

Cherokee County Airport  
Draft Regular Meeting Minutes

5 Jan 2026

Airport Terminal Building Conference Room  
1350 Bishop Road, Ball Ground, GA  
5:00 PM

Attendance: John Marinko, Steve Mammen, Dave Davis, Quinten Thomas, Gabe Chatham, Evan Marble Virtual:  
Keith Stevens

Regular Guests: Harry Johnston, Whitney Eberly, Phil Eberly, Anthony Aspisto, Amanda Rostin, Aaron Stark

- Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance Davis
- Call to Order (5:02PM) Marinko
- Approve Agenda Marinko
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  - Motion: Mammen Second: Chatham Approved: Unanimous
- Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting (12/1/2025) Marinko
  - Motion: Davis Second: Chatham Approved: Unanimous
- Election of Officers Marinko
  - Nominations
    - Marinko - Chairman
    - Mammen - Vice Chairman
    - Davis - Secretary / Treasurer
  - Approved by Acclimation
- Old Business
  - Global Hangar Development Marinko/Eberly
    - Wall Permit document being worked on by NJ Wilbanks
    - Vertical Permit progress
    - Land Disturbance Permit progress
  - Tie Down Area Expansion & Gate 3 Paving Eberly
    - Awaiting GDOT approval
  - Terminal Apron/Hangar Area Paving Project Eberly
    - Waiting on warmer weather
  - Terminal Parking Lot Expansion Eberly
    - Plans in GDOT for review, awaiting comments
    - Predicted fall construction
  - Partial Parallel Taxiway A Overlay Eberly
    - Design underway now with plans to follow Parking Lot Expansion project by 6 months

- Committee Reports
  - Chairman's Report Marinko
    - We need to clean up entrance road trash
    - Secure mound of dirt at end of runway - County Property
      - Eberly to reach out to County
    - Terminal Camera's are 16 years old - need audit to decide course of action
  - Airport Facilities Marble
    - Replaced txfmr of gate - observing results
    - Royal Access is providing great service
    - Plan to shorten the AWOS message by removing radio limitation
  - Noise Abatement Marinko/Mammen
    - None to report
  - Leases Chatham
    - Awaiting response from Jeff Strickland on requested edits
  - Airport Users Group Marble
    - Holiday Update message sent to Users Group
  - Terminal Building Maintenance Stevens
    - AED installation completed in December
    - Prayers for Tom Matthews of S&S - on site stroke victim
    - TK Elevator seeking inspection - \$250 via private inspection
    - Marinko mentioned painting rooms in terminal - Stephens to investigate
    - Discussed invoices from Vickers HVAC - conference room HVAC
    - Discussed replacing DVR \$300-\$400 - move forward
    - Purchase 1 new cube computer for the Pilots Lounge - Windows 11
  - Governance Mammen
    - Review By-Laws with updates in mind
- New Business
  - None
- Treasurer Report Davis
  - Immigration Reform and Contractor Report Submitted
    - Still missing a few
    - Remove Allen Enterprises
- Airport Operations Garland
  - Kenna and Stevens working on AED & CPR Training for Airport Staff
  - Almost 60K gallons of fuel for the month of December
  - Hangar rates in nearby airports are increasing greatly
- Announcements Marinko
  - Next meeting: 5:00 PM, 2 February, 2026 - Terminal Building
- Adjournment - 6:34 PM Marinko