



AGENDA  
AIRPORTS BOARD  
Thursday, May 16, 2013  
1:30 p.m.  
Council Chambers, Administration Building  
Beaufort County Government Center  
100 Ribaut Road, Beaufort

1. CALL TO ORDER
  2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  3. MOTION TO ACCEPT MAY 16, 2013 AGENDA
  4. MOTION TO ACCEPT MARCH 21, 2013 MINUTES ([backup](#))
  5. GUEST INTRODUCTIONS
  6. PUBLIC COMMENT - Limited to Three Minutes Each Person
  7. BEAUFORT COUNTY AIRPORT REPORT
    - A. Fuel Sales - Joel Phillips ([backup](#))
    - B. Projects Update – Rob McFee
  8. HILTON HEAD ISLAND AIRPORT REPORT
    - A. Tower Report – Larry Yeager ([backup](#))
    - B. Operations Report – Larry Yeager ([backup](#))
    - C. Noise Complaints & Traffic Counters – Larry Yeager
    - D. Projects Update – Rob McFee
  9. COMMITTEE REPORTS
    - A. Lady's Island Airport Operations - Pete Buchanan
    - B. Hilton Head Island Airport Operations - Will Dopp
  10. NEW BUSINESS:
    - A. Election of Officers - Joe Mazzei
  11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
  12. PUBLIC COMMENT - Limited to Three Minutes Each Person
  13. FUTURE MEETINGS
- Airports Board: The next meeting will be held on June 20, 2013 at 1:30 PM in the County Council Chambers of the Beaufort County Government Center.
14. ADJOURNMENT



# AIRPORTS BOARD

March 21, 2013

The electronic and print media were duly notified in  
Accordance with the State Freedom of Information Act

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[http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=2](http://beaufort.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2)

The Airports Board met on Thursday March 21, 2013 at 1:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of the Beaufort County Government Center. Chairman Mazzei called the meeting to order and led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Airports Board Members: Chairman Joe Mazzei, Vice Chairman Graham Kerr, Will Dopp, Mike Nash, Ron Smetek, Carl Wedler, Pete Buchanan, Al Spain, Rich Sells, Councilman John McCann – Town of Hilton Head Island Liaison, and Councilman Stu Rodman – Beaufort County Liaison. (Absent: Derek Gilbert, Ross Sanders)

County Staff: Rob McFee, Director, Engineering and Infrastructure; Councilman William McBride; Joel Phillips, Beaufort County Airport Supervisor; and Larry Yeager, Hilton Head Island Chief of Operations.

Public: Judy Elder, Talbert & Bright; Wil Hamp, Resident; Joe Zimmerman, Resident; Bob Gentzler, Resident; Alan Kwiatkowski, Resident; Linda Kwiatkowski, Resident; Leo Brennan, Resident; Bob Richardson, Resident; and Robert Oetjen, Resident.

## **MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA**

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Smetek that the March 21, 2013 agenda be approved. The vote was: FOR – Mr. Mazzei, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Dopp, Mr. Spain, Mr. Smetek, Mr. Wedler, Mr. Nash, Mr. Buchanan, and Mr. Sells. AGAINST – None. ABSENT – Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Sanders.

## **MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES**

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Sells that the February 21, 2013 minutes be approved. The vote was: FOR – Mr. Mazzei, Mr. Kerr, Mr. Dopp, Mr. Spain, Mr. Smetek, Mr. Wedler, Mr. Nash, Mr. Buchanan, and Mr. Sells. AGAINST – None ABSENT – Mr. Gilbert and Mr. Sanders.

Before the guest introductions and public comments, Mr. Mazzei stated that at the last meeting there were technical difficulties with the broadcast at the Hilton Head Island Library. Mr. Mazzei stated his reply to Mr. Smetek's comment about whether the guests at the library had

heard the meeting was taken out of context. Mr. Mazzei stated that comments made at the Town Council meeting concerning his remarks were out of order and asked for an apology. Mr. Smetek disagreed and stated he did not owe an apology, but asked for an apology from Mr. Mazzei who declined.

## **GUEST INTRODUCTIONS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. Joe Zimmerman - Mr. Zimmerman stated he was the one who spoke to the Town Council about Mr. Mazzei's comments and that there would be no apology from him as well.

## **LADY'S ISLAND AIRPORT REPORT**

Mr. Phillips reported on the fuel sales and operations for the Lady's Island Airport for February.

Mr. McFee stated SCE&G has until March 17, 2014 to light or lower the utility poles. He also stated the court has not yet scheduled dates for the avigation easements. Mr. McFee stated the FAA sent a letter to Mr. Kubic on March 8<sup>th</sup> requesting submittal of the draft Master Plan as soon as possible. Mr. McFee stated this involves clarification of verbiage and that it would need to go back to the Airports Board, Finance, and County Council.

## **HILTON HEAD ISLAND AIRPORT REPORT**

Chief Yeager gave the tower and operations reports as well as the noise complaints for February.

Mr. McFee gave an update of the obstruction removal process and avigation easements. The tentative start date is unknown for the South end off airport portion due to the appeals. Mr. McFee stated there was a tour of the Phase 3 archaeology data recovery and the field work will be completed tomorrow.

Mr. McFee stated the consultant has picked up as-built plans from the County for the design of the commercial terminal renovations. He stated the runway lighted signs replacements were to receive a Modification of Standards from the FAA, but has not yet been received.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 1. Lady's Island Airport Operations –Pete Buchanan – No Report**
- 2. Hilton Head Island Airport Operations – Will Dopp**

Mr. Dopp stated the movements for the first two months of this year compared to last year are down 17% and passenger count is down by 5%. He stated that for the same time period Signature Flight Support's revenue was up by 5%. Mr. Dopp stated revenues from Republic Parking are down slightly. Mr. Dopp stated the control tower will probably shut down April 7<sup>th</sup>, but there is a joint effort between the County and the Town to provide a temporary tower during the Heritage Golf Tournament. A discussion which included the Board, Councilman Rodman, Mr. McFee, and Mr. Alan Kwiatkowski (a guest) was then held concerning the control towers and the sequestration.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Discussion of Status of Master Plan Phase 1 Implementation – Joe Mazzei**

Mr. Mazzei recapped the process for approval of the Master Plan and the implementation of Phase 1. He stated the approval of the Master Plan is behind us and we are now moving into the implementation and design phase. Mr. Kerr concurred and added that the Airport Layout Plan is actually the execution document. Mr. Smetek stated the Master Plan is only a plan and that there are significant things that need to take place before we continue with the implementation such as the true cost and benefits. He stated that there are data errors that need to be looked at before moving forward with the implementation. Mr. Smetek stated "they" have appealed to the FAA, Talbert and Bright and to Mr. Kubic to go over some of the numbers. He stated Mr. Kubic has accepted the invitation.

### **2. Process for Consideration Of Alteration of Phase 2– Joe Mazzei**

Mr. Mazzei stated the next question is what do we want to do about Phase 2, if anything. He stated a discussion, prompted by Councilman Rodman, came up about minimizing the impact on the community as much as possible and at the same time accomplish Phase 2. Mr. Mazzei stated he does not want anyone to lose sight of the fact that Phase 1 would not be involved. Councilman Rodman stated it is his understanding the Benefit Cost Analysis is that it is primarily for the FAA and that they are the judge of whether they agree or disagree with the numbers, but the County Council will want to have some input. He stated the mechanism for doing this is the 5 year Cash Flow Plan. Councilman Rodman stated the issue with Phase 2 is whether or not it makes sense to do a study as to what we could accomplish on airport property that is greater than 5000 feet but less than 5400 feet. He stated that he thinks it makes sense to complete the study because then it would be very transparent and everyone could look at, talk about it and decide on the options. Councilman Rodman stated he would encourage the acceleration. A discussion continued concerning the study as well as the responsibilities of the Airports Board.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS CONTINUED – None**

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next Airports Board meeting will be Thursday April 18, 2013 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Beaufort County Government Center.

## **ADJOURNMENT – 2:55 p.m.**

## LADY'S ISLAND AIRPORT OPERATIONS REPORT

	Avgas	Jet A	Total Flow	Total Flight Ops				
<b>2013</b>								
January	2,393	2,682	5,075	1,010				
February	2,831	2,798	5,629	1,102				
March	4,804	4,019	8,823	2,005				
April	3,682	4,505	8,187	1,954				
May								
June								
July								
August								
September								
October								
November								
December								
<b>2013 Totals</b>	<b>13,710</b>	<b>14,004</b>	<b>27,714</b>	<b>6,071</b>				
	Avgas	Jet A	Total Flow	Total Flight Ops				
<b>2012</b>								
January	3,130	2,520	5,650	1,018				
February	2,029	1,882	3,911	984				
March	4,418	4,025	8,443	1,912				
April	4,181	4,110	8,291	1,965				
May	3,062	4,049	7,111	1,106				
June	3,928	3,055	6,983	1,222				
July	3,292	883	4,175	905				
August	2,616	2,232	4,848	948				
September	2,910	2,257	5,167	1,105				
October	3,349	4,282	7,631	1,860				
November	3,950	4,056	8,006	1,984				
December	3,339	3,060	6,399	1,685				
<b>2012 Totals</b>	<b>40,204</b>	<b>36,411</b>	<b>76,615</b>	<b>16,694</b>				
	Avgas	Jet A	Total Flow	Total Flight Ops				
<b>2011</b>								
January	3,580	3,036	6,616	920				
February	4,020	1,849	5,869	1,074				
March	5,166	3,005	8,171	1,847				
April	4,884	4,181	9,065	2,015				
May	3,666	4,822	8,488	1,280				
June	3,167	1,848	5,015	1,018				
July	2,968	2,336	5,304	1,038				
August	2,432	2,478	4,910	912				
September	2,488	2,615	5,103	858				
October	3,367	3,461	6,828	1,141				
November	3,913	6,168	10,081	1,838				
December	3,518	2,675	6,193	1,122				
<b>2011 Totals</b>	<b>43,169</b>	<b>38,474</b>	<b>81,643</b>	<b>15,063</b>				

## HXD TOWER REPORT

<b>TOWER</b>	<b>VFR</b>	<b>IFR</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>After Hrs. GA</b>	<b>After Hrs. Comm</b>	<b>Total Ops</b>
January 2013	961	1,103	2,064	128	54	2,246
February 2013	812	1,080	1,892	96	41	2,029
March 2013	1,126	1,477	2,603	130	34	2,767
April 2013	1,126	2,126	3,252	160	34	3,446
May 2013			0			0
June 2013			0			0
July 2013			0			0
August 2013			0			0
September 2013			0			0
October 2013			0			0
November 2013			0			0
December 2013			0			0
<b>TOTALS 2013</b>	<b>4,025</b>	<b>5,786</b>	<b>9,811</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>10,488</b>

<b>TOWER</b>	<b>VFR</b>	<b>IFR</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>After Hrs. GA</b>	<b>After Hrs. Comm</b>	<b>Total Ops</b>
January 2012	1,161	1,284	2,445	53	14	2,512
February 2012	1,174	1,351	2,525	92	20	2,637
March 2012	1,374	1,957	3,331	126	19	3,476
April 2012	1,176	2,173	3,349	127	19	3,495
May 2012	1,279	1,965	3,244	125	23	3,392
June 2012	1,103	1,678	2,781	134	35	2,950
July 2012	1,162	1,617	2,779	88	36	2,903
August 2012	970	1,566	2,536	64	37	2,637
September 2012	1,092	1,424	2,516	119	38	2,673
October 2012	1,009	1,510	2,519	126	35	2,680
November 2012	1,043	1,493	2,536	124	56	2,716
December 2012	873	1,099	1,972	125	56	2,153
<b>TOTALS 2012</b>	<b>13,416</b>	<b>19,117</b>	<b>32,533</b>	<b>1,303</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>34,224</b>

<b>TOWER</b>	<b>VFR</b>	<b>IFR</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>After Hrs. GA</b>	<b>After Hrs. Comm</b>	<b>Total Ops</b>
January 2011	1,027	1,082	2,109	48	17	2,174
February 2011	1,052	1,064	2,116	86	12	2,214
March 2011	1,328	1,575	2,903	117	40	3,060
April 2011	1,572	2,214	3,786	124	52	3,962
May 2011	1,721	2,038	3,759	120	67	3,946
June 2011	1,540	1,775	3,315	126	38	3,479
July 2011	1,312	1,834	3,146	80	27	3,253
August 2011	1,294	1,557	2,851	129	47	3,027
September 2011	1,029	1,493	2,522	129	52	2,703
October 2011	1,146	1,680	2,826	137	46	3,009
November 2011	945	1,505	2,450	114	14	2,578
December 2011	966	1,375	2,341	116	21	2,478
<b>TOTALS 2011</b>	<b>14,932</b>	<b>19,192</b>	<b>34,124</b>	<b>1,326</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>35,883</b>

## ENPLANEMENTS/DEPLANEMENTS

<b>HILTON HEAD ISLAND PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS(departures) 2004-2012</b>												
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013		
JAN	2,985	3,520	3,540	3,145	4,206	2,510	2,539	2,847	3,421	3,232		
FEB	3,431	3,957	2,748	3,250	5,275	2,976	2,916	2,800	3,625	3,342		
MAR	5,053	6,647	5,956	6,273	8,052	5,547	6,044	5,325	5,461	5,326		
APR	6,513	7,809	6,715	8,985	7,930	6,872	7,596	6,216	6,404	5,385		
MAY	6,438	7,782	6,739	8,682	8,389	7,177	7,912	6,705	6,092			
JUN	6,111	6,814	6,140	8,638	7,819	6,771	7,947	6,138	5,792			
JUL	6,051	6,849	5,850	8,498	7,954	7,393	7,629	6,018	5,896			
AUG	6,422	6,500	5,086	8,843	7,649	6,957	7,617	5,395	6,154			
SEP	4,957	1,129	5,070	7,392	5,922	6,249	7,266	5,051	5,003			
OCT	6,115	6,632	5,794	9,230	6,882	6,601	8,314	6,038	5,219			
NOV	5,052	5,107	4,313	7,355	5,927	4,121	4,940	4,908	4,567			
DEC	3,792	3,676	3,198	4,780	2,928	2,977	3,374	3,456	3,268			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>62,920</b>	<b>66,422</b>	<b>61,149</b>	<b>85,071</b>	<b>78,933</b>	<b>66,151</b>	<b>74,094</b>	<b>60,897</b>	<b>60,902</b>	<b>17,285</b>		

<b>HILTON HEAD ISLAND PASSENGER DEPLANEMENTS(arrivals) 2004-2012</b>												
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013		
JAN	2,810	3,177	3,253	2,887	3,591	2,308	2,228	2,532	3,003	2,868		
FEB	3,369	4,120	2,964	3,453	5,729	3,256	3,106	2,940	3,710	3,528		
MAR	5,558	7,418	6,652	7,313	8,652	5,770	6,750	5,715	6,051	6,109		
APR	7,053	7,912	6,740	9,289	8,263	7,057	8,111	6,774	6,353	5,306		
MAY	6,530	7,995	6,836	9,035	8,681	7,175	8,287	6,649	6,143			
JUN	6,419	7,649	6,465	8,961	8,110	7,055	8,716	6,317	5,973			
JUL	6,028	6,868	5,895	8,708	8,470	7,849	8,327	6,415	6,079			
AUG	6,518	6,399	5,177	8,979	7,748	6,684	7,706	5,291	6,291			
SEP	4,936	1,185	5,152	7,119	5,583	6,558	7,109	5,303	4,971			
OCT	6,102	6,654	5,832	9,068	7,243	6,699	8,135	5,816	5,433			
NOV	4,828	5,002	4,380	7,169	5,556	3,860	4,762	4,615	4,338			
DEC	3,972	3,742	3,419	5,010	3,037	3,248	3,668	3,763	3,479			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>64,123</b>	<b>68,121</b>	<b>62,765</b>	<b>86,991</b>	<b>80,663</b>	<b>67,519</b>	<b>76,905</b>	<b>62,130</b>	<b>61,824</b>	<b>17,811</b>		

## ENPLANEMENTS/DEPLANEMENTS

<b>TOTAL PASSENGER ENPLANEMENTS &amp; DEPLANEMENTS 2004-2012</b>												
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>		
JAN	5,795	6,697	6,793	6,032	7,797	4,818	4,767	5,379	6,424	6,100		
FEB	6,800	8,077	5,712	6,703	11,004	6,232	6,022	5,740	7,335	6,870		
MAR	10,611	14,065	12,608	13,586	16,704	11,317	12,794	11,040	11,512	11,435		
APR	13,566	15,721	13,455	18,274	16,193	13,929	15,707	12,990	12,757	10,691		
MAY	12,968	15,777	13,575	17,717	17,070	14,352	16,199	13,354	12,235	0		
JUN	12,530	14,463	12,605	17,599	15,929	13,826	16,663	12,455	11,765	0		
JUL	12,079	13,717	11,745	17,206	16,424	15,242	15,956	12,433	11,975	0		
AUG	12,940	12,899	10,263	17,822	15,397	13,641	15,323	10,686	12,445	0		
SEP	9,893	2,314	10,222	14,511	11,505	12,807	14,375	10,354	9,974	0		
OCT	12,217	13,286	11,626	18,298	14,125	13,300	16,449	11,854	10,652	0		
NOV	9,880	10,109	8,693	14,524	11,483	7,981	9,702	9,523	8,905	0		
DEC	7,765	7,418	6,617	9,790	5,965	6,225	7,042	7,219	6,747	0		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>127,044</b>	<b>134,543</b>	<b>123,914</b>	<b>172,062</b>	<b>159,596</b>	<b>133,670</b>	<b>150,999</b>	<b>123,027</b>	<b>122,726</b>	<b>35,096</b>		

Delta Connection/ASA began service March 17, 2007

Delta Connection/ASA suspended service November 30, 2008

Delta Connection/Mesaba began service March 2, 2009

Delta Connection/Mesaba suspended service November 2, 2009

Delta Connection/Mesaba began service March 4, 2010

Delta Connection/Mesaba suspended service November 1, 2010