

Pursuant to notice duly given, the regular meeting of the members of **Benedum Airport Authority**, owner and operator of the **North Central West Virginia Airport**, was held on **June 24, 2009**, in the Conference Room at the Terminal Building, North Central West Virginia Airport, Bridgeport, Harrison County, West Virginia, at 3:00 p.m., with the following members present: Ron Watson, President, Wayne Stutler, Vice President, Frank "Chunki" Angotti, Harrison County Commissioner, Randy Elliott, Marion County Commissioner, by Wayne Stutler, his proxy, Robert "Buck" Thompson by Wayne Stutler, his proxy, Oce Smith by Wayne Stutler, his proxy, Randy Kerns by Ron Watson, his proxy, Jack Clayton by Wayne Stutler, his proxy, James C. Christie, Mayor of the City of Bridgeport, and Jim Smith. Also present were Jackie Green, Administrative Assistant, Jim Griffith, Airport Director, Chad Biller of Thrasher Engineering, Joan Keith, Marketing Director, Ricky Rock, Treasurer, Tim Davis, Dean C. Ramsey, Secretary, and members of the press and public.

The President called the meeting to order and determined that a quorum was present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved upon motion by Mayor Christie, seconded by Commissioner Stutler.

Chad Biller, Airport Engineer, presented a written Engineer's Report in which he detailed the status of the Runway Safety Area Project, including contracts awarded and proposed start dates. He outlined progress on Area B T-hangars, indicating that he was working with Tom Brown, City of Bridgeport Engineer, and that the Project would get under way after the first of July. The report also detailed the

status of the V1 Project and other ongoing Airport projects. After careful review, the report was approved and ordered filed in the Airport Director's office, and Mr. Biller was authorized to proceed with the V1 Project at the cost of \$286,000.00.

There was a discussion regarding blasting and the blasting contract for the National Guard and it was determined that the previous action of the Authority to defer awarding the blasting contract should be reconsidered. Upon motion by Commissioner Angotti, seconded by Jr. Jim Smith, after reconsideration, the Engineer was authorized to proceed with the blasting contract and to confer with counsel to review options and determine the proper course of action in awarding the contract to the low bidder.

Mr. Griffith gave the Airport Director's report in which he informed the members that the Department of Defense Fuel Contract point of sale equipment had been installed on May 20th and that everything was in place to commence sales under the contract to the National Guard. Mr. Griffith again reminded the Board that Hertz Corporation wanted to make a proposal regarding rendering insurance and other rental car services from a location to be established on the Airport. After discussion, the Airport Director was requested to obtain a proposal and to make a recommendation.

Ms. Keith gave the Marketing Director's Report, indicating that contracts for the FBI charters had been canceled due to lack of participation. She reported that the Bridgeport Rotary was to complete its project. Her written report was reviewed, discussed, and ordered filed in the Airport Director's office.

The President presented and discussed a proposed organizational chart which was reviewed and discussed and after discussion, upon motion by Mayor

Christie, seconded by Commissioner Angotti, and duly approved, it was determined to have a special session to discuss the budget and the organizational chart on July 22, 2009, at 1:00 p.m.

Thereupon the President deferred consideration of going into executive session to allow comments from those present. Tim Davis spoke to the Authority expressing his interest in the Director's position which he understood would be open upon the retirement of Mr. Griffith. Mr. Davis explained his experience and background and indicated a strong interest in applying for the position. He was advised that the position would be advertised and resumes and applications would be considered in due course. Mr. Davis presented a resume to the Authority members.

Upon motion by Commissioner Angotti, seconded by Mayor Christie, it was determined to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters involving creating and hiring someone to fill a special position and to consider individuals for such position. Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Rock were requested to remain in the executive session.

In executive session personnel matters involving filling a specific position and consideration of specific candidates were discussed and no action was taken.

Upon motion by Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Jim Smith, executive session adjourned and regular session resumed.

Upon motion by Mr. Christie, seconded by Mr. Jim Smith, it was determined to hire the Treasurer, Rick Rock, to aid and assist the Board and the Airport Director and staff pending Mr. Griffith's retirement and the hiring of a new director. Mr.

Rock was to be compensated at the rate of \$50.00 per hour not to exceed twenty-five hours per week without the consent of the President or Vice President.

Upon motion by Commissioner Angotti, seconded by Mr. Jim Smith, the organizational chart presented by the President was approved for use for budget purposes.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Secretary