

Joint Airport Zoning Board Minutes
December 7, 2017
Duluth International Airport
Amatuzio A Conference Room

Chair Kevin Comnick welcomed everyone. He introduced and welcomed the new Duluth member, Mr. James Reihl. Discussion began at 3:33 p.m.

1. Roll Call:

Present:

Kevin Comnick	Canosia	John Geissler	Hermantown
Steve Kossett	Rice Lake	Teresa Koivula	Rice Lake
Steve Hanke	Legal Representation	Bob Pearson	Duluth
James Reihl	Duluth	Steve Gerards	Duluth
Dan Golen	Canosia	Peter Stauber	St. Louis Co.
Frank Jewall	St. Louis Co.		

Absent: David Kolquist, Hermantown;

Visitors: Blaine Peterson, Mary Ann Wittkop, Eric Johnson, Andy Samberg and Benita Crow

2. **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings:** Motion by John Geissler, seconded by Steve Kossett to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2016 meeting. All ayes, motion carried.
3. **Agenda Items:** Motion by Steve Kossett to approve the agenda. Seconded by Bob Pearson. All ayes, motion carried.
4. **Community Reports:**
 - a. Canosia Township – In the process of working with the sanitary district for development of two properties.
 - b. City of Duluth – no new information.
 - c. City of Hermantown – Update on the Wellness Center, finalizing planning process and spoke on timeline. Reviewed on two new fire halls and sewer study to help with development.
 - d. City of Rice Lake – City Hall repairs, Kwik Trip is moving forward, new commercial businesses and land purchases. Working on updating zoning ordinance.
 - e. St. Louis County – Levy increase and investment to community, support for aviation businesses, job availability and need for affordable housing. Commended Mr. Tom Werner, DAA Executive Director, for all his work in this process.

5. Opportunity for Citizens to be Heard:

6. Reports of Committees:

No committees at this time.

7. Communications:

None.

8. Unfinished Business:

Chair Connick commended Mr. Werner for presenting a very informative orientation on the Statewide Airport Zoning Reform just before this meeting.

- a. Mr. Blaine Peterson, DAA Director of Operations, updated on the Runway 9/27 reconstruction and Sky Harbor Runway Relocation projects. Reviewed and spoke on the timeline for the grooving process and other project activities for Runway 9/27. Due to weather, the grooving process has been suspended -- to restart in the spring. Sky Harbor project is going very well and progressing. Phase 2 will be starting next fall. Questions followed on the projects.

9. New Business, Motions and Resolutions

None.

Chair Connick expressed his appreciation in having this quorum and welcomed the new Duluth board members. Mr. Steve Hanke, Assistant City Attorney, will speak with the City, as one more Duluth representative is needed and Hermantown members will need to have conversations as to their representatives. The next meeting will be the first Thursday in March of 2018. Ms. Wittkop will send out calendar invites for all 2018 JAZB meetings.

Adjourn: Motion by Frank Jewell, seconded by Dan Golen to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried. Chair Connick adjourned the December 7th JAZB meeting at 3:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Ann Wittkop
Recording Secretary