

**Florence Regional Airport  
Pee Dee Regional Airport Authority**

**May 21, 2025**

**AIRPORT CONFERENCE ROOM AND TEAMS MEETING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Rene Josey, Chairman  
Mr. Glenn Greene  
Mr. Robby Hill  
Mr. Lee Nettles  
Mr. Tommy Parham  
Mr. Joe Powell  
Mr. Mike Miller

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Robby Peed

Airport Staff Members present were Brad Beadles, Betsy DeVault, Terry Josey, Barry Townsend and Nelson Tart and Lee Marsh via teams.

No media was present

Also present were Judy Elder with Talbert, Bright & Ellington, Anferny Baker with Precision Air, and visitors from the community

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 PM by Chairman Josey in the Airport Conference Room, 2100 Terminal Drive, Florence, SC. The media was notified in accordance with 30-4-80.

The Invocation was given by Chairman Josey.

**On a motion by Mr. Nettles and second by Mr. Hill, the minutes of April 16, 2025, Airport Authority meeting were approved as previously emailed. Motion carried. Unanimously.**

Chairman Josey presented Mr. Ware a plaque and acknowledgement that he is to remain a non-voting ad hoc committee member for the remainder of Chairman Josey's tenure as chairman.

Mr. Beadles introduced Mr. Townsend to the Authority.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:** *Mr. Hill*

Robby Hill reported on possible new revenue streams to support AIP projects and unfunded mandates of TSA, as well as a marketing grant from Florence County for FY 25-26. He then reminded the Authority that the staff was working on an improved budget for the remainder of 2025, the new accounting software was being implemented, and that the financial audit would start soon.

### **AIR SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT:** *Mr. Miller*

Mr. Miller informed the Authority that Mr. Beadles was meeting with prospective new airlines and that the new airline counter was ready for a tenant. He also spoke about the current issues the airport is having with American Airlines and suggestions on how to improve the relationship.

### **PROPERTIES AND PROJECTS COMMITTEE REPORT:** *Mr. Peed*

Judy Elder reported on the following projects:

#### **Rehabilitate Taxiways B, B-3, B-4, and D {Construction}**

Received as-built survey, TBE is preparing Record Drawings and grant final close out documentation.

#### **Runway 09/27 and Taxiway A Rehabilitation {Design}**

Bid opening was May 20, 2025. Low bidder was Palmetto Corp. of Conway. In the process of preparing grant application to FAA. Runway 09/27 rehabilitation design continuing in preparation for bid in Spring 2026

#### **Commercial Terminal Renovation Phase I {Security Screening Checkpoint {SSCP} Renovation}**

Thirty {30%} design plan page-turn with design team on May 5, 2025. Architect in the process of completing design. It is anticipated that bid documents will be complete by end of June 2025.

#### **Commercial Terminal Renovation Phase II {Commercial Service Terminal Renovation and Expansion}**

Preliminary terminal AIP eligibility graphic and funding breakdown submitted to FAA on Friday, May 9, 2025.

#### **188 Survey and Approach and Departure Surface Analysis**

Waiting for notification from FLO that the trees on the Runway 01 end have been removed. Once notification is received, the aerial mapper will fly the airport to create the topographic mapping and 18B survey.

Chairman Josey reported on the fountain repair and that another quote is being requested.

Mr. Beadles reported that TBE is digitizing old architectural drawings and plats. Upon completion, Florence Regional Airport will store on redundant thumb drives and store in a fireproof cabinet.

**Marketing & Development: Mr. Ware**

Mr. Ware reported that Aviation Day was a success and suggested that the airport build on it and make it an annual event.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Mr. Beadles**

Mr. Beadles reported that Charleston AFB will send aircraft to July Fly-In at Florence Regional Airport and plans to participate in 2026 Aviation Day. He then updated on on-going HVAC issues in terminal (and age of units). He also stated that replacement light bulbs for the terminal are hard to find but this will be addressed with new budget. He informed that the airport has 47 current projects in progress (small to large) one of which is a hand-painted mural that is planned for terminal. We will place a TV with message in the vacant car rental space to promote its availability. We will research starting in-house shuttle service (since rental car counters closed during late night flights). We are in the process of installing micro-market in terminal (after light renovation with new drywall around vending machines). The new website is scheduled to go-live on September 9, 2025. We are in conversation with LAZ Parking to replace current vendor. Goal is to enhance parking convenience. There is a completed trade agreement with Adams Outdoor for billboard advertising space in lieu of rental income for billboards on airport property. We completed new commercial spots with WBTW. Mr. Beadles updated on the requirement to create a cargo business (one company expressed an interest): FTZ, Runway extension and Warehouse. Mr. Beadles is scheduled to meet with the American Airlines lease negotiator in the near future. Will discuss the current flight schedule and attend Jumpstart Conference June 9-11. Have scheduled meetings with American Airlines, Delta and SkyWest. He also reported that the new accounting software, NetSuite scheduled to go live June 2, 2025, and that as part of future budgets, will start reserving for future repairs. He is working on Memorandum of Understanding with city for annexation of airport

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Committees will meet on the third Wednesday in June 2025. Meeting times will be staggered so Beadles can join all committee meetings. No board meeting in June 2025. Board will meet, if needed, via Teams in July 2025. Board will meet in person in August 2025.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the Pee Dee Regional Airport Authority meeting adjourned at approximately 5:11 PM.