

**ORMOND BEACH  
AIRCRAFT NOISE ABATEMENT TASK FORCE  
REGULAR MEETING**

**September 24, 2009**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Senior Center  
351 Andrews St.  
Ormond Beach, Florida**

**I. Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. Lee Fannell, Vince Kinsler, Kim Nichols, Terry Perkins, Trish Sundblad, Ty Wilson and Larry Volenec were present. Ken Byrnes and Joe Wisniewski were excused. Staff members present were Ted MacLeod Assistant City Manager, Joe Mannarino Economic Development Director, Steven Lichliter Airport Manager, Ann-Margret Emery Deputy City Attorney, and Terri Hamsher Secretary.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

The September 10, 2009, meeting minutes were approved with the following revisions. Mr. Kinsler requested that the minutes include his discussion that noise was a symptom and not the issue, that the underlying issues causing the noise was increased flight training operations which cause the willy-nilly flights we're currently experiencing which are caused in part by what we perceived to be cheap gas, cheap rents, lax regulations at the airport and that airport funding and financials are also a key component to the noise abatement. Additionally, which he underlined, the increased traffic also increases the safety risks.

**III. Audience Comments**

Sean Daly, Northbrook, spoke on the flights over his home and requested that Northbrook and Oak Forest were colored red on the map. He requested that at the workshop the consultant provide the authority for his answers when asked questions, and, which airports he was involved with.

Charles Russell, 14 Cotton Mill Court, voiced his frustration on the continuous and low flights over his home the past three months and rules that are not enforced.

David Gaughan, 38 Pebble Beach Drive, spoke about the constant flights and noise from airplanes and helicopters flying over his home and asked for an update on planes taking off on runway 8.

Mike Prater, 38 Pebble Beach Drive, agreed that there is a noise problem and asked about another citizen's request for information in writing from the FAA on what could and could not be done and spoke about the flight patterns not being followed.

Al Perkins, 15 Cotton Mill Court, spoke about the flights over his home that he tracked in the past 48-50 hours and the financial aspect of the airport.

**IV. Discussion**

**a. Prioritized recommendations proposed for presentation to the City Commission**

Mr. Mannarino explained the spreadsheets with the recommendations listed and prioritized. The task force discussed mandatory and voluntary noise abatement

procedures, the frustration with the airplane noise and which questions should be submitted to the FAA. Also discussed were foreign student pilots and concerns on possible terrorist activities. They reviewed the recommendations and agreed to submit all the recommendations to the consultant for the workshop.

**b. Proposed web-based complaint form**

Mr. Lichliter explained the complaint form and sample website that Mr. Bruscoe designed. He added that he was looking for other samples and would have the task force review them. He thanked Mr. Bruscoe for his work and said the City's web servers could do this. The task force discussed privacy concerns when identifying repeat offenders or those who entered complaints, eliminating bogus complaints, a process for citizens to call in complaints, and posting "N" numbers or pictures of the planes on the website. They agreed that Mr. Lichliter would make the recommendation to the task force about the web based form and they would decide whether to make a recommendation to the City Commission.

**c. Proposed aircraft noise abatement workshop (Ted Baldwin, HMMH)**

Mr. Lichliter discussed the background on the workshop, and reviewed the consultant's, Ted Baldwin of Harris Miller Miller & Hanson, Inc., resume and background information. He added that Mr. Baldwin toured the airport and surrounding areas and was impressed with what the task force had accomplished so far. The task force discussed Mr. Baldwin's qualifications, 150 and 161 studies, methods of tracking flights and the date and time of the workshop. They also discussed that the consultant should cite the regulations for questions asked. The task force agreed to hold the workshop on October 3, 2009, 8:30 a.m. at the South Ormond Neighborhood Center, 176 Division Ave., Ormond Beach.

**V. Future Agenda Topics**

Discussion recommendations to be brought before the City Commission.

**VI. Member Comments**

Mr. Perkins stated that regarding the workshop that rules for Ormond Beach airport differ from airports constructed, or donated, by a City and that the consultant be made aware of the status of the facility.

Ms. Sundblad thanked Mr. Bruscoe for his hard work; that the task force was there for the citizens and hoped that if the voluntary procedures did not work they could be made mandatory.

Mr. Fannell stated that they were making good strides and the workshop could provide answers as to what to recommend to the City Commission. He also thanked Mr. Bruscoe for his efforts.

Mr. Volenec discussed the relationship between Sunrise Aviation and Ormond Beach Aviation. He spoke on rotary wing traffic patterns, adding specific routes to traffic leaving Ormond Beach and airplane traffic over the Northbrook subdivision.

Ms. Nichols discussed the hand out she provided at the last meeting as regards companies that monitor/track planes, which would be paid landing fees and requested for it to be presented to the consultant. She spoke on the FAA granting the airport to the City and if researched, there were ways around it. She asked the Assistant Flight Instructor from Embry Riddle who was in attendance if the procedures were not voluntary for their pilots and if the new procedures were easy to follow.

Mr. Wilson stated that they were making progress and that there was some wiggle room with what they could do and implementing those would be a challenge. He stated that at the workshop there needed to be a semblance of order.

Mr. Kinsler stated that the word was out there and he was starting to hear from more people with complaints. He discussed that an acquaintance in Tomoka Oaks that previously didn't have a problem now had one and there was a bigger issue. He stated that he suspects that no one wanted the airport shut down, but it was out of balance. It was not just the number of planes but the constant approaches and appreciated the community involvement.

#### **VII. Staff Comments**

Mr. Lichliter stated that he was glad the task force agreed to have the workshop and that he had been out monitoring planes. He stated that some flight schools had contacted him for the procedures and added that pilots were not intentionally antagonizing citizens.

Ms. Emery stated that at the workshop there needed to be a sense of decorum and they needed to let go of things they could not do and move in the direction of what they could do.

#### **VIII. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting date is scheduled for October 8, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.

#### **IX. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Terri Hamsher, Recording Secretary

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Vince Kinsler, Chairman