

Minutes

Motueka Aerodrome Advisory Group

Date and Time: 1/12/2021, 12.30pm

Venue: Tasman District Council Service Centre, Hickmott Place, Motueka

Present: Greg Wood – Recreational User Representative
James Meldrum – Commercial User Representative (on behalf of Stu Bean)
Richard Horrell – Motueka Community Board Member (Chair)
Kevin York – Independent Member
Mark Lasenby – Independent Member
Cr Barry Dowler – Tasman District Council (Chair)
Mark Stagg – Commercial User Representative

Apologies: Stu Bean
Cr David Ogilvie – Tasman District Council

In attendance: Nick Chin – Enterprise Portfolio Manager, Tasman District Council
Andrea Meldrum – Enterprise Portfolio Officer, Tasman District Council
(minutes)

Meeting opened at 12.30 pm

1. Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies

Stu Bean

That apologies be received:

Moved: Richard Horrell Wood Seconded, Mark Stagg

Carried

3. Minutes of last meeting – 29 Sep 2021

That the minutes of the 29 Sep 2021 meeting be accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Greg Wood, Seconded, Mark Stagg

Carried

4. Action items from the previous meeting

The action items were updated and the following items discussed:

Action Log – 29.9.21

Action	Assigned to:	Complete Y/N
Contact AIMM for audited landing figures	Andrea Meldrum	n/a
Check that MAOS minutes are uploaded to website	Andrea Meldrum	Y
Ask tenants what their current sewage uses are	Andrea Meldrum	Y
Update group on electricity supply to Western boundary	Barry Dowler	Y and N
Check legal requirement to publish submissions	Nick Chin	Y

Barry has had no response to multiple emails. Barry will go and visit Network Tasman and see what's going on.

5. Health and safety update

James Meldrum relayed information from the MAOS meeting held today, the most topical issue discussed was proposed changes to the way drag racing and aviation operate on the same days. Inflight would like to use the grass runway and drag racing continue to use the sealed runway and both parties are now working together to create a plan and make it happen. Both parties will run a safety review on how to make it work, they'll then submit it to council ideally before the next drag race meet. James says they can't see any big issues and they should be able to come up with a solution between them.

Nick says two submitters to the management plan want to be heard at the next Commercial Committee.

A neighbouring landowner has disputed the Obstacle Limitation Surface which is currently 1:50 and he wants it to be 1:20. Nick says it's under control and has confirmed 1:50 is the minimum limit following a survey peer review. Council recently served an abatement notice to this landowner for crane use in the approach/departure path.

6. Aerodrome operations update

Aircraft movements' dashboard – Oct 2021

Movements have been circulated. The landing numbers look accurate. Inflight hope Auckland coming out of lockdown will help increase business. It seems common that itinerant pilots are not paying landing fees. Potentially \$5000 per year may be not recouped. Recouping is time consuming and expensive. A landing fee payment option at fuel pump would be ideal. When everyone has ADSB it could be done via AIMM but that might be some time off yet.

7. Financial update

Financial report – Sep 2021

A September 2021 financial summary was circulated. Small surplus this quarter. We'll be lucky to break even this year. Nelson Aviation College have been given discounted lease and landing fees for next 18 months. Operating costs were slightly more than anticipated as insurance costs have been allocated to the quarter rather than spread out over the year,

**Moved: Mark Lasenby, Seconded, Richard Horrell
That the Sep 2021 finance report be accepted.
Carried**

8. General business

Aviation Anniversary update from Kevin York November 2021:

Nelson/Tasman 100th Aviation Anniversary Motueka Report The overall organisation of this event was arranged by Richard Waugh (Auckland) Graeme McConnell (Nelson) and Richard Kempthorne (former Tasman District Council Mayor) A sub-committee of Barry Dowler (Tasman District Councillor), Greg Wood (Vice President, Motueka Aero Club) and Kevin York, organised the Motueka event held on Friday the 12th of November. The visiting aircraft included a DH Fox Moth (Marlborough), DH Dominie (Wanaka), DH Dragon (Auckland) with the first two being available for commercial passenger flights. Bill Reid (Avro Anson – Marlborough) was unable to land but put on a display of three low passes over the airfield. Argus Aviation, Inflight-Abel Tasman Skydive, Nelson Aviation College and Motueka Aero Club also provided aircraft for display along with two privately owned aircraft. Motueka Community Board Chairman, Brent Maru presented the Commemorative plaque to Motueka Aero Club President Paul Deveraux. The celebratory cake was cut by Motueka Aero Club Patron, Kay Hart. One hundred and twenty five children from Lower Moutere School were among the visitors that viewed the aircraft. Unfavourable wind conditions prevented any passenger flights by the vintage aircraft in the afternoon and they were forced to leave them in Motueka overnight. Weather conditions in Nelson prevented them from leaving until Saturday afternoon. The visiting aviators were full of praise for the Motueka Aero Club for the assistance they provided with hangarage of the aircraft on Friday night and refreshments supplied during

their time at the airfield. This event was supported by the Tasman District Council and local businesses. Kevin York

Nick wishes Andrea well as she has resigned from her position. This will be her last MAAG meeting.

Motueka Aero Club will require vaccine certificates for entry to club rooms, deck and hangar – this needs to be conveyed to meeting invitees and TDC Health and Safety department.

Meeting closed at 1.33pm

Next meeting: TBC

Confirmed

Action Log – 1/12/21

Action	Assigned to:
Convey vaccine certificate information to relevant people	Andrea Meldrum
Check that MAOS minutes are uploaded to website	Andrea Meldrum
Create table of tenants' current sewage uses and distribute	Andrea Meldrum
Approach Network Tasman re electricity supply to Western boundary	Barry Dowler

Confirmed