

MINUTES
SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
November 18, 2009
Meeting 10:00 a.m. - West Columbia, South Carolina

Commission Members in Attendance

Gregg A. Malphrus, Chairman, At-large
Raymond E. McKay, Jr., District 2 &
Secretary
Ira E. "Bud" Coward II, District 3
Joshua D. Houston, District 4
Barry G. Avent, District 5
Dennis L. Dabney, CPA, District 6

Commission Member Absent

William M. McKown, District 1 & Vice-Chairman

Aeronautics Staff in Attendance

Paul G. Werts, Executive Director
Revé Richardson, Recording Secretary
Hugh Tuttle, Chief Pilot
Jamey Kempson, Airport Maintenance & NAVAID Engineer

Visitors in Attendance

Charlie Stearns, Wilbur Smith Associates
John Hodge, Esq., Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd
Peter Cevallos, SC Technical Aviation Center
Jim Hamilton, Consultant
Joseph Barkevich, W. K. Dickson & Co., Inc.

Welcome and Call to Order

Chairman Malphrus called the meeting to order and announced a quorum in attendance. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and called for the invocation. The invocation was given by *Secretary McKay*. Mr. Werts introduced our visitors.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Malphrus presented the minutes of the September 24, 2009 Commission meeting for approval. *Commissioner Avent* made a **Motion** the minutes be approved as presented, *Commissioner Houston* seconded, and all approved.

Title 55 Presentation

Mr. Hodge gave a presentation on the points being addressed in Title 55. Deadline for presentation is December 15 with all the changes and corrections.

Commissioner Dabney made a **Motion** that Attorney John Hodge update the current Title 55 draft to reflect the allocation of one third of the current over-flight fees provided under Section 12-37-2410 et seq. and fees for other licenses issued under this chapter must be placed in the State Treasury and credited to the fund known as "State Aviation Fund", and authorizing Jim Hamilton to work directly with Executive Director Paul Werts and Attorney John Hodge in making additional changes consistent with this provision, as well as fine tuning other current draft provisions necessary for consistency within the Title 55 update, including but not limited to inappropriate references to "jet fuel" and "gasoline". *Commissioner McKay* seconded, and after further discussion, all approved.

Projects for Consideration

Hartsville Municipal Airport

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for Hartsville Municipal Airport for an engineering design for Runway 21 approach clearing and the terminal building site preparation. The state portion of the project is \$12,154 and the total project amount is \$486,168. The SCAC staff recommends approval of this project. *Commissioner Houston* made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented, *Commissioner Coward* seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

Ridgeland Airport

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for Ridgeland Airport for an overlay of Runway 3/21. The state portion of the project is \$10,069 and the total project amount is \$402,743. The SCAC staff does not recommend approval of the project due to obstructions and non-standard runway safety areas. *Commissioner Avent* made a **Motion** to deny funding of this project, *Commissioner Houston* seconded, and after further discussion, all approved.

Donaldson Field

Mr. Werts presented a state and local capital improvement project for Donaldson Field in Greenville to purchase ARFF radio equipment, CFR protective clothing, and rescue saws. The state portion of this project is \$16,355 and the total project amount is \$27,258. The SCAC staff recommends approval of this project. *Commissioner Coward* made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented, *Secretary McKay* seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

Union County/Troy Shelton Field

Mr. Werts presented a state airfield maintenance project for Union County/Troy Shelton Field to replace the rotating beacon. The state portion of the project is \$9,750 and the total project amount is \$13,000. The SCAC staff recommends approval of this project. *Commissioner Houston* made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented, *Commissioner Coward* seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

Financial, Budget, Aeronautics Update

Mr. Werts gave a financial update and stated that he is working with the B&CB on Policies and Procedures for SCAC, that is reinstating the SCAC weekly reports to the Commissioners, will be sending bullets to update commissioners every Friday on pertinent events/news, announced that the AWOS is working at Georgetown County Airport, and that he was inviting the FSDO manager to give a presentation at our next Commission meeting.

Executive Director's Report(s)

Open Grants & Flight Operations Reports

The open grants report and the flight operations report were accepted as presented.

District Reports

District 2 – Secretary McKay reported that he and Chairman Malphrus attended the Beaufort County Council meeting where the Beaufort County Master Plan was presented. He also stated that Delta is scheduled to continue its “seasonal service” from March to November into Hilton Head Airport and that Hilton Head has the shortest commercial service runway in the country.

District 3 – Commissioner Coward reported on the November 10 FAA/Aiken meeting concerning the ILS project. The facts are that the FAA and Aiken even though funding was there simple miss communicated and went down two different roads on the project. Aiken will try to commission privately to get the project finished in a timely manner. Laurens Airport runway now meets approach standards.

District 4 – Commissioner Houston reported the Greenville Downtown Airport is doing well, the Spartanburg Downtown Airport has chosen a contractor and is sending out *Requests for Services* in the next two weeks, and that the recent crash at the Greenville/Spartanburg Airport appears to have been from lack of fuel.

District 5 – Commissioner Avent reported all projects at his airports are on schedule. Fairfield would like to look into painting their runway. He reported Camden would like to resurface their taxiway but an estimate has not been completed.

District 6 – Commissioner Dabney reported that he has not had any updates at this time as to the status of inquiries regarding possible projects at Hemingway and Manning airports.

Meeting Schedule

The Commission’s next meeting is Thursday, December 17, 2009 at the Commission facility, 2553 Airport Boulevard, West Columbia beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

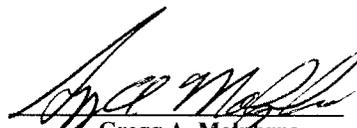
There being no further business, **Commissioner Dabney** moved the meeting be adjourned, **Commissioner Coward** seconded, all approved, and the meeting was concluded.

Raymond E. McKay, Jr., JD, CPA
Commission Secretary



Revé M. Richardson
Commission Recording Secretary

2/10/10
Date



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Commission Chairman

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