

**MACON COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE 29, 2010**

The Macon County Airport Authority meets on June 29th, 2010 in its office at 1241 Airport Road, Franklin, NC. Member Jenkins is absent. All other members are present. Also present are Eric Rysdon, Project Engineer; Teresa McDowell, Clerk; Joe Collins, Legal Counsel; Neil Hoppe, Airport FBO; and Amy Blanton, Macon County News. Chair Gregory calls the meeting to order, welcomes the guests and thanks everyone for attending.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Upon a motion by Member Corbin, seconded by Member Haithcock, the minutes of the meeting held on May 25th, 2010 are unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: There is no one present to speak during the public comment session.

ENGINEERING REPORT UPDATE: Mr. Rysdon reports that the quarterly stream monitoring has been good thus far, and that Mr. Hoppe has assisted in getting the levels after a storm event. Mr. Rysdon will submit a quarterly report to the Chair for review in the near future.

In connection with the runway extension project, he reports that Lori Beckwith with the Corp of Engineers has received everything she needs in connection with the 404 permit, and that she is in the process of submitting the information to the internal committee for review. Mr. Rysdon reports that Lori Beckwith is interested in visiting the site at a future time. Mr. Rysdon also responds to a question regarding the timeline for the runway extension project. He states that the 404 permit should be issued in July, upon which time the project will go out for bids. Actual construction is expected to take five (5) to six (6) months.

In connection with the borrow site, they are currently finishing up the erosion control plan which will include the borrow site. This report will be submitted to Chair Gregory by the end of the week. Mr. Rysdon also states that the tract recently excavated for data recovery has been seeded and is already showing quite a bit of growth.

Mr. Rysdon also reports that he has received an estimate for the survey of obstruction areas. This survey is to make sure that growth in the obstruction area is being maintained. Mr. Rysdon states that the survey will include surveying at both ends of the runway for type three (3) obstacles and a twenty (20) to one (1) slope. Mr. Rysdon reports that the survey will cost approximately five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

There is a discussion regarding the use of fill dirt from the new school construction site for use in the proposed hangar construction site. The 404 permit has to be in place before any fill can be done, but the MCAA wants to do whatever preparation work is necessary

in order to move forward on the hanger construction project. Mr. Rysdon states that the use of fill dirt in the proposed area involves specifying standards, drainage, layout and design, and stripping and filling of the area. After further discussion, the MCAA authorizes Mr. Rysdon to move forward with the potential scope and fee and present a report to Chair Gregory. At this point Member Corbin makes a motion for Mr. Rysdon to proceed with the design and plan for the hangar project. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent. Member Corbin states that a special meeting can be called to further discuss this project if necessary.

OTHER BUSINESS: Chair Gregory states that the landscaped beds in front of the airport need weeding and future maintaining. After a discussion, Member Schmitt makes a motion to authorize Member Haithcock to hire someone to take care of the maintenance of the landscaped beds located in the parking lot. Member Corbin seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

Chair Gregory also states that the MCAA budget through Macon County has been cut by one percent (1%). The amount cut is four hundred dollars (\$400.00). He also states that the Macon County Commissioners did approve the match money for the 2010-2011 grants, as well as the existing ones and Chair Gregory expresses the appreciation of the MCAA for their support. He states that they have been wonderful to work with and that the MCAA liaison, Bobby Kppers, attends regularly and has done a wonderful job. FBO Hoppe states that he needs a fuel gauge for the aviation tank and it is determined that the county maintenance department has one.

There being no further business, Member Corbin makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent. The meeting is adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Pete Haithcock-Secretary/Treasurer