

## DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 5:30 PM via Zoom Video Conference call.

Members Present: Doug Miller (AAB Chair), Reuben Jones, Mike Reeves, Christopher Richard, Eugene Henry, Larry Scheinpflug (Vice Chair) and Kevin Fowler

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: Airport Director Mario Evans, Deputy Airport Director Hunter Hines, and Noise and Environmental Analyst Korey Barnes

The meeting was called to order at 5:32p.m. by AAB Chair, Doug Miller.

- I. Approval of Minutes: **Motion to approve the July 2022 minutes was made by Mike Reeves and seconded by Eugene Henry.**
- II. Information/Old Business
  - A. **Airport Director's Report (Mario Evans):**
    1. Airport Master Plan: Airport Director Mario Evans stated that Master Plan is still with Board of Commissioners and CEO for approval. No further update on this as of this meeting.
    2. Minimum Standards: Deputy Airport Director Hunter Hines reported: devised a diverse committee of 10 people, sent draft of Minimum Standards out to Committee on Friday for their review and commentary.
      - AAB Vice Chair Larry Scheinpflug asked what day are the comments due back? Hines answered: in the next two to three weeks. Scheinpflug then asked what day the document was issued? Hines answered: August 5<sup>th</sup>. Comments should be back by the next Board meeting.

**Noise and Environmental Analyst Report:** - N&E Analyst, Korey Barnes delivered the following report:

**The July 2022 Noise Report** will be posted on the website in its entirety: **Total operations were 12,094** which is a decrease of 24.75% as compared to July of 2021. There were 450 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2022 year-to-date operations are **104,046** as compared to the total 2021 operations as of July 2021 of 86,686. In July 81% of operations were on a southerly flow, 17% were to the north, and 2% were on the NW/SE runway. **Noise complaints:** 9,5 households made 315 complaints. The majority of the complaints were made between 06:00 PM and 11.59 AM. (29%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 36% of the complaints originated from the **30341** zip code. A total of 210 advisory letters were sent to aircraft operators who flew during the Voluntary Curfew Period who were not identified as MedEvac and/or other emergency flights. Regarding High Noise Events, 19 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

- Scheinpflug asked if the downward trend is due to the high cost of jet fuel and avgas? Barnes answered, possibly, but also due to rain.

- AAB Chair Doug Miller asked question about noise report: significant drop off the last few months. Barnes answered that the number of complaints have dropped.

- Scheinpflug asked about the public member with 500 complaints per month, is he still logging a number of complaints? Barnes answered that this public member did not log any complaints in July.

**Motion to accept the July 2022 Noise Reports were made by Reuben Jones and seconded by Mike Reeves. Motion passed.**

B. **Other:**

- Hunter Hines: update, we are undergoing some lighting issues with main parallel. Closing the runway at night, thought it was resolved but issue was still happening. Working on it to find underlying issue.

- Mario Evans: Mr. Will Childs has been selected by the City of Chamblee to represent the city on the AAB. On the agenda to fill the Chamblee seat, Post 9. Will be on Board agenda for tomorrow. If a pass, Childs will sit in on board meeting next month.
- Doug Miller informed that he will be out of town for the next two meetings. He asked Larry Scheinflug to fill in. Larry said yes.

III. **New Business:**  
NONE

- IV. **Public Comments:**
- Jordan Fox: described the bug in the Plane app to be that if you haven't used it in a while you have to re-enter all contact info. It has made people give up on app. Korey Barnes answered: He will work on getting this resolved.

**Motion to adjourn was made by Eugene Henry and seconded by Reuben Jones. Motion passed at 6:15p.m.**

Submitted by:

*Lori Bell*

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Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

*Doug Miller*

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Doug Miller (AAB Chair)