



# Rutherford County

## Meeting Minutes - Final Rutherford County Airport Authority

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Monday, May 4, 2026

4:00 PM

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### I. Call To Order

*Chairman Benfield called meeting to order at 4:00 PM.*

**Present:** 4 - Hunter Haynes, Bryan King, Vice Chairperson Donnie Haulk and Michael Benfield

**Absent:** 1 - Alan Toney

#### A. Pledge of Allegiance

*Chairman Benfield led in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

#### B. Agenda Approval

*A motion was made by Benfield and seconded by Member Haynes to approve the Consent Agenda.*

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Toney

### III. Public Comments

*There were no public comments.*

### IV. Consent Agenda

[ID 26-4455](#) Minutes of March 2, 2026

Summary:

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 2, 2026 to be presented to the Authority for consideration.

**Attachments:** [2026.03.02. Minutes](#)

*A motion was made by Member King and seconded by Member Haynes to approve the Minutes of March 2, 2026 Airport Authority Meeting.*

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 1 - Toney

## **V. Financial Report**

[ID 26-4468](#) Rutherford County Airport Financial Report

**Attachments:** [Airport - Mar2026 Rev Exp](#)

*Airport Director Devon Raisch reported on the Financial Report and noted all was trending well to date.*

## **VIII. New Business**

[ID 26-4454](#) Fuel Farm Upgrade Bid Tabulation and Recommendation of Award

**Attachments:** [Fuel Farm Upgrade Generator Proposal Letter](#)  
[Fuel Farm Upgrade Bid Tabulation and Recommendation of Award Letter](#)

*Airport Director Devon Raisch and Greg Kershaw both presented the recommendation for approval on the Fuel Farm Upgrade Bid tabulation and recommended award letter.*

**A motion was made by Chairman Benfield and seconded by Member Haynes to For approval. . The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield  
**Nay:** 0  
**Absent:** 1 - Toney

[ID 26-4475](#) Perimeter Fencing Project - Construction Change Order and Amendment No. 1 to Work Authorization No. 5

**Attachments:** [2026-05-01 WA #5 Amd #1 Perimeter Fencing](#)  
[2026.05.01 - Change Order No 1](#)

*Airport Director Devon Raisch presented on the fencing project. He is proposing the old fencing be removed and replaced with new gates for a more welcoming and uniform look. Greg Kershaw assisted with presentation stating that NCDOA has preliminarily approved this fencing project and change order.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Haulk and seconded by Member Haynes to Approve low bid and authorize the County Manager, Airport Authority Chairman, Airport Director, Finance Officer, Clerk to the Board, and other County officials to sign and execute all documents in support of this action contingent upon AIG (Airport Infrastructure Grant) funding and contingent on NCDOA's approval. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Toney

[ID 26-4467](#) Hangar 6B Transfer

Attachments: [Hangar 6B Transfer Request 04.13.26](#)  
[AIR.26C087.Assignment of Lease Agreement.Hangar 6B](#)  
[AIR.26C087.Resolution Authorizing Assignment Lease.Hangar 6B](#)

*Director Devon Raisch presented the Resolution for Hangar 6B Transfer to the Board to be adopted.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Haulk and seconded by Member King to Adopt Resolution. . The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Toney

[ID 26-4472](#) Requested Budget 2026-2027

Attachments: [UPDATED AIRPORT RECOMMENDED BUDGET FYE2027](#)

*Director Devon Raisch presented the Requested Budget for 2026-2027. He is requesting more equipment and fuel in the budget to offset some of the costs.*

**A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Haulk and seconded by Member King to Motion to approve requested budget for 2026-2027 to be submitted to the Board of Commissioners for their consideration. . The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Toney

**IX. Closed Session**

**ID 26-4477** Closed Session G.S. 143-318.11 (a)(5)

Attachments: 2026-05-01\_FQD\_WA#7 Land Acquisition

*Vice Chairman Haulk made a motion to move to closed session and Member King seconded the motion.*

**The motion carried by the following vote:A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Haulk and seconded by Member King to IX. Closed Session .**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Toney

**X. Adjourn**

*Vice Chairman Haulk made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Chairman Benfield seconded.*

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 4 - Member Haynes, Member King, Vice Chairperson Haulk and Benfield

**Nay:** 0

**Absent:** 1 - Toney