

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the Massport CAC

November 29, 2016

Members attending: David Carlon, Chair, Maura Zlody, Neil Wishinsky, Jerry Falbo, Myron Kassaraba, Wig Zamore

Absent: Pam Hill

Members Participating Remotely: None.

Massport representatives present: Anthony Gallagher, Community Relations, Flavio Leo and Jose Masso, Director of Policy

1. Public Comment Policy

The Executive Committee discussed a policy on allowing public comment.

There was a general consensus that the public should be permitted 10 minutes total time broken out into 2-3 minutes per person and ten minutes at the end with some flexibility given to the Chair depending on number of people and complexity of issues.

A. Public Comment by Milton CAC member Cindy Christiansen

Ms. Christiansen introduced citizens and town officials from Milton who were present for the meeting. Town Administrator, Annmarie Fagan and former Town Administrator Mike Denehy were present. Also in attendance, Tom Dougherty an attorney who lives on Adams Street in Milton. Attorney Dougherty spoke about his email and correspondence.

Myron Kassaraba asked if Attorney Dougherty represented any particular person or community. He stated he was speaking solely as a citizen. Mr. Dougherty discussed his November 22m 2016 email to the Executive Committee. He made the following points/requests:

- 1) Expand the Executive Committee by 2 or 3 members to include Nahant or Milton;
- 2) Hold hearings to make recommendations to Governor, legislature and Massport;
- 3) CAC has the power to hold hearings and request info beyond the public records law;
- 4) He wants to see the Massport Illustrative Tower Report;
- 5) Due to the closing or ending of the LCAC there is an issue about BLANS and other work how will it get implemented;
- 6) Massport will use experts paid by the FAA and info as to payment of those experts should be requested, because it may show a conflict;
- 7) He requested placing these issues before the annual meeting for a vote.

Cindy Christiansen spoke in support of Mr. Dougherty's requests and also requested information from Flavio Leo for slides from the Aviation Sub Com meeting.

Ms. Christiansen opined that the time to provide in-put on the RNAV is now and that it shouldn't wait.

Andy Schmitt, Milton resident spoke and urged community involvement and urged the use of the public hearing power and to push for inclusion, otherwise he believes the CAC will end up like the LCAC.

Public Comment concluded.

2. Draft Meeting Minutes of 10-24-16

Discussion of content – transcript vs. bare bones and requirements of Open Meeting Law. Consensus was that a transcript was not necessary, but more than the bare bones was good.

Myron and David had some corrections.

Myron made a motion to approve with the corrections and Jerry seconded. Voted unanimous.

3. Secretary Update – Maura Zlody

Discussion of minutes and agenda review for transfer to website.

She noted that some minutes are missing for 2016: May 26; June 29, and August 9th. Also, the agenda for the 2016 Exec Com meeting for January 28th.

Maura will request missing items from Liz Becker. She noted that there is one new member from Medford, but no contact info yet. She thinks there may be a new one from Canton and Hingham as well.

4. Massport Noise Abatement Briefing and intro by Jose Masso

Presentation/ briefing by Flavio Leo and slide show.

Discussion of slide show and briefing and runway use with respect to size planes, primary FAA considerations, number of runways, wind patterns and size of planes.

In addition, there was a discussion of management of departures and arrivals and whether or not that will help noise mitigation.

Long terms trends indicate that passengers are up and flights down.

A discussion of the change in airline business models – no more room 100% full, more people on less planes is better for environment etc.

Discussion on managing capacity and cost and it was noted that there is a substantial shift in accommodating demand.

Mr. Leo also discussed improvements in technology since the 1980s have reduced noise and emissions; the Massport Noise Abatement Programs compared to other airports is excellent.

Myron posed a question: During 2008-2013 there were changes in flight paths on every runway correct?

Flavio responded YES, RNAV implemented on both departures and arrivals and acknowledged a lot of changes during that time. He described other noise abatement programs – A320s airframe – vent underneath the wing where the fuel tank pressure is equalized per air pressure – it created a unique tonal issue – there is a fix – Massport is advocating for it.

David asked Flavio about Cindy Christensen's letter and concerns and made 2 other points – in the EDR there is a similar letter from a year ago and we are still dealing with these fumes – how can Massport make better progress?

Flavio responded by stating, MIT did a study, airlines that can single taxi will, Massport is comfortable that single taxi is working, Pilots have a check list when they turn on an engine and they have over 30 monitors in place.

Wig Zamore questioned slide #26 in the presentation. He thinks it is wrong, because Belmont should be identical to Somerville.

Flavio stated Massport can do it different ways.

David Carlon stated it's based on magnitude.

A discussion on how the data is used ensued.

Wig requested that Flavio just footnote the details on the stats and Flavio agreed.

There was a further discussion on the data used and questions were raised by the Watertown Representative and other regarding altitude.

Myron and others questioned the data and asked for specificity on the numbers and footnotes whether jets or all operations.

The next topic discussed by Massport was the project schedule and next Steps. Members asked for community involvement not just briefings. The Committee asked for specifics about community in-put. IT was the general consensus that Massport must provide more specifics on how community involvement will happen and the specific milestones and triggers in the process.

Myron raised the possibility of a hearing. There was some discussion on holding a hearing.

David suggested exploring a hearing but more like a forum. For example when the MBTA did their study they had forums across the Commonwealth that might be the right mechanism.

Members discussed different ways to have more community involvement and comment.

Flavio concluded his presentation and will provide a copy for posting.

5. Massport Letter 10-28-16 response to Milton's Request

Cindy Christensen spoke and acknowledged Myron's comments about community involvement. She reiterated her points during public comment regarding a hearing, request for information and expansion of the Executive Committee.

Members discussed the letter and heard comments from Milton representatives.

Myron does not think the Executive Committee should be in a position to respond to individual community requests. The committee agreed. There was discussion on how to respond to the Angellini letter. Counsel, Dopazo Gilbert was asked to draft a letter to be discussed at the next meeting, time permitting.

6. Wig Zamore provided an update on the environmental health symposium. He also requested that the Health and Environmental Sub-Committee be a standing Committee. Members agreed that it should.

7. Website update provided by David Carlon. The website is ready to go live, but there must be some training and discussion on what, who and how to post items.

8. Jerry Falbo reported on Aviation subcommittee business and various Motions proposed by the Aviation Sub-Com.

The members discussed the various motions proposed by Mr. Falbo. Although the consensus was that some may need further discussion, the motions were moved and recommended by the Executive Committee as set forth in Attachment No. 1 to these

minutes. Motion Numbers 1 through 5 were recommended for favorable action; motion numbers 6 and 7 were referred back to the Aviation Sub-Com for further refinement. The motions are set forth in Attachment #1 and incorporated into the minutes.

9. Update of Request for Proposals for HR Consultant and budget update by Myron Kassaraba.

Motion to adopt RFP as amended by Jerry Falbo and to instruct process to begin with Jerry taking the lead with assistance from counsel.

Maura second – unanimous vote.

10. Discussion of the upcoming Annual Meeting and Agenda

RSVP update from Julie on attendance and contact information.

Members discussed the agenda for the full CAC meeting.

11. Further discussion but no action on the proposed Motion Aviation Sub-Committee motions. The consensus was to discuss at the next meeting after some refinement.

Motion to adjourn by David, seconded by Maura and voted unanimously.

The meeting concluded at 1:13 p.m.

APPROVED 1-10-17