

## Authority interviews prospective airport staff

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Airport Authority chair Craig Bartruff hopes the board can decide and make an offer to a manager and fixed-based operator for the airport by July 5.

A fixed-based operator is a primary provider of support services to general aviation operators at public-use airports.

The authority will meet again on July 5.

At their last meeting—on June 21—Bartruff said members interviewed applicants who want to manage and/or operate the airport.

No decisions were made.

Bartruff said the authority is trying to promote and improve the airport.

Following an advertised request for proposals for a fixed-based operator and applications for an airport manager, the board met June 7 to review what was received.

Bartruff said five applications were submitted for airport manager and one for a fixed-base operator.

Mid-States Aviation of Cozad has been the fixed-based operator for 15 years and has employed Roger Donner at the airport as manager.

Mid-States has a crop-spraying business and offers fuel service at the airport.

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Bartruff said Mid-States' contract expires the end of June.