

AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

February 17, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Airport Commission was held at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, 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

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Mike Mathews, Airport Manager
Mr. Jamie McCord, County Manager
Mr. Garry Fricks, County Commissioner
Ms. Amanda Hill, Robert & Company
Mr. Tim Fredlund, Pond Company
Ms. Jack Wayfield, Pond Company
Mr. Tim Mullins, Georgia Aviation Services
Ms. Merrilee Lavilla, WRGA
Mr. Donald Hawksley
Ms. Sara Hiern
Mr. Todd Carrol
Ms. Betsy Willis, Airport Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The airport board approved the minutes for January 20, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mathews introduced Mr. Tim Mullins with Georgia Aviation Services. Mr. Mullins would like to bring a flight school/maintenance and avionics shop to the airport. He said that he would like to rent a hangar and eventually build a larger hangar. Commissioner Bosworth motioned to accept the proposal to bring Georgia Aviation Services to the airport. Vice Chairman Britton seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Mathews reported that the East Coast Aerobatic Competition will be held in June. He said that 75 planes should participate in the event. He said that the airport may host the aerobatic world championship next year.

Mr. Mathews reported that he is still working on the contract for the Flight Museum (Hixson).

Mr. Mathews reported that Rob Skelton and Robert Young would like to bring an aviation explorer program through the Boy Scouts to the airport. He said that the program will target school groups ages 11-21 and will be in conjunction with TigerFlight. Vice Chairman Britton motioned to allow the Aviation Explorer program to meet and have an organization at the airport. Commissioner Bosworth seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Mr. Mathews also reported that many of the projects scheduled for the airport are on hold due to weather.

Mr. Mathews reported that he sent a list of items to the Chamber for the Washington trip.

Mr. Mathews reported that he went to Ohio to get the fire truck. He said that he is very happy with the truck and that the fire department has inspected it and given their approval.

BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Chairman Hood reported that Commissioner Davis has resigned from his post on the Airport Commission.

PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

None

FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

None

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Vice Chairman Britton reported that fuel sales were up from December.

No financials due to the County finalizing the 2014 year end financials.

BAKER

Not present.

COUNTY

Commissioner Fricks reported that the airport will be discussed during the Chamber's trip to Washington in March.

JLC AIR SHOW MANAGEMENT

Not present.

GNTC-AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

Not present.

EAA

Not present.

TIGERFLIGHT

Not present.

FREEDOM FLIGHT CENTER

Not present.

AOPA AIRPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEER

Not present.

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. Johnny Davis
Mr. Chip Hood
Mr. Brad Robert

COUNTY COMMISSION

Ms. Kathy Arp Mr. Mike Mathews
Mr. Irwin Bagwell Mr. Scotty Hancock
Mr. Jamie McCord Ms. Rhonda Wallace
Mr. Garry Fricks Mr. Larry Maxey
Mr. Tommy Manning