

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION  
Minutes of Special Conference  
February 26, 1948 - Thursday

A special conference of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Directors Room of Alexander and Baldwin on Thursday, February 26, 1948, from 3:30 p.m.

Present were: Mr. C. B. Wightman, Chairman  
Mr. O. J. Burnett, Vice Chairman  
Mr. R. C. Honda, Secretary  
Mr. Edward A. Bolles, Commissioner  
Mr. Roy R. Bright, Commissioner  
Mr. R. A. Anderson, Commissioner  
Mr. J. R. Canright, Legal Counsel  
Miss Rhoda V. Lewis, Asst. Att. General  
Mr. R. L. Campbell, Director  
Mr. Glenn T. Belcher, Asst. Director  
Mr. Geo. R. Sims, Adminis. Asst.  
Mr. Chester Clarke, Commissioner

MINUTES: The Minutes of February 16 were approved as circulated.

HONOLULU AIRPORT BUILDINGS TITLE AGREEMENT: Miss Rhoda Lewis explained that in the transfer of buildings from the Navy to the Territory, an agreement would have to be reached with the Navy in order for the transfer to be effectuated under Surplus Property Act 289. Miss Lewis outlined the points of agreement. Discussion by the Commissioners, Miss Lewis, and Mr. Canright followed.

The Director recommended that the Commission adopt the agreement in the form outlined and forward same to Washington. On motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded, and unanimously passed, it was decided to adopt the agreement and the Director was authorized to execute same.

BELLOWS FIELD LEASE: Mr. Canright explained the terms of the lease to the Commission. Both Miss Lewis and Mr. Canright pointed out that acquisition of Bellows was a broader problem with them, as it concerned other Territorial Departments, as well as the Aeronautics Commission.

Discussion followed. Mr. Bolles suggested negotiating to acquire Bellows Field for one year on a Right-of-Entry basis and asked permission to present the matter once again to the Commanding General, along with Messrs. Bright and Campbell. He suggested also that the Commission take over a smaller runway than now proposed.

Mr. Bolles' suggestion was unanimously accepted by the Commission.

TERMINAL FACILITIES, HONOLULU AIRPORT: The Director presented a proposed Master Plan of Honolulu Airport to the Commissioners, explaining that the Governor would like the Commission to ask the next Legislature for sufficient appropriations to build at least the first unit of a major terminal building at the airport.

The problem of consolidating inter-island and overseas terminals, or building separate terminals, was presented for discussion. However, no decision was rendered.

RESTAURANT AND COCKTAIL LOUNGE: The Director read the restatement of bid from Mr. Spencer Weaver, of Spencecliff Corporation, for the restaurant and cocktail lounge. He explained the provisions enumerated.

The Commission decided that the proposal would be as follows: \$10,000 per annum for first three years, plus 5% on gross sales over \$30,000 per month; with a guarantee

tenancy of three years, with option on the part of the Territory to terminate lease after this period if necessary for good reasons; at the beginning of the fourth year the rental automatically goes up to \$18,000 per annum, or 5% of gross, whichever is larger.

KAILUA AIRPORT: The following were presented to the Commission:

- (1) Letter from Mr. Henry Greenwell, and proposed petition to the Governor by the people of Kailua, re construction of the Kailua Airport.
- (2) Letter from Representative Earl Nielsen, relative to delay in the airport construction.

The Director reported that he had taken the matter up with the Attorney General's office, and it was suggested that a public hearing should be held, and a transcript of the hearing kept, to determine the desire of the people of Kona.

The matter was discussed at length. The point as to whether or not the Commission would hold a public hearing in the event Mr. Thurston did not wish to be present, was brought out.

Mr. Honda's motion to hold a public hearing based on the request of Kona people died due to lack of second.

The Director was instructed to talk to Mr. Thurston regarding the proposed public hearing, and ask his attendance at such time if one were held.

The Commission's final decision as to whether or not a hearing would be held was deferred for the regular monthly meeting scheduled for March 1.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ralph C. Honda, Secretary