#### DELAWARE COASTAL AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes September 25, 2024

# **Opening:**

The regular meeting of the Delaware Coastal Airport Advisory Committee was called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. on September 25, 2024, at 21911 Rudder Lane, Georgetown, Delaware by Committee Chairman, Rick Garner.

**Advisory Committee Members Present:** Todd Lawson, County Admin.

Doug Hudson, County Council Bill Pfaff, Econ. Dev. Director Dustin Berlinger Ezra Rickards Larry Kelley Scott Thomas

Ray Hopkins Rick Garner

Bob Bryant, Airport Manager, Delaware Coastal Airport, non-member

Advisory Committee Members Absent: Mark Parker; Mark Ryan; and Jeff Reed

### 1. Approval of Agenda:

A Motion was made by Scott Thomas, and seconded by Doug Hudson, to approve the agenda as distributed. The agenda was unanimously approved by consent.

## 2. Approval of Minutes:

A Motion was made by Larry Kelley seconded by Ezra Rickards, to approve the minutes of the April 24, 2024, meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved by consent.

#### 3. Wildlife Management Update:

Bob informed the committee there have been 5 deer spotted on the airport and individuals have been notified to have them removed. There were 2 cuts found in the surrounding fencing that has been repaired along with any existing gaps to help deter the deer. The bird activity is being controlled by pyrotechnics when runway inspections are performed.

#### 4. Airport Update:

Bob Bryant provided airport updates as follows:

(1) The taxiway has been approved by the FAA and a grant offered and accepted by the County. This project will be a multi-phase and multi-grant project with the first phase to begin in the Spring of 2025. There is a lot of drainage work to be performed on Phase I of the project. As the project moves forward, we will keep the tenants of DCA updated of any conditions that will cause issues.

### 5. Wings & Wheels Update:

Linda Price gave an update on the upcoming Wings & Wheels event and stated their website had been rebuilt to be more user friendly. She said there were 110 school children signed up for the Pathways

event. She stated a C-130 would be on display and a Blackhawk and the parachute team was confirmed. Linda stated there were 60+ vendors scheduled.

Larry Kelley mentioned the Friday speaker was going to be Commander Kirk Lippold, of the USS Cole.

## **6. Public Comments:**

No public comments.

**7. Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 6 p.m. at 21911 Rudder Lane (EOC), Georgetown, DE.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Pfaff, seconded by Ray Hopkins. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

Patty Bodenweiser - Delaware Coastal Airport