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TWEED NEW HAVEN AIRPORT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING - HYBRID
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 27, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Matthew Hoey, David White, Michael Fimiani, Robert Reed, Mark Sklarz, Kenneth Dagliere, Linda Hennessey, Mark Scussel, Rich Jacob, Serena Neal-Sanjurjo, Ray Pompano, Carlos Eyzaguirre, and Jesse Phillips.

MEMBERS ABSENT

Joseph Ginnetti

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Tom Rafter, Malena Zanjani, Felipe Suriel, Salvatore DeCola, Andrew King, Dan Adams, Hugh Manke, Brett Simon

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Action item: Decision to Intervene in the pending litigation, Save the Sound and The Town of East Haven v. FAA. Discussion will be subject to a decision to enter into Executive Session under Conn. General Statutes 1-200(6)(E) and Conn. General Statutes Sec. 1-210(b)(4) Sec. 1-210(b)(10).

Chairman Hoey opened the meeting at 4:14 PM. He initiated the discussion by addressing the above action under consideration, which involves becoming an intervener in the appeals filed against the Environmental Assessment issued by the FAA in December. He highlighted the necessity of entering an Executive Session to deliberate further on this matter.

Chairman Hoey initiated a motion to enter Executive Session based on the statutes under Conn. General Statutes 1-200(6)(E) and Conn. General Statutes Sec. 1-210(b)(4) Sec. 1-210(b)(10). Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss decision to intervene in the pending litigation, Save the Sound and The Town of East Haven v. FAA. The motion was moved by Mr. Dagliere, and Ms. Hennessey seconded it. The motion received unanimous approval from all members present.

A notice was given that all participants would receive a link to transition to another meeting platform for the executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting then transitioned to an Executive Session. Details of the discussions held during the executive session were not disclosed, adhering to the confidentiality of such sessions.

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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

The Executive Session of the Tweed New Haven Airport Authority Special Meeting was called to order at 4:26 PM on February 27, 2024, by Chairman Hoey.

ROLL CALL

Members In Attendance: Matthew Hoey, David White, Michael Fimiani, Robert Reed, Mark Sklarz, Kenneth Dagliere, Linda Hennessey, Mark Scussel, Rich Jacob, Serena Neal-Sanjurjo, Ray Pompano, Carlos Eyzaguirre, and Jesse Phillips.

Others In Attendance: Hugh Manke, Legal. Tom Rafter, Executive Director. Malena Zanjani, Staff.

Members Absent: Joseph Ginnetti

PURPOSE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

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ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hoey clarified that no motions or actions were decided upon during the Executive Session but there was a productive discussion. Mr. Hoey initiated a motion to exit the executive session, which was moved by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mr. Fimiani, receiving unanimous approval. The Executive Session adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Minutes Prepared By: Malena Zanjani

Date Prepared: February 28, 2024

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Mr. Hoey provided an update post-Executive Session, noting that while no formal decisions were made, the session facilitated a constructive dialogue among the members.

Subsequently, Mr. Hoey put forth a proposal for the Board to consider intervention. The motion was to hire Updike, Kelly & Spellacy to represent the Authority in the pending litigation involving the EA in the matter discussed earlier. Mr. Sklarz initiated the motion, with Mr. Jacob supporting it as the second. During the voting process, Mr. Dagliere expressed his opposition, criticizing the timing of the document presentation as last-minute and unprofessional, which led him to vote against the proposal. The motion was overwhelmingly passed with a vote of 12 to 1 in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

Before concluding the meeting, Mr. Hoey invited final remarks from the Board members, but there were none. He then proceeded to close the session, calling for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Reed moved the motion, seconded by Mr.

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White, and it was unanimously approved by the Board. The meeting was officially adjourned at approximately 5:15 PM.

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