

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TERRITORIAL  
AERONAUTICAL COMMISSION, held on Tuesday  
November 12, 1929, at Room 65, Young Bldg.  
Honolulu, T. H. at 3:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

Dr. Hagood, Acting Chairman  
Mr. Boyer  
Mr. Damon  
Mr. Peacock  
Mr. Wooldridge

ABSENT:

Mr. Anderson  
Mr. Brown

There being no changes in the minutes of the previous meeting they were approved as circulated.

Gasoline pump for John Rodgers Airport:

Mr. Peacock reported on a gasoline driven centrifugal pump with a four inch intake which this Commission could rent from the Hawaiian Contracting Company at \$48.00 a month, for pumping salt water on John Rodgers Airport. Mr. Damon advised the members to rent this pump before deciding to buy.

Moved by Mr. Peacock and seconded by Mr. Boyer that we rent a pump from the Hawaiian Contracting Company at \$48.00 a month, and buy the necessary connections, for pumping salt water on John Rodgers Airport. Carried.

Change in Hawaiian Airways hangar construction at John Rodgers Airport:

The Chairman read a letter from the Hawaiian Airways Company in which they expressed their desire to change the concrete floor mentioned in their submitted specifications to a rolled coral floor in the main section of their hangar, stating that a coral floor in reality would render the building more fire-proof than a concrete floor, in as much that the coral construction would absorb all inflammable fluids.

When the specifications were made for the Hawaiian Airways to build their hangar, three things were insisted upon: concrete, corrugated iron, and steel, to render the hangar absolutely fire-proof. This Commission is of the opinion that a coral floor would enter into the safety element of the building, that it would merely absorb inflammable liquids and hold them, and that if a wind were blowing loose coral would circulate through the air and become a hindrance to the work on machinery and planes.

Moved by Mr. Wooldridge and seconded by Mr. Peacock that the Hawaiian Airways Company, Ltd, adhere to the specifications for the construction of their hangar. Carried.

Dredging at John Rodgers Airport:

The Chairman reported on conferences had with Mr. W. F. Dillingham, Hawaiian Dredging Company, and Mr. Harrington, Standard Dredging Company, who are both interested in bidding on dredging operations in the future development of John Rodgers Airport. No definite figures can be given, however, until the Commission states some definite plan of the dredging to be done at the airport. There are now 766 acres of land under water, at an approximate depth of

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from 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet. Instead of doing half way work at the airport, ✓ it is desirable to get a worth while project under way now, and then at the next legislature the appropriations for dredging could be requested. The Chairman was directed to work a plan on which to base a request for bids which will be within available funds.

Acquisition of Maalaea Landing Field, Maui;

Moved by Mr. Damon and seconded by Mr. Peacock that steps be taken immediately to secure a definite offer on the Maalaea Field, Maui. ✓

The Chairman appointed Mr. Damon and Mr. Boyer to take this matter up with Mr. Waterhouse and Mr. Hemenway of Alexander & Baldwin and report at the next meeting.

Correspondence received:

Chairman read three letters from Lyman H. Bigelow in answer to previous letters written by this Commission on October 29, relative to (1) a fifty-foot strip to be filled and graded to connect the Hawaiian Airways hangar with the present developed runway, (2) bids for a Ford truck, (3) and the extension of the roadway at John Rodgers. All these matters have received attention.

Letter from Alexander & Baldwin, Ltd. read, stating they will be glad to consider any definite suggestions which the Commission may have to make relative to the acquisition of Maalaea Landing Field by the Territory.

Letter from P.M. Smoot, Former Chairman, together with a bid from the Paradise of the Pacific for the publishing of annual reports, and a bill amounting to \$9.60 for one zinc etching "Map Showing Principal Landing Fields on the Main Islands in the Territory of Hawaii, June 30, 1928." There are no remaining funds of the former Commission for the payment of said bill.

Moved by Mr. Boyer and seconded by Mr. Peacock that this bill be approved and paid. Carried.

Letter from the Inter-Island Airways, Ltd., re work to be done at the various Landing Fields: Hilo Airport, Molokai Airport, Port Allen Airport, and John Rodgers Airport.

Letter from A. Q. Marcallino, representative of the people on Kauai in the Legislature, who is interested in having the Federal Government turn back Port Allen Field to the Territory and furthering the development of this field. As Port Allen is Federal property the Territory cannot spend any money in the proper development of the field; it is possible, however, that the Federal Government would turn back part of this land to the Territory, provided the Territory developed Port Allen for landing field purposes and the Federal Government had the use of it. Before anything is done to get the Federal Government to turn back Port Allen, Mr. Boyer thought it wise to have a talk with the Governor, and secondly a talk with Colonel Oliver, U.S. Army. Dr. Hagood will talk with the Governor, and if the matter meets with his approval, it will then be taken up with the Army. ✓

Letter from C. T. Bailey, Commissioner of Public Lands, in which the Board of Supervisors requests the approval of the Commission for the erection of a powder magazine at the Hilo Airport on the space indicated as shown on the attached blue print. The desired location is very close to the proposed runway and the ✓

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Commission feels the magazine should be kept as far away as possible. Mr. Peacock will fly to Hilo Monday November 18, to look into the matter of a probable location for said powder magazine.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



R. H. Hagood, Jr.  
Acting Chairman.