

MACON COUNTY AIRPORT AUTHORITY
Minutes of the Meeting Held on June 27th, 2023

The airport authority holds its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 27th, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at the Macon County Airport. All members are present. Also present are: Stuart Sloan, Legal Counsel; Teresa McDowell, Clerk; Sabrina Crone, Airport Manager; Jimmy Luther, Project Engineer; Gary Shields, County Commissioner; and Lori Carpenter, Finance Director. Chair Schmitt welcomes all that are present and calls the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD May 30th, 2023: Member Rhodes makes a motion to approve the minutes as forwarded. Member Shuler seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION: None

APPROVAL OF AND SIGNAGE OF FY 2023-2024 BUDGET ORDINANCE: Member Horton makes a motion to accept and approve the budget ordinance as approved. The ordinance is signed and presented to Finance Director, Lori Carpenter.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Engineers Report:** Project Engineer Jimmy Luther is present and reports that the Fuel Farm project is proceeding as expected. He addresses the Project Request for Prioritization Purposes e-mail that was sent by Emily Ferreira of the Division of Aviation. Mr. Luther discusses the issues in addressing this e-mail and states that he will talk to Ms. Ferreira regarding the 300 threshold and other issues addressed, and will also discuss the future development of the hangar area with her.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Project Requests for Prioritization Purposes (Per E-mail from Emily Ferreira): See Engineers Report
2. Discussion of Wildlife Hazard Mitigation Training (Per E-Mail from the Division of Aviation): This e-mail is an invitation only notice, and it is not necessary for anyone to attend at this time.
3. Discussion of New Terminal Building Projects (Per E-Mail from Rachel Bingham): It is discussed that this is an information only e-mail stating the current terminal building costs as projected by the Division of Aviation.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. There is a discussion regarding the old hangar building and its potential future usage. The building is not up to code at this time. Member Horton will discuss the issues that could possibly bring this building up to code with the code enforcement department.
2. It is discussed that there are funds available in the GLAD program for education of future pilots. The authority is interested in participating in this program.
3. Sabrina Crone, Airport Manager, states that she is in the process of planning a Fly-In for October, 2023. This will include a cookout and an open house. Chair Schmitt and Member Rhodes who handled the last open house inform her that the EAA was very helpful in helping with the event.

4. Member Horton states that he has been contacted by Paul Webb who has contacted him regarding appointing an authority member to help coordinate the reburial per information from Miranda Panther of the Tribal Historic Preservation Office for the EBCI. Chair Schmitt asks that Ms. McDowell forward his name and contact information to Paul Webb and Miranda Panther.

5. Chair Schmitt will be unable to attend the next meeting. Vice-Chair Horton will be available.

There being no further business to discuss, Member Haithcock makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Rhodes seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent. The meeting is adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Pete Haithcock, Secretary