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## **Martin County Airport Noise Advisory Committee Minutes**

Eula Clarke  
Sarah Heard  
Stephen Sedor  
Alexander Heinz Beringer  
Scott Saunders  
Douglas Davis  
Steve Schimming  
Ronald Rowars  
David Kurzman  
Christina Ouellette  
John Garwood

**10:00 AM**

**Thursday, October 23, 2025**

**Airport Administration Building**

In accordance with Martin County Resolution 03.8.22, the ANAC shall have the duty and responsibility to make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners concerning the implementation of the operational and land use mitigation measure adopted in the Martin County Airport FAR Part 150 Noise

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

The October 23rd, 2025, meeting was called to order by Alex Beringer, the Chair.

### **ROLL CALL**

Everyone was in attendance with the exception of Stephen Sedor and Ronald Rowers who were excused. Attendees included new representative Christina Ouellette. Commissioner Heard was not present at the time of the roll call but joined the meeting shortly thereafter.

A quorum was present.

The Chair requested a Motion to approve the agenda for the October 23rd Meeting. Doug Davis made a motion to approve the agenda and Scott Sanders seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **MINU APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

#### **MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 2025; ANAC MEETING**

Approval of the April 25, 2025, ANAC Meeting minutes.

**Agenda Item: 26-0198**

**Attachments: ANAC Minutes 042525.pdf**

The Chair requested a motion to approve the minutes of the April 25th ANAC meeting. David Kurzman made a motion to pass the minutes and Eula Clark seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**PRES PRESENTATIONS**

**MARTIN COUNTY AIRPORT OPERATIONS INFORMATION**

This document lists airport operations, the percentage of operations during curfew, jetoperations, and other relevant airport information for the third quarter of 2025.

Agenda Item: 26-0199

**Attachments: 2025Q3 Operations & Noise Report.pdf**

**2025Q3 NoiseCalls.pdf**

**2025Q3 Rolling NoiseCalls.pdf**

Christina Ouellete introduced herself and noted that she lives within two miles of the airport. She indicated that she had a tour of the airport the previous day and learned a lot and hopes to learn a lot more.

**Martin County Airport Operations Information**

Andrew McBean, the Airport Director, reviewed the operations information for the year to date noting 90,718 aircraft operations for the year to date or a monthly average of 10,080. In September, operations totaled 8,054. Andrew brought attention to an error in the information previously circulated which may show around 7,000. Andrew noted the after-hours operations and exempt and non-exempt operations as 266 and 9, respectively. Year to date non-exempt operations total 3,781 and 86 exempt during the voluntary noise curfew between 11pm to 7am. Exempt operations include life flight, law enforcement, and similar activity. Andrew then reviewed jet operations and the number of operations using the customs and border protection (CBP) facility. CBP is now closed on Tuesday's and Wednesday based on administration policy, and it will remain closed unless there are changes to current policy.

Andrew moved on to discuss noise calls noting that in September there were no logged noise calls. There was a total of 41 noise related calls in the third quarter and 127 calls for the rolling 12-month period. Andrew then reviewed the location of noise calls for both the quarter and last 12 months.

Stuart Commissioner Eula Clark asked about the CBP and what users do on the days that the facility is closed. Andrew explained that the facility is a user fee facility that is closed on those lower activity days. When the facility is closed, aircraft typically clear customs in either Palm Beach or Fort Pierce. Those facilities are full-time general aviation (GA) facilities with a more open schedule.

Another question was asked by the commissioner about the nature of the noise calls. Andrew noted that there is a list of topics that the public can report on such as frequent operations, loud operations, nighttime curfew, low flying aircraft, etc. It was then asked whether the number of calls was unusual. Andrew indicated that last September the

number of noise calls was 12 and this year there were none. George Stokus (Assistant County Manager) noted that the air show was coming up and they typically see an uptick in complaints associated with that.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **VERBAL DISCUSSION AND UPDATES**

Introduction of the new ANAC Committee member, Christina Ouellette.

Andrew McBean to provide a status on the Residential Sound Insulation Program.

#### **Agenda Item: 26-0200**

Andrew discussed the tour conducted with Christina Ouellette and noted that they weren't able to get up in the tower but was working on scheduling one. He asked that any ANAC members interested in going up in the tower please let him know and he would get something scheduled.

Andrew then discussed the status of the residential sound insulation program (RSIP). The design package is complete and in the process of being transitioned to AVCON who will be preparing the bid package to secure bids from contractors. There are a couple of funding mechanisms that can be used to fund the program.

Andrew indicated that he's been working with Mike Arnold from ESA to prepare a whitepaper to outline a strategy to secure FAA approval for additional homes to be included in the RSIP. Andrew noted that while not part of the formal agenda, the draft memo provided insight into the approach taken. The memo outlines the criteria associated with the original methodology and how the change in methodology impacts eligibility. It appears that there is a good case for additional homes to be included in the program. The memo is currently draft and is being reviewed to make the argument as strong as possible.

Scott Sanders asked if there were any discussions with FAA yet. Andrew indicated that they've had some high-level calls, but nothing has been taken to them yet. Mr. Arnold noted that the memo makes a case for eligibility of a total of 16 homes which is an increase in 7 homes from the existing program. Andrew noted that these additional structures would have qualified if the testing had been conducted under the old methodology. A question was asked about whether the homeowners would be interested in being part of the program. Andrew and Mike noted that these homes were part of the original testing program and that the homeowners did express interest in the program. Mike additionally noted that ESA evaluated numerous different potential eligibility scenarios based on median and average case sound levels of the worst performing habitable rooms. He noted that 25 percent of the homes would not qualify even if you only considered the two worst performing rooms. Those structures are already achieving the noise level reduction levels that the sound insulation program is trying to achieve.

Scott asked if ESA correlated the age of the homes to the qualifications. Mike indicated that we had that information, but not handy. He noted that when you get into the post Hurricane Andrew period of construction, the hurricane related building codes tend to

achieve sound level reduction benefits without little to no modification. Scott asked about the timeline. Mike and Andrew noted that the coordination on the new homes would likely take some time and require elevation to the FAA's region and headquarters. Andrew noted that the current program was included in the capital program for the airport and will be moved forward regardless of this process. Mike noted that this would get us up to 50 percent of the structures that would qualify again noting that 25 percent would not qualify no matter what criteria was applied.

A question was raised about the timeline of the RSIP phase already under design. Andrew indicated that the bidding and funding process for the next phase would take some time, but it has gone through the commission and is in the 2026 capital program. Scott asked if there could be some additional updates to the homeowners just to keep them up to date with where the program stands.

Andrew noted that while they did not have a quorum in the last meet, George briefed the committee on the Pilots and Airport Privacy Act transitioning through congress. That law, if enacted, would limit the accessibility to ADSB and aircraft registry information by the public and airports. This would create a challenge in managing the current voluntary curfew program. A letter was sent to the FAA expressing the challenges that create for the airport and the ability to manage and implement its noise program. Just yesterday, one of the senators withdrew the amendments that would restrict airport's access to the ADSB data. The airport is still working to retain access to the registry data. A question was asked about those aircraft that have blocked information in the system. Andrew indicated that there is a way for airports to get access through vendors, but it is only used by the airport for pilot education purposes with the voluntary curfew. At many airports, this information is exempt from public record laws because it is part of the airport security plan.

Andrew noted that the airport may have to modify what data and how data is provided to the public via the website. Current American Disabilities Act (ADA) and accessibility laws creates administrative and resource challenges. Moving forward, that data may be shared in the ANAC meetings or through some other mechanism, but perhaps not through the website. George noted that challenges that the spreadsheet format presents. Perhaps a summary of the data may be more appropriate with the additional detail provided in the meetings. George noted that the County publishes more information than most other jurisdictions and the high volume of information creates significant resource challenges. A variety of graphical and other formats were discussed to help understand what would be required to ensure compliance. A question was asked whether AI could be used to accomplish the ADA requirement. It was noted that certain formats are more challenging. George notes that the county has more than 400 web pages and he has over 6,000 documents that have to be remediated with as many as 100,000 within the County. The building department has more than 380 forms. AI can be used to help double check the work, but it still requires someone to verify documentation is correct and there is legal risk. Required documents will remain on the county websites, but discretionary documents create more of a challenge.

**OLD                   OLD BUSINESS**

## **AIRPORT UPDATES**

Andrew McBean to provide updates on the Airport Capital Projects.

### **Agenda Item: 26-0201**

The Taxilane Bravo was paused. It was behind schedule due to weather delays and has been paused to reduce operational impacts during the season and TFRs. The project will resume in the Spring of 2026.

The business planning process is progressing well. There have been a number of stakeholder outreach efforts and a draft working paper. The next phase will be a SWOT analysis and ultimately a general public outreach effort. The last time the business plan was updated was 2010.

The Reach Center has reached substantial completion. The contract with the operator is still being worked through. The facility will provide access to aviation workforce development training.

Demolition to provide for the first stage of the Daher final assembly line is complete. Site plan review of the construction phase is currently underway. The first TBM should come through that facility in 2027/28.

A question was asked about whether there was any additional land available for development. Andrew noted that there were some areas planned for aviation development although some would require relocation of other county facilities first. Future development would go before the County Commission and be subject to public review and comment.

## **COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the committee.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the public.

## **ADJOURN**

Alex noted that the next meeting was January 26th. Beringer requested a motion to adjourn. Doug Davis made the motion, Eula Clarke seconded.

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