

DeFuniak Springs Airport Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting
March 15, 2016

The following members were present: Chairman Terry Dawkins, Vice-Chair Carl Everitt, Committee members: John Hall and Tommy Ayers, Airport Services Supervisor Ryan Adams, and City Manager Sara Bowers. Committee member Keith Rowland and City Clerk Loretta Laird were absent from the meeting.

Chairman Dawkins called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

February 16, 2016 regular meeting minutes

The February 16, 2016 regular meeting minutes were presented for approval.

Committee member Ayers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Committee member Hall. Motion carried 3-0.

Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

Committee Member Carl Everitt

Airport Residence Tow Clarification

Committee member Carl Everitt inquired about the city's position on towing commercial and non-commercial aircraft at the municipal airport.

City Manager Sara Bowers stated the city does tow aircraft for hangar tenants for non-commercial aircraft. Bowers further stated in commercial tenants are allowed to use the tug, if available, but the city cannot be liable for damages to commercial aircraft.

No action was taken at this time.

Airport Services Supervisor Ryan Adams

Operational and HSSE Compliance Report Findings

Airport Services Supervisor Ryan Adams discussed the local operational and HSSE compliance inspection report dated February 1, 2016. The report was conducted by Eastern Aviation Fuels, Inc. with absolutely no discrepancies in quality control, record keeping, or procedures. Discussion occurred relating to the new Avgas tank not having a data plate, marking kit, and DP curve decal installed.

Florida Department of Transportation U.S. Hwy. 331/State Road 187 Realignment Proposal

Discussion occurred relating to Florida Department of Transportation's State Road 187/U.S. Hwy 331 realignment proposal. The proposal would remove a portion of the eastern side of the current airport runway. Chairman Dawkins discussed being the Air Line Pilot Association (ALPA) representative for the DeFuniak Springs Municipal Airport (54J) and having the proposed FDOT realignment information provided to our state ALPA representative assisting the city.

Committee member Everitt made a motion to provide the FDOT realignment proposal information to the state representative at ALPA, seconded by Committee member Hall. Motion carried 3-0.

Airport Services Supervisor Ryan Adams discussed speaking with the city's FDOT aviation division representative who was unaware of the proposed realignment through the DeFuniak Springs Municipal Airport.

Runway Extension Environmental Assessment

City Manager Sara Bowers provided a brief summary of the environmental assessment report for the runway extension. Bowers stated FAA has indicated the following items needed to be completed prior to the runway expansion project moving forward. Those items include: land acquisition projects, moving Gene Hurley Road further to the West, relocating the Airport access roads, conduct drainage and utility improvements, relocate compass rose, construct run-up area, extend and construct connecting taxiways.

Committee member Hall made a motion to allow Avcon and committee members review the runway extension environmental assessment report for one additional week, seconded by Committee member Ayers. Motion carried 3-0.

Airport Supervisor's Report

Airport Services Supervisor Ryan Adams discussed the various projects at the airport. Those projects include: the Jet-A Mobile re-fueler acquisition bids were received with American Refueler at an amount of \$139,542 with all options included having the lowest bid. Adams indicated the project will be re-advertised to meet the project budget amount. Discussion occurred relating to the re-fueler truck being recommended for Jet-A fuel versus 100 low-lead and having two different services of full service and self-service to pilots.

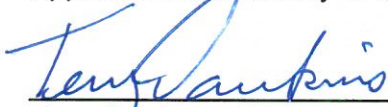
Adams discussed the airport's security gate no. four project being completed and requesting CSX to remove existing tree obstacles within the runway approach safety zones for runway 18 and 27.

Chairman Dawkins suggested Adams send an addendum letter to CSX with the option of allowing the city remove the obstructions at no cost to CSX. No action was taken by the committee.

Adams also discussed the next Marvel of Flight planning meeting scheduled for March 18, 2016, and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

There being no further comments from staff or committee members, the meeting adjourned at 9:53 a.m.

Approved this 17th day of May, 2016.



Terry Dawkins, Airport Advisory Committee Chairman

ATTEST:



Loretta A Laird, City Clerk