



AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Flagler Executive Airport
120 Airport Rd.
Third Floor
Palm Coast, FL 32164
May 9, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Daryl Hickman, Mr. Jim Crehan, Ms. Agnes Lightfoot, Mr. Les Abend and Mr. Wayne Harrison
MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Gordon Heritage
STAFF PRESENT: Mr. Roy Sieger and Ms. Gina Friedman
STAFF ABSENT: None
OTHERS PRESENT: Ernest Shelton (PEA), Barbara Lake, Blain Meisterhans, Jay Siciliani, Bonnie Berns, Charles Henderson, Dave Faust, Aynne McAvoy, Tom Stager and Pete Celestino

1. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Vice Chairman Mr. Crehan called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. The Chairman asked for approval of the **April 11, 2019** minutes. A motion was made to approve these minutes, which was seconded, motion carried.
3. Project Updates

Design General Aviation Terminal - \$598,000 **Project Cost: \$598,000 (FDOT \$478,400, Airport \$119,600)**

The design of the General Aviation Terminal is still temporarily on hold. Following the April 4, 2019 meeting between FDOT District 5 representatives, the Airport Director and the GA Terminal Design Team where the primary focus of discussion was project alternatives, phasing and property acquisition. The FDOT has decided not to participate in the property acquisition at this time, but would consider it at a later date. The Airport Director is proceeding to purchase the property now with airport funds in order to keep the current site conception as is. A property appraisal was ordered and was recently received. The 14± acre parcel was appraised at \$220,000 and an offer has been made to the property owner in that amount. We are waiting to hear if the owner accepts the offer or not.

Master Storm Water Management Plan **Project Cost \$211,500 (FAA \$190,350, FDOT 16,920, Airport Enterprise Fund \$4,230)**

The drainage model for the existing conditions of the airport was completed and checked. The first draft of the master plan report is nearing completion, and site visits are being planned for field verifications of the drainage infrastructure.

Wildlife Hazard Management Plan

Project Cost \$30,290 (FAA \$27,261, FDOT \$2,423, Airport Enterprise Fund \$606)

No change. We are awaiting comments/approval from the FAA on the Wildlife Hazard Management Plan submittal, which was submitted to the FAA on February 27, 2019.

Design for the Rehabilitation of Runway 06-24 and Relocation of Electrical Vault

Project Cost: \$639,120.00 (FDOT \$639,120.00)

No change. On February 14, 2019 the Airport Director requested FDOT funding in the amount of \$639,120.00 for the Design and Bidding Services for the Rehabilitation of Runway 06-24 and Relocation of the Electrical Vault. To date the Airport has not received the Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA). Once the PTGA is received, both the PTGA and GAI Work Authorization will be put on the BoCC meeting agenda for consideration and approval.

Additionally notable information:

- On March 22-25, 2019, the Airport Director attended the FAA Conference in Atlanta, GA. At the conference, the FAA Associate Administrator for Airports, Kirk Shaffer presented the Airport Director with the FAA Southern Region, 2018 General Aviation Safety Award for the Relocation and Extension of Runway 11-29 project.
- On April 28, 2019, the Airport Tenant Lunch Fly-Out was held at the Deland Municipal Airport (DED). We met for lunch at 12:30 p.m. at the Airport Restaurant and Gin Mill. We are discussing of having a tenant BBQ at the airport, date TBD.
- On April 30, 2019, the Air Traffic Control Manager, Blain Meisterhans, conducted a Runway Safety Action Team Meeting for the tenants of the airport. The meeting lasted approximately one hour, some of the topics of discussion were airfield hot spots, non-movement areas and run-up areas. There were approximately 10-15 tenants present.
- On May 2, 2019, representatives from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University installed the ADS-B GBR receiver on the Air Traffic Control Tower. However, the equipment will have to be moved to a different location as it is creating static on our tower frequencies. The equipment has been disabled until it can be relocated. This equipment will allow Embry-Riddle to see all of their aircraft, plus all other aircraft that are ADSB equipped on the ground and in the air that are near the airport.
- On May 5, 2019, the Flagler Executive Airport hosted the 16th Annual Cycle Flagler Ride for Rotary. The event included a 24, 44, 75 and 100 miles routes, all of which start and end that the airport. They were approximately 140 riders that participated in the event. Everyone enjoyed the event.

4. Fuel Sales:

Mr. Sieger reported that Jet A was way up, however Avgas dropped a bit, but was still good for this time of year.

5. ATCT Manager Comments:

Mr. Meisterhans said that operations were up due to the semester ending as well as Daytona International having a runway closed for construction. Mr. Meisterhans stated that the construction should be about two years. Mrs. Lightfoot inquired if the tower was fully staffed and Mr. Meisterhans said not yet, but had someone coming in the follow week.

6. Questions/Comments/New Business:

Mr. Hickman introduced a proposal for aircraft run-up locations for Runways 11, 24 and 29. The proposal is a temporary solution to the run-up area issue. The proposal is attached. Mr. Abends and Mr. Harrison made comments on what they thought would be a good run-ups as well. Mr. Meisterhans and Mr. Sieger will meet and come up with a solution and let the AAB know next meeting. Mr. Sieger also stated that a run-up area will be constructed for Runway 24 when the runway is rehabilitated, which could also be utilized when Runway 29 is in use.

Ms. Bonnie Berns, a lawyer representing Jay Siciliani. Mr. Siciliani is a resident of Palm Coast who resides in the Z section of Palm Coast. Ms. Burns explained the problem that her client is experiencing is the noise from single engine planes. Planes are flying from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. or sometimes even at 12:30 a.m.. The noise is so loud you can't even talk in your back yard or if you go inside you can't even hear the TV. This causes stress, anxiety and sleep issues. Ms. Burns presented a petition signed by 71 people who have an issue with the aircraft noise. Ms. Burns would like to have the airport restrict the flight schools per the Airport Rules and Regulations section 3.2, as well as take part in the 150 program through the FAA. A copy of the documents Ms. Burns presented are attached. *Note - 28 of the 71 people on the petition are not residents of Flagler County. Ms. Lake, Mr. Henderson, and Ms. McAvoy (Palm Coast citiizen's) all expressed their concerns with the aircraft noise as well. Mr. Abends commented that the flight training taking place here is training future airline pilots, which there is currently a shortage of.

Mr. Sieger explained that this is issue that many airports in Florida are facing, due to the high volume of flight training that takes place in our state. Mr. Sieger went on to say that we do have Fly Friendly rules that are published on the airport's website. We also have requested that flight schools do not perform touch-n-goes after the air traffic control tower is closed. The airport can only do some much as we are public airport that accepts both federal and state funds, which grant assurances are tied to. The AAB thanked everyone for their comments and will take this under advisement for discussion at a later meeting.

7. Tenant Comments:

None

8. Public Comments:

None

9. Adjournment was called for at 4:59 p.m.