



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Airport Commission - Noise Abatement Subcommittee

Monday, April 24, 2017

5:30 PM

Robert B. Skuldt Conference Room at the Airport

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A. Call To Order

Chair Rusk called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Airport Staff in attendance: Livingston; Stephens; Wright

Technical Advisory Group Members in attendance: Lawrence Darling, FAA-MSN
ATCT Manager; Troy Bittner, WI Army National Guard; Maj. Mike Dunlap, 115 FW;
Col. Stephen Kensick, 115 FW

Members of the Public: Mike Wisniewski; Doug Ayers; Jerry Paulsen; Blair
McMillan; Rossi Ivanova; Susan Nelson; Melanie Foxcroft; Tim Wong

Present 4 - Supervisor DENNIS O'LOUGHLIN, Chair PAUL RUSK, WILLIAM HAIGHT, and
WILLIAM F. WHITE

B. Introductions

Chair Rusk introduced subcommittee members, staff, and the Technical Advisory
Group, and asked the other attendees to introduce themselves.

C. Review and Consideration of Oct. 24, 2016 Noise Abatement Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

[2016](#) NOISE ABATEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES OCTOBER 24, 2016
[MIN-359](#)

Attachments: [2016 MIN-359](#)

A motion was made by RUSK, seconded by O'LOUGHLIN, that the Minutes from
the October 24, 2016 meeting be reviewed and approved. The motion carried by a
voice vote.

D. Review of Noise Abatement Procedures

Noise Abatement Officer, Wright presented a review of noise abatement procedures. He explained the decline in General Aviation Operations on a local and national level. Mr. Ayers requested flight path information. Mr. Wright replied that he would meet with Mrs. Ayers after the meeting to discuss providing the information to Mr. Ayers.

E. Review of Noise Complaint Activity

[2017](#) REVIEW OF NOISE COMPLAINT ACTIVITY APRIL 2017
[PRES-009](#)

Attachments: [2017 PRES-009](#)

Wright presented a power point report of the complaint activity. There was a focus on one particular homeowner who logged 272 complaints since the October, 2016 subcommittee meeting. O'Loughlin expressed contacting that particular homeowner on a personal level to explain the noise issue at the airport. Wright did acknowledge that he had contacted that homeowner and that the homeowner only wanted to raise the complaint and no other action on his part was required. O'Loughlin asked if we can log the numerous complaints of homeowners, as one, since the multiple complaints by one homeowner can skew the data. Wright agreed, for the next Noise Abatement Subcommittee meeting in October, to present both data sets with and without the complaint outlier.

F. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

This agenda item prompted discussion of noise audit results and noise related concerns and questions from the audience. (see agenda item G. and H.)

G. Review of Noise Audit Results

See Item H.

H. Discussion of Noise Related Concerns and Audience Questions

Ms. Foxcroft inquired as to whether, or not the airport has made adjustments to air traffic patterns. Wright explained noise related flight flows and departure routes. Questions by Mr. Ayers, Ms. Nelson, Ms. Foxcroft, and Mr. Wisniewski were all related to noise contours, departure routes, and flight paths. Mr. Darling explained the departure corridors used by all aircraft due to aviation safety. He further explained that the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) has determined that the traffic configurations currently in place, reduce any potential for mid-air collisions. This recent FAA/Tower change, made for air traffic safety purposes, has been noticed by neighbors in the Cherokee area. Although the noise complaints cannot be determined whether they are from departures or arrivals, both Chair Rusk and Airport Director, Livingston requested that the noise form add and "arrival/departure" response to be included to better determine the complaint. Col. Kensick discussed meeting with the FAA regarding flight paths and safety, pertaining to the questions raised on flight patterns.

There was a question regarding the possibility of the F-35's coming to Truax Field. The Air National Guard representative explained the probable evaluation process. There will be an environmental analysis that includes noise impacts before any decisions are made by the federal government.

I. Old Business

Wright commented on the additional Runway Usage data added on the Noise Abatement Subcommittee Presentation that had been requested by a homeowner.

J. New Business

There will be follow-up to assure, that in the future, all homeowners who have filed a complaint by phone call or online, will be added to the Noise Abatement Subcommittee invitation list provided they submit contact information.

K. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn. by RUSK, seconded by O'LOUGHLIN. Motion carried by a voice-vote. Chair Rusk adjourned the meeting at 6:55pm.

Minutes respectfully Submitted by Director of Operations and Public Safety, Stephens, and Noise Abatement Officer, Wright, on behalf of Chair Rusk.

MS:LW:cjl

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