

May 11, 2023

The Board of Commissioners of the Arapahoe County Public Airport Authority, Arapahoe County, Colorado, held a regular meeting open to the public at Centennial Airport Administration Complex, 7565 South Peoria St., Englewood, Colorado, located within the County, on May 11, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

The following members were present:

Commissioner Bagnato, Chair
Commissioner Campbell-Swanson, Clerk
Commissioner Doubek, Assistant Clerk
Commissioner Holen, Treasurer
Commissioner Huffman, Ex-Officio
Commissioner Sieber, Ex-Officio

The following members were absent, but excused:

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Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

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Amendments to the Agenda

- None

Next Meetings

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Commissioner Holen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as published; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Campbell-Swanson and passed unanimously.

BUSINESS AGENDA

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None.
- 6. Legislative Report and Airport Update** **Mike Fronapfel**
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Commissioner Campbell-Swanson made a motion to approve the ratification of the Executive Directors signature on the Normandy Group LLC contact; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Holen and passed unanimously.

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Dave Ulane

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Commissioner Holen thanked Mr. Ulane and the Division for their work in aviation. Commissioner Huffman asked if the funds returned to the airport are proportionate with the aviation fuel taxes collected. Mr. Ulane confirmed. Commissioner Campbell-Swanson asked if the division works with the FAA on grant assurances. Mr. Ulane answered no. Mr. Fronapfel thanked Mr. Ulane and added that state funds also help fund internships across the state, and clarified that Centennial Airport is funded solely by users of the airport, no local taxes fund this organization. Mr. Ulane agreed. Chair Bagnato thanked Mr. Ulane.

REPORTS

9. March 2023 Financial Report

Andrew Gillespie

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Mr. Gillespie, CFO, presented the March 2023 financial report. Commissioners Campbell-Swanson and Huffman asked questions; Mr. Fronapfel and Mr. Gillespie provided answers.

10. Fuel and Operations Report for April 2023

Nathan Moran

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11. Noise Report for April 2023

Samantha Blymyer

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Ms. Samantha Blymyer presented statistics on the April 2023 noise complaints; she stated the following:

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- 2023 YTD complaints are 2,538 from 149 households.
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- Arapahoe County Unincorporated led complaints at 55%, followed by Greenwood Village at 21%, with Centennial at 10%, Douglas County Unincorporated at 5%, and Parker at 5%.
- 627 complaints came from daytime operations while 53 came from nighttime operations.
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Commissioners Campbell-Swanson made comments about residents submitting complaints. Ms. Blymyer and Mr. Fronapfel provided responses. Commissioner Doubek commented on the helpfulness of noise complaint map.

12. Centennial Airport Community Noise Roundtable Update

Andy Jones (Highlands Ranch Metropolitan District)

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Mr. Jones reported on the following for the noise roundtable:

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Comments from Board or Staff

None.

Adjournment

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