

**OKLAHOMA ADVANCED MOBILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
March 24, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Sec. Gatz called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Tim Gatz  
James Grimsley  
Hopper Smith  
Grayson Ardies  
Amy Loftis-Walton  
Jennifer McGrail

**Absent:** Steve Fendley  
Jim Roth  
Jamey Jacob  
Tyler Moore

**ITEM PRESENTED BY SECRETARY GATZ**

**Approval of Minutes from January 26, 2023 meeting**

ACTION: Ardies moved and Smith seconded that the Minutes be approved as presented.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Gatz, Grimsley, Smith, Ardies, Walton and McGrail

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Fendley, Roth, Jacob and Moore

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

Hopper Smith introduced Nicole Valentine, CEO of Genesis Aerospace Systems. Ms. Valentine gave an update on Florida and National AAM Briefing.

Doug Wood introduced David Zahn, he is a member of NASA's team here in Oklahoma City. Mr. Zahn gave presentation on NASA Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) Initiatives.

**ITEM PRESENTED BY SECRETARY GATZ**

Secretary Gatz updated everyone on UAS Spectrum NPRM from the FCC

**ADVANCED MOBILITY STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE – Mr. Schwennesen**

Mr. Schwennesen stated we are under contract with HNTB. They will be our partners that are going to help us get through this Advanced Mobility Strategic Plan effort. We have had great conversations so far today, and Mr. Zahn showed some graphics about how it's all going to have to work together. He then recognized Thea Ewing, Project Management Director for HNTB in Ohio and she is heading up these efforts.

Ms. Ewing gave a background of her experience; she has previously worked with Ohio DOT, San Francisco International Airport, and North Carolina on their mobility strategies. She gave a PowerPoint presentation of her game plan and she said that the Advanced Mobility Council will get monthly updates from her and HNTB.

## **AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE WORKING GROUP UPDATE – Mr. Schwennesen**

Mr. Schwennesen said our next Autonomous Vehicle Working Group will meet on April 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am - 10:15am. The AV Group is going to have some members actually help judge the University of Tulsa's First Mile/Last Mile Student Innovation Competition on April 7<sup>th</sup>. Also, a long-term member of the AV Group, Leslie Gamble has retired, they are looking for her replacement now.

## **EMERGING AVIATION SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE – Doug Wood**

Mr. Wood said they had a meeting in February and we spoke mostly about the HNTB Contract and their efforts. The subcommittee is going to be involved in helping to move that forward, and the information that each of those individual members will be able to contribute. We didn't have a meeting in March due to a number of members traveling. We will have a meeting in April we are looking at how we can change or adapt our mission to help HNTB with their efforts. We will identify other tasks and things that we can do to advance us and advance our mobility in the state. We will look at our meeting schedule, look at the membership and we will look at the future mission of how we are going to help HNTB. We are planning on taking a field trip soon out to see David Zahn and his team. We would like to see what they are doing and help provide some more in-person education and hands on training for the Council.

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Secretary Gatz said Gary Ambrose is stepping away from the Council; so, we need to be thinking of his replacement. After we have some names submitted, we will place that as an item on the agenda and we will take a vote.

## **CLOSING REMARKS**

Secretary Gatz thanked everyone for attending; and said the next meeting will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 pm.

## **ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

ACTION: Walton moved and Smith seconded that the Meeting be adjourned.

MOTION: Carried by the following vote:

AYES: Gatz, Grimsley, Smith, Ardies, Walton and McGrail

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Fendley, Roth, Jacob and Moore

**Meeting adjourned at 11:32 am**

Approval of Minutes:



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Tim J. Gatz - Chairman