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COBB COUNTY AIRPORT - MCCOLLUM FIELD AIRPORT STRATEGIC PLANNING BOARD (AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD)

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 13, 2015 – 4:00 P.M.

HANGAR 700 – 3rd Floor

Present of the Board:

Kelly Keappler, Town Center CID, Chairman
Amy Rowe, District III, Secretary
Carter Chapman, District I
Brian Newsome, District II
Butch Thompson, District IV
JoAnn Birrell, Commissioner, District 3
Mark Mathews, Mayor – Kennesaw
Clark Hungerford, Development Authority
Bob Binkley – Pilot

Absent of the Board:

Sean King, Chairman Appt., Vice Chairman
Tom Auten, Hawthorne Global Aviation

Representing Cobb County:

Karl Von Hagel, Airport Manager

I. Call to Order:

Chairman, Kelly Keappler, welcomed members and guests of the Airport Advisory Board and officially called the meeting to order at 4:07pm.

II. Approve Minutes:

Mr. Von Hagel presented the minutes from the February 9, 2014, board meeting. Motion made by Mr. Chapman to approve, seconded by Mr. Thompson; all members in favor.

III. General Status Report (given by Mr. Von Hagel):

a. Airport –

1. Traffic Review - Distributed and reviewed McCollum's and other counties air traffic data.
2. Other – Mr. Von Hagel gave an update on the International Operator's Counsel he attended in San Antonio, TX. Working on a marketing banner ad for webpages on flightplan and airport services websites.
3. Other - Charmaine Chin was introduced to the board, as the expected new AAB District 4 Rep for Commissioner Cupid.

b. Hawthorne Global Aviation Services – No report – Tom Auten was absent.

IV. Old Business: (given by Mr. Von Hagel unless otherwise noted)

- a. **Customs Update/Airport Name Update** – The BOC approved the name change of the airport to Cobb County International Airport – McCollum Field in a 5-0 vote. The change will be effective the day customs inspection services are operational at the airport. The ribbon cutting date is TBA.
- b. **New Air Traffic Control Tower Update** – Opened on March 5th. Renovations of the old tower base building should be done by late May with a Ribbon Cutting following shortly after that.
- c. **Airport Master Plan Update** – Moving ahead with the scope approved at the last meeting. The fee structure was approved by the State but there has been a delay while new FAA requirements are researched and incorporated into the scope of services.
- d. **Aeronautical Commercial Operator Minimum Standards** – Received comments on a draft document back from legal and will provide information to the Board at the next meeting.
- e. **North Apron Expansion and Rehabilitation Project** – State has approved the fees for Engineering and the BOC has authorized the agreement. Work is underway. Geo-tech and survey are underway. Bid opens in August.

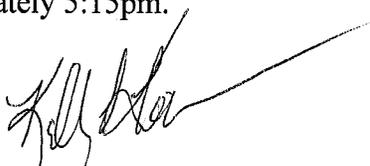
V. New Business (given by Mr. Von Hagel unless otherwise noted)

- a. **FAA Obstruction Survey** – Discussed a report from the FAA on objects that have been classified as obstructions to the runway 9 approach. Work has begun on mitigating the objects.
- b. **Town Center CID/Airport Noonday Creek Trail Park** – A concept plan from the Town Center CID was distributed for a potential aviation/trailhead park at far east end of the airport at Cobb Place and Barrett place Blvd. Discussions are progressing with the Town Center CID to fund and construct the park.
- c. **Change airport location identifier** – Mr. Chapman proposed changing the airport identifier initials for the airport from K-RYY to K-CCI. He made a motion that the proposed request go to the BOC for approval; seconded by Clark Hungerford; votes were unanimous.
- d. **MISC** – Mr. Thompson thanked the Board for allowing him to serve as a member for several years. A motion was made by Mr. Chapman that the Board, thank Mr. Butch Thompson for all his hard work, seconded by Brian Newsome.

VI. Next Meeting/Adjourn:

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 1, 2015, at 4:00 pm; location TBA.

Motion made to adjourn by Mr. Thompson, seconded by a Mr. Chapman. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:15pm.

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