## **Yolo County Airport Advisory Committee (ACC)**

## Minutes

# January 22, 2014

The Airport Advisory Committee (AAC) convened in a Joint Concurrent Meeting with the West Plainfield Advisory Committee on Airport Development (WPAC) at Lillard Hall, West Plainfield Fire Department at 24905 County Road 95, Yolo County Airport, Davis, CA. The following minutes are submitted for the Airport Advisory Committee.

The following members were in attendance from the AAC.

Present:

Gary Pelfrey, Ray Ferrell, Jim Hechtl, Joel Larson

Absent:

Jason Russell

The following members were in attendance from WPAC.

Present:

Michele Defty, Robyn Waxman, Steven Sheehan, David Gilmer

Absent:

Alexandra Latta

#### 1. Call to Order.

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. by AAC Chair Gary Pelfrey.

- Chair Pelfrey reads a statement from Yolo County Counsel in regard to holding a special meeting noting that the meeting had been properly called, noticed and to direct questions or requests for additional information be sent to Senior Deputy County Counsel Phil Pogledich at number provided.
- 3. Call to Order.

Meeting called to order at 6:38 p.m. by WPAC chair Michele Defty.

- 4. Chair Pelfrey presented meeting rules asking Public to raise their hand and identify themselves the Meeting Chairs would alternate in choosing speakers. Chair Pelfrey also indicated he was going to work to see everyone had an opportunity to speak and allow those who had not spoken have priority over someone who had addressed the Committees multiple times.
- 3. Public Comment / Announcements / Non-Agenda Items.

Public comment from Trent Meyer noting the meeting out of place due to alleged violations of the Brown Act and listed a series of issues and concerns he had with the process.

- 4. Quorum.
  - a. Quorum not established for the AAC, only three members in attendance.
  - b. Quorum established for WPAC.

c. Waxman of WPAC moves to approve the agenda. Motion moved, seconded; passed.

#### ACIP.

Wes Ervin presents plan for 2014 – 2019 ACIP noting drainage a high priority. Discussion on FAA expectations on what should be on plan and that it must reflect retention ponds and why. Noted many airport tenants had different opinions regarding fencing than previous due to more airport incursions, trespassing, and vehicles on taxiways, belligerent confrontations and theft. Reviewed what other airports are doing in this area of fencing.

Public comments and questions regarding fences on design, who and how airport will be accessed, how much it will cost and that the cost seems excessive and the fence a poor deterrent. Debate over the pros and cons of fencing the airport from public and both Committees ranging from fence design to animal incursions and if that was a potential.

Chair Defty questioned why there had been a general consensus fence not required in last meeting and why suddenly it was now an issue. Response from Chair Pelfrey that a lot of the attention regarding fence and security was coming from him. The amount of complaints of incursions on taxiways had went up, there had been calls to the Sheriff and he was pressing for better security as it was the prudent thing to do at this airport for everyone's benefit.

Public comments and questions regarding the purpose of repaving. Explanation from Wes Ervin it's part of a pavement management program. Comments and debate over capacity, pavement design, and other engineering related discussions. Further discussion over when it was last paved, why it was paved and how much it cost, how long it should last and what it could potentially cost. Discussion of the type of soil from Public that potentially is under the runway and how it should be tested.

WPAC committee member Waxman noted she is uncomfortable with only partially fencing the airport that is should be around the entire airport and the public should have access. Discussion between committees that the airport will be entirely fenced upon completion with a mixture of existing and new fencing. Comment from Public on the specifics by the FAA for fence design.

Discussion between Committees and the Public regarding detention ponds.

Chair Pelfrey asks the Public if there are any further questions or comments regarding the 2014 – 2019 ACIP and no further comments received.

AAC Member Ferrell and Chair Pelfrey note they are in favor of supporting the 2014 – 2019 ACIP.

Waxman of WPAC moves to support the 2014 ALP Update provided there is removal of specific wording about detention ponds. Motion moved, seconded; passed.

Sheehan of WPAC moves to start gates but no support for the fencing project. Motion moved, seconded; passed. (Actual language unclear as discussion during motion and final motion not entirely clear).

Broad ranging discussion between Committee Members and Public regarding economic results to justify safety and security enhancements at airport and how that can be calculated and tied to landings and takeoff cycles.

Waxman of WPAC moves to not support the runway overlay project. Motion moved, seconded; passed. Gilmer abstains.

#### 6. Aircraft Counts.

Waxman of WPAC presents report on aircraft counts. Prefaces statements with report preparation noting "It's not a scientific report, we did the best we could and I'm presenting the report knowing some errors exist." Discussion between Committees regarding counts, statements of what should and should not be counted, who counted, how to track aircraft without transponders, how the WebTrac system notes aircraft but does not count or see all aircraft, explanation of the worksheet and eventually a long discussion of what actually constitutes a takeoff or landing.

Comments from Public regarding how counts were originally arrived at. Comments from Public that having an accurate count would be beneficial. Comments from Public on how tax dollars should and should not be spent at the airport based on the amount of actual flights.

Appreciation noted of work and effort by Robyn Waxman on creating report. Questions on counts along with questions of accuracy of original report created previously.

WPAC discussion of submitting the report to the Board of Supervisors. Discussion between Committees that in a meeting prior to the current, concerns had been discussed regarding makeup and content of the report and that it would be placed on the agenda for information purposes.

WPAC Member Sheehan moves to submit this plane count information to Board of Supervisors. Motion moved, seconded; passed.

## 7. Adjourn.

Meeting was moved to be adjourned at 9:05 pm (approximate) by Chairs Defty and Pelfrey.

## 8. Next Meeting.

Not scheduled at this time.

Respectively Submitted:

, Gary Pelfrey, Chair AAC

Date

End of Minutes

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