

Macon County Airport Authority  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held November 27th, 2007

The Macon County Airport Authority held its regular meeting on November 27th, 2007 in its offices located at 1241 Airport Road, Franklin, North Carolina. Chair Gregory called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. All members were present with the exception of Member Jenkins and Member Schmitt. Also present were Monty Beck, Legal Counsel for the Airport Authority, Teresa McDowell, Macon County, Eric Rhysdon, W.K. Dickson, and Neal Hoppe, airport FBO.

MINUTES: Upon motion by Member Corbin and seconded by Member Haithcock, the minutes for the meeting held October 31st were unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEM #3: DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING EASTERN BAND/AA MOA: Chair Gregory led a discussion regarding the signing of the MOA as referenced above. After the discussion, Legal Counsel Beck was asked to contact the FAA attorneys regarding how to proceed, based on possible scenarios presented. Legal Counsel Beck will also contact Parks Preston of the FAA directly, regarding funding for the safety area construction issue.

AGENDA ITEM #4: DISCUSSION OF DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAM THROUGH SCC FOR THE PROVISION OF PILOT TRAINING TO MACON COUNTY YOUTH: Chair Gregory led a discussion regarding development of a program to provide pilot training to youth aged 8th grade through high school. This program would be collaborated with SCC, who would provide funding. After a discussion, it was decided that Chair Gregory should contact Susan McCaskill of SCC for further discussion.

AGENDA ITEM #5: DISCUSSION OF TIP APPLICATION: Engineer Eric Rhysdon led a discussion regarding the submission of the TIP application for 2008-2012. (See Attached). Upon a motion from Member Haithcock and seconded by Member Corbin, the amended TIP application as submitted was approved. Mr. Rhysdon will complete and submit the application to the Division of Aviation by the December 21st, 2007 deadline.

AGENDA ITEM #6: OBSTRUCTION LIGHTING REPORT: Member Haithcock reported that he did not have the necessary information available. He will report on this issue at the next scheduled meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #7: OTHER BUSINESS: Chair Gregory expressed the need for someone representing the Airport Authority to be available to attend the DBE/MBE/WBE Grant Process Program Briefing to be held in Statesville, NC on December 12th. Ms. McDowell will be unable to attend. Chair Gregory will contact Finance Director, Evelyn Southards, regarding attending.

Member Haithcock stated that the AA needs to discuss the deletion of a phone line at the airport which is currently providing weather information. The Airport Authority may be paying for this line unnecessarily. Member Haithcock stated he will investigate the matter further and report back to the Authority at the next scheduled meeting.

There being no further business, Member Corbin made a motion to adjourn. Member Haithcock seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 4:50.

Respectfully submitted:

