

AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

September 15, 2015

The regular monthly meeting of the Airport Commission was held at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, September 15, 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
Mr. Steve Graves
Mr. Brad Robert

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Mike Mathews, Airport Manager
Mr. Jamie McCord, County Manager
Mr. Gary Burkhalter, Assistant County Manager
Mr. Garry Fricks, County Commissioner
Mr. David Edwards, Airport Detail Officer
Mr. James Miorin, Baker
Mr. Todd Carrol, AOPA Representative
Ms. Sara Hiern
Ms. Betsy Willis, Airport Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The airport board approved the minutes for August 18, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mathews introduced Mr. David Edwards, Airport Maintenance/Corrections Officer. Mr. Edwards informed the commission that he will be vacating his position as Airport Maintenance/Corrections Officer. Mr. Mathews stated that he would be looking for a replacement. The Airport Commission thanked Mr. Edwards for his service at the airport.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Mathews reported that he is trying to have the ARFF truck operational for the air show.

Mr. Mathews reported that he is working on getting Comcast at the airport. He said the airport can save money by switching service to Comcast. He also said that a lot of tenants are interested.

Mr. Mathews reported that, for the air show, he will be getting two additional fuel trucks from Eastern Aviation. He said the City will send a sweeper to sweep the runways and taxiways each day.

Mr. Mathews reported that the kick-off meeting for the easement project was held. He said that he is gathering information for the attorney so that the project can get started.

Commissioner Graves asked if anyone knew the logistics of the crash from Labor Day. Mr. Mathews said that the pilot is based at RMG. He said that the pilot works on his own plane and that he landed off airport. He also said that airport personnel checked fuel logs and showed that the pilot had not purchased any fuel.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

None

BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Commissioner Britton reported that air show planning is going good with ticket sales 50% higher than last year.

PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

None

FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

None

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Vice Chairman Britton gave the financial report for September 2015.

Vice Chairman Britton reported that fuel sales are average for the year.

BAKER

Mr. Miorin reported that he will be working with Mr. Mathews on an update for the 5 year CIP.

COUNTY

None

JLC AIR SHOW MANAGEMENT

None

GNTC-AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

Not present.

EAA

Not present.

TIGERFLIGHT

Vice Chairman Britton reported that TigerFlight flew with 14 kids from Unity Christian School on Saturday.

FLIGHT MUSEUM

Mr. Mathews reported that the museum will hold its board meeting on Monday.

Mr. Mathews reported that he has ordered the door for the hangar and is currently waiting for Bohannon Glass to install it.

Mr. Mathews reported that another plane will be coming for the museum. The new plane will be displayed outside the hangar.

FREEDOM FLIGHT CENTER

Not present.

AOPA AIRPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEER

Mr. Carrol reported that he went to Mr. Graves' town hall meeting. He said that he talked about the Pilot Bill of Rights. He recommended that Commissioners call and voice approval for the bill.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Chip Hood, Chairman

Date

DISTRIBUTION

Dr. George Bosworth
Mr. Mike Britton
Mr. Steve Graves
Mr. Chip Hood
Mr. Brad Robert

COUNTY COMMISSION

Ms. Jaime Armstrong Mr. Mike Mathews
Mr. Irwin Bagwell Mr. Scotty Hancock
Mr. Jamie McCord Ms. Rhonda Wallace
Mr. Garry Fricks Mr. Larry Maxey