



Meeting Minutes

City of Gainesville
Airport Advisory Board Meeting
City Council Chambers
Monday December 14, 2015
10:30 A.M.

Members Present: Brandon Ayers, Nancy Brannon, Ryan Green, Carroll Johnson, Richard Lira, Earl Russell, and Jason Snuggs.

Absent: None

Staff Present: Dave Vinton.

Visitors Present: Arlene Loyd.

The **second item of business** was Discussion and Action on minutes from October 26, 2015. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Lira with a second from Mr. Snuggs. Ayes: Ayers, Brannon, Green, Johnson, Lira, and Snuggs. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The **third item of business** was Citizen/Tenant comments. None.

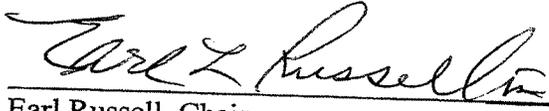
The **fourth item of business** was Discussion and Action on Release and Sale of Property to the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation. Arlene Loyd, Executive Director of the Gainesville Economic Development Corporation (GEDC), requested that the board give approval for the release of airport property from the FAA with an immediate sale to the GEDC for economic development. The twenty acres of property requested abuts Orteq Technology's campus to the West. Ms. Loyd proposed the compensation the GEDC would be willing to provide based on a professional appraisal of the land. Discussion on setting precedence, lease verses sale, and a working relationship between the GEDC and the Airport Advisory Board entailed. Board members concurred that the recommended sale price was low for the quantity and limited supply of land that is available at the airport. They further stated that additional information and continued discussion on this request is warranted. Mr. Green made a motion to table the request with a 2nd by Mr. Snuggs. Ayes: Ayers, Brannon, Green, Johnson, Lira, and Snuggs. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The **fifth item of business** was moved to the sixth item with no objections. Mr. Ayers gave a slide presentation on how the airport looked shortly after WWII. Aerial pictures, aircraft on the ramp, and MUH hangar interior shots were enjoyed and analyzed by the board members.

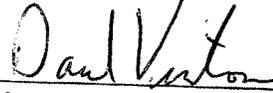
The **sixth item of business** was Discussion and Action on Lease of Property to Gainesville Aviation LLC. Director Vinton advised the Board that Gainesville Aviation LLC has requested a long term lease with the City of Gainesville for an 100' X 80' hangar North of TWY 'B' near West Air Dr.. The LLC also requested a 5 year option for the lot of the same dimensions directly east of the proposed lease area. No action was taken on the option request as more information is required. Mr. Snuggs made a motion to approve the initial lease request with a 2nd by Mr. Ayers. Ayes: Ayers, Brannon, Green, Johnson, Lira, and Snuggs. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The **seventh item of business** was Airport Director reports. The Director reviewed the fuel reports with the Board. Mr. Vinton advised the board that The Sky's The Limit Balloon Festival experience terrible weather conditions and that attendance was very low. Mr. Ayers stated that he was 'not happy' with the balloon festival's air show due to a near miss during the event. Director Vinton stated that the TXAAA Fly-In enjoyed a clear day with over 200 aircraft taking part in the festivities.

The **seventh item of business** was to adjourn.



Earl Russell, Chairperson



David Vinton, Airport Director