HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION

Minutes of Special Meeting Monday - July 28, 1947

A special meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the von Hamm-Young meeting room on Monday, July 28, 1947, at 4 p.m.

Present were: Mr. Glenn T. Belcher, Chairman

Mr. R. C. Honda, Secretary Mr. R. Alexander Anderson, Commissioner

Mr. C. B. Wightman, Commissioner Mr. Robert L. Campbell, Director Mr. Bernard Levinson, Legal Adviser

Mr. John Child, Jr., Appraiser Mr. J. D. Musser, Appraiser Mr. Dan Balch, Appraiser

Mr. Sam Damon, representing Estate of S. M. Damon

Absent was: Mr. O. J. Burnett, Commissioner

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: With the combination of Items 5 and 8, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
- 2. DAMON ESTATE PLANS: Mr. Sam Damon of the Damon Estate presented Damon Tract improvement plan to the Commission. This matter was deferred for further study. The Director was directed to write a letter to the Trustees, Estate of S. M. Damon, Bishop Trust Company, to this effect.
- 3. AIRPORT APPRAISAL SURVEY & LEASES: Mr. John Child, Jr., presented a recommendation for continuing the survey and made reference to a similar survey conducted by the New York Port Authority. The Director to write to Hervey Law, recently appointed general superintendent of airports by the New York Port Authority, for data of this survey.

Subject to approval of estimated cost and justification for additional survey, the Director shall write the Board of Appraisers, authorizing them to proceed with the survey with a report to be submitted at the end of six months.

Based on the completion of the current survey, leases will be made out for a one-year period ending June 30, 1948, for all operators with the exception of Airways Hotel, Ltd., which will be given a five-year lease ending in 1951 with no option to renew. New leases to be based on facts determined by the additional survey.

- 4. LICENSE FEE FOR OPERATION OF PRIVATE AIRPORTS: The Commission approved \$50 as license fee for first year and \$5 for annual renewal.
- ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Mr. George Sims' application for administrative assistant was approved by the Commission.
- 6. HANGAR DEBRIS REMOVAL: Because the quoted figure of \$20,000 by the Department of Public Works was too large, the Director was authorized to request the Superintendent of Public Works to prepare plans and specifications for hangar debris removal and to call for bids.
- 7. KAILUA AIRPORT: In answer to Kailua Airport Committee's communication, the Chairman read his reply, telling of the status of Kailua Airport.

- 8. KAMUELA AIRPORT: The Chairman and the Director were authorized to make a survey trip to Kamuela to determine whether it should be territorially operated.
 - 9. RULES AND REGULATIONS: The following addition was made to the proposed rules and regulations: (It was decided to hold a public hearing in the near future.)

"No person shall operate any private airport or landing field within the Territory of Hawaii until after it shall have been licensed pursuant to Section 1, subsection 17, Act 32, Session Laws of Hawaii, 1947."

- 10. HAWAIIAN AUTOMOBILE TRANSPORT CO.: The director was directed to write a letter refusing the Company's request.
- 11. HILO TERMINAL STATION: Mr. Campbell was authorized to present the Commission's counter offer of \$1800 (basis: \$50 per month for three years) to Hawaiian Airlines, Ltd., against their offer of \$2500 for the Hilo Terminal station.
- 12. FRENCH FRIGATE SHOALS: Mr. Levinson was asked to write a letter to the Navy declining acceptance of French Frigate Shoals on a revocable permit basis. In view of the above decision, the Territory will not go into contract with Mr. Agard and he will be notified of this by letter.
- 13. CERTIFICATE OF NECESSITY AND CONVENIENCE: Trans-Air Hawaii's request for the Commission's endorsement in obtaining such a certificate was rejected as such assistance was beyond the scope of the Commission's authority and obligation.
- 14. CAR FOR SUPT. OF HILO AIRPORT: Mr. Campbell's recommendation for purchase of a Ford Station Wagon was approved.
- 15. MOLOKAI AIRPORT ACCEPTANCE: Approval was granted to the Director to sign a letter accepting Molokai Airport on behalf of the Commission from the Army.
- 16. LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Mr. Anderson, Commissioner, was wished a pleasant trip by Chairman, Commissioners, and Director and others. Mr. Anderson stated he would visit Mr. Hervey Law, New York Port Authority.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph C. Honda, Secretary