

MINUTES  
SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION  
February 10, 2010  
5:00 p.m. Myrtle Beach, S.C.

**Commission Members in Attendance**

Gregg A. Malphrus, Chairman, At-large  
Ira E. Coward II, District 3  
Robert E. Walker, District 4  
Barry G. Avent, District 5

**Aeronautics Staff in Attendance**

Paul G. Werts, Executive Director  
Revé Richardson, Recording Secretary  
Jamey Kempson, Airports Maintenance & NAVAID Engineer

**Visitors:**

Craig Fuller, AOPA President  
Ken Mead, AOPA  
Neel Hipp, AOPA  
Bob Minter, AOPA, SE Representative  
John Ferguson  
Verone Peace, PCAC  
Chris Eversmann, Interim Airport Manager, Hamilton/Owens Airport  
Scott Robidoux, Wilbur Smith Associates

**In Attendance Via Conference Call**

Raymond E. McKay, Jr., Secretary & District 2  
Dennis L. Dabney, CPA, District 6  
Jim Hamilton

**Member Absent**

William M. McKown, Vice-Chairman & District 1

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**Welcome and Call to Order**

**Chairman Malphrus** called the meeting to order and announced a quorum in attendance. He welcomed everyone to the meeting including those joining via conference call. **Chairman Malphrus** gave the invocation. Mr. Werts introduced our special guest, AOPA President Craig Fuller. Mr. Hamilton introduced our newest Commissioner, Robert E. "Bob" Walker, completing the remaining two years of the District 4 term.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Chairman Malphrus** presented the minutes of the November 18 and December 18, 2009 Commission meetings for approval. **Commissioner Avent** made a **Motion** that both sets of minutes be approved as presented, **Commissioner Coward** seconded, and all approved.

**Projects for Consideration**

**Beaufort County Airport**

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for Beaufort County Airport for an asphalt overlay of Runway 7/25 and connecting stud taxiways; airfield electrical improvements; Runway 7 tree obstruction removal; and additional master planning component tasks. The state portion of the project request is \$26,644 and the total project amount is \$1,119,042. The SCAC staff recommends a state award amount of \$24,530, which eliminates the state portion of the additional master planning that the SCAC staff does not support. **Commissioner Coward** made a **Motion** to approve the project funding as recommended by the SCAC staff, **Commissioner Avent** seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

**Hilton Head Airport**

Mr. Werts presented a state and federal capital improvement project for Hilton Head Airport for construction services for runway safety area drainage improvements; construction of aircraft rescue and fire fighting station; clearing of Runway 3 trees to meet the 34:1 approach slope; tree mitigation design services; aviation easements, and administrative legal fees. The state portion of the project is \$65,125 and the total project amount is \$2,735,267. The SCAC staff recommends approval of the project. **Commissioner Avent** made a **Motion** to approve funding of this project as presented, **Commissioner Coward** seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

**State Sponsored FAA Grants for Anderson Regional, Charleston Executive, Bamberg County & Marion County airports**

Mr. Werts presented the four state sponsored FAA grant projects for Anderson Regional, Charleston Executive, Bamberg County, and Marion County airports. The projects total \$56,887 in state funding, \$2,161,296 in FAA funding, and \$2,275,070 in total funding. The SCAC staff requests approval of these projects as presented. Also, SCAC requests approval of the method of accounting moving the money from one account (State Aviation Fund) to the appropriate SCAC revenue account. All associated engineering, surveying, and quality control testing will be funded directly with FAA funds. The \$56,887 is SCAC administrative expense and operational expenses associated with these projects. **Commissioner Dabney** made a **Motion** to approve the projects and the method of accounting as presented, **Commissioner Coward** seconded, and after discussion, all approved.

**Financial, Budget, Aeronautics Update**

Mr. Werts gave a budget and financial update.

**Executive Director's Report(s)**

**Open Grants & Flight Operations Reports**

The open grants report and the flight operations report were accepted as presented.

**District Reports**

*District 1* – No report.

*District 2* – No report.

*District 3 – Commissioner Coward* reported City of Aiken proceeding privately with Glide Slope. Pickens will closeout open grant.

*District 4 – Commissioner Walker* reported he was able to talk to his airports for updates. Manager Wade reported Union County was completing their beacon installation, Greenville Downtown everything was OK, Donaldson Center is advertising and promoting SCTAC and that is going well. Spoke with Mr. Simpson of Spartanburg Downtown and they have all of their funding and are starting twenty new t-hangars, runway, etc. and have received four bid proposals for an FBO.

*District 5 – Commissioner Avent* reported everything is on course at his airports except for the rain. Darlington will start as soon as it can.

*District 6 – Commissioner Dabney* reported that Mr. Houston saved the Hamilton/Owens Airport money while he was there and received commendations for his excellent work. Mr. Eversmann will hold the interim manager position for the next 60 days while a search is made for a permanent manager.

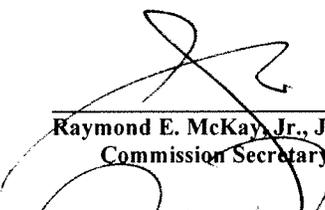
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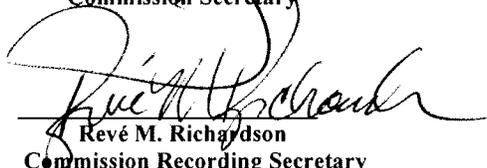
The Commissioners requested Ms. Richardson pole the members as to the best date for the next meeting since some of those at the meeting indicated that the March 25<sup>th</sup> date might not be a good date for them. The meeting will be held at the SCAC facility in West Columbia beginning at 10:00 a.m.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, *Commissioner Coward* moved the meeting be adjourned, *Commissioner Avent* seconded, all approved, and the call was concluded.

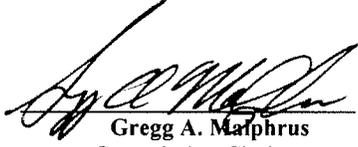
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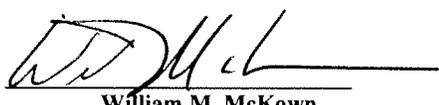
  
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