ORMOND BEACH AIRCRAFT NOISE ABATEMENT TASK FORCE REGULAR MEETING

August 27, 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 6:02 p.m. Frank Ayers, Lee Fannell, Vince Kinsler, Kim Nichols, Terry Perkins, Trish Sundblad, Larry Volenec, Ty Wilson and Joe Wisniewski were present. Staff members present were Joyce Shanahan City Manager, Joe Mannarino Economic Development Director, Steven Lichliter Airport Manager, Ann-Margret Emery Deputy City Attorney, and Terri Hamsher Recording Secretary.

II. Approval of Minutes

Kim Nichols requested that the August 13, 2009, minutes include the names of the two flight schools from the Ormond Beach Municipal Airport, Ormond Beach Aviation and Sunrise Aviation, which do not attend the Central Florida Flight Training Group meetings.

Ty Wilson motioned and Joe Wisniewski seconded approval of the minutes, with the aforementioned changes, for the August 13, 2009, meeting. All were in favor.

III. Audience Comments

David Nichols, 36 Pebble Beach Drive, asked if the new flight patterns were in effect and put on the automated system. He talked about the flight schools that did not comply with noise abatement procedures and recommended punitive damages for violators.

Lou Lumaghi, 1 Cliffside Drive, requested a copy of the map of the airport and discussed flight patterns and low flying planes. He suggested investigating ANOMS systems from St. Augustine to Ft. Myers and have the systems installed co-operatively.

Charles Russell, 14 Cotton Mill Court, discussed planes that flew over his home and the lack of consequences to flight schools that did not comply with the noise procedures.

Dave Gaughan, 38 Pebble Beach Drive, talked about planes that flew over his home.

Al Perkins, 15 Cotton Mill Court, asked if the head of all the flight schools were approached as regards the new procedures. He discussed the tracking system in the flight school planes and airport management having access to those systems.

Robert Bruscoe, 55 Timberlake Lane, shared his experience with planes that flew over his home. He asked about statistics on complaints and suggested a report being made available to citizens.

Linda Wilson, 7 Circle Oaks Trail, asked questions on the map and runways 17 and 35.

Mike Prater, 38 Pebble Beach Drive, asked about the runways and take-off patterns.

IV. Discussion

a. Discussion of revised noise abatement brochure

i. ATIS

Mr. Lichliter explained the purpose of ATIS, its recorded message, what information could be recorded and the recent change to the recording. The task force discussed ATIS, its old and new messages, and the flight schools' response to the brochure. The task force requested the recording be changed to include instructions to pilots to follow posted noise abatement procedures.

ii. ATIS Tower

Mr. Lichliter discussed the airport tower's support of the new procedures. He shared that he would be in the subdivisions to monitor planes and report the ones not following the new procedures.

The task force discussed the flights over the subdivisions, and suggested additional changes to the noise abatement brochure. They also discussed the time required for the new procedures to have an affect on noise, and the Volusia Council of Governments (VCOG) aircraft noise abatement efforts.

The task force agreed on the following changes to the map on the noise abatement brochure: re-orient the map so that north is at the top of the page; expand the red area in The Trails to include the island and other areas both west and southwest areas in The Trails; yellow departure arrows on the north and west end of the runways; rotate the text boxes 90° clockwise.

b. Discussion of ANOMS

i. Overview of technology, and,

ii. Review of use at other airports

Mr. Lichliter explained the ANOMS technology, and the purchase and maintenance costs. The task force discussed ANOMS, its expenses, other airports that use ANOMS, how information could be extracted from Daytona's system to track planes, possible grant opportunities, Embry Riddle's tracking system, the radar system at the airport, co-op possibilities for ANOMS with other airports. They also discussed an on-line form to report noise complaints.

c. Discussion of helicopter operations at OMN

The task force discussed helicopters operations, flights over the Bear Creek subdivision, noise abatement procedures, flight schools' contracts/leases and parking fees.

Mr. Neal Tomlinson, Tomlinson Aviation, discussed past task force meetings he attended, and how he has complied with noise abatement. He explained the training his business was involved in, which was a small part of his business and

that the majority of his clients were in law enforcement or other public protection agencies and his involvement with disaster relief and firefighting. He discussed how his helicopters were confused with helicopters from another flight school that would fly out of compliance. He offered to answer any questions the task force members had.

The task force discussed flight training, helicopter flight paths, and the length of time flight schools trained student pilots.

d. Discussion of recommendations to be brought before the City Commission

i. Develop master list

This item was tabled to the next meeting.

V. Future Agenda Topics

Develop a master list of recommendations and ancillary fees for the airport.

VI. Member Comments

Mr. Perkins shared that most student pilots and instructors would follow rules provided to them. He discussed that there was a different process for involuntary procedures which was not for this task force and penalizing those out of compliance was counterproductive. He stated that a monitoring system was not needed, hearing citizens say there was a problem was enough. He suggested having an airport overlay and the current problems when pilots used runways 8 and 17 and potential future problems if pilots used runways 35 and 26.

Ms. Sundblad thanked Mr. Tomlinson for attending and Mr. Lichliter for going out next week to take pictures of planes flying out of the patterns.

Mr. Wisniewski reiterated that Mr. Lichliter is a part time employee working a 90 hour week and suggested that he be made a full time employee.

Mr. Fannell stated that Mr. Lichliter was going above and beyond, he thanked Mr. Tomlinson for attending and the task force could move forward and bring something firm to the commission.

Dr. Ayers stated that there had been a noise abatement procedure for 10 years that they discovered did not work, and with the new procedures results should start being seen and they should give the experiment time to work and that pilots were professionals who wanted to do the right thing.

Mr. Volenec reviewed Mr. Lichliter's assignments for the next meeting: the airport facility directory would be updated; follow up on ATIS for the message to indicate the pilots should follow noise abatement procedures; tower ingress and egress; looking to see how the procedures are being followed; check with Mr. Brockett on the calm wind runway when the tower was open and there was not an issue with instrument

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approaches, the runway used could be 35. He thanked Mr. Tomlinson for attending and Mr. Lichliter on building relationships. He would like a form, one each for rotary wing and fixed wing aircraft, with noise abatement procedures for Mr. Lichliter to hand out to flight schools he visited. He would like to get some sort of data from the existing system to get tracks of aircraft.

Ms. Nichols shared that the brochure was nice but could be complicated for student pilots while flying. She had an Ormond Beach airport facility book that had a page from Embry Riddle's manual in it. Once this page was implemented in that book, and if the tower assisted in implementing the procedures, that would help with compliance. She asked if Mr. Brockett could attend the next meeting. She discussed student pilots, their compliance to rules and timeframe for compliance to noise abatement procedures.

Mr. Wilson stated that the brochure was a snapshot and a lot of work went into it. He discussed how the commission could make noise abatement effective and asked about Flagler's noise abatement and parking fees. He requested that ancillary fees be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. Kinsler thanked the community for their attendance and shared that this was a work was in progress and would take time. He thanked the task force and staff for their work and commitment to this issue.

VII. Staff Comments

Ms. Emery stated that staff was looking into what Mr. Wilson was discussing.

VIII. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date is scheduled for September 10, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Terri Hamsher, Recording Secretary
Attest:
Vince Kinsler, Chairman