HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION

Minutes of Special Meeting

Friday - November 7, 1947

A Special Meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in Mr. Wightman's office, at Alexander & Baldwin, on Friday, November 7, 1947, at 9:00 a.m.

Present were: Mr. O. J. Burnett, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Ralph C. Honda, Secretary
Mr. Chester Clarke, Commissioner
Mr. C. B. Wightman, Commissioner
Mr. Richard Cooke, Jr., Commissioner
Mr. Edward Bolles, Commissioner
Mr. Roy Bright, Commissioner

Absent were: Mr. R. A. Anderson, Commissioner
Mr. R. L. Campbell, Director
Mr. G. T. Belcher, Asst. Director
Mr. Bernard Levinson, Legal Adviser

WIRE TO GOVERNOR RE NORTHWEST-HAWAII HEARING: Mr. Bright read to the Commission a wire received by the Governor from Washington, stating that Mr. Campbell would be allotted 15 minutes to speak at the Pacific-Northwest-Hawaii hearing, to be held in Washington on November 13. It also stated that someone from the Division of Territories would accompany Mr. Campbell.

In view of these facts it was pointed out that there would be no point in sending two persons.

Mr. Cooke then read a draft, drawn up by himself, as a possible argument in the Pacific Northwest-Hawaii Case.

Mr. Clarke suggested that the Commission ask the Governor's office for the supporting wire to the Interior Department for the Commission's files.

Mr. Wightman moved that Mr. Campbell alone be sent to Washington. Discussion followed. Mr. Wightman's motion was seconded by Mr. Cooke and passed, four Commissioners voting for the motion, and two showing no vote.

SURPLUS AIRCRAFT: Mr. Bolles stated that under the surplus property act any Territorial agency may be eligible to receive aircraft, free of charge, if they do not use the aircraft commercially. Therefore, Mr. Bolles moved that Mr. Campbell look into the matter of whether or not the B&AC is eligible, while he is in Washington. Motion seconded by Mr. Bright, and unanimously passed.

TPA REQUEST FOR ENDORSEMENT: The Commission again discussed a letter from Trans-Pacific Airlines, requesting that a letter, similar to Trans-Air Hawai'i's, be sent by the Commission to CAB endorsing an additional air passenger carrier.

The matter was discussed at length, in which time Mr. Clarke stated that no public hearing had been held, and there was not enough evidence to know if additional passenger service was needed.

Mr. Bolles made the motion that the Commission act as an intervenor in these matters only after holding a public hearing, after which the Commission's recommendation is to be made. Motion seconded by Mr. Clarke.

After further discussion, Mr. Bolles withdrew his motion, placing it on the table and to be brought up at the next meeting of the Commission, after the Director has investigated the matter with CAB.
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The Commission decided that in its reply to Trans-Pacific, it should be pointed out that the Commission feels that it does not have sufficient information at this time to make such endorsement.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph C. Honda, Secretary