completed or if the airport were to close prior to the normal depreciation of any equipment purchased.

Could we be forced to expand the airport? Absolutely not.

What are consequences if we do not apply for airport funding? Without funding, all costs to maintain the airport would have to be borne by the Town – and the taxpayers. The airport is required to be maintained in proper operating condition.

How does this affect me as a TOS taxpayer? Our airport is a community asset which helps bring business and revenue to our town, potentially holding down tax increases. Obtaining grant funding will not increase my taxes – but will help to offset future Town expense – and potential tax increases. Not obtaining funding leaves the entire burden on the Town and local taxpayers.

What does the airport cost us now? Airport expenses averaged \$3278 over the past 5 years (2009-13), plus cost of plowing runways, which was first itemized in 2014, with a cost of \$1071.60 (this could be a potential saving, if plowing was done by volunteers). Expenses are offset by revenue from hangar leases, which averaged \$3058 over the past 5 years, and personal property tax on

the hangars (which for 2013 was \$1403.66). It should also be noted that Friends of the Crivitz Airport (FOCA) pays for the electricity used at the airport and has covered repairs to hangars and the cost of building the new reception building.

How much funding is needed? We are proposing that our required Airport Improvement Program request funding for the following projects over the next three years:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Amount</u>
2015	Construct new paved taxiways	\$ 128,500
2016	Purchase tractor for plowing/grass cutting	\$ 185,000
2017	Construct storage and maintenance building	\$ 50,000

Other questions? Those interested in this issue may contact the Stephenson Township Plan Commission or attend one of their meetings. Contact information and agendas can be found on the Stephenson Township website.