DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, November 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM in Room 227, Airport Administration Building at DeKalb-Peachtree Airport.

<u>Members Present:</u> Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Chair), Kevin Fowler, Christopher Richard, Mike Reeves, Reuben Jones, Dan Zanger, Rob Smith

Members Absent: Eugene Henry

Others Present: Airport Director Mario Evans and Noise and Environmental Analyst Korey Barnes

The meeting was called to order at 7:10p.m. by AAB Chair, Larry Scheinpflug.

- I. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the October 14, 2019 minutes was made by Dan Zanger and seconded by Reuben Jones. Motion passed.
- II. Information/Old Business
 - A. Airport Director's Report: Airport Director Mario Evans reported the following:
 - Airport Leasing Ordinance Proposed Revision: 20-year lease with one 10-year option. Board members voiced that they wanted more time to review.
 - 2. Consent to Sublease premises by Pope Retail Properties to Carvana, LLC: Accepted by Reuben Jones.
 - 3. Airport Safety Report: An article from AOPA regarding GA accident rates was cited. The article can be found at https://www.aopa.org/news-and-media/all-news/2019/october/11/nall-report-ga-fatal-accidents-continue-to-decline
 - The recent accident near PDK was discussed as well as PDK's overall safety. As this conversation was pretty heated the details of the conversation were obscured. At this time, the PDKAA's stance will be to wait for the final NTSB report, direct any questions to that report and we have no comment.
 - 4. Master Plan Update: Evans deferred to Michael Baker International representative. Next round of public meetings will be Dec. 5th.
 - The Intergovernmental committee is scheduled to meet at 10am
 - The Technical committee is scheduled to meet at 2pm
 - The Citizens committee is scheduled to meet at 6pm
 - The Open House is planned for Jan / Feb but not yet scheduled.
 - Some of the points mentioned to watch for in the next PDK Master Plan meetings are Updates on buildings @ PDK, Runway Protection Zones and updated Runway lights (MALSAR), Hangar and Tie Down improvements and longer term plans.
 - 5. RIM project: Airport Director Evans stated that last phase will be completed tomorrow morning. Project is 32 days ahead of schedule.
 - B. <u>Noise and Environmental Analyst Report:</u> New N&E Analyst, Korey Barnes delivered the following report:

The October 2019 Noise Report will be posted on the website in its entirety: Total operations were 14,019 which is an increase of 19.02% as compared to October of 2018. There were 390 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2019 year-to-date operations are 134,651 as compared to the total 2018 operations as of October 2018 of 134,442. In October, 44% of operations were on a southerly flow, 53% were to the north, and 3% were on the NW/SE runway. Noise complaints: 7.1 households made 199 complaints. The majority of the complaints were made between 6:00p.m. and 11:59p.m. (34%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 42% of the complaints originated from the 30341 zip code. A total of 95 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, 59 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

- A demonstration of the "Public View" portal, accessible via the PDK Airport website, was given. This is a new portal for the public to submit noise and aircraft complaints.

Motion to accept the October 2019 Noise Report was made by Mike Reeves and seconded by Dan Zanger. Motion passed.

C. Other: Larry Scheinpflug asked about beacon repair. Evans reported that the Rotating Beacon repair is underway, the equipment is ordered but no update as to what date the beacon will be operational again. New gates will be installed for Gate 11 and 16 sometime in Dec.

III. New Business: None

IV. Public Comments:

- Member of the public stated that PDK is in the top 20 of airports with incidents according to the FAA/NTSB database. Board informed that this statistic has to be considered within specific scale of operations.
 - Member of the public stepped up to Board table at conclusion of meeting and thanked Board for their patience in their discussions with members of community attending the meeting.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Reeves and seconded by Dan Zanger. Motion passed at 8:41 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved as Submitted:

Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Chair)