

**MINUTES**  
**AERONAUTICS COMMISSION**  
**May 28, 2009**

*Meeting 10:00 a.m. – Division of Aeronautics*  
*West Columbia, South Carolina*

**Commission Members in Attendance**

Gregg A. Malphrus, Chairman, At-large  
William M. McKown, District 1 & Vice Chairman  
Raymond E. McKay, Jr., JD, CPA,  
District 2 & Secretary  
Ira E. Coward II, District 3  
Joshua D. Houston, District 4  
Dennis L. Dabney, CPA, District 6

**Commission Member Absent**

Barry G. Avent, District 5

**Visitors in Attendance**

Chris Eversmann, Wilbur Smith Associates  
Wayne Corley, Corley Engineering  
Darwin Simpson, Spartanburg Downtown Airport  
Jim Hamilton, Jim Hamilton, J.B. Owens Airport  
Mike Marlowe, Myrtle Beach International Airport

**DOC Staff in Attendance**

Clarissa Belton, Controller

**DOA Staff in Attendance**

Paul G. Werts, Executive Director  
Revé M. Richardson, Recording Secretary  
John Floyd, State Airport Planner  
Hugh Tuttle, Chief Pilot

Joseph Barkevich, W. K. Dickson & Co., Inc.  
John Hodge, Esq., HSB Law Firm  
Ed Memmott, City of Spartanburg  
Gary H. Lott, LPA Group, Inc.  
Gary Jackson, Greenville-Spartanburg Int'l Airport

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**Welcome and Call to Order**

*Vice-Chairman McKown* introduced *Chairman Malphrus*. *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 *Commissioner Houston*.

**Approval of Minutes**

*Chairman Malphrus* presented the minutes of the March 26, 2009, Commission meeting for approval. *Commissioner Dabney* made a **Motion** the minutes be approved with wording changed in the "Sale of Asset" account Motion on page three to match the wording of *Secretary McKay's* letter to Secretary Taylor, *Secretary McKay* seconded, and all approved.

**Spartanburg Downtown Memorial Airport**

Mr. Werts introduced Mr. Simpson, Airport Director and Mr. Memmott, City of Spartanburg to make a presentation on the proposed Spartanburg Downtown Memorial Airport terminal. No action was taken on this project.

**Financial Update**

Ms. Belton, Controller for DOC gave a brief overview of the DOA budget noting the \$100,000 deficit which will be taken from the "Sale of Asset" account. She also stated that Procurement/Finance will work closely with the Budget and Control Board to insure a seamless transfer between the agencies.

**Projects for Consideration**

**Chester-Catawba Regional Airport**

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for the Chester-Catawba Regional Airport for a terminal apron expansion. The state portion of the project is \$11,803 and the total project amount is \$472,125. The DOA staff recommends approval of this project. *Vice-Chairman McKown* made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented, *Commissioner Houston* seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

**Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport**

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for the Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport to construct a new general aviation terminal building. The state portion of the project is \$170,171 and the total project amount is \$1,573,836. The DOA staff recommends approval of this project. *Secretary McKay* made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented, *Vice-Chairman McKown* seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

**Greenville Downtown Airport**

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for the Greenville Downtown Airport to rehabilitate the south aircraft parking apron (design and construction). The state portion of the project is \$29,141 and the total project amount is \$1,165,645. The DOA staff recommends approval of this project. *Vice-Chairman McKown* made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented, *Secretary McKay* seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

Jim Hamilton-L.B. Owens Airport

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for the Jim Hamilton-L.B. Owens Airport for a Phase I – Master Plan Update. The state request for this project is \$5,624 and the total project amount is \$224,959. DOA staff recommends approval of this project. **Secretary McKay** made a **Motion** to approve the project as presented, **Commissioner Dabney** seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

Greenville Downtown Airport

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for the Greenville Downtown Airport for tree obstruction clearing per airport safety inspection determination. The state portion for this project is \$21,562 and the total project amount is \$28,750. DOA 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.

**Department Head Briefing**

Open Grants & Flight Operations Reports

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

Executive Director's Report

Mr. Werts discussed ways he is working to better utilize the maintenance department, he is addressing issues that have come to his attention concerning the Flight Standards District Office (FSDO), and announced hiring of an intern from Benedict College who will be working with DOA for the summer.

**Chairman Malphrus** formed a strategic planning subcommittee consisting of **Secretary McKay**, **Commissioner Coward**, and **Commissioner Dabney**. Also, by consensus of the Commission, it was agreed the Commission would meet monthly for the foreseeable future with the next meeting being 10:00 a.m. June 25, 2009 at DOA. Additional meeting dates will be: July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 19 (third Thursday), December 17 (third Thursday) and January 28, 2010.

Mr. Werts will work on a power point for presentation to the Budget and Control Board outlining the mission and goals of DOA. The Commission will review the presentation at the next SCAC meeting in June. In addition, Mr. Werts will send the Commissioners information on the Virginia Department of Aviation to study their program.

**Title 55 Review**

A briefing was given by Mr. Hodge on the proposed Title 55 update.

**Adjournment**

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

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

  
Revé M. Richardson  
Commission Recording Secretary

  
Gregg A. Malphrus  
Commission Chairman

  
William M. McKown  
Commission Vice-Chairman

7/13/09  
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