



APPROVED MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 1, 2013

The meeting of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC) was held on Friday, November 1, 2013 at Rosewood Banquets in Rosemont, IL.

ONCC Chairperson Arlene J. Mulder called the meeting to order at 8:04 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
Ms. Amy Malick, Alternate, 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 Mark Walsten, Alternate, City of Des Plaines
Mayor Arlene Jeziorny, Member, Harwood Heights
Mr. Gary Salavitch, Alternate, Village of Hoffman Estates
Trustee Marty Hower, Alternate, Village of Itasca
Mr. David Myers, Alternate, Village of Maywood
Mr. Ralph Sorce, Alternate, Village of Melrose Park
Mr. Peter Falcone, Alternate, Village of Morton Grove
Ms. Irvana Wilks, Alternate, 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. Tim Millar, Alternate, Village of Palatine
Mr. Dennis Ryan, Designee, Village of River Grove
Mr. Eric Palm, Alternate, Village of River Forest
Mr. Zach Creer, Alternate, City of Rolling Meadows
Mr. Donald Storino Jr., Alternate, Village of Rosemont
Ms. June Johnson, Alternate, Village of Schaumburg
Mayor Barbara Piltaver, Member, Village of Schiller Park
Trustee Marco Paz, Alternate, Village of Stone Park
Chief Greg Vesta, Alternate, City of Wood Dale
Mr. Tony Rossi, Alternate, School District 59
Superintendent Philip Bender, Member, School District 64
Mr. Jeremy Dotson, Alternate, School District 81
Mr. John Barry, Alternate, School District 84 & 84½
Ms. Sherry Koerner, Alternate, School District 214
Ms. Cheryl Flinn, Alternate, School District 234
Ms. Lynn Crivello, Alternate, School District 299
Mr. Tomas Zelek, Alternate, School District 401

The following members were **ABSENT**:

Bartlett, Bellwood, Chicago 39th Ward, Cook County, Elmwood Park, Franklin Park, Oak Park, Park Ridge, School Districts 63, 80, 85 ½, 86, 87, 88 and 89.

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

The following ONCC, City of 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 and Fran Guziel, ONCC Consultant.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members, staff and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

WELCOME

Mayor Mulder welcomed the following attendees: Mr. Franco Tedeschi – American Airlines; Ms. Janie Morrison – Ill. Sen. Dan Kotowski; Ms. Mary Ann Levar – U.S. Congressman Mike Quigley; Robert Becker – U.S. Congressman Mike Quigley; Ms. Ann Limjoco – U.S. Congressman Jan Schakowsky; Mr. Omar Aquino – U.S. Congressman Tammy Duckworth; Ms. Amy Hanson – FAA; Mr. Tony Molinaro – FAA; Principal Barbara O'Ken – Farnsworth Elementary School and Mr. Chris Diaferio – Delta Airlines.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 4, 2013 MEETING

Mr. Ryan moved and **Trustee Ridder** seconded that the minutes of the October 4, 2013 ONCC meeting be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Aircraft Noise: the Before and After Success Story at Ridgewood High School – Report by S&V Solutions, Inc.

Mr. David A. Larson of S&V Solutions gave a brief presentation on aircraft noise and the before and after success story at Ridgewood High school. His PowerPoint presentation outlined construction used at the school.

He began with a brief explanation about the equipment that was used to gather noise data at Ridgewood High School. The equipment used captured a detailed description of noise and told what the amplitude in decibels as well as frequency and pitch sound were. He gave a demonstration using the microphone of how noise is traced. Two

microphones were used at Ridgewood--one outside on the roof of the auditorium and one inside right in the middle of the seating area. Data was taken for periods from a day up to a week.

After the school's auditorium renovation, aviation sound levels dropped significantly to 39 to 30 decibels from about 59 decibels. Background noise had also dropped slightly, from 35 to 25 decibels. Overall, reduced level of aircraft noise in the auditorium dropped by 20 additional decibels.

REPORT OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION – Ms. AMY MALICK, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION

A. September 2013 ANMS Report

Mr. Jeffrey Jackson reviewed the September 2013 Airport Noise Management System report that showed: Runway 22L was the most-used departure runway at 37%; Runway 28R was the most-used arrival runway at 21%. Complaint calls totaled 2,124 from 548 complainants. A total of 2,439 operations were reported in September 2013. Mr. Jackson said that of the 548 complainants, 143 complaints were made during the nighttime hours for September 2013.

Mayor Piltaver asked how noise complaints are gathered and whether they include the ones that are online. Mr. Jackson responded that there are two methods by which complaint data is gathered. One is a hotline number and the other is online service on the website. Mayor Piltaver stated that in September she was online almost every night and asked if she was counted as one person. Mr. Frame confirmed that she is counted as one person and that complaints are being tracked by address. Mayor Piltaver stated that she complained every night in September and they did not show in the report. Mr. Frame asked whether the system gave her a validation number and requested that the mayor email the information to him. He said CDA will search the database to verify that they received it.

Mr. Dotson asked if whether noise has increased over time from 2012 to 2013. Mr. Jackson replied that noise, in fact, has increased and referred to page five of the ANMS report. Mr. Dotson then clarified that he was referring to the actual complaints and Mr. Jackson referred to page two of the report that showed by month the complaints from 2012 through 2013.

B. Runway 10C/28C Commissioned on October 17, 2013

Mr. Frame expressed thanks from the Department of Aviation to the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission for their assistance in the past year with the outreach campaign. He said the runway has been in construction for the past six years. He said that the outreach campaign the executive committee suggested was very informative. Mr. Frame reported that more than 30 meetings were held this year and the outreach was also provided to seven communities.

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

A. Letter to Mr. Michael P. Huerta, FAA Administrator, Regarding 65DNL Noise Study

Ms. Mulder referenced a copy of a letter to FAA Administrator Michael Huerta included in meeting packets that urged the FAA to initiate the research roadmap to re-evaluate the standard metric system for aircraft noise annoyance. The chairman noted she attended three FAA workshops that began the process for the research. A summary of the three workshops was published in January 2011 but no action has been taken so far. Two Illinois Congressional leaders, Jan Schakowsky and Mike Quigley, also have requested that the FAA move forward with its research. She said she will update members when ONCC hears from the FAA.

B. 2014 ONCC Budget Approval

Ms. Bernardi reported the ONCC's Ad Hoc Budget Committee met on October 23rd via conference call. The Committee members spent time thoroughly reviewing each budget line item and the corresponding dollar figures. Before she presented the findings, she recognized the following Commission members for taking time from their busy schedules to participate in the budget review process for which she served as Chairperson: Mr. Dennis Ryan of River Grove; Mr. Kevin Barr of Schiller Park and Ms. Cathy Dunlap of Ward 41.

Included in the meeting packets was a copy of the 2014 budget that was also displayed on screen in front of ONCC committee members and audience. The Committee members discussed the budgeted amount of \$252,000 for fiscal year 2014, that will begin January 1st. That total is unchanged from the 2013 budget. Ms. Bernardi thanked the members of the Budget Committee for their participation, the City of Chicago for funding the Organization, and the fellow Commission members and staff for their support and hard work. Both the Budget Committee and the Executive Committee unanimously recommend approval of the 2014 Commission budget.

Mayor Sherwin moved and **Mr. Sorce** seconded a motion that the 2014 ONCC Budget be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Roll Call Vote

Arlington Heights – Yes	River Forest – Yes
Bartlett – Absent	River Grove – Yes
Bellwood – Absent	Rolling Meadows – Yes
Bensenville – Yes	Rosemont – Yes
Chicago – Yes	Schaumburg – Yes
Chicago, 36 th Ward – Yes	Schiller Park – Yes
Chicago, 38 th Ward – Yes	Stone Park – Yes
Chicago, 39 th Ward – Absent	Wood Dale – Yes
Chicago, 41 st Ward – Yes	District 59 – Yes
Chicago, 45 th Ward – Absent	District 63 – Absent
Cook County – Absent	District 64 – Yes
Des Plaines – Yes	District 80 – Absent
Elmwood Park – Absent	District 81 – Yes
Franklin Park – Absent	District 84 – Yes
Harwood Heights -Yes	District 84.5 – Yes
Hoffman Estates – Yes	District 85.5 – Absent
Itasca - Yes	District 86 – Absent
Maywood – Yes	District 87 – Absent
Melrose Park – Yes	District 88 – Absent
Morton Grove - Yes	District 89 – Absent
Mount Prospect – Yes	District 214 – Yes
Niles – Yes	District 234 – Yes
Norridge – Yes	
Northlake – Yes	District 299 – Yes
Oak Park – Absent	District 401 – Yes
Palatine – Absent	
Park Ridge – Absent	

C. 2014 ONCC Meeting Calendar/New Meeting Location

Ms. Mulder presented the official schedule for the 2014 ONCC general meetings at DePaul University O'Hare Campus. The calendar is condensed to six meetings per year. She noted that the first meeting of the year will be held on January 10th. Also, Ms. Camacho will remind everyone of the new meeting location and dates.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

School Sound Insulation Committee Report – Ms. Cheryl Flinn, School District 234

Ms. Flinn reported that the School Sound Insulation Committee met on Tuesday, October 22 at Ridgewood High School. The CDA reported that in addition to a \$375,000 FAA design grant for Ebinger Elementary School, it also provided \$93,750 from passenger facility charges. Representatives from the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Chicago Public Schools are finalizing the paperwork needed to begin sound insulation project.

Acoustic consultants S&V Solutions reported the Ridgewood High School post-construction results to the committee. CDA presented an updated school sound insulation fact sheet highlighting the 121 completed schools and the remaining three schools under construction or in design. Ms. Flinn then introduced Barbara Oken, the principal of Farnsworth School.

Principal of Farnsworth Elementary School—Ms. Barbara Oken

Ms. Oken gave a brief success story on the sound insulation program at Farnsworth Elementary school. She said that they are just about finished with the project. She gave thanks to the general contractor Blenderman for making it smooth and not disruptive. Prior to insulation, Ms. Oken said class was stopped until the plane passed by. She said overall, they were fortunate to receive sound insulation.

ONCC Technical Committee Report – Joseph Annunzio, Technical Committee Chairperson

Mr. Annunzio reported that the Technical Committee did not meet in October. They met with CDA and O'Hare Air Traffic Controllers to discuss Fly Quiet preferential flight deviations for the third quarter in late November. The last Technical Committee met on Tuesday, November 12 at 9 a.m. at Mount Prospect Village Hall, 50 S. Emerson, Mount Prospect.

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

Ms. Bernardi reported that homeowner briefings were held in late 2012 and in January of this year. Contracts for Bid Packages 4 and 5 were awarded for a total of 374 homes. Construction began on December 2, 2013. Packages 1, 2 and 3 were rebid with bids that opened on October 10th and went under review by the City’s procurement department.

Bid Package 6 includes 23 regular homes and 2 historical homes, and will be advertised for bids in the 1st quarter of 2014. Construction will be complete on all Phase 16 homes by the 4th quarter of 2014.

The City is preparing for the Phase 17 design phases.

The next Residential Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, January 14, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. in the Norridge Village Hall, 4000 N. Olcott Avenue.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – MS. JEANETTE CAMACHO

A. October 2013 Financial Statement

Ms. Camacho reported expenses totaled \$ 14,890.16 for the month of October 2013. 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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Park Ridge – Absent	

Ms. Camacho reported that last November the FAA, CDA and ONCC began a year long outreach program for federal, state and local elected officials and communities impacted by the opening of Runway 10C/28C. ONCC members were invited throughout the year. Hundreds of residents attended and the purpose was to inform the residents about the new runway in advance. Now that the runway is open, the outreach sessions have ended. Ms. Camacho thanked the FAA and Chicago Department of Aviation for the many hours spent at the events throughout the year.

B. Airport Mitigation Symposium – October 6-8, 2013

Ms. Camacho reported that on October 6, 2013 Aaron Frame, Jeffrey Jackson and she attended the Airport Noise Mitigation Symposium in Reno, Nevada. The one issue that they heard throughout the conference was that airports had to be compliant with the FAA’s Program Guidance Letter (PGL) for sound insulation. The PGL is not applicable to sound insulation currently being performed for the OMP. If there were ever a separate future project outside of the OMP that would create a noise impact, any mitigation for that project would have to be PGL compliant.

C. Next ONCC Meeting – January 10, 2014 – DePaul University O’Hare Campus, 8770 W. Bryn Mawr Avenue, Chicago, IL

Ms. Camacho reported the next ONCC meeting will be held at the DePaul University O’Hare Campus Center on January 10, 2014. The center is located at 8770 West Bryn Mawr Avenue.

D. 2014 ONCC Meeting Dates and New Location

Ms. Camacho reminded everyone that ONCC will have a new venue for 2014 meetings. The DePaul University O'Hare Campus is a state-of-the-art meeting facility.

COMMENTS FROM ONCC MEMBERS

Mayor Jezierny said that it's wonderful to know that Ridgewood High School has been sound insulated and many children will benefit from sound insulation. She noted that Harwood Heights is directly across the street from Ridgewood High School and while she acknowledges that the measurements taken from a school versus homes are different, everyone hears the same noise.

She mentioned that the Village of Harwood Heights has received numerous complaint calls regarding aircraft noise. She also mentioned that some residents have complained about the 1-800 Noise Hotline. The hotline is the direct City of Chicago's 311 Center and residents are having a hard time getting through and are frustrated by the response from some of the 311 handlers.

Mayor Jerzierny stated that the 65DNL needs to be revisited and modified to accommodate more homes for sound insulation. She also mentioned that the residential sound insulation program should be spread out to make it available to more resident.

Ms. Mulder reiterated that ONCC has sent the FAA a letter requesting the status of the 65DNL noise study.

Mayor Piltaver stated that since the opening of Runway 10C/28C the aircraft noise over the Village of Schiller Park has been intolerable. She said that she is sometimes working in her basement and hears the roar of the aircrafts. She said that the statement of the OMP to reduce delays and increase capacity seems unfair since it's at the expense of the quality of life for the surrounding communities.

Mayor Piltaver said that runway utilization should be spread out evenly throughout all the runways.

Ms. Mulder reminded everyone that the ONCC was created to have all communities come to the table and look at ways to reduce the impacts of aircraft noise. The ONCC asked the FAA to re-visit the validity of the 65DNL. The FAA is currently undergoing a study of the 65DNL and hope to hear from them soon on their progress. The ONCC also works with the airlines to encourage them to upgrade their fleet which include quieter

engines.

Ms. Mulder said that the ONCC will continue to work corroboratively with the surrounding communities, FAA and airline partners to reduce the impacts of aircraft noise.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ms. Calvaresi, Norridge resident, said that noise is high during the times of 4 a.m. until late at night. She lives in an 80-unit complex that is primarily inhabited by senior citizens who are having trouble sleeping.

Ms. Del Geudice, Schiller Park resident, said she heard about sound proofing years ago from a gentleman in Bensenville. He handed her a book named "150 Study." She calls to complain but thinks there should be a direct line to talk to someone because it takes too long to talk to an operator. There is noise between 6 a.m. and 2 p.m. and she is fighting for sound insulation for her home. She asked what happened to the monitors in Schiller Park.

Mr. Gebela, Norridge resident, said it is too noisy and is asking for soundproof windows and doors of his home.

Mr. Kuhns, Downers Grove resident, complained about noise over Downers Grove and asked what can be done about it.

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.