

LAURENS COUNTY AIRPORT COMMISSION
3985 Torrington Road
Laurens, South Carolina 29360

REGULAR MEETING – April 6, 2015

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Sam Wham, Chairman
John Mitchell
Bob Harrington
Rick Snipes
Jim Spencer

OTHERS ATTENDING:

Ernie Segar, Laurens County Administrator

The regular monthly meeting of the Laurens County Airport Commission was held on April 6, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the airport terminal.

Chairman Sam Wham called the meeting to order. The agenda for the meeting of April 6 2015 was presented and approval. The agenda was approved by consensus. The minutes of the February 2, 2015 meeting were read and approved by consensus.

OLD BUSINESS

FY 2015 BUDGET

The FY 2015 budget was presented. Sam Wham reported that our expenditures as of the current date are on track.

FY 2016 REQUESTED BUDGET

Sam Wham presented a document that the County has sent out a proposed FY 2016 Budget Package requiring our inputs. Sam stated that he had requested the same budget funding for FY 2016 we received in the FY 2015 budget.

AIRPORT PROJECTS

PAVEMENT REHAB PROJECT

Sam Wham distributed the final accounting document on the Pavement Rehab Project. Sam gave an account of the four attempts that were made to certify the PAPIs. On two occasions they failed to provide notification of the scheduled dates. On the third attempt they experienced equipment problems. Finally, on the fourth attempt, we had a successful certification and the PAPI's are operational.

Sam produced documentation from the FAA that tallied the total cost of the Rehab Project. The final cost shown reflected a shortfall of \$38,165 in funding necessary to close out our project. He had submitted a request for \$150,500 to draw the remaining available funds with expectations of submitting a final request for the additional funds. Anna Lynch rejected this request and advised him to submit one final request for all of the needed funds. She asked that we submit a request to amend the grant and she would find the funds.

ENCLOSE REMAINING OPEN T-HANGERS

Sam reported that Bud Boyter is getting some numbers together and the preliminary costs Together, it may not be a worthwhile project based on costs. The estimated cost of the doors alone totals about \$4,600. The rails would be about another \$1,000. The door hanging hardware is \$500 plus the plywood to build the dividing wall. The total price for the two hangars is about \$8,000. At that cost it does not appear to be a viable project at the present time.

CREDIT CARD PEDESTAL AND FUEL PUMP COVERING

At the last meeting, the Commission had discussed the subject of building a cover over the “credit card” pedestal/fuel pump dispensing location. At this meeting, Sammy presented a drawing of the proposed design for a cover for the credit card and fuel pump equipment. There was one bid quote received based on the design drawing. It was from **2K Machine and Fabrication, LLC** of Clinton and the bid was for a cost of \$3,021.00.

Sam called for a motion to purchase the cover dependent on the purchase meeting the County guidelines for procurement. John Mitchell made a motion to purchase and Jim Spencer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

AIRPORT OPERATIONS REPORT

AIRPORT

Jim Spencer reported the airfield and buildings are in good shape. We do not have any discrepancies to be repaired at this time. At the present time; we have 4,400 gallons of fuel in the tank. Bud has purchased and placed the concrete traffic stops around the fuel tank except for the one that has to be shortened. Bud also purchased the “rebar” to install to keep them in place.

T-HANGERS

The new T-hangers are occupied. In the old T-hangers there is one empty.

RENTAL HOME

Jim reported the doublewide needs to have the flooring replaced. The best time to accomplish the replacement of the flooring will be in the month of July when the tenants are on vacation

BOYTER RETIREMENT/REHIRING

Sam Wham announced that Bud Boyter, Airport Staff Member, is back on the job. Also Jim White did a good job filling in during Bud’s absent on as needed basis.

COUNTY STAFF SUPPORT

Sam Wham stated that he and Mr. Segars had discussed the possibility of having someone at the County Staff level assuming some of the Sam Wham’s responsibilities and staffing of the FAA and SCAC grants that he receives and manages. Mr. Segars stated that he appreciated all the work Sammy and the Commission have accomplished in the past. He also stated that he had observed the increased load Sam had incurred in the tracking the grants we have to manage.

NEW BUSINESS

None

QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

None

The meeting was adjourned and the date of the next meeting was scheduled on June 1, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,
JIMMIE L. SPENCER, Secretary/Treasurer