

AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

December 18, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Airport Commission was held at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, November 20, 2018, 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. Steve Graves
Dr. George Bosworth

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Gary Burkhalter, Interim Airport Manager
Ms. Rhonda Wallace, County Commission(phone)
Mr. Mike Reiter, Baker
Mr. John Cowman, JLC Airshow Management
Ms. Tina Talton, JLC Airshow Management
Ms. Christine Lewis, Museum of Flight
Mr. Todd Carroll, AOPA Representative
Mr. Mike Britton
Ms. Sara Hiern
Mr. Dean Karampelas
Mr. Alfred Carnes
Ms. Betsy Willis, Airport Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The airport board approved the minutes for November 20, 2018.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Burkhalter reported that the airport will increase the 2019 rental rates across the board by 2.1% per the CPI (Consumer Price Index).

Mr. Burkhalter reported that the airport received \$16,105.40 from the balloon festival.

Mr. Burkhalter reported that the final financial reports show that the airport lost \$28,466.73 for the 2018 Wings Over North Georgia Airshow.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

None.

BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Chairman Hood reported that the yearly economic development trip to Washington, DC will be March 6 through March 8, 2019.

PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

None.

FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

None.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Vice Chairman Graves and Mr. Burkhalter gave the financial report.

Vice Chairman Graves reported that fuel sales were down for the month of November.

BAKER

Mr. Reiter reported that the 7/25 Overlay Project start date is being negotiated.

Mr. Reiter reported that there is no grant yet for the Runway 1/19 project. He said engineers are waiting to re-bid the project if no grants are available.

Mr. Reiter reported that the final phases of the Obstruction Project are underway. He said that he expects some properties to be settled while others will most likely be condemned.

COUNTY

None.

North Georgia Balloon Festival

Not present.

JLC AIR SHOW MANAGEMENT

Mr. Cowman reported that the air show's economic impact on Rome and Floyd County was around 3 million dollars.

Mr. Cowman reported that the Thunderbirds will perform at the 2020 Wings Over North Georgia Airshow, October 24 and October 25, 2020.

Mr. Cowman reported that the 2019 Wings Over North Georgia Airshow will take place August 31 through September 2, 2019. He said that the performer lineup is still being finalized.

GNTC-AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

None.

EAA

None.

TIGERFLIGHT

None.

MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

Ms. Lewis reported that the Museum of Flight saw more than 2,000 visitors in 2018 and flew 181 missions during the year.

Ms. Lewis reported that the F-14 and other items were donated to the Museum throughout the year.

Ms. Lewis reported that the Museum of Flight made a significant donation to the Ronald McDonald House thanks to proceeds from the hangar gala held earlier in the year.

Ms. Lewis reported that the Museum of Flight's Hangar Gala will be held on April 20, 2019.

AIR METHODS

None.

AOPA AIRPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEER

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Carnes recommended that the property taxes collected on based aircraft be distributed to the airport in order to help with the year deficit.

Mr. Carnes reported that the pavement in front of the T-hangars is deteriorating and needs to be re-paved.

Ms. Hiern recommended that the airport perform regular maintenance on all T-hangars.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Chip Hood, Chairman

Date

DISTRIBUTION

Dr. George Bosworth
Mr. Kevin Evans
Mr. Steve Graves
Mr. Chip Hood
Mr. Brad Robert

COUNTY COMMISSION

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| Ms. Erin Elrod | Mr. Gary Burkhalter |
| Mr. Allison Watters | Mr. Scotty Hancock |
| Mr. Jamie McCord | Ms. Rhonda Wallace |
| Mr. Wright Bagby | Mr. Larry Maxey |