



APPROVED MEETING MINUTES - JANUARY 10, 2014

The meeting of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC) was held on Friday, January 10, 2014 at DePaul University O'Hare Campus, 8770 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, IL.

ONCC Chairman Arlene J. Mulder called the meeting to order at 8:15 A.M. ONCC staff took the meeting minutes. The following members were **PRESENT**:

Ms. Arlene J. Mulder, Designee, Village of Arlington Heights
Trustee JoEllen Ridder, Designee, Village of Bensenville
Mr. Jon Leach, Designee, Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA)
Mr. Ronald Sak, Designee, City of Chicago, 36th Ward
Ms. Diane Oppliger, Designee, City of Chicago 38th Ward
Mr. Peter Bialek, Designee, City of Chicago 39th Ward
Ms. Catherine Dunlap, Designee, City of Chicago, 41st Ward
Alderman John Arena, Member, City of Chicago, 45th Ward
Trustee Marty Hower, Alternate, Village of Itasca
Mr. Ralph Sorce, Alternate, Village of Melrose Park
Mayor Arlene Juracek, Member, Village of Mount Prospect
Mr. Joseph Annunzio, Alternate, Village of Niles
Ms. Judith Dunne Bernardi, Designee, Village of Norridge
Mayor Jeffrey Sherwin, Member, City of Northlake
Mr. Dennis Ryan, Designee, Village of River Grove
Mr. Zach Creer, Alternate, City of Rolling Meadows
Mr. Brian Baugh, Alternate, Village of Rosemont
Mr. Richard Bascomb, Alternate, Village of Schaumburg
Mayor Nunzio Pulice, Member, City of Wood Dale
Mr. Tony Rossi, Alternate, School District 59
Superintendent Philip Bender, Member, School District 64
Superintendent Kerry Leiby, Member, School District 80
Mr. Jeremy Dotson, Alternate, School District 81
Mr. John Barry, Alternate, School District 84 & 84½
Ms. Sherry Koerner, Alternate, School District 214
Superintendent Robert Lupo, Member, School District 234
Superintendent Kevin Anderson, Member, School District 401

The following members were **ABSENT**:

Cook County, Des Plaines, Harwood Heights, Maywood, Morton Grove, Oak Park, Palatine, Park Ridge, River Forest, Schiller Park, Stone Park, School Districts 63, 64, 85 ½, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 299.

There being a majority of members in attendance, a quorum was present for the

transaction of business.

The following ONCC, Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA), and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) staff **and consultants** were present: Jeanette Camacho – ONCC; Aaron Frame – CDA; Jeffrey Jackson – Landrum & Brown; Arlene Williams– Cotter & Associates; Fran Guziel and Kay Coyne - ONCC Consultants.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members, staff and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME

Chairman Mulder welcomed the following attendees: Captain John Burton – American Airlines; Mr. Andrew Gomberg - Ill. Sen. Dan Kotowski; Ms. Mary Ann Levar and Robert Becker – U.S. **Rep.** Mike Quigley; Ms. Sendy Soto – U.S. **Rep.** Tammy Duckworth; Ms. Amy Hanson and Mr. Tony Molinaro – FAA; Mr. Charles Duncan, Ms. Sarah Glavin, and Mr. R.J. Reynolds – United Airlines.

Chairman Mulder also introduced Jonathan Leach, recently appointed Chief Executive **Officer** for the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 1, 2013

Mr. Ryan moved and **Ms. Bernardi** seconded a motion to approve minutes of the November 1, 2013 ONCC meeting. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Chairman Mulder called for a moment of silence in memory of Janie Morrison, District Director for Senator Dan Kotowski (D-28th).

Ms. Morrison passed away in early November. A faithful attendee at ONCC meetings, Ms. Morrison was a devoted public servant and advocate for those in need. She was recognized for her professionalism, joyful demeanor and insightfulness as she managed Senator Kotowski's district office in Park Ridge.

REPORT OF THE CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION – Mr. Jon Leach, Chief

Operating Officer, Chicago Department of Aviation

A. October/November 2013 ANMS Reports

Mr. Jackson reviewed the October 2013 Airport Noise Management System (ANMS) report that showed: Runway 32L was the most-used departure runway at 33%; Runway 27L was the most-used arrival runway at 26%. Complaint calls totaled 3,496 from 804 complainants during all hours. A total of 2,498 operations were reported in October 2013. Mr. Jackson said that of the 804 complainants, 172 complaints were made during the nighttime hours for October 2013.

Mr. Jackson reviewed the November 2013 ANMS report that showed: Runway 32L was the most-used departure runway at 40%; Runway 27L was the most-used arrival runway at 37%. Complaint calls totaled 4,763 from 395 complainants during all hours. A total of 2,581 operations were reported in November 2013. Mr. Jackson said that of the 395 complainants, 156 complaints were made during the nighttime hours for November 2013.

Mayor Pulice said he's been receiving multiple complaint calls. He asked if there was an explanation for Runway 28R being used 36%.

Mr. Jackson replied that there are three primary runway departures because of the new configuration. They are 32L to the northwest, 22L to the southwest and 28R which is the longest runway at 13,000 feet and designed for departures. Therefore, departures from Runway 28R are turning to the south. There is also traffic to the north coming from Runway 32L. Departures from Runway 32R turn southbound and disperse. The EIS predicted that there would be a significant increase.

Mr. Pulice said that residents are downloading an App that is capturing noise levels and the readings are 190 decibels. He said that there is a six-story building off of Irving Park Road that is visible from his home. Sometimes aircraft appear to be 10 feet from the top of the building's roof. Aircraft are rattling windows in homes that are not eligible for sound insulation. He asked what was the minimum or maximum of the glide slope. He believes that some aircraft do not follow the glide slope.

Mr. Jackson suggested that residents write down the particular times of flights in which they believe the aircraft is not flying the glide slope. Staff can verify the altitudes of these aircraft.

Mayor Pulice asked if there was a minimum/maximum height that pilots have to adhere to in take-off/landings.

Mr. Jackson responded that different aircraft perform differently.

Mr. Frame stated that the FAA standard glide slope for arrivals is 3%. He also explained that aircraft equipped with instruments will utilize the optimum glide slope.

However, he noted, departure procedures are given by the air traffic controller and it is up to the pilot to implement the procedures. He said that there was a difference in performance between smaller and larger aircraft.

Captain Burton explained arrival procedures.

Ms. Mulder suggested that Mayor Pulice speak further with Captain Burton after the meeting. She said that the continued dialog between air traffic control tower management and ONCC has been positive. ONCC is unique in that it brings citizen concerns to the various stakeholders.

Alderman Arena said he was aware that there would be an increase in noise and asked why Runway 27R is not being used at night.

Mr. Frame responded that the North Air Traffic Control Tower is normally closed during the nighttime; therefore, Runway 27R is normally not in operation during the nighttime hours.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION CHAIRMAN– Ms. Arlene J. Mulder

a. ONCC Resolution 2014-1: Village of Downers Grove Membership to ONCC

Ms. Mulder reported that the Village of Downers Grove requested membership in ONCC.

Mayor Sherwin moved and **Mr. Sorce** seconded a motion to approve the 2014-1 ONCC Resolution to accept Downers Grove as a member. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The roll call vote follows:

Roll Call Vote

Arlington Heights – Yes

Bartlett – Absent

Bellwood – Absent

Bensenville – Yes

River Forest – Yes

River Grove – Yes

Rolling Meadows – Yes

Rosemont – Yes

Chicago – Yes
Chicago, 36th Ward – Yes
Chicago, 38th Ward – Yes
Chicago, 39th Ward – Yes
Chicago, 41st Ward – Yes
Chicago, 45th Ward – Yes
Cook County – Absent
Des Plaines – Yes
Elmwood Park – Absent
Franklin Park – Absent
Harwood Heights -Absent
Hoffman Estates – Absent
Itasca - Yes
Maywood – Absent
Melrose Park – Yes
Morton Grove - Absent
Mount Prospect – Yes
Niles – Yes
Norridge – Yes
Northlake – Yes
Oak Park – Absent

Palatine – Absent
Park Ridge – Absent

Schaumburg – Yes
Schiller Park – Absent
Stone Park – Absent
Wood Dale – Yes
District 59 – Yes
District 63 – Absent
District 64 – Yes
District 80 – Yes
District 81 – Yes
District 84 – Yes
District 84.5 – Yes
District 85.5 – Absent
District 86 – Absent
District 87 – Absent
District 88 – Absent
District 89 – Absent
District 214 – Yes
District 234 – Yes

District 299 – Absent

District 401 – Yes

Ms. Mulder introduced Ms. Allison Deitch as the Village of Downers Grove designee.

b. Response Letter from Mr. Michael P. Huerta, FAA Administrator, regarding 65DNL Noise Study

Ms. Mulder reported that on October 29, 2013 she sent a letter to FAA Administrator Michael Huerta urging the FAA to expedite the multi-year review of the 65 DNL noise metric.

Mr. Huerta responded that a national survey and analysis of the survey results may be completed by the FAA by December of 2015. The FAA has worked to create another roadmap to plan research noise impacts for the next eight to ten years. The development of any new policy would not take place until after the survey and other metrics were considered.

c. Establishment of 2014 Ad Nominating Committee

Ms. Mulder reported that Trustee Jo Ellen Ridder of Bensenville is the chairman of the 2014 Ad Hoc Nominating Committee. Any member interested in serving on the Ad Hoc Nominating Committee was asked to contact Ms. Camacho.

The ONCC officers will be elected at the annual meeting on March 7, 2014. Suggested nominations should be given to Trustee Ridder directly.

d. Statement on the Silent Skies Act

Ms. Mulder thanked U.S. Representatives Jan Schakowsky, Tammy Duckworth and Michael Quigley for introducing legislation to reduce noise pollution and improve the quality of life for those who live near airports.

The Silent Skies Act will require the FAA to issue regulations by the end of 2015 requiring all commercial airplane engines to meet Stage 4 noise standards that require significantly lower decibel levels.

e. 2014 Aviation Noise Symposium

Ms. Mulder reported that on February 23, 2014 Dr. Kuper, Ms. Camacho and she will be attending the UC Davis Aviation Noise and Air Quality Symposium. The four-day event will cover topics relating to NextGen, Noise Research, Sound Insulation, Noise Health Risks and Performance-Based Navigation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ONCC Technical Committee Report – Joseph Annunzio, Chairman

Mr. Annunzio reported that the Technical Committee met on November 12, 2013. The committee continues to monitor the Itasca long-term portable monitor. A second long-term portable noise monitor has been deployed in the 39th Ward of Chicago at North Park Village. The data is to be shared at the Technical Committee Meeting.

The Committee reviewed the 3rd quarter Fly Quiet Report. Later that month they met with the aviation department and O'Hare Air Traffic Control to discuss Fly Quiet preferential flight deviation findings for the 3rd quarter. For the month of August, there were 14 non-weather related deviations and 7 deviations in October 2013. The committee was told that O'Hare air traffic controllers focus on safety. While TRACON in Elgin decides the arrivals, the O'Hare Air Traffic Control Tower continues to remind controllers assigned to the transitioning night-to-day shifts about the Fly Quiet runway preferences.

The Committee also discussed concerns about the low usage of the Ground Run-up Enclosure and the additional noise impacts surrounding the neighboring communities. Ms. Camacho and Mr. Frame met with United Airlines representatives in November to discuss the airline's GRE usage. CDA agreed to provide weekly data to United regarding their GRE usage. The ONCC will continue to work with the airlines regarding this issue.

The next Technical Committee meeting will be held on March 11, 2014. at the Mount Prospect Village Hall.

Residential Sound Insulation Committee Report – Ms. Judith Dunne Bernardi, Vice Chairman

Ms. Bernardi reported for Phase 16, contracts for Bid Packages 4 and 5, totaled 374 homes. Due to the severe weather, construction was delayed. Construction on the two contracts is scheduled to be completed the first quarter of 2014. Contracts for bid packages 1, 2 and 3 were awarded for a total of 600 homes. Pre-construction meetings were held and contractor submittals are in progress. Field measurements will begin in approximately one month and construction will commence in the 2nd quarter of 2014. Bid Package 6 includes 22 regular homes and 4 historical homes, and will be advertised for bids in the 1st Quarter 2014. Construction is expected to be completed on all Phase 16 homes by the 4th Quarter 2014.

For Phase 17, staff is preparing the design for scope of work. The O'Hare Residential Sound Insulation Program will achieve a milestone in January 2014 by completing sound insulation on 10,000 homes.

The next Residential Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 19, at the Norridge Village Hall.

Ms. Mulder concluded that major cities do not offer sound insulation while the city of Chicago made a commitment to its residents. The last school is under construction for sound insulation.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – MS. JEANETTE CAMACHO

A. November and December 2013 Financial Statements

Ms. Camacho reported expenses totaled \$14,311.29 for the month of November 2013 totaled \$23,719.10 for December 2014. A motion was made by **Mr. Ryan** to approve the October 2013 expenses and seconded by **Trustee Ridder**. The motion passed by roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote

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B. Noise Complaint Hotline

Ms. Camacho reported that last November, Mayor Pulice of Wood Dale contacted ONCC regarding his residents' experiences using the Noise Complaint Hotline or 311 call center.

The CDA contacted the city of Chicago's 311 Call Center and a meeting will be scheduled to review responses.

Ms. Camacho informed ONCC members they may be experiencing resident queries regarding the Noise Complaint Hotline.

C. Next ONCC Meeting – March 7, 2014 – DePaul University O'Hare Campus, 8770 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, IL

Ms. Camacho reported the ONCC Annual meeting will be on March 7, 2014 at the DePaul University O'Hare Campus Center, 8770 West Bryn Mawr Avenue.

COMMENTS FROM ONCC MEMBERS

No comments were made.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ms. Cheryl Hanson, Wood Dale resident, said that there has been a dramatic increase in noise since the new runway has been put in place. She has been living in Bensenville and Wood Dale her entire life and is accustomed to living near the airport but the change has been dramatic. She said a resident put a sound monitor in his second floor balcony and he was recording decibel levels of 100. She indicated that being outdoors during the summer months will be very uncomfortable.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Ryan moved and **Trustee Ridder** seconded that the meeting adjourn. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.