



# Meeting Minutes

City of Gainesville  
Airport Advisory Board Meeting  
Airport Terminal Conference Room  
Monday, March 12, 2007 10:30 AM

**Members Present:** Earl Clement, Nancy Brannon, Ginger Herrmann, Earl Russell, Carroll Johnson, Richard Lira

**Members Absent:** Mike McKenzie

**Staff Present:** Leslie Greer

**Visitors Present:** Joe Jamieson, Kim Mason, Mitchell Shauf, Cody Ortowski

The **first item of business** was calling the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m., by Nancy Brannon.

The **second item of business** was Discussion and Action on meeting minutes from February 26, 2007. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Richard Lira, with a second made by Carroll Johnson. Ayes: Clement, Herrmann, Russell, Johnson, Lira. Nays: None. Absent: McKenzie.

The **third item of business** was citizen/tenant comments. None were given.

Nancy Brannon suggested moving on with Item 5 in order to give Mr. Jamieson time to gather his information and people for his presentation.

The **fifth item of business** was Presentation by Representatives of Pumpco Services and Impact Energy Services. Mitchell Shauf and Cody Ortowski were in attendance to inform the Board of their desire to purchase a portion of Airport property for their business operations. Impact Energy Services has experienced tremendous growth and currently employ one hundred twenty seven (127) people, with new ones being added monthly. Their company is interested in acquiring twenty (20) acres of a forty (40) acre tract located on FM 1201 just

north of Hwy 82 to build an office, shop and for storing trucks, trailers and equipment used for their business.

Kent Sharp, Joe Jamieson and Kim Mason joined the meeting at this time.

The office will be approximately three thousand (3,000) square feet and the shop will be approximately eight thousand (8,000) square feet. Earl Clement inquired into what work they currently do at Impact Energy Services and they explained they specialize in well testing, water transfer, and equipment rental. There was question of whether the financial aspects of their operation had been discussed with GEDC and Mr. Ortowski said when they first approached GEDC they were directed toward another piece of property that was not located in Gainesville. Mr. Ortowski stated they considered the other property and found it would not be advantageous for their operation and that they are more interested in purchasing the Airport property. The members all agreed that there should be no question of whether or not Impact should acquire the Airport property and offered to do whatever they could to help. Kent Sharp informed the Board Impact was on the GEDC Board Agenda for approval and he will communicate with Nancy regarding the outcome of their meeting.

The **fourth item of business** was Presentation by Joe Jamieson of American Automation Technologies, Inc. Mr. Jamieson provided handouts for the Board and provided an overview of his intentions for the Bell Aerospace building and Airport property he wishes to purchase. He intends to utilize the building for his business operations and wishes to construct an Air Museum and Aviation Library on the Airport property along Hwy 82, as well as, a separate "Gone With the Wind" museum. Kent Sharp explained the lease terms Bell Aerospace currently has with the GEDC. Bell Aerospace is engaged in a five (5) year lease with the option to choose an extension for an additional five (5) years. Bell Aerospace has not found a use for that building and would like to sub-lease or sell to Mr. Jamieson. Mr. Jamieson expects to employ one hundred (100) to one hundred fifty (150) people at a pay rate of \$15.00 to \$16.00 per hour. Mr. Jamieson is prepared to purchase the building and is hoping for a generous offer with the understanding he will need to spend approximately \$200,000.00 on improvements to the building following the purchase.

Mr. Jamieson introduced Kim Mason of Sundowner Trailer Co. Mr. Mason discussed the viability of Mr. Jamieson's product.

The **sixth item of business** was Discussion on Renewal of Petroflex NA, Inc. Land Lease. The Board agreed Petroflex should be put on a month to month lease basis until it is decided whether Impact Energy Services will be purchasing the area of Airport property discussed earlier in the meeting. Richard Lira suggested moving Petroflex directly west of Impact Energy Services if they decide to purchase the land west of Hwy 1201. Pending a decision regarding Impact Energy Services, Petroflex NA, Inc. will be leasing from the Airport on a month to month basis.

The **seventh item of business** was Discussion and Action on Renewal of Oz Aviation, Inc. d.b.a. Flying Colors of Texas Lease. Earl Russell made a motion to approve a one (1) year extension to the lease for Oz Aviation, Inc. d.b.a. Flying Colors of Texas. A second was made by Richard Lira. Ayes: Russell, Lira, Johnson, Herrmann, Clement. Nays: None. Absent: McKenzie.

The **eighth item of business** was Discussion on Hiring New Airport Manager. Earl Clement and Ginger Herrmann agreed to review applications along with the City Manager. The Board expressed their wishes to hire someone to market the Airport and their concerns of being able to find someone with marketing experience that would also be willing to be on call at the Airport for fueling purposes. The Board presented ideas of what they are looking for in an Airport Manager, as well as, a part time relief person for Rick. The Board does not feel it is practical to hire a part time person that will not be allowed to fuel aircraft.

The **ninth item of business** was Airport Director Reports. Nancy Brannon noted the fuel reports were included in the Board packets, discussed safety issues regarding installation of a new camera system and vehicles driving on the ramp apron, and suggested applying signage on the Airport directed toward this issue. Leslie Greer discussed installation of an electronic gate on the south entrance to the Airport, the retention pond on the south end of the Airport and the outcome of the follow-up letter to tenants regarding the vehicle traffic.

The **tenth item of business** was Board Member Comments. Earl Russell inquired into the Herbicide application for weed control that is performed annually around this time of year and agreed to follow up with the City Manager regarding RAMP funds and signage for the Airport. Mike Land is the authorized person to handle NPE funds and all items relating to Airport funding from TxDOT. Earl Clement agreed to keep in contact with Impact Energy Services regarding the status of their wishes to acquire an area of Airport property and Carroll Johnson agreed to remain in contact with Joe Jamieson regarding his wishes to acquire the Bell Aerospace property.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:48 a.m.

  
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Leslie Greer, Administrative Assistant

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Nancy Brannon, Chairperson