

**CHICAGO EXECUTIVE AIRPORT
AIRPORT NOISE COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018
1020 S. PLANT ROAD
WHEELING, IL 60090
6:00 PM**

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Committee Chair Jamie Abbott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call confirmed the following present: Ray Lang, Rob Mark, Steve Neff, and Richard Rogers.

Absent: Larry Rosenthal

Also in Attendance: Jamie Abbott – Executive Director
 Jennifer Pfeifer - Recording Secretary

II. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the December 6, 2017 Noise Committee minutes was made by Ray Lang and seconded by Richard Rogers. The motion was approved by a voice vote. Ayes: Ray Lang, Rob Mark, Steve Neff and Richard Rogers. Absent: Larry Rosenthal

III. Committee Chair Report

Jamie Abbott spoke on the following topics:

- NEM Update – Had a conference call with the FAA. Mead & Hunt has submitted their comments and they are working on a final report that they both agree on. The FAA had adjustments to the public hearing comments section of the report. The goal is to have a resolution on the final report for the March Board of Directors meeting. A representative from Mead & Hunt will attend the meeting to answer any questions.
- Updates on Noise Compatibility Program – Sound attenuation program is in the TIPS and Budget. Working on draft RFQ to hire a project manager. Will be finalized within the next week or two.

Ray Lang asked about the types of companies that would do this work and where they are from. Jamie explained, very specialized and not many companies do this type of work. The consultant will probably be from out of town and would hire local people to work on the project. An environmental study might be necessary for historic structures built more than 50 years ago. He summarized the different categories of environmental assessments.

Rob Mark asked when the RFQ will go out? It will go out as soon as the scope of the work is complete. That could happen within the next few weeks and a consultant selected in the spring.

- Noise Committee rules and procedures were approved by the Board of Directors and at the next Noise Committee meeting in June this will be on the agenda for ratification into the committee bylaws. There was discussion about what happens if the committee does not accept the rules.

IV. Committee Member Comments

- Steve Neff spoke about the control tower directing traffic and noise towards different areas of the communities, Wheeling residents have inbound and outbound traffic (double impact). Rob Mark gave information about why aircraft depart in a certain direction and how the tower works. He also spoke about the land use measures in the Part 150 Noise Compatibility Program, sound attenuation and purchase avigation easements. There was discussion about what avigation easement meant. He spoke about landing fees. There was discussion about the business decision to have landing fees or not and that there are other impacts. He asked where Director Kearns obtains the operations statistics that he quotes at the Board of Directors meeting. This data is public record on a FAA website. There was discussion about sound attenuation being on the TIPS sheet and the matching dollars. He asked why there was no representation on the committee from Prospect Heights and there should be a search for a new committee member. He spoke about noise monitors and there was discussion on the topic and why they will not be used.
- Rob Mark had no comments.
- Ray Lang spoke about the Noise Committee Rules and Procedures. He would like the committee to have a certain number of members from each community; elected officials and residents and it should be specified. He has issues with the term limits in the new rules and procedures because it is difficult to find people to serve on a committee.
- Richard Rogers would like to see the noise contour extended to include more of Mt. Prospect. He spoke about a resident who claims there is residue on her roof from airplane pollution.

V. Public Comments

Phil Mader said his house is barely in the noise contour of the NEM Update and he questions the results. He said he would like to see the airport try to be quieter. He spoke about wanting to enjoy his deck, asked Ray Lang to talk to Rob Mark about ideas, new windows being 3-5 years in the future and the new light pole at the viewing area. Rob Mark spoke about meeting with the tower manager and said that pilots do not tell the controllers, the controllers direct the pilots. He agreed that the aircraft noise should be more balanced between Prospect Heights and Wheeling. Jamie will have a meeting with the tower manager.

VI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Steve Neff and seconded by Richard Rogers to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote. Ayes: Ray Lang, Rob Mark, Steve Neff and Richard Rogers. Absent: Larry Rosenthal. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Pfeifer
Executive Secretary