

MINUTES OF THE TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL  
COMMISSION, held on Thursday, September 25,  
1930, in the Director's Room, Young Bldg.,  
at 3:00 P. M., Honolulu, T. H.

PRESENT:

Dr. Hagood, Acting Chairman  
Mr. Damon  
Mr. Hinkley  
Mr. Wooldridge

ABSENT:

Mr. Anderson  
Mr. Boyer  
Mr. Brown

Lihue, Kauai:

Dr. Hagood, while on Kauai the early part of the week, reported he had talked to several men in connection with the location of an airport in the Lihue district, Kauai, among others Mr. G. N. Wilcox re the possibility of acquiring a portion of the Grove Farm property. A map showing the location of fields, roads, railroads and streams near the proposed aviation field on Grove Farm was presented and gone over by the members of the Commission. Dr. Hagood stated it was Mr. Wilcox's desire that this Commission address a letter to him asking for a proposition on the site recently under consideration. It was recommended by Dr. Hagood that the following propositions be asked: acquisition of the entire field as outlined on the presented blue-print, quotations on the value of the reservoir and surrounding area and an area at the extreme east in case these may be deleted from the project, cost of moving the railroad tracks which now bisect the field, price on under-ground water conduits to carry irrigation water from the reservoir beneath the runways, and the cost of the cane crop should the Commission wish to proceed immediately with the clearing of the runways. X

The following motion was made by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That the above mentioned letter be addressed to Mr. G. N. Wilcox, Grove Farm, Lihue, Kauai."

The cost of the road change to connect the Huleia road with the Government road will be borne by the Commission.

The Commission agreed that should this property at anytime within twenty (20) years cease to be used as a territorial airport it would be returned to Mr. G. N. Wilcox or the Wilcox Estate at its original cost.

Executive Orders, Hanapepe and Upolu:

The following certified copies of Executive Orders were presented: No. 431, setting aside land to be known as "Hanapepe Airport", and No. 432, setting aside land to be known as "Upolu Airport", both to be under the control and management of the Territorial Aeronautical Commission. X

The following motion was made by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That we accept and acknowledge these Executive Orders and place same on file."

It was reported by Dr. Hagood that the Hanapepe Airport is now covered over with grass.

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Wheels on tails of Inter-Island Sikorskys:

The matter of asking Inter-Island Airways to install wheels on the tails of their ships was discussed. It was reported by Dr. Hagood that in landing the ships have cut grooves 5 inches deep in the runways at Hanapepe, Kauai.

The following motion was made by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That Mr. Peacock take the matter up informally with Mr. Kennedy, Inter-Island Airways, and report back at the next meeting."

Application for position as Superintendent of Airports:

A letter from Mr. F. W. Burns, Kapaa, Kauai, making application for the position as Superintendent of Airports was read by the Chairman. In compliance with the Governor's request no appointment will be made at the present time.

It was moved by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That the letter from Mr. Burns be acknowledged and placed on file."

DEPARTMENT OF Commerce Inspector:

Sometime ago Dr. Hagood wrote to the Department of Commerce re the local situation in connection with Lieutenant Pyle, Inspector for Hawaii and recently received a reply to his letter which was read. Inasmuch as the Department appropriations won't stand for a full time employee it was suggested that this Commission recommend a man from the Army Air Corps to take over Lieutenant Pyle's duties.

Dr. Hagood reported that Colonel Brant, U.S.A., is to be in the Territory soon and agreed to inform the Department of Commerce that no change will be made until the matter has been talked over with Colonel Brant.

John Rodgers Airport:

A letter to the Board of Harbor Commissioners requesting that Manuel Rodrigues and Samuel Morse be placed on the payroll, effective as of September 25, 1930, at a salary of \$4.00 per day, as drillers, and Franklin Soares at a salary of \$3.80 per day, as powder helper, John Rodgers Airport, was read by the Chairman.

It was moved by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That we approve of the employment of these three men."

Mr. Peacock reported that Mr. Black's men are now working on a portion of the main runway as the prisoners are too slow. He has placed three civilian men and four of Mr. Black's men on the air compressor and stated Mr. Bigelow had made arrangements with Mr. Black in connection with this work on the contract. A daily record is being kept of the work done, powder used, number of prisoners working, number of civilians, etc.

It was moved by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That we approve of the action of the Superintendent of Airports."

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Information for Governor's Message to 1931 Legislature:

A letter from Governor Judd, asking for information to use in the preparation of His Excellency's message to the Legislature of 1931, was read by the Chairman. Dr. Hagood will address a communication to the Governor asking if it is his desire that we furnish information in addition to that contained in the Annual Report of the Chairman.

Landing Field, Kalaupapa, Molokai:

A letter from the Governor relative to the development of a landing field at Kalaupapa, Molokai, was read by the Chairman. The Governor advised that during his recent visit to Kalaupapa he made a very careful inspection of the proposed field and stated there is a serious objection to disturbing the sand ridge which the Commission feels is necessary to have removed in order to properly develop the field. It was suggested that further consideration be given to the removing of the stone walls, lengthening the field and improving same in general.

If this sand ridge is not removed the field, when developed, would be too small for the type of ships now in operation to land in safety. Dr. Hagood stated he would take the matter up again with the Governor.

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

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Hagood, Jr.,  
Acting Chairman