

SPECIAL SESSION

JULY 20, 2021

The Airport Advisory Board met in Special Session on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at Athens City Hall, 508 E. Tyler Street, Athens, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Charlie Tidmore  
Sheri Robson  
Larry Babb  
Steve Grant

Mark Carroll, Councilmember  
Tim Perry, Public Works Director  
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary

others present: Keno Brown, Chip Perryman

with the following member absent: John Cain.

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted, to-wit:

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tidmore called the meeting to order.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

There was no discussion.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 8, 2021 REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by Member Babb, seconded by Member Grant to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021 Regular Session. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS CONFERENCE CALL WITH DAVE FULTON REGARDING AIRPORT EXPANSION

Chairman Tidmore provided an update from the meeting with Dave Fulton. He stated Mr. Fulton is a retired Director of Aviation for TxDOT and is familiar with the expansion project at Athens Municipal Airport. He stated that Mr. Fulton will be an advocate for the city. He explained that the power line would need to be removed at the Athens Municipal Airport and the city would have a 20% match.

#### DISCUSS AND REVIEW CURRENT HANGAR FEES AND LAND LEASE RATES

Tim Perry, Director of Public Works, explained that Councilmember Gross asked staff to look at lease rates for peer cities and possibly increase the hangar fees and land lease rates for the City if the City rates are lower.

Mr. Perry presented rates from surrounding cities and it showed Athens rates were below the average peer city rate.

After discussion, the item will appear on a future Airport Agenda with recommendations for a possible rate increase.

#### DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND TAKE ACTION, AS NECESSARY, RECOMMENDING APPROVAL TO JOB MONGARE FOR THE PURCHASE OF AIRPORT LAND LEASE AREA 3 LOT 4 OWNED BY DEBRA PETERSON

Mr. Perry explained Ms. Peterson is selling her plane to Dr. Job Mongare. A motion was made by Member Babb, seconded by Member Grant to recommend approval to Dr. Job Mongare for the purchase of Airport Land Lease Area 3 Lot 4 owned by Debra Peterson. The motion carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR UPDATE

Mr. Perry provided the following updates:

- In house routine maintenance continues at the airport which consists of mowing
- Information was sent to the airport planner regarding the fencing

#### AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chairman Tidmore requested the following future agenda items:

- Work Session to create/expand the composition of the airport board
- Possibly create an ad hoc committee

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- Ask Garver to provide educational overview of the expansion project at Athens Municipal Airport
- Seek partnership from County officials, Athens Economic Development Board of Directors, Athens Municipal Water Authority Board of Directors, and Gun Barrel City EDC

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2021.

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Charlie Tidmore, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary