

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD

APRIL 24, 2003

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. Board members present were Vice-Chair Arnetta Davis (departed 6:40 p.m.), Debbie Chandler, Lizeida Feuillebois, James Futch, Hertz Halperin, Mitch Topal and Tim Woodcock (arrived 6:00 p.m.). Also present were Vice-Mayor Susan Starkey, Planner Deborah Ross and Secretary Janet Gale recording the meeting. Chair Dan Pignato, Gina Parker and Karen Schiavone were absent.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 20, 2003

Vice-Mayor Starkey asked that the minutes reflect that she was unable to attend the meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

Mr. Futch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Feuillebois, to approve the minutes of February 20, 2003, as amended. In a voice vote, with Chair Pignato, Ms. Parker, Ms. Schiavone and Mr. Woodcock being absent, all voted in favor. **(Motion carried 6-0)**

3. OLD BUSINESS

3.1 Discussion of the March 5th Broward County Commission Meeting

Vice-Mayor Starkey indicated that she and Mr. Futch had attended the March 5th meeting. Later in the meeting, Mr. Futch summarized what decisions had been made by the Broward County Commission.

3.2 Correspondence from Commissioner Lori Nance Parish

Later in the meeting, Mr. Futch referenced Commissioner Parish's e-mail regarding the "five studies" to complete the required analyses, and he asked if there was anyone representing the Town to ensure that accurate information was entered into the calculations. Vice-Mayor Starkey responded that as a member of the Broward County Airport Advisory Task Force, she was aware of corrections which had been made and assured that existing data would be used in the calculations to do the studies.

Mr. Futch suggested that while the report was being updated, the Board invite a representative from the Clean Airport Partnerships to actually see the impact on the Town. Vice-Mayor Starkey indicated that such a representative, Steve Howards, had been invited to tour the community; however, that has not materialized yet.

3.3 Updates and Strategies

Later in the meeting, Vice-Mayor Starkey expressed that she believed that informing people would be the most effective means to garner support. She suggested that Scott Marta's PowerPoint presentation be "tweaked," copied and presented at homeowner's association meetings or to any civic group meetings. Vice-Mayor Starkey indicated that another item of concern associated with the airport expansion issue was "storm water run off" and she explained this hazard.

Vice-Chair Davis referenced an e-mail she had received which advised what could be done to "fight the issues." Briefly discussed were which of the Broward County Commissioners who were supportive and which were not.

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Vice-Mayor Starkey reiterated that issues the Board members were to pursue were the updating of the Master Plan, that all scenarios should be explored and that the crosswind runway should not be closed. She spoke of the geographic areas which would be the most severely impacted and Vice-Chair Davis asked if there were any other means by which to rally residents for the cause.

Mr. Topal spoke of his experience at a youth sporting event at one of the Town's playing fields and believed that it was a perfect opportunity to elicit support since the effects of the flight path were obvious to everyone attending the games.

Mr. Halperin asked for clarification on what he should be conveying to his neighbors. Vice-Mayor Starkey responded that we should focus on the goal which was to update the Master Plan and to not move forward with the south runway expansion until there was current data using recent trends in aviation and current census data, and to consider all the alternatives. She explained that once the updated information was compiled, a more accurate evaluation could be made to determine if our Town and other surrounding communities could handle the ambitions of an airport "hub" or if the quality of life would be so impacted as to diminish any positive aspects to be gained by it.

A discussion ensued regarding the loss of property values and the difficulty of planning events outside due to the noise pollution. Vice-Mayor Starkey offered to make a presentation for Mr. Halpern's homeowner's association; however, he was not optimistic about gathering a significant number of people to view it.

Vice-Chair Davis suggested that there be an e-mail campaign whereby each Board member organized a rotating group to continuously send e-mails regarding specific issues on the subject to specific County Commissioners. She also asked if there could be training so that Board members would be able to make PowerPoint presentations themselves. Vice-Mayor Starkey indicated that she would obtain the CD, and review it so that Board members would be able to make presentations independently.

Mr. Futch suggested that the Airport Expansion brochures which had been distributed previously, be personalized for the Town so that they could be handed out to Davie residents at shopping centers or parks. Mr. Topal offered to edit the flyers when the Board was ready for that task.

Mr. Woodcock inquired about the petitions which had been circulated in the past. Mr. Futch advised that he forwarded his petitions to Brenda Chalifour to be presented to the County Commissioners. Vice-Mayor Starkey indicated that what had been collected could be entered into a database to which Mr. Topal again offered his help. There was a brief discussion regarding the possible arrangements to input the data from the petitions with nothing being settled at this point. Before leaving, Vice-Chair Davis indicated that if the program were set up, she could find someone to enter the data and to let her know what was resolved.

Mr. Topal inquired about the purpose and function of the Clean Airport Partnerships. Vice-Mayor Starkey explained its role and its significance as a "fair" consultant for the project. She also advised Board members of the benefits of the work being done by Environmental Consultant Brenda Chalifour with Save Our Shoreline. Mr. Futch made arrangements to have Board members receive the latest updates from SaveOurShoreline@aol.com.

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4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Next Meeting Date

The Board decided that the next meeting would be May 22, 2003, in the Community Room.

5. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS

Upon Vice-Mayor Starkey's inquiry, Ms. Gale explained that Chair Pignato was unsure if he would remain on the Board as he had changed jobs and was commuting a great distance.

Vice-Mayor Starkey displayed resource materials and indicated that Board members were welcome to utilize the material whenever they needed to do research or wanted historical information. A brief discussion ensued regarding current flight patterns as Board members had lately observed a variation. Vice-Mayor Starkey believed that they were trying different approaches and landing scenarios so as not to impact one particular area, which was one of the requests made by the advisory boards.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Halperin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Topal, to adjourn. As there were no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Date Approved: _____

Chair/Board Member