

**MINUTES**  
**SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION**  
**October 22, 2009**  
*Meeting 10:00 a.m. - West Columbia, South Carolina*

**Commission Members in Attendance**

Gregg A. Malphrus, Chairman, At-large  
William M. McKown, District 1 &  
Vice-Chairman  
Ira E. "Bud" Coward II, District 3  
Joshua D. Houston, District 4  
Barry G. Avent, District 5  
Dennis L. Dabney, CPA, District 6

**Aeronautics Staff in Attendance**

Paul G. Werts, Executive Director  
Revé Richardson, Recording Secretary

**Visitors in Attendance**

Charlie Stearns, Wilbur Smith Associates  
John Hodge, Esq., Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd  
Chris Eversmann, Wilbur Smith Associates

**Commission Member Absent**

Raymond E. McKay, Jr., JD, CPA, District 2 & Secretary

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**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 *Vice-Chairman McKown*. Mr. Werts introduced our visitors.

**Approval of Minutes**

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

**Projects for Consideration**

Mr. Werts stated there were no projects for presentation but did discuss three possible projects for the November meeting one which requires certification by the Flight Standards District Office (FSDO). After further discussion, *Chairman Malphrus* established a sub-committee and appointed Mr. Hodge as lead. He requested Mr. Hodge to ask Mr. David Anderson to serve, and also a member of the South Carolina Aviation Association (SCAA) to serve on the sub-committee. This committee will look into issues encountered by the aviation community working with the FSDO office on compliance and certification needs. The committee is asked to draft a letter or resolution addressed to the FAA from the Commission outlining its findings.

**Financial, Budget, and Aeronautics Update**

Mr. Werts gave a financial update and discussed the Aeronautics budget for FY09/10 and the projected budget for FY10/11. Mr. Werts presented the updated home page requested by the Commission at the last meeting. Everyone approved! It was agreed that Mr. Werts would schedule a meeting with the SCAA Legislative Committee for the week of October 26 to discuss their plans for the upcoming legislative year. *Chairman Malphrus* and *Commissioner Dabney* will attend the meeting.

**Executive Director's Report**

**Open Grants & Flight Operations Reports**

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

**District Reports**

*District 1 - Vice-Chairman McKown* reported that everything is going great at all his airports. The new Myrtle Beach GA Terminal will have a grand opening event the first or second week in December and he would like everyone on the Commission to attend because many of the state legislators will be in attendance. Everyone agreed they would try to attend.

*District 2* – Mr. Werts reported for District 2 - the FAA will be holding meetings in Beaufort County on October 28 - the morning meeting will concern the runway extension into the marsh at the Beaufort County Airport and the 2:00 p.m. meeting will be with the developers at the Hilton Head Airport.

*District 3 - Commissioner Coward* reported that he met with the new airport manager at Anderson Regional Airport, Stephen Vibbard and inspected the new hangar and taxiway project. On October 12, he met with Kevin Short and attended a preconstruction meeting at Oconee County Airport. He announced that on November 5, there will be a design review of the Aiken ILS project and on November 9, the FAA will meet due to funding for the glide slope because the initial funding is inadequate to cover the glide slope costs.

**District 4 – Commissioner Houston** reported that he has had trouble reaching Mr. Wade at Union County Airport so he has no report on Union. Spartanburg Downtown, he has no specifics to report but they may be a little behind on the project. Donaldson may have a project request at the November meeting for consideration, and Greenville/Spartanburg International is doing very well.

**District 5 – Commissioner Avent** reported everything is on target at his airports.

**District 6 – Commissioner Dabney** reported that Mr. Floyd of Aeronautics attended the county council meeting at Manning concerning the realignment of the runway and the new Airport Layout Plan and Mr. Floyd painted the justification picture for the council. The pre-paving at the Jim Hamilton-L.B. Owens Airport is almost done but still needs rejuvenation. He also reported that the special and historic event put on by the Airport Manager at the Jim Hamilton-L.B. Owens Airport was an excellent event and brought together for the first time members of the Richland County and Columbia City Councils.

**Meeting Schedule**

The Commission will next meet on Wednesday, November 18, and the last meeting of the year will be Thursday, December 17, 2009. Both meetings will be at the Commission facility, 2553 Airport Boulevard, West Columbia beginning at 10:00 a.m.

**Adjournment**

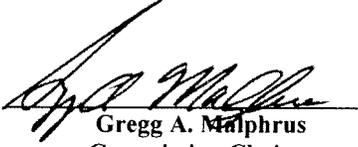
There being no further business, **Commissioner Coward** moved the meeting be adjourned, **Commissioner Avent** seconded, all approved, and the meeting was concluded.

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

  
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Commission Recording Secretary

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Gregg A. Malphrus  
Commission Chairman

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William M. McKown  
Commission Vice-Chairman

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