

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Monday, April 17, 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Board Room of the Commission in the Overseas Terminal Building at Honolulu Airport on Monday, April 17, 1950 at 1:30 p.m.

Present were: Dr. F. K. Sylva, Acting Chairman
Ralph C. Honda, Secretary
R. A. Anderson, Member
C. J. Pietsch, Jr., Member
D. W. Edwards, Member (Kauai)
H. W. Rice, Member (Maui)
Dr. G. J. Silva, Member (Hawaii)

Absent were: R. R. Bright, Chairman
O. J. Burnett, Member

Attending were:
Peyton Harrison, Director, HAC
G. R. Sims, Admin. Asst., HAC
C. Gillette
Wm. Neilson, Supt. Maui Cty. Airpts.
Clark M. Kee, Engineering Consultant, HAC
Dave Smith, Star Bulletin
W. S. Holloway, Supt. Safety, HAC
Thomas Cooke, Trans-Air Hawaii
Stephen Cooke, " " "
Lloyd Osborne, HATS
C. E. Perin, Supt. Honolulu Airport
Capt. Elliott, Hawaiian Airlines
H. Graves, PAA
Richard Goeas, Airways Hotel
Mr. Van Kuren, " "
Mr. Ware, Honolulu Advertiser
Mrs. Wood, Hawn. Sch. of Aeronautics

MINUTES: The following corrections were made to the Minutes of March 20, 1950: (1) MOLOKAI AIRPORT, MAINTENANCE MAN - Effective date of employment was amended to read "March 15, 1950". (2) REPORT OF DIRECTOR-MISC., Item no. (1) - "CAA's conditions of transfer" corrected to read "Navy's conditions of transfer".

The Minutes were then approved as corrected.

IRREGULAR AIR CARRIERS into Kalaupapa, Kamuela, Port Allen & Hana Airports: The Director reported that a letter had been received from Mr. Joseph J. O'Connell, Jr., Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board, in reply to the HAC's letter to the CAB relative to frequency and regularity of operations by irregular air carriers into Kalaupapa, Kamuela, Port Allen & Hana airports. The Director then read Mr. O'Connell's letter of March 24, in which it was stated that the Board now has exemption requests (from the various irregular carriers in the Territory of Hawaii) under consideration, and that the Commission would be notified when the Board takes action upon these applications.

ADMINISTRATION PERSONNEL: The Director requested authorization to employ someone to take charge of real estate under the supervision of the Administrative Assistant. Mr. Rice moved that the position be established and that the Director be authorized to fill the position. Motion seconded by Dr. George Silva and carried unanimously.

TAXICAB SITUATION, HONOLULU AIRPORT: The Acting Chairman reported on an informal meeting of the Oahu Commissioners, at which time a revised taxicab proposal was worked out and adopted, pending approval of the entire Commission (See

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provisions as outlined in Memo from Mr. Honda, Taxi Committee, dated April 5.). Specifications and Invitation to Bid, as drawn up by Mr. Kee on the basis of this proposal, were submitted to HAC members present for their consideration.

Mr. Edwards moved to confirm action taken by the Oahu Commissioners. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.

COMPLAINT OF S. R. DAMON RE USE OF AIRPORT: The Director read a letter from Mr. George K. Houghtailing, Director, City Planning Commission, transmitting a letter from Mr. S. R. Damon, protesting the use of premises under the HAC's jurisdiction for industrial use. It was pointed out that the complaint had been referred to the City and County Attorney's Office for clarification as to the rights of the HAC to use lands under its jurisdiction for other than aeronautical purposes.

The matter was deferred until a report is received from the City and County Attorney's Office.

✓ LIHUE AIRPORT, CONSTRUCTION OF PAVED AREAS: Mr. Edwards moved to accept the low bid of Waimea Quarry, in the amount of \$240,073.35, for second phase construction at Lihue Airport. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried unanimously.

✓ MOLOKAI AIRPORT, CHARGE FOR USE OF LIGHTS: The Director recommended that the Commission discontinue charging Hawaiian Airlines for use of lights on Molokai. The Director's recommendation was approved on motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried unanimously.

At the request of Mr. Thomas Cooke (Trans-Air Hawaii) that Trans-Air Hawaii also be excluded from payment of these charges, the motion was amended to apply to all operators. Amendment proposed by Mr. Pietsch, seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried.

✓ HANA AIRPORT PAVING, AWARD OF CONTRACT: Mr. Rice moved to accept the low bid of Hawaiian Dredging Company, in the amount of \$146,447.00, for the paving of Hana Airport. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

✓ HANA TERMINAL AND FREIGHT BUILDINGS: Mr. Rice reported that the terminal and freight buildings will be completed shortly.

✓ ELECTRIC POLES, MAUI AIRPORT: Mr. Rice reported also that the Hawaiian Electric Company was interested in purchasing any electric poles excess to the needs of the HAC. Upon inquiry by Mr. Rice as to the possibility of night flying operations at Lanai Airport (at which time the poles could be used for the installation of the night lighting system, Capt. Elliott of Hawaiian Airlines stated that in order to have an up to date system, all airports should be lighted. Mr. Rice therefore suggested that a sufficient number (approximately 35) be reserved for HAC use, and requested that the Director contact Mr. Anderson of Hawaiian Electric and inform him that the majority of poles are soft white ones rather than the hard dark ones necessary for the electric company's use.

✓ MOLOKAI AIRPORT, TRANSPORTATION: The Director recommended that a pick-up truck be purchased for use by Mr. Kalama at Molokai Airport. Messrs. Neilson and Holloway further explained the need for transportation on the airport.

After a brief discussion, it was moved by Mr. Rice that the Director furnish suitable transportation for Mr. Kalama. Mr. Rice's motion was seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

MR. RICE WAS EXCUSED AT 2:00 P.M.

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GIFT SHOP CONCESSION, OVERSEAS TERMINAL: The Director reported that the gift shop concession, operated by Mr. Arthur Carter, is presently in operation and was opened according to schedule on April 15th.

AIRPORT OPERATORS COUNCIL ANNUAL CONVENTION: Dr. Sylva pointed out that the HAC is a member of the Airport Operators Council, which organization is holding its annual convention on the 24th through 26th of April, and reported that they had requested that the Commission send a representative. Mr. Edwards expressed the opinion that it would be to the Commission's advantage to be represented at the convention, and moved that Mr. Honda be sent to Cleveland, Ohio, as the HAC's official delegate. Motion seconded by Mr. Pietsch and carried unanimously.

Mr. Honda requested that he be empowered to extend to AOC an invitation to hold one of its future conventions in Hawaii. He was authorized to do so.

DILLINGHAM AFB: Dr. Sylva reported that the Land Committee had visited Dillingham Field and that he had been reasonably assured that no one would be interested in using it for aeronautical purposes. He pointed out, however, that the field had considerable area which could be utilized for other purposes.

After a discussion of the matter, it was moved by Mr. Pietsch that the Commission go on record as seeing no future aeronautical use for Dillingham AFB and that it therefore not make any effort to take over the field. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried unanimously.

UPOLO ROTARY BEACON & KONA AIRPORT NIGHT LIGHT: Mr. Belcher reported that steps had been taken to acquire necessary beacons for upolu and Kona through the CAA at an approximate cost of \$1.00 each. He said also that night lighting for Kona is already being processed but that the lights couldn't be put in until the work on runway shoulders is completed.

LIHUE AIRPORT, NIGHT TRAFFIC: Mr. Edwards asked about the action to be taken to inform the public that Lihue is open to night traffic. Mr. Belcher stated that it was the HAC's responsibility to put out a NOTAM to that effect. The Director was requested to do so as soon as possible.

HILO AIRPORT MASTER PLAN: Mr. Kee presented drawings of a proposed Master Plan for Hilo. He pointed out that slight revisions had been made to the original drawing at the request of the people of Hilo, inasmuch as their criticisms were justified. Dr. George Silva moved that the proposed Master Plan be accepted. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

HONOLULU AIRPORT MASTER PLAN: Mr. Kee submitted a design Master Plan for Honolulu Airport. In a discussion of the design, it was pointed out that the City Planning Commission thought no trouble would be had in acquiring the 100 ft. "buffer" strip on the Ewa side of the airport entrance road, which would be the absolute minimum safety requirement for development of a Master Plan as proposed.

Mr. Pietsch moved that the design Master Plan be approved as drawn to date and that Mr. Kee be authorized to proceed with the drawing of the Master Plan based on the design Master Plan. Motion seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL - STENOGRAPHER & DRAFTSMAN: The Director recommended that two (2) new positions, Stenographer CAF-5 and Draftsman SP-4, be established and filled at the earliest possible date; both positions to be set up in the Engineering Division. The Director's recommendation was approved on motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Pietsch and carried.

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KAMUELA FIELD SURVEYS: The Director requested authorization to proceed with field surveys at Kamuela Airport at the site originally selected.

Mr. Belcher reported that development of the only other site which would meet the length requirements would cost 6 and 9 million dollars. He added that his original estimate of about a million dollars for a complete project at Kamuela still stood.

Dr. Silva moved that the original site chosen be accepted and that field surveys be undertaken. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

HONOLULU AIRPORT MASTER PLAN: Mr. Osborne inquired as to whether small operators on the airport would be permitted to review the proposed Master Plan for Honolulu Airport and to submit comments. The Acting Chairman replied that this would be the case but requested that suggestions be submitted as soon as possible so that they could be given consideration.

LION'S SIGN: Mr. Honda requested that a Lion's welcoming sign be placed in the airport terminal at Honolulu. The matter was deferred until Mr. Honda's return from the mainland so that he may look into the way this is handled by mainland airports.

OVERSEAS TERMINAL NURSERY: Mr. Harrison requested that a room presently unused on the second floor of the overseas terminal be converted for use as a nursery, for the convenience of the traveling public. He suggested that the airlines be asked to contribute to the cost of converting it for this purpose, and that thereafter the janitorial force of the Commission maintain it. (Mr. Gillette estimated the cost to be \$850.)

The Commission agreed to the establishment of a nursery but decided that the HAC should pay for it rather than the airlines.

Mr. Pietsch moved that a sum not to exceed \$1,000 be used for this purpose. Motion seconded by Dr. Silva and carried.

SQUATTERS, HONOLULU AIRPORT: The matter of squatters in the area of the Honolulu Airport was discussed at length. In the course of discussion it was pointed out that the Board of Health had requested that the area be cleared of squatters.

Mr. Edwards moved that the Director be instructed to accede to the wishes of the Board of Health in clearing the land area. Motion seconded by Dr. Silva and carried unanimously.

It was agreed, however, that though the buildings in that area must be torn down, boots moored there may be permitted to remain.

LIHUE AIRPORT, REVISED GRANT AGREEMENT; 2nd Phase Construction: The following resolution was introduced by Secretary Honda, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, read in full, considered and adopted:

Resolution Adopting and Approving the Execution of a Revised 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 Lihue 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 Revised Grant Agreement for the purpose of obtaining Federal-aid in the development of the Lihue Airport and that such agreement shall be as set forth hereinbelow.

Section 2. That the Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Revised 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 Revised Grant Agreement referred to hereinabove shall be as follows (See copy in HAC files.)

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ralph C. Honda, Secretary