



Airport Managers Report
To The AOED

01/27/2026

Action Items:

- A recommendation for the County to file the Florida Commerce Job Growth Grant for 2.5 million dollars towards the hangar complex and terminal building
- A recommendation to execute a license agreement to Phil Shelley to lease the former Burgher hangar at the airport for fair market value.

Informational Items:

- Virtower is now fixed mounted to the wall and running on the EOC Starlink
- I got a high lift donated to the airport
- Working on an ok with FDOT for the major rehab funding of the FBO/Terminal building
- Haney construction underway class rooms electrical lighting floors etc..
- Held a pre construction meeting on the Runway Clean and Remark project. It's set to start the 2nd week of Feb.
- Haney is set to move all donated equipment to their new facility this monday
- I need to be out of the Haney complex next week
- Had a meeting with all relevant Apalachicola City Manager, Commissioner Amison, Dewberry Engineering, Franklin County Road dept and Kings plumbing on underground infrastructure as it pertains to the Haney complex and the airport.
- Still waiting on DEP answer to remediation of violation so we can begin the federally funded vegetation remediation.

- Did CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) Teams meeting with Florida Commerce. They said we may be eligible for up to a million dollars. I will begin the process of preparing the grant with Avcon and the AOED Chair for your review at our next meeting.
- Moving forward with the Air Show I have assembled a very strong team that will remove a tremendous amount of the burden from me. Hopefully a jet team is in the future.
- Working on deliverables of the planning grant the County just received for the airport.

Thanks So much for the opportunity to serve,

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