

Minutes  
of the  
Montgomery County Airport Advisory Board  
meeting held October 9, 2017

Members in attendance:

Howard Kravetz, Chairman  
Randy Martin  
Bill Wingo  
Gary Yount

Members Absent:

Kate Laukien  
Barkely Spikes

Staff:

James Brown, Airport Director  
Mary Wilson, Board Secretary

Others in Attendance:

A.L. Waldo  
Paul Tollison  
Evan Mazhariah  
Marla Aiello, CFTA  
Mike Barksdale  
Steve Ratcliff, Greatland Holdings  
Debbie Ratcliff, Greatland Holidngs  
Bryan Luther, Galaxy  
Vickie Croston  
Elizabeth Franks  
Orlan Franks  
Stephen Dyczko, BBMP

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

1. Consider approval of the August 14, 2017 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Wingo made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Yount seconded the motion and the motion carried.
2. Citizen / Tenant Comments. Bryan Luther with Galaxy FBO stated during hurricane Harvey he would like to have had more information available about the airport status to make available to his customers. Mr. Brown stated during the storm his office was open and fully operational and NOTAMS were issued when needed. His office also received hundreds of calls.

Chairman Kravetz requested Mr. Brown to review current procedures for situations like the storm. Mr. Brown stated the county has a coop procedure which was followed during the storm.

3. Airport Tenant/User Survey Summary. Mr. Brown presented his results from his online airport user/tenant survey. Mr. Brown stated he was encouraged with the response and stated he is looking forward to addressing the issues mentioned in the survey such as signage and security. Mr. Brown stated he is currently working with a signage vendor and looking into ideas as to how to improve the current airport signage.

Orlan Franks asked the status us the wash pad. Mr. Franks reminded the board that the wash pad was promised and it looks like it might not happen. Chairman Kravetz stated there are several ongoing issues that may impede the plan to provide a wash pad but the issue is not dead just yet.

4. Airport Updates. Mr. Brown presented the board with the October updates. Those updates are attached and made a part of these minutes.
5. Other Matters. Mo Rolfe with the Chennault Flying Tiger Academy gave a report on the opening of his flying school at the airport. They will hold an open house on October 19, 2017 and a Ribbon Cutting ceremony on November 1, 2017.

There being no further business Mr. Wingo made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Yount seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:41 pm.

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Howard Kravetz, Chairman

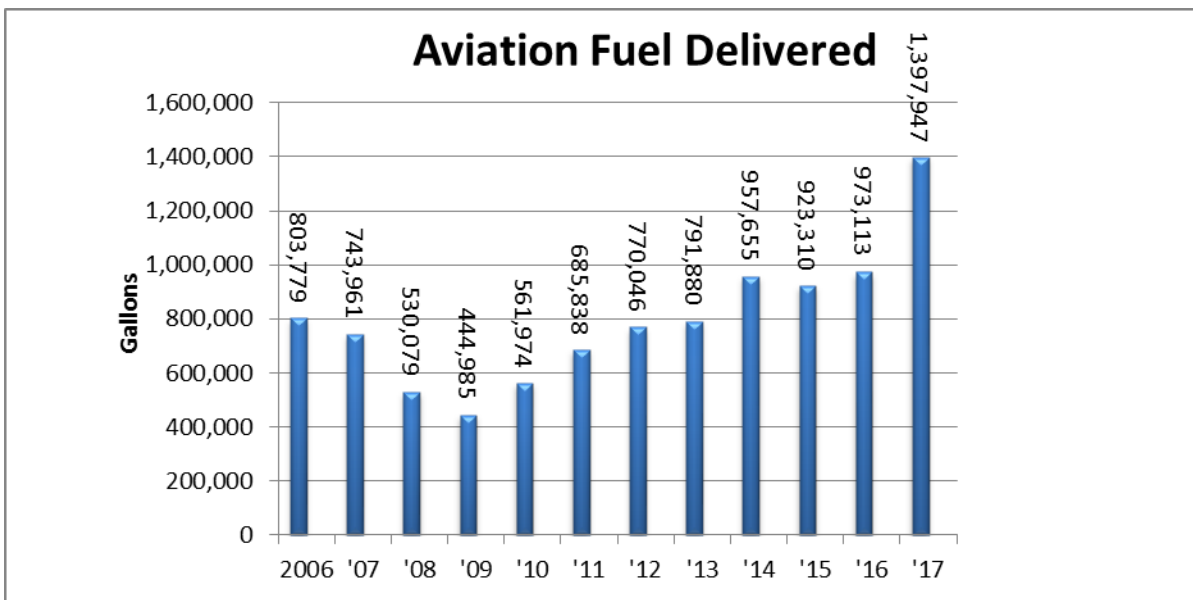
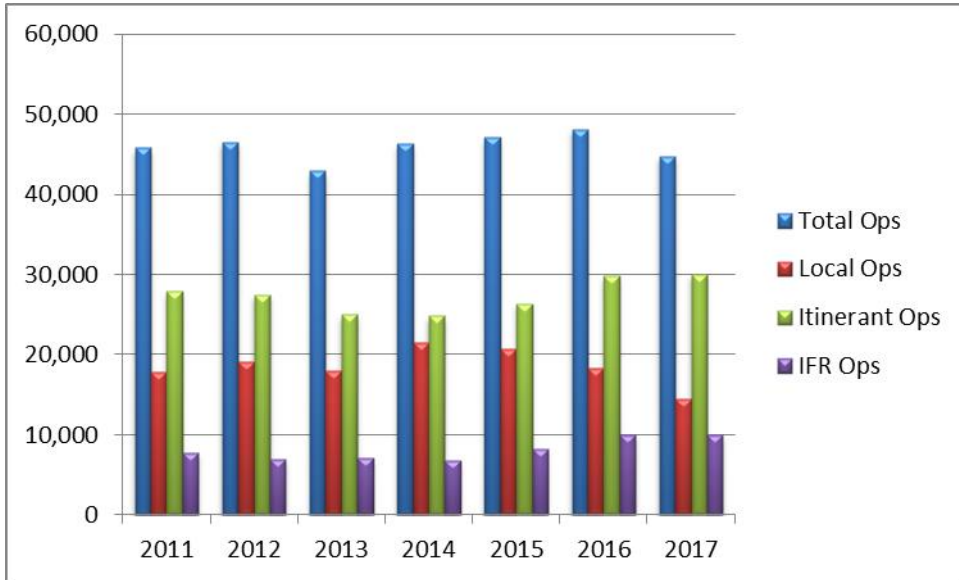
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Mary Wilson, Board Secretary

## Update (October 2017)

### Air Traffic Numbers, Tower Operation

- 2017 Operations Counts Through September 2017
  - Total ops: 44,789 Local ops 32% Itinerant 67%, IFR 22%
  - vs. 2016: Total Ops -7% Local -22% Itinerant 1% IFR -1%
  - vs. 2015: Total Ops -5% Local -30% Itinerant 14% IFR 20%



### **Customs Activity**

- Oct – YTD aircraft clearings: 167

### **Other Airport Projects and Tenant News**

- South Perimeter Road Project – Should bid soon
- Parallel Taxiway Project – Executed Grant. Expect to start Dec.-Jan.
- Runway Cleaning/remarking project – Should be starting within the next few weeks
- Airport Entrance Monument/Landscaping Project

### **CALENDAR:**

Airport Advisory Board Meeting Monday, November 13, 1630 hours – Lone Star Convention Center  
B17 Meet and Greet October 14, 2017 on the General Aviation Services Ramp

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OCTOBER 14



IN CONROE



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RAIDERS



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1:00 - 5:00 PM

General Aviation Services  
Conroe - North Houston Regional Airport  
5260 Central Parkway • Conroe, TX 77303

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Meet your airport neighbors, the Commemorative Air Force and the stunning CAF B-17 *Texas Raiders*. The Flying Fortress will be operating from the ramp in front of General Aviation Services on Saturday afternoon only, October 14, and is scheduled to make several public flights during the course of the afternoon.

Come on over to General Aviation Services and see an iconic piece of American history up close. Learn about the Commemorative Air Force, our mission, and what it's like to work on and crew the Flying Fortress. A limited number of seats remain available for the Living History Flights on Saturday afternoon, October 14. We look forward to meeting you! **Flights begin at \$475.**

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