



AIRPORT COMMITTEE MEETING, April 9, 2018
Meeting Minutes

Committee members in attendance: Barb Mikel, Roger Stenbock, Gordon Smith

A total of fifteen community members also attended. Meeting was called to order at 5PM by committee co-chair, Roger Stenbock.

A request by Barb Mikel was made to revise the order of the agenda. The first three agenda item's orders were revised. The revised order of the agenda is shown below. The agenda item is listed followed by comments from the board and/or attendees.

The committee welcomed all who attended and encourages their participation. It then summarized that the airport committee was designated by the Board, under Article XII (2) of the Bylaws, as an advisory committee consisting of two board members and one member at large. Members were selected by seeking volunteers to serve as a committee member by posting on the SCPOA.INFO web site and the Byte. Two (2) candidates submitted self nominations. The board selected one of the candidates and closed the nomination after filling the available position.

Agenda item 1: Runway maintenance, sealing, windsock, painting:

- a) The committee and attendees reviewed the west end windsock that was installed upside down which does not allow for complete drainage of water. To be referred to SCPOA maintenance to correct.
- b) Painted markings require attention.
- c) An attendee requested the replacement of reflectors along the sides of the runway. A suggestion was made to research cost and different styles of markers to help avoid vandalism. Attendee Gene Bowen indicated he would do research and present to a future committee.
- d) Referencing 01CL.com is to be removed from the SCPOA airport information documentation.
- e) A request to post the committee's next meeting date was made along with a request to inform the Swansboro Pilots Association as well.

Agenda item 2: Type of aircraft/drone use:

- a) Committee co-chair, Gordon Smith, reminded all in attendance of the type of aircrafts that are not allowed to use the SCPOA airport. These aircrafts can be reviewed in SCPOA's airport rules documentation found on SCPOA.info.
- b) Gordon also advocated for possible future seminars and training for those community members that are interested in flying drones. These seminars/training events are suggested to be comprised of both fixed wing community pilots and those who wish to use a drone.
- c) A request was made to Milo Laguna to give a demonstration of drone use at an upcoming May picnic. This was requested to help educate safe practices to those wishing to use a drone.
- d) Drone usage was referred to the FAA's website for their rules and regulations and all were reminded that drone usage within five miles of an airport requires operators to give notice to the airport operator / management.
- e) SCPOA is NOT promoting "dangerous" drone activity at the airport.

Agenda item 3: Airport Rules

a) It was suggested that some information on the current copy of SCPOA's airport rules be revised. Removal of reference to 01CL.com; revision of some verbiage; and Air-Nav information that needs updating were mentioned. Attendees were urged to help review and comment on what exact changes should be made. Correction / update to www.airnav.com by airport manager? We do not have REIL and the obstructions are numerous. Runway end identifier lights: REIL STROBE MEDIUM INTENSITY ON LEFT SIDE RUNWAY. Obstructions: 100 foot hill, 1320 feet from runway change language to "rapidly rising terrain or??".

Agenda item 4: Property Values

a) It was noted that those who own housing along the runway have the most to lose or gain on how their property is maintained. Maintenance should be done by SCPOA's maintenance department for insurance reasons and also that the runway is an association asset not an individuals. Safety, health, and negating potential lawsuits were discussed as well.

b) It was suggested that SCPOA maintenance be involved in maintaining the vegetation growth along the runway that grows within a 60 foot distance from center-line of runway.

c) A request was made that when weed spraying occurs along the edge of the runway that it be limited to a distance of one foot from pavement as some residents have planted lupine, or other flowers, and that spraying beyond one foot will kill these plants.

Agenda item 5: Pedestrian / Animal safety

a) A suggestion to have a blog on SCPOA.info was made to promote awareness and safety for those that walk along the runway.

b) A suggestion for placement of safety signs was made. A rebuttal to safety signs was that they may lead to have pedestrians walk on private property rather than the runway's easement.

Agenda item 6: Common area use / Insurance / Reservations

Item six was "tabled" at this time.

Agenda item 7: NTSB reporting

a) The need to notify SCPOA of activities needs to be a priority. This is required so proper reporting to insurance company(s), the association's attorney, and any involved party is knowledgeable of what is happening in the event of an unforeseen issue so proper reporting to the NTSB may be done. Airport incidents/accidents are reported to the FAA the NTSB (National Transportation & Safety Board) investigates accidents based on several factors... we could have an incident reported to the FAA which the FAA would not call in the NTSB. The NTSB report was issued in the fatal accident. There appears to be no evidence in the record or confirmation by the insurance carrier or SCPOA attorney of notification by the SCPOA board at the time of the fatal accident during a landing attempt at 01CL at the 2014 "Pilot Association hangar party".

Agenda item 8: Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM