

**Macon County Airport Authority**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011**

The Macon County Airport Authority holds its regularly scheduled meeting in its offices at 1241 Airport Road, Franklin, North Carolina. All members are present with the exception of Member Jenkins. Also present are Joe Collins, Legal Counsel; Eric Rysdon, Project Engineer; Jennifer Fuller, past DOA Project Manager; Dion Viventi, current DOA Project Manager; Neil Hoppe and Peggy Milton, airport FBO; Teresa McDowell, Clerk; Colin McCandless, The Franklin Press and Davin Eldridge, The Macon County News. After welcoming guests and members, Chair Gregory calls the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m..

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2011:** After a discussion, Member Schmitt makes a motion to approve the minutes as forwarded. Member Haithcock seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

**PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION:** None

**ADOPTION OF MCAA RULES AND REGULATIONS:** Mr. Collins leads a discussion in connection with the adoption of an updated rules and regulations document. He states that the rules and regulations, as they are now, are not relevant to the current organization of the MCAA, because they were developed when the airport was governed by an Airport Commission, rather than an Airport Authority. This distinction has been corrected, with most other needed changes being of a cosmetic nature. He states that day to day maintenance generally falls to the FBO, with some of these maintenance/operation issues being addressed in the contract with Macon County. He also states that there is nothing that prohibits making any changes to the rules and regulations in the future. Mr. Rysdon states that it is acceptable to include a draft rules and regulations document with the TIP, with further discussion regarding contents taking place in the future. After further discussion, Member Corbin makes a motion to accept the Macon County Airport Rules and Regulations document as a draft to forward to the DOA and authorize Chair Gregory to sign and date the completed document with amendments when presented. The draft document noted as such, will be included with the MCAA Tip application.

**TIP APPLICATION COMPLETION:** Mr. Rysdon submits copies of the proposed TIP application to the MCAA. This application is to be submitted to the DOA, with the draft rules and regulations. He states that some construction estimates have been revised based on current costs. Some projects have been “pushed back” for one year, with the exception of the hangar project.

**ENGINEERING REPORT UPDATE:** Mr. Rysdon states that the weather has been cooperative in connection to the construction recently, and that the Buchanan & Sons crew are moving approximately six thousand (6000) yards of dirt per day. He states that they are making good progress. He reports that it will take approximately three and one half (3.5) more weeks to complete the current fill, with cooperative weather. Mr. Rysdon reports that the middle of April is the potential completion date for the fill work.

**UPDATE ON HANGAR PROJECT:** Member Corbin reports on approximate costs for hangar construction. He states that three (3) sixty five by sixty (65X60) hangars will cost approximately one hundred fifty one thousand (\$151,000.00) dollars to construct, with ten (10) forty five by thirty (45X30) hangars cost of construction being approximately seven hundred ten thousand (\$710,000.00) dollars, for a total of eight hundred sixty one thousand (\$861,000.00) dollars. He states that these costs include site preparation. He also reports that he has received one (1) letter requesting hangar space, and that there are others forthcoming.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Member Haithcock reports that it will be necessary to do budget amendments because of the increase in the cost of heating fuel. There is a discussion pertaining to changing fuel providers, with Chair Gregory being in favor of changing servers if it will save money. Chair Gregory thanks Member Haithcock for his work on the obstruction removal project.

Geico Insurance Company has been investigating the accident which damaged a portion of the perimeter fencing. Mr. Rysdon states that he will talk to the staff of Buchanan & Sons about repairing the damaged area. After further discussion, Member Schmitt makes a motion to authorize Buchanan and Sons to repair the fencing if the submitted repair bid is agreeable with Geico. Member Haithcock seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

There being no further business, Member Corbin makes a motion to adjourn the meeting, with Member Haithcock seconding the motion. The motion passes with unanimous consent and the meeting is adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Pete Haithcock  
Secretary  
Macon County Airport Authority

