

Press Release
from the
Chief Administrative Officer

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New Assistant Airport Manager Hired

It is with great pleasure that Merlin Dewing, Chief Administrative Officer for the Municipality of Sioux Lookout welcomes Mr. Ben Hancharuk to the position of Assistant Airport Manager.

Dewing stated: "It always pleases me when we can fill key positions with established community members who have the necessary skill set and we are delighted to welcome Ben to his new role. The Sioux Lookout Airport is in an exciting environment of economic growth and infrastructure development aimed at meeting the demands of a growing community. We are confident that with the combination of Ben's previous experience on the Airport Commission, the respect of the community he gained as a Municipal Councillor and his understanding of the aviation field he will hit the ground running."

Hancharuk, in collaboration with Todd Tripp, Airport Manager, will initially be tasked with the development and implementation of Phase II of the Safety Management System along with implementing operational and maintenance programs and overseeing the fuel dealership. Tripp stated: "Ben's aviation experience, business background, keen desire to grow the airport and the community will be the perfect fit with the airport business plan".

Hancharuk, who has resigned from Council, will begin working with the Municipality of Sioux Lookout on March 15, 2010. Staff is excited about the prospect of collaborating with him as team leader at the Municipal Airport.

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