

**CITY OF MERCED
REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MERCED CIVIC CENTER
678 WEST 18TH STREET
MERCED, CA**
**TUESDAY
AUGUST 16, 2011**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Janet Young called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Members present: Janet Young, Rich Basart, Larry Morelock, Kraig Riggs
Ray Beverly and John Sundgren.

Members absent: None

Staff Present: Frank Quintero and Jessica Cortright

C. WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATION

None.

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

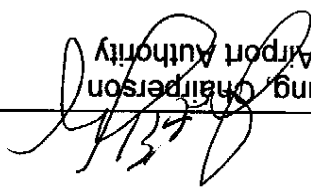
1. AIRPORT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 19, 2011.

M/S/C – Basart/Morelock motioned to approve and file the minutes for July 19, 2011 as submitted.

F. REPORTS

1. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Chair Janet Young reviewed this month's superintendent report in Ron Elliott's absence.


Janet Young, Chairperson
Regional Airport Authority

M/S/C – Beverly/Basart motioned to adjourn the Airport Authority meeting at 7:40 pm and to meet again on Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Civic Center, 678 W 18th Street, in the Council Chambers.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Members discussed the transient overnight parking rates for single and twin engine aircraft.

2. OTHER BUSINESS FROM AUTHORITY MEMBERS

Members were encouraged to review the General Plan and Mission Lakes Development plan.

1. POSSIBLE INCOMPATIBLE LAND USE ACTIVITY

G. AUTHORITY BUSINESS

Authority Member and FAA Safety Counselor for the Merced area, Ray Beverly, explained and led a discussion on Rwy 12 Back Course approach procedures. In recent months, a safety concern has been expressed regarding pilots flying the Rwy 12 Back Course (BC) approach in visual flight rule (VFR) conditions and not monitoring the common terminal air frequency (CTAF), 122.7. These BC approaches raise the greatest concern when Rwy 30 is the active approach, causing commercial and general aviation traffic to take-off into on-coming traffic flying the BC approach to Rwy 12. Mr. Beverly reiterated that not monitoring the CTAF while on the Rwy 12 BC approach within 10 miles of the airport may be a safety concern, it is not violation of any regulation, and that pilots flying in VFR conditions must actively "see-and-avoid" other traffic.

2. SAFETY CONCERNS WITH RUNWAY 12 INSTRUMENT APPROACHES