AIRPORTS BOARD

October 16, 2014

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The Airports Board met on Thursday October 16, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Beaufort County Government Center. Chairman Rich Sells called the meeting to order and led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Airports Board Members: Rich Sells, Al Spain, Ron Smetek, Alan Rae, Dan Ahern, Derek Gilbert, Anne Esposito, and Carl Wedler. (Absent: Will Dopp, Graham Kerr, Gregory Viventi, Town of Hilton Head Island Liaison Councilman John McCann, and Beaufort County Liaison Councilman Stu Rodman).

County Staff: Jon Rembold, Airports Director and Linda Wright, Administrative Assistant.

MOTION TO ACCEPT AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Smetek, seconded by Mr. Gilbert that the October 16, 2014 agenda be approved. The vote was: FOR – Rich Sells, Al Spain, Ron Smetek, Alan Rae, Dan Ahern, Derek Gilbert, Anne Esposito, and Carl Wedler. AGAINST – None. ABSENT: Will Dopp, Graham Kerr, and Gregory Viventi. **MOTION PASSED**.

MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Smetek, seconded by Mr. Spain that the September 18, 2014 minutes be approved. The vote was: FOR – Rich Sells, Al Spain, Ron Smetek, Alan Rae, Dan Ahern, Derek Gilbert, Anne Esposito, and Carl Wedler. AGAINST – None. ABSENT: Will Dopp, Graham Kerr, and Gregory Viventi. **MOTION PASSED**.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

LADY'S ISLAND AIRPORT REPORT

Mr. Rembold reported on the fuel sales and operations for the Lady's Island Airport for September.

Mr. Rembold stated there was a three day jury trial for the Runway 07 tree obstruction project which ended in a mistrial. The trial was to determine the just compensation that should be awarded to the land owner on a 38.2 acre parcel across from Runway 07. He stated the case will be going back to court. He stated Talbert, Bright and Ellington are in the process of resurveying

the trees because the tree survey has expired. Mr. Rae asked if some power lines needed to be relocated on the Runway 07 approach. Mr. Rembold stated that the power lines are owned and maintained by SCE&G so it is up to them to negotiate these obstructions with the FAA.

Mr. Wedler wanted to know if the carpet in the conference roomed had been cleaned or replaced. Mr. Rembold stated neither has been done at this time. He stated Mr. Phillips is working on replacing the carpet.

HILTON HEAD ISLAND AIRPORT REPORT

Mr. Rembold gave the tower and operations reports as well as the noise complaints for September.

Mr. Rembold stated the first change order has been submitted to the FAA for the On-Airport Tree Mitigation project. He stated this is a modification of the scope of work in light of some natural re-growth.

Mr. Rembold stated that he and Ms. Elder will meet with the last few property owners for Runway 21 on the North end to discuss the avigation easements.

Mr. Rembold stated the night time approach on Runway 03 was shut down by the FAA because of the obstructions. A waiver was requested from the FAA and an application was submitted to the Town of Hilton Head Island to remove the 5 trees causing the problem and that a permit was received. Mr. Rembold said they are now working with the tree company and the property owners and should have the trees down quickly. Mr. Sells asked if the night time approach is still closed. Mr. Rembold stated Runway 03 is still closed, but Runway 21 is open.

Mr. Rembold stated the lighted sign project is underway and should take about 45 days to complete. He also stated we are in the final steps of linking the websites for the Phase III Archeology Data Recovery and Public Outreach program. Mr. Rembold stated the land acquisition easements for Runway 03 are actively progressing and that several final offers were issued this week. Mr. Rembold stated the projects for Taxiway A and Taxiway F are still in the design phases.

Mr. Rembold stated the Runway 21 land acquisition for the physical properties are underway. He stated Insty-Prints and Deep Well are priorities and are scheduled within the next week or two. He said they will tour the property with the owners and go through the questionnaire so the appraisals can be completed.

Mr. Rembold stated they are still waiting on the EA for the Runway 03/21 extension and that the Master Drainage Plan has been started, in concept, with the subconsultants. He said the on-site tree removal between the control tower and Signature Flight Support's ramp is ongoing. Mr. Rembold stated the Runway 03 Tree Removal EA is underway.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Rembold asked for a motion to recommend that the Mitchellville Cultural Exhibit be moved to the state museum in Columbia from February 2015 until July 2015.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Smetek, seconded by Ms. Esposito that a recommendation be made to the Finance Committee that the Mitchellville Cultural Exhibit be moved to the state museum in Columbia from February 2015 until July 2015. The vote was: FOR – Rich Sells, Al Spain, Ron Smetek, Alan Rae, Dan Ahern, Derek Gilbert, Anne Esposito, and Carl Wedler. AGAINST – None. ABSENT: Will Dopp, Graham Kerr, and Gregory Viventi. **MOTION PASSED**.

Mr. Rembold stated that at the last meeting there was a discussion about an alleged letter he had received or would receive from the FAA concerning cost updates for the Benefit Cost Analysis. He stated there was never any official letter from the FAA and that he had spoken to the ADO, Mr. Larry Clark, and that Mr. Clark said no such letter had been sent. Mr. Smetek stated he would follow up on this matter.

NEW BUSINESS - None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

PUBLIC COMMENTS CONTINUED – None

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next Airports Board meeting will be Thursday November 20, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Council Chambers of the Beaufort County Government Center.

ADJOURNMENT – 1:55 PM