

**Oconee County Airport  
Director's Report**

October 14

**Airfield.** There are a three small signs with lights out on the airfield. Jules will inspect and troubleshoot to bring them back in operation ASAP. NatureChem of Lexington SC will mow the slopes during the second /third week of Oct... The slopes are VERY shaggy and will likely need mowing three times each growing season to keep them in check .

**Safety /Security Issues** – Rwy 7 Approach Safety – the four parcels of land on Timber Ridge Lane were purchased from the owner. Closing occurred on Sept 25<sup>th</sup>. The next step is to work with the SC Division of Aeronautics to clear the trees. SC DOA will pay 75% of the cost to clear the land. A deer was spotted inside the perimeter fence on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>. SC DNR was contacted and the county will take measures to eliminate this hazard.

**FBO Financials** - FBO retail sales data ...for Sept follows.

Retail Sales	Sept 2013		Sept 2014		
Avgas Sales (gal)	( 5732.4)	\$32,413	(4200.6)	\$23,331	-27% from last Sept.
Jet A Sales (gal)	(8,809)	\$48,671	(13,005)	\$70,745	+45% from last Sept
Hangar Rentals	\$9,905		\$8,720		
Tie downs	\$275		\$110		
Misc Sales	\$295.54		\$164.75		
LT Parking	\$0		\$0		
Call out fees	\$240		\$240		
Ramp/GPU fees	\$550		\$300		

**Airport Legal Issues** - The Plateau Excavation Inc. litigation proceedings will begin and hopefully conclude this month .

**Capital Projects** - The FAA issued an AIP grant for the Acquisition of 4 parcels of land on the Rwy 7 approach, The design of a new exit Taxiway near Hangar E and the burial of Blue ridge Electric Powerlines in the vicinity of Shiloh Road. The FAA grant is for \$405,205 which is 90% of the grand total available. Matching local share is 5% (\$22,512) and state match (5%) is \$22,511.

The land owner has agreed to sell the 4 parcels to Oconee County at a cost to the county of just over \$5000. Closing for the sale will occur in late Sept. After closing the parcels will be cleared.

**Terminal / Facilities Issues-** The lobby carpets were cleaned the last week of August. In order to protect the carpet, eating and drinking in the main lobby area is not allowed.

**Operations** - Game day operations have begun... The Spearman Family is operating their Van Shuttle to the Stadium as they have in past years.

**Personnel Issues** –Airport Attendant Steve Robbins abruptly quit on Sept 10<sup>th</sup> with NO notice. This has placed the remaining staff in a difficult position to cover the weekly work schedule. The decision was made to begin winter operations hours immediately. Thus, the FBO now closes at 6:00 pm Mon-Sat. Mr. Jim Moats status changed to FULL TIME on Sept 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Moats asked for this change it was approved immediately. Therefore, HR has posted the part-time airport attendant position and the selection process is underway.

The current director's last effective work day is Dec 5<sup>th</sup>.. For payroll purposes his last day is Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. The recruitment process is still on going.

Next Meeting Nov 13<sup>th</sup> , 5:30 pm