

AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

January 17, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Airport Commission was held at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 17, 2017, in the Conference Room of the Admiral John H. Towers Terminal Building at the Richard B. Russell Regional Airport in Rome, Georgia.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Chip Hood
Mr. Mike Britton
Dr. George Bosworth
Ms. Charisse Durham

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Mike Mathews, Airport Manager
Ms. Gary Burkhalter, Assistant County Manager
Mr. Mike Reiter, Baker
Mr. Mike Van Wie, Baker
Mr. John Cowman, JLC Airshow Mgt.
Mr. Matt Deville, Museum of Flight
Ms. Christine Lewis, Museum of Flight
Mr. Todd Carrol, AOPA
Mr. Alfred Carnes
Ms. Betsy Willis, Airport Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The airport board approved the minutes for December 20, 2016.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Mathews reported that the 2017 budget has been approved. The budget includes a 7/25 Overlay Design and Construction, Avigation Easement Project Phases 2 and 3, North Perimeter Fencing Project, an electric gate, and a conference table.

Mr. Mathews reported that RMG has welcomed a few new tenants and aircraft to the field.

Mr. Mathews said that County Manager, Jamie McCord, is supportive of the airport's interest in building a new community hangar. Commissioner Durham motioned to form a committee (including Mr. Mathews, Vice Chairman Britton, Commissioner Robert, and Assistant County Manager Gary Burkhalter) to look into the cost and process of building such a hangar. Commissioner Bosworth seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

None

BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Chairman Hood reported that the Chamber will be going to Washington in March.

PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

None

FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

None

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Vice Chairman Britton gave the financial report.

Mr. Mathews reported that, in order to cut costs for the month, he split a load of Avgas with another airport since Avgas prices are high.

BAKER

Mr. Reiter reported that progress on the Runway Extension Project is moving on schedule.

COUNTY

None

JLC AIR SHOW MANAGEMENT

Mr. Cowman reported that the Brunswick air show is in 66 days.

Mr. Cowman reported that he is trying to get either an F-22 Raptor or an F-16 for Rome's air show in October.

GNTC-AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

Not present

EAA

Not present

TIGERFLIGHT

Not present

MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

Ms. Lewis reported that the Museum of Flight will be hosting an Open House in March and the annual Hangar Gala in April. She said that Cobra and Huey rides will be available at the Open House.

Ms. Lewis introduced Mr. Matt Deville.

FREEDOM FLIGHT CENTER

Not present

AOPA AIRPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEER

Mr. Carroll reported that he received an application and information for the AOPA fly-in. He said that RMG really needs a large hangar in order to accommodate the number of planes that would attend the event. He said that he is hoping to host the fly-in in 2018 or 2019.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Chairman Hood adjourned the meeting.

Chip Hood, Chairman

Date

DISTRIBUTION

Dr. George Bosworth
Mr. Mike Britton
Mr. Charisse Durham
Mr. Chip Hood
Mr. Brad Robert

COUNTY COMMISSION

Ms. Erin Elrod	Mr. Mike Mathews
Mr. Allison Watters	Mr. Scotty Hancock
Mr. Jamie McCord	Ms. Rhonda Wallace
Mr. Wright Bagby	Mr. Larry Maxey