HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
Minutes of Special Meeting
Thursday, August 11, 1949

A special meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in Dr. F. K. Sylva's office at 1036 Smith Street, Honolulu, on Thursday, August 10, 1949, at 3:15 p.m.

Present were:  R. R. Bright, Chairman
                Dr. F. K. Sylva, Vice Chairman
                R. C. Honda, Secretary
                R. A. Anderson, Commissioner
                H. W. Rice, Commissioner
                C. J. Pietsch, Jr., Commissioner

Absent were:  D. W. Edwards, Commissioner
             Dr. G. J. Silva, Commissioner
             (on Mainland)

Attending were:
T. E. Flaherty, CAA Chief Airps. Div.
R. B. Black, Acting Director, HAC
G. R. Sims, Administ. Asst., HAC
Wm. Neilson, Supt. Maui Cty. Airps., HAC

B.O.Q. BUILDING, PUUNENE, MAUI: Mr. Rice suggested that the B.O.Q. Building at Puunene Airport be torn down and material therefrom salvaged and moved to Kahului and stock piled properly, engaging a temporary work force to accomplish this work.

In the ensuing discussion, Mr. Rice pointed out that the plumbing fixtures and other material salvaged could be used at various other airports in the Territory, and more specifically Lihue. It was pointed out also that half the cost of new materials is usually saved by using salvaged material.

Mr. Rice moved that the Director be authorized to proceed with tearing down the B.O.Q. Building and salvaging the material, employing a temporary work force and using money from the General Fund appropriation, Symbol 07163.1, as provided by Act 35, SSL of Hawaii 1941, in an amount not exceeding $15,000. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

PRELIMINARY PLANS, KAHLULI: Mr. Rice suggested that all governmental departments, federal, territorial and county, requiring space at Kahului be requested to file a request with the HAC and that they be given space on the airport without charge but that they pay for their own utilities and other necessary running expenses; also that persons or organizations renting land on the airport do so with the full understanding that title to the airport is in the name of the Federal Government. Mr. Rice moved for the adoption of this policy. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried unanimously.

MASTER PLANS, ALL AIRPORTS: On motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Dr. F. K. Sylva and carried unanimously, the Director was instructed to work with CAA and the Public Works Department in bringing the Master Plans for all airports up to date.
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✓ AUCTION OF BUILDINGS, KAHLULUI: Mr. Rice suggested, as a matter of policy that all units on Kahului Airport not needed by government agencies be put up to auction in small quantities. This matter was agreed upon by all.

ACT 368, S. L. H. 1949: Mr. Rice pointed out a minor correction in the re-draft of Act 368, S. L. H. 1949.

AIRPORT FUNDS: It was requested that all funds mandated to the various airports by previous Legislatures be exhausted before the expenditure of funds appropriated by the 1949 Legislature. The Commission was informed that this was the course that was being followed.

Mr. Rice moved that the unexpended balance of $88,504.87 in the Special Fund (T 78144) for the improvement of Keahi Lagoon, Oahu -- derived from the sale of coral at Keahi Lagoon -- be transferred to the credit of the General Fund of the Territory of Hawaii.

After a brief discussion of the matter, Mr. Rice's motion was seconded by Dr. Sylva and carried unanimously.

PARKWAY FROM NIMITZ HIGHWAY TO HAWAIIAN AIRLINES; Honolulu Airport: The matter of relocating the lei sellers along Lagoon Drive, Honolulu Airport, and looking into the proposal to turn that area and the roadway along North Road to Hawaiian Airlines into a public parkway was deferred until the next regular meeting.

KAHLULUI AIRPORT: A memorandum to the Director from William Neilson dated August 11, 1949, entitled "Kahului Airport", was discussed.

The question of title of land and participation by Civil Aeronautics Administration because of the Federal Airport Act was brought up and it was Mr. Flaherty's opinion that with the property being federally owned the period of occupancy appears to be one of life-use.

✓ AWARD OF CONTRACT, LIHUE TERMINAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION: The Commission approved the recommendation of Public Works Department to award the contract for the construction of the Lihue Terminal Building to Daikichi Orita, d.b.a. Veteran Home Builder, low bidder, for the sum of $82,828.00, on motion by Mr. Burnett, seconded by Mr. Rice and carried unanimously.

EXTENSION OF TERMINAL LOBBY, HONOLULU AIRPORT: The Acting Director reported that because of the increasing congestion in the Overseas Terminal Building Lobby, Honolulu Airport, at peak hours, it seems necessary at this time to start active plans for an extension of the lobby. He reported further that he had requested the Airport Superintendent to meet with tenants of the lobby for a discussion of their requirements, after which a thorough discussion of the various ideas presented would be held in the office of the SAC, followed by a tentative drawing and an explanatory letter to the Department of Public Works requesting that they prepare detailed plans and specifications of the extension.

Mr. Rice moved that the Acting Director go ahead with the plans. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.
TIME OF NEXT MEETING OF HAC: Mr. Honda moved that in the event the Navy Department in Washington executes the Revocable Permit for Kahului before the date scheduled for the next regular meeting of the Commission, the meeting be held on Maui -- date and time at the discretion of the Chairman. Motion seconded by Dr. Sylva and carried.

✓ ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS ON OUTSIDE ISLANDS: In a discussion of HAC personnel attending meetings of the Commission, Mr. Rice expressed the opinion that it was unnecessary to have outer-island airport superintendents attend meetings held in Honolulu in view of the fact that there are now outer-island members on the Commission; also that when meetings are held on any of the outside islands it would be unnecessary for persons other than the Director, Asst. Director, Administrative Assistant, and Director's Secretary to attend, except upon invitation by the Commission. Members of the Commission present concurred in Mr. Rice's opinion.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph C. Honda, Secretary