

Moore County Airport Authority Monday, February 12th, 2018 Board Meeting – 9:00 a.m. Minutes

The Moore County Airport Authority Meeting was held on February 12th, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at the Moore County Airport Terminal Conference Room.

Authority Members Present: Tom McPherson, Chairman

Barry Lerman, Vice Chairman

Mike Jones, Secretary/Treasurer (late arrival)

Pat Corso, Member Bob Zschoche, Member

Authority Members Absent: (None)

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Participating Electronically: (None)

Staff Present: Ron Maness, Airport Manager

Crystal Meyers, Administrative Assistant

Jane Long, Finance Administrator

Others Present: Amy McLean, Talbert & Bright Inc.

Steve Bright, Talbert & Bright Inc.

Charles Mirman Ken Haenlein

CALLED TO ORDER

- A. Opened Session
- B. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman, Tom McPherson.
- C. Conflict of Interest Inquiry was made by Chairman, Tom McPherson.

(None)

- D. Approval of Agenda Presented
 - 1. By consensus, all Authority members present were in agreement with the proposed

E. Public comments

(None)

F. Airport Planning Session

- 1. The Authority considered submitted qualifications for an Airport Engineering Firm.
 - \circ Airport Manager, Ron Maness, recommended Talbert & Bright, Inc. to the Authority.
 - Upon motion made by Vice Chairman, Barry Lerman, and seconded by member, Pat Corso, the Authority voted 4 to 0 to accept Talbert & Bright Inc. (TBI) as qualified and to move forward with appropriations for Airport Engineering Services with TBI.
- 2. Airport Engineers, Talbert & Bright, Inc. presented Grant Project overviews and updates to the Airport Authority.
 - o Amy McLean, presented a funding system overview, defined the sources of funds, and provided an overview of grant funding for the Moore County Airport.
 - o Secretary, Mike Jones, joined the meeting at 9:50 a.m.
- 3. Preliminary Interviews with Strategic Planning Firms were conducted electronically.
 - o Strategic Planning Group's, Robert Gray, was interviewed by Amy McLean, TBI.
 - o Boyd Group's, Mike Boyd, was interviewed by Amy McLean, TBI.
 - O Steve Bright, with TBI, suggested the possibility of working with the Strategic Planning Group as the Project Manager while utilizing the Boyd group as a consultant to gain recommendations and their expertise in General Aviation; if both firms would agree to such an arrangement. Mr. Bright indicated if a Strategic Plan is the Airport's priority then, the Strategic Planning Group would be the better option. Mr. Bright also stated the Boyd Group would be better suited if the priority was a business plan.
 - The Authority and TBI considered qualifications and preferences of the Strategic Planning Firms interviewed. The Authority deliberated pros and con of each firm and relayed those findings to TBI and the Airport Manager for further consideration.
 - By consensus, the Authority delegated the selection process to the Airport Manager and TBI to determine the Strategic Planning Firm best suited to the Airport Authority's vision for the Airport and the Master Plan Project.
- 4. Discuss Grant Projects/Funding
 - o Talbert & Bright suggested the Cockman Property & the Frye Property be considered a high priority projects. The importance of clearing the approaches is

necessary to avoid potential penalties that could negatively impact the 2024 US Open.

- o Other suggested high priority projects included Apron Rehabilitation, Hangar Projects, and Runway Strengthening Projects.
- o Amy McLean also suggested updating the taxiway & signage lighting to LEDs prior to the US Open.
- 5. The Authority expressed their desire to improve Airport Involvement and Community Relations.
 - o Airport Manager, Ron Maness, expressed his passion for community involvement and customer satisfaction and stated he will be very aggressive improving on this issue. Mr. Maness indicated a goal would be to have the Festival D'Avion an annual event and to improve on past events, including Young Eagles, Halloween Trunk-or-Treat, and possibly the Airport Open House.
 - o Secretary, Mike Jones, suggested looking into the potential to provide scholarships for Flight Training and to look into more participation with the STEM Educational Program.

G. Additional Agenda Items (if any)

- 1. Member, Pat Corso, requested the Closed Session be held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 due to a conflict in his schedule that may prevent him from being present later into the meeting for the currently scheduled Closed Session.
 - o By consensus the Authority approved the change to the Agenda to accommodate member, Pat Corso's schedule.

H. **Announcements/Comments**

1. The Moore County Airport Authority meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. in the Airport Terminal Conference Room, Carthage, North Carolina, on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018.

I. **Closed Session**

1. (None)

I. Adjournment

1. Chairman, Tom McPherson adjourned Open Session.

Thomas McPherson, Chairman Moore County Airport Authority

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VICE CHAIRMAN

Mike Jones, Secretary BARRY, LERMAN