



Minutes of Meeting of Gadsden Airport Authority

April 22, 2022

The Gadsden Airport Authority held a meeting at the Gadsden Airport Fire Station Building #3 on Friday, April 22, 2022.

In attendance: Ken Robertson, Billy Billingsley, Jonathan Welch, Spencer Williams, Robert Turk, and Tim McCartney. Randall Gober and legal counsel Robert Baugh and Jim Williams were also present.

A quorum was present.

Billy Billingsley called the meeting to order.

Upon a motion by Jonathan Welch and a second by Robert Turk, followed by a unanimous vote, the GAA approved the March 2022 Minutes.

Upon a motion by Jonathan Welch and a second by Robert Turk, followed by a unanimous vote, the GAA approved the March 2022 GAA Financials.

Randall Gober: The Alabama Power Emergency plan (recently mentioned by Spencer Williams) is a written agreement that addresses, among other things, the issue of what happens if there is damage to property while APCO or its Contractors are using the areas. This will be an official document to satisfy insurance requirements. APCO will take responsibility for any damages incurred while they are using the property.

Upon a motion by Tim McCartney and a second by Jonathan Welch, followed by a unanimous vote, the GAA agreed to have the GAA attorneys review this agreement and bring it to the next board meeting for a vote, if appropriate.

Josh Stump (Neel Schaffer) is monitoring the release of the availability of the BIL Grant with the FAA. Funding is starting to be available now, so far no changes for Northeast Alabama Regional Airport.

AIP 2022 will probably rollover to 2023, for AIP and AIG money.

Upon a motion by Billy Billingsley and a second Robert Turk, a motion was made to appoint Tim McCartney and Jonathan Welch to a Litigation Committee to communicate with the Board Attorneys regarding settlement negotiations related to the pending litigation. On a vote of 5-1, the motion carried.

Robert Baugh provided an update on pending litigation (Open Meetings Act case, Open Records Act case, and the zoning case), but to be fully informed it will have to be in executive session.

Upon a motion by Spencer Williams and a second by Billy Billingsley, followed by a vote of 5-1, the meeting moved into executive session. Ken Robertson left the meeting and did not participate in the executive session.

Jim Williams made the required statement regarding convening an executive session before the executive session began.

Upon a motion by Tim McCartney and a second by Billy Billingsley, followed by a unanimous vote (5-0), the GAA adjourned the executive session. Executive session concluded, and open meeting reconvened.

Robert Baugh discussed, in general terms, the role of the Litigation Committee.

Tim McCartney thanked the Gadsden City Council for their support of the GAA.

A motion to adjourn was made by Tim McCartney and a second by Billy Billingsley, followed by a unanimous vote (5-0), and the meeting was adjourned.