



## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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### COBB COUNTY AIRPORT - MCCOLLUM FIELD AIRPORT STRATEGIC PLANNING BOARD (aka: AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD)

#### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 25, 2013 - 10:30 A.M.

South FBO – Terminal Conference Room  
Cobb County Airport-McCollum Field  
Kennesaw, GA 30144

#### **Present of the Board:**

Carter Chapman, Chairman  
William Campbell, Pilot, Vice Chairman  
Butch Thompson, District II & IV  
Thomas Huff, Atlanta Executive Jet Center  
Sean King, Capt. Retired  
Larry Thompson, Preferred Jet Center  
Commissioner Bob Ott, BOC  
Kelly Keappler, Town Center CID, Secretary  
Clark Hungerford, Development Authority  
Mark Mathews, Mayor Kennesaw

#### **Absent of the Board:**

#### **Guests:**

Dave Cranford, Tower Control Manager

#### **Representing Cobb County:**

Karl Von Hagel, Airport Manager  
David Hankerson, County Manager  
Faye DiMassimo, Director  
Josephine Softy, Admin III, DOT

#### **I. Call to Order:**

Carter Chapman welcomed the Members of the Airport Advisory Board and called the meeting to order at 10:35am.

#### **II. Approved Minutes:**

Karl Von Hagel presented the minutes from the March 11, 2013 Board meeting, William Campbell motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Thomas Huff, with all members in favor.

#### **III. Airport Control Tower Update:**

Karl Von Hagel updated the Board on the FAA's decision to cease funding and close 149 contracted airport control towers throughout the country between April 7, 2013 and May 5, 2013. Cobb County McCollum Field is one of the 149 contract towers and is scheduled to close on May 5, 2013. Fulton County, PDK and Hartsfield-Jackson Airport will remain open. Senator Moran continues to work towards reversing the FAA's decision and the City of Spokane, Washington has hired attorneys to establish a court challenge of the decision.

**Short Term Alternatives Committee:** Karl Von Hagel distributed a listing of action items established by the committee of airport users for transitioning the airport to an "Uncontrolled Airport" while ensuring safety.

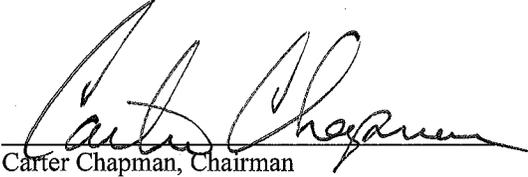
Long Term Alternatives Committee: Karl Von Hagel updated the Board on the Long Term Committee's progress with looking into the impact and forecasting alternative funding sources available to operate a self sustaining airport.

Carter Chapman motioned, seconded by Thomas Huff, for the Long Term Committee to continue investigating potential funding sources to provide self-sustaining airport and include evaluating potential control tower service.

**IV. Airport Advisory Board Meeting** scheduled for April 1, 2013 has been cancelled and rescheduled for Monday, April 8, 2013, 10:30am. Meeting will be held at 1800 Airport Road, Kennesaw, GA - South FBO – Terminal Conference Room, second floor.

**V. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00pm

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Carter Chapman, Chairman