



# COUNTY OF YOLO

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## YOLO COUNTY AIRPORT

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## AVIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE WEST PLAINFIELD ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT

### CONCURRENT MEETING – UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, May 3, 2012  
TIME: 6:00 PM  
LOCATION: Lillard Hall, West Plainfield Fire Department  
24905 County Road 95, Yolo County Airport

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER –6:10pm

#### 2. INTRODUCTIONS

- Aviation Advisory Committee members present included Ray Ferrell and Andrew Dowling. Absent were Gary Pelfrey, Jason Russell, Jim Hechtl, William Ferrier and John Hancock. No Quorum;
- West Plainfield Advisory Committee members present included David Gilmer and Robyn Waxman. No Quorum;
- County staff in attendance included Wes Ervin;
- Supervisors Don Saylor and Duane Chamberlain, and Dotty Pritchard (Supervisor Rexroad's Deputy) were present at the meeting;

- Public members in attendance included:

Trent Meyer  
Paul and Carolyn Taneyhill  
Bill Shea  
John and Lydia Freeby  
Marlene Simon  
Charles & Sue Hjerpe  
Jerry and Karel Hedrick  
James and Sondra Douglas  
Marci Ray  
Gill Wright  
Howard Worthington  
Brian Cross  
Michele Defty  
Warren G. Roberts  
Paul and Connie Littrell  
John Tyner  
Mike Hawkins  
Frank Hildebrand  
Jimmy Rollison  
Russ Tucker  
Mike and Brenda Duncan  
Ralph and Teresa Aldredge

Shelley and Dave Hind  
Kris Codino  
Lyle McCarny  
Wendelin E. Beoshanl  
Jonathan Defty  
Debra Craig  
Arvo W. Schoen  
Jackie Lundy  
Deanne Meyer  
John Rogers  
Wilbur Reil  
Frank Sieferman  
Cherie Rita  
Carol J. Smith  
Lyle Wilen  
Lara Reising  
Rich Nava  
Cherly Felsch  
Judith Eash-Grotjahn  
John and Stasia Tyner-Tikkanen  
Carolyn Pfanner

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Topics covered by 16 public speakers included:

- The West Plainfield Advisory Committee exists to ensure public input on airport matters. Its original format, membership, appointment process, powers, quorum

rules, Brown Act requirements and meeting process followed by the Advisory committees should be closely followed;

- The runway should be moved rather than cut so many trees;
- Why should the trees be cut given this is a non-precision approach airport?;
- The Airport budget should be more fully explained;
- The Airport is an asset, and some people buy property in the area because the Airport is there;
- Better signage is needed to stop unauthorized incursions onto the runway by vehicles, horses, etc.;
- Regarding future development and the presentation at the February 2, 2012 meeting seeking comments about the Airport Master Plan:
  - Flooding is a key concern which must be solved if the airport is to be developed any further. This includes making sure birds are not attracted to ponds at the Airport;
  - Water drains ultimately to Putah Creek, so any drainage solution should consider impacts to the creek and all points in between;
  - The West Plainfield Fire Station should not be moved;
  - The Airport should not be expanded because it will only generate more planes and noise;
  - Lack of infrastructure is an issue limiting further development, including electric power reliability, water use and drainage/detention;
  - CEQA will have to be followed for all future development;

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – taken as published

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM February 2, 2012 meeting

No quorum, approval of minutes held to next meeting;

6. AIRPORT INSPECTION BY CALTRANS

Wes Ervin passed out the letter received from Caltrans documenting their recent airport inspection. Three issues were noted. They included trees on surrounding properties needing to be cut, crops growing too close to the runway, and the need for improved lighting and reflectors on the runway and taxiways.

7. West Plainfield Advisory Committee Membership Update

Current membership of the Aviation Advisory Committee is 7. Current membership of the West Plainfield Advisory Committee is 2. Members are being sought for West Plainfield.

8. Airport Inspection Update – not discussed

9. Airport Watch Group -- not discussed

10. Report On Items Previously Discussed

A. Airport Capital Improvement Plan Update --\$450k

1) Tree Removal Phase 1 \$250k

Wes Ervin provided the schedule for tree removal, which includes finalizing the trees needing cutting in June, completing the bid and contracting process in July, and cutting in Mid-August or after;

2) Taxiway Reflectors And Lighting \$180k

Wes Ervin provided the schedule for lighting and retro-reflector work, which includes finalizing the engineering in June, completing the bid and contracting process in July, and doing the work at night in August or September;

B. Oil Drop Off -- not discussed

C. Compliance Issues – not discussed

D. Aircraft washing and spill prevention memo to tenants – not discussed

E. Updated facilities directory -- not discussed

11. Other Items

Wes Ervin reported that:

- The master plan presented in February is a preliminary conceptual plan based on the prior adopted master plan, and that no specific actions are anticipated any time soon;
- Yolo Aviation has asked the County to fill potholes in the hangar area,
- A new airport engineering/planning consultant will be selected in June, and
- The Airport Layout Plan was conditionally approved by FAA on March 13.

12. Next Meeting – Thursday August 2, 2012

13. Adjournment – 8:10 pm