



APPROVED MEETING MINUTES MAY 7, 2010

The meeting of the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC) was held on Friday, May 7, 2010, at Rosewood Banquets in Rosemont, IL.

Commission Chairperson Mayor Arlene J. Mulder called the meeting to order at 8:05 A.M. ONCC staff took the meeting minutes.

The following members were **PRESENT**:

Mayor Arlene J. Mulder, Member, Village of Arlington Heights
Clerk JoEllen Ridder, Alternate, Village of Bensenville
First Deputy Commissioner Michael Boland, Chicago Department of Aviation
Chief Operating Officer Christopher Arman, Designee, Chicago Department of Aviation
Mr. Frank A. Damato, Designee, Cook County
Mr. William Esposito, Alternate, Village of Franklin Park
Mayor Arlene Jezierny, Member, Village of Harwood Heights
Mayor Jeffrey Pryun, Member, Village of Itasca
Trustee Larry Hower, Alternate, Village of Itasca
Ms. Lori Sommers, Alternate, Village of Maywood
Mr. Ralph Sorce, Alternate, Village of Melrose Park
Mr. David Strahl, Alternate, Village of Mount Prospect
Clerk Judith Dunne Bernardi, Designee, Village of Norridge
Alderman Paul Straube, Alternate, City of Northlake
Ms. Rita Mullins, Alternate, Village of Palatine
Mayor David Schmidt, Member, City of Park Ridge
Mr. Barry Krumstok, Alternate, City of Rolling Meadows
Mr. Brian Baugh, Alternate, Village of Rosemont
Ms. June Johnson, Alternate, Village of Schaumburg
Mr. Kevin Barr, Alternate, Village of Schiller Park
Mayor Kenneth Johnson, Member, City of Wood Dale
Mr. Tony Rossi, Alternate, School District 59
Mr. Dan Barrie, Alternate, School District 63
Mr. Roy Jensen, Alternate, School District 64
Mr. Kerry Leiby, Alternate, School District 80
Mr. John Barry, Alternate, School District 84 and 84 ½
Dr. Raymond J. Kuper, Member, School District 86
Superintendent Eva Smith, Member, School District 87
Ms. Debra Parenti, Alternate, School District 214
Superintendent Dr. Robert Lupo, Member, School District 234
Ms. Lynn Crivello, Alternate, School District 299
Superintendent Douglas Rudig, Member, School District 401

The following members were **ABSENT**:

Bartlett, Bellwood, Des Plaines, Elmwood Park, Niles, Oak Park, River Forest, River Grove, Stone Park, School Districts 81, 85 ½, 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, Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA), and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) staff were present:

Brendan McLaughlin – ONCC; Jeanette Camacho – ONCC; Amy Hanson – FAA; Ted Woosley – Landrum & Brown; Arlene Williams – Chicago Airports Resource Enterprise (CARE); Jeffrey Jackson – Landrum & Brown; Aaron Frame – CDA; Maria Gutierrez – CDA.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members and staff said the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 12, 2009, MEETING

Clerk Bernardi moved and **Mr. Krumstok** seconded that the minutes of the March 12, 2010 ONCC meeting be approved. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

WELCOMES

Mayor Mulder recognized the following individuals who were present at the meeting: Bill Hood – American Airlines; Janie Morrison – State Senator Dan Kotowski; Kitty Weiner – Congressman Peter Roskam; Mary Ann Levar – Congressman Mike Quigley; Chris Diaferio – Delta Airlines; and Captain John Burton – American Airlines.

REPORT OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION – CHRIS ARMAN, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER, FOR COMMISSIONER ROSEMARIE S. ANDOLINO

A. February/March 2010 Airport Noise Management System (ANMS) Reports

Mr. Jackson reviewed the ANMS Reports for the months of February and March 2010.

The February 2010 ANMS Report showed that the most-used departure runway was 32L at 47% and the most-used arrival Runway was 28 at 3%. Complaint calls totaled 968 calls from 315 callers. There were a total of 2,045 operations for February 2010.

The March 2010 ANMS Report showed that the most used departure runway was 32L at 33% and the most used arrival Runway was 10 at 35%. Complaint call totaled 1,222 calls from 314 callers. There were a total of 2,083 operations for March 2010.

Mayor Johnson noted that monitor #29 in Wood Dale had an unusually high noise reading.

Mr. Jackson explained that noise monitor #29 was commissioned a couple of years ago to capture the operations on the south runways, in particular, arrivals on Runway 10 and departures on Runway 28. He noted that there were an unusual amount of arrivals on Runway 10 for March 2010.

Mayor Johnson asked if it was a blending of the number of flights or was it due to the noise level rising.

Mr. Jackson said that there might be noise events that are louder, especially during the nighttime hours for which a 10 decibel penalty is assessed.

Mayor Pryun asked when the March 2010 long-term portable noise data would be available.

Mr. Jackson said that, typically, that information is shared at the ONCC Technical Committee meetings.

B. O'Hare Modernization Program (OMP) Update

First Deputy Commissioner Michael Boland gave a presentation on the progress of the O'Hare Modernization Program (OMP), including the completed phases.

Completed OMP phases include:

- Runway 9L/27R – completed on November 20, 2008
- North Airport Traffic Control Tower – completed in November 2008
- Runway 10L/28R – completed September 25, 2008

Construction in 2010 includes:

- Construction of Runway 10C/28C
- Construction of replacement cargo facilities
- Relocation of rail line and cemetery

Future construction phases include:

- New Runway 9C/27C
- Runway 9R/27L extension
- Western terminal planning study

- South airport traffic control tower
- New Runway 10R/28L

Commissioner Boland explained that the OMP completion phase funding includes:

- February 2009 – FAA approved \$182 million Passenger Facility Charge application for design of runway projects
- March 2010 - \$700 million PFC application process was initiated for construction of runway projects
- April 2010 – U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provided \$410 million letter of intent for runway projects

Mayor Schmidt asked if the federal dollars will allow the construction of the two new runways.

Commissioner Boland replied that the funding will cover the two runways and an extension to an existing runway

Mayor Schmidt asked if that would complete the OMP.

Commissioner Boland said that it would complete the OMP.

Mayor Schmidt asked about the construction timeline for Runway 9C.

Commissioner Boland said that the plan is to have it completed by 2014.

Mayor Johnson asked for more specific information of the relocation of Irving Park Road.

Commissioner Boland said that the package for relocation of Irving Park Road will go out to bid in Summer 2010 and the City of Chicago will issue a construction notice to proceed sometime in August/September 2010, depending on the procurement process. In addition to relocating Irving Park Road south, the railroad will be relocated along- side Irving Park Road as will Crystal Creek. He said that construction will probably be ongoing for about two years. The impacts on Irving Park Road should be seen in about a year.

Mayor Schmidt asked if Runway 9C will be utilized during the nighttime hours.

Mr. Frame explained that OMP EIS is predicting arrivals from the east on Runway 9C at 22% usage during the daytime hours and 2.9% at night upon completion of the OMP.

Mr. Arman informed ONCC members of the shortening of Runway 14R/32L. Runway 14R/32L is now 9,685 feet in length; Runway 32L is permanently closed to arrivals; and Runway 10/28 is now the longest runway, at 13,000 feet.

Commissioner Boland called on Ms. Gretchen Meyer of the Chicago Department of Aviation,

to give a brief overview on the Awareness & Assistance Program at O'Hare International Airport.

Ms. Meyer said that the objective of the program is to work with the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities to develop a comprehensive set of initiatives to assist travelers with disabilities, whether seen or hidden, to ensure ease of travel at Chicago's airports.

The initiatives include:

- "Purple Airplane" symbol that has been created to designate travelers and families with special needs
- Development of training program, including a customized video, for airport front-line personnel
- Creation of updated Accessibility Guide with all disability initiatives and maps of airport terminals

Ms. Meyer informed members that additional information can be obtained at www.flychicago.com.

C. 2010 O'Hare Nighttime Construction Awareness Program

Ms. Gutierrez gave a brief presentation on the 2010 O'Hare Nighttime Construction Awareness Program.

The 2010 Nighttime Construction Awareness Program includes the following projects:

- Runway 10C/28C Construction – New runway, necessitating shortening of Runway 14R/32L
- Runway 22R ALS Replacement – Approach Lighting System Replacement
- Runway 10/28 RWSL Installation – Runway Status Light Installation
- Runway 9R/27L Rehabilitation – Surface pavement removal and replacement
- Runway 22R Glide Slope Replacement – Ground-based navigational equipment replacement

Mayor Schmidt expressed his concerns about construction impacts during the September-October 2010 timeframe.

Ms. Gutierrez replied that the plan is not to use Runway 27R for arrivals during that timeframe.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON – ONCC Chairperson Mayor Arlene J. Mulder, Village of Arlington Heights

A. FAA Site Visits to Carpenter Elementary School, Elk Grove High School and Ridgewood High School

Mayor Mulder thanked the many people who worked on behalf of ONCC in its efforts to have the FAA re-visit the funding eligibility for Elk Grove High School, Ridgewood High School and Carpenter Elementary School. These three schools were recognized years ago by ONCC as being eligible under the O'Hare School Sound Insulation Program.

B. Recap FAA PARTNER Advisory Board Meeting – March 23-25, 2010

Mayor Mulder reported that she attended the Partnership for Air Transportation Noise and Emissions Reduction (PARTNER) Conference on March 23 - 25, 2010 in Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

PARTNER is a leading aviation research organization made up of 10 collaborating universities and headquartered at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mayor Mulder serves on their Advisory Board and represents local municipalities and how noise impacts residents. PARTNER is working with the FAA on their Roadmap Project which seeks to re-visit the 65 DNL and to determine what noise standard or standards should guide aviation policy in the future. She mentioned that this is an issue that the ONCC put forward over a year ago.

She said that the conference was highly productive and it is obvious that the FAA is serious in its re-evaluation of the 65 DNL. The thoroughness of the review and the reliance on scientific data to determine the impacts of noise is impressive.

Mayor Schmidt asked if there are meeting minutes that can be provided from the PARTNER meetings.

Mayor Mulder explained that the participants signed a confidentiality form and no information can be released until the study has been completed.

Mayor Schmidt asked about the timeframe for the 65 DNL evaluation process.

Mayor Mulder replied that the process is expected to take about 5 years and it is coming to the end of the first year.

Mr. Arman stated that the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was no surprise to anyone. He noted that there was a process and everyone had an opportunity to give their input during the EIS process.

C. Recognition for Mr. Christopher P. Arman, Chief Operating Officer, Department of Aviation

Mayor Mulder informed members that it was with sadness that she acknowledged that Mr. Chris Arman, Chief Operating Officer for the Chicago Department of Aviation, will be relocating and will no longer work for the Chicago Department of Aviation.

Mr. Arman has taken a job with the Abu Dhabi Airports company. Mayor Mulder commended him for all his achievements at the Chicago Department of Aviation and wished him well in the future

Mr. Arman thanked the ONCC for all their support throughout the years. He said that it is an opportunity that he must take advantage of and he will miss everyone that he has worked with for so many years.

Technical Committee Report – Ms. Rita Mullins, Chairperson ONCC Technical Committee

Ms. Mullins reported that the Technical Committee met on April 27, 2010.

The Chicago Department of Aviation Assistant Commissioner Aaron Frame presented a revised document entitled “O’Hare Permanent Noise Monitoring Program” that highlights the history of noise monitoring activity at O’Hare International Airport.

The Technical Committee had approved the document. A copy was provided in the meeting packets. The document provides a chronology of how the location and number of monitors has evolved over time. It also includes a history of DNL averages for the years 1996 through 2009 by community.

The Committee reviewed a Draft Report on the Criteria for Commissioning a New Monitor, Relocating a Monitor or Decommissioning a Monitor. The Committee had some edits and will finalize the document at the next ONCC Technical Committee Meeting.

The Committee received answers to some questions from a prior meeting. Chicago Department of Aviation staff put together a chart that shows a sample day usage of runways by hour for both arrivals and departures. Also, the Committee received a memo indicating that MD-80 usage at O’Hare is down 40% from December 2007 and down nearly 70% during the overnight hours.

The Committee also discussed the need to move toward implementation of the 18-step

process to formalize preferred flight paths into the individual aeronautical charts included in the Jeppesen Manual. It is expected that this would have significant and positive impacts on noise abatement.

The next ONCC Technical Committee Meeting will be held in the Mount Prospect Village Hall on May 25, 2010.

**School Sound Insulation Committee Report – Dr. Raymond J. Kuper, Chairperson
ONCC School Sound Insulation Committee**

Dr. Kuper reported that the School Sound Insulation Committee received a positive response from the Federal Aviation Administration Acting Associate Administrator of Airports Catherine Lang when she toured the three schools that we have been advocating for reinstatement to the sound insulation program. The FAA has agreed to re-test the schools and, pending positive results, will fund sound insulation for the three schools. The schools will have to meet the 45 Leq standards.

Dr. Kuper thanked Mayor Mulder and Congresswoman Jan Schakowsky who joined the ONCC both in Washington and on our tour of the schools. He also recognized the additional support received from Congressman Peter Roskam and his staff, and Senator Richard Durbin and his staff.

Dr. Kuper also thanked US Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood and FAA Director Randy Babbitt who recognized the unique circumstances of these three schools.

Dr. Kuper reported that on the schools currently in the design or construction process:

- Washington Elementary in Park Ridge is in Phase 2 of Construction. All funding is in place and construction will be completed this summer.
- Roosevelt Elementary in Park Ridge opened bids on March 15. Construction funds were approved by the FAA in late April. District 64 expects to be able to have all the work completed this summer.
- Hitch Elementary School in Chicago is still under construction. The remaining portions are scheduled for completion this year.
- Farnsworth Elementary School is in the design stage and has not received a construction grant from the FAA at this time.

The next ONCC School Sound Insulation Committee Meeting will be held on May 25, 2010, at School District 214 at 1 p.m.

**Residential Sound Insulation Committee Report – Mr. Frank A. Damato,
Chairperson
ONCC Residential Sound Insulation Committee**

Mr. Damato reported that 1,000 dwelling units have been enrolled to date, and home inventories are complete on all of these units. Notices to Proceed have been issued on all 4 contracts. Construction will begin in May 2010.

The homeowner briefings have been held for the Chicago single-family homes. Briefings for the Park Ridge homes and the Chicago multi-family homes will be scheduled in the near future. Home inventories will commence immediately after the briefings. A total of 534 homes are enrolled and 237 home inventories are complete.

The next Residential Committee Meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, at the Norridge Village Hall at 9:30 A.M.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – Mr. Brendan McLaughlin

A. March/April 2010 Financial Statements

Mr. McLaughlin reported on expenses which totaled \$ **37,917.27** for the months of March and April 2010.

A motion was made by **Mr. Krumstok** to approve the March/April 2010 expenses and was seconded by **Mayor Johnson**. The motion passed by roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote

Arlington Heights – Yes
Bartlett – Absent
Bellwood – Absent
 Bensenville - Yes
Chicago – Yes
Cook County – Yes
Des Plaines – Absent
Elmwood Park – Absent
Franklin Park – Yes
Harwood Heights - Yes
Hoffman Estates – Absent
Itasca - Yes
Maywood – Yes
Melrose Park – Yes
Mount Prospect – Yes
Niles – Absent

Rolling Meadows – Yes
Rosemont – Yes
Schaumburg – Yes
Schiller Park –Yes
Stone Park – Absent
Wood Dale – Yes
District 59 – Yes
District 63 – Yes
District 64 – Yes
District 80 – Yes
District 81 – Absent
District 84 – Yes
District 84.5 – Yes
District 85.5 – Absent
District 86 – Yes
District 87 – Yes

Norridge – Yes
Northlake – Yes
Oak Park – Absent
Palatine – Yes
Park Ridge – Yes
River Forest – Absent
River Grove – Absent

District 88 – Absent
District 89 – Absent
District 214 – Yes
District 234 – Yes
District 299 – Yes
District 401 – Yes

B. ONCC Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Status

Mr. McLaughlin informed members that the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) is being revised to reflect current language. He reminded members that the existing IGA it is set to expire on December 31, 2010. The Executive Committee is reviewing edits to a standard Intergovernmental Agreement and expects to present it at the June ONCC meeting. He said that members can expect an updated copy this fall so that they can present the revised IGA to their village and school boards for approval.

C. Next O’Hare Noise Compatibility Commission Meeting – June 4, 2010

Mr. McLaughlin noted that the next ONCC meeting will be held on Friday, June 4, 2010.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Donovan, a Park Ridge resident and also a pilot, said that there is no such thing as a Fly Quiet Program. He said that pilots take direction from Air Traffic controllers who give the headings.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Mullins moved and **Mr. Krumstok** seconded that the meeting adjourn. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M.