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City Appoints Airport Manager

Kerry Ahearn, a licensed commercial pilot and an Accredited Airport Executive has been appointed Boulder City's new Airport Manager by City Manager Vicki Mayes. Ahearn will relocate from Connecticut to begin her employment on October 6, 2008.

Ahearn has more than a decade of experience in airport management at both air carrier and general aviation (GA) airports. She leaves her position as an Airport Operations Assistant Specialist and Noise Abatement Officer for Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks, CT. Ahearn also served as the Program Manager for the airport's \$22 million Residential Sound Insulation Program (RSIP), where she handled all community issues relating to airport noise while also performing airport operations duties. Her responsibilities also included coordinating ongoing airport operations, inspecting air operations areas to ensure compliance with established safety and maintenance standards; observing runway conditions and issuing Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs) to advise airlines, FAA and pilots of current field conditions and coordinating snow removal operations.

Prior to Bradley International Airport, Ahearn was the Manager and Security of Morristown Municipal Airport (MMU). MMU is a busy General Aviation Reliever Airport to Newark International, located in northern New Jersey consisting of both light GA and corporate jet traffic. During her tenure, she developed a new Emergency Plan, directed two Triannuals and five Tabletops and has served as the Airport Branch Director during aircraft emergencies. She updated the Airport Security Plan, developed a state of the art security program consisting of 30 airport wide cameras, a security operations center and an airport wide badge system along with mandatory security training. While in that capacity, she reorganized the noise abatement office, reduced noise complaints by 65%, developed several noise abatement pamphlets and updated procedures.

Ahearn earned the designation of an Accredited Airport Executive from the American Association of Airport Executives and earned her Bachelor of Science degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and is a licensed commercial pilot.

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