HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Monday, September 25, 1950

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Conference Room of the Commission at Honolulu Airport on Monday, September 25, 1950 at 1:30 p.m.

Present were: Dr. F. N. Silva, Chairman
Mr. G. J. Platsch, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Mr. R. S. Honda, Secretary
Mr. W. A. Anderson, Member
Mr. D. M. Edwards, Member (Kauai)
Mr. R. M. Rice, Member (Hana)
Mr. G. J. Silva, Member (Kauai)

Absent were: Mr. C. J. Burnett, Member
Mr. R. S. Bright, Member

Attending were:
Mr. Peyton Harrison, Director, HAC
Mr. G. J. Bolken, Asst. Dir., HAC
Mr. G. R. Sise, Admin. Asst., HAC
Mr. Cy Gillard, Sup't MCO, HAC
Mr. C. M. Rea, Engr. Consultant, HAC
Mr. Ford Studebaker, HAI
Capt. Elliot, HAI
Mr. Dunn, TPA
Mr. Clifford Bowman
Mr. Richard, Boeing
Mr. Fitchett, Greyhound
Mr. Thomas Cooke, Trans-Air Hawaii
Mr. Stephen Cook, " "
Mr. J. Jones, Reporter
Mr. Nelson, Star-Bulletin

MINUTES: The minutes of the regular meeting held August 28, 1950 were approved as circulated.

AIRCRAFT VEHICLES: Dr. George Silva moved that the Chairman and Director investigate the need for a metal station wagon at Hilo and that they be authorized to purchase same if warranted. Motion seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.

KONA FREIGHT TERMINAL: Mr. Rice moved that the Chairman be authorized to advertise for bids for a freight terminal at Kona, provided he approves the plans for the terminal along with the Hawaii Commissioner. Motion seconded by Mr. Platsch and carried.

KONA - REQUEST FOR CLUB HOUSE BY AMERICAN LEGION: Action was deferred on the request from the American Legion for a Club House across the runway from the Kona Airport terminal.

KAMELEA AIRPORT, EXTENSION OF LEASE: Mr. Platsch moved for the extension of the Kamele Airport Lease for one year beginning November 6, 1950. Seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.

UPOLU POINT AIRPORT: Reporting on an inspection of Upolu Airport, the Director pointed out that a certain amount of patching and seal coating could be done and that a very small expenditure would take care of the drainage system there — perhaps with the Kona County doing the work.

In this regard, Mr. Clifford Bowman, Supervisor from the County of Kona, thanked the Commission for the help given them in the past in giving employment to their personnel on airport projects.

KAMELEA AIRPORT: Mr. Rea reported that the surface of the Kamele landing strip is completely bad and recommended that it be scarified and disked to a depth of about 1/2 in order to pulverize the soil; that this pulverized soil should be given a shot of cut-back asphalt, preferably W-25 thoroughly mixed with the scarifier, and compacted with a road roller. Mr. Rea added that this treatment is relatively inexpensiveness and will provide an adequate soil stabilized surface which
will probably last for three or four years.

Mr. Rice moved to get prices for the accomplishment of this work and to go ahead with the job if the cost meets with the approval of the Chairman and Director. Motion seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

HAWAII CONTROL TOWER OPERATION: The Director reported that Mr. Kiene, OIA Regional Manager, was doing his best to get personnel to operate the main control tower during the County Fair. Hawaii Airlines requested that they be notified at least a week in advance of the opening of the Fair.

LANAI AIRPORT, Small Laborer CL-6: The filling of this position was delayed in view of the fact that no decision has been reached as yet by the Auditor with regard to housing provisions for this position.

MAUI AIRPORT PAVING: Mr. Rice reported that he, Mr. Studebaker of HAI and Mr. Burdick, Maui County Engineer, expect to make an inspection trip to Hana in October (4th) and asked that the Commission authorize any additional paving decided upon by the three of them. A discussion followed on the areas proposed to be paved. Mr. Rice pointed out also that it would be necessary to move the fence adjacent to the terminal about 20 feet out from the building.

Mr. Rice moved that the Commission go ahead with whatever paving is needed, at a cost not to exceed $15,000. Motion seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried.

KHULAI AIRPORT, $500 OF 8-31: As a matter of information, Mr. Rice reported that the Hawaii Aviation Commission is selling sand at Kahului at 25¢ per square yard.

INTERNATIONAL LEASE: Mr. Rice presented for filing a sample copy of the final lease form for the Pan Am goodyear area.

LIME AIRPORT, Lighting System: The Commission confirmed verbal approval previously given to award the contract for the Lihue lighting system to Keith Electric Company, for bidding in the amount of $4,672.00, on motion by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.

PORT ALLEN AIRPORT, Requisition of area of land: The Director read a letter from the Commissioner of Public Lands requesting that the AAO furnish a strip of land at Port Allen Airport approximately 3,200 sq. ft. in area for use by the County of Kauai in road construction. He explained that this land is of little or no use to the Commission.

Mr. Edward moved that permission be granted. Motion seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

LEHUA AIRPORT, EXPANSION: A visit to the Lehua Airport by the Chairman, Mr. Lee and the Director, was reported on. The need for expanding the terminal building was pointed out. Mr. Lee's recommendations in this regard were outlined.

The Commission directed that necessary plans be drawn up. Motion by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

MONTEHINA AIRPORT, Parking Matress - Award of Contract: The Director reported that Lynch Company, which was the low bidder, did not meet Specification 34, specifying that the mat be from zero to 2 hours in increments of 10 minutes; that although they had been given the opportunity to get a mat which would meet this specification, they had been unable to do so; that therefore action taken awarding contract to them should be rescinded. This motion, taken August 25th, was rescinded on motion by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Wright and carried.

The Director then recommended that the contract be awarded to the next low bidder, Von Harm-Young Company, in the amount of $5,732.25 plus territorial excess income tax. The Director's recommendation was seconded by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Rice and carried unanimously - Mr. Anderson abstaining.

Mr. Rens of Trans-Pacific Airlines said that a letter had been sent to the PAA recently setting forth PAA's objections to installation of
parking meters on the Overseas side of Honolulu Airport, primary objectives being (1) discrimination against one inter-island carrier and (2) the discouragement of all parking areas getting meters some time in the future.

Mr. Honda explained that two reasons for installing meters are: (1) to increase non-aeronautical revenues to help operate the airport; and (2) the conclusion of the Leases, Revenue Bonds would not be payable by the consent of the Legislature in order to do so it becomes absolutely necessary to have consistent income from non-aeronautical sources. Mr. Honda pointed out also that only 100 meters will be placed on stalls nearest the terminal entrance but will leave the outer row, next to the highway, free to parking. That the total number of stalls open to free parking would be about 330. Mr. Honda explained too that TPA was not being discriminated against with regard to parking charges inasmuch as Hawaiian Airlines pays the Aeronautical Commission $220 annually for ground that is used strictly for parking by their passengers. It was pointed out also that revenue from meters would be about $1,000 monthly.

In this respect, Mr. Rens commented that it seemed to be much concern about raising money from non-aeronautical activities, whereas parking at the airport should be an aeronautical convenience.

PROPERTY ADMINISTRATOR, Confirmation of Appointment: Mr. Honda moved to confirm the appointment of Mr. Charles Braithwaite as Property Administrator OP-20, as of September 14, 1959. Motion seconded by Mr. Pietsch and carried.

HONOLULU AIRPORT, Damon Estate Land adjacent: The Director reported that a letter had been received from the Damon Estate relative to the Commission's request to purchase 31 plus acres of land adjacent to Honolulu Airport for development according to the Master Plan, stating that the Damon Estate still will sell the land on the condition that the RSA does not use it to build either a golf course or public playground. The matter was discussed briefly.

Mr. Honda moved that the RSA request the Land Commissioner to proceed with appraisals and condemnation proceedings of the land involved. Seconded by Mr. Pietsch and carried unanimously.

HATS HANGAR, Honolulu Airport: The Director outlined past negotiations with WMS relative to the sale of their hangar and reported on their request that the Commission reconsider its offer to them. He recommended no action be taken. The Director's recommendation was approved.

HAWAIIAN AIRLINES, Lease on Hanger Buildings and Renewal of Land Leases: A letter from Hawaiian Airlines, which was received on Tuesday, September 22nd, was presented to the Commission. In this letter Hawaiian Airlines made a proposal on the renewal of the lease, which terminates on Hangar 21 on October 25th and on Hangar 22 on November 7th. The Director requested instructions in the matter.

Since there had been no time available for the Commissioners to study the HAI proposal, the Chairman directed that copies be immediately sent to all members of the Commission. Action on this matter is deferred until Commission members have completed their study of Hawaiian Airlines' proposition.

STEWARD RATES, Territorial Airports: The Director asked if any Commissioner was desirous of changing the present established aircraft storage rate, which is $2.00 per month. Mr. Edwards said the result of the present rate had been to drive several small planes off the airports, and that he would like to see a report on mainland practices. He added that the rate structure should be studied and, if possible, an arrangement worked out to encourage private flying.

Mr. Rice said also that the entire situation should be looked with regard to rates, types of planes and their location. He moved that the Director bring in a study with respect to private planes and that he also contact the Airport Operators Council for information on it. Motion seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried.

DELEGATION OF POLICE POWERS: Upon the Director's recommendation, police powers were delegated to Mr. Or Gillette, Superintendent of Airports and Operations, and Messrs. Henry P. Pederson and Louis Bisgupera, employees
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at Meat Airport. Motion by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Rice and carried.

AIRPORT OPERATORS COUNCIL: Mr. Honda moved to extend the Commission's membership in the Airport Operators Council for another year, and also that next year the Chairman, Director and ten members of the Commission attend the annual convention of the ACO in Vancouver, after which time the Commission would decide on further continuing membership in the Council. Seconded by Mr. Wright and carried.

NEW BUSINESS, AIRPORT OPERATIONS: The Director reported that two bids had been received, one from P. S. Poll & Company and Territorial Motors, and recommended that the contract be awarded to P. S. Poll & Company, inasmuch as they alone bid on small equipment. The type of equipment called for in the specifications was discussed.

Mr. Rice moved to award the contract to P. S. Poll & Company for $16,000, the pumps to be delivered in 90 days; also that an additional face be included in a present figure for Hana Airport, and with a $15.00 a day penalty for each day's delay in delivery. Seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Mr. Rice moved that the Chairman send a wire of congratulations to H. Delos Kealoha on his appointment as Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board, and also that an invitation be sent to him to be present at the opening of the new Hana Airport on November 12. Motion seconded by Mr. Edwards and carried.

EWA AIRPORT REPORT: Mr. Balch reported that the survey of Ewa Airport has been completed and topographic maps were received by the HAC and reviewed by himself and Mr. Murray of OCA and that the alignment as originally established was found to be satisfactory; also that the plans had been returned to the Department of Public Works for details and estimates. Celling and visibility records for the past year were discussed briefly.

OPERATIONAL COSTS, LABOR: The Director was requested to distribute to each Commissioner a breakdown of operational costs for each island.

HANA AIRPORT REPORT: Authorization was given permitting Mr. Rice, the Chairman, the Director and the Manager of Hana Airport to proceed with arrangements for the opening of the Hana Airport. The Commission decided also that the HAC should be billed for its transportation costs, OAR regulations governing non-scheduled service permitting.

HONOLULU AIRPORT, WATER SYSTEM: In discussing negotiations for turning over of the airport water system from the Navy to the Territory, the Director pointed out that in a letter dated December 16, 1947 to the C & O Board of Water Supply the Commission had committed itself to the installation of water meters for the various tenants on the airport.

Mr. Pietsch suggested that, to save the return cost, the Board of Water Supply meter the HAC in bulk, so has the Navy in the past, and that the HAC in turn meter the airport tenants arbitrarily.

The Director was instructed to negotiate with Mr. Curt of the C & O Board of Water Supply for continued metering in bulk.

HONOLULU AIRPORT, ELECTRICAL SYSTEM: The Director requested authorization to employ Westinghouse Electric Company's representative, Mr. Ramey Sprout, to supercede the airport electric system at such time as it is turned over to the Territory. Authorization granted on motion by Mr. Honda, seconded by Mr. Pietsch and carried.

DEBT-INDUCED ACCOUNTS: (1) E. J. O'Shea - Maui: The Director reported that letters have been sent to Mr. & Mrs. E. J. O'Shea requesting liquidation of their accounts under penalty of immediate eviction, and that the accounts had been paid in full. However, no ledger reports have been received to date, and it was the report of the Manager of Maui County Airports that the O'Sheas were undesirable tenants.

It was the Commission's decision that both the Flying school and residence occupied by the O'Sheas be vacated. Motion by Mr. Rice, seconded by Mr. Anderson and carried.

(2) Hilo Flying School: The Director stated that he had approached Mr. Chou with the proposition of paying off his indebtedness by
giving flight service to the Commission and having it credited to his account, but that there seemed to be some disagreement or misunderstanding with regard to it. Dr. Silva agreed to talk the matter over with Mr. Glenn and contact the Director as soon as possible regarding the agreement reached.

(3) Trans-Pacific Airlines: The Director reported that TPA had requested that payment of their rental and past due account be extended until the end of this month. Permission was granted by the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ralph & Honda, Secretary