

**The Madison County Executive Airport Authority**  
**P.O. Box 110 • Meridianville, Alabama 35759**

**December 8, 2003**

**A. ROLL CALL AND CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM at the Madison County Executive Airport.

X Tom Sharp, Jr.  
X Smith Haywood  
X John Riche  
X Steve Waters  
X Joe Patterson

**B. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)**

Motion by Joe Patterson to approve minutes from the November meeting, seconded by Steve Waters and approved.

**C. BUSINESS**

**1. Report from FBO Rocket Aviation –**

Harold McMurrin presented the report for Rocket Aviation. He reported on some repairs that need to be made to the crew car and to a hangar. He also reported that the main gate control which had been down for about 10 days had been repaired.

Rocket Aviation submitted a report on fuel purchase and sales. The sale of 100LL is down about 12,000 gallons for the period of January through November as compared to last year. However, the sale of jet A has increased over last year by approximately 6,000 gallons. There were 1,896 total take-offs and landings in the month of November, 2003.

**2. Report from Mike Murphy on airport maintenance –**

Mike Murphy was not present at the meeting.

**3. Report from Will Wilkins on airport projects –**

APAC is making good progress on construction; grading is done, electrical work is underway. Some seed and topsoil has been put down to hold what has been done but the final dress-up will take place in the spring. The County came out today and paved the motorcycle training area.

Will reported that he met with Cynthia Robinson and a representative from the Corps of Engineers on the wetlands issue for the work that is being done off Runway 18. Will also reported that he has the final budget ready to be submitted to the State with the exception of Ms. Robinson's fees. They will be getting together soon so that the budget can be sent to the State ASAP.

Will also reported that he attended a meeting with ALDOT to learn about their airport plan. They have taken all the airports in Alabama, broken them down into use category and set up a 10-year plan for bringing those facilities up to minimum requirements based on usage. KMDQ falls in the "national asset" category. Based on the criteria for that category on runway length, lighting, utilities, terminal, etc. KMDQ is in very good shape. The only item of deficiency is runway length. They show a minimum requirement of 5,500 feet. To get all airports identified up to the minimum requirements, the State funding needs to be around \$210 million over the next 10 years.

Will submitted an application for state funding for projects for next year which includes a resolution applying for funding assistance from the State of Alabama and that the Madison County Executive Airport Authority has the matching funds in the amount of \$85,276 in escrow. Joe Patterson made the motion to authorize the Chairman to enter into the resolution. Smith Haywood seconded and the motion carried.

Will also submitted a document informing the FAA of intent to construct a hangar. The hangar will be constructed for Mike Murdock. The cost of a hangar is about \$150,000. Mike Murdock's hangar will cost approximately \$600,000. Mr. Murdock is going to donate \$250,000 to the Madison County Executive Airport Authority to be used for hangar development and will donate another \$200,000 in the next calendar year. He will then rent the hangar for a monthly lease fee. Joe Patterson made the motion to accept the donation from Mr. Murdock to be used for hangar development at the Madison County Executive Airport. Steve Waters seconded and the motion carried.

**4. Report from Tom Sharp, Jr. on the renewal of the lease with the Braggs –** Tom Sharp, Jr. reported that the Braggs currently have a three year lease for 43.2 acres at a rate of \$50 per acre. The renewal agreement would be for the three year period from December 31, 2003 through December 31, 2006. Joe Patterson made the motion to renew the lease with the Braggs for three years at \$50 an acre. Smith Haywood seconded and the motion carried.

**5. Public Comments –** There being no further comments, the meeting was adjourned.

**D. ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn by Joe Patterson, seconded by Smith Haywood, approved.