

Airplane Noise Advisory Committee
March 4, 2025 – Remote meeting via Zoom

Present: Committee members Raj Pathak, David Godine, Katie Conlon and Josh Thompson

1. The meeting began at 7:05 p.m. The Committee welcomed new member, Josh Thompson, who was recently appointed by the Select Board. Mr. Thompson discussed his background and experience, and his interest in air traffic issues. Members of the Committee introduced themselves to Mr. Thompson.
2. No resident appeared for Public Comment.
3. On a motion made by Mr. Pathak and seconded by Mr. Godine, the Committee voted 3-0-1 by roll call, with Mr. Thompson abstaining, to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2024 meeting.

Mr. Godine	Yes
Mr. Pathak	Yes
Mr. Thompson	Abstain
Ms. Conlon	Yes

4. Ms. Conlon reported that, as discussed at the October 8, 2024 meeting, she met in January with Select Board Chair Richard Wells, Town Administrator Nick Milano, and Assistant Town Administrator Nick Connors. Among the topics discussed were the need for the Select Board to appoint a new representative to the Massport Community Advisory Committee (“MCAC”) as soon as possible, and to re-engage on air traffic issues. The Chair encouraged Town officials to follow up with the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs regarding Milton’s comment letter on Massport’s 2022 Environmental Status and Planning Report. She also asked the Select Board and the Town Administrator to re-establish communication with Congressman Lynch and other members of Milton’s Congressional delegation on issues of airplane noise and pollution.

With Mr. Thompson’s appointment to the Committee, there remains one vacant seat. Members agreed to continue their outreach efforts to recruit a fifth member for the Committee.

5. Members brought Mr. Thompson up to speed on the Committee’s recent and ongoing efforts on airplane noise/pollution issues. The Committee had a general discussion of the issues, including potential educational outreach to residents about noise complaints and the need for the Select Board to follow up on the Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s recommendations for runway 4R arrival paths. Committee members agreed that the most important next step is for the Select Board to appoint a new MCAC representative. The Chair will follow up with the Town Administrator and the Select Board about the appointment. Members will continue to their efforts to recruit a fifth Committee member.

6. The Committee scheduled a meeting for April 1 at 6:00 p.m.

7. At 8:00 p.m., on a motion made by Mr. Pathak and seconded by Mr. Godine, the Committee voted 4-0 by roll call to adjourn.

Mr. Godine	Yes
Mr. Pathak	Yes
Mr. Thompson	Yes
Ms. Conlon	Yes

Documents:

1. Agenda
2. Meeting minutes (10/8/24)

Respectfully submitted,
Katie Conlon