

**Macon County Airport Authority
Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on April 24th, 2012**

The Macon County Airport Authority holds its regularly scheduled meeting in its office at 1241 Airport Road, Franklin, North Carolina. All members are present. Also present are: Bobby Koppers, County Commissioner; Joe Collins, Legal Counsel; Neil Hoppe and Peggy Milton, airport FBO; and Teresa McDowell, Clerk. Chair Gregory welcomes all present and calls the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 27th, 2012: After a discussion, Member Corbin makes a motion to approve the minutes as forwarded. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: None

ELECTION OF MCAA OFFICERS: Member Haithcock makes a motion to re-elect Miles Gregory as the Chairman of the Macon County Airport Authority. Member Corbin seconds the motion, and continues the motion to include that all nominations cease. Miles Gregory is re-elected as Chairman of the Airport Authority by unanimous consent.

Member Jenkins makes a motion to re-elect Harold Corbin as the Vice-Chairman of the Macon County Airport Authority. Member Schmitt seconds the motion, and continues the motion to include that all nominations cease. Member Corbin is re-elected as Vice-Chairman of the Airport Authority by unanimous consent.

Member Schmitt makes a motion to re-elect Pete Haithcock as the Treasurer of the Macon County Airport Authority. Member Corbin seconds the motion and continues the motion to include that all nominations cease. Member Haithcock is re-elected as Treasurer of the Macon County Airport Authority by unanimous consent. Chair Gregory states that his fellow member's confidence is appreciated, and he is looking forward to working on future projects with the authority. He also states that each officer is elected for a two (2) year term.

ENGINEERING REPORT: APRON REHABILITATION PROJECT AND DRAINAGE PROJECT: Project Engineer, Eric Rysdon, is unable to attend today's meeting, and will update the authority on the above referenced matters at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Chair Gregory does state that there should be a construction contract by the middle of May, and that they are leaning toward concrete for the majority of the apron area.

DISCUSSION OF EQUIPMENT PURCHASE: The MCAA discusses maintenance issues as pertaining to mowing and landscaping of the airport grounds. Project Engineer,

Eric Rysdon, has provided a list of potential equipment costs, for consideration by the authority (See Attached). Chair Gregory states that he would like to see the MCAA purchase new equipment, in that used equipment may eventually need repairs, which is an added expense. He also states that financing is available through equipment providers. Mr. Haithcock reports that lease payments as provided by FBO Hoppe would cover the cost of monthly equipment payments, but currently the lease payments are put into the general budget. After further discussion, Chair Gregory suggests that a mowing/equipment committee consisting of Member Haithcock and Member Corbin be appointed, to which suggestion both members agree. After further discussion, Member Jenkins makes a motion to appoint Member Corbin and Member Haithcock to a committee for the purpose of moving forward in researching equipment costs for eventual purchase. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent. Chair Gregory will speak with the county manager regarding potential part-time personnel for mowing purposes.

OTHER BUSINESS:

FBO Hoppe reports that a pilot who regularly utilizes the airport is in need of single point fueling access, and has stated that he is willing to cover the cost to accommodate single point fueling. Mr. Rysdon will be asked to research some costs, which he will present to the authority at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

FBO Hoppe states that the runway lights continue to be in need of repair. Currently the west half of the lights are in-operational. Chair Gregory will speak to Project Engineer, Eric Rysdon, about obtaining an able electrician to fix this problem.

FBO Hoppe also reports that a letter from the airplane crash victim's attorney has been submitted to him. Legal Counsel Collins will review the letter.

There being no further business, Member Corbin makes a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 p.m. Member Jenkins seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted:

Pete Haithcock, Secretary