

Watsonville Airport Advisory Commission

Minutes meeting July 2nd

Meeting called to order by Airport Director, Rayvon Williams at 1604.

Attendees: Marjorie Bachmann (Monterey Bay 99's), Ed Bogner (Non-Aviation Business), Glen Ceresa (County Resident), Dave Guerrieri (Airport Fixed Based Operator), Jeremy Lezin (Watsonville Pilot's Association), Gryphon McArthur, Commission Chairperson (Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 119), Joe Shelton (City Resident) and Rayvon Williams (Airport Director). Attendees from the general public: Cheryl & Paul Albert, Tammy Chinn, Barbara Crum, Judy Gittelsohn and Mary Reynolds.

WAAC meeting (Agenda items):

Meeting called to order by Airport Director. Quorum established. Minutes previously distributed; no questions posed. Given the number of general public guests the airport director took the liberty of providing a brief overview of the WAAC's historical evolution, composition, roles and responsibilities.

At the conclusion of remarks all attendees introduced themselves and either their role as a member of the WAAC or their respective City or County representation.

Chairperson McArthur began with a discussion regarding Private Investment sub-committee assignment to support airport specific development. After a brief discussion Commissioners determined to table further the sub-committee assignment. WAAC Chair proposed given the public guests attending, and the Commissioner's desire to ensure adequate time for public input/questions, that the Airport Director conduct his update of proposed meetings topics first. The Airport Director provided an update on the following topics: (1) Commission alignment with Municipal Code, (2) Meetings moving to City Hall, (3) Review of Commissioner Terms, (4) Primary Runway Rehab complete and (5) Pending \$500k Crosswind Runway rehab.

WAAC meeting (Non-Agenda items):

WAAC Chair opened the floor for questions from the general public. Most recently, via various social media platforms (i.e. Nextdoor), there has been substantial discussion regarding airport "expansion" or more precisely runway "extension". In addition to the physical development of the airport facilities the public attendees posed questions regarding: (1) increased operations (particularly jet aircraft), (2) existence of and adherence to noise abatement procedures, (3) environmental impact of lead-based aviation fuels, (4) the airport's self-sustaining mandate and (5) gaining insight to and participating in the upcoming Airport economic impact study.

Given the number of questions and the Commission's desire to ensure the public has an opportunity to provide input Commissioner Lezin proposed the public guests in attendance gather a list of questions and concerns and provide same to the Airport Director.

Airport Director follow-up:

As a result of the recent WAAC meeting the Airport Director has been tasked with the following: (1) reach out to those in attendance obtaining questions and comments, (2) Submit questions and commentary to the WAAC, (3) Schedule the next quarterly WAAC meeting (October 2019) and ensure broad distribution and due notice is provided to the community.

ADJOURNMENT - at 1710

Remaining 2019 Meeting Schedule 1600 at 275 Main Street, Fourth Floor

October 2019, specific date TBA