

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION

Minutes of Regular Monthly
Meeting
Monday - April 5, 1948

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Commission offices on Monday, April 5, 1948, at 3:30 p.m.

Present were: Mr. R. A. Anderson, Chairman protem
Mr. R. C. Honda, Secretary
Mr. E. A. Bolles, Commissioner
Mr. Roy R. Bright, Commissioner
Mr. G. T. Belcher, Acting Director
Mr. J. R. Canright, Legal Counsel
Mr. Geo. R. Sims, Adminis. Asst.

Mr. Herbert Dowsett, HATS
Mr. Lloyd Osborne, HATS
Mr. H. K. Graves, PAA
Mr. T. R. James, K-T
Cmdr. Hulme, USN
Messrs. Roebuck and Wong, Sexton's
Mr. Erdman, Grayline Transp.
Mr. Clifford Weaver, Spencecliff Corp.

Absent were: Mr. C. B. Wightman, Chairman
Mr. O. J. Burnett, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Chester Clarke, Commissioner

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Anderson acted as Chairman protem.

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 22nd meeting were approved as circulated.

LOBBY DECORATION - FURNITURE, Honolulu Airport: Mr. Anderson reported that treatment of the bamboo columns in the lobby of the terminal building had been started, for the total cost of approximately \$1800. The appropriation of this sum was approved.

Mr. Belcher then enumerated the various types of copper tube plastic furniture with which it was proposed to furnish the lobby for the approximate cost of \$3500, and asked the Commission for its approval. Mr. Anderson suggested that sample pieces of furniture be placed in the lobby for the Commissioners' appraisal. Mr. Bolles put Mr. Anderson's suggestion in the form of a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Honda, and unanimously carried.

SEXTON PROPOSAL FOR LEASE-AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR SHOP: Mr. Belcher read a letter from Messrs. Roebuck and Wong of Sexton's Repair Shop, outlining their proposal for an automotive repair shop on the airport.

The Commissioners discussed the matter with Mr. Roebuck after which Mr. Bolles moved that the matter be referred to the Acting Director and the Lease Committee for further study, and that the matter be reported back to the Commission at its next conference. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda, and carried.

H.A.T.S. PROPOSAL: The H.A.T.S. proposal for aid and assistance in completing present Butler Hangar by selling the Territory a dismantled spare Butler Hangar for \$17,000 was read by the Acting Director.

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Mr. Osborne asked permission to correct the proposal with regard to "completing" the Butler Hangar. It was his suggestion that an estimate be made of the cost of completing certain items; and that the Territory agrees to complete those items, rather than work until \$17,000 has been expended.

The matter was discussed further. Mr. Honda then moved that it be referred to the Lease Committee for further study. Motion seconded by Mr. Bright, and unanimously carried.

TRANS-AIR HAWAII--CONSTRUCTION OF HANGAR: The proposal from Trans-Air Hawaii with reference to the construction of a hangar on their lot was also referred to the Lease Committee.

NAVY PROPOSAL--MOVING ALUMINUM BLDG.: Cmdr. Hulme reported that the Navy had been anticipating moving the aluminum building on the Inter-Island side of the airport in order to provide access to Area #1; however, it was decided that it would be more practical to move into the supply area. Therefore, any request for the removal of the aluminum building would not be forthcoming from the Navy; and the Director would be advised by letter of this change.

Mr. Belcher requested the Navy's permission to remove the coral mound theater, located on the Inter-Island side of the airport. Commander Hulme said he did not believe there would be any objection to this, but would clear the matter with Cmdr. Walker.

SUPERVISOR, MOLOKAI AIRPORT: The Commission amended the action taken at its meeting of September 4, 1947 to employ Mr. George Will on a basis at \$100.00 per month, to read "to part time basis not to exceed 100 hours of employment per month", on motion by Mr. Bolles, seconded, and unanimously passed.

BELLOWS FIELD: Mr. Belcher reported that Bellows Field was opened April 4 and that the traffic pattern had been established.

LANAI AIRPORT: Mr. Belcher reported that Hawaiian Dredging Company was moving its equipment to Lanai by barges, and that actual construction is tentatively set for Monday, April 12; and that the contractor's construction schedule calls for completion of the project by the end of June.

KIPAPA AIRFIELD: Mr. Belcher read a letter from the office of the Commanding General, PAC, stating that the Commission's request for a portion of Kipapa Airfield had been favorably considered by that headquarters; and that a landing strip was being cleared for commercial flying under the sponsorship of the HAC.

PROPOSAL FOR HAWAIIAN GIFT SHOP: A proposal from Henrietta C. Chong to lease space for a Hawaiian Gift Shop in the lobby of the Terminal Building was read. In view of the lack of space at the present time, it was decided that the proposal be held in abeyance until such time as suitable space is available.

DESIGNATION OF POLICE POWERS: Mr. Canright read a memorandum submitted to him by the Director with regard to police powers of Commission employees, in which the Director recommended that police powers be conferred upon the following: Mr. Gelnn T. Belcher, Assistant Director;

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Mr. C. E. Perin, Acting Superintendent, Territorial Airports; Mr. William S. Holloway, Acting Superintendent, Honolulu Airport; Mr. Mark E. Martin, Superintendent, Hilo Airport; Mr. Patrick O'Shea, Superintendent, Maui Airport; Mr. George Will, Agent, Molokai Airport; Mr. William Kraus, Agent, Haleiwa Airport; Mr. John Batchelder, Agent, Port Allen Airport; Mr. R. M. Hetteima, Agent, Bellows Field.

Mr. Canright stated that under Act 32 the Commission is empowered to designate police powers to such of its employees as it deems necessary to enforce the aeronautical laws and airport regulations.

The matter was discussed briefly. Mr. Honda then moved that such powers be conferred upon the above-listed men, and that proper credentials be presented them. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bolles, and carried.

QUONSET HUTS--ACCEPTANCE OF BID: Mr. Belcher reported that the lowest bidder for painting the quonset huts at Honolulu Airport was Fisher Associates, who bid \$8,717.00, and recommended acceptance thereof.

The Bid was accepted on motion by Mr. Bright, seconded by Mr. Bolles, and carried.

TRANSFER OF AREA AT HONOLULU AIRPORT: Mr. Belcher reported that there is still a piece of airport property close to Oahu Prison which is beyond any airport operation needs, which the Department of Public Works has requested for the establishment of a maintenance yard for their use.

Mr. Bolles moved to refer this matter to Mr. Canright, and that necessary documents be prepared if transfer of this area is possible. This motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

KAHULUI AIRPORT TERMINAL BUILDING: The Acting Director requested authorization for the expenditure of \$25,000. for necessary improvements to the terminal building at Kahului Airport if, as, and when formal lease is received from the Navy. The Commissioners agreed that they would first like to look over the plans, and the Acting Director was instructed to have them circulated.

KONA AIRPORT: Improvements to the Kona Airport and right-of-way thereto were discussed. The Acting Director was instructed to write the owners of the land adjacent to the Airport, requesting permission to use their roads until such time as the permanent airport access road had been completed.

RESTAURANT--SNACK BAR, HONOLULU AIRPORT: Mr. Clifford Weaver reported that in another week and a half they would be ready to go ahead with the construction of the Honolulu Airport Restaurant.

Mr. Belcher informed the Commission of the fact that Hawaiian Airlines has expressed a desire to have a snack bar on their side of the field, and that there is a site available.

Mr. Weaver said that Spencecliff Corporation is interested in such a proposal, and inquired as to whether the Territory or the Spencecliff Corporation would erect the building to be used, in the event that establishment of a snack bar were authorized by the Commission.

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Mr. Anderson said that the Commission should have a formal proposal in writing from Spencecliff Corporation.

Mr. Bolles moved that Mr. Belcher look into the details and report back to the Commission at its next conference. Motion was seconded and carried.

WOOLLEY AIRCRAFT: Mr. Bolles asked what the status of the Woolley matter was. Mr. Canright reported that twelve days ago judgment had been taken against Mr. Woolley for \$4,000, and further explained that Mr. Woolley has not conformed with the agreement made, in that the payment of \$1,400 in order to bring the contract up to date--as set forth in the agreement--had not been met.

It was agreed by the Commissioners that the Woolley Aircraft possessions should be frozen. Mr. Bolles moved that Mr. Woolley be given a chance now to pay up his delinquency--amounting to two payments of \$700 each, aggregating \$1400--within twenty-four hours; or the plant be padlocked and notice issued to keep Mr. Woolley off the airport; and that the attorney, Mr. Canright, take the necessary steps to see that these provisions are carried out. Mr. Bolles' motion was seconded by Mr. Bright, and unanimously carried.

TAXI CONCESSION: Mr. Erdman of the Grayline Transportation Company explained to the Commission that he would like a lease for an exclusive taxi concession on the overseas side of the airport, in view of his having leases with the individual airlines.

Mr. Bolles moved that the matter be referred to the lease committee for further study and report to the Commission at its next meeting.

LEASES--OPERATORS AT HONOLULU AIRPORT: Mr. T. R. James told the Commission that the operators were extremely anxious to see their leases completed.

Mr. Canright explained that he would work on the leases as soon as he possibly could.

SHUTTLE SERVICE--HILO TO KONA: Mr. Bolles said that he would like to have Mr. Canright look into the status of the shuttle service between Hilo and Kona, and explained the danger of such service.

Mr. T. R. James pointed out that that type was an irregular service and should be first sanctioned by the C.A.A., and a certificate obtained before operation could be commenced.

Mr. Bolles moved that Mr. Belcher contact the C.A.A. and inquire as to the Commission's position in the matter. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda, and passed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mr. Honda recommended setting up a finance committee within the Commission to keep the Commissioners up-to-date on the Airport finances. He suggested that the matter be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ralph C. Honda, Secretary