

AIRPLANE NOISE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2019

Chairman Schmidt called the meeting to order @ 7:10 p.m. in the Baker Conference Room.

Members Present: Chairman, Andy Schmidt; Vice Chairman, Michael Andresino; Secretary, Barbara Martin; Mike Zullas; Chris Zeien; Jenn Goonan and David Godine. Committee member Muna Killingback joined the meeting @ 7:14 p.m. and committee member Matt Crowley joined the meeting @ 7:26 p.m.

Members Absent: Katie Conlon

Also Present: MCAC Representative, Thomas Dougherty and Milton resident Rob Hallowell

Rob Hallowell addressed the committee during Citizen Speak to express his frustration with excessive air traffic. Mr. Hallowell also expressed a need for increased communication regarding meeting notices and updates with the various committees and elected officials that are involved with the air traffic issue. Mr. Hallowell also stated that he, and others like him, would be willing to be more involved assisting with the Town's initiatives, and would welcome a "call to action" for the Town.

A motion was made by Mike Andresino and seconded by Andy Schmidt to approve the August 12, 2019 meeting minutes as amended. The vote was four yeas and three abstentions.

An email was sent to ANAC members prior to the October 1 meeting containing the draft of a letter responding to Boston Logan International Airport's Environmental Status and Planning Report. It is incumbent for members to read the report and sent comments to Andy Schmidt prior to October 8th. Suggested 'asks' in the Town's comment letter are no night flights, DNL being used as an ineffective metric and a response to the increase in the number of flights at Logan.

Jenn Goonan asked for the chain of communication once the letter has been filed and what pressure can be asserted by the Town. Jenn suggested contacting Congressman Lynch as he is a good advocate for Milton. She also informed the committee that the New York Times is writing an article about NexGen and she will try to contact the journalist writing the article so that Boston can be represented as this is a national story. It would be important to link the health aspect of air traffic and to schedule a meeting with Senator Warren linking her office to the media outlet publishing the NexGen story.

Matt Crowley then discussed the possibility of placing noise monitors in Town. He stated that the end goal of such a study would have to be determined prior to the equipment being placed. This type of study would need volunteers. Boston University is conducting such a study and Matt could provide the university with noise equipment. As a next step, Mike Zullas said he would connect Matt with the head of the BU study which is ending its first phase in November.

Agenda item #6 generated a discussion on how the ANAC could function more effectively when acting in an advisory role to the Select Board. Mike Zullas state that he would prefer to have the committee choose a topic as a deliverable for the Select Board to act upon, an action plan for ideas to be implemented.

Andy distributed a draft outline for the Town Wide Meeting with a proposed date of November 14th and the program content for the Town forum will be discussed at the next ANAC meeting.

During the Chair's report, Andy requested that committee members update their Conflict of Interest Certificate. It should be noted that in order to be in compliance with this requirement, committee members would need to be reappointed and once reappointed, present the appointment letter to the Town Clerk's office to be sworn in whereupon the necessary documents would be delivered.

The next meeting date is set for Tuesday, October 15th.

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:23 p.m. by Andy and seconded by Barbara. The vote was unanimous.