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Littleton C. Billingsley Jr. Seat A
William Bruu, Seat B
John Popecki, Seat C
Raymond J. Block, Seat D
Joseph Bond, Seat E
Cameron Sharick, Seat F
Robert Molloy, Seat G

WASILLA
AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA

WASILLA CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Wasilla City Hall, 290 East Herring Avenue, Wasilla, AK 99654 (907) 373-9017

REGULAR MEETING

6 P.M.

June 23, 2011

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. May 19, 2011 Regular Meeting
6. **STAFF AND AGENCY REPORTS**
 - A. Archie Giddings, Public Works Director, Airport Report
7. **PUBLIC HEARING** (three minutes per person)
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
10. **COMMUNICATION:**
11. **AUDIENCE COMMENTS** (three minutes per person)
12. **COMMISSIONER AND STAFF COMMENTS**

Archie Giddings
Commissioner Block

**Commissioner Bruu
Commissioner Popecki
Commissioner Billingsly
Commissioner Molloy
Commissioner Bond
Commissioner Sharick**

13. ADJOURNMENT

WASILLA AIRPORT COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 23, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Wasilla Airport Commission was held on Thursday, June 23, 2011 in the Wasilla City Council Chambers, Wasilla, Alaska. Chairman Robert Molloy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Recording Secretary, Sandi Connolly called the roll

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

- Commissioner Billingsly, Seat A (absent)
- Commissioner Bruu, Seat B (absent)
- Commissioner Popecki, Seat C, Vice Chairman
- Commissioner Block, Seat D, (absent)
- Commissioner Bond, Seat E,
- Commissioner Sharick, Seat F
- Commissioner Molloy, Seat G, Chairman

Staff in attendance were:

- Archie Giddings, Public Works Director
- Bert Cottle, City Administrator
- Sandra Connolly, Recording Secretary

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Molloy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Commissioner Popecki moved to approve the agenda as corrected.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of minutes from May 19, 2011

MOTION: Commissioner Popecki motioned to approve the minutes as written.

GENERAL CONSENT: The motion passed unanimously.

6. STAFF AND AGENCY REPORTS:

A. Archie Giddings, Airport Report

- Reported on funding received from FAA,
 - \$650,000 has been funded for a snow blower.
 - Apron D has been funded for \$1,000,000. The new road to the Airport will be overlaid with some of the fill from the hill and next year it could be paved if the Governor doesn't veto the funding. \$3,000,000 could be available.
- Announced that it could be possible to make a float plane base by damming the creek which would enable the city to get funding from the Borough. The Seaplane base should be finished in 5 years.
- Informed the Commission about the Class E Airspace Project
 - a. We would be the first air space to have air space to the ground.
 - b. There is a high density of private airstrips around the airport
 - d. If the airport is to grow and get bigger we would need to be a Class E Airport.
- Explained about designing an intermodal facility (train station).
- Reported that there are still problems with the gates and that project will be on the list for grant monies next year.
- Forecast that the service road will be completed this year and by 2012 or 2013 the road to the MUSC will be completed. Next year the road to Mack road should be ~~done~~ *completed*
- Informed the commission that a GPS Class C process could be ready in 2 or 3 years for infrastructure.
- Advised the Commissioners that they could help by convincing the public that these projects are needed.

Commissioner Popecki asked about the runway extending to 5000 feet.

Archie answered it will happen. FAA looks at the demand. When it is built there will be plenty of demand.

7. PUBLIC HEARING (Three minutes per person.)

(There was no Public Hearing)

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS (There was no new business)

10. COMMUNICATION

11. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (three minutes per person)

12. COMMISSIONER AND STAFF COMMENTS

Commissioner Block: No Comment

Commissioner Popecki: No Comment

Commissioner Billingsly: No Comment

Commissioner Sharick: No Comment

Commissioner Molloy: Palmer had a fly in and why doesn't the city have something?

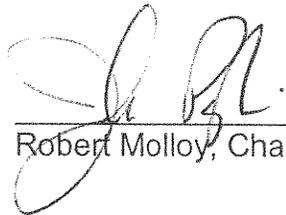
Commissioner Bond No comment

Commissioner Bruu: No Comment

Archie Giddings: City doesn't sponser what is usually done by private persons.

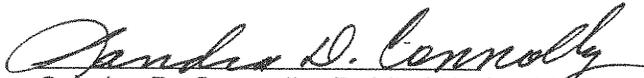
13. ADJOURNMENT Commissioner Popecki motioned to adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Robert Molloy, Chairman

ATTEST:



Sandra D. Connolly, Public Works Clerk

Adopted by the Wasilla Airport Commission on 12-17-2012.

Thursday November 17, 2011

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Senator Seeks Halt to LightSquared in Event of GPS Interference

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By *Todd Shields*

Nov. 16 (Bloomberg) — U.S. Senator Pat Roberts asked colleagues to prevent Federal Communications Commission approval of Philip Falcone's LightSquared until the agency shows the wireless service won't disrupt the global-positioning system.

"There is too much at stake in interfering with a tool we all use, and on which our public safety and national security depend so heavily," Roberts, a Kansas Republican, said in an e-mailed statement today.

Roberts introduced a measure yesterday to keep the FCC from using appropriated funds for approving LightSquared until it resolves interference concerns, according to the statement. It's unclear when the measure, an amendment to a funding bill, will face an initial vote, Sarah Little, a spokesman for Roberts, said in an e-mail.

LightSquared wants to use airwaves formerly reserved mainly for satellites to offer high-speed wireless Internet to as many as 260 million people. GPS uses signals from satellites, and its makers and users say stronger emissions by LightSquared may interfere with navigation by aircraft, boats, tractors and automobiles.

Roberts's proposal "is unnecessary and redundant" because the FCC has said it won't decide until the GPS issue is resolved, Terry Neal, a vice president for Loudoun, Virginia-based LightSquared, said in an e-mailed statement.

Tammy Sun, an FCC spokeswoman, didn't immediately respond to an e-mail and telephone call seeking comment.

LightSquared, backed by Falcone's Harbinger Capital Partners hedge fund, won tentative assent from the FCC in January, and is seeking final approval after pledging steps toward resolving interference concerns. Federal officials are overseeing additional tests.

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The issue is that the spectrum was allocated by the FCC for satellite transmissions knowing that the signal level on the ground would be compatible with GPS use. It was never intended for terrestrial transmission. The politically connected people at LightSquared knew this when they bid the spectrum at auction and now they are trying to change the rules. Same as if you bought a lot in a residential