

MINUTES OF TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL COMMISSION MEETING
HELD AT THE HONOLULU ARMORY ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL
12, 1928, AT 2:30 P. M.

PRESENT:

Colonel P. M. Smoot, Chairman
Mr. Will C. Crawford
Mr. Herbert F. Gullen
Mr. Leo G. Fehlman
Mr. A. W. Van Valkenburg

ABSENT:

None

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. There being no corrections, the minutes stand approved as read.

A letter dated April 3 from Mr. H. K. Duncan, Director of the Eleventh Maui County Fair, re the clearing of the Paukukalo proposed landing field, was read.

A letter dated April 3 from the Pioneer Mill Company re the clearing of the "Old Race Track" for an aviation field, was read. At the last cabinet meeting the Land Commissioner informed the Chairman that he had nothing to report on the exchange of the land for the "Old Race Track" at Lahaina, Maui. The Governor suggested to the Land Commissioner that he start condemnation proceedings. The Land Commissioner replied that the court proceedings would take about a year.

Correspondence from and to the Surveyor, Territory of Hawaii, re the proposed Lihue Airport Site, was read.

The Land Commissioner informed the Chairman that he is preparing the Executive Order for the transfer to the jurisdiction of this Commission of land adjoining the Army Field at Hanapepe, Kauai.

There was a lengthy discussion of suggested field rules. These rules will be further studied at the next meeting before being promulgated and published. The Chairman is directed to request an opinion of the Attorney General as to whether this Commission may charge fees for the use of its airports and landing fields.

The Commission perused a blueprint of the Army Field at South Point, Hawaii, which was furnished by the Department Air Office of the Hawaiian Department.

A circular letter received from the Wichita Chamber of Commerce, Wichita, Kansas, with reference to a national airways marking conference, was called to the attention of the Commission.

A comprehensive study was made of the plans for the completion of the Molokai Airport as submitted by the Department of Public Works, Territory of Hawaii. The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the Molokai Airport plans are approved".

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the Commission adopt Mr. Van Valkenburg's recommendations for the enlargement of the John Rodgers Airport runway as shown on the blueprint of that airport and contained in his letter of April 10, and to raise the field 1 foot in elevation where deemed advisable".

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Mr. Crawford announced that he will visit the Island of Lanai on Monday evening, April 16. A sock (wind vane) will be sent to Mr. Crawford at Lanai and he will request Mr. H. Blomfield Brown to have it put on the Lanai field, this Commission to defray any expenses for the pole and the erection of the pole and sock. X

The Chairman informed the Commission that he advised Mr. Charles Stoffer, local pilot, that it was his belief that there are good opportunities here for the conducting of an aeronautical school.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:10 P. M. to meet again at the call of the Chairman.

P. M. Smoot.
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Chairman.