

MINUTES OF MEETING
RHODE ISLAND AIRPORT CORPORATION
SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WEDNESDAY, JULY 6, 2022 AT 8:00 AM
IN THE MARY BRENNAN BOARD ROOM
RHODE ISLAND T. F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
2000 POST ROAD, WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND

The meeting of the Rhode Island Airport Corporation (RIAC) Board of Directors was called to order by Chair, Jon Savage at 8:00 a.m., in accordance with the notice duly posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act (R.I.G.L. §42-46-1 et seq.).

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan Savage; Deborah Thomas, Christopher Little; Gregory Pizzuti and Jeffrey Bogosian.

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Michael Traficante and Jonathan Roberts.

ALSO PRESENT: Iftikhar Ahmad, President and CEO, and those members listed on the attendance sheet attached hereto.

1. Open Forum:

Mr. Savage asked if anyone present wanted to speak in Open Forum.

Mr. Richard Langseth stated he would like to address the Board.

Mr. Langseth provided a hand out to the board and noted he wanted to discuss the freight warehouse on Strawberry Field Road. **Mr. Langseth** asked RIAC to make sure his comments from today are included in the EA for the freight warehouse. **Mr. Savage** asked Mr. Langseth to put any comments he would like included in letter format and send to RIAC so that his comments are captured accurately. **Mr. Langseth** noted at the February Board of Director's Meeting there was discussion about a new freight facility. There was reference in that meeting that the facility might be for e-commerce. There is a large warehouse being built on private property across the street from the airport and no one knows who the tenant is, people believe it could be Amazon. The neighbors are not happy about this going in, and don't want all of these 767s. The staff analysis talked about traffic and noise studies, and it should be a real noise study, which is contained in the Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Planning Program (Part 150). The Part 150 explains how airplanes take off and land and it is an elaborate process. When he obtained the documents through a public record request, he noticed current study is only for a barrier on Strawberry Field Road and it excludes the Part 150 type study. **Mr. Langseth** noted in 2000, the most recent Part 150 excluded the south side. He stated that the cost is \$100M for the first rendition and almost \$400M in public money going into the facility without a study of air noise. **Mr. Langseth** stated that the people of Warwick do not want this and noted people will complain. A permanent Part 150 technical committee was created 20 years ago and he has not heard anything about this. The presentation last month on the AECOM study noted interested people will be engaged before an EA is published and there has been no stakeholder activity. We have to consult with interested parties such as the people of Warwick, politicians and the Governor. **Mr. Savage** noted

Mr. Langseth brought forth technical information and we do our best to keep notes, but asked that he submit a letter to help all parties ensure all of this information will be captured. **Mr. Langseth** noted he will put the comments in writing before the public comments period.

2. Executive Session:

At approximately 8:07 a.m., a motion was made by **Mr. Little** and seconded **Mr. Bogosian** to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the following items:

The Board will seek to go into Executive Session for the following stated purposes:

- (a) **Motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2022 § 42-46-5(a)(5); and**
- (b) **Discussion and update pertaining to current collective bargaining § 42-46-5(a)(2); and**
- (c) **Motion to return to open session.**

By roll call vote the motion was passed unanimously.

At approximately 8:27 a.m., a motion was made by **Mr. Pizzuti** and seconded by **Ms. Thomas** to return to Open Session.

The motion was passed unanimously.

3. Post Executive Session Actions and Announcements:

- (a) **Motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session held on July 6, 2022; and**

A motion was made by **Mr. Bogosian** and seconded by **Ms. Thomas** to seal the minutes of the Executive Session in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 42-46-7.

The motion was passed unanimously.

- (b) **Report on actions taken in Executive Session.**

During the Executive Session, a motion was made by **Ms. Thomas** and seconded by **Mr. Bogosian** to approve the sealed minutes of the Executive Session on June 2, 2022.

The motion was passed unanimously.

- (c) **Approval of the July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement.**

A motion was made by **Mr. Pizzuti** and seconded by **Ms. Thomas** to approve the resolution presented by staff.

The motion was passed unanimously.

4. Future Meetings:

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 8:45 a.m., in the Mary Brennan Board Room, Rhode Island T. F. Green International Airport, Warwick, Rhode Island.

5. Adjournment:

Mr. Little moved to adjourn at approximately 8:28 am. **Mr. Bogosian** seconded the motion.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Savage, Chair
Rhode Island Airport Corporation

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE SHEET
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<u>NAME</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
Alicia Seabury	RIAC
Brittany Morgan	RIAC
Wallace Tang	RIAC
Nicole Williams	RIAC
Elie Zogheib	RIAC
Dennis Greco	RIAC
Rob VanBurg	RIAC
Yil Surehan	RIAC
Joseph Rodio, Jr.	Rodio & Ursillo
Richard Langseth	Constituent
Michelle Komar	Constituent
Antonia Farzan	Providence Journal

The minutes of the Executive Session of the Special Board Meeting on July 6, 2022 have been sealed in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 42-46-7(c).