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**Airport Authority Board of Directors  
Minutes of January 18, 2017**

Directors present: Picard; Arnold; Hoey; Leonardi; Wilson; O'Connell; Jacob

Via Telecom: Petrini; Adams; Neal-Sanjuero; Sklarz;

Directors absent: Constantinople Sr.; Constantinople Jr.; Scarpati; Weiner

Others in attendance: Tim Larson, Diane Jackson, Chuck Kurtz, Felipe Suriel, Alicia Seremet, David Reger, Jalen Brown, Sean Walthen, Karen Wait, Maribel Lota, Dave Reger, Evan Warren, Cherise Labonte, Mark Zaretsky, and Kathy Grant

The meeting was called to order at 4:05pm by Mr. Picard.

Motion to approve meeting minutes from December 14, 2016 by Mr. Hoey, second Mr. Leonardi. Approved unanimously.

**1. Executive Directors Report**

With a favorable outcome expected, there is increased interest with new air service possibilities. There is much opportunity in the pipeline.

Ms. Jackson and Mr. Larson meeting with industry players next month at Routes America in Las Vegas.

The City of New Haven capital budget has been reduced year over year. Maintenance and upkeep of assets has been affected and the Board needs to be cognizant that patch-working repairs and projects due to lack of funds will eventually affect HVN.

Mr. Larson expects a reduction in state funding for HVN this year.

Uber availability and the reduction in flights reduces revenue. The possibility to license Ubers coming to the airport was discussed. Ms. Jackson will research how this is done at other airports and report back to the Board.

## **2. Chairman's Report**

Mr. Picard mentioned that board members input on the pros and cons of joining CAA is being sought.

**Action Items: Resolution # 451: Approval of Amendment to Consulting Agreement with Jones Payne Group, Inc. for a Sound Barrier Feasibility Study, Residential Soundproofing Evaluation and Residential Pilot Soundproofing Program.**

The resolution was read into the record in its entirety by Mr. Picard.

Discussion: Mr. Kurtz explained that the changes to the projects have reduced costs.

Motion to approve Resolution #4519 by Mr. Hoey, second Ms. O'Connell. Approved unanimously.

## **3. Audit and Finance Committee**

Mr. Arnold reported that expenses remain under budget thru November. December storm events and funding need long term answers.

## **4. Airport Managers Report**

Enplanements are up slightly from 2015. Would like to see more of an increase.

Robinson Aviation predicts a slight increase as well.

Staff is busy with preparing for managing and cleaning up from snow events. The Airport has remained open throughout both events so far this season.

There is a new New Haven Fire Chief with whom the airport is building a good relationship. Additionally, HVN is having more interactions with the both municipal Police Departments as well.

Ms. Jackson presented \$450K capital budget to the Alderman.

The surveying of the airfield is completed and we should have a draft available for February.

The schedule for 6:00am flight is better for bookings than the 8:20am departure.

- 5. Other Business:** The February meeting will be moved to the second Wednesday, February 8, 2017

**Public Comment:** None

Meeting adjourned at 4:23pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen Grant  
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