

## AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

April 17, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Airport Commission was held at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 17, 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  
Dr. George Bosworth  
Mr. Steve Graves  
Mr. Brad Robert

### OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Mike Mathews, Airport Manager  
Ms. Rhonda Wallace, County Commission  
Mr. Scotty Hancock, County Commission  
Mr. Wright Bagby, County Commission  
Ms. Allison Watters, County Commission  
Mr. Larry Maxey, County Commission  
Mr. Jamie McCord, County Manager  
Mr. Gary Burkhalter, Assistant County Manager  
Ms. Erin Elrod, County Clerk  
Mr. Mike Van Wie, Baker  
Mr. Doug Walker, Rome News Tribune  
Ms. Holly Kelley, Museum of Flight  
Mr. Todd Carroll, AOPA  
Ms. Janice Hudson-Huff  
Ms. Sara Hiern  
Mr. Alfred Carnes  
Mr. Frank Barron  
Mr. Bob Parker  
Mr. Mike Ashley  
Ms. Tamara Tillman  
Ms. Carolyn Tillman  
Mr. Earl Tillman  
Ms. Betsy Willis, Airport Administrative Assistant

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

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

### OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Hood and Mr. Mathews recognized Mr. Earl Tillman for his many contributions to RMG. Chairman Hood introduced the County Board of Commissioners and informed them that the Airport Commission had passed a motion in December that would allow the naming of the road at the ARC area, Tillman Drive. He then asked Chairwoman Wallace if the County Commission would accept the Airport Commission's recommendation to name that road.

Chairwoman Wallace motioned for the County Commission to approve the recommendation to name the road at the ARC area, Tillman Drive. Commissioner Maxey seconded the motion. Ms. Elrod called the role. The vote was passed unanimously. Mr. Tillman thanked both boards for the honor. The County Commission adjourned their portion of the meeting.

### MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Mathews reported that Mr. Mick Williams would like to purchase Mr. Charles Green's hangar and make several improvements to the hangar. He said that Mr. Williams would like to renew the lease for another 25 years since the original

lease only has 6 or 7 years left. Vice Chairman Graves recommended to send the land lease agreement to the County Commission for Mr. Mick Williams to purchase Mr. Green's hangar. Vice Chairman Graves motioned to take the recommendation from Mr. Mathews. Chairman Hood opened the floor for discussion. Chairman Hood asked if this particular lease states that rates will increase each year per the CPI (Consumer Price Index). Mr. Mathews answered that, yes, that information is in the new lease. Chairman Hood asked Mr. Mathews if the County attorney had already approved the lease. Mr. Mathews answered that the lease has been approved by the County's attorney. Commissioner Robert seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Mr. Mathews reported that the Touchstone house was burned as part of a training exercise for the fire department

Mr. Mathews reported that Mr. Kody Johnson replaced Mr. Ned Shope. He said that Mr. Johnson recommended having someone clean the Avgas tank. Mr. Mathews said that the company would come on Thursday to clean the tank.

Mr. Mathews reported that the 7/25 Overlay Project is out for advertisement. He also said that the 1/19 Overlay Project design is in the works.

Mr. Mathews reported that Phase III of the Obstruction Project is going out for advertisement soon.

### SAFETY COMMITTEE

None.

### BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS

None.

### PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

None.

### FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner Robert asked about the status on the contract for Mr. Mullins. Mr. Burkhalter said that the contract was approved.

### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Vice Chairman Graves gave the financial report.

Vice Chairman Graves reported that revenues were down a bit last month.

Chairman Hood said that Avgas gallons sold were up thanks to low fuel prices that beat other prices in the area. Mr. Mathews stated that the airport didn't make any money off of the Avgas sales since prices were just above cost. He said that he would like to bring back the weekend fuel prices.

### BAKER

Mr. Van Wie reported that the Runway Extension project is moving along ahead of schedule. He said that the public meeting for the closing of Jones Mill Road will hopefully be in May. Mr. McCord asked if the 1/19 overlay would be included in the extensions project. Mr. Mathews said that the overlay would be included.

COUNTY

None.

JLC AIR SHOW MANAGEMENT

Not present.

GNTC-AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

None.

EAA

Not present.

TIGERFLIGHT

None

MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

Ms. Kelley reported that the Museum’s Open House will be June 2 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Ms. Kelley reported that the gala went very well.

AOPA AIRPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEER

Not present.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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Chip Hood, Chairman

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Date

DISTRIBUTION

- Dr. George Bosworth
- Ms. Charisse Durham
- Mr. Steve Graves
- Mr. Chip Hood
- Mr. Brad Robert

COUNTY COMMISSION

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