

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
Minutes of Special Meeting
Friday - March 12, 1948

A special meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the office of the Chairman at Alexander and Baldwin on Friday, March 12, 1948, at 3:30 p.m.

Present were: Mr. C. B. Wightman, Chairman
Mr. O. J. Burnett, Vice Chairman
Mr. Ralph C. Honda, Secretary
Mr. E. A. Bolles, Commissioner
Mr. Chester Clarke, Commissioner
Mr. Roy R. Bright, Commissioner
Mr. John R. Canright, Legal Counsel
Mr. R. L. Campbell, Director
Mr. Glenn T. Belcher, Asst. Dir.
Mr. Geo. R. Sims, Adminis. Asst.
Mr. Thomas Flaherty, CAA

Absent was: Mr. R. A. Anderson, Commissioner

LANAI AIRPORT BIDS: Mr. Belcher reported that of the three bidders on the project, Hawaiian Dredging Company was the lowest bidder on "Alternates C & D". Discussion followed, and it was the Commission's opinion that the pavement under "C" was far superior to "D", and that the additional cost was justified.

Mr. Flaherty said that the CAA could increase the Grant Award by temporarily transferring funds from Kamuela Airport to Lanai. The Commissioners agreed to this, and approved Hawaiian Dredging Company as the contracting agent on "Alternate C", on motion by Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Bright, and carried.

It was also agreed to hold up the Grant offer temporarily, until CAA gets authorization from Washington for an increase.

KAILUA, KONA--DELINEATION OF LAND: Mr. Canright explained that all that was required to condemn at Kailua, Kona, was avigation easement over the property to be excluded from the condemnation.

Mr. Wightman asked Mr. Flaherty if the plan as submitted met with approval of CAA. Mr. Flaherty said that the plan as presented was acceptable and would meet CAA requirements.

Mr. Clarke moved to accept the proposal as submitted. Motion seconded by Mr. Bolles and unanimously passed.

KAILUA, KONA--SPONSOR'S ASSURANCE AGREEMENT: The following resolution was introduced by the Secretary, read in full and considered:

"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 Lanai 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 Kailua 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 hereinabove shall be as follows:" (See Appendix for copy of Sponsor's Assurance Agreement.)

The above Resolution was adopted by the Commission on motion by Mr. Clarke, seconded, and unanimously passed.

The Director was instructed to prepare a letter for the Chairman's signature, to be sent to the Kailua Airport Committee informing them of the Commission's action.

DESIGNATION OF SEAPLANE BASES: The Director requested the Commission's authorization to conduct a survey to establish seaplane bases in the Territory. He stated that there was a possibility of establishing twenty-five light seaplane bases, which would take light plane traffic off Honolulu Airport, and would be a solution to student soloing.

The Director was authorized to conduct the survey, on motion by Mr. Bolles, seconded by Mr. Clarke, and unanimously passed.

KAILUA AIRPORT DESIGNATION: Mr. Clarke moved that the Commission take such action as is necessary to change the name of the Kailua Airport, from "Kailua Airport", to "Kona Airport". The Commissioners were in accord with Mr. Clarke's motion, and passed on it.

HONOLULU AIRPORT--STATION WAGON: The Director's request for authorization to purchase a station wagon was granted by the Commission.

BELLOWS FIELD: Mr. Belcher reported that the U. S. District Engineer had prepared a new Right-of-Entry for the Territory, and presented it to the Commission. He said, further, that formal lease should be ready in three or four days.

The Secretary read a letter sent to Mrs. Marguerite Wood by the Director, authorizing Mr. R. M. Hetteema to act as Supervisor of Bellows Field.

The Commissioners accepted the Right-of-Entry and arrangement for management of the airport.

KIPAPA AIRFIELD: The Director reported on the meeting with General Decker, stating that the Army could remove their vehicles by June of this year, and War Assets Administration by April 15; also, that General Decker said the Territory could use the upper portion of the NE-SW runway of the field, but that further negotiations for use of it would have to be made with American Factors.

Mr. Bolles moved that the Director be instructed to write a letter to American Factors, Limited, asking for whatever consideration they would be willing to give the Commission on a month-to-month lease. Mr. Bolles' motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

STATUS OF PROJECTS RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS: The Director explained that the Public Works Department was doing all engineering and working-up of project applications for the Commission; but that, in view of their many other activities, were unable to prosecute the work as rapidly as would be desired. He suggested that arrangements be made for either the Commission or Public Works to employ more personnel.

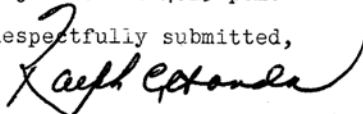
However, Mr. Flaherty suggested that the engineering be awarded to a private business firm. The Commission decided to take such action as was necessary, and instructed the Director and Mr. Belcher to meet with Mr. Belt and Mr. Flaherty to discuss the matter.

KAHULUI, MAUI: Mr. Canright reported that Commander Waler of the Navy Real Estate Division suggested that the Territory delete from the Kahului Lease the clause providing for demolition of buildings at will. The motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to delete this clause.

CAB HEARING--T.P.A.: The Commissioners agreed that, in the event of interrogation by the CAB officials, they would express only a personal opinion and would not speak as a Commissioner.

ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ralph C. Honda, Secretary