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**NANTUCKET AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING**

March 10, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 PM by Chairman E. Foley Vaughan with the following Commissioners present: Vice Chair Sheila O'Brien Egan, Dual A. Macintyre, Jr., and Robert Atlee.

Also present were Airport Manager Al Peterson, Airfield Supervisor Jeff Marks, Administrative Assistant to the Airport Manager Janine Torres, Finance Director Tina Smith, and Administrative Coordinator Yolanda Maxwell.

The Commission unanimously *M/S/P* approval of the minutes from the February 3, 2009 Commission Meeting and February 13, 2009 Special Commission Meeting.

**Noise Abatement**

The Early Morning Compliance award for February was awarded to Cape Air/Nantucket Airlines.

**Visitors Services**

Vice Chair Egan reported the Sub-Committee has not had a chance to meet. Chairman Vaughan tabled this issue until April's Commission Meeting.

**Terminal Update**

Andy Ravins reported:

- 70% complete construction
- 65% complete dollar wise
- Terrazzo floors 50% complete, drywall going up, hardware being put on, ceilings going up, painting has been started.
- Shingles are going on, starting renovations on existing building
- Striving for a May substantial completion

Commissioner Atlee questioned whether the leak near the gift shop has been addressed. Mr. Ravins responded there was temporary roofing on and it has since been taken care of.

Commissioner Macintyre inquired on the geothermal wells. Mr. Ravins reported the wells are in place and being developed, the piping has been started, wiring, manhole backfill, etc. still need to be done however it is progressing rapidly.

Chairman Vaughan reported at the construction meeting this morning they were told the geothermal would be up and running in a month.

Ray Portilio added the inside work is starting to take shape with the spaces being defined; the terrazzo floor looks great, the work is high quality.

Steve Flecchia reported the budget is 65% complete with \$19.5 million spent to date.

### **ARFF Update**

Mr. Peterson reported this is a project that is on the fast track trying to take advantage of possibly getting 100% funding from the stimulus package. Due to how the FAA guidance documents allocate how the stimulus money is spent, the FAA has committed discretionary funds at 95%. Bid documents became available last Wednesday, pre-bid meeting next Tuesday, sub-bids are due April 1, 2009, and the building is designed and ready to begin.

### **Ace Camp**

Mr. Peterson reported Ace Camp will be held June 22<sup>nd</sup> - June 26<sup>th</sup>. The kids will participate in a lot of different aviation related activities, see military aircrafts, Cape Air and how they operate; and, this year they will be exposed to the support functions such as air traffic control and maintenance on aircrafts. The age group is middle school through high school and this is a joint venture with the FAA and the high school. Scholarships are available.

### **Environmental**

Mr. Wheeler was out; therefore, Mr. Peterson gave a brief summary on the noise complaints. The noise complaints were down 15% from last year, 58% from the base year, and for the month of February there were only 3 noise complaints.

Vice Chair Egan commented on Nantucket Shuttle and how there are progressively getting worse. Mr. Peterson responded they ignore the noise abatement rules and will not follow them. This rule is also in their lease, therefore they are in violation of the lease. Mr. Peterson will continue to speak with the Nantucket Shuttle.

### **Operations**

Mr. Peterson reported:

- He and Jeff went to Atlantic City last week to the technical center for the FAA to review various locations for the new tower.
- Erecting a tent for equipment storage
- Thompson's house being worked on for this season
- The bird house for the falcon program is coming along
- Advertising for the landscaping RFP has been done

### **ATCT Update**

Mr. Peterson reported with the help of the technical center and the FAA they have narrowed the tower down to 2 sites. There will be further evaluation in June. The first site is south of the SRE Building, the 2<sup>nd</sup> site which is also the one the air traffic controllers prefer is south of runway 12/30.

Patrick Topham added they had originally asked for 3 sites however due to different political issues and finance issues they cut the sites down to 2. There are 3 additional sites for them to consider. One is the infield and the other two over by the fuel farm. The reason why the fuel farm sites were not first considered is due to the height which would have to be 85 feet tall to see over the current tower cap, if they eliminate that it would come down to 60 feet.

**Public Comment**

There were no audience members wishing to make remarks during Public Comment.

It was **M/S/P** by the following vote to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss lease issues, not to reconvene into Regular Session.

Chairman E. Foley Vaughan – Aye  
Vice Chairman Sheila O'Brien Egan – Aye  
Commissioner Dual A. Macintyre, Jr. – Aye  
Commissioner Robert J. Atlee – Aye

Meeting Adjourned at 5:27 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

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Yolanda J. Maxwell, Recorder

