

## Minimum Standards – Beaver Island Airport

### Objectives – Why implement –

The airport sponsor's (The BIAC – Beaver Island Airport Commission) purpose in imposing standards is to ensure a safe, efficient and adequate level of operation and services is offered to the public.

The FAA objective in recommending the development of minimum standards serves to promote safety in all airport activities, protect airport users from unlicensed and unauthorized products and services, maintain and enhance the availability of adequate services for all airport users, promote the orderly development of airport land, and ensure efficiency of operations. Therefore, airport sponsors should strive to develop minimum standards that are fair and reasonable to all on airport aeronautical service providers and relevant to the aeronautical activity to which it is applied.

When developing minimum standards, each airport sponsor must examine what makes its airport different from other airports. Minimum standards should be tailor made for the airport to which they will be applied. Be relevant to the current activity at the airport and the vision for the future. Airport sponsors are encouraged to develop minimum standards for new aeronautical ventures it desires to attract to the airport. Minimum standards can be modified to reflect the airport's experience and to be watchful of new opportunities. Other benefits to implementing Minimum standards are as follows;

1. Provide a level playing field for current and future service providers at the airport.
2. Help develop orderly and efficient development of the airport and its services.
3. Maintain compliance with Federal Grant Assurances.
4. Protect the Airport Sponsor.

Effective minimum standards should be designed to the specific operating environment and circumstances of the airport. (no one size fits all).

The draft Minimum Standards provided have been developed over the last few years through reviewing other similar size airports with similar size operations. Review of FAA guidance publications in addition to other published guidance materials from the AOPA and The Airport Sponsors guide. The BIAC consultant and BIAC attorney have reviewed this document as well and their input has been incorporated.

The Airport Ordinances have simultaneously been reviewed and a draft update completed. It is essential that the Airport Ordinances work hand and hand with the Minimum Standards and are also relevant to the current conditions at the airport. The draft ordinances have also been vetted by the BIAC consultant and attorney.