

REGULAR SESSION

AUGUST 9, 2018

The Airport Advisory Board met in Regular Session on Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the Derek D. Daniels Conference Room of the Athens Partnership Center, 201 W. Corsicana St., Athens, Texas with the following members present, to-wit:

Charlie Tidmore
Steve Grant
John Cain
Larry Babb

Thanasis Kombos, Assistant City Manager
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary

others present: John Irvin;

with the following member absent: Sheri Robson;

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Member Grant, seconded by Member Babb to reappoint Charlie Tidmore as Chairman and Steve Grant as Vice Chairman. The motion carried unanimously.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No action was taken.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 8, 2018
REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by Member Babb, seconded by Member Cain to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2018 Regular Session. The motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS:

There was no discussion.

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Thanasis Kombos, Assistant City Manager, stated that staff anticipates a future agenda item regarding the purchase option acquisition for the new runway to the Board for consideration.

Member Grant requested that a form be developed for individuals who may want to make a financial donation. He further requested an Ad-hoc Committee be developed across the county to get exposure out regarding the project.

It was requested that Members Grant and Babb meet with the Mayor and City Manager to discuss the following options:

- funding
- timelines

Member Tidmore requested that staff pursue the electrical line locations with Oncor or ask Oncor for an update.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION, AS NECESSARY,
REGARDING RECOMMENDING ALLOCATION OF \$150,000 OF AIRPORT
FUND FUND BALANCE FOR AIRFIELD IMPROVEMENTS TO ATHENS
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

Mr. Kombos presented a budget outline and site plan from Garver regarding the airport project. He stated in 2016 the City Council approved a Resolution in support of the project and in August 2017 the City Council allocated \$13,000 for the preliminary design services on the improvements.

Mr. Kombos provided background history. He stated TxDOT Aviation has granted the City up to \$2.1 million dollars for airfield improvements to Athens Municipal Airport. He stated the improvements include:

1. Chip seal and overlay the north parallel taxiway and apron
2. Seal Coat all other public access pavement, including the runway
3. Construct a new pavement connection between the apron and taxiway
4. Restripe all pavement

Mr. Kombos explained the next phase is construction.

After discussion, Mr. Kombos stated staff's recommendation is to set aside \$150,000 which will allow for a contingency. He stated it is a 90/10 grant.

A motion was made by Member Babb, seconded by Member Cain to recommend allocation of \$150,000 of Airport Fund Fund Balance for airfield improvements to Athens Municipal Airport. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION, AS NECESSARY, REGARDING
APPROVING CHANGING THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING
DATE OF THE AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

Mr. Kombos explained that Member Robson has an ongoing conflict and is unable to attend meetings scheduled on the 2nd Thursday of each month and has requested a change in the meeting date.

After discussion a motion was made by Member Babb, seconded by Member Grant to change the regularly scheduled monthly meeting date from the 2nd Thursday of each month, to the 3rd Wednesday of each month. The motion carried unanimously.

ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER UPDATE

Mr. Kombos explained the City currently has a 1998 Jeep that could possibly be donated to the Airport and used as a transport vehicle. Mr. Kombos stated he would work with the Fixed Based Operators to get the vehicle located at the airport.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 17th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2018.

Charlie Tidmore, Chairman

ATTEST:

Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary