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MINUTES

O'HARE AIRPORT COMMISSION

CITY HALL 2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016 AT 7:00PM

Mission Statement

To develop and recommend appropriate solutions enabling Park Ridge city officials to take decisive action to reduce noise and environmental impacts from operations at Chicago O'Hare International Airport, while protecting the health and safety of area residents, educating the community, positively impacting and protecting property, sense of community, and quality of life.

Chairman Argionis called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

I. Roll Call

On roll call, the following indicated their presence: Commissioners Ackeret, Argionis, Dabisch, Heskin, Klaus, Mills and Rapp. Administrative Specialist Brigid Madden was also present along with members of the Wood Dale O'Hare Noise Committee - Aldermen Peter Jakab and Randy Messina and Jay Babowice, Cheryl Hansen and Dawne Morong.

II. Approval of Minutes

A. January 20, 2016

Moved by Commissioner Mills. Seconded by Commissioner Rapp.
Motion carried by voice vote.

III. Aldermen Who Wish to be Heard on a Non-Agenda Item

Chairman Argionis welcomed the visiting Aldermen, Peter Jakab and Randy Messina, from Wood Dale and members of their O'Hare Noise Committee. The Aldermen provided background on their City's Committee. Chairman Argionis explained the work done by Park Ridge's O'Hare Airport Commission. Commissioner from both Park Ridge and Wood Dale discussed health issues and environmental impacts.

IV. Citizens Who Wish to be Heard on a Non-Agenda Item

None.

V. ONCC - Fly Quiet Meeting on March 11th

Chairman Argionis explained that the Mayor and Commissioner Rapp attended the meeting. There was discussion about whether a majority or super-majority was needed to approve the Fly Quiet rotation. An Ad Hoc meeting was scheduled prior to the General Meeting in order to correct a deficiency from a previous meeting. Commissioner Rapp explained that an item was voted on without being on the agenda. The three criteria for the Fly Quiet rotations were voted on in three separate roll

calls, requiring a super-majority to pass, and all motions failed. The meeting will be reviewed by the Illinois Attorney General's Office.

Commissioner Rapp explained that FAiR is not against the overnight rotation, but would like additional runways included. The Mayor was advised to vote against the rotation because it would adversely impact Park Ridge.

Commissioner Rapp described the Fly Quiet Rotation as a distraction, as the push is to demolish runway 32R 14L in April. Once this runway is broken up, construction can begin on the sixth parallel runway, which will adversely impact Park Ridge.

VI. Chicago Alderman Napolitano's Ordinance - March 10th Aviation Committee Hearing

Chairman Argionis explained that Alderman Napolitano's Ordinance was voted down ten to one at its hearing before the Aviation Committee. Commissioner Rapp stated that he was present and testified. He explained that the hearing was heavily weighted for the City of Chicago. Chairman Argionis explained that the Ordinance was determined to be illegal, but instead of developing a legal plan to mitigate airport noise, it was just voted down.

VII. Discussion of Potential Park Ridge Noise Ordinance

Chairman Argionis explained that a resident proposed that the City introduce a noise ordinance which would allow the City to fine airlines in violation. He provided background on the Commission's work with Steven Taber, who presented legal options to the City Council in 2010 regarding noise and air quality issues created by the expansion of O'Hare International Airport. Commissioner Heskin reached out to Mr. Taber to revisit the issue, which he explained as an uphill battle for the City. Local municipalities do not have jurisdiction over the airspace. Mr. Taber provided a memo regarding the Aviation Innovation, Reform and Reauthorization Act of 2016.

The Commissioners discussed how this type of Ordinance would best serve the City as a leveraging tool, creating bad PR for the airport and airlines.

VIII. Standing Reports

- A.** Communication: Commissioner Klunzinger prepared an article for the 2nd quarter Spokesman. It is currently available online and will be delivered to residents by April 1st.
- B.** In the News: Commissioner Mills distributed a report. It is available on the City's website.
- C.** Health/Safety Issues: Commissioner Ackeret distributed a report, which is also available on the City's website. The Commissioners discussed working with local universities to conduct studies.
- D.** City Council Updates: Chairman Argionis explained that he continues to keep the Mayor and Alderman Mazzuca up-to-date.
- E.** Data: Commissioner Dabisch is continuing to work with the information gathered from the public forum in Elk Grove Village. Chairman Argionis suggested he contact FAiR for assistance with compiling relevant data. Visuals are helpful when providing information to residents. Alderman Messina will provide the Commission with IMB Analytics software to assist with data collection.
- F.** FAiR Update: No additional report.
- G.** Legislative Update: No Report.

IX. Maine South Air Quality Monitor

Chairman Argionis stated that the Commission has not received a final report yet. City Manager Hamilton recently reached out to the Illinois EPA for an update.

X. Residential Sound Insulation Eligibility List

358 homes in Park Ridge qualify for sound insulation based on the Phase 17 list. Of that, 239 homeowners have signed up. The Building Department is working to reach out to the remaining 119 homeowners. City Manager Hamilton will be meeting with a member of the ONCC in the coming weeks to receive an updated list. Phase 18 will add between 50 and 100 homes to this list. Jon Branham, City Planner, has been attending the sound insulation meetings, while the Building Official position was vacant.

XI. Spokesman Articles to Keep Residents Informed

Chairman Argionis stated that the Commission will continue to utilize the Spokesman to keep residents up-to-date.

XII. Enhancements to Park Ridge Airport Issues Page

Brigid Madden will be working on updates to the Airport Issues page of the City's website. She explained that the project will include better organizing information on the page, creating links to standing reports and creating a link on the homepage directly to the Airport Issues page.

XIII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.