

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Monday - February 7, 1949

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Board Room of the Commission at Honolulu Airport on Monday, February 7, 1949, at 3:00 p.m.

Present were: C. B. Wightman, Chairman
R. R. Bright, Vice Chairman
E. A. Bolles, Commissioner
R. A. Anderson, Commissioner

Absent were: R. C. Honda, Secretary
C. Clarke, Commissioner
O. J. Burnett, Commissioner

Attending were: G. T. Belcher, Director
R. B. Black, Asst. Director
G. R. Sims, Administ. Asst.
J. R. Canright, Depty. Att. Gen.
W. Neilson, Supt Maui Cty Airps
C. E. Perin, Supt, Honolulu
W. S. Holloway, Safety Engineer
M. E. Martin, Supt Haw Cty Airps
Capt. Elliot, HAL
T. R. James, K-T
Lloyd Osborne, HATS
P. J. O'Shea, Supt, Maui Airp.
Mrs. Marguerite Wood, HSA
Walter Birnie, TOA
Walter Flanders
Mr. & Mrs. M. Owen
Mr. Erdman, Grayline
Takashi Noda, Rep. Photosound

MINUTES: The minutes of meetings held January 17 and 24 and Feb. 1 were approved as circulated.

KAILUA (OAHU) AIRPORT: Mr. Canright, Deputy Attorney General, expressed the opinion that insofar as the Territory's negotiating a one-year lease, it can be done on a reasonable basis for the purpose of encouraging aviation and within the limits of the ordinary cost for operating an airport. However, after discussing the matter with various interested operators present, the Commission decided to table action on this matter, on motion made, seconded and carried.

MARJORIE OWEN CONCESSION: The Chairman suggested that a master plan be developed which could be followed in establishing concessions in the terminal building.

Mr. Owen explained that Mrs. Owen proposed to sell perfumes, coconut chips, jams and jellies, and hand-painted Hawaiian flowers "over the counter" and that a limited space only would be required. The Director recommended that space in the Barber Shop not presently required be utilized for this purpose.

However, after a brief discussion, it was decided to turn this matter over to the Lease Committee for further study.

DESIGNATION OF POLICE POWERS: Police powers were conferred upon Mr. Richard B. Black, Assistant Director; Mr. William Neilson, Superintendent of Airports, County of Maui; and Mr. Henry Peters, Superintendent of Maintenance; on motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bright and carried.

PHOTOSOUND CONCESSION: The Director read a letter of application from Mr. Takashi Noda of Photosound, requesting permission to place a Panoram (a compact mechanism which automatically operates a series of colored moving pictures of the Islands) in the terminal lobby at Honolulu Airport.

Mr. Noda explained that the Panoram would occupy a space only three feet square, and that it was his intention to turn over to the Commission 40% of his gross take.

After further discussion of the matter, it was decided to set up the Panoram in the terminal lobby on a 60-day trial basis. A motion to this effect was made by Mr. Anderson, seconded and carried.

KAILUA (KONA) AIRPORT: Mr. Bolles moved to petition the legislature to change the name of the Kailua, Hawaii, airport to Kona Airport, to avoid the confusion resulting from the existence of two Kailua Airports in the Territory. Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

USE OF PROXY: Mr. Bolles asked for an expression of opinion on the question of use of Proxy at Commission meetings and moved that provision be made for such use. Mr. Canright explained that this was not in order as the law specifically states that a quorum be present for the transaction of business and that a decision of the Commission can be made only by a majority of Commissioners.

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW BUSINESSES, Future Policy: Mr. T. R. James requested that a policy be set up by the Commission for the control of new businesses to be established which are similar in nature and scope to businesses already existing on the airport, in view of the fact that in the past new businesses have encroached upon others; it was his opinion that this was dangerous from an investment point of view.

The Chairman stated that the Commission would take the matter under consideration in the event such requests are received.

THE COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED TO THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE FOR A SPECIAL SESSION AT 4:05.

LEGISLATION - Airport Development: Mr. Wightman reported on a meeting of several of the Commissioners and the Director with the Governor for the purpose of discussing the proposed legislation for airport development. He said that the Governor (1) had no comment as to amounts involved but was in favor of taking first things first; (2) was in favor of retaining the gas tax; (3) was in agreement with the Commission in forwarding a letter to the Navy cancelling the Kahului Airport lease, and suggested that the matter be brought to the attention of the Land Commissioner in an attempt to have Kahului declared surplus.

KAHULUI AIRPORT: It was the Director's recommendation that the letter of cancellation be sent to the Navy and that the entire matter be dropped for the present time. The Director's recommendation was accepted unanimously by the Commission.

LEGISLATION - Appropriations: The Director's breakdown of estimated costs covering new construction and improvements necessary at the various airports in the Territorial Airport system for the ensuing biennium was discussed at great length by the Commission.

The Director was instructed to work out a revised breakdown of costs showing maintenance and new construction as separate items and outlining the overall plans for the airport system, but pointing out the definitely necessary items for the coming two years.

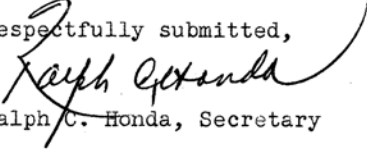
This revised breakdown is to be presented to the Commission for discussion at a special meeting to be held on February 10 or 11.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF TENANTS: It was requested that a previous request of the Commission, to have monthly financial statements of tenants on Honolulu Airport presented to them, be complied with in the future.

DAMON ESTATE, Exchange of Lands: It was moved by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bright and unanimously carried to approve the Damon Estate's request for an exchange of lands, adjacent to the old Pahouiki pond near Kapalama military reservation, subject to an appraisal of land by the Territorial Land Department.

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

Respectfully submitted,


Ralph C. Honda, Secretary