Aspen/Pitkin County Airport Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes March 20, 2025

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Call Meeting to Order: 3:00PM

Roll Call:

In Person: Jacque Francis, Meg Haynes, Valerie Braun, Bruce Gordon, Mike Solondz, Barry Vaughan, Andrew Doremus, Howie Mallory

Virtual: Catherine Christoff, Clint Kinney

Absent: Auden Schendler

Public Comment:

-(1:09) Ellen Anderson spoke about 5 things:

- The recent curfew violation
- Requesting flight operations for certain days in February
- Asked about the Flow Plan mentioned at the February meeting and who gets priority
- Asked for the qualification of the air quality specialists hired by Mead & Hunt and updates
- Stated that the Safety Task Force should not be pilots only
- Approval of the Meeting Minutes (5:45):

Meg Haynes made a motion to approve the minutes as is, Mike Solondz was the second. Approved unanimously.

Board Comments:

- -(6:10) Jacque responded to Ellen that the entire AAB had gotten a letter about the curfew violation. Dan also provided more information surrounding the violation. Mike and Andrew added their opinions of the curfew violation from a pilots view. Board questions and discussion follows.
- -(17:21) Howie spoke about the slot program/administration and requested that someone come and talk to them about how it works or doesn't work. Jacque asked that it be put on the April agenda.
- -(21:10) Barry spoke about three things. 1) He agreed with Mike and Andrew's stances. 2) He spoke about bringing a proposal next month for replacing the Safety Task Force. 3) Barry reiterated that he will be stepping down from the Board and he thanked everyone.

Priority Item(s):

- (23:11) Climate Action Report Presentation Michael Port Board question follow
- (41:42) Airport Air Quality Program Mead & Hunt Board questions follow
- (51:20) Noise and Emissions Presentation Mead & Hunt Lengthy Board discussion and questions follow (1:28:00 – could not hear any of Valerie's statements or questions)

Old Business

- (1:32:33) Build Grant Update Dan
- (1:33:53) Environmental Process Update Jacobsen/Daniels
- (1:34:51) **SAF Update** Jacque
- (1:37:11) Runway/Terminal Design Update Dan
- (1:39:19) **Scheduling of FAA Denver ATC Tour** Dan
- (1:41:16) **Reminder of Spring Closure** Dan
- New Business: None
- Standing Items:
 - Subcommittee Updates (as needed)
 - Noise Subcommittee none
 - Safety Task Force none
 - (1:42:17) Terminal Meg
 - o (1:43:04) Communications Team Update (as needed) Mavis
 - o (1:44:26) Commercial Passenger Update Bill Tomcich
 - o (1:49:25) FBO Update Jonathan
- Public Comment:
 - -(1:59:51) Ellen Anderson spoke about the curfew violation and how you can't pick and choose which ones to inforce.
- Board Follow Up Comments:
 - -(2:01:26) Jacque said she agrees with Ellen and that none of the Board wants to randomly inforce the curfew. Mike agreed.
- Adjourn (2:02:13)