

Approved Meeting Minutes
O'HARE NOISE COMPATIBILITY COMMISSION
Executive Committee Meeting
January 6, 2020

Call to Order

Chairman Juracek called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Attendance:

Members: Mayor Arlene A. Juracek, Village of Mount Prospect; Ms. Karyn Robles, Village of Schaumburg; Mr. Joe Annunzio, Village of Niles; Mr. Evan Summers, Village of Bensenville; Brian Gaseor, Village of Norridge; Aaron Frame, CDA; and Dennis Ryan (via phone).

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Robles moved, seconded by Mr. Summers to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2019 ONCC Executive Committee meeting. The motion carried.

FAA SMS Review

Chairman Juracek reported that she received correspondence from FAA Regional Administrator Rebecca MacPherson that the SMS review of the use of the north airfield at night post OMP Buildout had been completed. Administrator MacPherson offered to provide an update to the Fly Quiet Committee at their January meeting. The panel determined that use of the north airfield at night had a medium risk level, and that the FAA would be able to handle operations without additional mitigations.

Ms. Robles asked what the FAA's determination of medium risk meant.

Mr. Frame reported that the CDA has been briefed by the FAA in person. They are waiting on actual transmittal of document. He said that the CDA would review the document and have conversations between CDA operations and the airlines to develop solutions. He stated that medium risk is what the CDA expected.

FQ21 Departure Concepts Meetings

Chairman Juracek reported that a response had been received from the FAA with regard to an ONCC inquiry about flight checks during Interim Fly Quiet, and if there was the possibility to better coordinate based on the runway rotation schedule.

Mr. Frame stated that the CDA had received a good response from members on the departure concepts, and did not feel there was the need for additional meetings at this time.

Chairman Juracek stated that she was pleased to see Interim Fly Quiet information posted to the ONCC web site. She said that she thinks the ONCC is doing a good job of getting information out.

Fly Quiet Committee Appointment

Mayor Juracek said with 41st Ward representative Catherine Dunlap and 45th ward representative John Arena resigning from the ONCC, the Fly Quiet Committee was left without representation from the City of Chicago.

Chairman Juracek asked the Alderman of wards 39, 41 and 45 to determine amongst themselves who their representative would be.

Ms. Camacho has been working with 39th Ward Alderman Samantha Nugent to gain consensus on Peter Bialek, who currently serves as the 39th Ward Representative to the ONCC and is a member of the Technical Committee.

ONCC-CDA-FAA Leadership Meeting

Chairman Juracek reported a meeting between ONCC-CDA-FAA leadership has been scheduled for Friday, January 24, 2020.

Chairman Juracek suggested the members like the ONCC Facebook page to view the weekly IFQ updates.

Governance Committee

Ms. Robles reported that the Governance Committee met twice in December. They are meeting again in January. The committee has had productive conversations, cleaned up some language (member vs participant); and structure (designee vs alternate). The committee also modified language so that one person can serve as designee or alternate for a single ONCC member.

The Committee is also working on a list of items to be reviewed by CDA attorneys for the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA).

Ms. Robles mentioned that Bloomingdale Township had requested to join. The committee was inclined to let county representatives represent the townships.

Mr. Frame stated that the CDA is recommending that the IGA remove specification regarding incorporated or unincorporated areas and that county representatives would represent the entire county.

Ms. Robles said the Committee is also reviewing membership eligibility. The Tracon map will be the base to start with. Existing members outside the determined area could be grandfathered in. No determination has been made yet.

Chairman Juracek stated that it was important to set a limit.

Ms. Robles said the committee is focusing on what is a reasonable distance at what noise is a nuisance rather than an observance.

Chairman Juracek said that focus should be on people in the noise contour.

Mr. Summers stated that participation of schools has not been discussed yet, but enforcing attendance requirements could remedy that issue.

Ms. Robles stated that the committee had also discussed the School Sound Insulation Committee being an ad hoc rather than standing committee.

Chairman Juracek raised that school representatives are working with the CDA, looking into whether certain schools would be eligible for re-insulation. She suggested waiting until there was an update on that.

Ms. Robles said the committee was looking to bring some of the items to the May or June full commission meeting.

Mr. Frame said he planned to introduce to the IGA to the Chicago City Council in July. He will be meeting with Ms. Robles and Ms. Camacho as well as internal meetings with City staff to get the document ready.

School Sound Update

Ms. Camacho reported that a group met in December regarding the school sound insulation program. CDA and FAA will be meeting to discuss possible school sound insulation opportunities.

New Cook County Representative

Chairman Juracek reported that Cook County Commissioner Peter Silvestri has been appointed to serve on the ONCC.

UC Davis Noise Symposium

Mayor Juracek reported the symposium is geared more toward community groups. Last year, Chairman Juracek was the recipient of Walt Gillfilan award. The symposium will be held February 29, March 1 and 2. Chairman Juracek is participating with FAA Regional Director MacPherson on a panel discussing new approaches to noise management. They will be looking at how the layout of O'Hare has changed, the work the commission has been doing, the process. She stated that Ms. MacPherson appreciated that the ONCC is about getting results, that it is not forum for complaints.

Rand Corporation - National Panel on Airport Funding

Chairman Juracek participated in a National Panel on Airport Funding by Rand Corporation. The report is being released on January 14.

Review of January 10, 2020 ONCC General Meeting Agenda

The Committee reviewed the agenda for the January 10, 2020 ONCC General Meeting.

Mr. Frame reported that this will be a big year for sound insulation. Eligibility for phase 18 cutoff will take place in the next 2 weeks. The final Phase, 19, will be advertised for everyone as the last call. The resolution will be presented for approval to the Residential Committee at their January meeting and to the full Commission on February 14 for adoption. He stated that the City had 2 years to finish 1,600 homes (by the completion of the OMP).

Chairman Juracek asked if once OMP is complete there would be a new noise contour.

Mr. Frame stated that the city would proceed with sound insulation if additional homes are found eligible in a new contour.

Mr. Annunzio asked if Fly Quiet was taken into consideration.

Mr. Frame replied that it was not. But it could be included in future contours.

Ms. Robles moved, seconded by Mr. Summers to approve the agenda for the January 10, 2020 ONCC general meeting. Motion carried.

Comments from the Audience

Mr. Iccus asked about sound insulation. He noted that IDOT erecting walls along the Kennedy expressway – stated that he believed that the walls will reflect all sound including aircraft. He inquired about Fly Quiet Committee Membership. He described a sound meter app that he used to measure workplace safety.

Mr. Summers moved, seconded by Mr. Gaseor to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.