

**CITY OF MERCED
REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY MINUTES**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MERCED CIVIC CENTER
678 WEST 18TH STREET
MERCED, CA**

**Tuesday
July 17, 2012**

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, John Sundgren and Russ Cowperthwaite.

Members absent: Ray Beverly (Excused)

Staff Present: Ron Elliott, Mike Wegley and Jessica Cortright

C. WRITTEN PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATION

None

D. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 19, 2012.

M/S/C -Basart/Morelock motioned to approve and file the minutes for June 19, 2012 as submitted.

F. REPORTS

1. AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

Ron Elliott reviewed the Airport Manager's report for June 2012.

2. ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE (EAS) PROPOSAL RECOMMENDATION

After the Airport Manager and sub-committee members gave their opinion of the presentation by SeaPort and after reviewing both bids, there was much discussion amongst the members, with a final decision made.

M/S/C – Basart/Cowperthwaite motioned to approve a letter to the DOT stating that both bids submitted are viable, however the board will continue to endorse Great Lakes Airlines as the EAS provider at the Merced Regional Airport with specific goals as discussed stated in recommendation letter.

3. MERCED REGIONAL AIRPORT GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS REVIEW

Ron Elliott explained that after attending the General Aviation Issues and Security Conference, along with the Sponsor Assurances, Leasing Policies, and Minimum Standards Workshop June 24-26, 2012, that the airport's guidance documents should be reviewed. Airport staff is requesting that a sub-committee be formed of at least two authority members, a member at large and the Airport Manager to review existing guidance documents and consider adopting a new one.

Authority member Cowperthwaite volunteered at the meeting. Staff will coordinate with other members and set up meeting dates in the very near future.

G. AUTHORITY BUSINESS

1. POSSIBLE INCOMPATIBLE LAND USE ACTIVITY

None

2. OTHER BUSINESS FROM AUTHORITY MEMBERS

None.

H. ADJOURNMENT

M/S/C – Basart/Sundgren motioned to adjourn the Regional Airport Authority meeting at 7:39 pm and to meet again on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Civic Center, 678 W 18th Street, in the Council Chambers.



Janet Young, Chairperson
Regional Airport Authority