

Approved Meeting Minutes
O'HARE NOISE COMPATIBILITY COMMISSION
Executive Committee Meeting via ZOOM
June 1, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

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

ATTENDANCE

Members: Mayor Arlene Juracek, Village of Mount Prospect; Mr. Joseph Annunzio, Village of Nilus; Mr. Brian Gaseor, Village of Norridge; Dr. Jennifer Kelsall, School District 234; Mr. Ernie Kosower, City of Park Ridge; Dr. Raymond Kuper, School District 234; Ms. Karyn Robles, Village of Schaumburg; Mr. Dennis Ryan, Village of River Grove; Mr. Evan Summers, Village of Bensenville

Absent: Mr. Ralph Sorce, Village of Melrose Park

Others present: Ms. Jeanette Camacho, ONCC Executive Director; Mr. Aaron Frame, Chicago Department of Aviation; Mr. Ryan Anderson, Landrum & Brown; Ms. Maura El Metennani, ONCC Consultant; Ms. Fran Guziel, ONCC Consultant

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Ryan moved, seconded by Ms. Robles to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2020 ONCC Executive Committee meeting. Motion carried.

AD HOC GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Ms. Robles reported that the *ad hoc* Governance Committee wrapped up the changes to the bylaws and the recommendations to the IGA. She would present those to the full commission at the General Meeting on Friday. She said there were significant changes to the attendance section including if a member missed three consecutive meetings or a majority of the calendar year the member would be suspended for one year and lose voting privileges. The member would still be able to attend meetings as an audience participant. Once suspended, the member would receive a written request to be reinstated and would have a 30-day grace period to respond to the Executive Committee. She said language was changed from participant to member, a designee or an alternate can only represent one membership, unincorporated communities would be represented by their county, and the ONCC membership boundaries would be the Illinois portion of the TRACON.

Mayor Juracek commented on the eliminating the boundary factor and said a specific township would be represented by the county, in other words the township would not be an eligible member, but the county would be the member.

Mr. Frame explained that in the past those that lived in the RSIP noise contour would be represented by one township or county. This followed the original 1996 IGA. Today it does not have the township focus—unincorporated is opened up to the entire Cook or DuPage counties in 2020.

Dr. Kelsall asked if school districts were being removed.

Ms. Robles said that the conversation regarding ongoing school districts participation was tabled. She said the timing was not right during this session of the IGA update and the conversation would be addressed at a future IGA update and review. She had felt that school districts were invited to join to

“stack” the votes rather than school concerns. Timing not to just rush through and the attendance revision was for all members including school district and communities.

Dr. Kelsall offered to help in any way she could, including surveying the school districts if needed. Her district was a recipient of a large amount of funding. She would want to support the communities.

Mayor Juracek thanked her for her support and questioned if self-selected participants who send an employee consistently is it worth their while.

Ms. Robles explained that the committee was looking for stronger attendance and to be less restrictive. If a member lives in the far edges of the TRACON and was still attending, then they were getting value.

Discussion

Dr. Kuper asked what specific members were meeting that three-meeting criteria? He felt that those members may have school issues in the future regarding sound insulation. What members are at risk? School issues would be coming up and the committee should keep that in mind.

Mr. Summers said that Ms. Camacho had been tracking attendance and going forward there would be due process to restore membership.

Mayor Juracek said this change was not retroactive and would be applicable going forward.

Dr. Kuper wanted to know who it would affect currently.

Ms. Camacho said she did not have the exact numbers with her today, but it was not just school districts but community members also.

Mr. Frame said that of the 22 school district members half of them consistently miss meetings.

Ms. Robles explained that the commission was running into quorum issues and at-risk attendance was problematic. ONCC has not able to act when it is unable to get quorum. Resolutions cannot get passed. Members need to be committed not just school districts. These attendance changes would be added to the IGA to take effect January 1, 2021.

Ms. Robles had a list of communities and school districts that had poor attendance: four communities and eight school districts.

Mr. Frame said it is all right that the school districts got what they needed and now have elected not to participate. However, because of lower attendance, month after month there is no quorum.

Dr. Kuper commented on the last bylaws change that affected school districts—many school district members did not even know they were members. He said to give members a year warning, to which Ms. Robles said they will have a six-month notice regarding attendance that will be across the board and not just targeting schools; it will be equitable. We want participating school districts.

Dr. Kuper asked what school districts had not been participating.

Ms. Robles replied: 48,59,64,81,85.5,100, 299, and 401. Dr. Kuper commented that 299 is Chicago’s school district.

Ms. Camacho reminded the committee that the last time the IGA was sent out there were school district and community members that did not rejoin.

Dr. Kuper felt that the changes were only directed at the school districts.

Mr. Frame said to make sure that these changes are proposed changes and that he will reach out to the committee to refine the language before the document goes to the Corporation Counsel. The bylaws are for the members to vote on but not the IGA. We are comfortable with the changes, but we will get into wordsmithing. He said a conference call with Ms. Robles, Ms. Camacho, and his attorney would occur sometime during the summer.

Mayor Juracek said there will be a vote on the bylaws and the IGA will be on the agenda but not for an approval vote, but for general consensus. She asked that members get a full redline of the IGA before the next meeting.

Ms. Camacho said she would be sending membership an email regarding the bylaws and IGA changes.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mayor Juracek said Mayor Sherwin met with his committee and the slate of officers would remain the same.

Ms. Camacho mentioned that the Nominating Committee will reconvene in the fall to discuss succession planning and mentoring for leadership candidates.

Mayor Juracek said the changes in the bylaws would open the field of eligible candidates and will look to committee chairs to be in succession plans.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Summers reported that the Technical Committee met on May 19. CDA had no new updates on residential noise monitor deployment due to the coronavirus impact. A complete 2019 noise monitor deployment will be available on the CDA website. The Fly Quiet Annual Report is on the website. The CDA reported on the 1st Quarter Fly Quiet data and the impact of aircraft parked on the airfield. Landrum & Brown representative reported on COVID-19 impact on O'Hare. Flights are down from 2,000 operations to 900 per day or 90 percent while cargo operations increased. CDA reported on airfield changes.

RESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Gaseor said he hoped a quorum is obtained in order to pass the resolution for Phase 19.

Mr. Frame reported that the CDA has conducted virtual homeowner meetings and had nine advance enrollments. Applications were sent to residents who were directed to a webinar meeting which addressed single, multi-home, and historical homes. There were three briefings in three days for a total of nine applications. Virtual meetings are not new to homeowners. There are 250 participants out of the 1,000 eligible homeowners. Open enrollment is good. The department is gearing up for architect's briefings, we are trying to figure out how to get the consultants in the building and construction ready to go back to the homes. Phase 19 needs to be passed by ONCC.

Ms. Camacho asked about the change to the resolution.

Mr. Frame said that the numbers changed due to last minute drops in Phase 18. Phase 19 is up by six residences it was 1,125 it is now 1,131.

FLY QUIET COMMITTEE

Mr. Annunzio announced the Fly Quiet committee met on May 26th where there were two basic discussions:

- (1) IFQ update on weeks 24 to 28. The CDA reported diagonal Runway 4R/22L had construction work. Diagonal runways were not used due to the COVID-19 impact on aviation. Aircraft were parked too close to the runway for safety reasons and the runway could not be used. IFQ was used 5 percent of the time during these weeks.
- (2) FQ21 update where Mr. Anderson presented Alternate B which is a hybrid alternate field approach. Some configurations have to be looked over by the FAA and we are looking for individual feedback from communities regarding the information presented. The next meeting is June 23.

Mayor Juracek said she appreciated the work the Fly Quiet Committee was doing and thanked the CDA and L&B for their work under the time constraints.

Mr. Annunzio felt that Fly Quiet was going to happen. Ms. Robles concurred.

O'HARE CONSTRUCTION AWARENESS

Mr. Anderson said the information for the General Meeting would be two-fold. First, Mr. Frank Grimaldi would report on airfield construction this year with the effect of nighttime runway use. Second, there would also be a summer construction awareness brochure that addresses how runway usage would be affected until September.

IFQ SUMMARY

Mr. Anderson asked what was the expectation on his report? The most recent weeks or the entire report. Mr. Summers said the last weeks were embarrassing since the percentage in IFQ was down.

Mr. Frame said to review just the last four weeks; it was good to be transparent. The CDA would develop the entire IFQ report later this summer. It was important to understand why the diagonal runway usage was poor going forward in the future.

Mayor Juracek said we need to be transparent to the whole membership to understand what was going on those past weeks. Mr. Frame said they would highlight the last four weeks.

RUNWAY 9C/27C OUTREACH

Mr. Frame said there have been conversations with the FAA who will produce an educational video while the CDA will compile a fact sheet and FAQs which will be available on the ONCC and CDA websites. There is a plan in place, but no timeline yet.

PERMANENT NOISE MONITORS UPDATE

Mr. Frame reported that of the eight monitors scheduled to be installed the CDA had installed four—three suburban and one in Chicago near Ebinger School. All the contracts and the funding are in place for the remaining four monitors. CDA is in the process of contacting the Chicago aldermen whose wards will be receiving the new monitors. There have also been significant upgrades on existing monitors. Fifteen monitors were scheduled to be replaced. To date, six have been replaced and nine are remaining—contracts are in place, funding secured, and equipment has been ordered. Four noise monitors located on ComEd utility poles located in Franklin Park (complete), Des Plaines, Northlake, and Schiller Park are getting new masts and sites. There will be more details at Friday's meeting.

Mr. Frame reported that an FAA report regarding 65 DNL was sent to Congress on April 14. Three weeks later, it was shared with the industry and will get uploaded to the ONCC and CDA websites. The 21-page

document states the FAA's noise metric of choice is the DNL. It also validates that 65DNL is the threshold for noise annoyance. It gives the history and why 65DNL is the accepted choice.

When asked how long the public has been waiting for the results of this report.

Mr. Frame responded he thought at least five years. He said had some letters to Congressmen Quigley and Schakowsky that dated back to 2013 which was six and a half years ago. He said it took an act of Congress to get this information.

Mayor Juracek said the report was a primer on various noise metrics and makes a logical conclusion, but does not take into consideration why 65DNL is the choice.

Mr. Frame recommended ONCC ask the FAA leadership if it has other information when they meet again.

Mr. Annunzio said a percentage of the 65 DNL annoyance, but all are worried about the health effect and will it cause a problem.

Mayor Juracek said the survey was completed two years ago. It is anybody's speculation what is going on with the FAA review. It just stopped.

Mr. Frame suggested calling Rachel at the Great Lakes Region of the FAA and thought she would have additional information. That was a good place to start.

GENERAL MEETING AGENDA APPROVAL

Mayor Juracek reviewed the General Meeting agenda and added FAA Leadership Meeting update.

Mr. Ryan moved, and Mr. Gaseor seconded the motion to approve the June 5, 2020 General Meeting agenda with the FAA Leadership Meeting addition. Motion carried.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS

Mr. Dan Dwyer, a resident of Medinah, asked if the permanent noise monitors could be a standing agenda item on any committee because he seems to recollect that there were five noise monitors left to be installed in the city.

Mr. Frame said Site 6 in Chicago was removed and replaced. He said there are four monitors remaining and one replacement which equal five.

Mr. Dwyer also had an IGA comment. He interpreted the county wording of entire, not just the township and wanted to know is that specific to those communities impacted the entire including those.

Mayor Juracek responded that entire unincorporated areas will be the version.

Mr. Annunzio said Cook County does not interfere with municipalities; it is a state law.

Mr. Frame added that we will look throughout the entire county to include more residents not just unincorporated residents—look at that it is not our intention to scrub home rule.

Mayor Juracek announced the next Strategic Meeting would be held on August 13, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Ryan moved; Ms. Robles seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

