

Airport reviews last year

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MT. VERNON — Mt. Vernon Airport celebrated a "banner year" according to its state of the airport report.

"Its been another banner year at the Mt. Vernon Airport; we have had balloons, air races and new hangers," said Mike Ancona, the chairman of the airport board. "We continue to grow in aircraft numbers and we have new tenants."

Shelia Scrivner, administrative assistant at the airport addressed the authority with the state of the airport review of the year. It included the completion of the first phase of Innovation Park.

"Phase one of the redevelopment of the southwest quadrant was completed," Scrivner said, "The return to level green space and an exterior vehicular roadway makes the southwest quadrant an attraction for aviation and non-aviation business."

Airport Manager Chris Collins said the airport hopes to have a ribbon

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cutting ceremony for Innovation Park mid-summer.

"It's exciting to see all that done so we can talk about Phase Two," Collins said.

Other points reviewed from the past year included the EAA Airventure cup, the Epilepsy Foundation the Jefferson County Hall of Honor, Wilkey's Cafe, LSA Expo, Balloons over Mt. Vernon, the aviation report, and the Kelley Miller Circus.

Collins encouraged the board to move forward on milling and surfacing for the angular taxiway and the taxiway on the far northeast end of taxiway. The board approved the motion for the construction.

In other business:

■ The board approved the electoral officers of the board remain the same for the year with Mike Ancona, chairman; Greg Martin, vice chairman; Collins, airport manager; Gary Chesney, treasurer; Eddie Lee, secretary; and Scrivner administrative assistant;

■ The Authority went into executive session to discuss the lease agreement contract for Evans Aviation for Innovation Park Hanger 1. Following the executive session, the board approved the contract;

■ The annual July Fourth Salute to Freedom event was approved to be held at the airport;

■ New doors will be installed in the front of the Kozaria Terminal on June 2; and

■ David Williams of SRT was named Air Evac Mechanic of the Month. 5-16-14