# **DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board (AAB) Minutes**

The DeKalb County Airport Advisory Board met on Monday, January 13, 2020 at 7:00 PM in Room 227, Airport Administration Building at DeKalb-Peachtree Airport.

<u>Members Present:</u> Kevin Fowler, Christopher Richard, Mike Reeves, Reuben Jones, Dan Zanger, Rob Smith, Eugene Henry

Members Absent: Larry Scheinpflug (AAB Chair)

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:07p.m. by AAB Vice Chair, Christopher Richard.

- I. Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the December 9, 2019 minutes was made by Dan Zanger and seconded by Mike Reeves. Motion passed.
- II. Information/Old Business
  - A. Airport Director's Report: Airport Director Mario Evans reported the following:
    - Evans announced and introduced Mr. Hunter Hines, PDK's new Airport Deputy Director.
    - Evans announced the decision made during the previous day's Board of Commissioners (BOC) meeting to appoint Doug Miller, District 2 to the AAB, to fill an unexpected opening by the departure of Robert Smith, District 2. Mr. Miller was recommended by Commissioner Rader, District 2.
    - Good Neighbor Day Open House & Air Show June 6, 2020. Team Aeroshell will be back. The theme will be a celebration of the end of WWII – which occurred on June 6th, 1944.
    - 4. Master Plan Update: Evans deferred to Michael Baker International representative, Jim Duguay.
      - Jim reminded that the Power Point presentations for the December meetings are published on the Master Plan website, along with Minutes from the meetings. <a href="https://www.pdkmasterplan.com">www.pdkmasterplan.com</a>.
      - The Aerospace Obstruction Study survey is completed. Board Member Christopher Richard asked if one of the results from the survey was to remove the Displaced Threshhold? Jim answered: No.
      - Public Open House will be held: date will be coming soon.
      - A member of the public asked if the Environmental Assessment is going to be executed by the Master Plan committee. Jim answered: No. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) committee will create a matrix of potential impacts.

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

The December 2019 Noise Report will be posted on the website in its entirety: Total operations were 12,076 which is an increase of 36.13% as compared to December of 2018. There were 328 voluntary curfew operations. Total 2019 year-to-date operations are 161,367 as compared to the total 2018 operations as of December 2018 of 151,132. In December, 61% of operations were on a southerly flow, 34% were to the north, and 5% were on the NW/SE runway. Noise complaints: 20 households made 172 complaints. The majority of the complaints were made between 6:00p.m. and 11:59p.m. (36%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 30% of the complaints originated from the 30341 zip code. A total of 146 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, 94 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

The Annual 2019 Noise and Operations Report will be posted on the website in its entirety: Total operations were 161,367 which is an increase of 4.94% as compared to 2018. There were 3,974 voluntary curfew operations. In 2019, 47% of operations were on a southerly flow, 47% were to the north, and 6% were on the NW/SE runway. Noise complaints: 28.4 households made 3,605 complaints. The majority of the complaints were made between 6:00p.m. and 11:59p.m. (29%). The Complaint Percentages by Zip Code chart shows that 51% of the complaints originated from the 30341 zip code. A total of 988 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, 594 advisory letters were sent to the operators whose aircraft exceeded the high noise event threshold(s).

- New to the Noise Report: Noise Contours data and visual are now calculated, and presented.
- Korey presented a 2019 Wrap up / 2020 Outlook slide. The highlights include:

#### 2019

Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan was updated to show current information New Noise Monitoring System was installed PublicVue was introduced.

#### 2020

Continue to encourage the use of PublicVue

Continue to be more active and progressive in communications with residents in surrounding communities.

- Member of the public shared that his use of the new Public View system to view an aircraft noise disturbance was very effective.

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

### B. Other: None.

#### III. New Business:

- 1. New Board Chair and Vice Chair were elected. CHAIR: Christopher Richards was elected by unanimous Board approval. Mike Reeves nominated, Kevin Fowler seconded. VICE CHAIR: Larry Scheinpflug was elected by unanimous Board approval. Mike Reeves nominated, Reuben Jones seconded.
- 2. Meeting dates for the 2020 Calendar: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month recommended to continue. Board approved unanimously.

## IV. Public Comments:

Member of the Public, Jordan, asked for an update on the Air Quality meeting? Evans answered that a conference call with the FAA & EPA was scheduled for the following day, Tuesday the 14th. From this conference call the date for meeting will be set: projected for February, location TBD.

Motion to adjourn was made by Eugene Henry and seconded by Dan Zanger. Motion passed at 7:39 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lori Bell (Secretary)

Approved as Submitted:

Christopher Richard (AAB Vice Chair)