

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TERRITORIAL
AERONAUTICAL COMMISSION, held on Thursday,
October 15, 1931, in the Gold Room, Young
Bldg., at 12:00 o'clock Noon, Honolulu, T. H.

PRESENT:

Mr. Anderson, Chairman
Mr. Boyer
Mr. Damon
Mr. Hinkley
Mr. Peacock
Mr. Wooldridge

ABSENT:

Mr. Brown

There being no corrections or additions to the minutes of the last meeting they were approved as circulated.

MOLOKAI:

The matter of certain clearing to be done on the Molokai Airport was brought up by the Chairman and discussed. The Chairman reported Colonel Dunham stated the matter had been referred to Mr. Lloyd, director of the budget, and that it would be impossible to obtain prison labor to do the work. He further stated the Governor would prefer not to take this up with the Hawaiian Homes Commission but advised our taking care of expenses involved from Commission funds; also, that assistance might be had from the Governor's Contingency fund up to the amount involved for clearing in case our funds run short.

It was moved by Mr. Peacock, seconded by Mr. Wooldridge and unanimously carried: that "the Chairman authorize Mr. G. A. Will, Commission Representative, to spend up to \$300.00 to clear the field of weeds and shrubs, put the field in shape for cross-wind landings, any anywhere to accomplish the most good on the Molokai Airport, giving the work to Home Steaders, and consulting with Mr. Elliott of Inter-Island Airways before starting work."

The Chairman informed the Commission he had had a telephone call from the Governor reporting on a communication received from the Army relative to the change of position of an area for radio towers, gas tanks, etc., on the Molokai Airport. This change brings the area next to the rest house but Mr. Peacock stated it would cause no interference with flying activities on the port. Any hangers built in the future would necessarily have to be built on the opposite side of the rest house. It was moved by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Boyer and unanimously carried: that "we approve such action on the part of the Army".

Tracings of the layout for developments on the field at Kalau-papa by the Board of Health and of small buildings were submitted by the Department of Public Works, and gone over. The cross-wind runway has been eliminated and the main runway covers an area 1925' in length. It was moved by Mr. Wooldridge, seconded by Mr. Hinkley and unanimously carried: that "a letter be addressed to the Department of Public Works, approving of the plans, but suggesting that if it is possible to add any additional length at either end of the main runway that this be done".

It was moved by Mr. Boyer, seconded by Mr. Peacock and unanimously carried: that "we approve of the erection of the buildings as shown on the tracings".

KAUAI:

The Chairman stated he had written to Mr. C. J. Fern, Commis-

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sion Representative on Kauai, asking for a brief outline of the progress of the work accomplished to date on the Wailua Airport, Kauai. No word has been received from Mr. Fern. X

Maui:

The Chairman reviewed the conditions existing on the Maalaea Airport as pointed out by Inter-Island Airways relative to the hazards of the drainage ditch installed a year ago, stating Inter-Island pilots consider it unsafe to land on the runway during wet weather for fear of sliding off into the ditch. It was suggested by the Chairman that the ditch might be filled in with heavy rocks, as a base, and covered over with cinders on top, so as to still give drainage. Mr. Peacock stated the results of a plane going into the ditch would not be as bad as they appear, although when full of water it appears hazardous. The Chairman agreed to talk to Mr. Kennedy, Inter-Island Airways, in an endeavor to obtain any new ideas which Mr. Kennedy may have on the subject.

Sometime ago Mr. Kennedy wrote of the growth of shrubs and algeroba trees on Maalaea Airport which needed clearing. It was moved by Mr. Boyer, seconded by Mr. Damon, and unanimously carried: that "the Chairman address a communication to Mr. Wadsworth, Commission Representative for Maui, asking for an estimate covering the necessary work to pull out such growth of algeroba trees and shrubs".

Request from Army for Searchlight Position, Rodgers Airport:

A letter to Colonel R. H. Williams, 64th Coast Artillery, USA., confirming verbal permission granted Captain W. F. Lafrenz, was read by the Chairman, granting the use of the south end of Rodgers Airport for a searchlight position during the Fall Maneuvers, October 24th to November 7, 1931, inclusive, and to lay field wires to that position. The position will be used only during the night hours and will not interfere with any airport operations and will be without expense to the Commission or damage to airport property. Such permission was granted verbally by Mr. Peacock.

Glider Contest:

As regards the Glider Contest to be held on the other side of the Pali, beginning November 22, 1931, Mr. Boyer raised the question of whether or not the Commission should offer a trophy. The Chairman thought this a very good plan, each Commissioner giving 2 or 3 dollars for a cup. It was moved by Mr. Wooldridge, seconded by Mr. Peacock and unanimously carried: that "the selection of a cup be left in the hands of the Chairman".

Mr. Boyer stated he felt confident several world records would be broken during this meet and that preparations were being made to insure that all regulations of the National Aeronautic Association are adhered to.

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

Respectfully submitted,



R. A. Anderson, Chairman.