



JASPER COUNTY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING

Jasper County Clementa C. Pinckney Government Bldg
358 3rd Avenue Ridgeland, SC 29936

July 18, 2022
MINUTES

Staff Present: County Administrator Andrew Fulghum, Clerk to Council Wanda H. Simmons, County Attorney David Tedder, Kimberly Burgess, Russell Wells, Lisa Wagner, Dale Terry, Danny Lucas and Videographer Jonathan Dunham.

Also Present:

Chairwoman Clark called the meeting to order at 4:32PM. Chairwoman Clark asked the Clerk to Council to read the Report of Compliance to the Freedom of Information Act. Ms. Simmons, Clerk to Council read the Clerk's Report of Compliance with the Freedom of Information Act as follows: *In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were posted and furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.*

The information below was read for the executive session.

Motion to go into executive session: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Executive Session SECTION 30-4-70.

(a) A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:

(1) Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body – County Administrator, County Attorney and Clerk to Council; Emergency Services

(2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contract arrangements and proposed purchase or sale of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice related to pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim – Election Matters; Exit 3; Regional Affordable Housing Trust Fund; Airport Leases; 11 acres off of E. Industrial Park Road (Tax Map# 063-30-03-010)

(5) Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by a public body – Prospect Update; Chelsea South; Bailey Park PDD; Stevenson Purchase Proposal; Development Agreement Extension for Peninsula Tract Cottages

ANY EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTER ON WHICH DISCUSSION HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED MAY HAVE DISCUSSION SUSPENDED FOR PURPOSES OF BEGINNING THE OPEN SESSION AT ITS SCHEDULED TIME, AND COUNCIL MAY RETURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION DISCUSSION AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA ITEMS. PLEASE BE ADVISED THERE MAY BE VOTES BASED ON ITEMS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Return to Open Session:

Motion to approve: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Motion from Executive Session:

Chairwoman Clark called for any motions coming from Executive Session.

Motion to move to authorize our attorneys at the law firm of Parker Poe to send a letter to the City of Hardeeville detailing the County's position on the Exit 3 Project as discussed in

Executive Session: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Pledge of Allegiance by Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley and the Invocation was led by Councilman Adkins.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Approval of the minutes of 05.16.2022:

Motion to approve: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Presentations and Proclamations:

Presentation:

A: Chairwoman Barbara Clark – Presentation of a plaque to Dale Terry from Council for his Years of Service to Jasper County.

The Council joined Chairwoman Clark for the presentation to Mr. Dale Terry of a plaque for his years of dedication and service to Jasper County. Chairwoman Clark thanked him for his service and Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley read the plaque for the record and then presented it over to Mr. Terry.

Proclamations:

A: David Tedder – Proclamation for the 2022 Gullah Geechee Nation Appreciation Week to Queen Quet.

Mr. David Tedder read the Proclamation for the 2022 Gullah Geechee Nation Appreciation Week and presented the proclamation to Queen Quet. Council came down off the dais to take a photo with Queen Quet and the Proclamation.

B: Ananta (Art) Gopalan – SCORE Lowcountry Presentation.

Ms. Ananta (Art) Gopalan was present to make the SCORE Lowcountry presentation for Council. She discussed that SCORE was designed to help small businesses grow and formulate businesses. She noted that SCORE was a National Organization and that this location served Colleton, Jasper, Hampton and Beaufort Counties. She discussed and provided an overview and in depth look at SCORE and what they were doing for Jasper County.

C: David Anderson – Airport Inspection Report

Mr. David Anderson was present to give his Airport Inspection Report to the County Council. He noted that the report was inspection was conducted on 05.26.2022 and noted that several parts of the airport were examined. A copy of this report is attached as "Attachment A" for the minutes.

Open Floor to the Public per Ordinance 08-17– Any citizen of the County may sign to speak in person at the Council Meeting (before the Council Meeting's 6PM start time on the Sign In Sheet on the Podium), to address Council on matters pertaining to County Services and Operations. Presentations will be limited to three (3) minutes per person and total public input will be limited to 30 minutes.

Mr. Grant McClure was present to address his concerns on the issue to levy and impose a one-half of one (1) percent sales and use tax for greenspace and how it related to the Chelsea South PDD.

Ms. Liz Carlson was present to ask about tax assessment and proposed letters that had been sent out.

Resolutions: NONE

Ordinances:

A: Lisa Wagner – Public Hearing and 2nd reading of Ordinance #O-2022-19 to amend the Official Zoning Map of Jasper County so as to transfer a property located at 9606 Speedway Boulevard, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Number 039-00-06-002 from the Community Commercial Zone and the Rural Preservation Zone to the General Commercial Zone on the Jasper County Official Zoning Map.

Ms. Wagner was present to address this request. She noted that the subject property consists of 33.4 acres and is located at 9606 Speedway Boulevard. The Applicant has requested a Zoning Map Amendment to have the property designated as General Commercial (GC). The property is currently split zoned Community Commercial (CC) and Rural Preservation (RP). The applicant would like to develop a warehousing and transportation (distribution) establishment at this location. The property is currently vacant but was previously used as a salvage yard for selling auto parts.

According to the 2018 Jasper County Comprehensive Plan, the Future Land Use Map identifies this area as “Urban Transition,” which are pockets of unincorporated Jasper County that are partially or entirely surrounded by the municipality. For these areas that experience new development or redevelopment, consideration should be given to working with the adjacent municipality for annexation.

The adjacent parcels are zoned Community Commercial, Rural Preservation, and Residential. The city limits of Hardeeville are nearby, but is not immediately adjacent to the property, so annexation is not a possibility. The adjacent land uses are commercial and vacant.

The subject property is accessed by Speedway Boulevard, which is a four-lane divided highway, classified as a major thoroughfare. From a land use perspective, staff recommends approval of the request to have the property designated as General Commercial.

Ms. Wagner noted that public notices had been sent out and it had been noticed in the newspaper. She also mentioned that signs were posted on the property.

Chairwoman Clark opened the public hearing. There was no input, so the public hearing was closed.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

B: David Tedder – Public Hearing and 2nd reading of Ordinance #O-2022-20 approving a Development Agreement for HCP Partners, LLC (Mcgraw Properties, LLC and Terry R. Lee, Owners) pursuant to the South Carolina Local Government Development Agreement Act and authorizing the Chairman of Jasper County Council to execute said Development Agreement.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address this item for Council. Mr. Tedder also noted that this was the 2nd reading of the Ordinance which would approve the Development Agreement for HCP Partners. He noted that this was being done pursuant to the South Carolina Local Government Development Agreement Act. He also noted that they were requesting that the Chairperson of Jasper County Council be authorized to execute said Development Agreement. It was also noted that the Development Agreement allows to ensure adequate funds to be collected.

Chairwoman Clark opened the public hearing. There was no public input so the public hearing was closed. Mr. Tedder noted that typographical corrections and such would be done before the next reading and that August 15, 2022, would be the next public hearing date.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

C: David Tedder – Public Hearing and 2nd reading of Ordinance [#O-2022-21](#) by Authorizing and Approving the Development of a Jointly Owned and Operated Multi-County Industrial/Business Park in Conjunction with Hampton County (The “Park”), such Industrial/Business Park to be geographically located in Jasper County (The “County”) and established pursuant to Section 4-1-170 of the Code of laws of South Carolina 1976, as Amended (The “Act”); providing for a Written Park Agreement with Hampton County to provide for the expenses and the Distribution of Fees In Lieu Of Ad Valorem Taxes for the Park; Providing for the establishment and/or expansion of certain facilities By HCP Partners, LLC, Acting for itself, one or more affiliates, and/or other Project Sponsors (Collectively, The “Company”) in the County (The “Project”) to be included in the Park; Providing for the Benefits of a Multi-County Industrial or Business Park to be made available to The Company and The Project; And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address this item for Council. Mr. Tedder also noted that this was the 2nd reading of the Ordinance which would authorize and approve the development of a jointly owned and operated Multi County Industrial / Business Park in conjunction with Hampton County to be geographically located in Jasper County.

Chairwoman Clark opened the public hearing. There was no public input so the public hearing was closed.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

D: David Tedder – Public Hearing and 2nd reading of Ordinance #O-2022-22 to amend the Frampton Tract Development Agreement by granting a Second Five Year Renewal, modifying the Developer Fee Section, to make certain text amendments, and matters related thereto.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address this item for Council. Mr. Tedder also noted that this was the 2nd reading of the Ordinance that would amend the Frampton Tract Development Agreement by granting a second five-year renewal, modifying the Developer Fee section and make certain text amendments.

Chairwoman Clark opened the public hearing. There was no public input, so the public hearing was closed. Mr. Tedder noted that the 2nd public hearing as required would be held on August 15, 2022, at the 6PM Session.

Motion to approve: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

E: David Tedder – Public hearing and 3rd reading of Ordinance #O-2022-18 to amend Chapter 27 of the County Code of Ordinances (Fees) to Authorize and Set Fees and Costs for the Coroner’s Office and Matters Related Thereto.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address this item for Council. Mr. Tedder also noted that this was the 3rd reading of the Ordinance that would amend Chapter 27 of the County Code of Ordinances -Fees to authorize and set fees and costs for the Coroner’s Office. He noted that all Coroner’s office across the state have these fees. He also noted that the next of kin would have no charge for the reports

Chairwoman Clark opened the public hearing. There was no public input, so the public hearing was closed.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: There was no second to this motion

The motion died for the lack of a second.

F: David Tedder – 2nd reading of Ordinance #O-2022-23 to Amend Chapter 26 of the County Code of Ordinances (Taxation) to provide for the Reduction in Value of a Boat and its Motor by Forty-Two and 75/100 Percent of its Fair Market Value for the purpose of Personal Property Taxation (Providing that this Ordinance does not apply to Boats or Watercraft which are used as a Primary or Secondary Residence receiving a 4% Or 6% Tax Rate), and Matters Related Thereto.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address this item for Council. Mr. Tedder also noted that this was the 2nd reading of the Ordinance that would amend Chapter 26 of the County Code of Ordinances – Taxation to provide for the reduction in value of a boat and its motor. Mr. Tedder noted that a public hearing as required would be held on August 15, 2022, at the 6PM Session.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

G: David Tedder – Consideration of the 1st reading of an Ordinance to levy and impose a one-half of one (1) percent sales and use tax, subject to a referendum, within Jasper County pursuant to Section 4-10-1010 et seq. of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended; to define the specific purposes and designate projects for which the proceeds of the tax may be used; to provide the maximum time for which such tax may be imposed; to provide the estimated cost of the projects funded from the proceeds of the tax; to provide for a county-wide referendum on the imposition of the sales and use tax and the issuance of general obligation bonds and to prescribe the contents of the ballot questions in the referendum; to provide for the administration of the tax, if approved; to provide for the payment of the tax, if approved; and to provide for other matters relating thereto.

Mr. Tedder was present to review and address this item for Council. Mr. Tedder discussed the rationale and reasoning behind this ordinance. He also explained the timeframe and deadlines that would be associated with this ordinance. Mr. Tedder also noted that this was the 1st reading of the Ordinance that would levy and impose a one-half of 1 percent sales and use tax subject to a referendum within Jasper County

Motion to approve: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous, with the exceptions of Councilman Kemp and Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley who abstained from voting.

The motion passed.

H: Kimberly Burgess – Consideration of the 1st reading by TITLE ONLY of an Ordinance to amend Jasper County Ordinance 2021-17 for fiscal year 2022 Jasper County budget to provide for amendments to the budget and to carryover approved lapsing funds to fiscal year 2023, and to amend Jasper County Ordinance O-2022-17 for fiscal year 2023 Jasper County budget to provide for amendments to the budget resulting from the carryover of approved lapsing funds from fiscal year 2022, and matters related thereto.

Ms. Burgess was present to review and address this item for Council. Ms. Burgess discussed the reason and need for this ordinance. She noted that this would amend Ordinance # 2021-17 for fiscal year 2022 (Jasper County Budget) to provide for amendments that needed to be made to the budget and to carryover approved lapsing funds to fiscal year 2023. She also noted this was to amend Ordinance # O-2022-17 for fiscal year 2023 (Jasper County Budget) to provide for amendments to the budget resulting from the carryover of approved lapsing funds from fiscal year 2022.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous with the exception of Councilman Kemp who voted no.

The motion passed.

I: Lisa Wagner – Consideration of the 1st reading Consideration of 1st Reading of an Ordinance to adopt Planned Development District Zoning for two tracts of land consisting of approximately 26.63 acres, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 081-00-04-007 and 081-00-04-080, located along N. Okatie Highway (Highway 170), approximately 2 miles east of the intersection of Highway 462, and known as Bailey Park PDD.

Ms. Wagner was present to review and address this item for Council. She noted that this was the first reading of this ordinance to adopt Planned Development District Zoning for two tracts of land consisting of approximately 26.63 acres, bearing Jasper County Tax Map Numbers 081-00-04-007 and 081-00-04-080. She noted that this property was located along N. Okatie Highway (Highway 170), which is approximately 2 miles east of the intersection of Highway 462 and known as Bailey Park PDD. She noted the public hearing would be scheduled.

Motion to Table this item: Councilman Kemp

Second: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed for this item to be tabled.

New Business:

A: Wanda Simmons – Appointment request for a new member to the Library Board of Trustees.

Ms. Simmons was present to review and address this item for Council. She noted that there was a seat vacant on the Library Board of Trustees (Seat # 07-LB). She said that Ms. Hamilton had submitted her request to be excused from the remainder of her term on the Library Board, and that her term was scheduled to end on 12.31.2023. She noted that currently they had received information from one candidate for this seat that would like to fill the remainder of this term and that was Ms. Julie Mikols.

Ms. Simmons noted that Ms. Mikols has expressed great interest in the position and has former volunteer experience in a non-profit literacy organization. She noted that she had proved Ms. Mikols email and application for Council's review. Ms. Simmons stated at this time that staff recommends the appointment of Julie Mikols to the seat of 07-LB for the remainder of the 4-year term (previously held by Ms. Vasilisa Hamilton) beginning on 07.18.2022 with the term ending on 12.31.2023. At the term end, Ms. Mikols can be considered for reappointment to this seat.

Motion to approve: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

B: Wanda Simmons – Request to approve for the re-appointments of Mr. Roy Dupont, Gregory Gilbert and Ms. Josie Anderson to the LCOG Lowcountry Workforce Board for another three-year term effective beginning 07/01/2022.

Ms. Simmons was present to review and address this item for Council. She noted that Mr. Michael Butler, Workforce Development Director of the Lowcountry Council of Governments had asked that Jasper County Council re-appoint Mr. Roy Dupont, Mr. Gregory Gilbert and Ms. Josie Anderson to the (LCOG) Lowcountry Workforce Board for another three-year term effective as of 07.01.2022. Ms. Simmons stated that staff requested the approval of the re-appointments as per the request of Mr. Michael Butler of the Lowcountry Council of Governments.

Motion to approve: Councilman Sauls

Second: Councilman Adkins

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

C. Andrew Fulghum – Appointment requests for the Grievance Committee.

Mr. Fulghum was present to review and address this item for Council. He noted that the Jasper County Grievance Committee was composed of five (5) members and two (2) alternates. He noted that he recommended that Mr. Rigoberto Ramirez, Appraiser, Assessor's Office as the new member to the Committee. He said that for the two alternates he recommended Mr. Jeffrey Barker, Chief Building Official, Planning & Building and Mr. Renty Kitty, Business License Coordinator, Business Licenses. He also noted that there were no grievances filed last year and that Mr. Tedder serves as Counsel for them.

Motion to approve: Councilman Adkins

Second: Councilman Sauls

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

Old Business: None

Council Members Comments:

Councilman Kemp: He noted that at the last City of Hardeeville Council Meeting that Chief Woodward and Sheriff Hipp had entered into an MOU for a Crime Prevention Task Force.

Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley: He extended his condolences to the Auditor for the loss of her parents and to the Spisso Family also.

Councilman Adkins: He thanked God for all things. He said his thoughts and prayers went out to the bereaved families for their losses. He asked the Administrator to look into a possible other use for the van.

Councilman Sauls: He noted he had followed up with the State DOT Rep and was working on an assessment of the roads.

Chairwoman Clark: She noted that she would be traveling to Texas on Thursday to a funeral of her first cousin and would be gone from Thursday to Monday evening. She asked for everyone's prayers.

Administrator's Report:

Mr. Fulghum noted that he had provided his report in their packet. He discussed a little information that the Transportation Sales Tax was over performing and should end around September. He had Chief Wells give a short COVID status update.

Possible Return to Executive Session to Continue Discussion on Matters Regarding Agenda Item II. There was no need to return to executive session for this meeting.

For additional information on this meeting go to:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBmloqX05cKAsHm_ggXCJIA

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn: Councilman Adkins

Second: Vice Chairman Dr. Brantley

Vote: Unanimous

The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:01PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Wanda H. Simmons
Clerk to Council



Barbara B. Clark
Chairwoman



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June 12, 2022

**Andrew P. Fulghum
Jasper County Administrator
358 Third Avenue
Suite 306-A
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Dear Mr. Fulghum:

Overview:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with this report of an initial inspection conducted by the undersigned of the facilities and ground and flight operations at the Jasper County Airport. The inspection was completed on May 26, 2022.

This report is based upon an extensive in-person interview and several detailed discussions with Mr. Danny Lucas, Director, Development Services Division, Jasper County Government, and included an on-site visual inspection of the airport to include, but not limited to: runway (18/36), the designated sod landing area West of runway 18/36 for the use of glider operators, airport taxiways, airport lighting of runway and taxiways, airport security fencing and gates, airport land use, the private operation of an above ground aircraft refueling tank and a aircraft refueling truck, aircraft maintenance activities, and a review of airport leasing operations.

It was reported that Jasper County is not receiving appropriate fees and payments for hanger leases and other activities, such as, but not limited to: private aircraft tiedowns, an open pole shed utilized by glider operators, aircraft maintenance activities conducted from privately leased hangers, and aircraft refueling by a third-party vendor utilizing an above ground fuel tank and a fuel truck.

Furthermore, it was reported that several leases have expired, and these tenants have failed to complete the process to properly renew their lease. Additionally, there is an indication that leases may have been transferred (sold) by an original lease holder to individuals who have not officially entered into a formal lease agreement with Jasper County.

During the execution of this inspection, I applied the provisions described within our Professional Services Agreement dated May 16, 2022, and the Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR). In accordance with said agreement and the FAR please consider the following information.

The agreement described:

- **Provide advice and consultation for airport operations at the Ridgeland Airport (3J1) Jasper County, SC.**
- **Provide consultation for airport safety and security.**
- **Provide consultation and recommend procedures for achieving and maintaining compliance with Federal Aviation Regulations for airport operations, safety, and security.**
- **Conduct training, as required, regarding the use of airport facilities and compliance with Standard Industry Practices for airport operations, safety, and security.**
- **Create and/or review applicable policy and procedures documents to include the safety procedures for the operation of glider aircraft at the Ridgeland Airport.**
- **Attend Airport Safety and Compliance Committee meetings, as required.**
- **Provide required liaison between Jasper County and the FAA on issues related to flight and ground operations, airport maintenance activities, airport hangar leasing agreements, and FAA directives that require a response or action by Jasper County.**

Reference documents:

- **Reviewed historical ground leases for the airport**
- **Reviewed the current/proposed new ground lease documents for the airport**
- **Reviewed the following Jasper County ordinances**
 1. **Jasper County, South Carolina Code of Ordinances: Chapter 29 – Aviation**
 2. **Minimum Standards for Aeronautical Services**
 3. **Rules and Regulations for the Jasper County Airport**
 4. **Procedures for the establishment and operation of a Jasper County Aeronautics Commission**
- **The Federal Aviation Regulation**

Findings and Recommendations:

1. **Jasper County Aeronautics Commission is inactive.**
 - **Recommend the initiation of a process to designate the appropriate number of members to the Airport Aeronautics Commission.**
2. **Several taxi-way lights are out of service.**
 - **Recommend the necessary action to repair taxi-way lights.**
3. **Two (2) separate aircraft maintenance facilities are operating from privately leased hangars.**
 - a. **These maintenance activities do not have a contract or authority from Jasper County to operate a commercial business from a privately leased aircraft storage hanger.**
 - b. **The performance of aircraft maintenance on aircraft by an individual who is not the registered owner of the aircraft must be conducted in accordance with the procedures found in the Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR).**
 - **Recommend the termination of privately operated maintenance activities.**
4. **Private Aircraft Fueling Operations:**
 - a. **A separate and independent above ground aircraft refueling facility is being utilized by a private individual to refuel aircraft. It was reported that this individual is not paying fuel flowage fees to Jasper County. In addition, this private refueling facility is located on airport leased property and it was reported that the lease for said property has been expired for several years.**
 - b. **A privately owned fuel truck is being utilized to refuel aircraft. This fuel truck is parked on the ramp area in front of a hanger. The fuel truck is not properly grounded. This is a safety hazard and a liability for Jasper County.**
 - **Recommend the termination of the operation of the above ground aircraft refueling facility by a private individual.**
 - **Recommend the removal of the privately operated fuel truck from the airport.**
5. **A main entrance gate leading onto the airport property is fixed in the permanently open position. This is a significant airport security issue, and subsequently a liability for Jasper County.**
 - **Recommend immediate steps be initiated to correct this security issue.**
6. **An individual with a leased hanger on the airfield has a private gate in the airport security fencing system located near the backside of his hanger. The lease holder utilizes this private gate to gain access to and from his off-airport property. This is not a "through the fence" operation in the strictest sense of the term, but it is another security issue for Jasper County.**

- Recommend the permanent closure of this private access gate.
7. The use of the sod area adjacent to the old runway (now a taxiway) for the landing and take-off of aircraft is an unsafe operation and creates an immediate conflict and hazard with aircraft operating on runway 18 and 36.
- Recommend all landing and take-off operations on the sod area adjacent to the old runway cease and desist immediately.
8. The growth of the community bordering the airport on the East side is resulting in an increased number of noise complaints.
- Recommended a permanent Notice to Airman (NOTAM) be issued by the airport sponsor which indicates that the traffic pattern for the use of runway 18/36 has moved to the West side of the runway. This would result in a left-hand traffic pattern for runway 36 and a right-hand traffic pattern for runway 18.
9. Several airport users are utilizing the facilities of the airport for the tie-down of private aircraft, and an open pole shed is being utilized by the glider operators in which maintenance is being performed on the glider tow aircraft. It is reported that these aircraft owners and the glider operation is not paying fees to Jasper County for the use of these facilities. In addition, there is significant aircraft maintenance being conducted on the glider tow aircraft.
- Recommend the initiation of the process for the glider operation to obtain a proper permit and authority from Jasper County for the maintenance of the glider tow aircraft.
 - Recommend a formal process to identify owners of all tied down aircraft to initiate and receive payments for aircraft tie down facilities.
10. A personal privately owned vehicle was observed to be parked adjacent to a private leased hanger on a semi-permanent basis, i.e., a large mobile RV.
- Recommend the removal of this vehicle.
11. Inspections of leased hanger facilities has not been initiated by an authorized Jasper County representative.
- Recommend the airport sponsor initiate inspections of the inside of hangers on a routine and scheduled program.

Opinion:

- The airport and aviation related ordinances and documents enacted by Jasper County Council, are comprehensive, directive, and instructive in nature, and each provides methods and guidance for the operation of the airport in a safe and efficient manner without discrimination or favoritism.

- **Jasper County Ordinances (published and dated 2019) are not currently uniformly implemented. The result is that several airport tenants and users of the facilities at the airport are in non-compliance.**
- **A key point to consider is that continued long term and established non-compliance by an airport lease holder, or any tenant or user may become a liability for the airport sponsor in the event of an incident, accident, fire, or other such occurrence. In addition, such activities inhibit airport development and may be in noncompliance with FAA Grant Assurances.**
- **An active and involved Airport Aeronautics Commission is vital to the proper and compliant operation of a General Aviation airport.**
- **The private dispensing of fuel will become a more significant issue when a fuel farm is installed and operated by the Jasper County Airport. Such a set of circumstances pits government against a private enterprise and is in non-compliance of FAA Grant Assurances.**
- **Jasper County assumes a significant liability regarding the dispensing of fuel by private individual(s) into aircraft not personally owned and operated by the individual dispensing the fuel, whether accomplished by above ground fuel tank or fuel truck or any other method of delivery.**
- **Notwithstanding that the maintenance activity being conducted on the airport may be accomplished by a properly certificated A&P mechanic, it is nevertheless a liability issue for Jasper County when the maintenance activity takes place within a hanger designed for the storage of aircraft and the hanger is not properly outfitted with the necessary safety devices and procedures for the conduct of aircraft maintenance.**
- **Whenever Jasper County attempts to enter into agreement(s) with vendor(s) and/or service provider(s) for the purpose of providing aircraft maintenance and avionics services, it will be difficult for these vendors and operators to compete on a level playing field with a “shade tree” maintenance facility(s) operating from a privately leased aircraft storage hanger.**
- **It appears that only minimum contributions for the use of facilities and hangers are being paid by the tenants/users of the Jasper County Airport. Each lease holder, tenant, or other operator/user on the airfield should be required to pay for the use of airport facilities, the leasing of hangers, and other airport amenities.**
- **In the event the minimum contribution is allowed to continue it will significantly inhibit Jasper County from managing the airport in a manner that would eventually approach a**

financially self-sustaining operation as required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for airports that have received federal funding.

- **Each lease holder, tenant, or other operator/user on the airfield should be issued a copy of the current Rules and Regulations, Minimum Standards for Aeronautical Services, and Chapter 29-Aviation which has been promulgated by the Jasper County Council.**

Thank you very much for the opportunity to provide you with our services. If you have any questions, or require further information, or need clarification about any item within this report, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I am available for a personal appearance with the Jasper County Council for a discussion regarding my findings, recommendations, and opinions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Anderson" with a stylized flourish at the end.

**David Anderson
Safety and Compliance Consultant
AvnSolutions, LLC**

Via email: 06-12-2022