

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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 11, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.
Airport Administration Building

Present of the Board:

Sean King, Chairman Appt., Chairman
Amy Rowe, District III, Vice-Chairman
Charmaine Chin, District IV, Secretary
Brian Newsome, District II
Clark Hungerford, Development Authority
Carter Chapman, District I
Derek Easterling, Mayor – Kennesaw
JoAnn Birrell, Commissioner, BOC

Absent of the Board:

Kelly Keappler, Town Center CID
Bob Binkley – Pilot
Dave Kucko, Hawthorne Global Aviation

Representing Cobb County:

Karl Von Hagel, Airport Manager

I. Call to Order:

Chairman King welcomed Members of the Airport Advisory Board and officially called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

II. Approve Minutes:

Mr. Von Hagel presented the minutes from the February 1, 2016 board meeting. Motion made by Mayor Easterling to approve, seconded by Mr. Chapman; all members in favor.

III. General Status Report:

a. Airport –

1. Von Hagel distributed and reviewed McCollum's and other counties air traffic data and trend analysis. A total of 54 international flights have used Customs since start up.
2. Von Hagel reported that two DC-9s recently operated from the airport providing just in time delivery of sunroofs to an automobile plant in Mississippi.
3. Von Hagel reported that the airport engineers completed calculating a Pavement Condition Number (PCN) of 50/R/C/W/T for the airport runway. The PCN is a newer development by the FAA as a way to represent the strength of airfield pavements to pilots.
4. Von Hagel shared the results of the State of Georgia Airport Inspection. The Airport meets standards with displaced threshold however the report recommends removal of Old 41 and McCollum Parkway west of the runway. Airport is well maintained. Runway markings are showing signs of mold and need cleaning.
5. Von Hagel updated the Board on the outcome of the annual marketing meeting with the FBO. The marketing goals remain the same: increase airport's name recognition nationally and its location within Metro-Atlanta, and increase awareness of the availability of Customs Inspection Services.

- b. Hawthorne Global Aviation Services –** Von Hagel reported for Mr. Kucko that Hawthorne has arranged to host a Georgia Business Aviation Association (GBAA) Event on June 29th. Business aircraft operators from around Georgia will meet and network at the airport with lunch provided and some aircraft on display.

IV. Old Business:

- a. **Airport Master Plan Update** – Von Hagel reviewed the forecasting information discussed at previous meetings and then reported the results of the coordination meeting with the State of Georgia Aviation Division. The State advised to move the Master Plan process forward with planning efforts to meet FAA Standards for the aircraft projected to be using the airport.

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Von Hagel reviewed the latest draft installment to the Master Plan, the forecasted hangar facility requirements. The airport is forecasted to need 337,080 square feet of new hangar space by 2035. Von Hagel reviewed the potential hangar capacities available on the land parcels that potentially could be joined to the airport. Suitable hangar capacity can be constructed on these sites to meet forecasted demand. Commissioner Birrell will contact the Army National Guard and update the Guard on the airport's interest in their property along McCollum Parkway.

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Von Hagel reported that the State was agreeable to expand the scope of the Master Plan Update to include a noise study. The noise study will provide a noise contour map using the new Master Plan forecasted aircraft fleet mix.

- b. **North Apron Expansion and Rehabilitation Project** – Von Hagel shared the results of the bid opening on March 10th. The project was bid with a reduced scope to meet the project budget. The State is currently reviewing the available grant funds. A grant is expected to be issued within the next month.
- c. **Approach Lighting Project (MALSF)** – Von Hagel shared the results of the bid opening on March 10th. The low bid exceeded the project budget. The bid was reviewed by the State and Engineer and was concluded that a lower bid was not likely with a rebid. The State is currently reviewing the available grant funds. A grant is expected to be issued within the next month.
- d. **Town Center CID Aviation Noonday Creek Trail Park** – Von Hagel reported that the CID continues to make progress towards developing the park. The CID is currently in the process of selecting an engineering firm to develop the construction plans for the park system, which includes Aviation Park. The CID intends to construct the trailhead parking lot before the end of the calendar year. The Zagster Bike Rental operation on the corner of Barrett Lakes Blvd and Cobb Place Blvd. has seen good use and is currently the most popular rental location.
- e. **Runway 27 Approach Non-Aeronautical Lease Proposal** – Von Hagel updated the Board on the status of the lease proposal from Butch Thompson Enterprises for land under the approach to the runway on the east end of the airport. Although negotiations have been slow and stuttered, progress has accelerated recently to finalize the documents.
- f. **Gateway to Cuba** – Von Hagel updated the Board on the status of the approval request. The locap Port of Atlanta directed the request to be sent directly to CBP Washington. To date a reply has not been received.