

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION  
 Regular Monthly Meeting  
 Saturday, September 24, 1955

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was called to order by Dr. Francis K. Sylva, Chairman, on Saturday, September 24, 1955 at 9:30 a.m., in the Board Room of the Commission, Honolulu International Airport.

A quorum of the Commission was in attendance. (See Record of Attendance.)

GENERAL

MINUTES OF AUGUST 22, 1955 MEETING: Mr. Furtado pointed out an error in the August 22nd minutes, and requested that the minutes be corrected to read that he voted in the negative with regard to the matter of Housing Activities, NAF Area, Honolulu Airport, and also that he did not second the motion. He then moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried unanimously.

REVISED SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES -PUBLIC HEARING: Mr. Wirtz made a motion, seconded by Mr. Honda, and it was unanimously

VOTED: that the hearing, covering the revised Schedule of Rates and Charges, be held at 1:00 PM, Friday, October 21, 1955.

T-HANGAR RENTAL RATES: Rental rates for the newly completed small plane T-hangars were discussed. Mr. Kobayashi suggested that rates presently in effect be charged. Commissioner Wirtz pointed out that the staff has recommended rates independent of the pending overall revised rate structure. It was also pointed out that the proposed rates are substantially lower than rates at comparable airports throughout the county.

The Director advised that the rates now charged for storage of private planes in Honolulu are on a community basis for the large, intermediate and small type planes, and therefore there was no existing rate to be followed for the new structures.

Mr. Kobayashi then made a motion, seconded by Mr. Honda and it was

VOTED: that, effective October 1, 1955, and until such time as permanent rates are approved, rates for small plane hangars be established as listed on page 14 of the revised Schedule of Rates and Charges.

Motion Carried

Affirmative Votes: Messrs. Kobayashi, Honda, Edwards, Hodgson, Wirtz

Negative Votes: Dr. Sylva and Mr. Furtado

UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS: Mr. Honda made a motion, seconded by Mr. Furtado, and it was unanimously

VOTED: that authorization be granted to write off uncollectible accounts, as recommended by the office of the Attorney General, and as listed in the memorandum to the Director from the Accountant, dated September 7, 1955.

U-DRIVE OPERATORS, PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE - MINIMUM AMOUNT: Amounts recommended by the staff were as follows:

\$ 50,000 covering any one person in any one accident  
 \$100,000 covering two or more persons in any one accident, and  
 \$ 10,000 covering property damage.

Commissioner Wirtz commented that the staff's recommendation was in line with charges of Los Angeles and San Francisco airports (and even lower in certain respects and therefore made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Kobayashi, and unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the staff's recommendation, for Honolulu only, at the present time.

TOUR OF AIRPORTS, MEMBERS OF PACIFIC ASSOCIATION OF PORT AUTHORITIES:

On motion by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Furtado, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the expense incurred in a tour of airports by members of the Pacific Association of Port Authorities.

HONOLULU

NEW PASSENGER TERMINAL: The Chairman advised that in a letter from the Seventh Air Force, dated September 20, 1955, it was advised that a meeting can be held shortly after October 15th with representatives of Groll Beach and Associates (a firm of architects and airport designers employed by the Air Force), the Air Force and HAC, to review and discuss the architect-engineer's proposed master plan and to reach joint conclusions regarding the feasibility and acceptability of the master plan as presented by Groll Beach and Associates. He continued, that the Commission has been able to secure all necessary funds for building the new terminal at Honolulu.

On motion by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Edwards, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Director be directed to contact the Air Force and attempt to set the meeting for October 21st at 10:00 a.m., in order that it may be held prior to the Commission's October 22nd meeting.

The Chairman commented that inasmuch as funds have become available it would seem that the Commission must "move along", utilizing all funds available.

COCKETT AIRLINES - PAYMENT UNDER PROTEST: For the Commission's information a letter of September 15th from Cockett Airlines was presented, advising of payment of their account under protest.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET - REQUEST FOR CONTINUED FREE SPACE: A request from the Bureau of the Budget, for continued free use of building 115 until the end of the year, was presented.

Mr. Furtado stated that the Commission's action at its last meeting, to the effect that no free space be granted at any airport unless mandatory by law, adequately covers the matter.

It was the general consensus of members that the matter of space occupancy was already acted upon; therefore, no further action was necessary.

HAWAIIAN AIRLINES - DEFICIENCY OF CESSPOOLS: The deficiency of cesspools serving hangars no. 1 and 2 and the passenger terminal in the Hawaiian Airlines area, was pointed out in letters from Hawaiian Airlines and the Department of Health.

Mr. Wirtz moved that, in view of the apparent violation of rules and regulations of the Board of Health by Hawaiian Airlines, the Commission construct a new cesspool, 8' in diameter by 15' deep, outside of the present corner shop, for an estimated cost of \$1,000, with the understanding that HAL will repay the Commission within 12 months. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda.

Discussion followed. It was pointed out that initially HAL had violated the rules and regulations of the Board of Health and should correct this, and that at a recent meeting representatives of HAL had agreed to this, although the repayment of cost over a 12-month period had not been discussed.

Mr. Grubb of HAL said that at the meeting it had been HAL's impression that a sewer line would be connected to the cesspool.

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A vote was taken on Mr. Wirtz's motion, which was seconded by Mr. Honda.

Motion Carried

Affirmative votes: Messrs. Wirtz, Honda, Edwards, Kobayashi, Hodgson

Negative vote: Mr. Furtado

HAWAIIAN AIRMOTIVE, LTD. REQUEST FOR HANGAR 8: The Chairman pointed out that Hawaiian Airmotive has requested approval to lease Hangar No. 8 and that, if approved, would desire that this hangar be included in their present lease. He added, however, that they are requesting the addition of ceiling lights and additional toilet facilities.

The terms of HAM's present lease were discussed. In the course of discussion, the Director indicated that planning to date has provided that the facility requested would be held intact in the future. He said, however, that HAM's lease includes a cancellation clause in the event that the area occupied by them is needed for new terminal facilities.

Commissioner Edwards asked whether or not there was any willingness to amortize the cost of installing facilities that they are requesting, in the remaining terms of the lease. The Director replied that this had not been ascertained by the staff.

At Commissioner Honda's inquiry, the Director said no formal estimate had been obtained with regard to installation of lighting in hangar no. 8, but based on a similar installation in Hangar #6, it was determined that the cost would be, roughly \$2,000 to \$2500. He stated that the staff does not recommend that additional toilet facilities be made available, but recommends that adequate ceiling lights be installed.

Mr. Wilburn of Hawaiian Airmotive, Ltd. advised that they would be willing to accept the facility without additional toilet facilities if the necessary lights are installed.

After further discussion, Mr. Kobayashi made a motion, seconded by Mr. Edwards, and it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Commission approve HAM's request to lease hangar no. 8, and that it be included in their present lease; also that the Commission install general lighting in the hangar, but that no additional toilet facilities be installed.

CONTRACT FOR PAINTING HANGAR NO. 9, OVERSEAS TERMINAL BUILDING, RESTAURANT AND FOREIGN ARRIVAL BUILDING: The tabulation of bids received from DPW for painting of these facilities, was presented.

In general discussion, the advisability of undertaking such a project was questioned, in view of pending plans for new terminal facilities. It was the consensus of the commission that, in view of possible action on joint master planning, the job be deferred.

Mr. Wirtz moved, and it was seconded by Mr. Furtado and unanimously

VOTED: to defer the matter.

AIRPORT HOUSING AREA: The Director reported that the staff had been unable to get a report from the Navy regarding the airport housing area, in view of the absence of the Navy official familiar with the matter, and recommended deferment of the matter. X

Mr. Furtado moved, and it was seconded by Mr. Honda and unanimously

VOTED: to defer the matter.

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GROUND TRANSPORTATION - INVITATION TO QUALIFY: Mr. Honda stated that it was the opinion of some members of the Commission that persons interested in the ground transportation business at Honolulu Airport should advise the commission of their qualifications and, with this thought in mind, an invitation to qualify had been formulated. He explained that the invitation does not bind the Commission in any way.

Mr. Honda then made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kobayashi, and it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Director be authorized to pass out the forms to interested persons, in an attempt to gather the necessary information covering ground transportation service at Honolulu Airport, and that he make a report to the Commission at the next meeting.

MAUI:

KAHULUI AIRPORT - STORAGE TANK USED BY PACIFIC CHEMICAL & FERTILIZER COMPANY: The Commission discussed PC&F Company's request for reimbursement of \$9,213.76 (by rental credit application) for engineering expenses, office rehabilitation, and other expenses in excess of the \$20,000 authorized by HAC for the rehabilitation of the 45,000 barrel storage tank used by PC&F for storage of aqua ammonia at Kahului Airport.

Mr. Wirtz said that it appears to be a moral obligation of the Commission to grant the request, and moved for approval. The motion died for lack of a second.

In further discussion, Mr. Wirtz said that PC&F has materially improved the area and should be reimbursed in the amount requested.

Mr. Furtado moved that the request be denied. The motion died for lack of a second.

There being no further action, the matter remained status quo.

MOLOKAI AIRPORT, AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO GRANT AGREEMENT, FIELD DRAINAGE PROJECT (for the purpose of revising the supporting exhibit of property conditions, and showing land exchanges between HAC and Hawaiian Homes Commission as it affects the airport): The Hawaii Aeronautics Commission accepted and approved execution of the following Amendment to Grant Agreement, covering Project No. 9-52-010-201 (Construction of Airport Field Drainage, Molokai Airport, Kaunakakai, Molokai). Motion made by Mr. Wirtz, seconded by Mr. Honda and carried unanimously.

(See copy of Amendment No. 1 to Grant Agreement in Commission files.)

MOLOKAI AIRPORT, ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT OFFER DATED AUGUST 23, 1955 FOR INSTALLATION OF MEDIUM INTENSITY LIGHTS (Runway 5-23), transformer vault, standby power, rotating beacon, lighted wind cone and installation of taxiway and apron lighting -- \$44,000 Federal share:  
The following resolution was adopted on motion by Commissioner Wirtz, seconded by Commissioner Honda.

Resolution Adopting and Approving the Execution of a Grant Agreement between the Territory of Hawaii acting by and through the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission and the United States of America, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Providing for Federal Aid in the Development of, and the Operation and Maintenance of, the Molokai Airport.

Be it resolved by the members of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission, Territory of Hawaii:

Section 1. That the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission acting on behalf of the Territory of Hawaii shall enter into a Grant Agreement for the purpose of obtaining Federal-aid in the development of the Molokai Airport and that such agreement shall be as set forth hereinbelow.

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Section 2. That the Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Grant Agreement in quintuplet on behalf of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission, and the Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to impress the official seal of this Commission and to attest said execution.

Section 3. That the Grant Agreement referred to hereinabove shall be as follows:

(See Copy in Commission files.)

MOLOKAI AIRPORT, NEW TERMINAL LAYOUT - REQUEST FROM MOLOKAI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING: There being no representative of the Molokai Chamber of Commerce in attendance, the Chairman requested that Mr. Wirtz present the matter.

Mr. Wirtz said that he was particularly concerned about the request because of its arrival at this time. He explained that detailed plans and specifications for a new Molokai Terminal are almost completed. He added that some months ago the original sketches were presented and discussed at a meeting at which representatives of the local airlines were present, one of whom was a member of the Molokai Chamber of Commerce, and that they were fully aware of the layout proposed.

Mr. Wirtz therefore made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Furtado and unanimously

VOTED: that the Commission at this time defer any further action on the new terminal layout at Molokai, and that the Maui Commissioner and Director be authorized to arrange a meeting with the Molokai Chamber of Commerce, or other representatives of the Chamber, to thoroughly investigate the matter, and also get the background on the Chamber's belated request for modifications to plans.

Mr. Furtado suggested, in view of the urgent need for lighting at Kahului Airport and the apparent lack of urgency for a new terminal, that the funds set aside for this project be utilized for runway lighting at Kahului.

Mr. Wirtz pointed out that there was no lack of urgency for the terminal, and that he merely did not want to spend additional money on architectural fees, and such, unnecessarily.

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HILO AIRPORT - REQUEST FROM FRANCIS STILLMAN: On motion by Mr. Furtado, seconded by Mr. Honda, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve Mr. Francis Stillman's request for a license to operate a pre-arranged tour concession at Hilo Airport.

KONA AIRPORT - DEDICATION OF KONA WATER LINES: On motion by Mr. Furtado, seconded by Mr. Wirtz, it was unanimously

VOTED: to confirm action of the Director, dated October 20, 1953, in dedicating the Kona water lines to the Board of Water Supply, County of Hawaii.

THE COMMISSION'S CONSENT WAS GIVEN TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING MATTER.

HILO AIRPORT - OLD HAL TERMINAL, USE BY AIR FORCE: Mr. Furtado made a motion, seconded by Mr. Honda, and it was unanimously

VOTED: to grant an extension of occupancy by the Air Force in the old HAL Terminal at Hilo Airport until the end of the present military maneuvers.

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ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

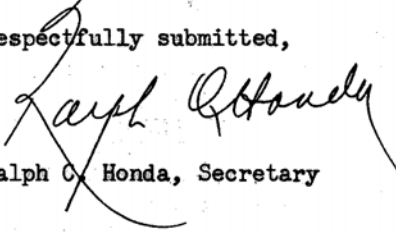
Hawaii Aeronautics Commission

Present: Dr. F. K. Sylva, Chairman  
Mr. D. W. Edwards, Vice Chairman (Kauai)  
Mr. R. C. Honda, Secretary  
Mr. J. V. Hodgson, Member  
Mr. David Furtado, Member (Hawaii)  
Mr. Cable Wirtz, Member (Maui)  
Mr. George Y. Kobayashi, Member

Absent: Mr. Richard Wheeler, Member  
Mr. C. J. Pietsch, Member (out of Territory)

In Attendance: Mr. R. M. Lee, Director, HAC  
Mr. J. E. Batchelder, Asst. Dir., HAC  
Mr. M. E. Martin, Manager, Honolulu Airport  
Mr. Bo Tong Wat, Finance Executive, HAC  
Mr. Lee Grubb, HAL  
Mr. K. Young, ACTA  
Mr. Wm. Klopp, AOPAH  
Mr. H. L. Warner, AOPAH  
Mr. A. E. Romaine, CAA  
Mr. H. L. Bauske, AOPAH  
Mr. E. C. Gallas, Gray Line  
Mr. R. B. Parkinson, UAL  
Mr. Wm. Lurie, Qantas  
Mr. L. Armstrong, Qantas  
Mr. O. V. Andrew, TPA  
Mr. Robert Allen, Allen's Trade Wind Tours  
Mr. Sam Wilburn, Hawaiian Airmotive, Ltd.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Ralph C. Honda, Secretary