

Macon County Airport Authority  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held June 26, 2007

The Macon County Airport Authority held its regular meeting on June 26, 2007 in its offices located at 1241 Airport Road, Franklin, North Carolina. Chair Gregory called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m. All members were present. Also present were Gary Varga and Eric Rysdon from W.K. Dickson; Monty Beck, Legal Counsel; Neil Hoppe, Airport Fixed Base Operators; Teresa McDowell, Macon County; and Tom Hagan.

MINUTES: Upon motion by Member Corbin and seconded by Member Jenkins, the minutes of the regular meeting held May 29th, 2007 were unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEM #3: DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSAL FROM SMOKY MOUNTAIN FLYING CLUB: Tom Hagan was present as a representative of Smoky Mountain Flying Club. Mr. Hagan presented a long term plan for a possible ground lease for the Club. After a discussion, Member Corbin made a motion to accept the proposal submitted by the Smoky Mountain Flying Club as a good and viable proposal.

Chairman Gregory seconded the motion, and it passed by unanimous consent. Chairman Gregory requested the airport engineers to produce a scope of work with a fee schedule for including this proposal in the Airport Master Plan, and bring it back before the authority for possible approval.

AGENDA ITEM #4: DISCUSSION REGARDING CPA-AUDIT REQUEST: Member Haithcock presented the above referenced audit report to all members for signature. He will return the documents to Martin Starnes as requested.

AGENDA ITEM #5: ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT UPDATE-STEVE WALKER: Gary Varga of WK Dickson led a discussion regarding the environmental assessment update. He stated that there are issues on the east end of the airport regarding the wetlands, but that they are working with the Division of Water Quality and the Corp of Engineers to solve these issues. Mr. Varga stated that potential fees may be involved, but that these fees can be paid from the monies set aside for the runway extension and mitigation. Mr. Varga stated that a wetlands expert will look at the soils, will delineate based on plant life, etc., and a plan will be developed utilizing this information as required by the Corp of Engineers.

AGENDA ITEM #6: EXECUTIVE SESSION-CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT AND LAND PURCHASE: Member Corbin made a motion that the Authority convene to executive session at 4:50 to consider a contractual agreement matter and a land purchase matter. Member Schmitt seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous consent.

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After a discussion, Member Jenkins made a motion that the Authority re-convene in open session at 5:08. Member Corbin seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous consent. Member Gregory announced that no action was taken in executive session.

AGENDA ITEM #7: OTHER BUSINESS: No other business was discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Pete Haithcock