

# ANOKA COUNTY- BLAINE AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION

#### METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION ANOKA COUNTY – BLAINE AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 4:00 p.m. \*\*Teleconference Only\*\*

The meeting started at 4:01 p.m. In attendance by teleconference were:

- Representatives: S. McChesney, City of Circle Pines; K. Devries, City of Lexington; S. Erkel, City of East Bethel; B. Haake, City of Mounds View; J. Reinert, Anoka County; B. Orr, Fixed Base Operation; G. Krantz, North Central Aviation; C. Daml, Northstar Flyers; M. Lawrence, Anoka County Aviation Association; J. Dickinson, Life Link III; K. Sislo, EAA Chapter 237; N. Zikmund, City of Mounds View; M. Percy, City of Circle Pines; A. Gervais, City of Blaine
- MAC Staff: P. Tiedeman, Airport Manager, Anoka County Blaine Airport; J. Lewis, Community Relations Coordinator; M. Ross, Assistant Manager, Community Relations; D. Nelson, Director Stakeholder Engagement; J. Harris, Director Reliever Airports; B. Juffer, Manager, Community Relations; K. Verdeja, Administrative Specialist
- Others: J. Krack, D. Hiltz, Alec W.

A quorum of three User Representatives and three Community Representatives was established by roll call attendance:

**User Representatives:** B. Orr, G. Krantz, C. Daml and M. Lawrence, J. Dickinson, K. Sislo **Community Representatives:** S. McChesney, K. Devries, S. Erkel, J. Reinert

# 1. Introductions

Chair Orr called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm. There was a total of 24 participants.

# 2. <u>Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes: October 14, 2020</u>

**Chair Orr** opened the item to discussion approving the minutes from the October 14, 2020 meeting.

# Representative Reinert moved and Representative Erkel seconded to: Accept the October 14, 2020 meeting minutes as presented.



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The motion passed on the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Ten McChesney, Devries, Erkel, Reinert, Chair Orr, Krantz, Daml, Lawrence, Dickinson and Sislo

Nays: None

Abstain: None

#### 3. Public Comment

**Chair Orr** introduced the public comment period and reminded attendees of the ground rules for public comment. There were no members of the public who commented.

#### 4. Airport Manager Update

**Philip Tiedeman, Airport Manager – Anoka County – Blaine Airport,** gave an overview of the COVID-19 progress. Mr. Tiedeman also reviewed the winter season at the airport and gave an update on the construction projects and hangar use. Mr. Tiedeman also discussed the development and planning efforts at the airport, and announced the MAC hired a new Airport Planner.

#### 5. Tenant Highlight

Philip Tiedeman, Airport Manager – Anoka County – Blaine Airport, introduced Doug Hiltz, Vice President & General Manager, Malibu Aerospace.

Mr. Hiltz described that Malibu Aerospace is a Piper aircraft PA46 Specialist. They offer full service PA46 maintenance with Partners for Avionics and Specialized Services. The organization has been recognized within the Malibu and M-Class Owners and Pilots Association (MMOPA) Community as the Premier PA46 Shop. He also explained that they have good working relationships with manufacturers such as Pratt and Whitney. Malibu Aerospace has consistently high customer ratings have attracted aircraft from most states and some international locations. They have an exceptional safety record which is controlled through safety and quality programs. Malibu Aerospace currently has 18 employees and are looking to expand their business.

Mr. Hiltz explained that Malibu Aerospace originally was at the Crystal Airport, then moved to the Anoka County – Blaine Airport and shared space with Lynx. They have since outgrown that shared space and built their own hangar.

# 6. <u>Aircraft Operations and Noise Complaints Summary – 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2021</u>

Jennifer Lewis, Technical Advisor, stated there were 477 noise complaints from 18 locations and 133 nighttime complains from 13 nighttime locations. There were 7,220 operations and 469 nighttime operations recorded for Anoka County-Blaine Airport during the quarter. Ms. Lewis explained that more detail about complaints and operations is available at <u>www.macnoise.com/tools-</u> reports/interactive-reports

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Ms. Lewis responded to questions from representatives. She explained that all six reliever airports are experiencing an uptick in complaints since the start of the pandemic. Ms. Lewis also explained that most of the data are informational only, however, complainants could be contacted on case-by-case basis for more discussion as needed.

# 7. <u>Airport/Community Events</u>

**Chair Orr** discussed the upcoming events at the airport and community to include the Advisory Commission 101 (an introduction to the commission for new members), an Airport Tour for the commission members, an American Red Cross blood Drive on June 4, 2021, an EAA 237 Burger Bash Fly-in on June 19, 2021, and the PGA 3M Open being held July 22-25, 2021.

# 9. Member Comments

**Chair Orr** thanked all in attendance for participating and opened the discussion to the representatives.

**Representative Haake** asked if there were plans regarding the comprehensive plans for the airport. Ms. Haake also inquired about public hearings and how the hearings will be made known to the public for comment. Ms. Haake also commented, as a representative from the City of Mounds View, the City is quite concerned about the possibility of the North/South runway being extended.

**Mr. Tiedeman** responded to the questions that there is currently no definitive timeline set for the comprehensive plan for the airport and that the process is currently on hold due to the pandemic. Lydia Warner, the new Airport Planner, will be working on the long-term comprehensive plans.

**Representative Erkel,** commented about satellites being seen and asked if the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) tracks those. Representative Daml mentioned that they were satellites from SpaceEx.

John Krack requested participating in the ACBAAC 101.

# 10. Set next Meeting Date

**Chair Orr** led a discussion regarding the date of the next meeting. It was decided the meeting would be held on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 with a location to be determined based on the guidelines set forth regarding social distancing and public health and safety.

# Representative Erkel moved and Representative Haake seconded to:

Adjourn the May 12, 2021 Anoka County – Blaine Airport Advisory Commission Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

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