

Airport Advisory Board Meeting (Monday, March 25, 2024)

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Members present

Robert Lightstone, George Hill, Sam Hughes, John Eid, Adam Osborne Jr
Also present: Jim Gotsch, Ken Reed, Pat Weaver, Chris Kaselemis and Tim Wilson

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Information: 1. Chairman/Vice Chairman report: Airport runway is scheduled for continuous closure from 0700 am 2 April, through 0400 5 April, in order to conduct pavement management study. MAA inspection will occur 17 April. Overview of St. Mary's County board training to volunteers held 13 March.

Information: 2. DPW&T Report: Solid waste removal nearing completion. Construction on terminal front forthcoming. Continuing EVTOL discussions.

Information: 3. FBO Report: None

Information: 4. Pax Air Ops Report: None

Information: 5. DED AeroPark Updates: Discussed funding issues. Attended a national event for innovation districts. Changed title of DED staff member.

D. OLD BUSINESS

Action, Minutes: 1. Approve February 26, 2024 Meeting Minutes & Action Items
Motion to approve the January 22, 2024 meeting minutes & action items

Motion by Robert Lightstone, second by Adam Osborne Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Robert Lightstone, George Hill, Sam Hughes, John Eid, Adam Osborne Jr

Discussion: 2. Review/Update Action Item list

E. NEW BUSINESS

Information: 1. Next business meeting April 22, 2024 at 6PM

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

G. ADJOURN

Action: 1. Motion to adjourn

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:35pm

Motion by Robert Lightstone, second by John Eid.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Robert Lightstone, George Hill, Sam Hughes, John Eid, Adam Osborne Jr

In Person Meeting at Regional Airport Terminal

Airport Advisory Board Minutes –03/25/2024

Meeting Start: 6:00 PM

Members Present: Hill (Chair), Lightstone (Vice Chair), Eid (Secretary), Osborne, and Ex-Officio – Chief Nick DeCanio, NAS Pax River Air Operations.

Others Present: Jim Gotsch (DPWT), Ken Reed, Pat Weaver, Chris Kaselemis (DED), Tim Wilson.

Chairman's Remarks:

Allison Swint provided the following updates in her absence. The airport runway is scheduled for continuous closure from 0700 am 2 April, through 0400 5 April, in order to conduct pavement management efforts. NOTAM will be posted shortly.

MAA inspection will take place 17 April.

Report and overview of the training session conducted by the St. Mary's County Attorney's Office for volunteer members of boards committees and commissions on 13 March.

DPWT Report: Jim Gotsch, DPWT

Solid waste removal ongoing but closer to completion. The Notice to Proceed for Phase 3 runway work will be issued the beginning of April, with work arounds for the completion of the waste removal if needed.

The construction proposal for updating the front of the terminal has been completed. However, not all bids have been received. Construction is forthcoming.

Exploratory discussions involving procedures for VTOL, E-VTOL operation ongoing.

FBO Report – None

Pax Air Ops Report: None. (Chief DeCanio attended for LCDR Hughes)

AeroPark Update: Chris Kaselemis, DED

Chris Kaselemis discussed funding issues. Noted that funding for upgrades to the County Hangar was approved. Other funding requests for airport projects are still in works.

Attended a national event for innovation districts and noted that AeroPark is unique in that it is centered around the operations of a regional airport.

Changed the role of a staff member to Economic Development Specialist. This will allow the office to devote more time to AeroPark initiatives, as well as our Navy Alliance and its ties to the County, and other related aspects.

Old Business:

Approval of 02/26/2024 Meeting Minutes and Action Items. Motion to approve as written. Motion (Lightstone); second (Osborne). Approved.

Action item review:

There were no changes to the action items.

New Business: None

Public Comment: None

Meeting Adjourned: 6:35 PM. Motion (Lightstone); second (Eid).

Next Meeting: April 22, 2024 6 PM

Submitted by: Hill