

**Macon County Airport Authority**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting Held on August 31, 2010**

The Macon County Airport Authority holds its regularly scheduled meeting in its office at 1241 Airport Road. All members are present. Also present are Jennifer Fuller, DOA Project Manager; Joe Collins, Legal Counsel; Eric Rysdon, Project Engineer; Neil Hoppe and Peggy Milton, airport FBO; Teresa McDowell, Clerk; Chris Carpenter, Macon County News and Colin McCandless, The Franklin Press. Chair Gregory calls the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomes and thanks everyone for attending.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD JULY 27, 2010:** After a discussion, Member Corbin makes a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Member Jenkins seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

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

**ENGINEERING REPORT:** Mr. Rysdon presents an update in connection with the obstruction survey. He reports that on Runway 25, there are some obstructions, with no obstructions being located on Runway 7. He will look at the survey he received today and will then present a report of how to remove and maintain these areas as well as the wildlife attractant area.

Mr. Rysdon also reports that a bid opening was held today in connection to the construction component of the runway extension project. He stated that fifteen (15) plan holders were involved with seven (7) bids actually being received. Spur Construction submitted the lowest bid, but did not meet the DBE goal, which is six (6%) percent. However, Mr. Rysdon states that it does not appear that this contractor will have any problem getting additional documentation to support his DBE goal. The determination as to whether they will be the company actually doing the construction will be made by the Division of Aviation, after they have checked the company's credentials. The next lowest bid was submitted by Buchanan and Sons. (Bid Sheet is attached and made a part of these minutes).

Mr. Rysdon states that the next step in this process is that Spur Construction will now make a good faith effort to meet the DBE goal. If the DOA concurs, the bid will be returned to the MCAA for further review. The MCAA will then accept the bid subject to the Department of Transportation, Division of Aviation approval. After further discussion, Member Corbin makes a motion to accept the bid tabulation summary as presented by Mr. Rysdon, including but not exceeding seven (7) bidders and to accept the lowest qualified bid subject to approval by the engineer and the DOA. Member Jenkins seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent. Member Harold Corbin also makes a motion, that should Spur Construction not be qualified on the DOT records as the qualified low bidder, the MCAA awards the bid for the construction of the runway extension to Buchanan & Sons in the amount of 2.6 million dollars. Member Gary Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

Mr. Rysdon reports that he has not received a response from TVA regarding the 26A permit.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING CLEANING UP AIRPORT PROPERTY EAST:**  
After a request from Chair Gregory, Member Jenkins makes a motion to table this agenda item until next meeting. Member Schmitt seconds the motion and it passes by unanimous consent.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Member Corbin suggests that the MCAA needs to work out a maintenance schedule for the airport grounds. He states that the area around the runway looks unkempt. Chair Gregory suggests that outside contractors be targeted for an estimate for spring of 2011. He suggests that the DOT be approached regarding providing grant funding for a tractor and other maintenance equipment in order to maintain the grounds with their own equipment. Member Jenkins states that the MCAA should stay with the present process until the end of the year. Member Corbin will speak with County Manager, Jack Horton, regarding this issue.

Chair Gregory states that the obstruction lighting should have been repaired last week. FBO Hoppe states that the new county installed fuel gauge is not working. Member Haithcock will research either getting the gauge repaired or replacing it with a new one.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Per the instructions of Legal Counsel, Joe Collins, the MCAA does not go into executive session to discuss the bids or potential contracts.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business, upon a motion by Member Haithcock, seconded by Member Corbin, and passed unanimously by the Authority, the MCAA meeting is adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Pete Haithcock  
Secretary/Treasurer