

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
 Regular Monthly Meeting
 Monday, July 23, 1951

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Conference Room of the Commission on Monday, July 23, 1951 at 1:30 p.m.

Present were: Dr. Francis K. Sylva, Chairman
 Mr. Charles J. Pietsch, Jr., Vice Chairman
 Mr. Ralph C. Honda, Secretary
 Mr. R. A. Anderson, Member
 Mr. Roy R. Bright, Member
 Mr. O. J. Burnett, Member
 Mr. Dorsey W. Edwards, Member (Kauai)
 Mr. David Furtado, Member (Hawaii)
 Mr. H. W. Rice, Member (Maui)

Attending were:

Mr. Peyton Harrison, Director, HAC
 Mr. Clark M. Kee, Asst. Dir., HAC
 Mr. R. M. Lee, Adm. Asst., HAC
 Mr. Cy Gillette, Supt. A & O
 Mr. Ford Studebaker, HAL
 Mr. J. V. Dolan, CAA
 Mr. Guy A. Murray, CAA
 Mr. Thomas Cooke, TAH
 Mr. Stephen Cooke, TAH
 Mr. J. R. Canright, Dep. Atty. Gen

LUNCHEON BILL: It was reported by the Director that the Territorial Auditing Department had refused to approve payment of a luncheon bill from the Kona Inn, covering lunches of persons other than Commission members and employees, during a familiarization tour of airports by local and government officials on May 10th. The Director was instructed to hold up action on the matter until the return of the Auditor from the mainland.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNT, T.P.A.: The Director said that the administration was bearing down on the few remaining delinquent accounts. He reported having received a check for \$2,752.00 from Trans-Pacific Airlines, and read a letter from Mr. Tongg, President, explaining that they expected substantial payments within 60 days because of their mail contract.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNT, IRISH'S CABS: The Director reported that Irish's Cabs have been delinquent in their account since the beginning of their operations on the airport. He said that a registered letter had been sent them on June 27th requesting that a representative of the company call at the HAC office on or before July 6th to make arrangements for liquidating the account. He said further that a Mr. Lee, partner in Irish's Cabs, had conferred with himself and Mr. Gillette on the 6th of July and that Mr. Lee had definitely agreed to certain stipulations made regarding the account, but had subsequently defaulted on payment. The Director continued that repeated attempts had been made to contact Mr. Lee, to no avail. He recommended that the Commission discontinue its association with Irish's Cabs.

The Chairman pointed out that this was an administrative matter and did not need Commission action; that if proper written notice were given it would be in order to terminate their license to do business on the airport.

KAHULUI: It was reported that no word had been received from Washington on the bill turning Kahului over to the Territory.

RECOMMENDATION OF APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTS FOR DESIGNING OF HONOLULU TERMINAL FACILITIES: The Chairman stated that Mr. Belt of the Department of Public Works had requested that the Commission recommend an architect, or architects, to design the Honolulu Terminal facilities. He said that since it will be an extensive project and require a good deal of study on the part of the Commission and architects, it would seem wise to decide, as soon as possible, the name of the architect to recommend to the DFW. He pointed out also that the Airport Users Committee would like to get

together with the architect, or architects, authorized to act for the Commission. He presented a folder of applications received from various individuals and architectural firms, for consideration.

After lengthy consideration and discussion of the matter, Mr. Rice moved to recommend to DPW the appointment of Mr. Theodore Vierra as its first choice and the firm of Merrill, Simms and Roehrig as second choice, and the selection of associates to be left to the discretion of appointed architect. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

AT THIS POINT, MESSRS. PIETSCH AND BRIGHT WERE EXCUSED FROM THE MEETING:

MINUTES: The Minutes of the regular meeting held June 25, 1951 were approved as circulated.

✓ PUBLIC HEARING ON CHANGE IN AIRPORT REGULATIONS: The Director reported that the Attorney General's office had recommended that the Commission hold a public hearing on a proposed change to be made in the Rules & Regulations for Airports of the Territorial Airport System, in order to give police authority to enforce observance of parking meter requirements. He continued that, in accordance with law, advertisements had been placed in the newspapers to the effect that a hearing would be conducted during the Commission's regular meeting, this date. The Director pointed out that the proposed amendment to Part II, Section 5. of the Rules and Regulations was as follows: "Parking. No person shall park any vehicle on the airport except in the manner, subject to the conditions (as to payment or otherwise), and at the locations indicated by posted traffic signs."

Mr. Canright of the Attorney General's office pointed out that the penalty for violation of this or any other rule or regulation was contained in Part VIII, and was not in excess of \$1,000.

Mr. Honda moved that, since there was no objection from anyone present, the amendment be adopted. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried unanimously.

KAHULUI AIRPORT, Change to: The Chairman reported that a letter had been received from CAA with reference to the proposed change from Puunene to Kahului, reminding the HAC that the change must be made in an orderly fashion and all proper steps must be taken.

Mr. Dolan, Deputy Regional Administrator of CAA, advised the Commission that CAA might not be able to act as quickly as desired because of appropriation limitations and some policy matters which are decided in Washington. He pointed out that CAA was not opposing the change but laying before the Commission the position in which they find themselves, and was suggesting that the Commission approach the situation in a coordinated way. Mr. Dolan said further that another thing appears to CAA of consideration, and that is the Director's request for a proposed layout of buildings. He continued that CAA would be glad to give whatever information they can of this kind for planning work; however, there is indication that cuts in appropriations may affect what they may be able to tell HAC at this time, because Congressional cuts may delete 10 towers in the U.S., and Maui may or may not be one of them. He also said CAA could not move until clear title is received. Mr. Dolan said that they would like an official letter of request as to what HAC wants CAA to do, or a written request for information.

Mr. Rice moved to go ahead with plans for a tower for the principal Maui County Airport. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

Mr. Rice suggested that the Director write CAA of the Commission's decisions.

✓ EXTENSION OF KONA AIRPORT: In order to meet future requirements of Convair planes, Mr. Furtado moved that the Commission go ahead with the plans for extension of Kona. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.

✓ T-HANGARS, KONA AIRPORT: Mr. Furtado requested that enclosed T-Hangars be constructed at Kona Airport with material reported by Mr. Kee to be available at Puunene, at Mr. Kee's estimate of \$2.00 per square foot. He stated that requests had been received from private flyers at Kona for permission to either build their own hangars, or to rent hangars built by the Commission. The Director recommended that either one thing or the other be done.

Mr. Rice questioned the availability of material at Puunene for this construction, and indicated that sufficient material would be available at Kahului when the change to that airport was made.

Upon request, Mr. Kee estimated the cost for building 5 units with new material to be around \$16,000. However, action on the matter was deferred until the availability of material can be looked into and until sound estimates can be worked up.

RENTING OF TAXICAB STALLS AT HILO AIRPORT: Mr. Furtado reviewed briefly past and present charges for taxi stalls at Hilo Airport and asked that a definite policy be set up at Hilo for the stalls. He moved (1) that, commencing September 1st, \$15.00 per month per taxi stall be charged, limited to the 13 operators there presently at both terminals; and, (2) that 5% of gross revenue be charged Tour Cars. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

WIND INSTRUMENTS AT NAALEHU: Mr. Furtado reported that Mr. Beatty, Manager of Hutchinson Sugar Company, was agreeable to maintaining the Commission's wind instruments and collecting wind data at Naalehu. He moved to accept Mr. Beatty's offer. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried unanimously.

NAALEHU WIND DATA, RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HAWAII: The Director read a letter from the Board of Supervisors, County of Hawaii, transmitting a resolution requesting that the HAC make a survey covering construction of a proposed airport at Naalehu.

The Director was instructed to acknowledge receipt of the resolution and inform the Board of Supervisors of the Commission's acceptance of Mr. Beatty's offer.

GRANT AGREEMENT, LIHUE AIRPORT: The following resolution was introduced by the Secretary, read in full, considered and adopted:

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 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 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 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 of Grant Agreement in HAC files.)

MANAGER, KAUAI COUNTY AIRPORTS: Mr. Edwards reported that Mr. John Batchelder, former Manager of Kauai County Airports, had been called into the Air Force and probably will not be available to the Commission for some time but hoped, however, to come back to the HAC before too long.

Mr. Furtado brought up the question of promotion for outside island managers to the position of Honolulu Airport Manager, and, in this regard, requested that all outer island managers be also considered.

PAYMENT OF ARCHITECT FOR LIHUE TERMINAL IMPROVEMENTS; DECISION OF WORK TO BE DONE AT LIHUE: Mr. Edwards said that due to Mr. Batchelder's leaving and Mr. Kee's having been out of the Territory, he had not been able to work with them on these matters and asked that they be deferred until he has had the opportunity to look into them. Action deferred.

PUUNENE AIRPORT PIPE LINE: Mr. Rice read the draft of a letter which he proposed be sent to the Regional Administrator of CAA, by the Director, requesting that all water pipe not essential to the operation of the airport at Puunene be turned over to the Maui Waterworks Board.

Mr. Dolan of CAA said that if this letter were received CAA would contact its Washington office and request permission to release the pipe not essential to airport operation.

Mr. Rice moved to authorize the Director to submit to CAA the letter as submitted by himself. Motion seconded by Mr. Burnett and carried.

✓ KAHULUI TERMINAL BUILDING, CONCESSIONS: Mr. Rice said that plans for the lunch room, kitchen and bar for the proposed Kahului Terminal had been laid out. He said that the concessions should be put out to bid and expressed the opinion that the HAC should furnish the equipment for the concessionaire. Mr. Rice's estimate of facilities to be installed was, roughly, \$9,540.

In discussing the matter, Mr. Edwards said that this would constitute an entirely new policy, to which he would be strongly opposed. He explained that space only was furnished at Lihue and the concessionaire submitted plans of improvements and furnishings; also that bids were called for while the building was under construction and date of completion known.

Mr. Rice asked whether it were proper to advertise the plan of the three rooms in the Maui paper, requesting bids on the same. Mr. Edwards replied that it would seem in order with established precedent.

At this point, both Mr. Kee and Mr. Lee pointed out that the Port of New York Authority furnished all but expendable items and awarded the concession on a month to month basis, after careful screening of applicants.

Mr. Rice moved to call for bids to operate the food concession and bar, beginning November 1, for a 5-year term; the concessionaire to install own facilities, and payment to start when airlines begin operating. Motion seconded by Mr. Burnett and carried.

✓ KAHULUI, AIRPLANE STORAGE UNIT: Mr. Rice stated that if there were no objection from the Commission he would like to remodel one of the double decked quonsets at Kahului to serve as a hangar for small aircraft.

No objection was made.

REQUEST TO TRANSFER LABORERS: Mr. Rice requested permission to transfer two general laborers from the Board of Agriculture & Forestry payrolls to the HAC, inasmuch as there were vacancies for them on Maui.

Mr. Furtado moved that the request be denied. No further action taken.

ROOFING JOB, AWARD OF CONTRACT: The Director reported that the matter of roofing certain buildings at Honolulu Airport was gone into with the Real Estate Committee, and bids subsequently called for. He recommended the contract be awarded to S. & O. Roofing Company, low bidder in the amount of \$21,202.50. Mr. Anderson moved to approve the recommendation; seconded by Mr. Furtado and carried.

HONOLULU AIRPORT, HIGH INTENSITY LIGHTING: The following resolution was introduced by the Secretary, read in full, considered and adopted:

Resolution Adopting and Approving the Execution of the Sponsor's Assurance Agreement To Be Submitted to the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, U. S. Department of Commerce, to Obtain Federal Aid in the Development of the Honolulu International Airport.

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

Section 1. That the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission acting on behalf of the Territory of Hawaii shall enter into a Sponsor's Assurance Agreement for the purpose of obtaining Federal Aid in the development of the Honolulu International Airport and that such agreement shall be as set forth hereinbelow.

Section 2. That the Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute said Sponsor's Assurance Agreement in quadruplicate 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 Sponsor's Assurance Agreement referred to herein-above shall be as follows: (See copy in HAC files.)

HAWAIIAN SCHOOL OF AERONAUTICS, PURCHASE OF INTEREST IN LEASES: It was reported that the appraised value of Hawaiian School of Aeronautics was set at \$60,199 by a Territorial Tax Office appraiser, and at \$59,707 based on an appraisal made by Mr. Kee.

Mr. Rice moved that the HAC buy the interest in HSA's leases for an amount of \$60,000. Mr. Furtado moved to amend this to \$59,707; amendment seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried. Mr. Rice's motion, as amended, was seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

LEI SELLERS, HONOLULU AIRPORT: The Director reported that information had been received that the lei sellers would shortly be moved off the airport entrance road by the DFW and that the DFW engineers had requested that the lei sellers be permitted to move directly within the boundary of the airport. The Director presented two plans for lei stands and a parking area, for the Commission's consideration. He pointed out that a plan for payment could be worked out to amortize the investment.

The possible infringement of the roadside lei sellers on the business of the terminal flower concessionaire was discussed briefly.

Mr. Rice moved that Plan #1 be developed jointly by the HAC and DFW and that an estimate of cost be made; also, that a report on same be made at the next meeting of the Commission. Motion seconded by Mr. Burnett and carried.

PERSONNEL, HONOLULU AIRPORT: It was moved by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried to hire a Stenographer CAE-3 for Honolulu Airport.

AIRPORT GIFT SHOP, CHANGE-OVER: The Director recommended that Mr. Arthur Carter, of the Airport Gift Shop, be given the same treatment in the matter of relocating his shop, as was given Spencecliff Corporation, namely, that his rent be reduced \$100 per month until the cost of the change-over is liquidated.

Mr. Carter said that the total cost involved would be approximately \$2,000.

After brief discussion, Mr. Edwards moved to have the HAC, at its own expense, make the necessary changes to permit Carter to occupy the new space -- the cost not to exceed \$2,000. Motion seconded by Mr. Furtado and carried.

AIRPORT GIFT SHOP, REQUEST FOR LEASE: Mr. Arthur Carter requested that he be granted a lease, but was told that no leases would be given within the present terminal building because of a plan to construct a new terminal.

NIX READY MIX OF MAUI, LEASE FOR: Mr. Rice reported that this company would probably be one of the most outstanding brickmakers and requested that they be granted a 5 year lease -- however, a revocable clause to be included therein, to provide for national emergencies. Motion seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried.

REQUEST FOR LEASES - Airport Recreation & Shopping Center; Kilohana Woodcraft (Honolulu Airport): The Chairman stated that he would shortly appoint a finance committee and would, in the future, refer requests of this nature to that committee before presentation to the commission. He said that the requests of the Airport Recreation & Shopping Center and Kilohana Woodcraft would be referred to the committee before commission action is taken.

The Chairman said that the finance committee would have the duty of considering leases, concessions, contracts and the budget; also that a committee on public works would consider buildings, maintenance and equipment.

EXTENSION OF RUNWAYS: With reference to the extension of all Territorial airport runways to provide for Convair planes, Mr. Honda suggested that Hawaiian Airlines submit a letter outlining their requirements. The Director pointed out that this information had already been obtained.

PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT: Mr. Edwards inquired into the status of the decision to advertise for vehicles and equipment needed at various airports.

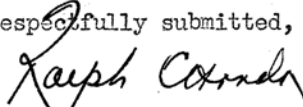
It was reported that the matter had been referred to the DPW for action and that the DPW did not feel a call for formal bids was necessary because each item was under \$4,000 and could be bought on the market. It was further reported that a letter from the DPW would be forthcoming shortly.

It was the consensus of the Commission that this request should be withdrawn from the DPW and the equipment secured on an informal basis on the islands involved.

EXTENSION OF RUNWAYS: Mr. Thomas Cooke of Trans-Air Hawaii asked that before final additional lengths are fixed that they be permitted to submit the lengths that may be required pending certain moves by the CAA which will restrict the gross weight of their aircraft according to runway length. He reported that the matter was being studied and a letter would be submitted as soon as the study is completed.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Ralph C. Honda, Secretary