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Augusta Aviation Commission

Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Commission: Chairman – Dan Troutman, Vice-Chairwoman Ronic West, Commissioner Randy Sasser, Commissioner Michael Cioffi, Commissioner Wilbert Barrett, Commissioner William Fennoy, Commissioner Larry Harris, Commissioner James Germany (10:13 am), 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. Lauren Smith, Ms. Elizabeth Giles, Ms. Catherine Highsmith, Ms. Diane Johnston, Mr. Cody Mitchell, Chief Richard Beal, Mr. Bruce Keller, Ms. Risa Bingham, Mr. Robert Kerr, Staff Attorney – Augusta Law Department

Others: Ms. Geri Sams, Director – Augusta Procurement Department; Ms. Nancy Williams, Contract Compliance Administrator – Augusta Procurement Department; Mr. Edwin Scott, Mead & Hunt; Mr. Preston Moss, President – Blanchard & Calhoun Insurance Agency, Inc.

CALL TO ORDER & PRAYER – Chairman Dan Troutman called the meeting to order at 10:04 am
Prayer by Commissioner Barrett

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

- A. August 24, 2023 Meeting Agenda
- B. July 27, 2023 Commission Meeting Minutes
- C. July 2023 Statistics
- D. Director Action Request Item A consent; approved in Construction Committee meeting

Motion to approve consent items A-D, with Item A “August 24, 2023 Meeting Agenda” revised to delete Director Action Request Item B “Augusta Regional Airport (AGS) – Terminal Checkpoint Modernization Design” by Commissioner Barrett 2nd by Commissioner Beman

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Marketing Committee Meeting Report – Commissioner Michael Cioffi
Motion by Commissioner Cioffi 2nd by Commissioner Sasser to approve the following Sponsorship Requests:
- E-Z-Go Golf Classic- E-Z-Go \$500
 - FireK 5K-FireK 5K, Inc. \$1,000
 - “It’s Spooky to be Hungry” – Golden Harvest Food Bank \$1,000
- No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion Carries
- B. Construction / Special Projects Committee Report – Commissioner Dan Troutman

III. FINANCE REPORT - Risa Bingham

July 2023 Financials

IV. DIRECTOR ACTION REQUESTS:

- C. Fiscal Year 2023 Annual Airport Insurance Renewal – Tim Weegar
Motion by Commissioner Harris 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to approve Item C
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries
- D. On-Airport Land Lease with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) – Herbert Judon
Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Harris to approve Item D
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries
- E. Augusta Air Show Use of Property Agreement – Herbert Judon / Commissioner Sasser
Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Sasser to approve Item E
Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

Communications Report – Lauren Smith

VI. COMMISSION ACTION REQUESTS:

- A. Travel Approval for Aviation Commissioners Sasser, Germany, Fennoy, Clark and Larke for 2023 Georgia Airports Association Annual Conference Jekyll Island,
Motion by Commissioner Barrett 2nd by Commissioner Harris to approve Item A
No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries
- B. Heritage Months - Commissioner James Germany
Substitute Motion by Commissioner Fennoy 2nd by Commissioner Germany that AGS acknowledge Heritage Months by recognizing each Heritage group individually according to the group being recognized during that month based on information provided by Director Judon

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3 Ayes (Germany, Fennoy, Harris) 7 Nays (Troutman, West, Barrett, Sasser, Cioffi, Clark, Beman) with Commissioner McKnight and Commissioner Larke out; Motion fails

Motion by Commissioner Clark 2nd by Commissioner Sasser that AGS follow suit with the policies of Augusta-Richmond County government by not acknowledging Heritage Days, as per information provided by Director Judon and Assistant Director of Marketing & Public Relations Lauren Smith in regards to Heritage Days recognition Discussion; 6 Ayes (Troutman, West, Sasser, Cioffi, Clark, Beman) 4 Nays (Germany, Barrett, Fennoy, Harris) with Commissioner McKnight and Commissioner Larke out; Motion fails

**Vote on Commissioner Germany's call for question - Chairman Troutman
Unanimous Ayes; Question carries**

Motion by Commissioner Germany 2nd by Commissioner Harris for AGS to recognize "Heritage Daily"

6 Ayes (Germany, Troutman, West, Barrett, Fennoy, Harris) 4 Nays (Sasser, Cioffi, Clark, Beman) with Commissioner McKnight and Commissioner Larke out; Motion fails

C. Military Appreciation Signage – Commissioner James Germany

Motion by Commissioner Germany 2nd by Commissioner Fennoy to Install two (2) 36"x30" signs recognizing all military personnel to be produced, installed and maintained by the Augusta Engineering Department and for Director Judon to contact the Assistant Director Mr. John Ussery to start production of the signage so that it may be completed and installed prior to Veterans Day 11 November 2023

Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS/ACTIONS

A. Internal Business Processes, Purchasing Follow Up – Commissioner Ronic West

Chairman Troutman announced that the next Aviation Commission Regular Meeting would be held Thursday, September 21, 2023.

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Harris 2nd by Commissioner Barrett

No Discussion; Unanimous Ayes; Motion carries

Meeting adjourned at 12:01 pm

ESTIMATED MEETING TIME: 60 minutes



Dan D. Troutman, Chairman



Dereena Harris, Clerk to Aviation Commission