BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING November 30, 1992 England Authority Board Room

England Authority Board Room
-REGULAR MEETING-

The England Authority Board of Commissioners met in the England Authority Board Room, located in Building 1803, EAFB, Alexandria, Louisiana. Public officials and members of the public and press were invited.

Board members present were:

John Brewer Hank Bruser Gene Cotton Jack DeWitt Barry Hines

Garland Lawrence

Jim Meyer

Commissioners absent were:

Susan Jaques Myron Lawson George Thompson

Also present were James Holderread, Joe Slowinski, Robert Coon, Renae Saathoff, Albin Provosty, Atty., Bruce Capps, and members of the public and media.

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. by Chairman Meyer. Roll was called determining that a quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were followed by review of proposed agenda additions.

AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Cotton, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, to add as item 10 on the agenda, consideration of hiring one or more part-time technicians to maintain radio and navigational aids at the Airpark. On vote, the motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner DeWitt, seconded by Commissioner Cotton, to add as item 11 on the agenda, the appointment of a committee to review Airport Master Plan submissions. On vote, the motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Cotton, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, to add as item 12 on the agenda, rescheduling of the December regular Board of Commissioners meetings due to the Christmas Holiday. On vote, the motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner DeWitt, seconded by Commissioner Cotton, to add as item 13 on the agenda, authorization of the Chairman's signature to the Caretaker Agreement. On vote, the motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Cotton, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, to add as item 14 on the agenda, authorization of a resolution requesting assistance from the City of Alexandria for implementation of various Caretaker functions prior to the signing of the Caretaker Agreement. On vote, the motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner DeWitt, seconded by Commissioner Cotton, to add as item 15 on the agenda, motion requesting the Provosty, Sadler & DeLaunay law firm to provide opinion of council on the Caretaker Contract. On vote, the motion carried.

Motion made by Commissioner Cotton, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, to approve the amended agenda. On vote, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner DeWitt, seconded by Commissioner Cotton, to accept the minutes from Board meetings dated: October 23, 1992, October 29, 1992, November 16, 1992, and November 20, 1992 as distributed. On vote, the motion carried.

JOIN RED RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Motion made by Commissioner DeWitt, seconded by Commissioner Cotton, to authorize the joining of the Red River Valley Association at a minimum of \$500 dues. On vote, the motion carried.

JRTC "COMMUNITY INFORMATION FAIR" DONATION INCREASE

Chairman Meyer reviewed for the Board, a letter recently received from the Chamber of Commerce thanking the England Authority for their \$250 donation to support efforts in representing the Cenla area at the November 13-14, 1992 JRTC "Community Information Fair" held at Little Rock Air Force Base. The letter also requested an increase in the England Authority's donation due to the expenses incurred on the trip.

Board discussion regarding the availability of additional funds for increase of the England Authority donation followed. Commissioner Lawrence reported on the overall value of the JRTC "Community Information Fair" in our efforts to support the ISB. Renae Saathoff, England Authority secretary, commented on her participation in the Fair on the England Authority's behalf.

Motion made by Commissioner Lawrence, seconded by Commissioner Hines, to increase the England Authority's donation to \$500 total to support Cenla's representation at the JRTC "Community Information Fair" held November 13-14, 1992 at Little Rock Air Force Base. On vote, the motion carried.

PAYMENT OF APPROVED BILLS

Motion made by Commissioner DeWitt, seconded by Commissioner Lawrence, to authorize payment of all approved outstanding bills. On vote, the motion carried.

INSURANCE CONSULTANT SERVICES

James Holderread reported that his efforts to acquire information regarding an overall insurance consultant for the England Authority and report found information to the Board at today's meeting were fruitless. He added that he was successful in making contact with all interested companies but the companies were unable to furnish information quickly due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Mr. Holderread plans to report all findings at the next Board meeting. The need for advice regarding employee benefits from the insurance consultant, once acquired, was discussed.

Motion made by Commissioner Lawrence, seconded by Commissioner Hines, to authorize addition of employee benefit advice to assignments given an Insurance Consultant, once hired for the England Authority. On vote, the motion carried.

NEW STREET NAMES FOR ENGLAND AIRPARK

Commissioner Brewer reviewed old and new street names for England Airpark and included an additional name change honoring Jim Meyer, Board Chairman.

Motion made by Commissioner Brewer, seconded by Commissioner Bruser, to authorize the following street name changes for England Airpark:

OLD NAME
Atomic Lane
Vanderveen Lane
Titan Avenue
Gooney Bird Ave.
Unnamed Street

NEW NAME
Vanderveen Lane
Watterberg Way
Miller Avenue
Jim Meyer Avenue

Motion amended by Commissioner Cotton, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, to include that the Rapides Area Planning Commission be provided a name change list including Jim Meyer Avenue and clarifying that "Titan Avenue", not "Thor Avenue" is to be changed to "Watterberg Way". On vote, the amended motion carried.

ARCHITECT AND ENGINEERING CONTRACT RECOMMENDATIONS

Commissioner DeWitt recommended that report and recommendations for the Architect and Engineering contractor for the England Authority be tabled for later review by the Board.

AIRPORT MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Col. Jack Sherrill provided the Board members with a chart reflecting the steps necessary to attaining various levels of operation for the England Airpark Airfield. Col. Sherrill reviewed the chart with the Board, explaining those items currently handled and those to be handled by the Authority. Discussion of airfield needs necessary to support 24 hour operation commenced, along with discussion of cost of various items.

RADIO & NAVIGATIONAL AID TECHNICIAN

Col. Jack Sherrill reviewed a letter to the England Authority from the USAF stating that a technician qualified to maintain the radios and navigational aids (TACAN, ILS) must be on staff with the England Authority, otherwise equipment will be removed by the Air Force.

Motion made by Commissioner Brewer, seconded by Commissioner Bruser, to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and contract hire a technician(s) qualified to maintain radios and navigational aids (TACAN, ILS) for the England Authority. On vote, the motion carried.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNED TO REVIEW AIRPORT MASTER PLAN RFQ RESPONSE

Motion made by Commissioner DeWitt, seconded by Commissioner Cotton, to authorize Chairman Meyer to at a later date, appoint a committee, to review the Airport Master Plan submissions. On vote, the motion carried.

RESCHEDULING OF DECEMBER REGULAR MEETINGS

Due to the upcoming Christmas holiday, the Board chose to reschedule the regular December meetings to the following dates:

COMMITTEE MEETING DAY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING -Friday, December 10th at 4:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CARETAKER AGREEMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Brewer, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, to authorize the Chairman to sign the Caretaker Agreement. On vote, the motion carried.

CARETAKER ASSISTANCE FROM CITY OF ALEXANDRIA

Bruce Capps reported that he was called by Mayor Ned Randolph of Alexandria regarding interim assistance for the England Authority from the City. He explained that the assistance offered included the water system, waste water system, gas distribution system, and also pavement maintenance.

Motion made by Commissioner Cotton, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, to authorize a resolution requesting assistance from the City of Alexandria in implementing Caretaker functions. On vote, the motion carried.

LEGAL OPINION REQUEST

Motion made by Commissioner Brewer, seconded by Commissioner Lawrence, to authorize Provosty, Sadler & DeLaunay law firm to provide opinion of council on the Caretaker Contract. On vote, the motion carried.

Following the request for public comments and questions, it was determined that there was no further business to come before the Board. Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Cotton, seconded by Commissioner Brewer, and the meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:

Minutes accepted by:

Jim Meyer, Chairman