

**O'HARE NOISE COMPATIBILITY COMMISSION**  
**Executive Strategic Planning Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 16, 2018**  
**Approved Meeting Minutes**

Attendance: Mayor Arlene A. Juracek; Commissioner Jamie Rhee; Mr. Joseph Annunzio (via Phone); Ms. Karyn Robles; Ms. Catherine Dunlap; Dr. Raymond J. Kuper; Superintendent Jennifer Kelsall; Mr. Dennis Ryan; Mr. Aaron Frame; Mr. Jeffery Jackson; Ms. Vildana Celik; Ms. Jeanette Camacho; Mr. Gregg Cunningham; Ms. Maura El Metennani and Ms. Fran Guziel.

**Approval of the May 29, 2018 ONCC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.**

Mr. Ryan moved to approve the May 29, 2018 meeting minutes. Ms. Dunlap seconded the motion.

**2017-2018 ONCC Overview Highlights**

Mayor Juracek reviewed the accomplishments of ONCC over the course of the year which included the following:

1. ONCC Bylaws were updated to establish a Fly Quiet Committee with 11 appointed members representing a 360-degree geographic area.
2. Interim Fly Quiet Test 2 and 3 were completed. ONCC members approved an Interim Fly Quiet runway rotation plan for FAA interim environmental impact study. The study by the FAA is expected to take one year with community meetings planned.
3. The CAPTCHA feature was implemented on the City's web site for noise complaints. 311 call system renovation in progress.
4. Speakers and round table discussions:
  - Pratt & Whitney representative addressed engine noise improvements for the ONCC at September 2017 meeting.
  - Commissioner Evans and the CDA presented O'Hare 21 Terminal Redevelopment news of \$8.7 billion gate and terminal renovation at April 2018 meeting.
  - Departure discussion panel of pilots, control tower and CDA personnel for ONCC at May 2018 meeting.
  - Boeing representative addressed airframe improvements and collaborative partnerships for the ONCC at June 2018 meeting.
5. Monthly ONCC e-newsletters began in October 2017 summarizing meetings, events and news.
6. CDA presents a new look for Fly Quiet Reports, a result of Fly Quiet meetings reports.
7. Three suburban noise monitors deployed and three city monitors in progress.
8. Runway 15/33 decommissioned, Runway 9C/27C construction started.
9. We welcomed new FAA Great Lakes Regional Administrator—Rebecca MacPherson.
10. Jamie Rhee has been appointed as the new Aviation Commissioner.
11. Noise and Airport 101 presentations.
12. Airfield tour occurred this past month.
13. Finally, we sought to become more transparent and technologically advanced and will begin BoardDocs in September for all agendas, meeting minutes and documents.

**Fly Quiet Committee**

Mayor Juracek reported the Fly Quiet Committee met on June 19, 2018 and July 19, 2018. The goal is to have monthly meetings and attendance is mandatory with attendance rule of no more than two consecutive missed meetings.

Ms. Robles said there have been good conversations thus far; balance is needed between educating members and taking forward action to implement some decision points. Committee needs to inform members of what the next topics will be and provide an overview of what topics for the upcoming three-month period. It would be a good idea to look at case studies so the committee will not be charting new territory. Topics such as NextGen versus vector headings will be discussed.

Mr. Frame said the Interim Fly Quiet (IFQ) is currently under review and Runway 9 C/27C is under construction. The Fly Quiet Committee will need to recommend a plan for the FAA to review for FQ21.

Mayor Juracek said there is frustration of some municipalities that they do not have a seat at the table. She noted Elmhurst had concerns during the interim fly quiet tests and they were able to communicate with the committee during the public comments. Member communities can provide input during public comment. The purpose is not to shut out anyone but have a productive way to manage the discussions.

Mr. Annunzio said there is a working relationship, and he would be the conduit.

Mayor Juracek said other airports are looking at ONCC and what is being done to mitigate noise at O'Hare.

Mr. Annunzio said the committee will be holding educational workshops separate from meetings to make the goals much easier.

Ms. Dunlap said she is mindful of how long the process takes to have the FAA consider any changes. The Technical Committee currently looks at the existing Fly Quiet Program and will focus on the IFQ as well. She noted Ms. Hanson (FAA) gives the Technical Committee updates on the IFQ. The FAA plans to hold at least four workshops later this year when they release the draft report on the IFQ.

Mayor Juracek said the subject matter does overlap and the regulatory process is a much larger EIS and is concerned about the timeframe. It is better to foster education without slowing process. Full membership can be advised of educational opportunities to understand the terminology and concepts—ask the FQC to educate their members and then present pertinent topics to the full commission; the meetings can draw on the experts.

Ms. Robles: remarked that was an interesting concept. She noted that on the full commission there are varying levels of engagement and background knowledge. One idea could be to have a 5-10-minute section on a specific topic at full commission meetings in order to establish a baseline of knowledge among the general membership.

Mayor Juracek said the Executive Committee could help to identify topics and secure speakers for the general meeting. ONCC has the audience and can engage the public and reporters that are eager to report information. ONCC can be a channel to the general public.

Dr. Kuper thanked Mayor Juracek for telling everyone that they are invited to the Fly Quiet meetings. He said the School Committee would like the chair to consider reviewing school membership on the Fly Quiet Committee.

Mayor Juracek said the Fly Quiet Committee was structured with only municipal members. The intent was for everyone to be represented geographically.

### **School Sound Insulation**

Dr. Kuper reported that to date the school sound insulation program has completed 124 schools, providing \$158 million in school soundproofing. The schools are very grateful for improvements to education.

Dr. Kuper reviewed the updated School Sound Insulation fact sheet and asked if more can be done. He questioned if there was funding for schools that have been sound insulated in the past but are need updates because they are still being adversely affected. He also questioned how ONCC can advocate for more testing and whether ~~is~~ funding is available.

Mayor Juracek said the issue with runway improvements is that there have been changes in flight paths. Areas that did not previously get noise are being impacted. The 65 DNL doesn't offer hope for any improvements especially if they have already received soundproofing. She questioned if it is appropriate to do an ex post facto assessment.

Mr. Ryan said a previously sound insulated school in River Grove has been turned into a library and is much quieter because it is using a sound insulated school.

Dr. Kuper asked how many schools that were soundproofed have closed.

Mr. Frame responded less than four schools that were sound insulated are not being used by students. He noted some schools that were closed were re-purposed into other uses.

Ms. Dunlap noted the DNL method used is different for school versus residential. She's hopeful that the DNL noise study being done by the FAA will be lowered to allow more sound insulation and wondered if the same would apply for school sound insulation.

Mr. Frame said CDA will provide information at the next two Executive Committee meetings with a variation of a map of the current contour and current eligibility criteria to understand what can be done and also provide a list of the 124 schools insulated and what schools are open and what schools are closed.

Dr. Kuper suggested CDA should make a presentation at a School Sound Committee meeting.

### **Residential Sound Insulation Program**

Mr. Frame reviewed a news release regarding the odorous windows. He reported CDA worked for eight months with consultants and testing the off-gassing problem of sound insulated windows. A report validated it was the vinyl on the window screens and secondary vinyl coating on the window itself. Tests showed the indoor air quality below health standards. The City of Chicago is conducting more testing and has established a program to address 300 plus homes per year. Working with FAA since this is new to them and will look to the agency for guidance and funding solution.

Mayor Juracek said she appreciated the City of Chicago owning the problem. She noted that a person's sense of smell is subjective. She cautioned there can be a real difference to regional systems unique to the Chicago area and there maybe some of that going on here with this problem.

Ms. Dunlap said she googled private windows and the Marvin windows appeared to have off-gassing made of PVC which is not a unique problem.

Mr. Frame said the City has been working since February 2018 to try and figure out what is going on with these windows and has temporarily stopped the insulation program. The City continues working behind the scenes for solutions. They ~~we~~ want to get back to sound insulation.

Dr. Kuper asked if there were any complaints from schools regarding odorous windows.

Mr. Frame replied no.

Mayor Juracek asked that a full report be given at the fall ONCC meeting.

### **Technical Committee**

Ms. Dunlap reviewed the committee's work plan, which included updated standard reports & notices, other reports, community outreach activities, member tours, guest speakers, discussion items including legislation, update on systems so the Commission can be involved proactively.

The City of Chicago is modernizing the 311 system. Mr. Frame was asked to give the committee regular updates on the City's progress in how the system would be upgraded and look at the kinds of questions that would need to be asked. At first, it was uncertain if it would be a custom or off the shelf product. It has been decided that the system will be designed internally. CDA came to the committee with four questions. One that generated a lot of discussion was the issue of anonymity for complaints—are they falling along a line since many airports already use a CAPTCHA system—consensus to find a way how residents can provide anonymous complaints but still know general location of the problem. The committee also looked at how to convey information to residents, if the system can be used to educate complainants.

Ms. Dunlap reported she attended a planning meeting for the 2019 Aviation Symposium. She said the airlines were not participating as much because more community members attending. The conference is mainly looking at PBN.

Ms. Dunlap advocated to get congressional member or staffer from Quiet Skies Caucus and community member as well to participate. She said the FAA mentioned the ONCC as the gold standard of community groups. FAA stresses the need for a roundtable discussion encouraging regional discussions.

Ms. Dunlap also said the committee is looking at quarterly Fly Quiet Reports and reaching out to airlines annually as well as attending cargo meeting manager meetings.

Mayor Juracek noted Ms. Dunlap's time and effort spent on looking for ways to mitigate noise and engage others.

Mr. Ryan said working closely with the chief pilots would be beneficial. He has been trying for years to have a good discussion with the FAA, Chief Pilots, control tower and ONCC what can be done with noise.

Ms. Dunlap said it is an ongoing process in outreach to stakeholders. She requested staff to contact FedEx and UPS cargo operators to build a better relationship with them.

## **9C/27C Outreach**

Mayor Juracek suggested that Mr. Frame will lead outreach to the community and start the education process to bring awareness to Runway 9C/27C and the impacts.

Mr. Frame said they will evaluate what types of outreach methods are necessary for outreach. Ms. Dunlap said communication is important and the expectations for usage of the new runway needs to be communicated.

## **Future Speakers/Discussion**

### **Tollway**

Mayor Juracek said it is important to know what the Tollway Commission is doing regarding western access and where the discussion is with Canadian National Railroad.

Ms. Dunlap mentioned she attended a tollway meeting to hear about the status of their work. She said the meeting lasted 15 minutes, and most of it took place behind doors.

Ms. Camacho mailed an invitation letter to the tollway director requesting her to address the ONCC at a future meeting.

### **NOISE Group**

Mayor Juracek suggested reaching out to the N.O.I.S.E. Group, which does lobbying.

### **Quiet Skies Caucus**

Ms. Robles asked if there are discussions regarding sit-downs with Congressional staff.

Mayor Juracek said Congressman Krishnamoorthi is very good at answering questions and convening mayor's meetings, takes action when he hears something of concern.

### **FAA**

Ms. Camacho reported Jim Hileman of the FAA has been invited to speak at the November ONCC.

### **FAA Survey**

ONCC wrote a letter to the FAA acting administrator demanding the results of the study be released. Waiting for FAA reauthorization—major industry leaders recommending 65DNL stay in place and keep noise contours—argument that aircraft is quieter—push back from lobbyists. Community members concerned about health impacts. If DNL is lowered, who will pay for difference?

## **Member attendance**

Jeanette reached out to members reminding them of attendance requirements - to send representatives to meetings

## **ONCC By-laws**

Mayor Juracek said the committee will continue to monitor the potential for any updates to the by-laws. The Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) also ends in 2020 and will need to discuss in late spring early summer of next year the renewal process and updates.

Mr. Fame suggested submitting recommendations by September 2018.

Mayor Juracek said ONCC should start the process to see what improvements are needed in the IGA and look at the by-laws to let school members participate in Fly Quiet Committee.

Mayor Juracek suggested the legal department look at what is appropriate or reasonable for membership in terms of geographic location.

Mr. Frame said CDA will provide language options.

### **Nominating Committee**

Mayor Juracek expressed concern about having bench strength for the leadership positions. She encouraged the Nominating Committee to seek candidates, engage in succession planning.

Mr. Ryan encouraged Mayor Juracek to remain as chair.

### **2019 Budget Committee**

Dr. Kuper said the budget committee will convene in September to discuss the 2019 Budget.

### **2018 Draft Calendar**

Ms. Camacho reviewed the draft 2019 ONCC meeting calendar. She asked members to provide feedback to make necessary adjustments.

### **BoardDocs**

Maura El Metennani gave a short presentation on the new agenda packet system, BoardDocs. Have all meeting documents and presentations easily accessible in one place. It is a web-based system, open to anyone. It can be found on the ONCC website.