

TRIANGLE NORTH EXECUTIVE AIRPORT COMMISSION

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Minutes

The Triangle North Executive Airport Commission met for a special called meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Triangle North Executive Airport. In attendance were Commissioners: John Allers, Phillip Stover, Tom Bregger, Shelley Dickerson, David Bunn and Herman Dickens. Also, in attendance were Richie Duncan (Director-Economic Development), Bo Carson (Existing Industry Coordinator & Interim Airport Mgr.), Pete Tomlinson (Davis, Sturges & Tomlinson), Jim Farthing (Michael Baker Engineering), Michael Schriver (County Commissioner), Mark Speed (County Commissioner), Brett James (James Aeronautics), Angelica James (James Aeronautics), Dale Massey (Airport Employee), Todd Huvad (Aircraft Merchants), Al Mattress (Total Flight Solutions), Phil Greene (Total Flight Solutions) and Carey Johnson (The Franklin Times). Absent from the meeting: Commissioner Taylor Bartholomew

Before the meeting began, Commissioner Stover said he'd like to let everyone know that a memorial service, in honor of Steve Merritt, will be held at the airport on January 27th from 10 a.m. to noon. The Civil Air Patrol will be participating.

Chairman Allers called the meeting to order, and asked that there be a moment of silence for Steve Merritt.

Chairman Allers said he would like to take a moment to introduce Bo Carson. Mr. Carson is currently Existing Industry Coordinator for the Economic Development office, but he will also be serving as Interim Airport Manager until there is a new Airport Manager hired.

Chairman Allers said we are here to discuss development of corporate leases at the south end of the airport, and asked for any comments.

Commissioner Bregger said he felt the contract is unnecessarily complex, with a lot of redundancies. He said there's a disconnect clause in it, but no clause saying this is the language that we choose. He fears that because of the redundancies, that someone could challenge something on the contract.

Commissioner Dickens said he had some issues over the insurance amount. What if a \$60,000 hangar catches fire and burns a \$2 million dollar plane or another hangar next door?

Pete Tomlinson said the issue he has is that Mr. Oakley has requested to be treated differently as per the minimum valuation. We changed that amount, and Mr. Fayard was in agreement, so the County

Commissioners agreed to that. After the last meeting, he was talking with Jim Farthing and Mr. Farthing said everybody should be treated the same.

Chairman Allers said in the FARs (Federal Aviation Regulations) it says that the FAA will not rate a lease worse because it's different.

Michael Schriver said it's about having a policy in place. Do we have anything in place that gives us this guidance? He said he feels it would be helpful to set some kind of policy, as the airport continues to grow. Mr. Tomlinson said his reason for recommending that the Fayard lease be amended, was so that a policy would be in place.

Chairman Allers said there has to be some flexibility in dealing with all of the types of tenants we get out here. He feels that having some kind of blanket policy in place limits us in what we can offer customers.

Commissioner Bunn said would everyone be in agreement with having the same insurance amount(s) that is in the Fayard's lease?

Commissioner Bunn motioned that the changes be accepted in the lease, and that the insurance amounts stated in the Fayard's lease be used. Commissioner Stover seconded the motion. Commissioner Bregger said he has other issues with the lease, as he expressed previously, and needed to review the document again before he votes.

Chairman Allers called for a ten-minute recess to allow Commissioner Bregger to review the lease.

Chairman Allers called the meeting back to order. Commissioner Bregger said he would like the motion amended to also state that the appropriate title of the company needed to be included in the lease.

Commissioner Bunn amended his motion to say that the changes be accepted in the lease, and that the insurance amounts stated in the Fayard's lease be used, and that the appropriate title of the company needed to be included in the lease. Commissioner Stover seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Before adjourning, Chairman Allers said in the past, this Commission has gotten together to have a retreat, and he would like to do that again in the near future. He and Jim Farthing met last Thursday with some of the NCDOT representatives to talk about the \$11 million the airport will be getting, and he'd like to have some work sessions to get the necessary documents up to speed, and to work on hiring a new Airport Manager, also.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.