



**Minutes of  
Airport Authority Meeting**  
20 September, 2017  
6:00PM

**Attendees:**

Cmdr. Dick Morrow (C)  
Cmdr. Bart Miller  
Cmdr. Raymond Ray

Mr. Brett Lavender (VC)  
Cmdr. David Brock  
Mr. Larry Johnson

Dr. Randall Peters (Sec / Tres)  
Mr. Carl Pruett  
Mr. Louis Thacker

**Also in Attendance:**

Judge William Johnston (Authority Legal Counsel)  
Mr. Kenny Smith (City Manager)  
Mr. William Wilson (County Manager)  
Mr. Mike Reiter (Michael Baker Intl.)  
Mr. Mike Van Wie (Michael Baker Intl.)  
Mr. Lew Walker (GDOT)  
Mr. Robert Mohl (Airport Director)

- I. Call to Order:** At 5:59 PM, with a quorum present, the Chairman, called the meeting to order.
- II. Adopt Minutes:** Cmdr. Raymond Ray motioned to accept the minutes of the Authority meeting held on the 14 August, 2017. Cmdr. Bart Miller seconded and the minutes were approved (8-0).
- III. Audience Comments:** None
- IV. Report of Committees:**
- a. **Budget & Finance** – No Report At This Time
  - b. **Property & Assets** – No Report At This Time
  - c. **Personnel** – No Report At This Time
  - d. **Legal & Insurance** – No Report At This Time
  - e. **Marketing** – No Report At This Time
  - f. **Tenant Issues** – No Report At This Time
  - g. **Policies & Procedures** – Mr. Brett Lavender motioned to accept & adopt the remaining policies distributed by Dr. Peters at last month's Authority Meeting. Cmdr. Raymond Ray seconded. The motion was approved (8-0).
- V. Old Business:** None
- VI. New Business:**
- a. **Consider For Approval** - Travel Request, AD to attend GAA Annual Conference, 18 – 20 October. Cmdr. Raymond Ray motioned to approve the AD and One additional Authority member to attend the GAA Annual Conference on 18 – 20 October. Mr. Brett Lavender seconded. The motion was approved (9-0).
  - b. **Consider For Approval:** – Amendment 2 to Task order 23  
Cmdr. Raymond Ray motioned to table the item until the next Authority Meeting.  
Mr. Brett Lavender seconded. The motion was approved (9-0).

- c. Consider For Approval:** – Amendment 2 to Task order 24  
Cmr. Raymond Ray motioned to table the item until the next Authority Meeting.  
Mr. Brett Lavender seconded. The motion was approved (9-0).
- d. Consider For Acceptance Resignation of Airport Authority Chair:**  
Cmr. Morrow reviewed the lengthy history of the new airport and noted the significant progress made during that time. He particularly noted the coordinated support from the Spalding County and City of Griffin commissioners and other community leaders that culminated in the creation of the GS Airport Authority, the FAA MOU, the transfer of city-county airport property into the GSAA, and the successful bond sale providing local match money for airport construction. He thanked the Authority board members, past and present, for their hard work and perseverance throughout Authority's five year existence. In particular, Cmr. Morrow noted the contributions and leadership from those that had stepped forward and served as officers and committee chairs. He praised the Board for its strength and commitment, stating that "This BOD is certainly one of the best in the county, and arguably may well be the best." He thanked all of those who had backed this project and, in particular, the current board, the airport manager Robert Mohl, the board attorney William Johnston, the Michael Baker consultants, Mike Reiter and Mike Van Wie, for their friendship, support and commitment.  
In conclusion Cmr. Morrow explained his belief why it was time to transition to a new chairmanship. He recommended Dr. Randy Peters be elected to that role. That recommendation was based upon several factors, including Dr. Peter's stature as former president of SCTC, his long record of successful leadership and accomplishment, his excellent reputation within Georgia state government, his time available, and his passionate dedication to the construction of our new business jet airport.  
Mr. Brett Lavender motioned to accept the resignation of Authority Chair, Cmr. Dick Morrow. Mr. Larry Johnson seconded. The motion was approved (9-0).
- e. Election of Airport Authority Chair to fill unexpired term (3 mos):**  
Cmr. Bart Miller nominated Dr. Randall Peters to serve as Airport Authority Chairman for the remainder of the unexpired term ending 31 December 2017. Mr. Brett Lavender motioned to close nominations and accept by acclamation Dr. Peters for Authority Chair. Mr. Carl Pruett seconded. The motion was approve (9-0).
- f. Election of Other Authority Officers as Required:**  
Dr. Randall Peters nominated Mr. Carl Pruett to serve as Airport Authority Secretary / Treasurer for the remainder of the unexpired term ending 31 December 2017. Cmr Raymond Ray motioned to close nominations and accept by acclamation Carl Pruett for Authority Sec / Tres. Mr. Brett Lavender seconded. The motion was approve (9-0).

**VII. Airport Director's Report:** AD provided airport statistical data report for month ending Aug. 2017.  
(see attached AD Report).

**VIII. Authority Board Member Comments:** All Authority Members thanked Cmr. Morrow for his many years of service and dedication to the airport, to getting an Airport Authority created and getting the new replacement airport project underway.

**IX. Next Airport Authority Board Meeting:** **09 October, 2017 - 6PM**  
**One Griffin Center**

**X. Adjournment:** At 6:37 PM, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Cmr. Bart Miller motioned to Adjourn. Mr. Larry Johnson seconded. The motion was unanimously passed, (9-0).

Respectfully Submitted:

Dr. Randall Peters  
Secretary,  
Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority

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