

**SONOMA COUNTY**  
**AVIATION COMMISSION**  
Minutes of the December 15, 2005 Meeting

**CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chairman Hayssen called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Delaney, Doherty, Hayssen, Starrett, and Walters.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *Delaney moved with support from Doherty to approve the November 17, 2005, Commission Meeting Minutes as submitted. All Ayes. Motion Carried.*

**AIRPORT MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**A. Complaint Update:**

Stout reported that there was one complaint since the November 17, 2005 Commission meeting.

1. Ann Fitzgerald – low overflight and landing pattern over her residence

**B. Tower Update**

Steve Beckmann reported that air traffic was relatively unchanged from November 2003 and 2004. There are two new air traffic controllers being trained.

**C. Manny's Restaurant**

Stout reported that the County is in discussion with a prospective operator for Manny's Restaurant. Equus has expressed potential interest in using the space to expand its catering business.

**D. Airline Update**

Stout and Supervisor Kelley will be meeting with Horizon Air in Seattle next week to discuss expediting air service to STS.

A marketing packet has been sent to Frontier in anticipation of a meeting them in late January or early February 2006.

Mexicana Air recently contacted the Airport and would be interested in meeting to discuss flights to Mexico.

Allegiant Air plans to announce an April 2006 start date for service between Las Vegas and Sonoma County in early January.

Aloha Airlines is still interested in service between Sonoma County and Orange County and has written a letter to the FAA supporting the upgrade of the ILS at STS and have requested a meeting late January 2006.

**E. Newsletter Articles**

Stout said the newsletter would be sent to the printer in early January. Hayssen is contributing an article explaining air traffic patterns. Melinda Gay has interviewed Bob Gallagher regarding Apex Aviation at their request. She is also working on an article explaining the training requirements for Airport Service Workers.

**ACTION ITEMS**

There were no action items at this time.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **A. Airport Projects Update**

Stout reported on the following projects:

- Runway 19 is almost complete. The PAPI still has to be installed.
- As a result of the emergency landing recently, the damaged section of the runway will have to be removed and replaced. The estimate is \$24,000.
- The fencing project is still underway, but is behind schedule.
- The Becker Boulevard gate should be operational in the next week.
- The patching product used on the terminal roof did not have time to set up before it rained. 911 was called to report a white runoff from the roof, and a HAZMAT team responded. The cleanup from that will delay the planned landscaping project.
- The security building is nearly complete and should be ready for a walk-through in mid-January. The Airport will then relocate the fence and baggage drop area.
- The tree removal for the McMullen property is out for bids. That work should be done in mid-January.

### **B. Airport Days**

Melinda Gay will work with Airport tenants to form a committee to work on this event. It will probably be held in mid-April, 2006.

### **C. Noise Abatement Brochure**

Hayssen reported that he would provide a copy of his traffic pattern article to the company working on the Airport Noise Abatement brochure.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Stout reported that Bob Gallagher is closing American SimCom and selling the flight simulator. The room will be available for use as a conference room. North Coast Air will do computer testing.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no public comments at this time.

## **COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

There were no commission comments at this time.

## **ADJOURN:**

*Delaney moved with support from Walters to adjourn. All ayes. Motion Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Jon Stout  
Airport Manager