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Dear Airport Tenant,

Because Longville Municipal Airport accepts Federal airport grant money we are bound by the conditions and assurances in the associated grant agreements. These obligations include grant assurances related to use of hangars and other designated aeronautical facilities on the airport for exclusively aeronautical purposes. On June 9, 2016, the FAA issued a notice of final policy regarding the storage of non-aeronautical items in airport facilities designated for aeronautical use. In conjunction with that notice of policy, the FAA has posted a series of frequently asked Questions and Answers (Q&As) to the FAA Airport Compliance website. This website can be found at https://www.faa.gov/airports/airport_compliance/hangar_use/. On this list of Q&As are the following:

Question 3. What is the primary purpose of an aircraft hangar?

The FAA Response. The primary purpose of an aircraft hangar is aircraft storage. If a hangar is serving its primary purpose - the storage of aircraft - then storage of non-aeronautical items in the hangar does not violate the airport sponsor's federal obligations.

Question 15. Does the policy apply to privately constructed hangars on federally obligated airports?

FAA Response. An airport sponsor's permission to lease aeronautical land on the airport for construction of a hangar accepts the sponsor's conditions that come with that land, in return for the special benefits of the location. The fact that the tenant uses the land through a ground lease with the airport sponsor and constructs the hangar using tenant funds does not affect the airport sponsor's agreement with the FAA. That agreement requires the airport land and facilities, including aircraft hangars, to be used for aeronautical purposes.

The notice of policy also states the airports sponsor shall “monitor the use of hangars on the airport and take steps to prevent unapproved non-aeronautical use.”

Failure for airport sponsors to abide by the grant obligations puts the airport at risk of losing Federal grant money. Longville Airport needs the grant money, the airport cannot survive without it. Please do not put the airport at risk. If at least on a seasonal basis, your hangar isn't serving its primary purpose – the storage of aircraft – you are putting the airport at risk, please take the necessary steps to correct this. If you need help finding a renter, lessee, or buyer, please contact the city and we will do what we can to help.

If you have any questions regarding this letter please contact Steve Shallbetter at (218) 821-0779 or SteveShallbetter@MSN.com