

HARRIS COUNTY AIRPORT COMMITTEE
November 14, 2019
10:00 AM

Members Present: Becky Langston, Randy Dowling, Nancy McMichael, Jim Woods, Katelyn Stallings (Pond & Co.), Lynda Dawson, Ronnie Pendergrass. Members Absent: Kim Tharp. Also in attendance: Daniel Ferrone (Pine Mountain PD), Phil Eberly (Lead Edge Design Group), Amanda Rostin (Lead Edge Design Group), Bill Tudor (Holt Engineering), Clint Chastain (CFO), Greg Hadley.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mrs. Langston called the meeting to order.
2. **MINUTES.** The motion to approve the minutes of October 10, 2019, was made by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mrs. Dawson, and passed unanimously.
3. **DISCUSSIONS**
 - A. **Airport Financial: Cash Basis Ending June 30, 2019.** Clint Chastain, the County's Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the financial cash basis report ending June 30, 2019, and discussed the Airport finances. He also recommended that the Airport should slow down on its big investments in order to give time for it to catch up on the \$1,278,498 deficit.
 - B. **Airport Financial: Comparative Statements of Net Position and of Revenues, Expenses & Changes in Net Position.** Clint Chastain, the County's Chief Financial Officer, reviewed and discussed the two Comparative Statements regarding the Airport's financial net position and revenues, expenses and changes. The Airport has a deficit of \$1,278,498.
 - C. **Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).** Katelyn Stallings, Airport Consultant, briefly reviewed the CIP. Following discussion, the motion to recommend approval of the CIP to the Board of Commissioners (at their November 19 meeting) was made by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Dowling, and passed unanimously.
 - D. **Open House.** Mrs. Dawson confirmed the Silver Wings and the band for the Open House, and that she will continue working on the event in January 2020.
 - E. **Fencing, Phase II.** Ms. Stallings said that the fencing project has been completed, the damaged area has been repaired, the additional gate is in place, and the final inspection of same will take place immediately following today's meeting. Mr. Pendergrass said that with the completion of the fencing, gates codes will soon be used for the two access gates.
 - F. **Airport Traffic.** Mr. Pendergrass reported that airport traffic was strong in October, more Jet fuel than AV gas; that traffic will pick up for Fantasy In Lights, which starts tomorrow night; and that there were four jets at the Airport for the Steeplechase event.
 - G. **Travel Packages.** Mr. Wood said that he talked to Tom Schaefer with Callaway Gardens, and they will be offering various packages for their venues. Mr. Pendergrass said that he also talked with someone from Callaway Gardens about such to come up with a travel package to utilize the Airport to visit Callaway Gardens.

H. **Mobile Plane Painting.** Mrs. Dawson said that she was contacted by an individual who would like to be able to offer his mobile plane painting service at the Airport; that he would not set up shop but only come when he is contacted. Consensus was that a flyer/card could be placed in the terminal, much like those of other businesses. Discussion included concern about insurance and licensing.

I. **Verizon Cell Tower.** Mr. Pendergrass asked if there is anything coming up regarding another cell tower near the Airport. Mrs. McMichael said that as far as she knows, an application regarding a cell tower near the Airport has not been submitted.

4. **NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting will be Thursday, January 9, 2020, at 10:00 AM.

5. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Langston adjourned the meeting.

Prepared by: Nancy D. McMichael, County Clerk

Minutes approved _____
by vote of _____ to _____.