

HARRIS COUNTY AIRPORT COMMITTEE

April 14, 2016

10:00 AM

Members Present: Harry Lange, Bill Champion, Amanda Hill, Greg Wood, Nancy McMichael, Jayson Johnston, Lynda Dawson, Jack Mayfield. Member Absent: Jim Woods. Also in attendance: Jim Trott, Mayor of Pine Mountain; Andy Kober, news reporter and volunteer firefighter; Richard Daniels, project manager; Daniel Ferrone, Pine Mountain Police; Jimmy Carver, Harris County EMS Chief.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Mr. Lange called the meeting to order.
2. **MINUTES.** The motion to approve the minutes of March 10, 2016, was made by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Champion, and passed with five in favor (Wood, Champion, Lange, Hill, McMichael), no opposition, and one abstention (Dawson).
3. **DISCUSSIONS**
 - A. **Status of Projects.** Richard Daniels, project manager, gave an update on the projects to include that the last of the asphalt is down; and that temporary striping is in place.
 - B. **Corporate Hangar Sealing.** Mr. Wood commented that the concrete floor imperfections have not yet been repaired; that it may be that the retainage being withheld from BM&L invoices may be used to make the repairs.
 - C. **Taxiway Lights.** Richard Daniels, project manager, said that they are precasting the cans for the lights, and that the job should be completed in 3 to 4 weeks.
 - D. **Beacon.** It was announced that the beacon is in place, but that the angle of the light may need to be changed.
 - E. **Septic Tanks.** Mr. Champion said that rather than having one septic tank installed, there will be two smaller tanks, one at each corporate hangar
 - F. **Electrical.** It was reported that the electrical work is in the process of being done. There was a brief discussion regarding Diverse Power and the cost, which is \$28,000.
 - G. **Access Road.** Mr. Champion said that the road is ready for the County to do its portion on the road.
 - H. **Corporate Hangar Shed.** Mr. Wood reported that the addition of the shed to one of the corporate hangars is being delayed until a stronger commitment is received from CSG.
 - I. **Hangar Rentals.** Mr. Champion reported there are 3 empty hangars; that 1 is under contract; that 1 is being held for transient use; and that 1 is actually available for rent.
 - J. **Corporate Hangar Door Issues.** Discussion took place regarding the correction necessary to the door track of one of the corporate hangars (installed by BM&K).
 - K. **Corporate Hangar Restrooms.** It was reported that the restrooms in both corporate hangars are underway and being construction by County personnel.
 - L. **Temporary Markings.** Richard Daniels, project manager, reported that the temporary markings on the taxiway and hangar taxilanes will remain in place for 30 days before being replaced by permanent markings.

- M. **GDOT Issues.** Ms. Hill said that a hydrology study needs to be done east of the existing terminal and new access road; that the Airport does not qualify for the next tier of funding because it is not commercial nor does it serve over 10,000 passengers.
 - N. **Golf Cart Path.** Mr. Champion reported that Bill Doyle, of Callaway Gardens, was in the area recently and asked about the golf cart path. Discussion included that millings from the taxiway will be used for the path; that it will be about 10' wide; and will also be utilized for security access.
 - O. **Fly-In.** While June 18 was initially agreed upon for the fly-in, due to the hangars not being completed and the grass not being in, consensus was to move the fly-in date to July 16.
 - P. **Berm.** Richard Daniels, project manager, reported that the work on the berm should be started in the next two weeks.
 - Q. **Aerocommander Flying Club.** Mr. Champion reminded all that the Aerocommander Flying Club will be coming to the Lodge & Spa the week of September 23, will involve 30 to 50 single engine aircraft, and will be using a hangar for classes/training, for which about 40-50 folding chairs and two tables will be needed. Mr. Wood said that tables and chairs from the Ag Building can be used He said the problem he will have will be parking all the planes, and that he will need an Av Gas truck that will hold 750 to 1,250 gallons.
 - R. **Ground Rods.** Mr. Champion reported that ground rods are needed in the corporate hangar area for fueling purposes.
 - S. **Fuel Prices.** Discussion took place regarding the listing of fuel prices Mr. Champion distributed to include that LaGrange has been 1¢ less per gallon than the County's sale price up until recently.
 - T. **Parking & Fly-Ins.** Mr. Champion stated that parking is needed, particularly for fly-ins; that the problem is where; and that once that is resolved, we should be able to have fly-ins on a more frequent basis.
 - U. **Use of Airport.** Mr. Champion reported that 32,000 people passed through the Airport last year, with 1,450 to 1,550 landings and take offs.
- 4. **NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting will be Thursday, May 12, at 10:00 AM.
 - 5. **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Lange adjourned the meeting.

Prepared by: Nancy D. McMichael, County Clerk

Minutes approved _____ by a vote of ____ to ____.