

Section 2 – MISSION AND OBJECTIVES

1.0 **MISSION:** The Laconia Airport Authority was incorporated as a body politic by the General Court of the State of New Hampshire in 1941. The Airport is declared to be for public purposes as an aid to national and state defense and for the convenience of the public. The Laconia Airport Authority is responsible for the establishment and maintenance of the Laconia Municipal Airport in the Town of Gilford, New Hampshire, and, in so doing, the Authority shall be regarded as performing a governmental function. Among the duties prescribed by law, the Authority is to construct, maintain, reconstruct, improve, operate, and manage the Laconia Municipal Airport. In so doing the Airport Authority has the power to:

- 1.1 Sue and be sued
- 1.2 Adopt bylaws
- 1.3 Acquire, hold and dispose of real and personal property
- 1.4 Construct, maintain, reconstruct, improve, operate and manage said airport
- 1.5 Solicit and accept grants from agencies of the United States of America and of the State of New Hampshire and to accept conveyances and appropriations from local governments
- 1.5 Prescribe and publish rules and regulations governing the use of the airport
- 1.6 Levy and collect reasonable fees for the use of the airport and its facilities
- 1.7 Grant leases
- 1.8 Hire and compensate employees

2.0 **OBJECTIVES:** In carrying out its mission and responsibilities, the Airport Authority strives to make the Laconia Municipal Airport a financially self-supporting asset for the Lakes Region of New Hampshire and beyond. The Airport Authority views the Laconia Municipal Airport as:

- 2.1 A center of aviation and aviation related businesses
- 2.2 A transportation center supporting governmental, commercial, private, recreational and tourist travel
- 2.3 A center and asset for other commercial activity, which directly supports the airport and the region
- 2.4 An educational center and resource

The Airport Authority will employ highly motivated and professional people, seek and maintain the latest affordable technology, and encourage a safe environment on airport property and within its airspace for the Laconia Municipal Airport's users, tenants and neighbors as well as for the general public.

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