

**Macon County Airport Authority
Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 30th, 2009**

The Macon County Airport Authority met on June 30th, 2009 in its offices at 1241 Airport Road, Franklin, North Carolina. Member Jenkins is absent. All other members are present. Also present are Bobby Koppers, County Commissioner; Joe Collins, AA Legal Counsel; Teresa McDowell, Clerk; Neil Hoppe and Peggy Milton, airport FBO; Eric Rysdon, W.K. Dickson; Tony Wheeler, Macon County News; and several interested citizens.

MINUTES: Upon a motion by Member Schmitt, seconded by Member Corbin, the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 26th, 2009 are unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEM #3: PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION:

Olga Pader: Ms. Pader states that she appreciates the Airport Authority announcing that they will attempt to answer the questions that have been presented to them by Ms. Pader and others. She quotes the Open Meeting Law, and comments that notice for the briefing that was held on Saturday morning was not noticed, and that 48 hours notice should have been given. Member Corbin states that no notice was necessary due to the fact that this was not a meeting, but a social event. Clerk McDowell addresses the fact that 72 hours notice was given. Ms. Pader states that information regarding the future of Iotla Valley should be forthcoming. She also states that she will be making arrangements to be placed on the notification list.

Selma Sparks: Ms. Sparks states that she has submitted two questions in the past, and she is yet to receive a response. Chair Gregory states that there are no time constraints in place regarding providing the answers to any questions, and asks for patience. Ms. Sparks answers that it was not explained to her in this manner initially, and now that it has been clarified, she understands. Attorney Collins states that answering any questions is not a recommendation of legal counsel, but the Authority can answer if they wish, and may set their own time frame for answering the questions.

AGENDA ITEM #4: ENGINEERING REPORT UPDATE: ERIC RYSDON: Mr. Rysdon states that he is continuing to work with DENR to prepare the necessary permit for mitigation. He states that their suggestions have been incorporated into the design which has been submitted. He states that "things are wrapping up in connection with the design aspect of the project". Mr. Rysdon also states that he is working on the erosion control permit for additional work, and once completed the way for the mapping will be

cleared. He states that the construction aspect of the project is tentatively scheduled to be put out for bids this summer.

AGENDA ITEM #5: UPDATE ON TREE REMOVAL CONTRACT: PETE HAITHCOCK: Mr. Haithcock states that there is not enough money in the operational budget to do the entire tree removal project during this fiscal year. He states that it will be done in two (2) stages, in order to utilize the FY2009-2010 fiscal budget.

AGENDA ITEM #6: NEW BUSINESS

Chair Gregory asks for a motion to accept a Division of Aviation State Aid to Airport Program grant in the amount of \$712,800 with a required local match of \$79,200 for the purpose of pavement rehabilitation. After a discussion, Member Corbin makes a motion to accept the grant for the purposes noted. Member Haithcock seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

There being no further business to discuss, Member Corbin makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Haithcock seconds the motion and it passed by unanimous consent. The meeting is adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Pete Haithcock, Secretary