

**A Summary of the Teterboro Airport Manager’s Meeting
Port Authority
TEAMS Virtual Meeting
90 Moonachie Avenue
November 9, 2022 10:30AM**

This meeting took place as a video/audio conference call via Microsoft TEAMS.

Welcome

Maria Sheridan welcomed everyone to the Teterboro Airport Manager’s meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

John Kastens provided a staff announcement:

John announced that Jonathan Seibert has resigned his position as Avports Manager of Airport Operations effective Friday, November 18th. John wished Jonathan well and thanked him for his 13 years of commitment and service to the airport. On behalf of the Airport Manager’s Office Maria Sheridan thanked Jonathan for his years of excellent service to the airport and wished him well in his new venture. Jonathan will be missed!!!

COVID-19 Update

Maria provided an update as summarized here:

As of today, the airport has had a total of 156 reported coronavirus cases. All 156 of these cases have recovered and returned to work.

Maria reminded everyone that FEMA cloth masks can still be obtained at the Manager’s Office by contacting Patty Salvato at pasalvato@panynj.gov or 201-807-4020. Masks are optional at airports and public transit hubs.

Airport Management Report

Maria provided the following statistics report for October 2022:

	2022	2021	% Change
Month A/C Ops	15,671	16,055	-2%
Monthly Jet Ops	15,338	13,560	-2%
YTD A/C Ops	136,568	112,183	22%
Fuel (gallons)	5,163,911	5,387,003	-4%
YTD Fuel	46,313,570	37,696,791	23%
Int’l Arrivals	842	707	19%
YTD Int’l Arrivals	7,365	4,557	62%

Highest Activity Day: 652 – Thursday, October 20th

Day(s) with operations over 600: 9

The airport had a total of 15,671 operations during October. This was down 2% compared to this same month last year. Year to date we had a total of 136,568 total movements. This was up 22%. We pumped 5,162,911 gallons of fuel during October and 46,313,570 gallons year to date. This was down 4% for the month but up 23% overall for the year compared to last year's usage. International arrivals were up 19% with 842 flights for the month compared to this month last year. Year to date international arrivals were up 62% compared to last year's numbers. The highest day for activity occurred on Thursday, October 20th when we had 652 aircraft movements. We had 9 days with over 600 movements.

Airport Operations Report

Scott Marsh provided an update on Airport Operations as summarized here:

Airfield Construction Project Updates:

- **Runway 6/24 Rehabilitation – 2022 to 2023** – Rehabilitation work to Runway 6/24 started in April 2022 and will continue thru April 2023. This work involves weekday and overnight closures to Runway 6/24.
 - **Status update:**
 - Photometric testing of lights remains to be completed. Storm drain rehabilitation work has been included as extra work and remains to be completed.
 - **Hours of Work/Staging are as follows:**
 - **Runway 6-24 Weeknight Closures:**
 - Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday – 10:30PM to 6:30AM the following morning.
 - Monday 10:30PM to 8:30AM Tuesday.
 - **Runway 6-24 Weekend Closures:**
 - 12-hour closures – Friday 10:00PM to Saturday 12:00 noon.
- **Pavement Management Survey** - Pavement Management surveys will take place the week of November 16th for three days, and the week of November 28th. They will take a comprehensive look at all of the runway and taxiway pavement to classify it under the new Pavement Condition Index for the airport. This is an annual survey done at the facility.
- **FAA Construction (Summer 2022)**
 - ILS RWY 19 System Upgrade: Work commenced on July 11th and will continue until November 18th.
 - Full ILS will be returned to service on **November 18th**.
 - The FAA will be conducting flight checks of the system during the week of November 14th through November 17th.
- **FAA Construction (2023)**
 - The following FAA projects are scheduled to take place in 2023:
 - RWY 01 VASI upgraded to PAPI

- Power Distribution Upgrades To:
 - RWY 01 VASI/PAPI
 - RWY 01 REILs
 - RWY 06 LOC
 - RWY 06 GS
 - RWY 24 PAPI
 - ASOS (Automated Weather System)

- FAA Construction - ATCT Control Tower - Original 300' crane was replaced with a 231' crane on May 19, 2022.
 - NOTAMs issued due to the 231' crane:
 - FDC 2/6498 TEB IAP – ILS or LOC RWY 6, AMDT 291...S-ILS 6 DA221/HAT 215 ALL CATS.
 - FDC 2/6497 TEB IAP – RNAV (GPS) Y RWY 19, AMDT 1...LPV DA281/HAT 275 ALL CATS.
 - FDC 2/6496 TEB IAP – ILS or LOC RWY 19, AMDT 1...S-ILS 10 DA281/HAT 275 ALL CATS.

It is anticipated that crane work will continue a bit longer. Once all crane work has been completed the crane will be removed, and NOTAMs for the tower height will be issued and procedures will be updated.

Addendum: *These NOTAMS were cancelled on 11/10/22 and a new NOTAM was issued for the tower structure, this NOTAM will remain in effect until new aeronautical procedures are issued.*

Local Airport Update

- Newark (EWR) Airport:
 - RWY 4L/22R Interim Rehabilitation
- JFK Airport:
 - RWY 4L/22R Interim Rehabilitation

FAA Annual Certification Inspection – December 5th 6th & 7th- This is a comprehensive inspection of the entire airfield, and it has been rescheduled for December 5th, 6th, and 7th. Preparations for these inspections are on-going.

Events Outlook – November/December – Scott Marsh provided a list of upcoming events for the months of October and November as follows:

- November Events:
 - Daylight Savings Time Ends – November 6th
 - Election Day – November 8th
 - Veterans Day – November 11th
 - Getaways - November 2nd to 4th and November 9th & 10th

- Returns - November 14th & 15th
 - Thanksgiving Day – November 24th
 - Getaways – November 16th to 18th and November 22nd & 23rd
 - Returns – November 28th & 29th
- New York City Tree Lighting Ceremony – November 30th
- December Events:
 - Historically the first two weeks in December are very busy
 - Holiday Season:
 - Hanukkah – December 18th to December 26th
 - Christmas Eve & Day – December 24th & 25th
 - Kwanzaa – December 26th to January 1st

The airport community is reminded to keep these events in mind and plan ahead in order to avoid congestion/gridlock at the airport. Users are encouraged to work with FBOs to make sure facilities are available to accommodate arrival times and days, especially during some of these events.

Airport Security Update

Scott Marsh provided an update on security items as summarized here:

- Operations Audit Update – Operations staff performed 139 ID audits in the month of October. They found no discrepancies. Scott thanked everyone’s continued efforts in keeping the airport safe and secure.
- VFR Waypoints – The Airport, TUG, and the FAA have been working on improving the approach to Runway 1. New VFR waypoints were published for circling approaches to Runway 1 from the precision approach that use the Runway 6 ILS. Scott thanked everyone for their efforts in making this happen. Dave Belastock (TUG) commented that TUG continues to work with Honeywell Flight Safety and GE Digital on ultimately generating a true approach procedure to Runway 1. TUG sent out notice about these new waypoints to NBAA and operator groups so it should reach a national and international audience. TUG also published them on their website.

Airport Construction Report

Dan Snyder provided a construction report for the Resident Engineer’s Office on the progress on the Rehabilitation of Runway 6-24 project as summarized here:

The *Runway 6-24 Rehabilitation project* was awarded on March 14th. Construction commenced on March 22, 2022. The General Contractor on the project is *Tilcon of New York, Inc.*

Contract Milestones	
Scheduled Completion Date	Description
August 31, 2022	Complete all asphalt milling and paving work, excluding grooving.
November 30, 2022	Complete all electrical light systems work, including photometric testing, except Runway 6-24 TDZs.

April 28, 2023**	Complete all remaining work.
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**Currently the project is ahead of schedule and work is anticipated to be completed in December 2022.

Work that has been completed:

- Landscaping has been completed.
- Swap-out of LED Runway Edge-lights have been completed.
- REILs systems have been completed.
- Restriping of Runway 6-24, and areas of Runway 1-19 and Taxiway Q have been completed.
- Final Inspection took place on November 8, 2022.

Items Remaining to be completed and estimated completion dates:

- Photometric testing – Week of November 14th
- Replacement of 1 pavement weather sensor – Week of November 7th
- Clean-up stockpiles from Gate C - TBD
- Additional extra work requested by TEB facility:
 - Catch Basin apron repair – End of November

Maria thanked CMD, Operations, ATCT staff and everyone involved for their well-coordinated efforts in keeping this project running smoothly. Jonathan Seibert concurred with Maria’s statement.

Jonathan Seibert thanked John Kastens and the Avports teams for mentoring him and supporting him throughout his 13 years at the airport. He thanked Bruno Eiras for doing a fantastic job as his Assistant Manager and he thanked Maria, Scott, and Rick for all their support over the years.

Snow & Ice Control – 2022-2023 Winter Season (November 2022 to April 2023)

Jonathan Seibert provided the following report on the 2022/2023 snow season:

Overview:

- We have had 0 snow/ice events so far this season.
- Preparations are complete and teams are ready to deal with any snow/ice events this season.

FAA Report

No update was provided.

Wildlife Management Report

USDA Biologist Terri Riotto provided the following update:

Average Number of Birds per Survey – 31 birds were observed per survey in October. This was within the historic average which is 27 birds for this time of year.

Birds per Survey by Guild - Observations by guild consisted mainly of Small Perching Birds, Doves & Pigeons, Raptors and Blackbirds.

On-Airport Observations by Guild:

- Small Perching Birds – 67.76%
- Doves & Pigeons – 21.31%
- Raptors – 7.1%
- Blackbirds – 3.83%

Raptor Relocation Program:

This was a very busy month for Raptor relocation. A total of 57 Raptors were trapped and relocated during October. So far this year, 145 Raptors have been relocated as part of this program.

Raptors Relocated Data Thru October:

Month	Species	Number trapped and relocated
February	American Kestrel	1
March	American Kestrel	13
April	American Kestrel	36
July	American Kestrel	2
August	American Kestrel	1
September	American Kestrel	35
October	American Kestrel	54
	Cooper's Hawk (<i>Rare Species at the airfield.</i>)	1
	Red-shoulder Hawk (<i>New species tracked at the airfield.</i>)	1
	Red-tailed Hawk	1
Year-to-Date Total		145

Wildlife Strikes:

There were a total of 12 wildlife strikes during October.

A summary of these strikes is as follows:

Species	Strikes	Comments
American Kestrel	6	A lot of Kestrels on field this month after Hurricane Ian.
Chimney Swift	1	
Merlin	1	
Mourning Dove	2	
Swamp Sparrow	1	
White-Throated Sparrow	1	
Total	12	

No damaging strikes in October. Wildlife strikes in September were average compared to historic numbers.

Terri reminded everyone to keep an eye out for deer activity on and off the airfield. This is the peak season for deer activity. Please report any deer sightings to Operations staff.

Maria thanked Terri for all her efforts during the year and especially for all her hard work during the month of October.

Noise-Office Report

Gabe Andino provided an update as follows:

Noise Complaints

We had a total of 6,092 total complaints from 128 individual callers in October. 532 of these complaints were for aircraft noise during nighttime hours of 10:00PM to 7:00AM. Year to date we have had a total of 66,968 total complaints from 1,107 callers. Complaints are up compared to this time last year. The increase in complaints appear to trend along with return to typical traffic volume as things returned back to normal following the pandemic years. Although air traffic volume is trending average compared to pre-pandemic historic numbers, complaints are up significantly.

The majority of complaints from communities within a 5-mile radius of the airport continue to come from Hackensack and Maywood located to the North of the airport. These complaints typically are related to arrival traffic on approach to Runway 19. We had a few days where we were landing aircraft to Runway 6, which caused an increase in noise complaints from Rutherford and Lyndhurst located to the South of the airport.

The majority of complaints by communities within a 20-mile radius of the airport continue to come from the upper Northern Bergen County areas and are the result of arrivals to Runway 19. Complaints have increased from these areas due to the seasonal increase in air traffic during the Fall.

Noise Violations

The airport issued 4 first time violations and 1 second time violation and 5 warnings during October. Year to date 38 first time violations, 3 second time violations, and 19 warnings were issued. Overall noise violations are down compared to last year at this time. Violations are down compared to prior years.

Open Discussion:

Dave Belastock inquired if the FAA had announced a timeframe for Jason Beim's replacement. Maria responded that the FAA anticipates an announcement regarding a new ATCT manager taking place on or about December 4th.

Dave Belastock went on to thank Gabe Andino and Maria Sheridan on the great job they did during the recent TANAAC meeting to prevent misinformation from spreading. He felt Maria Sheridan was a "Rock Star" in very clearly explaining the limits of authority that the Port Authority actually has over flight operations at the airport.

Alex Gertsen from the NBAA concurred with Dave's observation. A lot of the answers have to come from the FAA, and he felt Maria Sheridan and Gabe Andino did a great job in explaining this.

Center for Hope and Safety Annual Gift Drive – John Kastens reported that the 29th annual holiday gift drive has commenced for the *Center for Hope and Safety*. Information flyers were emailed to the airport community last week. Donations can be dropped off at **Airport Operations – Hangar #1 – 111 Industrial Avenue**. The deadline for gift drop-off is *Tuesday, December 13th*. Please contact Patty Salvato (201) 807-4020 or John Kastens (201) 288-3179 with any questions regarding this year's fundraising effort.

Upcoming Events:

- Part 139 Certification Inspections – December 5th, 6th, and 7th
- Center for Hope & Safety Holiday Gift Drive – Donation Drop Off Deadline – December 13th
- Manager's Meeting – December 14th – 10:30AM
- TUG Meeting – December 21st at 10:00AM