

AT A MEETING HELD AT THE AIRPORT TERMINAL ON MONDAY, MAY 20, 2023 OF THE
MIDDLESEX COUNTY AIRPORT COMMITTEE

Present Jamie Barnhardt, At Large
 Richard Lewis, At Large
 Chip Holt, At Large
 Chris Moffatt, At Large
 Don Chapman, At Large (remote)
 Ann Jones, At Large (remote)
 Reggie Williams

Russ Perkinson, MOP
Oscar Barber, Airport General Contractor
Robert Roberts, MOP

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Jamie Barnhardt.

ROLL CALL

Attendance was taken by Mrs. Gilbert with the following roll call: Mr. Lewis – Present; Mr. Holt – Present; Mr. Moffatt – Present; Mr. Chapman – Present; Mr. Hockman – Present; Ms. Jones – Present; Mr. Williams – Present; and Mr. Barnhardt - Present. There was a quorum.

Mr. Barnhardt informed the Committee that Ms. Jones requested to participate electronically. Mr. Barnhardt asked Ms. Jones to state the reason for attending electronically. Ms. Jones stated it was due to medical reasons. Mr. Barnhardt said the committee needed to have a majority vote to approve Ms. Jones' participation by electronic means.

A motion approving Ms. Jones' electronic participation was made by Mr. Moffatt and seconded by Mr. Lewis and carried with no objections raised. Mr. Barnhardt asked for the minutes to reflect the reason Ms. Jones was participating electronically for medical reasons. Ms. Jones was now a voting member of the committee and there was a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: A motion approving the minutes was made by Mr. Moffatt, seconded by Mr. Hockman and carried with no objections raised.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Date and time for Meetings: After a brief discussion, a motion was made to revise Article 6, Section 1 to change the meeting time from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Chapman and carried with no objections raised. The committee unanimously agreed to table the matter until the July meeting.

After additional discussion, a motion was made to revise Article 4, Section 3 to change "shall" to "may" was made by Mr. Lewis and seconded by Mr. Hockman and carried with no objections raised. The committee unanimously agreed to table the matter until the July meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Oscar Barber Airport Updates: Mr. Barber stated that part of the lights ordered had arrived and are still waiting for the rest. He discussed an issue with trees near Mr. Roberts' property and said the PAPI lights will need to move 900ft down the runway but would leave it up to the committee to either move the lights or remove the tree but warned that it's not an easy project. Mr. Lewis recommended moving the PAPI light but only at the one end.

Mr. Barber shared the terminal building plans with the committee and said the facility will be approximately 3600 square feet and the State will pay 90% of it. There was additional discussion on using it as a multi-use facility.

Special Meeting: Mr. Lewis discussed holding a special meeting for the sole purpose to consider the two revisions to the bylaws that are on the table. Mr. Barnhardt called the special meeting to be held on June 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Barnhardt opened the public comment at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Robert Roberts offered his assistance with the tree removal and gave his approval to dispose of the tree on his property.

Mr. Russ Perkinson voiced concern with the accuracy of the minutes from the previous meeting. Specifically, he did not express his approval for the nighttime operations. Mr. Perkinson suggested an alternative solution to set a time in the evening where the lights would come on automatically and then after that would come on as requested. He also mentioned the accuracy of the statement regarding Mr. Barber verbal agreement with Mr. Beam regarding mowing the grass. Mr. Barber provided clarification but said he is responsible for the mowing.

Ms. Monica Sanders is interested in how well airport traffic and fuel sales are.

Mr. Barnhardt closed the public comment at 7:40 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 pm on a motion by Mr. Lewis, seconded by Mr. Hockman. A voice vote was taken and was unanimously passed.