

August 20, 2025

Supervisor Horr opened the special airport meeting at 7:00 pm. Roll call was taken, and found Councilperson Infantino, Colella, Bacon, and Luce present. Also, present was Supervisor Horr, and Highway Superintendent Scott Mitchell.

Guests include: Rick Lafford, Ann Lafford, Brian Woodhams, and John Longuil.

Pledge to the Flag followed, led by Councilperson Bacon

Supervisor Horr stated this is a special meeting to discuss airport zoning. The meeting was advertised in the evening tribune, as well as the Town website, and on the Town bulletin board.

Airport manager Rick Lafford asked McFarland Johnson to produce a version of a land use compatibility. The draft document was provided to the board members. The main point of the document is to protect the airspace around Dansville to minimize hazards for anybody on the ground, or in the air. A final draft version of this document will be worked on after this meeting.

Councilperson Colella would also like to draft an amendment to our zoning law. He would like to get that done soon so it can be forwarded to the County Planning Board. If we can get it to the County Planning Board, it might be possible to have a public hearing in October.

The board has determined that this action to protect the airspace is necessary per FAA guidelines, and in recognition of the FAA regulations under 14 CFR Part 77 and FAA Advisory Circular 150/5190-4B.

After the proposed local law is drafted, Councilperson Colella would like a copy of it sent or delivered to LMC to maintain full transparency. The Town would like to come to an agreement that works best for the town and for LMC. Airport manager Rick Lafford would like a resolution to this, so the airport does not have to be shut down quite as often as it is now. The guidelines are set forth by the FAA and must be followed.

Rick Lafford stated that the Dansville Pilots association is willing to share some of the cost of the runway striping and numbering. Rick has one quote and will try to obtain one more so we can approve it at our next board meeting. It was noted on a past inspection that this needs to be done.

A motion by Councilperson Colella and a second by Bacon for Councilperson Colella to draft an amendment to the zoning law that includes a new Article 4 concerning penalties and a new section regulating airport obstructions with an attenuation clause giving everybody 6 months to come into compliance. Roll call vote,

AYES: Councilperson Infantino, Colella, Bacon, Luce, and Supervisor Horr.

NOES: None

Motion carried 5 to 0.

A motion by Councilperson Bacon and a second by Colella to adjourn the meeting AT 8:00 pm All in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted

Lori Tyler
Town Clerk