

**Macon County Airport Authority**  
**Minutes for the Regular Meeting Held on November 24, 2015**

The Macon County Airport Authority holds its regularly scheduled meeting on November 24, 2015. All members with the exception of Member Haithcock and Member Rhodes are present. Also present are: Jimmy Luther, Project Engineer; Joe Collins, Legal Counsel; Peggy Milton and Neil Hoppe, airport FBO; and Bobby Coggins, Macon Media.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD October, 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015:** After a discussion, Member Jenkins makes a motion to approve the minutes as forwarded. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION:**

Chair Gregory and the Authority take this time to congratulate Mr. Collins who has been elected as a Town of Franklin Alderman.

Mr. James Eager is present and congratulates the MCAA on the progress being made at the airport including the rotating beacon, and the runway lighting. He continues by stating that the beacon light is bright, perhaps too much so, and Chair Gregory states that this issue will be checked, and that he appreciates Mr. Eager bring this to the MCAA's attention. Mr. Luther, project engineer states that he will check the angle of the lighting to see if it can be adjusted somewhat.

**ENGINEERING REPORT:**

Mr. Luther states that Basil Yap is resigning from his position as Project Manager with the Division of Aviation. He is to be replaced by Andrew Folz. Mr. Luther continues by reporting that it is important that the MCAA have the ALP (Airport Layout Plan) updated, to include any projects that will need to be addressed for a twenty (20) year span. He presents a Work Authorization #8 which he asks the MCAA to sign, and which involves developing the ALP plan. He continues by stating that the update is normally a twelve (12) to sixteen (16) month process. Chair Gregory states that this plan should include extension of the runway to 6000 feet. Mr. Luther continues by stating that the development of the ALP plan is a three (3) phase process. This plan will also identify obstructions that cannot be seen from the airport. After further discussion, Member Jenkins makes a motion to agree to and sign Work Authorization #8. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

**OBSTRUCTION LIGHTING REPORT/MAINTENANCE REPORT:** Member Haithcock is not available, but Chair Gregory states that three (3) obstruction lights have been repaired and that the light located at "Trimont" will be repaired next. He continues by stating that Duke Energy needs to be "pinned down" regarding the easement to one of the lights because the property owner has stated that he does not want the line to be repaired.

**KIOSK ADVERTISING REPORT:** Member Jenkins states that he has agreed to work with Highland Media Work through the Economic Development Commission, and that the hardware for the system will be paid for and Highland Media Work will also solicit advertising. He continues by stating that the only cost

will be \$850.00, and that there will be an even split between Franklin and Highlands representation. The MCAA information will also be displayed. Member Jenkins states that he will now work on locating the best location in the terminal building for the kiosk.

**DRIVEWAY REPAIR:** Chair Gregory states that the driveway has been repaired, and thanks Member Haithcock and Member Rhodes for overseeing this matter.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

The fuel truck that is now owned by the Sheriff's Department is not available for transfer, and it is discussed that a used one could cost approximately \$25,000.00. Chair Gregory suggests that Congressman Meadows be contacted to discuss assistance with acquiring one of these type vehicles.

The Proclamation honoring Harold Corbin will be available by the date of the MCAA Christmas Dinner, and will be presented to members of Mr. Corbin's family.

The runway cameras have not been installed as of yet.

There being no further business to discuss, Member Jenkins makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, with Member Schmitt seconding the motion. The motion passes by unanimous consent and the meeting is adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Pete Haithcock, Secretary