## Minutes of the

### Montgomery County Airport Advisory Board meeting held January 12, 2015

Members in Attendance:

Howard Kravetz, Chairman R.A. (Mickey) Deison Randy Martin Jacques Verron Bill Wingo

Members Absent:

**Barkley Spikes** 

Staff:

Scott Smith, Airport Director Mary Wilson, Administrative Assistant

Others in Attendance:

**Rob Jacoby** 

Mack McCorkle

Sid Andrist

**Robert Wright** 

Vickie Croston

Ryan Morris

John Lowery

**Gary Yount** 

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

- 1. Consider approval of the November 17, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Mr. Verron made the motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Martin seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- 2. Citizen/Tenant Comments. None.
- 3. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair. Mr. Deison made the motion that the positions of Chairman and Vice Chairman remain as is. Mr. Martin seconded the motion and the motion carried.
- 4. Airport Updates. Mr. Smith presented the board with the January 2015 airport updates and those updates are attached and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Smith advised the board of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Runway Extension will be held on March 4, 2015 at 10 am.

Mr. Martin asked about the name change and the questionnaire that was sent out to users. Mr. Smith stated there were 43 respondents with no pre-dominate trend. The name change matter has been set aside for now.

Vickie Croston asked about the new pilot cards. Mr. Smith advised that as soon as the new airport diagram is published he will have new pilot cards made.

Rob Jacoby asked about the procedure for ground leases and building hangars. Mr. Smith explained the procedure to lease ground space from the county. Chairman Kravetz asked if there is a list of tracts available. Mr. Smith stated there is not a list because there are only two tracts available and one of the two will require considerable buildup which will be very expensive. Mr. Smith stated there should be a procedure put in place on how the lease process works and placed on the airport's web page.

Chairman Kravetz asked about Black Forest Ventures 75 acre tract. Mr. Smith advised that there is a limited 10 year option on the remaining acreage. If someone is interested in developing on the tract they should attempt to work out a deal with Black Forest Ventures. If Black Forest Ventures is unable to provide for the prospective tenant they will be required to give up their right and the prospective tenant will then work directly with the county on that parcel.

Mr. Jacoby asked about the tracts that are currently under lease but not developed. Mr. Smith stated the matter has been referred to Commissioners Court and of date the court has not yet acted on the matter.

Chairman Kravetz asked about the parcel on Taxiway L. Mr. Smith advised that he has requested a meeting with the tenant adjacent to this parcel to discuss his construction schedule.

There being no further business Mr. Verron made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Deison seconded the motion and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

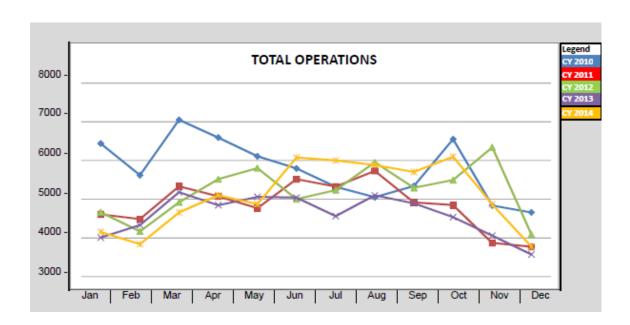
Howard Kravetz Chairman

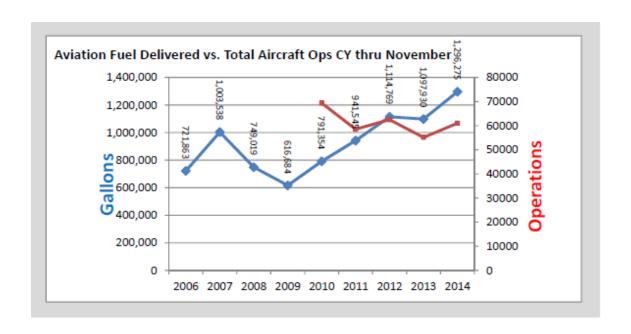
Mary Wilson Administrative Assistant

# Update (January 2015)

#### **Air Traffic Numbers, Tower Operation**

- 2014 Operations Counts: December 3,779
  - CAL Year: Local ops 46% Itinerant 54%, IFR 15%
  - CAL Year vs. 2013: Total Ops +11% Local +25% Itinerant +1%
  - CAL Year vs. 2012: Total Ops -2% Local +10% Itinerant -11%





#### RW 14-32 Extension (see www.lonestarairport.org "Construction Update" link)

- FAA flight check started 11/23/14, suspended due to weather and then due to internal FAA problems rescheduled to 1/19/15
- RWY 14/32 opened full length with displaced threshold 5,411FT landing RWY 14, high intensity runway edge lights in service
- Cul-de-sacs completed permanent Type 3 barricades being installed
- Paving complete except for 5% of new alignment of Taxiway A
- Chart date for new ILS/GPS approaches March 5, 2015
- Taxiway L is re-designated as Taxiway J and is open to RWY 14
- ASOS (automated weather reporting) relocated and back in service

#### **Other Airport Projects**

- Wildlife Hazard Plan in review with TxDOT/FAA; maintenance continues on perimeter fence in locations to prevent wildlife access (under drainages, etc.)
- Re-surfacing of Military Drive, lower Carl Pickering, still pending contractor availability
- U.S. Customs Facility 100% plans in review with Customs
- Wash pad pavement section and layout designed, meeting with other county departments to discuss construction
- TxDOT 5010 Inspection of September 5<sup>th</sup> all trees identified as obstructions have been removed
- South Perimeter Road alignment study completed waiting for funding for design of road, expect spring 2015 for design to begin
- Texas Air Shuttle start up expected February 2015

#### CALENDAR:

Airport Advisory Board Meeting Monday, February 9, 1630 Runway Extension/New Instrument Approaches Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Wednesday, March 4, 2015 10:00 a.m.