

Bid rejected for purchase of Seneca Airport

(KMZA)--The Seneca City Council has rejected a bid for the purchase of the city airport.

The Council took the action Wednesday evening on the recommendation of a council committee.

Daren and Dustin Ronnebaum, operators of Precision Aerial Ag of rural Seneca had submitted the lone bid last month for the purchase of the property located on the north side of U.S. 36 Highway about 1 ½ miles west of Seneca.

The brothers had offered to purchase the 29-acre tract for \$100,000 and to operate it as a recreational public airport.

They also said they would complete \$250,000-\$300,000 of improvements over a 5-to-10 year period that would make the facility more attractive to flyers and able to serve larger planes.

A group of local residents appeared before the Council last month to voice their opposition to the sale of the airport because it would require that the shooting range currently located on the property be moved.

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