

ANOKA COUNTY/BLAINE AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
18 April 2007

Commissioners Present: Don Rosacker, Anoka County Aviation
Barbara Haake, Mounds View
Shaun O'Keefe, Lexington
Jack Plasch, Lexington
Dave Kelso, Circle Pines
Dean Quimby, Circle Pines
David Jahnke, Mounds View

MAC Staff Present: Scott Skramstad, Noise Program Coordinator
Joe Harris, Manager/Reliever Airports
Christene Sirois, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 5:04pm.

APPROVAL OF 18 OCTOBER 2006 MEETING MINUTES

The minutes were approved as written and distributed.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Joe Harris, MAC, noted that Discover Aviation Days will be held Saturday-Sunday, 19-20 May 2007 and that admission is free. The MAC is encouraging tenants to bring their aircraft to the event. Golden Wings is sponsoring a "Back to the 50s" event as part of Discover Aviation Days, which they've done in the past and which typically draws a large crowd. The Golden Wings Air Museum will be open during Discover Aviation Days. A pancake breakfast and lunch will be sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association. **Harris** noted the event requires large numbers of volunteers and funding from sponsors, and that the event may not be as large as it has been in the past as it is difficult to get aircraft in for the event.

NORTHWEST BUILDING AREA

Joe Harris, MAC, noted that there is no new activity to report on the northwest building area. It appears Anoka County is pressing the developer to move forward and that Medtronic may possibly have an interest in a hangar in that area but no interest in operating a commercial concern. **Harris** noted the developer is waiting to secure a commercial operation in that area before leasing other areas within the building area. The northwest building area is 39 acres. **Barbara Haake**, Mounds View, inquired as to development on the south end of the airport. **Harris** replied that the MAC is looking to develop some areas within that area for non-aeronautical purposes. **Harris** indicated the MAC is looking long-term toward developing the ballpark/soccer field area in the future as well. In relation to the golf course, **Harris** noted the golf course has a year-to-year lease.

Haake asked if the ILS is completely installed. **Harris** replied that it is. He noted there has been more corporate-style traffic year-to-date since the improvements, but that overall traffic is down 8% from this time last year. **Haake** asked if traffic was down at other MAC reliever airports. **Harris** said that it is, with the exception of Holman Field (downtown St. Paul) where traffic is slightly up. He added that the downward trend in traffic appears to be consistent across the nation.

ANE NOISE COMPLAINTS FOR JANUARY, FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2007

Scott Skramstad, MAC, noted there were three (3) total complaints. One complaint was for an operation at 2:30am, one was for an operation at 7:55am and one was for an operation that was reported approximately 15-20 miles west of the airport. **Barbara Haake**, Mounds View, asked if complaints had been received from residents who had previously complained at nighttime operations at 2:00am. **Skramstad** stated they had not filed complaints since summer 2006. **Harris** noted there is an active charter freight operator at the airport, but that they generally end operations at 10:00pm and begin at 7:00am.

OTHER ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

David Jahnke, Mounds View, asked about the issue concerning cab drivers at MSP. **Joe Harris, MAC**, noted that the ordinance governing the issue has been stiffened to include penalties for refusal of service.

Jahnke asked about the progress of the Holman Field (St. Paul) dyke project. **Harris** replied that the project is progressing.

Harris updated the group on construction at ANE, noting that Runway 18/36 will be rewired during Summer 2007. New lighting will not be installed, but the underground wiring will be replaced. In addition, a paving project on Taxiway Charlie, from Alpha 1 to where it ends, will be completed this summer, and the Alpha 1 run-up pad area will be repaved, as will Alpha 2. **Harris** noted that alleyways were repaved approximately 6-7 years ago when sewer and water lines were run.

NEXT MEETING

The next two meetings were scheduled for Wednesday, 18 July 2007 at 5:00pm, and for Wednesday, 17 October 2007 at 5:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Christene Sirois, Recording Secretary