

**MINUTES OF
LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
AIRPORT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020**

PRESENT: Chair Wilma Heaton
Vice Chair Thomas Fierke
Commissioner Roy Arrigo

ABSENT: Commissioner Pat Meadowcroft

STAFF: Louis Capo – Executive Director
Madison Bonaventure – Assistant to the Executive Director
Sarion Granger – Human Resources Analyst
Daniel Hill – Director of Engineering & Operations
Bruce Martin – Deputy Airport Director

PUBLIC: Al Pappalardo – Real Estate Consultant, P.C.I.
Rob Stumm – Corporate Hangars, LLC
Pike Howard – Corporate Hangars, LLC
Pat Tobler – The Tobler Company, LLC
Chad Tobler – The Tobler Company, LLC
Ralph Hennessy – Michael Baker International, Inc. (M.B.I.)
Brian Smith – Michael Baker International, Inc. (M.B.I.)
David Capo – Commemorative Air Force-Big Easy Wing
David Carter – Commemorative Air Force-Big Easy Wing
Addie Fanguy – General Manager of Signature Flight Support

The Airport Committee of the Lakefront Management Authority met on Tuesday, February 20, 2020, in the Lakefront Airport Terminal Building, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana.

Chair Heaton called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Opening Comments: None

Motion to Adopt Agenda:

A motion was offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Arrigo, and unanimously adopted, to adopt the agenda.

Motion to Approve Minutes:

A motion was offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Arrigo, and unanimously adopted, to approve the minutes of January 14, 2020.

Public Comments: None

Airport Director's Report:

Bruce Martin, Deputy Airport Director, reported that construction was halted last month because the contractors needed four consecutive days of dry weather to complete the Runway Rehabilitation 18R/36L Mill and Overlay Project.

Mr. Martin reported that the frame for the Terminal Elevator shaft has been installed, the construction of the ARFF facility is ongoing, the Moffett Hangar maintenance build-out is complete, LEDSupply upgraded the lights to LED lights along Stars & Striped Boulevard, and the badges for the Airport gates are being upgraded to one system and supplier.

Mr. Martin discussed the recent and upcoming events at the New Orleans Lakefront Airport.

Commissioner Fierke requested a status update of the Runway Rehabilitation 18R/36L Mill and Overlay Project. Mr. Martin responded that the project has reached substantial completion, and a punch list must be completed to establish final completion. Chair Heaton asked if any of the punch list items required approval of the Board. Mr. Martin responded that the punch list doesn't require any approval. Commissioner Fierke asked if the PAPI lights were installed. Mr. Martin responded that the PAPI lights were installed and light checks have been performed on all runways except for the main runway.

Louis Capo, Executive Director, discussed the Proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 with the Committee. Commissioner Arrigo questioned the \$45,000 line item. Mr. Capo responded that the Authority pays \$3,750.00 per month for an Orleans Levee District Police Officer to secure the premises during the day. Chair Heaton stated that tenants at the New Orleans Lakefront Airport have recently requested security at night because two cars have been stolen, and several break-ins have occurred. The Committee suggested that Mr. Capo review the budget and determine the best option for security services during the day and night.

Public Comment:

Addie Fanguy, General Manager at Signature Flight Support, requested assistance from the Board to receive reimbursement from Barber Brothers in relation to the Runway Rehabilitation 18R/36L Mill and Overlay Project because he felt that Signature was entitled to such reimbursements from Barber Brothers. Mr. Fanguy stated that he believes that Barber Brothers has been limiting the use and enjoyment of Signature's leased area. Chair Heaton suggested that staff and Mr. Fanguy schedule a meeting to discuss the issue and to determine a solution.

Presentation – Corporate Hangars, LLC:

Rob Stumm, of Corporate Hangars, LLC, stated that the Authority could possibly help him resolve his supply/demand imbalance. He explained that he has been receiving calls weekly requesting hangar space but cannot supply them with it. Pike Howard, of Corporate Hangars, LLC, stated that the New Orleans Lakefront Airport is a great place for general aviation pilots because the location has two Fixed Based Operators (FBOs), a beautiful terminal building and a beautiful restaurant. Mr. Stumm requested an opportunity to develop greenspace bounded by Echo/Taxi lane/Delta/Hotel, to purchase a 3-year option to develop the greenspace bounded by Tower/Hotel/Echo/Taxi lane and to move the movement/non-movement line 40-feet northeast of Echo centerline. He requested a 30-year extension to the existing Corporate Hangars, LLC lease and some level of rent credit for infrastructure development, utilities and ramp expansion. Chair Heaton requested that the Corporate Hangars, LLC present a more detailed proposal to recommend to the Board for approval.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1) **Recommendation to lease Suite 233 to The Tobler Company, LLC:**

Chair Heaton explained that the Lakefront Management Authority's staff is moving out of Suite 233 and into the eastern wing of the New Orleans Lakefront Airport Terminal Building. Pat Tobler, of The Tobler Company, LLC, stated that the New Orleans Lakefront Airport is a convenient location for their company since Mr. Tobler and his team members are residents of the Lakeview neighborhood and Slidell. Mr. Tobler described his firm as one which specializes in project management – particularly in large scale construction jobs such as projects on the Superdome. Commissioner Fierke requested a brochure of the Tobler Company, LLC. Chair Heaton noted that she felt that The Tobler Company's mission was compatible with the other tenants in the Airport Terminal Building and the Authority as well.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Arrigo, and unanimously adopted, to recommend to the Board for approval to lease Suite 233 to The Tobler Company, LLC.

2) **Recommendation for repair of T-103 at the Fuel Farm:**

Daniel Hill, Director of Engineering & Operations, explained that in June 2019 the Authority received proposals from contractors, and Lou-Con was selected to perform an inspection of the T-103 fuel tank. He stated that a contract was signed with Lou-Con to perform the inspection for \$14,500. Lou-Con performed the inspection in October 2019 and submitted a proposal for the time and materials cost to perform the repairs that were

noted in the inspection report. Commissioner Fierke asked about the condition of the fuel tank. Mr. Hill responded that there is a void underneath the foundation that must be filled, and several various steel patches must be repaired. Commissioner Fierke inquired about the inspection report performed by Lou-Con. Mr. Hill stated that the Authority received a full inspection report. Commissioner Fierke asked if the fuel tank was surrounded by a secondary containment facility. Mr. Hill responded that the fuel tank is offline, empty and surrounded by a secondary containment facility. Commissioner Arrigo asked if the Airport's fuel sales were impacted by the broken fuel tank. Mr. Hill responded that the Airport's fuel sales haven't been impacted; however, if a second fuel tank were to break then the fuel sales would be severely impacted.

A motion offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Arrigo, and unanimously adopted, to recommend to the Board for approval to repair T-103 at the Fuel Farm.

3) **Recommendation for approval of acceptance of low quote by Wallace Drennan in the amount of \$69,7000 for the repair of waterline under Stars & Stripes:**

Mr. Hill reported that an 8-inch water main is broken underneath Stars & Stripes Boulevard, and the water main feeds Southshore Harbor and the FAA Tower. He stated that Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans is billing the Lakefront Management Authority for the water usage associated with the main break. Mr. Hill stated that the workers will directionally drill underneath Stars & Stripes Boulevard to prevent from shutting water off from the tenants and the FAA Tower. Chair Heaton noted that Mr. Hill will negotiate with Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans about the high water bills due to the water main break.

A motion was offered by Commissioner Arrigo, seconded by Commissioner Fierke, and unanimously adopted, to recommend to the Board for approval of an acceptance of a low quote by Wallace Drennan in the amount of \$69,700 for the repair of waterline under Stars & Stripes.

4) **Motion to approve Change Order No. 001 for Ranger Environmental for AVGAS/Jet Fuel Remote Fueling Station Decommissioning in the amount of \$21,570:**

Chair Heaton explained that the project may be reimbursable by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

A motion offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Arrigo, and unanimously adopted, to recommend to the Board for approval of Change Order No. 001

for Ranger Environmental for AVGAS/Jet Fuel Remote Fueling Station Decommissioning in the amount of \$21,570.

5) **Recommendation to name the New Orleans Lakefront Airport Terminal Building's Atrium to the Governor Huey P. Long Atrium:**

Chair Heaton explained that renaming the New Orleans Lakefront Airport Terminal Building's Atrium will honor Governor Huey P. Long's dedication to the Airport construction project.

A motion offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Arrigo, and unanimously adopted, to recommend to the Board for approval to name the New Orleans Lakefront Airport Terminal Building's Atrium to the Governor Huey P. Long Atrium.

Announcement of next Airport Committee Meeting:

1) **Tuesday, March 17, 2020 – 2:30 PM**

Adjourn:

A motion was offered by Commissioner Fierke, seconded by Commissioner Arrigo, and unanimously adopted, to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:12 PM.