

HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
 Minutes of Regular Meeting
 Monday - May 15, 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Conference Room of the Commission on Monday, May 15, 1950 at 1:35 p.m.

Present were: Mr. Roy R. Bright, Chairman
 Dr. F. K. Sylva, Vice Chairman
 Mr. R. C. Honda, Secretary
 Mr. R. A. Anderson, Member
 Mr. H. W. Rice, Member (Maui)
 Mr. D. W. Edwards, Member (Kauai)
 Dr. George J. Silva, Member (Hawaii)
 Mr. C. J. Pietsch, Jr., Member

Absent was: Mr. O. J. Burnett, Member

Attending were:

Mr. Peyton Harrison, Director
 Mr. G. R. Sims, Admin. Asst.
 Mr. G. T. Belcher, Asst. Dir.
 Mr. J. R. Canright, Deputy Atty. Gen.
 Mr. Clark M. Kee, Consulting Engr.
 Mr. H. Smith, Philippine Air Lines
 Mr. R. Harrington, PAA
 Mr. H. Graves, PAA
 Mr. Lloyd Osborne, HATS
 Capt. C. Elliott, HAL
 Mr. Stuart Fitch, Hon. Star-Bull.
 Mr. T. Twigg-Smith, Honolulu Advertiser
 Representatives from various local taxi organizations

MINUTES: Minutes of regular meeting held April 17, 1950 and special meeting held May 9, 1950 were approved as circulated.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION CONCESSIONS, HONOLULU AIRPORT:

Hawaiian Airlines side: Mr. Honda recommended and moved that the first seven highest bidders be awarded the contract for ground transportation on the Hawaiian Airlines side of the airport according to the positions of stalls as listed and as per specifications. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried unanimously.

Overseas side: Mr. Rice moved that the ground transportation concession on the Overseas side of the airport be awarded to Irish's Cabs, highest bidder. Dr. George Silva seconded the motion.

However, Mr. Honda recommended -- as Chairman of the Taxi Committee -- that the matter be deferred for about a week to enable the Committee to study the financial condition and the availability of equipment of the companies involved; and also that the Oahu Committee be given full power to act on behalf of the Commission to award the contract. Mr. Honda made a motion to this effect, which was seconded by Dr. Francis Sylva and carried.

BEACONS: The Director reported that the CAA had three beacons complete with towers on the mainland which they agreed to turn over to the HAC, the only charge being for shipment of same to Hawaii. The cost of purchasing a new fixture of this sort was estimated to be \$3,000.

Mr. Rice moved that all three beacons be obtained through CAA, but that the Director be authorized to procure a beacon immediately-- either through CAA or by other means--for installation at Upolu Point. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

KONA AIRPORT, SECOND PHASE CONSTRUCTION: The Director's recommendation to award the contract for second phase construction at Kona Airport to James M. Tanaka, low bidder in the amount of \$137,170.73, was unanimously approved on motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Dr. Silva.

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JEEP FOR LIHUE: It was reported that a jeep would shortly be shipped to Kauai for use at the Lihue Airport.

LIHUE AIRPORT, ACQUISITION OF LAND AREAS: Mr. Edwards requested a progress report in connection with the lengthening of the runway at Lihue and on the acquisition of property, adjacent to the terminal building, for a fire station site.

Mr. Belcher reported: (1) That deed to the triangular strip proposed for the site of the fire station has been signed and is in the hands of the Aeronautics Commission for payment and will be filed with the Territorial Land Commissioner upon completion of the transaction; and (2) That the lengthening of the runway was feasible but that the land had not been acquired as yet.

Mr. Edwards said that he would like to see more positive action taken to get the matter of lengthening the runway underway, as the need for it will become increasingly apparent as time goes on. Mr. Edwards then moved that the Director be authorized to take the necessary legal steps toward acquiring land, by purchase or condemnation, for the purpose of lengthening the runway. Motion seconded by Dr. Sylva and carried.

HILO AIRPORT TERMINAL: The Director was instructed to proceed with the architectural design of the Hilo Terminal Building, on motion by Dr. George Silva, seconded by Mr. Honda and carried unanimously.

KAMUELA AIRPORT: Mr. Belcher reported that a request for field survey had been made to the Department of Public Works and that it was expected that the field survey would start about May 15th.

HILO AIRPORT, EMPLOYMENT OF PAINTER: Dr. George Silva stressed the need for the employment of a painter for Hilo Airport. Mr. Rice moved that the Director be authorized to take necessary steps to accomplish this. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

KALAUPAPA, IMPROVEMENTS TO AIRPORT: Mr. Belcher outlined briefly the improvements proposed for Kalaupapa Airport, the cost for which had been estimated at \$40,000.00 and requested that the Settlement be permitted to accomplish the work on a force account basis in accordance with plans to be furnished them.

After a discussion of the proposal, Mr. Rice moved that the length of the runway be extended to 3500 feet and that the project be let out to contract under plans and specifications to be prepared. Motion seconded by Dr. F. K. Sylva. Mr. Honda, however, moved to defer action on the matter until a commitment is received from the Board of Health as to their future plans for development of Kalaupapa Settlement. Motion seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried.

HANA AIRPORT: Mr. Anderson, reporting on a visit to Hana over the past weekend, stated that material is ready and the contractor is set to proceed with the job.

HONOLULU AIRPORT, IMMIGRATION INSPECTION: The Director read a portion of a letter from Emil J. Sady, Chief, Pacific Branch, Department of the Interior, to the effect that this inspection would probably be terminated once Hawaii becomes a state; that one complication in terminating it now is the presence in Hawaii of aliens with limited passports, and once this complication is removed by appropriate legislation, it is doubted that there will be any difficulty in ending this inspection procedure.

Mr. Honda reported that there is presently a bill in Congress to amend naturalization and immigration laws and recommended that a letter be sent to the Airport Operators Council asking their assistance in working for passage of the bill. The Director was requested to do so.

HONOLULU AIRPORT, STATUS: The Director reported that Executive Order No. 10121, dated April 12, 1950, turns over the airport to the Territory of Hawaii with the exception of Areas 2 and 9. (Area 9 is Army property and will be turned over as soon as acquired by the Navy; Area 2 was inadvertently omitted by the Department in Washington.)

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CONVERSION OF BOQ's, AREAS 1 & 6, HONOLULU AIRPORT: Mr. Bauer, Architect, presented a sketch for the conversion of eight BOQ's to apartment buildings of 15 units per building at an approximate cost of \$3500 per unit.

After a brief discussion, the matter was referred to the Real Estate Committee by the Chairman for further study.

Mr. Rice suggested that as a matter of policy the buildings be turned over to the Hawaii Housing Authority for development by them, and requested that the Real Estate Committee consult with the HHA on the matter. The Committee was requested to do so by the Chairman.

REPORT ON NURSERY, OVERSEAS TERMINAL: The Director reported that the nursery should be in operation by the end of the week.

HAWAIIAN AIRLINES PARKING AREA, HONOLULU AIRPORT: The Director reported that a section of the fence at Hawaiian Airlines is to be moved in order to greatly increase the parking area, and a portion of the existing parking area is to be paved.

BUILDING #65, Honolulu Airport: The Director requested that a portion of Building #65, Honolulu Airport, be turned over to the Airport Police for use as a recreational area under their guidance. Request was approved on motion by Mr. Pietsch, seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.

FIRE INSURANCE POLICY RENEWAL: The Director was authorized to proceed with the renewal of the insurance policy for the Overseas Terminal, Honolulu Airport, subject to the review of the Board of Underwriters as to the amount of coverage. Motion by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

KIPAPA AIRFIELD CONTROL TOWER: It was reported that the tower at Kipapa Airfield was outdated and could be sold as scrap material. Possible disposition of the tower was discussed briefly. Mr. Edwards suggested that the tower not be sold as scrap material, but that the possibility of using it at Lihue Airport be looked into.

Mr. Belcher reported that the CAA had expressed the possibility of operating a control tower at Lihue Airport, if the unit were provided, in conjunction with their INSAC Station there -- using the same personnel.

The Director was instructed to look into the matter further and report back to the Commission.

PUUNENE CONTROL TOWER: Mr. Rice moved that the control tower at Puunene Airport be reconditioned at a cost not to exceed \$3,000, provided the CAA agrees to operate the tower -- this, in view of requests from the airlines that such an operation be put into effect as soon as possible.

Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried unanimously.

REPORT FROM SECRETARY: Mr. Honda's report on his attendance at the Airport Operators Convention in Cleveland was received and filed.

LIHUE AIRPORT ADMINISTRATOR, JOB CLASSIFICATION: Mr. Edwards expressed the opinion that the present job classification of the Airport Administrator at Lihue is inadequate in view of the scope of his duties, and moved that Airport Managers on each of the outside islands be placed in the same job classification. Motion seconded by Mr. Pietsch. However, Mr. Rice moved to refer the matter to a committee to be appointed, and that the committee be given full power to act on behalf of the Commission. Motion seconded by Dr. George Silva and carried. (Additional members appointed to act on the Personnel Committee with Dr. F. K. Sylva were: Commissioners Edwards, Rice and Silva.)

Matters referred to the Personnel Committee for action were as follows:

- (1) Airport Managers, Job Classifications (Specifically, Kauai Airport.)
- (2) Administrative Assistant, Re-Classification of Position.
- (3) Amendments to Organization Chart.

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- ✓ AIRPORT TENANTS, ADVANCE DEPOSIT: Dr. Sylva moved that new airport tenants be requested to make a 3 months' deposit, instead of the 6 months' deposit previously requested; also, that tenants with heavy equipment be required to have a performance bond; and, that all tenants who do not keep their accounts current be evicted. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.
- RESURFACING AND SEAL-COATING RUNWAY AND TAXIWAYS, HONOLULU AIRPORT: The Director's request for authorization to proceed with resurfacing and seal-coating of runways and taxiways at Honolulu Airport, for an approximate figure of \$195,580, was approved on motion by Mr. Honda, seconded by Dr. F. K. Sylva and carried unanimously.
- HONOLULU AIRPORT, ACQUISITION OF LAND: The Director was instructed to proceed with a study of the acquisition of two parcels of land at the entrance of Honolulu Airport, to be in accord with the Master Plan.
- EXTENSION OF U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE CLEARANCE AREA, OVERSEAS TERMINAL LOBBY: Mr. Graves of Pan American Airways pointed out that the area presently occupied by the U. S. Department of Agriculture was inadequate for its needs and that there had been a great deal of adverse reaction on it.
- Mr. Rice moved that the Director proceed with an extension of this area for a sum not to exceed \$2500. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.
- ✓ DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS: It was moved by Mr. Rice, seconded by Dr. Sylva and unanimously approved that starting with the month of June, all individuals or organizations whose accounts are delinquent be required to promptly pay their monthly bills plus 5% of their total delinquency. If there is any failure to meet these obligations on the part of tenants concerned, it shall be the duty of the Director to evict them from the premises which they are occupying.
- ✓ CHANGE IN TIME OF MONTHLY MEETINGS: It was moved by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Edwards and unanimously carried that the monthly meetings of the Commission be changed to the 4th Monday of each calendar month rather than the third, beginning with the month of June.
- NOPAERO, LIMITED: It was moved by Mr. Pietsch, seconded by Dr. Sylva and unanimously carried to cancel the present lease of NOPAERO, Ltd. and to draw up a new five-year lease with Mrs. Maude Louise Irving—this to be done in accordance with a letter received from Mr. Edward A. Bolles, Realtor, representing Mrs. Irving.
- ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph C. Honda
Ralph C. Honda, Secretary