

Oconee County Aeronautics Commission
September 10, 2012 Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Tom Luke, Mike Gray, Eddie Perry, Ron Chiles, Randy Renz, Dan Suddeth, Dan Schmiedt

Additional Attendees: Kevin Short, Melinda Anderson, David Bryant

Media: None

Mr. Tom Luke called the meeting to order at 5:30PM

Approval of previous meeting minutes: Approved pending change to attendance count: Ron Chiles was not present at last meeting.

Public Comments: Mr. David Bryant extended his Thank You to Jules Grosjean for repairing/updating lights

Airport Directors Report:

Airfield - Airfield mowing continues in earnest as the increased rainfall has the grass growing very rapidly.

The new groundskeeper (Phil Warren) has done a very good job during the first two weeks. He has picked up where Clay Sheriff left off.

The small erosion issue along a short section of the perimeter fence has been reworked by the Road dept. No more erosion is occurring under the new fence.

The National Weather Service (NWS) Automated Surface Observation System (ASOS) (located near the Clemson Hangar) has been NOTAMed out of service due to FAA phone line issues. The radio broadcast portion of the ASOS continues to broadcast observations normally. NWS has been notified.

Safety /Security Issues – There still have been NO deer sightings inside the fence and or near the runway within the last 150 days.

Budget/ Financial

FBO Retail Sales

	June,	July,	August
Avgas Sales			
Full Serv Gallons	1479.6	1,520.10	1041.8
Revenue	\$9,099.54	\$8,968.59	\$6,146.62
Self Serv gallons	2692.2	3,111.40	2149.2
Revenue	\$15,480.15	\$17,112.70	\$11,717.20
Total Avgas Rev	\$24,579.60	\$26,081.29	\$17,967.77
Jet A Sales			
Total gallons	10,958	8,649	14,271
Total Revenue	\$57,070.36	\$45,052.26	\$74,273.54
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Hangar Rentals (All 48 leased)	\$8693.00	\$12,025.00	\$9,450
Tie downs	\$150	\$100	\$100

Misc Sales	\$673.19	\$331.24	\$188.58
LT Parking	\$ 0	\$0	\$100
Call out fees	\$240.00	\$640	\$320
Ramp fees.	\$50	\$0	
Total Monthly Revenue	\$91,406.15	\$84,229.79	\$102,399.89

County Admin has been notified that we are falling under budget for Jet-A fuel purchasing

Airport Legal Issues A preliminary hearing was held on Sept 4th in Walhalla regarding the April 2010 Deer strike incident. Mediation regarding the runway extension continues.

Terminal / Facilities Issues

New lobby furniture was delivered the week of July 23rd. A new leather Sofa set, love seat, chair, end tables and coffee table are In place for the public to enjoy. The patio table in the kitchen was also replaced with a new bar style table and stools. The old furniture was recycled. The Ice machine in the kitchen experienced a breakdown and needs replacing. It will make a single batch of ice after hand priming of the water sump. A replacement unit is being researched possibly a donation or state contract purchase.

Capital Projects The property acquisition project has been placed on hold by the county administrator to better access the counties long term goals for the airport. The county's annual \$150K entitlement was rolled over into Federal FY 2013 making \$300,000 available by the county.

Personnel Issues

Clay Sheriff (PT Groundskeeper) took a deputy Sheriffs position in early August. Mr. Phil Warren was selected to succeed Clay. Phil started work the week of August 20th. Mr. Warren has much experience in grounds keeping and has done a very good job these first two weeks. Part-time attendant Jim Moats was out of work for 6 weeks due to hip replacement surgery in late June. He returned to work Aug 9th and is doing superbly.

Airport Attendant Ed Grant has given his two week notice of his ending employment with the County. His last day is Sept 17th. The position advertisement has gone out for public notice and the county is accepting applications.

COAA Report: Explained that the COAA organization is a group of Airport enthusiasts that participate in Airport related projects: Ex: Adopt a Highway, FOD walks, Honor Flights etc

Old Business:

- A. Airport Security Plan: On Hold
- B. Airport Rules & Regs: Referred to County Att. WK Dickson will work on preparing once monies are appropriated
- C. Additional Hangar Units: Tabled until Feb 2013
- D. Easements, Clearing and Property Acquisition: Made offer to purchase house. Ran out to time to apply for FAA funding.

County will need to purchase avigation easements with land owners

If Land owner doesn't allow purchase, they receive all liability.

Dan Schmiedt asked how far the penetration is: Mr. Short stated 6-7 thousand ft penetrating 34-1

New Business:

- A. New Furniture: purchased for Lobby area and kitchen.
- B. Emergency Table-Top: Mr. Short meet with Carl Addis (County Coroner) to update all existing Airport related files on runway length, types of AC etc. Mr. Short agreed to have a table top exercise with all County personnel that would be involved in case of AC accident. Ex: Fire, Rescue, EMS, Sheriff etc

Commission Member Comments: Dan Suddeth briefed the board concerning the Helio Stallion.

With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 6:36pm