

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the Massport CAC

February 14, 2017

Location: Brookline Town Hall

Start 10:00 a.m.

Members attending: David Carlon, Chair, Maura Zlody, Neil Wishinsky, Jerry Falbo, Wig Zamore, Pam Hill

Members Participating Remotely: Myron Kassaraba

Massport officials present: Tom Glynn, Flavio Leo and Anthony Gallagher

Others in attendance: Milton MCAC Member, Cindy Christiansen, Attorney Jennifer Dopazo Gilbert and Julie Lacy

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Minutes

Voted to approve the draft Executive Committee meeting minutes of December 8, 2016

Voted to recommend approval of the 12/8/16 MCAC minutes to the full MCAC at the next meeting on 3/9/17.

Voted to approve the January 10, 2017 Executive Committee Meeting draft minutes.

Draft minutes of the Executive Committee minutes from the meetings of April 21, April 26 and May 1, 2016 distributed by Maura.

3. MCAC Agenda for March 9, 2017

Jerry noted he will not be present for the March meeting.

Discussion of the agenda topics for the March full MCAC meeting.

There was general consensus that participation by Mr. Nucci will be important.

Dave will request MPA participation regarding; 1) RNAV study; 2) noise mitigation data; 3) Tom Glynn aviation operations at Logan in the future 3-5 years out including investments in airport.

Motion by Pam second by Wig, unanimous in favor that Dave ask John Nucci to provide timely updates and summaries of meetings he attends and issues he is aware of that MCAC should know about.

Maura requested that Flavio provide a glossary of aviation terms for his presentation.

Discussion on the Aviation Sub-Committee recommended resolutions and motions to the full MCAC which did not get reached at the last full MCAC meeting. Members discussed each AC proposal. The Aviation Sub-Com is meeting tomorrow and will provide more detailed feedback.

Pam and Neil suggested adding an agenda item for Member comment.

4. Discussion on Amending the Enabling Legislation

Dave and Jerry agreed that it may be premature to discuss amending the legislation until there is an executive director on board. Members agreed an amendment should not be piecemeal, but rather be comprehensive.

Jerry stated the issues as follows:

- Retain unspent funds
- Status of MCAC as state agency/employees
- Amount of funding
- Quorum requirement (less than majority)

5. Massport CAC and its Role

Tom Glynn, Massport (MPA) appeared to discuss the role of MCAC as seen by MPA. HE made some comparisons to the MBTA advisory board and the MWRA advisory board. MCAC is also an advisory board. He opined that the legislation spells out the purposes very clearly in section (e). MPA sees the MCAC as an advisory group, but MCAC needs to figure out the details. He thinks the statute is clear, but is interested to hear from Jerry Falbo with his experience and years involved. He doesn't have anything beyond the statute.

Dave Carlon stated when a particular community seeks a remedy that impacts other communities the MCAC gets put in a role to be an arbiter. This is not the role he wants to take on.

Tom Glynn stated that the legislative intent is broader, but how MCAC chooses to execute the statutory obligations is up to the MCAC. MPA tries to be responsive to elected officials. However, he agrees that the way to adjudicate problems is more of a regional issue.

Dave stated that MPA should not look at the MCAC as the place to go to lodge complaints. He believes every community should be able to lobby and have direct dialogue with the MPA and seek solutions. MCAC will look at regional solutions.

Pam commented she appreciates all the efforts of MPA to respond and be engaged with MCAC.

Myron (participating remotely) discussed the usual process with citizen complaints and the proposal that there be a process to file a community complaint and deal with it in a uniform manner. He believes it would be helpful if there was a uniform process by which MPA could register a community complaint from a CAC Rep or Elected Official, investigate the issue and respond directly to the community. This will give MCAC a basis to determine whether the issue is regional or local.

Jerry stated that MCAC can listen to complaints and if MCAC can help they will and if not it will pass it on to MPA.

Tom Glynn stated that MPA does not have a protocol for community complaints and said MPA will come up with that and bring it to the MCAC.

Neil agreed with Myron that this type of formal process will bring structure to the process and be helpful for communities.

Dave agreed - reporting and transparency and standardized reporting is important.

Members discussed reporting and data from MPA.

Wig Zamore had 2 questions: 1) whether the communities close to Logan will get as much attention as other communities further out?; and 2) will there be discussion on particular runways and flights and routes?

Tom Glynn noted that MPR met with Capuano and yes these matters will be addressed on 2/22.

Wig Zamore noted that MPA could simulate a lot more than MCAC because MCAC does not have a technical committee. He asked - Will there be a technical committee with an appointment form this committee to work with the MPA consultants? If not, he believes any solutions will be tough to come up with

Tom Glynn noted that some of the things requested can cost \$40-50k. He asked MCAC to prioritize and MPA will get answers to questions.

Wig, said that did not answer his question. Again, he noted that conversations with the consultant experts are important or is information to MCAC always going to be filtered through the agency? Can a member of MCAC engage with the consultants?

Tom Glynn said No.

David asked Mr. Glynn to attend and report to the March 9 meeting.

Flavio Leo was present for technical questions from the members.

Jerry asked when the BLANS would be completed and available.

Flavio did not have a date for the final BLANS report yet. He is looking for a stand alone report that people can go to and use and cite.

Maura asked what requirements are there on records retention for Massport?

Flavio did not know the legal requirements but wants to keep a report and docs on-line but not sure of regulatory side.

Dave asked Flavio to present a visual presentation on the air space design and impacts on communities on March 9th.

Jerry and Dave discussed the air space and runway design and whether things could be changed.

Flavio agreed to provide an overview of how Logan airspace works today.

Dave noted that Capuano had a presentation and a lot of opinions are not fact based. He believes it is important to know the configuration and how change impacts other communities. He stated it becomes untenable you can't just rotate. Once you see it visually you understand it can't be changed.

Jerry opined that Dave was making conclusions before a full and final report on the BLANS was available and that was not right.

Myron noted the importance of the time period, because volume will change. Volume changes from year to year which has shifted flights to different runways. He believes it is important to look at changes over the years – it's complicated.

Dave said his intent is to show what is happening right now today factually.

Pam asked Flavio if MPA has looked at relief through other airports and modes of transportation?

Flavio said yes, MPA has looked at high speed rail and more people are using Manchester and Green. He noted that Providence has a 3% growth and Hanscom and Worcester have corporate activity.

Jerry clarified his comments, he thought Dave was talking about a redesign of the airspace.

Dave noted he just wants fact based representations from MPA.

Jerry thinks Dave is presenting a doomsday prediction. He believes BLANS must be fully completed and Flavio should say that in his presentation.

Dave asked why MCAC would pick up the BLANS? He believes it is raw data with no summary or recommendation.

Flavio stated that MCAC has made no recommendation on the BLANS.

Wig disagrees with Flavio's assessment and the CAC also does not agree.

Members discussed the BLANS and bringing it to conclusion.

Flavio stated that MCAC has requested more formal reporting and going forward we will provide more uniform reporting.

Members discussed the BLANS, the role of the MCAC and the history of the LCAC.

6. RNAV Study Engagement Plan Update

Update by Anthony Gallagher on public hearing on February 22nd, 2017.

Members discussed details and logistics of hearing and MPA presentation, including timing, reporting and question and answer period.

7. Review of Aviation Operations Sub-Committee Charge

Members reviewed the draft charge and Dave went over changes and discussions with Ralph Dormitzer.

Maura moved to adopt the charge as drafted, seconded by Neil voted to adopt as drafted. Dave noted he still needs to circulate to Ralph and it might come back again with changes.

8. Question of Reconstituting Environmental & Health Sub-Committee to create a Standing Committee

Update from Wig and discussion of the charge. Wig also commented on the EDR and getting feedback from the public as well as the MEPA process.

Wig would like to ask for more interest at the general meeting. Bill Lagault (Salem) and Andrea Adams from Watertown are interested.

9. Update on RFP for HR Consultant

Update by Jerry and Jennifer. RFP is out and responses due on February 24th, 2017.

10. Engaging Albert Risk Management for Liability Insurance Matters.

Myron presented an update and recommendation to engage with Jim Evans of Albert Risk Management.

Members discussed litigation possibilities and liability issues. Jennifer discussed the legal issues.

Maura made a Motion to authorize Myron to execute the Engagement letter dated February 3, 2017 from Albert Risk and move forward with the services, seconded by Neil, unanimously approved.

11. Update on Massport CAC Requirement to Report to the Legislature.

Myron stated he may have enough to create a report on the financial report. Members discussed briefly, but this item was tabled for further discussion on establishing a protocol and issues to be addressed once a director was hired.

12. Website Update

Dave gave an update on the MCAC website. He noted that Going Clear will handle maintenance with respect to posting and creating the List Serve.

Wig urged that the Website must be kept up to date by someone.

There being no further business to discuss, Maura made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave, unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 12:55.

Meeting Documents:

Draft Minutes of December 8, 2016 (EC and MCAC) and EC January 10, 2017

Old draft Minutes provided by Maura for April 21, April 26 and May 1, 2016

Draft Aviation Sub-Committee Charge dated 2/13/17 version 4

Minutes taken by Julie Lacy

Approved 4-21-17

