

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Monday - March 1, 1948

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Commission offices on Monday, March 1, 1948, from 3:30 p.m.

Present were: Mr. C. B. Wightman, Chairman
Mr. E. A. Bolles, Commissioner
Mr. R. A. Anderson, Commissioner
Mr. R. C. Honda, Secretary
Mr. Chester Clarke, Commissioner
Mr. J. R. Canright, Legal Counsel
Mr. R. L. Campbell, Director
Mr. G. T. Belcher, Asst. Dir.
Mr. Geo. R. Sims, Adminis. Asst.
Mr. R. R. Bright, Commissioner
Mr. Spencer Weaver, Spencecliff Corp.
Colonel Neil B. Harding, PAC
Navy Representative
Mr. Lloyd Osborne, HATS
Mr. Moulder, Sexton Repair
Mr. O. V. Andrew, Andrew Flying Service
Mr. T. R. James, K-T Flying Service

MINUTES: Approval of the Minutes of February 26th meeting was deferred.

BELLOWS FIELD LEASE: The Director reported that the proposed Bellows Field lease had been reviewed by the Commission, and in view of the unsatisfactory problems it was decided by the Commission to re-negotiate with the Air Force for a one-year lease on a trial basis. Therefore, pending such meeting, the Bellows lease will be held in abeyance.

RESTAURANT AND COCKTAIL LOUNGE: The Director reported that Mr. Weaver of Spencecliff Corporation was not satisfied with the three year non-cancellation clause, and was present to state his case.

Mr. Weaver stated that he was desirous of having in the lease a clause providing for the renewal of his option at the end of three years or five years, and said also that his original idea about the three year non-cancellation provision had been straightened out.

The matter was discussed further. It was agreed that included in the lease should be a clause providing for renegotiation every five years. Mr. Bolles then moved that the rest of the negotiations be left up to Mr. Campbell and Mr. Canright. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

KAILUA AIRPORT LOCATION: The Director reported that he had called Mr. L. P. Thurston regarding the proposed public hearing in Kona, and that Mr. Thurston stated that he would arrange to be present or be represented at the hearing.

Discussion followed, and it was generally felt that a public hearing should be held in response to the request of the Kona people. On motion by Mr. Bolles, seconded and passed, the Commission moved to hold a public hearing at Kailua, Kona, Hawaii, on Saturday, March 6, 1948, at 1:30 p.m.

In the event of Mr. Wightman's absence at the Hearing, Mr. Bolles was appointed chairman protem.

KIPAPA AIRFIELD: It was reported that a reply from the Commanding General was received, in which it was stated that the Army would need the Kipapa Airfield for open storage until June, 1949, and that the added hazard from other causes would preclude its use for light aircraft; and

suggested that the Commission negotiate with American Factors after the above-mentioned date.

Mr. T. R. James asked whether any effort would be expended toward getting a solution. He remarked that Haleiwa Airfield was in a hazardous condition.

The Commission was in complete accord in wanting to investigate possibilities. Mr. Bolles suggested that General Hull be presented with a comprehensive picture of the situation, in order to show him what the Commission is up against.

It was decided that Messrs. Anderson, Wightman, and Campbell would meet with General Hull in an attempt to reopen negotiations for the acquisition of Kipapa Field.

AUTO SERVICE GARAGE CONCESSION: Mr. Wightman read aloud a memorandum from the Director, reporting that no bids had been received for the automobile service station, repair shop and garage concession.

Mr. Campbell commented on the potential of business at the airport, but said that the oil companies and individuals were interested solely in a service station proper, rather than inclusion of a repair shop and garage.

The Director was requested to negotiate for a service station concession and report back to the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ralph C. Honda, Secretary