

MINUTES OF THE TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL
COMMISSION, held on Monday, April 21, 1930,
in the Director's Room, Young Building,
Honolulu, T. H., at 3:45 P. M.

PRESENT:

Mr. Anderson, Chairman
Mr. Boyer
Mr. Brown
Mr. Damon
Dr. Hagood
Mr. Hinkley

ABSENT:

Mr. Wooldridge

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

Hilo Airport, Hawaii:

Mr. Elliott and Mr. Kennedy from Inter-Island Airways Company, Limited, were present at this meeting to give their opinions and make recommendations on further runway development at the Hilo Airport. The project proposed by the Commission for which bids have been received, for a cross-wind runway, costing approximately \$17,000.00, would be of little value to Inter-Island Airways inasmuch as they would not use a great portion of the runway and in taking off planes would be going over very bad land. A blue-print of the Hilo Field was presented and changes in the previous scheme were suggested. The Chairman agreed to write Mr. Bigelow, Superintendent of Public Works, asking him to reject the present bids and call for new figures in accordance with Inter-Island recommendations.

It was moved by Dr. Hagood, seconded by Mr. Damon and unanimously carried that the Chairman be authorized to act as he sees fit in definitely rejecting the bids for Hilo Airport.

Mr. Peacock was authorized to make a trip to Hilo to survey the field, thoroughly investigate matters and report back to the Commission on the new developments.

An application for permission to build a hangar 72' x 100' to be completed by the middle of June at a cost of approximately \$8,000.00 was read and a blue-print presented. While the Commission is agreeable to granting a license for the construction of the hangar it is not desirable to have the hangar so located as to extend out into the main runway, beyond the terminal station.

It was moved by Mr. Boyer that the Chairman write Inter-Island Airways, Limited, to the above effect but that the matter be left in abeyance until Mr. Peacock has reported his investigations, and the Chairman then be authorized to proceed with the permit for Inter-Island Airways to build a hangar at the Hilo Airport. Seconded by Mr. Hinkley and unanimously carried.

The Governor has asked how much longer the prisoners will be required on the work they are now doing at Waiakea Airport. Mr. Peacock will investigate and report on the status of the work remaining.

Maalaea Airport, Maui:

A letter from Inter-Island Airways, Limited, reporting final figures on the Maalaea runway was read by the Chairman and placed on file. Additional foundation work on soft parts of the lower end of the runway and shoulders 12½ feet wide on either side of the runway make an increase over the original estimate of \$2,367.74. The amount

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Inter-Island Airways was to have been reimbursed by Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company representing the clearing of the 200' strip retained by them was reduced from \$4,000.00 to \$1,848.21. There is also an increase of \$15.76 between the item representing the actual cost of clearing as of January 31, 1930, and the figure taken in our estimate, bringing the total cost of land and improvements to the territory from \$35,325.00 originally estimated, to \$38,860.29.

After considerable discussion it was moved by Dr. Hagood, seconded by Mr. Damon and unanimously carried that we buy the field at Maalaea if money is available, \$18,000.00 of which will be paid to Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company for the land and \$20,860.29 to Inter-Island Airways for improvements.

Shelter for Hoolehua Airport:

At the request of the Inter-Island Airways, Limited, for a shelter house at Hoolehua, Molokai, the Chairman stated that he felt all available money should be put towards the development of fields rather than the erection of buildings on territorial airports. Mr. Kennedy said he would prefer to have the territory spend money on developing the fields and let the operators erect their own buildings.

It was then moved by Mr. Boyer, seconded by Dr. Hagood and unanimously carried that we write the Inter-Island Airways asking for plans for a rest house at Hoolehua, Molokai.

License, Inter-Island and Hawaiian Airways:

Several changes in the license draft sent to Inter-Island Airways last week were read by Mr. Kennedy and on Mr. Brown's suggestion Mr. Kennedy agreed to write the Commission of the various alterations pointed out.

Army planes at low altitude:

Dr. Hagood reported several complaints about Army planes flying at quite a low altitude near the beach and suggested the Chairman get in touch with Department Headquarters and talk with Colonel Pratt, U. S. A.

John Rodgers Airport:

Mr. Kennedy reported he was very much pleased with the work which has been done by prison labor on John Rodgers Airport. No estimate as yet has been received from Mr. Black, contractor, and Mr. Bigelow is opposed to our going ahead with the development work with prison labor.

It was moved by Dr. Hagood, seconded by Mr. Boyer and unanimously carried that a letter be addressed to the Attorney General asking the status of this Commission with particular regard to the control of appropriations for aeronautical development work.

Mr. Peacock was authorized to go ahead with work on the triangle ewa of the Inter-Island Airways hangar with such equipment that is available. Mr. Boyd, City & County, has offered Mr. Peacock the use of a steam shovel without rental charge.

Mr. Anderson was authorized to write Mr. Bigelow to have Mr. Black remove the steam shovel he has been experimenting with in the coral pit on the mauka edge of the airport.

Meeting adjourned:

There being no further business, the meeting on motion adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Anderson
R. A. Anderson, Chairman.