DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM in Room 227, Airport Administration Building at DeKalb-Peachtree Airport.

Members Present: Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Chair), Kevin Fowler, Christopher Richard, Robert Smith, Eugene Henry, Mike Reeves, Reuben Jones, Dan Zanger

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Airport Director Mario Evans

The meeting was called to order at 7:05p.m. by AAB Chair Larry Scheinpflug

- Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the July 8th, 2019 minutes was made by Mike Reeves and seconded by Reuben Jones. Motion passed.
- II. Information/Old Business
 - A. Airport Director's Report: Airport Director Mario Evans reported the following:
 - 1. 3 T-hangar leases are up, 1 shop lease.
 - 2. Hold Bar lights have been installed, 1st phase on 21R-3L.
 - Master Plan Update: Evans deferred to Michael Baker International representative. Just finished Open Houses, good feedback. Getting ready for the 4th round of meetings in the Fall. Working currently on the chapter of the report regarding facilitation of alternatives.
 - 4. Air Quality: Airport Director Evans stated that the Board is in discussions with Open DeKalb leadership in planning a roundtable in September. Panel attendees are still pending, in order to mitigate, clarify, and educate on some of the misinformation posted on social media, with regard to air quality issues related to the airport. Board Chair Scheinpflug asked what the format of the roundtable will be. Evans answered that it would be panel style.
 - Board Member Zanger asked if the Board will initiate any tests for air quality? Evans answered: No. He stated further that Emory had done air monitoring during their assessment, but no testing. Zanger then asked if EPA etc. would do tests to show any pollutant levels. Evans answered that the Board goes through environmental assessments before any construction. Evans then noted the FAA has to approve construction permits. Board Chair Scheinpflug added that since the airport is not a point source for pollutants an air permit is not required. Pollutants at PDK come from mobile sources such as aircraft and vehicles.
 - Member of the Public asked if the nearest air quality monitor in Doraville monitors lead. Board answered: No. Board member discussed his own testing that he was doing at his home for lead, and offered to share with Board. Evans answered that the Board only utilizes expert testing.
 - Another member of the Public who also lives near the airport also talked about doing his own home soil sample: It was negative for lead. Original member of the community who addressed this topic, stated that the community should not be burdened by having to do their own lead testing.
 - Member of the Public asked if the results of the variance were in. Evans answered: Yes, that it is approved. Same Public member asked if there would be a sidewalk on Dresden. Evans answered; yes. There will also be trees, shrubbery, and lighting.
 - 5. Schedule for RIM project: Board Chair Scheinpflug asked if Evans would send a copy to all. Evans answered: Yes.
 - B. <u>Noise and Environmental Analyst Report:</u> None given due to the position currently being open. Evans updated that someone has been selected for both the N&E Analyst role, and the Deputy Director role.
 - C. Other: None

III. New Business: None

IV. Public Comments:

- A member of the Public who sent the Board a study about lead levels being up in children, asked if the Board had read. Answer: study was received, Board will review.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Reeves and seconded by Robert Smith. Motion passed at 7:37 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

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