



## Griffin Spalding Airport

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### Minutes of Airport Authority Meeting

11 August, 2014

6:00PM

#### Attendees:

Comr. Dick Morrow (C)  
Comr. Joanne Todd  
Mr. Brett Lavender

Mr. Ron Alexander (VC)  
Mr. Carl Pruett

Comr. Bart Miller  
Mr. Larry Johnson

#### Also in Attendance:

Mr. Kenny Smith (City Manager)  
Judge William Johnston (Authority Counsel)  
Mr. Robert Mohl (Airport Director)

Mr. William Wilson (County Manager)  
County Comr. Elect Don Hawbaker

#### **I. Call to Order:**

At 6:00PM with a quorum present the Chairman, Comr. Morrow, called the meeting to order.

#### **II. Moment of Silence to remember Airport Authority Member Keith Smith:**

- III. Adopt Minutes:** The Chairman made a request to entertain a motion to accept the minutes from the Airport Authority Meeting held on 14 July 2014, Mr. Brett Lavender motioned to accept the minutes, Mr. Larry Johnson seconded, the motion was approved (5-0-2). Commissioners Bart Miller and Joanne Todd abstained as they did not attend the 14 July meeting. Mr. Larry Johnson motioned to accept the minutes from the Joint, City / County / Authority meeting, Mr. Ron Alexander seconded and the motion was approved (6-0-1) Comr. Todd abstained as she was not in attendance.

#### **IV. Audience Comments: - None**

#### **V. Old Business:**

- a. FBO Ramp Remediation: AD informed the board that a meeting was set up in order to possibly close out the monitoring of the wells on the FBO ramp in regards to the Underground Storage Tank (UST) program and the EPD (CAP)-B amendment requirements.

#### **VI. New Business:**

- a. Recommendation to City BOC on Authority vacancy replacement: Comr. Morrow passed out nomination forms and requested the Authority members to get the word out and have those interested to contact the City Manager's office in order to get their names in the book for consideration as a city appointee to the Airport Authority.
- b. Consider for approval an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City & County for developing and funding a replacement airport. Mr. Larry Johnson made a motion to accept the IGA as presented. Mr. Carl Pruett seconded and the motion was approved (7-0).

- c. Discuss next steps towards new airport development. Cmr. Morrow informed the board on an upcoming meeting to be held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of August with FAA & GDOT to answer questions, detailing non-essential air service properties, the IGA, FAA & Local responsibilities and establishing a new timeline for the development of a new replacement airport. The Chair recognized Mr. Jim Parnell of Grey, Parnell & Woodward and Bill Camp with Raymond James to educate the Authority on the processes involved in obtaining the bond to begin land acquisition.
- d. Consider approval of LPA / Baker Work Authorizations for work necessary to develop a replacement airport. (No Action Taken, to be addressed at next Authority meeting). Mr. Mike Reiter of Michael Baker Group (Formerly LPA) briefly described the next few steps in moving forward with the replacement airport initiative. Mike is working with GDOT on our behalf in detailing the next steps and coordinating those items for future grant applications that will coincide.
- e. Committee Assignments. Cmr. Morrow detailed his discussions with the Authority Counsel, Judge Johnston, moving closer towards putting out an RFQ for obtaining Bond Counsel. Cmr. Morrow identified Mr. Ron Alexander and Mr. Larry Johnson of the Budget & Finance Committee to work with Judge Johnson on the RFQ. As for lease development for the new airfield and assigning current leases from City & County to the Authority, Cmr. Morrow assigned the Legal & Insurance Committee chaired by Mr. Carl Pruett with Mr. Brett Lavender and Cmr. Raymond Ray to that item. Cmr. Morrow assigned new airport land purchase review to the Property & Assets Committee chaired by Cmr. Todd, with Cmr. Bart Miller and whomever the new Authority member appointed by the city, will oversee the land acquisition process.

**VI. Report of Committees:**

- a. Budget & Finance – No report at this time
- b. Legal & Insurance – No report at this time
- c. Personnel – No report at this time
- d. Property & Assets – No report at this time

**VII. Airport Director's Report:** AD provided standard monthly data reports regarding airfield expenditures, revenues and trends for the month of July 2014. (see attached).

**VIII. Authority Board Member Comments:**

- Mr. Larry Johnson – Glad to see that this long process is finally underway.
- Cmr. Joanne Todd – Is happy to be back.
- Cmr. Bart Miller – Wants to ensure that no land for the new airport should be acquired that is unnecessary and would come off the tax digest.
- Mr. Carl Pruett – Reiterates what Mr. Larry Johnson said, that he is happy this is finally underway. Additionally, that he wants the public to understand that this process has been very transparent and that if anyone wants the information they may contact / attend the Authority meetings, or call Robert at the airport and he will sit down and explain whatever they would want to know.
- Mr. Alexander – Agrees with Mr. Carl Pruett

**IX. Next Airport Authority Board Meeting : 08 September, 2014 6PM**  
**Location : One Griffin Center**

**X. Adjournment:** At 7:03 PM, the Chair entertained a motion to adjourn, Mr. Carl Pruett motioned to adjourn & Cmr. Bart Miller seconded, the motion was unanimously passed, (7-0).

Respectfully Submitted:

Joanne Todd  
Secretary,  
Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority

C:  
Griffin-Spalding Airport Authority  
Kenny Smith, City Manager  
William Wilson, County Manager