

# AIRPORTS BOARD

**April 19, 2018**

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The Airports Board met on Thursday, April 19, at 1:30 p.m. at Beaufort County Government Building, County Council Chambers. Chairman Sells called the meeting to order and led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Airports Board Members: Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Anne Esposito, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Howard Ackerman, Blakely Williams, Wally Wallace and Barry Wilbur (Absent: Lex Brown)  
County Staff: Jon Rembold, Airports Director; Renee' M. Ford, Airports Administrative Assistant  
Public: Judy Elder - Talbert, Bright and Ellington; Mike Peery – Signature Flight Support

## **MOTION ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Wilbur and seconded by Mr. Ackerman that the Agenda be adopted. The vote was FOR – Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Wally Wallace, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Barry Wilbur, Mark Bailey, Anne Esposito, Blakely Williams and Howard Ackerman. AGAINST – None. (Absent – Lex Brown).

**MOTION PASSED.**

## **MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES**

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Ahern and seconded by Ms. Esposito that the February 15, 2018 meeting minutes be approved. The vote was FOR – Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Wally Wallace, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Barry Wilbur, Mark Bailey, Anne Esposito, Blakely Williams and Howard Ackerman. AGAINST – None. ABSENT – Lex Brown.

**MOTION PASSED.**

## **WELCOMING NEW BOARD MEMBER**

Chairman Sells, introduced and welcomed the newest board member, Mark Bailey.

## **REMEMBERING SAM DOLLENMEIR**

Mr. Rembold requested a moment of silence to honor Mr. Sam Dollenmeir who was in a fatal accident at Lady's Island Airport (ARW). His presence will surely be missed around the airport.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Michael Marks, Public Art Committee

Mr. Michael Marks and Ms. Jean Heyduck, from the Public Art Committee of the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry presented a summary about the Public Art Fund. The Public Art fund produces a biennial sculpture exhibition and purchases public art for the Town of Hilton Head Island. From October through January, the exhibits are held at Coastal Discovery Museum. Local Island schools become engaged through organized field trips for K-12 and high school students are given the opportunity to participate in building/installing at least one of the selected sculptures. Anonymous judges will select one piece of art, which is purchased and permanently installed on Hilton Head Island. The committee would like the airport to consider being a potential site if an appropriate selection is made during the exhibition. It would be the airport's responsibility to maintain the art; Art committee would like approval of the concept from the Airports board.

**Motion:** It was moved by Mr. Ahern and seconded by Ms. Esposito that the concept of displaying the art at the airport be approved. The vote was FOR – Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Wally Wallace, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Barry Wilbur, Mark Bailey, Anne Esposito, Blakely Williams and Howard Ackerman. AGAINST – None. ABSENT – Lex Brown.

**MOTION PASSED.**

## **AIRPORT PROJECT UPDATES**

### **LADY'S ISLAND PROJECT UPDATE**

#### **RW 7 OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL PROJECT:**

Mr. Rembold stated the fieldwork started February 2018. Timeline is 60 days. Two properties in legal dispute.

**HANGAR AREA LIGHTING** – Hangar area lighting has been updated at ARW.

**Charts were displayed for AvGas, Jet A sales and aircraft operations.**

### **HILTON HEAD PROJECT UPDATE**

**AIR SERVICE DEVELOPMENT** – Mr. Rembold stated we have an executed contract with Volaire Aviation; attended the Air Service Forum held in Myrtle Beach, SC. Mr. Rembold met with several airlines.

**TRANSITION TO JET SERVICE** – Mr. Rembold stated American Airlines jet service will begin July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Security upgrades will impact terminal with new baggage screening, requiring TSA and American Airlines to adjust their current process in passenger check-in.

**COMMERCIAL TERMINAL RENOVATION** – Mr. Rembold stated the changes in HXD terminal include modify seating in the sterile area; add x-ray luggage machine for TSA which will require changes in the lobby; changing the airline podiums. We have identified the immediate and near future improvements to accommodate jet service with a single airline.

**RWY21 OBSTRUCTION REMOVAL PROJECT UPDATE** – Tree removal on St. James Baptist Church property is complete.

**Runway Extension Area Prepared for Asphalt** – The asphalt project is expected to begin in the next few weeks depending on weather. **EMAS installation will follow the completion of the asphalt.**

**RW3 PROJECT UPDATE** – Properties on south end 95% demolished; grading and drainage – phase 1 85% complete & phase 2 10% complete. Phase 1 of asphalt anticipated to be complete by May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Charts displayed for AvGas, Jet A sales, Total Aircraft Operations and Enplanements/Deplanements.**

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**Annual Part 139 & 1542 Training** – Chief Yeager conducted the annual Part 139 & 1542 training with staff, airline, TSA and other government agencies.

**ARFF School** – Mr. Rembold stated two senior fire fighters, Esau Brown and Edwin Buhler, attended ARFF School. Their training addressed airport fire trucks, fire communications, protection, accident scenes, and methods of fighting aircraft fires.

**Washington, DC Airports Advocacy Trip** – Joint trip, between South Carolina and Georgia airports.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** – None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN**

Chairman Sells called for nominations for the **Chairman** and Vice-Chairman. Ms. Esposito nominated Wally Wallace for Chairman for a one-year term, second by Mr. Ahern. There were no further nominations. FOR –Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Wally Wallace, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Barry Wilbur, Mark Bailey, Anne Esposito, Blakely Williams and Howard Ackerman. AGAINST – None. ABSENT – Lex Brown. Mr. Wallace was elected as Chairman of the Airports Board.

**Nomination(s):** Mr. Ahern nominated Mr. Sells for **Vice Chairman** of the Airports Board, seconded by Ms. Esposito. There were no further nominations. The vote was: FOR –Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Wally Wallace, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Barry Wilbur, Mark Bailey, Anne Esposito, Blakely Williams and Howard Ackerman. AGAINST – None. ABSENT – Lex Brown. Mr. Sells, was elected as Vice Chairman of the Airports Board.

## **2019 BUDGET**

The Board reviewed 2019 airport budget prior to meeting. Mr. Rembold summarized the budget.

**Motion:** Mr. Sells made a motion to forward the proposed budget to Finance Committee, second by Mr. Ahern. FOR –Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Wally Wallace, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Barry Wilbur, Mark Bailey, Anne Esposito, Blakely Williams and Howard Ackerman. AGAINST – None. ABSENT – Lex Brown.

## **FAA REIMBURSABLE AGREEMENT for LOCALIZER/DME MAINTENANCE at HXD**

Mr. Rembold stated FAA presented an annual maintenance agreement for the localizer/DME; it is a prepaid agreement at beginning of each year.

**Motion:** Mr. Sells made a motion for a recommendation of approval to the Finance committee to adopt FAA reimbursable agreement second by Mr. Ackerman. FOR –Rich Sells, Dan Ahern, Wally Wallace, Leslie Adlam Flory, Jim Buckley, Barry Wilbur, Mark Bailey, Anne Esposito, Blakely Williams and Howard Ackerman. AGAINST – None. ABSENT – Lex Brown.

## **SCAC ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY RESULTS**

Mr. Rembold reviewed the facts on economic impacts for airports in South Carolina. Airports in South Carolina support \$16 billion in annual statewide economic activity. There are 57 public airports in South Carolina that impacts economics in one form or another. Over 7% of jobs in South Carolina benefit from the airports. Almost \$657 million in airport related tax revenue contributions

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting will be held May 17, 2018, 1:30pm, Town of Hilton Head, Council Chamber.

**ADJOURNMENT** – 2:30 PM