



**AUGUSTA**  
REGIONAL AIRPORT

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## **Augusta Aviation Commission**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**July 27, 2023**

**10:00 a.m.**

**Commission:** Commissioner Dan Troutman, Commissioner Randy Sasser, Commissioner Ronic West, Commissioner Charles Larke, Commissioner Wilbert Barrett, Commissioner Larry Harris, Commissioner James Germany, Commissioner Davis Beman, Commissioner Don Clark; Ex-Officio Augusta-Richmond County Commissioner Francine Scott

**Staff:** Mr. Herbert Judon, Mr. Tim Weegar, Ms. Dereena Harris, Ms. Elizabeth Giles, Ms. Catherine Highsmith, Ms. Diane Johnston, Mr. Cody Mitchell, Mr. Bruce Keller, Ms. Risa Bingham, Chief Richard Beal (via Zoom), Mr. Robert Kerr, Staff Attorney – Augusta Law Department (via Zoom)

**Others:** Mr. Robert Moore, Mead & Hunt; Mr. Edwin Scott, Mead & Hunt; Sonya Volce, Alfred Benesch & Co.

**CALL TO ORDER & PRAYER** – Chairman Dan Troutman called the meeting to order at 10:03 am  
Prayer by Commissioner Barrett

**I. AGENDA, MINUTES, STATISTICS, & CONSENT- Chairman Dan Troutman**

- A. July 27, 2023 Meeting Agenda
- B. June 29, 2023 Commission Meeting Minutes
- C. June 2023 Statistics
- D. Items A-B consent; approved in Construction Committee meeting

**Motion to consent Items A-D by Commissioner Barrett 2nd by Commissioner Clark**

**No Discussion**

**Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries**

**II. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION - Catherine Highsmith, Senior Human Resources Analyst**

- A. Reather Newsome (Operations) – 5 Years of Service

**III. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. Construction / Special Projects Committee Report – Commissioner Dan Troutman

**IV. DIRECTOR ACTION REQUESTS:**

- C. Land Lease Agreement with Burrell Aviation Augusta LLC – Diane Johnston  
Motion by Commissioner Harris 2nd by Commissioner Larke to approve Item C  
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries
- D. Customer Facility Charge (CFC) Ordinance Amendment – Diane Johnston  
Motion by Commissioner Larke 2nd by Commissioner Barrett to approve Item D  
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries
- E. Rental Car Concessions Agreement Amendment – Diane Johnston  
Motion by Commissioner Sasser 2nd by Commissioner Harris to approve Item E  
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries

**V. FINANCE REPORT - Risa Bingham**

June 2023 Financials

**VI. FY 2024 BUDGET PRESENTATION - Commissioner Davis Beman, Risa Bingham, Herbert Judon**

Motion by Commissioner Beman 2nd by Commissioner Sasser to approve the AGS 2024 Budget subject to approval by the Augusta-Richmond County Commission  
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes (with Mr. Barrett and Mr. Larke out); Motion carries

**VII. COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTS:**

- A. Military Appreciation Signage – Commissioner James Germany  
Motion by Commissioner Germany 2nd by Commissioner Harris to install three military recognition signs with two signs at Doug Barnard Parkway at the entrance and exit to AGS and one sign in the AGS waiting area  
Discussion; (with Mr. Barrett and Mr. Larke out); No votes

Substitute motion by Commissioner Clark 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Beman to direct AGS staff to determine locations where military recognition signs may be placed in addition to associated costs and to report back to the Commission at their next meeting with recommendations as to where signs may be placed  
Discussion; 5 Ayes and 2 Nays (Commissioner Harris, Commissioner Germany); (with Mr. Barrett and Mr. Larke out); Motion fails

Substitute motion by Commissioner Clark 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Beman to direct AGS staff to determine locations where military recognition signs may be placed in

addition to associated costs and to report back to the Commission at their next meeting with recommendations as to where signs may be placed  
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes (with Mr. Barrett and Mr. Larke out); Motion carries

**CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS/ACTIONS**

- A. Travel Approval for Aviation Commissioners (2023 Georgia Airports Association Annual Conference Jekyll Island, GA)
- B. Discuss Date for August Commission Work Session (e.g., August 17)

**ADJOURN MEETING**

Meeting adjourned at 12:57 pm

**ESTIMATED MEETING TIME: 180 minutes**



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Dan Troutman, Chairman  
Augusta Aviation Commission



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Dereena Harris  
Clerk to Aviation Commission