

## **Minutes of the Palo Alto Airport Association Board meeting, 9/1/2020.**

*Note: due to restrictions to in-person meeting in effect at this date the meeting was held by teleconference.*

Andrew Pollack called the meeting to order at 19:36.

Andrew Pollack moved and Johanna Dolan seconded to approve the minutes of the August Board meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

Gerald Barker reported an account balance of \$4,391.14 and 14 paid members. He noted that the available funds may be insufficient for a future Airport Day.

Andrew Swanson presented the airport managers report. The final phase of the construction phase has been approved by the City Council. A final grant of \$650,000 will be executed this week to correct for a bureaucratic oversight. A pre-construction meeting with the contractor will happen next week and ground breaking is expected in October. The exact timing of the project is unclear due to possible phasing and weather issues. Andrew Swanson expects all construction to be completed by this time next year. Opening of the fuel island is still awaiting permits from fire and air quality agencies.

Tower manager Brian Fisher reported that August operations were down substantially, probably due to the smoke. The annual number of operations is down to 95,000 to 100,000 from 160,000 to 180,000 last year. The tower hours of operation will remain unchanged in the near term. Eventually Brian Fisher expects the hours to be back to normal but the timing of this is unclear. Limited availability of pattern extensions into Moffett airspace is impacting flight training operations. The tower is negotiating with Moffett to allow extensions. Simultaneously there is an effort to redesign the airspace.

There was no new business.

The meeting adjourned 19:59

Present Andrew Swanson, Andrew Pollack, Bert Postma, Bob Lenox, Brian Fisher, Gerald Barker, Johanna Dolan, Lloyd Stephens, Tom Meyers, Rick Rairden, and Wolfgang Polak

Wolfgang Polak (Secretary).