

AIRPORT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
February 23, 2015
1:00 P.M.

Members Present

Eddie Liles (Chairman)
Barry Hayes
Ed Coffman
Ted Cannaday
Walter Petty

Members Absent

Staff Present

Bryan Thompson, Town Manager
Karen McCraw, Cardinal Air
Brigid Williams, WK Dickson Engineer

Visitors

Bill Houston, Local Pilot

Meeting Called To Order/Agenda Approval/Consent Agenda

At 1:02 p.m., Chairman Eddie Liles called the Regular Meeting of the Siler City Municipal Airport Authority to order. No amendments were made to the agenda, and the agenda was approved by way of common consent.

Old Business

Hangars: No information furthering the ongoing conversation of the need for additional hangars was presented or entertained by the Authority at this meeting.

Project Updates:

Airport Layout Plan (ALP)

Williams informed the Authority that she is waiting on comments from Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regarding the currently ALP design before further modifications are made. Chairman Liles inquired of the ALP design including increased size to the ramp area. Williams stated that the ALP planner is looking into this.

Obstruction Clearing Phase 1 – Runway 22 Project #o. 36237.5.11.1

Williams informed the Authority that the Glover property has been staked out by the surveyor. She further indicated that the Town would like to have an arborist issue an opinion letter to Glover to identify any safety concerns. Chairman Liles suggested someone speaking with Glover personally once the subject opinion letter is delivered. The Authority membership agreed that Liles' suggestion is appropriate and should be handled accordingly.

Runway Rehabilitation Project

Williams informed the Authority that the project plans and specifications are 90% complete and are to be sent to Department of Transportation (DOT) Division of Aviation for review and comments. Williams further instructed the Authority that the Siler City Board of Commissioners have authorized bidding the project with the one-phase and three-phase alternatives for construction. Williams stated that, at this time, it appears that the project should begin around June 1, 2015.

Discussion of the required local match for the subject project took place, followed by a motion by Hayes to send a resolution to the County Board of Commissioners requesting the County's agreed to 60% commitment for local match (10% local match of project cost). The motion was followed by a second by Cannaday, with all members of the Authority voting in favor. Following this action, the authority agreed to utilize whatever the most appropriate means is to ensure continued commitment by the County as herein discussed, whether this take the form of a resolution or another means of communicating such commitment.

Hayes inquired of correcting the "dip" in the runway. Williams indicated that this is outside the scope of the subject project.

McCraw then presented a report she generated at the request of the Town Board of Commissioners that identifies and illustrates the impact to airport-based businesses during the airport closure owed to the subject project. The subject presentation is found attached and incorporated into these minutes by reference ("SCR Runway Rehabilitation Project: On-field business impact"). McCraw and Thompson plan to offer the subject findings to the Siler City Board of Commissioners at the next meeting of the Town Board. The Authority also suggested identifying the relative beneficial impacts the completed project will have on the same businesses. The Authority asked Williams to conduct research to determine to what, if any, extent similar projects have resulted in compensation to airport-based businesses during periods of time when closures where necessary for similar projects. The Authority tabled this matter until further information is presented for their consideration.

Operational Update from Karen McCraw, Cardinal Air

McCraw reported that the weather has been bad for airport traffic and thus fuel sales were down. She further reported that all else is "business as usual".

Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Liles adjourned the meeting at 1:56 p.m.


Bryan Thompson, Town Manager

 10-26-15
Eddie Liles, Chairman Date