



HARTSVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT

Airport Advisory Board Meeting Minutes **DRAFT**
Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 5:30 pm
Coach TB Thomas Sports Center Conference Room
701 West Washington Street, Hartsville, South Carolina

Members Present: Dr. Lee Gardner, Lex West, Dr. Art Cooler, Councilmember Bob Braddock

Members Absent: Bryan Drayton

Staff Present: Hemming Hemmingsen, Craig Goodman, Beth Tripp

PURSUANT TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT SC CODE 30-4 80: WRITTEN NOTICE WAS DELIVERED TO THE PRESS BY EMAIL ON MONDAY, JUNE 18, 2017 AND DULY POSTED AT COACH TB THOMAS SPORTS CENTER, 701 WEST WASHINGTON STREET.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Board Chair, Dr. Lee Gardner.

MINUTES

MOTION TO WAIVE READING OF AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MAY 10, 2017- Approved.

Motion: Dr. Lee Gardner; Second: Lex West

FBO REPORT

As part of the airport rejuvenation project, the Airport permanent markings are complete and there should not be additional closures for this project. Hemming said the runway looks good. Did not have flight school students this month. Fuel sales are increased. Hemming proposed it would be cost effective for the City to purchase equipment to do necessary clearing work for \$85,000 rather than outsourcing it every 2-3 years at \$75,000. Hemming and Lex West met with the City Manager and Finance Director regarding a wish list for the Hartsville Regional Airport. Sandi Brown continues working towards becoming a flight instructor at the Airport. The SCAC was on site cutting fence for the airport but it was stopped to ensure it was approved by Operations Manager.

REPORT FROM THE CITY

Dr. Gardner and Bryan Drayton applications were approved by City Council to serve again on the Hartsville Regional Airport committee. Applicant, Nelson Tart was notified of Council action. There is not money budgeted for erosion repair on 03 end of runway right now. On June 13, the City Manager, Finance Director, Hemming, and Lex West met with the USDA regarding possible grants the City could apply for to use with airport improvements. Based on Hartsville's income, could potentially apply for a grant up to \$50,000 and get up to 50%.

The current airport hangar lease reads that fee is .03/square foot which committee feels is very low. Lex offered to personally reach out to hangar renters and explain leasing the space is an investment in the airport and future growth. Lex said after talking with Natalie Zeigler, he better understands the support that the City gives to the airport. Hemming said planning for the future of the Airport is important.

Meeting was adjourned without objection at 6:19 p.m.