

MINUTES
REPUBLIC AIRPORT COMMISSION (RAC) MEETING
JUNE 14, 2022

The meeting was held virtually via Zoom video and tele-conference and was called to order by Chairman Frank Nocerino at 7:05p.m. Also present were Commission Members Vincent Bologna, Jr., Stella Barbera, Robert Bodenmiller, Joan Flaumenbaum, Richard Grant.

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

II. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 2022

Mr. Grant moved to adopt the April 2022 meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Bodenmiller. The motion carried unanimously.

III. CHANGES AND/OR ADOPTION OF AGENDA

No changes.

IV. REPORTS, RESOLUTIONS, & OTHER BUSINESS

A. REPORTS

1. OPERATIONS, AIRCRAFT COMPLAINTS, & FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MARCH AND APRIL 2022

Airport Manager Mr. John Lauth discussed the following:

- Total Operations in March were up 4% from last year but were flat in April. Landings, touch & go's, and passenger volume increased overall. Based aircraft inventory in March increased by 8.7% and 8.9% in April.
- Aircraft noise complaints in March and April were lower compared to 2021, when the RSA Improvements project was underway. There were 28 complaints from 14 households in March, and 46 complaints from 13 households in April. Most complaints related to daytime operations of jet or multi/single engine aircraft. Residents living northwest of the Airport filed the majority of March complaints, while April complaints were mainly from the west.
- Financial Reports showed favorable revenues in both March and April. Rent was favorable overall due to CPI adjustments. March Expenses for Labor, Employee, and Professional Services were favorable, while Janitorial, Office Supply, Vehicle Maintenance, and Airport Maintenance Expenses were unfavorable. April Expenses for Payroll, Office Equipment, Professional Services and Airport Maintenance had favorable variances, while Utilities, Vehicle Maintenance, and Airport Maintenance were unfavorable.

2. RECENT / CURRENT EVENTS

Airport Manager Mr. John Lauth reported on the following:

- a. **Blue Angels / Bethpage Air Show:** U.S. Navy Blue Angels and other performers were

based at Republic for air show weekend; approximately 1,000-2,000 spectators came to the Airport.

- b. Career Fair:** NYSDOT, Avports, Airport tenants, flight schools, and others participated in promoting their schools and businesses in the Main Terminal lobby and at Jones Beach during air show weekend.
- c. Award of Excellence for Snow and Ice Control:** Airport received an Honorable Mention at the Annual International Aviation Snow Symposium, held May 2nd, 2022 in Buffalo NY, for its dedication and efforts to keep the airport safe and operational during the 2021-22 winter season.

Airport Director Mr. Anthony Ceglio and Chairman Nocerino both congratulated the Airport on their Honorable Mention at the Snow Symposium. They also congratulated Mr. Lauth for being recognized by NYS Parks Department at the Jones Beach Air Show when U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team made a special presentation to him in recognition of his many years at Republic Airport and his years associated with the Air Show.

B. OTHER NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BUSINESS

Airport Director Mr. Anthony Ceglio reported on the following:

1. **Alpha Taxiway Project:** Bids were opened on April 21st and the low bidder was H&L Construction. A grant application for 90% funding was submitted to FAA on May 10th and we expect the grant will be awarded in July or August. Construction is expected to begin late Summer 2022.
2. **Main Terminal Boilers Replacement Project:** Bids are currently being reviewed by the design engineer and an award should be made within the next month.
3. **5-Parcel Development Project:** FAA and NYSDOT are currently working with Stratosphere to resolve comments and submit them back to FAA.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

One (1) individual commented.

Chairman Nocerino stated that the August RAC meeting date has been changed to August 16th, 2022. The meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by:
Anthony C. Ceglio on behalf of Executive Secretary
Republic Airport Commission

PUBLIC COMMENTS
REPUBLIC AIRPORT COMMISSION
June 14, 2022

Ms. Nancy Cypser of the Woodland Civic Association in Zoom Chat: It was agreed at both the past two meetings that I would be sent the number of monthly Talon flights. I have not received this information or any reply whatsoever to my multiple emails to John Lauth and Judith Zalewski. Frank Nocerino was copied on the emails. Can you explain the lack of response? I asked for this information on an ongoing basis, not just 2 months. I would like it in writing. Please email me the link at woodlandcivicassoc@gmail.com . I have not gotten any information from you. How did you send this information? It was not sent to me. I DID NOT GET ANY INFO FROM ANYBODY. I tried to email John. No response from him.

Airport Manager Mr. John Lauth responded that the Operations Report presented at the Republic Airport Commission meetings shows the number of passengers by Ultimate Jet Charters. This number is reported to the airport on a monthly basis for billing purposes. He said Ms. Cypser had asked if this information can be reported for Talon and any other charter operations at the airport. Since this information is not reported to the airport by the various charter companies, we do not report it. Mr. Lauth added that we were able to search our landing records to find the number of operations for that charter company during the months of July 2021 (129 operations) and August 2021 (124 operations). He added that the public can access FAA data on airport operations reported by the Air Traffic Control system that is broken down by air carrier, air taxi, general aviation, and military. The data can be accessed at the FAA Air Traffic Activity System website at <https://aspm.faa.gov/opsnet/sys/airport.asp> .

Mr. Lauth explained that the total operations of this charter operator, if extrapolated to an annual basis, represent approximately 1% of the Airport's total operations. He apologized for the delay in responding to Ms. Cypser and explained that the information she requested is not easily available to the Airport. Mr. Lauth said the information will be sent to Ms. Cypser.

Chairman Nocerino asked that a copy of the response to Ms. Cypser be sent to him and the Commission Members.

Ms. Loretta Swanson wrote in Zoom Chat: thank you.

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REPUBLIC AIRPORT - OPERATIONS REPORT

MARCH 2022 & TWELVE MONTHS YEAR-TO-DATE

	CURRENT MONTH				FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE			
	2021/22	2020/21	CHANGE	% Change	2021/22	2020/21	CHANGE	%Change
A. TOTAL OPERATIONS (FAA)	19,417	18,668	749	4.0%	248,797	169,545	79,252	46.7%
B. LANDINGS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT (Ops)	6,323	6,275	48	0.8%	80,714	63,392	17,322	27.3%
Single Engine Piston	2,925	3,025	(100)	-3.3%	37,265	32,139	5,126	15.9%
Multi Engine Piston	83	142	(59)	-41.5%	1,648	1,529	119	7.8%
SUB-TOTAL	3,008	3,167	(159)	-5.0%	38,913	33,668	5,245	15.6%
Turboprop	62	54	8	14.8%	885	737	148	20.1%
Jet	794	822	(28)	-3.4%	10,246	7,359	2,887	39.2%
Helicopter	138	113	25	22.1%	1,969	1,236	733	59.3%
TOTALS	4,002	4,156	(154)	-3.7%	52,013	43,000	9,013	21.0%
C. TOUCH & GO'S (Ops)								
Single Engine Piston	2,275	2,069	206	10.0%	28,039	20,061	7,978	39.8%
Multi Engine Piston	10	27	(17)	-63.0%	255	184	71	38.6%
Turboprop	0	3	(3)	-100.0%	4	6	(2)	-33.3%
Jet	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%
Helicopter	36	20	16	80.0%	403	141	262	185.8%
TOTALS	2,321	2,119	202	9.5%	28,701	20,392	8,309	40.7%
D. PASSENGERS								
Ultimate Jet Charters Inc.	983	898	85	9.5%	11,623	7,118	4,505	63.3%
TOTALS	983	898	85	9.5%	11,623	7,118	4,505	63.3%
E. BASED AIRCRAFT								
Single Engine Piston	304	285	19	6.7%				
Multi Engine Piston	47	42	5	11.9%				
Turboprop	11	11	0	0.0%				
Jet	87	80	7	8.8%				
Helicopter	25	18	7	38.9%				
TOTALS	474	436	38	8.7%				

REPUBLIC AIRPORT - OPERATIONS REPORT

APRIL 2022 & ONE MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

	CURRENT MONTH				FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE			
	2022/23	2021/22	CHANGE	% Change	2022/23	2021/22	CHANGE	%Change
A. TOTAL OPERATIONS (FAA)	20,379	20,376	3	0.0%	20,379	20,376	3	0.0%
B. LANDINGS BY TYPE AIRCRAFT (Ops)	6,813	6,712	101	1.5%	6,813	6,712	101	1.5%
Single Engine Piston	3,162	3,101	61	2.0%	3,162	3,101	61	2.0%
Multi Engine Piston	137	150	(13)	-8.7%	137	150	(13)	-8.7%
SUB-TOTAL	3,299	3,251	48	1.5%	3,299	3,251	48	1.5%
Turboprop	68	56	12	21.4%	68	56	12	21.4%
Jet	869	887	(18)	-2.0%	869	887	(18)	-2.0%
Helicopter	163	143	20	14.0%	163	143	20	14.0%
TOTALS	4,399	4,337	62	1.4%	4,399	4,337	62	1.4%
C. TOUCH & GO'S (Ops)								
Single Engine Piston	2,362	2,353	9	0.4%	2,362	2,353	9	0.4%
Multi Engine Piston	29	19	10	0.0%	29	19	10	0.0%
Turboprop	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%
Jet	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%
Helicopter	23	3	20	666.7%	23	3	20	666.7%
TOTALS	2,414	2,375	39	1.6%	2,414	2,375	39	1.6%
D. PASSENGERS								
Ultimate Jet Charters Inc.	952	910	42	4.6%	952	910	42	4.6%
TOTALS	952	910	42	4.6%	952	910	42	4.6%
E. BASED AIRCRAFT								
Single Engine Piston	305	285	20	7.0%				
Multi Engine Piston	47	42	5	11.9%				
Turboprop	11	11	0	0.0%				
Jet	87	80	7	8.8%				
Helicopter	25	18	7	38.9%				
TOTALS	475	436	39	8.9%				

**REPUBLIC AIRPORT - AIRCRAFT COMPLAINT REPORT
MARCH 2022 & TWELVE MONTHS YEAR-TO-DATE**

	CURRENT MONTH		FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE	
	2021/22	2020/21	2021/22	2020/21
TOTAL AIRCRAFT COMPLAINTS	28	117	1,031	520
I. TIME OF DAY				
Day	21	96	802	435
Night	7	20	227	83
Unknown	0	1	2	2
TOTAL BY TIME	28	117	1031	520
II. TYPE OF AIRCRAFT/ USE				
Jet	16	67	397	204
Turboprop	0	1	5	5
Multi/ Single	8	18	372	158
Helicopter	0	1	34	15
Unknown	4	30	223	138
TOTAL BY TYPE	28	117	1031	520
III. COMPLAINTS BY AREA				
North	0	8	59	19
Northwest	9	62	327	333
Northeast	1	0	24	4
South	2	0	35	1
Southwest	0	3	8	3
Southeast	6	37	185	66
East	3	0	12	10
West	6	5	380	78
Unknown	1	2	1	6
TOTAL BY AREA	28	117	1031	520
IV. HOUSEHOLD TOTAL	14	31		
V. COMPLAINT BY RUNWAY				
Arrival 32	6	11	141	53
Departure 14	3	18	78	25
Arrival 14	5	36	183	114
Departure 32	3	17	99	77
Arrival 19	2	0	65	10
Departure 01	0	0	6	3
Arrival 01	0	0	16	9
Departure 19	1	0	15	2
Other *	4	11	203	95
Unknowns	4	24	225	132
TOTAL BY RUNWAY	28	117	1031	520
VI. AIRCRAFT LOCATION				
Based	7	30	317	128
Transient	17	57	488	258
Unknown	4	30	226	134
TOTAL BY LOCATION	28	117	1031	520

*Touch and Gos	
RWY 19	2
RWY 14	1
RWY 32	1

**REPUBLIC AIRPORT - AIRCRAFT COMPLAINT REPORT
APRIL 2022 & ONE MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE**

	CURRENT MONTH		FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE	
	2022/23	2021/22	2022/23	2021/22
TOTAL AIRCRAFT COMPLAINTS	46	208	46	208
I. TIME OF DAY				
Day	43	171	43	171
Night	3	37	3	37
Unknown	0	0	0	0
TOTAL BY TIME	46	208	46	208
II. TYPE OF AIRCRAFT/ USE				
Jet	13	97	13	97
Turboprop	0	0	0	0
Multi/ Single	27	82	27	82
Helicopter	2	2	2	2
Unknown	4	27	4	27
TOTAL BY TYPE	46	208	46	208
III. COMPLAINTS BY AREA				
North	3	4	3	4
Northwest	13	107	13	107
Northeast	0	1	0	1
South	0	0	0	0
Southwest	0	5	0	5
Southeast	0	21	0	21
East	2	0	2	0
West	26	70	26	70
Unknown	2	0	2	0
TOTAL BY AREA	46	208	46	208
IV. HOUSEHOLD TOTAL	13	22		
V. COMPLAINT BY RUNWAY				
Arrival 32	0	27	0	27
Departure 14	2	13	2	13
Arrival 14	5	68	5	68
Departure 32	0	25	0	25
Arrival 19	13	0	13	0
Departure 01	4	0	4	0
Arrival 01	1	0	1	0
Departure 19	2	0	2	0
Other *	14	48	14	48
Unknowns	5	27	5	27
TOTAL BY RUNWAY	46	208	46	208
VI. AIRCRAFT LOCATION				
Based	20	68	20	68
Transient	23	113	23	113
Unknown	3	27	3	27
TOTAL BY LOCATION	46	208	46	208

* Touch and Gos	
Rwy 1	1
Rwy 19	9
Rwy 14	4