

AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

August 21, 2018

The regular monthly meeting of the Airport Commission was held at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, August 21, 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
Mr. Brad Robert

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Gary Burkhalter, Interim Airport Manager
Mr. Jamie McCord, County Manager
Ms. Rhonda Wallace, County Commission
Mr. Mike Reiter, Baker
Mr. Bruce Ivey, County Engineer
Mr. John Cowman, JLC Airshow Management
Mr. Pete O'Hare, Museum of Flight
Ms. Christine Lewis, Museum of Flight
Mr. Todd Carroll, AOPA Representative
Mr. Al Owen, L&M Aircraft
Mr. Jeremy Kwaterski, Hot Air Balloon (via phone)
Ms. Sara Hiern
Mr. Earl Tillman
Mr. Tim Cline
Ms. Betsy Willis, Airport Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The airport board approved the minutes for July 17, 2018.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Burkhalter reported that the 7/25 and 1/19 Runway Overlay Projects are moving forward.

Mr. Burkhalter reported that five parcels are still pending for the obstruction project. He said that he is working to have all of the parcels settled before the end of the year.

Mr. Burkhalter reported that work is continuing on funding for the Runway 1/19 Extension Project.

Mr. Burkhalter reported that the Rome Hot Air Balloon Festival will take place on September 14 and 15. Mr. Kwaterski (via phone) informed the Commission that no coolers will be allowed at the event. He said that attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or umbrellas. He also said that approximately 90 vendors will be at the festival. Mr. Burkhalter asked how the event plans to keep civilians away from the general aviation ramp. Mr. Kwaterski answered that fencing and vendors will be strategically placed to deter civilians from the ramp area. He also said that AAA Parking will be helping with parking.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

None.

BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS

None.

PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

None.

FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

None.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Vice Chairman Graves gave the financial report.

Vice Chairman Graves reported that JetA sales look very good.

Mr. Burkhalter reported that 3,800 gallons of jet fuel were sold yesterday.

BAKER

Mr. Reiter reported that he has submitted the paperwork for the 7/25 Overlay Project.

Mr. Reiter reported that engineers are currently seeking other funding for the Runway 1/19 Extension Project.

COUNTY

None.

JLC AIR SHOW MANAGEMENT

Mr. Cowman reported that all teams are set for the air show.

Mr. Cowman reported that an Emergency Agency meeting will be held tomorrow from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Mr. Cowman reported that he is hoping to have either the Blue Angels or the Thunder Birds for the 2019 air show.

Mr. Cowman reported that the arresting gear for the Raptor will be located at Dobbins Air Force Base. Anniston, Alabama will be the backup site for the arresting gear.

Mr. Cowman reported that he has been discussing more C-130 and other aircraft operations at RMG.

GNTC-AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

None.

EAA

Mr. Carroll reported that the EAA Chapter 709 President, Mark Fullerton, passed away.

TIGERFLIGHT

Not present.

MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

Ms. Lisa Howell reported that the Museum will be hosting an after school program and summer program starting in 2019. She said that the program will begin with 15 to 20 Floyd County Schools students from 3:00pm to 6:00 pm each afternoon. The program will take place at the Museum of Flight Hangar and the Community Room. Ms. Lewis asked the Commission for approval to begin this program. Chairman Hood recommended that the topic be tabled until September's meeting.

AIR METHODS

None.

AOPA AIRPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEER

Mr. Carroll reported that he, Chairman Hood, and Mr. Owen met with the AOPA representative about the AOPA Fly-In. He said that the 2019 deadline has already passed but that the AOPA wants RMG to submit the application to host the fly-in. Mr. Carroll said that AOPA is impressed with the location of RMG. He said that sponsors and donors will be needed in order to host the event.

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. 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 |