

Minutes
of the
Montgomery County Airport Advisory Board
meeting held on April 10, 2017

Members in Attendance:

Howard Kravetz, Chairman
Kate Laukien
Randy Martin
Jacques Verron
Bill Wingo
Gary Yount

Members Absent:

Barkley Spikes

Staff:

Scott Smith, Airport Director
James Brown, Assistant Airport Director
Mary Wilson, Board Secretary

Others in Attendance:

Dan Brouse, AOPA
Robert Wright, Top Flight Services
John Lowry, Galaxy
Ray Ashton, SAT Affects
Marla Aiello, General Aviation Services
Orlan Franks
Elizabeth Franks
Keith Pache
Brandon Ray, High Performance Aviation
Stuart Jacobs
Steve and Debbie Ratcliff, Greatland Holdings
Becky Lutte
Tanya Pino, Assistant County Attorney
Mike Meador, Commissioner Pct. 1

There being a quorum present the meeting came to order at 4:30 pm.

1. Consider approval of the March 13, 2017 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Martin made the motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Verron seconded the motion.

2. Citizen/Tenant Comment. None

 4. Request to address the Airport Advisory Board – Mr. Ray Ashton. Mr. Ashton introduced himself to the board and stated he is working on a new project called SAT. Mr. Ashton stated he is looking for an airport to develop his project where he will require hangar space. After hearing Mr. Ashton’s presentation Chairman Kravetz stated that at this time in Mr. Ashton’s development phase, he didn’t feel the board would be able to help with the project and suggested that Mr. Ashton contact someone at the state level for assistance. Chairman Kravetz also recommended that Mr. Ashton meet with Scott Smith regarding contact information of those tenants who might have adequate hangar space available.

 5. Airport Updates. Mr. Smith provided the board with the April updates. Those updates are attached and made a part of these minutes.

 6. Update: ModAero Aviation Festival. Mr. Smith updated the board on the ModAero Festival. Mr. Smith stated that he and James Brown have met with ModAero representatives several times and have made some changes to the plan and will present the changes to the board at the next meeting.
- Dan Brouse asked about the parallel taxiway project. Mr. Smith stated the parallel taxiway has been designed and he has been informed by TXDOT that there are substantial discretionary funds available but the work will most likely be broken into two projects due to the cost. Mr. Smith stated he hopes to have the grant by the end of the year.
3. Recognize long time Airport Board member R.A. (Mickey) Deison. Chairman Kravetz stated what a pleasure it has been to work with Mr. Deison over the years and wished him the very best in retirement. Mike Meador, Commissioner, Precinct 1, stated that Mr. Deison has made a huge impact on the airport and the community and expressed his gratitude to Mr. Deison for all his years of service to the airport, Montgomery County and the community.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm.

Howard Kravetz, Chairman

Mary Wilson, Board Secretary