

OCONEE COUNTY AERONAUTICS COMMISSION

Date/Time: February 19, 2015 at 5:30 P.M.

Location: 365 Airport Road, Seneca, S.C. 29678

Members Present: Randy Renz, Ron Chiles, David Bryant, Al Brightwell, Eddie Perry.

Members Absent: Dan Schmiedt and Mike Gray.

Additional Attendees: Sam Carver, Director KCEU

Media Present: Dick Mangrum (WGOG), Ray Chandler (Anderson Independent)

AGENDA

1. Call to Order:

Mr. Randy Renz, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM with quorum present.

2. Introduction of New Aeronautics Commission Member- Mr. Albert Brightwell.

Chairman Renz introduced Mr. Brightwell to fill the At Large seat so well carried by Mr. Tom Luke. Mr. Brightwell stated his background as being in Business, a daughter at Clemson, airplane owner at KCEU, ATP and CFII certificates and volunteer pilot with the Commemorative Air Force T-6's. He affirmed his commitment to market the airport as a good thing for people of Oconee County.

3. Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes (Dec 2014 & Jan 2015)

Due to writing technicality, the minutes of December 11, 2014 were a month late being approved.

Motion to accept: Mr. Perry, Second Mr. Brightwell, motion carried without opposition.

The Minutes of January 15 were approved. Motion to accept: Mr. Bryant, Second Mr. Brightwell, motion carried without opposition.

4. Airport Directors Report- Mr. Sam Carver.

Mr. Carver reported that despite the cold winter weather, the airfield never closed. A NOTAM was issued for publication stating that the airfield and surfaces were under icing action and aircraft braking would be nil. The runway was inspected by Jules and found to be impaired but useable. The gate was left open after hours as a precaution against icing over in a closed condition which would have prevented emergency access and exit.

Mr. Carver and Mr. Renz attended the SC Aeronautics Commission Annual Conference. Both reported splendid support from the SCAC and FAA for KCEU projects. W.K. Dickson, our KCEU Engineering Consultant Firm was very proactive in its support as well. Both added that the meeting is beneficial to make face to face contact with the SCAC Commissioners, FAA Atlanta Funding persons, vendors, etc.

Mr. Carver reported that the funding by the FAA ADO and SCAC is committed and will reimburse the county for expenses of tree cutting.

Report Details:

Airfield - All lights/navaids have been repaired and are operational. Airfield lighting is now pilot controlled 24 hours.

Safety /Security Issues – AOA signage is being reviewed for updating. The reduced limits for night operations will not be changed until after the power lines approach limits of Runway 7 are put underground.

FBO Financials:

Mr. Carver reviewed his director's report focusing on all FBO activity and retail sales.

Capital Projects - New Stub Taxiway (Bravo). This project is expected to be funded and completed by September, 2015. Funding from SCAC due in July.

Terminal / Facilities Issues - None

Operations - The Jet A truck has been sent to Birmingham for repairs. The truck will virtually be rebuilt to like new condition (exception of automotive) new hoses, fittings, belts, drives etc. Cost is \$30,000.00 a substantial savings over new. A loaner truck is being used until the DEPOT finishes repairs and painting. The loaner is free of charge with the exception of delivery and return costs.

Personnel/Safety Issues – Mr. Carver reported that the Airport had one recordable incident related to a knee sprain.

The Directors Report was motioned for approval by Mr. Chiles with second by Mr. Perry. Motion carried without opposition.

5. Airport Association Report

Mr. Tom Luke was present representing the Association. No activity to report, and the next meeting will be in April. Mr. Bryant stated that there was an Airport Road cleanup schedule for the near future.

6. Old Business

Airport Security Plan/ Security

Mr. Carver stated he was reviewing a quote on a commercial security surveillance package for KCEU.

He also reported that the FAA and SCAC are emphasizing updating the Security Plans, Rules and Regulations.

Airport Rules and Regulations

Mr. Carver stated he is updating the rules and regulations and he had adjusted fuel prices in accordance with KCEU's last fuel deliveries.

7. New Business

Aviation Fuel Pricing

Fuel prices are lower according to Mr. Carver. He will also include gallons of sales and purchase on the March Directors Report.

Airport Strategic Plan

Mr. Carver presented the Commission with a Draft of his Strategic Business Plan for 2015-2016. He stated his focus was on action items and will make the SBP an agenda item next month for discussion. He charged the Commissioners to read and critique the plan for discussion and improvement.

Airport Tours/Special Events

Due to increased demand, Mr. Carver stated he will address process as part of the updated Rules and Regulations.

8. Commission Member Comments

Several suggestions were made regarding Airport operations and funding. Mr. Carver stated he is reviewing the idea of the Airport becoming an Enterprise fund.

9. Public Comments:

Mr. Tom Luke briefed the Commission about the Airplane for Animals event held yearly.

10. Next Meeting Date/Time - March 12, 2015

By acclimation.

11. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Brightwell with second from Mr. Bryant, motion carried without opposition. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eddie Perry

Prepared by: Melinda Anderson