ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
COMMISSION – REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

Monday, November 3, 2014

The regular meeting of the Ontario International Airport Authority was held on Monday, November 3, 2014, in the City Council Chambers at Ontario City Hall, 303 East “B” Street, Ontario, California.

Notice of said meeting was duly given in the time and manner prescribed by law.

CALL TO ORDER

Commission President Wapner called the Ontario International Airport Authority Commission meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners: Jim W. Bowman, Lucy Dunn, Ronald O. Loveridge, and Alan D. Wapner

ABSENT: Commissioners: Gary Ovitt

Also present were Executive Director Al C. Boling, Legal Counsel Thomas Rice and Assistant Secretary Vicki Kasad.

CLOSED SESSION

Hearing no requests to speak from the public, President Wapner adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 10:01 a.m., for discussion of the following:

- GC 54956.8, CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
  Property: Ontario International Airport, 2900 East Airport Drive, Ontario; Authority Negotiator: Executive Director or designee; Negotiating parties: Los Angeles Mayor or his designee; Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION

The Ontario International Airport Authority Commission meeting was reconvened in public session at 10:46 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Bowman.
CLOSED SESSION REPORT

President Wapner indicated that direction was provided to the Authority's negotiator, but there was no reportable action from the Closed Session discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved the Minutes for the meeting of the Ontario International Airport Authority of October 6, 2014, as on file with the Secretary/Assistant Secretary.

MOTION: Moved by Commissioner Dunn, seconded by Commissioner Bowman and carried by unanimous vote of those present, with Vice President Ovitt absent to approve the Minutes as presented.

COMMISSIONER MATTERS

Secretary Loveridge detailed his personal story of his arrival at ONT on Saturday evening. He noted that there were no planes at Terminal Two, and only his plane at Terminal Four; the businesses were closing, and there was no one there. President Wapner concurred, noting that he hears similar stories all the time.

President Wapner noted the most recent statistics on the airport, but stressed that people should not be deceived by the numbers. He stressed that there are still not that many passengers. He asked Executive Director Boling what the projections were for the year.

Executive Director Boling indicated that a slight increase was anticipated over last year to around four million passengers.

President Wapner commented that to put the numbers in perspective, LAX saw a 5% increase month-to-month and a 6.5% increase year-to-year. He further commented that LAX is on pace for a record of 70 to 71 million passengers and suggested that the additional three million are those that were lost by ONT.

President Wapner noted a recent article on expanding Southwest flights, commenting that the airline’s expansions were taking place everywhere except Ontario. He stressed that Southwest is not planning any expansion for Ontario, and we are lucky to maintain the current flights at Ontario. He indicated that passenger demand exists but we are still not getting the flights, most likely due to the high cost to airlines. President Wapner also noted L.A.’s new billboard marketing effort in the Ontario region. He stressed that Ontario made public its business plan almost five years ago and Los Angeles has chosen to ignore it rather than implement any of the strategies.
Commissioner Bowman noted that LAWA is trying to promote the airport; but there is little to market.

President Wapner commented that he was happy that the Airport Public Safety Department held a drill yesterday for active shooter incidents, but expressed concern that they did not include City of Ontario first responders. He further stressed the need for direct communication with the respective Chiefs and Los Angeles about the exclusion of our first responders. He also commented on the need for a coordination of efforts in the event of a major incident. President Wapner indicated that we do not have authority over the airport yet, but public safety is everyone’s concern.

ADJOURNMENT

President Wapner adjourned the Ontario International Airport Authority Commission meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

VICKI KASAD, MMC, ASSISTANT SECRETARY

APPROVED:

ALAN D. WAPNER, PRESIDENT
ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY