Casandra Davis

From: Casandra Davis
Sent: Wednesday, March 05, 2014 4:50 PM
To: 'Ron Haines'; Bruce V. Pelly
Cc: BCC-All Commissioners
Subject: RE: Comment about Helicopters N3181Q, N3202D, and N7687H at Lantana Airport Today

Mr. Haines,
I have received your comments and will respond tomorrow.
Thank you

From: Ron Haines [mailto:ronaldhaines@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 05, 2014 1:40 PM
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To: Bruce Pelly, Casandra Davis, Department of Airports
CC: Commissioners, Palm Beach County

Hello All:
Could the Department of Airports please find out what unique condition/training requirement existed this morning that required that helicopter N3181Q (two photos attached) use the airspace above my house and my neighborhood over and over again as a helicopter pilot training classroom, in direct defiance of the existing Noise Abatement Guidelines that were put into place to protect neighbors of Lantana Airport from just such abuse?
While you are at it, please ask the pilot of the huge N3202D (three photos attached) why it was necessary to take off from the airport and make a pass over my house, instead of following normal take-off patterns for the airport. (If I had to guess, I would say it was because whoever was hanging out the side door wanted a photo of me, but that would just be paranoid thinking wouldn’t it?).
I have tossed in a photo of N7687H just for the record, but in fairness it made ‘only’ a couple passes over the neighborhood, so the behavior wasn’t quite so egregious as that of N3181Q.
Regards,
Ron Haines

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Mr. Haines,

The attachment is of flight tracks covering the time of your comments (2 maps). I have isolated the flight track that fits your description.

I said I would respond to you today, unfortunately I have not reached the manager. I will contact him and to discuss the information and provide it to you as soon as I reach him.

Thank you.
Mr. Haines,

The Department of Airports does not have any official agreement with the Boynton Beach High School’s Boynton Aerospace Science Academy magnet program. Mr. Hershorin has had conversation with DOA as to future development at the Lantana Airport. The information he has shared with us would not increase air traffic or noise at LNA.

_I have spoken to Mr. Hershorin and he would be happy to discuss the program; current and future planning._ He has asked that I pass his contact information on to any interested parties. Paul Hershorin cell phone 561-758-9174.

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Dear Ms. Vana:

I have seen occasional stories in the Palm Beach Post about the Aerospace Science Academy at Boynton Beach High School. The one in 2013 referred to a “plan for a new $2 million facility at the Palm Beach County Park Airport in Lantana.”

The most recent story was this morning (see below). Now it says the program “will eventually be housed at the Lantana airport.”

_By Jason Schultz_
_Palm Beach Post Staff Writer_

BOYNTON BEACH —

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As I am sure you understand, the folks who live near the airport, myself included, are very sensitive about what happens over there. From what I have found out, the FAA Part 147 program includes jet aircraft, a very sensitive issue for residents. I don’t know for sure, but I would imagine it also includes helicopters, another sensitive issue.

Would you please look into this and let me know what the status of all this is?

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Mr. Haines,

Mr. Hershorin has only expressed his future desire to lease space at LNA to provide Aviation Maintenance Training, which would be an extension of the class room training currently done at the Boynton High School location. The cell number I provided is a direct number, he would be the person to contact for any inquires or comments on this program.

The Department of Airports does not have an agreement with the Boynton Beach High School’s Boynton Aerospace Science Academy Magnet Program.

Thank You

Casandra et al,

Mr. Hershorin has known since March 5 (via an email from Peter Licata at the school district—there was no staff listing on the school district website for Mr. Hershorin or I would have emailed him directly) that I am expecting a complete update from him, but I so far have not received it.

What information has he shared with the Department of Airports regarding his plans?

Sorry to be a pest, but when a program is described as ‘eventually to be housed’ at Lantana Airport, I suspect there is more in the works than just some ‘conversation.’

And so far, trying to find out what the plans are, through Ms. Vana or through the school district, isn’t resulting in a lot of specific information.

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Subject: BASA plans at Lantana Airport

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