

Minutes

Noise, Air Pollution & Airport Hazards Committee (WAHC)

November 21, 2019 at 6:00pm

Robert DeLeo Senior Center, 35 Harvard Street

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman-Gina Cassetta

Vice-Chairman- Jerry E. Falbo

Secretary-Dawn R. Quirk

Members-Valentino D. Capobianco, Linda Cargill, Barbara Bishop for Speaker DeLeo, Dick Bangs, David Phipps

ABSENT: Josephine Fatta

CALL TO ORDER: Gina Cassetta called the WAHC meeting to order at 6:06pm

October Meeting Minutes: *No meeting was conducted in October .*

Discuss the mission of the MCAC and duty of its individual members: , no discussion

33L working group: *noted the substantial amount of publicity both ,televised news coverage as well as Newspapers. 3 of 5 towns conducted a public forum to include residents concerns on how to alleviate noise and flight path changes. Cities are lobbying for themselves. .*

33L update and status of Block 2 recommendation to MCAC committee: *Hansmon's original recommendations were challenged by the MCAC-Awaiting his position (Belmont-Arlington-Watertown) if approved, MCAC will vote final approval. Winthrop had no opportunity to make any requests or changes over our community because R9 to not being included in these Block studies. No member involved caught this omission.*

Discuss Joe Kennedy's support for Lynch bill/thoughts on flight dispersion: *Kennedy supports dispersing to other local Airports and added federal subsidies for neighborhood areas.*

Logan Airport 2017 ESPR meeting: *Sought clarification on Flavio Leo's comments regarding grandfathered in Nighttime Curfews in place for 22R/4L and 33L. Our request was forwarded to M. Vatalaro for response. Quoted ANCA and indicated that the law forbids any nighttime curfew. Committee still seeking clarification as to how any curfews can exist if not made available to all affected communities.*

Winthrop Transcript Article Clarification: *Unable to make any clarification due to no reporter present despite efforts to request one.*

2020 Meeting dates: : Committee tabled discussion/revisit during next meeting so that members could verify schedules..

General Discussion: Dick Bangs mentioned there is no chance that other airports are viable. He says, Worcester is too high above sea level and has fog. Dick Bangs raises the question of why should this committee stay in business, no response from TM, no one cares. Dick also thinks that we should start submitting letters to the Winthrop transcript because they won't show up to meetings for coverage. Gina continued to express concerns that the FAA is not aware that Point Shirley is being exposed to 73.9DNL (2018)/Uninhabitable

Public Comment- residents mentioned Tileston Rd and Enfield street are getting loud noise. Donna Reilly will communicate with Katherine Clark.

Deb stated that residents need to start attending TC meetings and bring neighbors along and make public comments. We need a third true mitigation agreement, we need evening curfews, it's time to litigate.

Other comments: Winthrop needs updated soundproofing, (50k per home) air filters in all homes and schools, RUP, mitigation money.

2018

Bill (Clark, Capuano, Boncore) (noise)

Omnibus bill 10/4/17

H3829, passed Congress but Feds haven't acted

Chairman Gina Cassetta moved to adjourn, seconded by Jerry Falbo, all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Members of the Press/Public in attendance:

No Press attended

John McGovern

Ginny Cronin,

Tracey Honan,

Deborah Kuhn

Donna Reilly