



LUMPKIN COUNTY
Lumpkin County Airport Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
Executive Conference Room
Administration Building
99 Courthouse Hill, Dahlonega, GA 30533

March 17, 2026
3:30 P.M.

- **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm. Authority members present were: Commissioner Jeff Moran, Alan Lee, and Murl Jones. Authority Chairman Greg Trammell was absent. Also in attendance were County Manager Alan Ours, Airport Manager David Campbell, and several guests.

- **Approval of Agenda**

Murl Jones moved to approve the agenda and was seconded by Alan Lee. The motion carried unanimously and the agenda was approved.

- **Approval of Minutes**

- **January 20, 2026 - Regular Meeting Minutes**

Murl Jones moved to approve the minutes and was seconded by Alan Lee. The motion was approved unanimously.

- **Financial Reports**

Mr. Campbell said we had to buy some new culverts for the recent work.

Murl Jones moved to accept the financials and was seconded by Alan Lee. The motion was approved unanimously.

- **Old Business**

- **Update on Fuel Farm**

Mr. Campbell said our project manager with the FAA just resigned, so we don't yet know who will be our replacement. Mr. Campbell said the project manager said he would sign off on the fuel farm review paperwork we need before he leaves, but he isn't sure what the timeframe for that is. He said our intent was to put it out for bid next week, but the project manager's departure could change things. Mr. Lee asked if the design was finished, and Mr. Ours responded affirmatively.

Mr. Jones asked if we have to have a new project manager in place before we can put it out for bid. Mr. Campbell explained that our consultant, GMC, will be doing the bid process. Mr. Jones

expressed his concern with how long it is taking to get this fuel farm built. He asked if the bid would include new pumps and a new card reader, and Mr. Campbell confirmed that it will. There were a few comments from the present hangar tenants about possibly rotating the fuel farm to make it easier to access.

There was brief discussion over the location of the fuel farm, but Mr. Campbell and Mr. Lee said the plans are done; changing the location of the entire fuel farm would set us back quite a bit. Mr. Campbell said since our airport doesn't have staff, perhaps we could charge less for fuel than the surrounding airports. Mr. Jones said we need to make sure that doesn't cause us to run out of fuel faster. Tenant Jeff Gilbert said there has been a lot of misleading information on the internet making pilots think we have fuel when we don't. He was concerned that issuing a NOTAM is not enough warning.

Mr. Campbell brought up the issue of tree obstructions at both ends of the runway, and said it opens us up to liability. He is worried about growing the airport while there are significant obstructions at the runway.

Mr. Jones asked if we know when we can get the fuel farm bid put out, and Mr. Campbell said if the departing project manager is good for his word, we can put it out for bid next week. The bid will then have to run for a month, and then the construction will take at least a couple of months. Mr. Campbell said if everything goes well, we should have a working fuel farm in 3-6 months. He said he will send a copy of the 90% set for the fuel farm out to the Authority.

- **Hangar Lease Discussion**

Mr. Campbell said he had compiled some suggested changes for the hangar lease agreements, including changing the rent calculation from being based on frontage to being based on square footage. He said square footage is typically how most other Georgia airports handle their leases, but we do not have to do that if the Authority is not in favor. He had also mentioned requiring an airworthiness certificate, annual report, and having the tenants list the Airport Authority as additional insured on their insurance policies. He said the purpose of requiring the airworthiness certificate is to prevent derelict aircraft from being stored in the hangars, but it would not negatively affect people who are in the process of building or restoring aircraft. Mr. Jones said we should focus on getting the fuel farm up and running before we do anything else.

- **New Business**

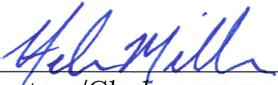
There was no new business to discuss.

- **Adjournment**

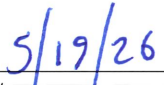
The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 pm.



Authority Chairman



Secretary/Clerk



Date