

# OCONEE COUNTY AERONAUTICS COMMISSION

## Meeting Minutes of the OCAC

Date of Meeting: Feb 13th 2012, 5:30 pm

Commissioners present were Tom Luke, Dan Suddeth, Ron Chiles,. Dan Schmeidt was not present. Airport Director Kevin Short was also in attendance.

Public attendees David Bryant,

Chairman Luke called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

Chairman Luke asked for a motion to approve the Jan 2012 commission meeting minutes. Mr. Luke mentioned that Mr. David Bryant attended the meeting vs. Mr. David Leigh With the minutes amended to reflect Mr. Bryant's attendance a motion was made to approve and it passed unanimously.

**Public comments** – Mr. Bryant acknowledged and expressed his thanks for the removal of the bent sign posts on Shiloh Rd.

**Airport Director Report:** Kevin Short reviewed his monthly director's report highlighting last month's retail fuel sales, hangar rents, misc sale etc. Mr. Short mentioned the 24 hour restroom door was now operational and the building would remain available for restroom use 24 hours per day. He stated A &T fencing of Lavonia GA had started the fencing project and would likely be finished by the end of February. Kevin discussed the breakout sessions at the SCAA Conference in Myrtle Beach specifically the Avigation Easement session and the hangar development session. He also mentioned the FAA would fund the 11.23 acre parcel acquisition thru a state apportionment grant thru the SC Division of Aeronautics.

**Airport Assoc.** Mr. Luke stated the Airport Association held their latest meeting at the Western Sizzler. Mr. Luke mentioned to the Association the vacancy for the Dist III commission member.

### **Old Business**

**Airport Fencing Project / Security...** Kevin mentioned the possibility of piggy backing onto a county wide Security camera project that would be put out to bid next FY.

**Airport Rules and Regs...** on hold

**Security Camera for terminal** – on hold

**SC Title 55** - SC legislature to restart discussions on changes/updates

**Airport Obstruction survey**—Kevin stated that obstruction removal would be a priority project as directed by the FAA at a recent meeting with the FAA at the SC Aviation Association Conf.

**Commission member terms.** Mr. Luke reviewed the status of the commission assignment/ reorganization. He asked for inputs for the commission. Mr Bryant added that the open position did not have to be filled by a pilot. There was mention of asking for inputs from Seneca city officials.

**Construction of Additional Hangars** – The group agreed that the only available site for hangars was between the west apron and the corporate hangar. Mr. Luke also mentioned the SCAC has an online template for estimating construction costs and revenues for prospective hangar development.

**11.23 acre committee...** previously mentioned in the Director's report.

### **New Business**

**Budget Yr 2012-2013 Capital Projects** - Kevin stated the FY 12-13 budget submittal due soon would include:

1. a request for purchasing a listed property adjacent to the airport in the Clemson Forest.
2. Funds for procuring the needed Avigation easements for clearing the runway approaches.
3. Funds to construct and additional Hangar building.

**DISTRICT III** – Mr. Barron has an open appointment to the Commission.

**SCAA Conference** – previously mentioned in Directors report

**Councilman Dexter meeting-** Mr. Suddeth and Mr. Luke reviewed the recent meeting with County Councilman Dexter.. stated the meeting was very positive and Mr. Dexter appreciated being briefed on all the activity underway at the airport.

### **Commission Member comments**

Dan Suddeth mentioned that Council Chair Joel Thrift was open to meeting with the Aeronautics Commission (like Mr. Dexters meeting) in the near future preferably on an slow rainy day. He stated Mr. McCall would also like a meeting.

### **Public Comments**

Mr. David Bryant thanked the commission for supporting the installation of the 24-hour restroom.

Mr. Luke adjourned the meeting at 6:10 pm