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Minutes of Airport Authority Meeting 10 February, 2014 6:00PM

Attendees:

Comr. Dick Morrow (C)	Mr. Ron Alexander	Comr. Joanne Todd
Comr. Bart Miller	Comr. Raymond Ray	Mr. Carl Pruett
Mr. Larry Johnson	Mr. Brett Lavender	

Also in Attendance:

Mr. Kenny Smith (City Manager)
Mr. William Wilson (County Manager)
Mr. Robert Mohl (Airport Director)
Mr. Alvin Huff (City of Griffin)
Mr. Ray Lightner (Griffin Daily News)

I. Call to Order:

At 6:02PM with a quorum present the Chairman, Comr. Morrow, called the meeting to order.

- II. Adopt Minutes:** The Chairman made a request to entertain a motion to accept the minutes from the Airport Authority Meeting held on 13 January 2014. Comr. Joanne Todd motioned to adopt the minutes, Mr. Carl Pruett seconded, the motion was approved (8-0).

- III. Audience Comments:** Mr. John Reed 148 Banks Road, Griffin, GA. inquired as to when the land acquisition process would begin. Comr. Morrow replied that we have submitted our request to the FAA & GDOT and are awaiting their reply.

IV. Old Business:

- a. Authority Insurance Coverage:** Mr. Pruett provided a brief overview of his research into Airport Operation & Officers Liability coverage. Mr. Pruett stated that there were two more items he needed, one was regarding current coverage with respect to "state sovereign immunity" the other was to compare coverages at other airports from the region, he expects to have a completed package for the board at the March meeting. Additionally, Mr. Pruett informed the board that he was collecting resumes from local attorneys, as he further investigates the cost and qualifications in obtaining legal counsel to represent the Airport Authority.

V. New Business:

- a. Open Records Request:** AD informed the board that he had received an ORR from a local citizen & that he, the HR. Director and the I.T. Dept. were working to research the records to answer the request.

VI. Report of Committees:

- a. Budget & Finance** – Mr. Alexander reported on the progress of putting together the draft budget request.
b. Legal & Insurance – Report provided during "Old Business".
c. Personnel – No report at this time.
d. Property & Assets – No report at this time.

e. Transition – Cmr. Morrow updated the Authority of the progress in obtaining City BOC approval on Airport Operating & Personnel Agreements. Cmr. Miller asked for clarification on language regarding ad valorem taxes. Mr. Lavender read aloud the section in question (see attached). Cmr. Morrow stated that the language included was an enumeration of the taxing authority that the City & County Boards of Commissioners have in the normal course of providing funding during the budget process for the departments. Cmr. Miller asked that it be clarified that the Airport Authority had no authority to levy taxes. Cmr. Morrow stated that was correct, the Authority has no power to levy taxes. Cmr. Morrow further informed the Authority that we were still awaiting a response from the FAA & GDOT regarding our request for assistance in Land Acquisition.

VII. Airport Director’s Report: AD provided standard monthly data reports regarding airfield expenditures, revenues and trends for the month of January 2014 (see attached).

VI. Authority Board Member Comments: Cmr. Miller asked why the Authority did not include money in the SPLOST request to cover our local match for upcoming AIP projects if we do not move the airport and are required to make repairs to infrastructure at the current airport? Cmr. Morrow stated that that was a good question, he responded that the call for SPLOST projects came with a short suspense date and we proceeded to make that deadline. Now that the SPLOST vote has been pushed back we have time now to reconsider our request and modify it if that’s what the Authority would like to do.

IX. Next Airport Authority Board Meeting : 10 March, 2014 6PM
Location : One Griffin Center

X. Adjournment: At 6:37 PM, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Mr. Ron Alexander motioned to adjourn & Mr. Brett Lavender seconded, the motion was unanimously passed, (8-0).

Respectfully Submitted:

Joanne Todd
Secretary,
Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority

C:
Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority
Kenny Smith, City Manager
William Wilson, County Manager