



**CITY OF DELAND
REGULAR MEETING OF THE AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 16, 2024 AT 5:30 PM
DELAND MUNICIPAL AIRPORT
1000 FLIGHTLINE BLVD., DELAND, FL, 32724
AGENDA**

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of 8/14/2024 Minutes

AIRPORT MANAGER REPORT

1. Noise Complaints – Haven't received any in a while.
2. Projects
 1. Taxiway A is about 90% completed. We are waiting for the final markings to be painted.
 2. West Apron is still under construction. The project has been slightly delayed due to the storm, but the project is still on schedule to be completed by February 2025. Once Taxiway D is reopened, we will have to shut down Taxiway B for a short time.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONAL CONCERNS

1. Taxiway D has a lot of lights out due to a lightning strike. The electricians will be making repairs soon.

COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

1. Each member will give a brief report

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Hurricane Milton
 - Minor fence damage
 - Some flooding on runway 12, cleared off in about 2 days
 - Washed out the foundation for the dumpster at gate 1. Working on repairs

ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING

AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Johnston at 5:30 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Chris Brown	Present	Mike Johnston	Present
Dave Alber	Present	Mike Bickerstaff	Present
Ken Lockett	Present		
John LeBlanc	Present		

Staff present included: John Eiff, Airport Manager; Mindy Considine, Office Administrator;

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John LeBlanc made a motion to approve the April 24, 2024 minutes as amended and Ken Lockett seconded the motion.

Nominations for AAC Chair and Vice Chair took place. John LeBlanc nominated Mike Johnston to remain Chair. Dave Alber nominated Ken Lockett for Chair. Everyone voted and Mike Johnston won majority votes to remain Chairman. Dave Alber nominated Ken Lockett for Vice Chair. With no other nominations Mike Johnston announced he will remain Chair and Ken Lockett will be Vice Chair.

D. AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Noise Complaints: We've received a few from the same area.
 - a. The new AWOS message to make your base leg for runway 12 over route 11 has helped.
2. Projects:
 - Capital Projects Update**
 - All capital projects are in progress.
 - A. New T-hangars are completed and fully occupied.
 - B. Taxiway A is scheduled for August 26, 2024. The FBO can use the AMC ramp for storing aircraft if need be. The graveyard area will be cleaned up as well.
 - C. The West apron is scheduled for September 19, 2024. New ramp will include a new tie down area.
 - D. Design of electrical upgrades on T-hangars A, B, & C is underway. Construction should take place in 2025.
 - E. We are waiting on the grant for the airport Master Plan.

E. MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONAL CONCERNS

1. A lot of guidance signs are inoperative. Working on having them fixed.
2. City facilities crew if working on overhauling the airport wind-T.

G. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Each member gave a brief report, of significance:

John LeBlanc/Parachute Industry – Some manufacturers have reported slowing down by 10-20%.

Dave Alber/Flight Training – Holding steady.

Vacant Seat /Aviation Tenant –

Mike Johnston/Skydive DeLand – It has been a hot quiet summer. Things should pick up in the fall.

Ken Lockett/Noise Sensitive Community – Not everyone is obeying the rules. Most students just need educating to follow noise abatement.

Chris Brown/FBO – Operations are normal. Swift fuel provider now has 100R, but the FBO doesn't plan to provide it as of yet.

Mike Bickerstaff/T-hangar Tenant – Hasn't received any complaints.

H. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments at this time:

I. OLD BUSINESS

1. New T-hangar leases have been finalized. Tenants have been given until August 19th to come by to sign their new leases, collect new gate cards, and their newly issued T-hangar locks. Leases will be auto renewed on a month to month basis.
2. Landing fees are proposed to start on October 1, 2024.

Chris Brown said he would have liked to of known that the airport was proceeding with landing fees.

Dave Alber asked how the fee billings would be calculated? John Eiff explained that a company will take care of the fee processing for us.

Ken Lockett asked why everyone was against landing fees? If other airports have landing fees and DeLand does not, it will create more traffic in DeLand.

Dave Alber made a motion for the city council to postpone the landing fees ordinances and would like for the AAC to meet with other airports to review the situation. Chris Brown seconded the motion.

The motion was put to a vote. 3 members voted for the motion and 3 members voted against the motion. The motion was not passed.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Airport security issues. There are too many people accessing the aprons and still too many vehicles driving around on the airfield. With the airport's new gate system, we will be able to have better control on who has access to the airfield through the gates.

Chris Brown stated that the FBO also has too many people coming through their man gate.

2. Staff is looking into updating the City's zoning ordinances to help protect the airport from residential development. We would like to copy what the county currently has in place.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting of the Airport Advisory Meeting will be held at location 1000 Flightline Blvd. **October 16, 2024** at **5:30pm**.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.