

Rutherford County Airport Authority Meeting

November 13, 2012

Present: Authority members – Bob Howard, Chairman; Keith Hunter, Vice Chairman; and Jamie Lou Padgett. Bob Ralph and Rob Bole were absent.

Also present: Beth Miller, Airport Authority attorney; Chris Roach, Russell Hyde, George Ronan, Jane Ronan, Mark Shaver, Andrew Harris, Justin Cobaugh and Brooke Watson.

Bob H. opened the meeting. Jamie Lou led in prayer and the pledge of allegiance (was led by Bob H).

Minutes – Bob H moved to approve October minutes and all were in favor.

Public Comments – Russell Hyde spoke about the fire inspections for all the hangers were completed. He purchased the fire extinguisher for the hangers to pass the inspection. It took about 8 months to complete the inspection.

Old Business

WK Dickson- James was absent. Bob H. mentioned a congratulations letter from Dion Viventi for the approval of a federal award to acquire property and ultimate obstruction removal.

Rules & Regulations Revision Update - Bob Ralph had a couple of questions. Bob H. and Beth are working with Keith Merritt on finalizing the revised updates.

Update on RFI from Potential FBO's –Bob H. advised the board that only one proposal was received pursuant to the Request for Proposals advertised by the Board in their search for a new Fixed Base Operator. The proposal was received from Fly High, Inc. The Board considered the proposal and noted that the proposal called for a payment to Fly High, Inc. for \$60,000.00 per year. The Board discussed the fact that it simply is not in a financial position to be able to pay an FBO that amount of compensation. Upon a Motion by Bob H., the board voted unanimously not to accept the proposal. Fly High, Inc. will be notified of the Board's decision.

Continue Manager – Bob H. made a motion to continue with the way the management was being handled at this time. Keith suggested staying the same until January. All attending was in favor.

New Business

Request to purchase hanger Dr. Tevis- Dr. Tevis has requested purchasing hanger 2A from Joan Robbins upon approval of the airport authority.

Broad River Water Authority- Bob H. spoke about the mail not being picked up since August and the letter for Broad River Water Authority was in the box for several hanger owners and the airport, in reference to the earnest money to be paid in a few weeks for the water connection. Bob H. spoke with Broad River and they stated that we still could send the money in before 23rd. He also stated that getting connect to the water system would help with the insurance rating for the airport. Bob H. made a motion for the airport to go ahead with the earnest money to get connected. All attending was in favor.

Building New Hanger- Bob H. mentioned using the money that is brought in monthly to build more hanger space. Keith stated it was a good idea and suggested get a quote. Jamie stated it was a good vision for the future. All attending were in favor of getting quotes.

40 Year Termination plan- The discussion was on having the ability to extend someone's lease beyond the 40 year term. Beth stated that per legislation a 50 year lease is what is allowed but the airport board voted for the 40 year term so it can be extended for the 10 year difference. Beth will research the restrictions.

Walking Trail-Bob H. mentioned allowing someone to use part of the airport property for a walking trail. He suggested maybe a figure eight style with benches. Jamie stated it would help bring more activity to the airport. Keith mentioned the concern with how to allow someone else to use the property and then return it back to the airport when needed. Beth stated there would have to be a contract stating the conditions and terms.

Containment Facility Issue- Bob mentioned exploring the possibility for a fuel farm. He mentioned using thorseal on the inside of the walls to strengthen the wall and fill the cracks. This would help in retaining the fuel facility. The thorseal costs approximately \$45 per 5 gallon pail. The board will speak with James Luther on the best process.

Christmas party- Bob H. mentioned attending Lavender Bistro, which was Water Oak, for the annual dinner. Brooke will make arrangements.

Airport Manager's Report

Government Contract Fuel-Bob H. is working on applying for a government fuel contract. Eddie Bab stated that the airport had a good chance for the contract.

Maintenance Issues- Bob H. stated that 100ll truck had a tune up and the hanger door pins were on order with CF Reece. He also stated a gate was going to be put up near the trash cans.

Chris reported sales of 5269.20 gallons for October compared to last year's 2418.60 gallons. Bob H. reported needed 8,000 gallons of Jet A fuel because of the presales. He mentioned the two new guys that were working now helping Chris.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm.