

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of the Massport Community Advisory Committee

Date: September 6, 2018

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Brookline Town Hall

Members Present: David Carlon, Wig Zamore, Jerry Falbo, Maura Zlody, Pete Navarra and Myron Kassaraba

EC members not present: Pam Hill

Members Participating Remotely: None

Others in attendance: Jennifer Dopazo Gilbert, Counsel

MPA: Anthony Gallagher

1. Public Comment – None

The Chair wanted to discuss moving the public comment section to the end of the meetings. Maura had a concern with that, but was amenable if time was reserved. Dave noted that when there is a presentation by Mr. Hansman sometimes the public comment section takes up too much time. Members discussed how it is done in other communities. The general consensus was that it can be moved to the end of the meeting or to another time at the discretion of the Chair depending on what was on the agenda.

Members discussed how to handle the concerns of the Chair and time constraints of the meeting. Members agreed that it could be moved to the end in order to provide adequate time for Professor Hansman's report.

2. Approval of Minutes

March 15, 2018 draft minutes of the Executive Committee meeting were reviewed. Myron made a motion to approve, seconded by Wig. Unanimous approval.

April and May minutes to be reviewed and approved at a later date.

3. Executive Director Hiring Process Update

Jennifer Dopazo Gilbert stated that the Massport background check was incomplete. Mr. Romero has been instructed to work expeditiously with Massport to complete the check. Pete asked if there is delay on the MPA side. Jennifer and Dave did not see any delays on MPA side and noted that there is a 3rd party entity doing the background check which is taking some time. Members discussed the timing and the breadth of the background check for this executive position. Jerry noted that MPA should not have the final say on the hire.

4. Treasurer Update

Myron provided an update on the budget and a hand-out; FY18 Annual Expense Summary. All MPA payments have been made and are up to date. Myron outlined future expenses and anticipated budget going forward.

He noted there is \$115,000 in the new Citizens Bank Account and there is now a credit card for expenses. Quick Books is being set up and operationally the CAC is set to go. Myron went over the details on the Expense Summary. Pete asked about office space. Myron noted the possibility of shared space with Paul Regan at MBTA. Pete asked about the old website domain name issues. Anthony noted that one of the domain names is still up and he has asked for the information on a disc, although the point person has left. Anthony offered to set up a 3-way call. MCAC does not want ownership of the site, but does want the content. Myron is surprised that MPA or FAA doesn't want the site preserved and accessible.

Maura never got an answer to the question on their obligation on records retention. There must be a requirement to meet state and/or federal retention laws. Anthony said MPA must be follow the state retention requirements, but it's unclear which documents get retained and for how long. Maura wants an answer to the question.

Myron wants to ensure that the BLANS content is available. Members agreed.

5. Massport Update

Anthony Gallagher provided the update. On the RNAV there will be an update in October. There will be more clarity on Block One provided. Dave asked if there was a meeting scheduled with Hansman and the air traffic controllers. Anthony is not sure. Dave explained that there seems to be resistance to the Block 1 recommendations by the airlines. Anthony noted it's not done yet, a lot is still in play.

Members discussed the process to date and various factors in play. Wig asked if the info would be provided in more than a Power Point. Dave asked what Wig would like to see for Block 2. Wig noted that there is a big contrast in information that they are given now as to in the past. Dave noted that he did communicate to Hansman that Wig was interested in the environmental piece of the study and the related details.

Dave asked Anthony to have someone from HMMH to attend and answer questions. Wig said he and Jerry have been involved for ten years, but the more direct engagement he can have with technical people at HMMH the better. Anthony agreed that HMMH should be there in October to present.

Departure dispersion may be technically doable according to Dave's information. If that's the case then the MCAC needs to know what the impact of that will be. Wig noted the difficulty of members not understanding the technical aspects of the various issues and that hampers the

discussions. Wig noted literacy is important to work out solutions. Dave said it is his hope that an executive director will help with this process.

Myron noted that in his opinion the missing element is a project manager for deliverables and schedules. MCAC has many open loops and communications and feedback is lost or it is unknown what the feedback was/is. It is a poorly run process and he blames MPA as one of the organizers of this process. He has asked who was going to provide reports and updates from day 1. What is different is there is no one managing this process. Dave noted the difference is that MCAC is not a party to this study, so the study team needs direction.

Members discussed process, project management or lack thereof and scope of the study and participation by various stakeholders. Dave noted that going forward reports by Hansman need to be made to the Executive Committee not the Aviation Sub-Committee. Members agreed with this approach going forward. Members discussed how to make the presentation meaningful by making specific requests in advance. Myron wants to have a framework in the form of a list of requested items. Myron described it as a summary of items and the status and reasoning behind the status of each item should be provided by Hansman. Members discussed what is outstanding and what needs to still be addressed in Block One. The status and reasoning needs to be definitive for the sake of clarity and the ability to move forward. Wig wants to be explicit on what was studied and the status of the item. Members agreed that clarity was important to limit the uncertainty.

With respect to HMMH's work on the fly quiet program Anthony noted they are working on it for Block 2. Anthony asked how the MCAC wants to participate in this next phase of work by HMMH. Dave thinks since they are local that HMMH should spend some time with the health and aviation sub-committees in order to get reports off the ground and do a comparative analysis to get reports and supporting data. Dave wants to have a better understanding of what is provided at other airports. Wig will set up something with the health committee. Wig will structure it like the noise monitor meeting.

Myron thinks it beneficial to receive a document or scope of work and deliverable in order to avoid the problem with the RNAV study. In the future the executive committee should be involved in formulating that scope of work. Myron asked the scope of work to be circulated to the committee. There was some discussion on the summary in the slide at the MPA Board meeting.

MOTION by Myron that the Executive Committee request that MPA (through Anthony Gallagher) provide the HMMH contract with the scope of work, seconded by Pete, unanimous VOTE in favor.

Anthony brought 2 MPA budget books. Pete and Myron took them and Dave asked for a copy to be mailed to him.

Anthony indicated there was some interest expressed by a Randolph Selectman to participate in the MCAC. Dave asked about EDR comments. Anthony noted there were a number of comments received. Dave asked Anthony to share those comments with the committee. The Town of Bedford is concerned with a U.S. Navy hangar that is for sale, but there are historical covenants/restrictions on the facility/land. Dave had heard that this hangar was used to store

liquor. The building did not originally meet the historical designation, but because the process took so long it then reached the threshold for historical significance, and MPA does not want to run a museum. The auction was stopped by the Town of Bedford. There is also an Activity and Use Limitation (AUL) on the property. It is estimated by MPA that it would cost \$20M for environmental clean-up and historical restoration of the building. The site itself is approximately 12 acres. MPA is just observing at this point.

The Air Noise IO issue was discussed. Anthony noted that Milton complained that its noise complaints are not being addressed. The new system allows immediate complaints in the form of an Amazon Dash button. The vendor routes the complaints through an anonymous server in Japan. The software kicked out the complaints, because of the routing, it was triggered as suspect. The server was then changed and the complaints were then received by MPA. There was some discussion about this new software reporting mechanism and the recent report in the Wall Street Journal that 14,000 complaints were registered by one address.

6. New Business. Members discussed the ESPR and various reporting and technical guidance associated with it. Wig discussed research through BU and Tufts on environmental issues. He noted is strange how the parties interact in the aviation industry on these issues as opposed to the MBTA which is more cooperative in nature. Members discussed the issue and the difference between the MBTA and the aviation industry. Members further discussed the industry and need for legislative change.
 7. Correspondence. AG correspondence dismissing the OML Complaint filed by S. Hayes.
 8. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn by Jerry at 3:10 p.m. seconded by Dave, unanimous approval.
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Minutes by: J. Dopazo Gilbert, Esq.

Approved on November 13, 2018

Documents:

Meeting Agenda

Draft Minutes for EC minutes for 2018, March, April and May meetings.

FY18 Treasurer's Annual Expenses Summary

Letter from AG dismissing OML Complaint