

COOS COUNTY AIRPORT DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, July 6, 2023.

Minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Coos County Airport District (CCAD) held on Thursday, July 7, 2023 at 7:30 a.m., in the District Boardroom.

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chair Benetti called the meeting to order.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Joe Benetti, Vice-Chair; (Zoom)
Jason Bell, Commissioner;
Brent Pahls, Commissioner; (Zoom)
Caddy McKeown, Commissioner; (Zoom)
Andrew Brainard, Commissioner.

ABSENT: None.

COUNSEL PRESENT: Melissa Cribbins.

STAFF PRESENT: Robert Brittsan, Deputy Director; Bob Hood, Operations Manager; Amos Vorster, Office Manager; Stephanie Kilmer, Public Information Officer.

MEDIA AND GUESTS PRESENT: Chris Black, County Resident; George Graham, County Resident; David Milliron, City of North Bend; Lynda Sanders, County Resident; Jim Towan, City of Lakeside; Renee Towan, Lakeside Business Owners; Shirlee Berell, Lakeside Riders; David Kauffman, The Salvation Army; Rodger Craddock, County Resident; Steven Nye, Engle's Furniture

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Commissioner Brainard.

Section I. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED COMMISSIONERS:

Newly elected Commissioner Brainard and re-elected Commissioner Bell were sworn in by District Counsel.

Section II. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Commissioner Bell was nominated as the new Board Chairman. Upon a motion by Commissioner Benetti (Second – Commissioner McKeown), Commissioner Bell was approved as the Board Chairman.

Commissioner Benetti was nominated to continue serving as Vice-Chair. Upon a motion by Commissioner Bell (Second – Commissioner Mckeown), Commissioner Benetti was approved as Vice-Chair of the CCAD Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner McKeown offered her congratulations to those Board Members who had been sworn in, and welcomed Commissioner Brainard to the Board.

Commissioner Benetti also offered congratulations and thanked Commissioner Bell for accepting the position of Chairman.

Commissioner Brainard expressed his thanks for those who had come to support him and shared that he felt it an honor to be able to serve the residents of Coos County as a member of the CCAD Board of Commissioners. He also mentioned his appreciation for the work of former Commissioner Collins, and stated his desire to continue working with Mr. Collins on airport related projects.

Public Comments:

Mr. Towan expressed his appreciation for the service offered by the airport, and voiced his desire to see regular air service from North Bend to Portland or Seattle in the future.

Meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 7:38 a.m.

Reconvened from Executive Session

Upon a motion by Commissioner McKeown (Second – Commissioner Benetti) the separation agreement and release of Director Cook was approved.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Benetti (Second – Commissioner Pahls) an employment agreement between Rodger Craddock and the Coos County Airport District was approved.

Commissioner McKeown acknowledged the service of Ms. Cook and the growth she oversaw at the airport over the past 13 years. She also offered her congratulations to Mr. Craddock and expressed her appreciation for his willingness to serve.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 a.m.