

The Seven hundred seventy-fourth meeting of the Worcester Regional Airport Commission was held on Monday, December 15, 2008 at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Worcester Regional Airport Terminal Building.

Members present were: Chairman Jim Delehaunty, Vice-Chairman Joe Zwirblia, Commissioners Eric Nierenberg, Tom Reynolds and Patsy SantaMaria.

Also present were: Mr. Eric Waldron, Airport Director and Mr. Philip Niddrie, Airport Liaison.

Chairman Delehaunty opened the meeting at 6:32 PM.

1. Approval of minutes of the November 17, 2008 meeting -

Commissioner SantaMaria moved, seconded by Commissioner Neirenberg, to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2008 meeting. **All in favor - So Voted.**

Approval of minutes of the December 1, 2008 Special meeting -

Commissioner SantaMaria moved, seconded by Commissioner Neirenberg, to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2008 Special meeting. **All in favor - So Voted.**

2. Report of the Commission Chairman – No Report

3. Commissioner's Reports

- **Marketing – Phil Niddrie reported on Direct Air marketing.** Mr. Niddrie reported that the Small Communities Grant is completed and all but a few hundred dollars was expended on a variety of marketing efforts coordinated between the Marketing firm, Massport and the City. A great deal of the marketing was through the Internet in an effort to reach large numbers of people who utilize the internet. Mr. Niddrie outlined what was sent over the internet and showed the Commission some of the fliers that were produced for golf enthusiasts interested in Myrtle Beach and college students for Spring Break . The second phase of the marketing effort will be coordinated by Massport with city input and paid for with Massport funds.
- **Aviation - No Report**
- **Master Plan – No Report**

6. New Business- City of Worcester-Massport Operating Agreement Extension

The Commission considered the Fifth Amendment to the operating agreement between the City of Worcester and Massport for operation of the airport. The principal change in the Fifth Amendment is the termination date of the Agreement, from December 31, 2008 to December 31, 2010.

The Amendment also addresses the issue of reimbursement for operating expenses. The Agreement reads that the reimbursement rate for the period from December 31, 2008 through December 31, 2010 will remain at 79%.

Commissioner SantaMaria moved, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, to approve the extension of the Airport Operating Agreement and to authorize the Chair or Vice-Chair to sign any documents relating to this matter. **All in favor - So Voted.**

7. Adjournment

Commissioner SantaMaria moved, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds, to adjourn the meeting. **All in favor - So Voted.**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Eric N. Waldron, A.A.E., ACE
Airport Director and
Clerk of the Commission