

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

PRESENT:

Colonel P. M. Smoot, Chairman  
Mr. Will C. Crawford  
Mr. Herbert F. Cullen  
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.

The following items under "Old Business" were considered:

Communication dated June 7 to the territorial libraries suggesting certain aeronautical magazines be considered as additions to their libraries. Several replies have been received thanking us for our suggestions and stating that several aeronautical magazines will be added.

Communication dated June 15 from Department Air Officer expressing his thanks for our offer to provide a wind cone for the Army field at Waimanalo and stating that the Army will provide same.

Letter dated June 22 from the Oahu Railway & Land Company to the effect that owing to the damages accruing against that company by reason of the use of the emergency field at Kawaihoa, Oahu, certain conditions would have to be imposed in connection with the use of the field which would be inadvisable for the Commission to accept. ✓

Communication from the Maui Electric Company dated June 19 quoting a minimum rate of \$15.00 a month for electric current to be furnished at the Paukukalo landing field.

Letter from the office of the Territorial Attorney General dated June 22 that that office will cooperate in formulating a suitable law on aeronautics.

Communication from the Director of the Eleventh Maui County Fair stating that the landing field at Haleakala Ranch will not be available for use during the Fair in October.

Letter dated June 27 from the Hawaiian Pineapple Company inclosing a map of the Island of Lanai on which is located the new landing field.

Cablegram dated June 9 congratulating the crew of the "Southern Cross".

Communication to Chairman, Board of Supervisors, County of Kauai, requesting information as to the installation or improvement of a road leading to Wailua Mauka, the proposed location of a territorial landing field. ✓

Invitation dated June 12 to Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh to visit Hawaii.

The report of Mr. Crawford on the trip of this Commission to the Molo-kai Airport and also the report of Mr. Thrum to the Superintendent of Public Works on this airport, were read.

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The following motion was made by Mr. Van Valkenburg, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the Superintendent of Public Works be requested to let a contract for a fence to be erected on the Molokai Airport, fence posts to be salt water cured kiawe".

Mr. Van Valkenburg recommends that Mr. Duncan of the Hawaii Homes Commission have the trees pulled on the Molokai Airport and the surface rock used to fill the ditches. Mr. Van Valkenburg states that Mr. Duncan is willing to do all he can to help us in this matter.

The following items under "New Business" were then considered:

Communication from Headquarters Hawaiian Department calling our attention to a violation of our rules and regulations in that a camera was carried in the "Air Express". A communication dated June 18 was addressed to Mr. Edward H. Lewis calling his attention to this violation and soliciting his cooperation in the future. X

Communication dated June 24 from Mr. Richards inclosing a sketch of the work already done on the Hilo Airport.

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the Superintendent of Public Works be requested, when calling for bids, to bring John Rodgers Airport to the width to comply with the minimum rating of airports by the Department of Commerce". ✓

Pilot Charles Stoffer has recommended that John Rodgers Airport be grassed. Mr. Van Valkenburg states that it would cost more to sod than to provide a top dressing. The Chairman is directed to confer with the Superintendent of Public Works on the subject of a top dressing for this airport.

The Chairman has requested each member of the Commission to furnish for our annual report as of June 30, 1928, the mileage or hours they have been in the air since July 1, 1927.

The Commission contemplates making a trip to Maui a week from Friday to inspect airplane landing sites on that island. Captain Lowell Smith of the Army and Mr. Charles Dolan of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company's proposed airplane transportation company, will be invited to accompany the Commission on this journey.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p. m., to meet again at the call of the Chairman.

*P. M. Smoot.*  
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Chairman.