

AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING

September 20, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Airport Commission was held at 4:00 p.m., on Tuesday, September 20, 2016, 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
Ms. Charisse Durham
Dr. George Bosworth

OTHERS PRESENT

Mr. Mike Mathews, Airport Manager
Ms. Rhonda Wallace, County Commissioner
Mr. John Cowman, JLC AirShow Management
Mr. Mike Van Wie, Baker
Ms. Christine Lewis, Museum of Flight
Mr. Todd Carroll, AOPA
Ms. Diane Wagner, Rome News Tribune
Ms. Betsy Willis, Airport Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The airport board approved the minutes for August 16, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Mathews informed the Commission that the Redmond lease is up for renewal. He said that there would be no increase in the rental rate. Vice Chairman Britton motioned to approve the renewal of the Redmond lease. Commissioner Bosworth seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Mr. Mathews asked for an approval for Work Authorization #39 for Runway 7/25 Overlay Design. Vice Chairman Britton motioned to approve Work Authorization #39. Commissioner Bosworth seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Mathews reported that agencies have been informed of the intent to close Jones Mill Road for the runway extension. He said that all local agencies agree with the closure.

Mr. Mathews reported that the Avgas truck broke down and had to be repaired. Public Works came on Monday to repair the truck.

Mr. Mathews reported that a Tesla charging station has been installed outside of the big hangar at the Museum.

Mr. Mathews reported that the lease with Dobbins for air drops has expired. He said that Dobbins will survey the area and determine compensation for the use of the property. He said that there is a possibility that Dobbins will maintain the ILS when Mr. Al Squires retires if the airport will allow them to continue air drops and use of property.

Mr. Mathews reported that the Avigation Easement surveys are finished. The appraisals will start at the end of the month. He said that he will be able to save a lot of money by accompanying the appraisers instead of sending someone else.

Mr. Mathews reported that he has filled 5 of the 9 vacant hangars at the airport. He said that Jet sales are down and that all airports are suffering.

SAFETY COMMITTEE

None

BUSINESS/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Chairman Hood reported that the Florida Tech. football team flew in on Saturday in a CRJ700. He said that they took on over 1,000 gallons of fuel.

PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

None

FACILITIES PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

None

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Vice Chairman Britton gave the financial report.

Vice Chairman Britton reported that fuel sales are down.

BAKER

Mr. Van Wie reported that surveyors have been out and about looking into environmental assessment for the Runway Extension Project.

COUNTY

None

JLC AIR SHOW MANAGEMENT

Mr. Cowman reported that he lost one C-17 but that he is going to be getting another one from New York.

Mr. Cowman reported that the F-18 Super Hornet team will be performing at this year's air show. He said that 2 more aircraft will be on static display.

Mr. Cowman reported that the Thunderbirds will fly with a Walking Dead star on Thursday of the air show.

Mr. Cowman reported that parking will be contracted out instead of having volunteers in charge. He said he will need school buses to help transport people to and from the venue.

Mr. Cowman reported that the emergency management meeting went well.

GNTC-AVIATION TRAINING CENTER

Not present

EAA

Not present

TIGERFLIGHT

Not present

MUSEUM OF FLIGHT

Ms. Lewis reported that the Museum participated in 8 events in August and September.

Ms. Lewis reported that the Museum is looking into getting an F-14 Tomcat from Virginia.

Ms. Lewis reported that one T-28 is down for a new engine. She said they are trying to have the engine repaired.

Ms. Lewis reported that the hangar dance will be Friday, September 30.

FREEDOM FLIGHT CENTER

Not present

AOPA AIRPORT SERVICE VOLUNTEER

Mr. Carroll reported that he will be putting copies of AOPA magazines in the magazine rack in the Terminal Building.

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. Charisse Durham
- Mr. Chip Hood
- Mr. Brad Robert

COUNTY COMMISSION

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| Ms. Erin Elrod | Mr. Mike Mathews |
| Mr. Irwin Bagwell | Mr. Scotty Hancock |
| Mr. Jamie McCord | Ms. Rhonda Wallace |
| Mr. Garry Fricks | Mr. Larry Maxey |