

**AIRPORT COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JUNE 28, 2011**

The Airport Committee met on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:20 p.m. Mr. Cullum, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

M. Todd Cullum, Chairman	Debra B. Summers, V Chairman
George H. Davis	Bobby C. Keisler
James E. Kinard, Jr.	

Also attending: Katherine Hubbard, County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

Approval of Minutes - June 8, 2011 Special Called Meeting - A motion was made by Mr. Kinard, seconded by Ms. Summers to approve the June 8, 2011 Special Called Meeting minutes as submitted.

The vote in favor was unanimous.

Old Business/New Business - T-Hangar Construction - Ms. Hubbard reported that as a result of the June 8, 2011 Airport Special Called Meeting, staff has been directed to move forward with activities at the airport that may increase revenue, most importantly t-hanger construction. The Airport Committee requested staff to talk with the FAA about the possibility of using discretionary funding, that comes from the federal government, in addition to the entitlement funding that Council receives. The FAA shared with staff they do not provide discretionary funding for t-hangers and revenue generating type projects. The FAA indicated that if the County wants to compete for discretionary funds for other types of projects, like the pavement widening or other projects for the airport, the County would need to change the ACIP and show its interest in t-hangers. They offered one of two solutions: 1) build the t-hangars (cost is approximately \$650,000) then get reimbursed annually with the entitlement funding of \$150,000; or, 2) accumulate the entitlement funding until there is enough to build the t-hangars. The FAA would like to get confirmation from the County if interested in one of the two options by June 30, 2011. Ms. Hubbard reported, after discussing with Mr. Cullum, the County is not in the position to spend \$650,000 at the Airport and rely on the \$150,000 reimbursement at this time. She suggested to reconsider during the next budget process. (It was noted there was no funding in the airport account for

this project.) Mr. Kinard recommends holding until the next fiscal year but change the ACIP and Mr. Cullum concurred. The Committee asked staff to relay to the FAA that the County will hold off on t-hangar construction and proceed with updating the ACIP.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee
Assistant to the Clerk

M. Todd Cullum
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett
Clerk