HAWAII AERONAUTICS COMMISSION Minutes of Regular Meeting Monday - January 3, 1949

The regular monthly meeting of the Hawaii Aeronautics Commission was held in the Conference Room of the Commission at Honolulu Airport, Monday, January 3, 1949, at 3:30 p.m.

Present were: Mr. C. B. Wightman Mr. R. R. Bright Mr. R. C. Honda Mr. E. A. Bolles Mr. O. J. Burnett Mr. R. A. Anderson

Absent was: Mr. Chester Clarke

Attending were: Mr. G. T. Belcher, Director
Mr. R. B. Black, Asst. Dir.
Mr. C. E. Perin, Supt. Honolulu Airp.
Mr. W. S. Holloway, Supt. Safety
Mr. Wm. Neilson, Supt. Maui Cty. Airp.
Mr. M. E. Martin, Supt. Hawaii Cty, Air.
Mr. T. E. Flaherty, CAA
Mr. Emile Williams, CAA
Mr. Walter Flanders, Island Aviation
Mr. W. E. Bertram, HAL
Mr. Walter Birnie, TOA
Capt. Elliott, HAL

MINUTES: The minutes of meetings held December 6 and December 13 were approved as circulated.

Mrs. M. Wood, HSA

KAILUA (OAHU) AIRPORT: A memorandum from the Assistant Director, dated December 21, 1948, with regard to a meeting held with Kaneohe Ranch Company's officers on the question of leasing the land area containing the Kailua Airstrip by the Territory, was read. It was reported that the directors of the Kaneohe Ranch Company were opposed to leasing this land to the Territory.

After a thorough discussion, it was decided to have Commissioner Bolles and Mr. Black continue to negotiate further with Mr. Castle for a lease of the area involved on a basis of not longer than a year. Motion by Mr. Bolles, seconded by Mr. Honda, and carried.

PARKING LOT, Hawaiian Airlines side of Honolulu Airport: The Director requested confirmation of verbal approval given December 29 to permit Hawaiian Airlines to establish a public parking lot, free of charge, for patrons of Hawaiian Airlines; regular rental rate of land occupied to be 1½¢ per sq. ft. per annum.

Director's request was approved on motion by Mr. Bolles, seconded by Mr. Honda, and carried.

REPORT ON POST OFFICE FACILITIES: A memorandum from the Assistant Director, based on a meeting with post office officials on the possi bility of establishing a post office sub-station at Honolulu Airport, was read. It was reported that, according to post office officials, the establishment of a sub-station was not justifiable because of the small quantity of mail handled in the area. They stated that they would furnish twice-daily mail delivery to the airport; and that a contract sub-station would be desirable for the sale of money orders and stamps by someone in the terminal. It was further explained that lock boxes would be constructed at the point of delivery on the airport for the convenience of the airlines and other offices in the terminal building.

- APPOINTMENT OF ACCOUNTANT: The Director read a memorandum from the Administrative Assistant, recommending the appointment of Mr. William Duncan Smith to the position of Accountant CAF-9 at Honolulu Airport.
 - Mr. Bright moved for approval of Mr. Smith's appointment. The motion was seconded by Mr. Honda and carried.
- PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT: Commissioner Anderson moved for the adoption of the Assistant Director's recommendations concerning Public Relations, contained in his memorandum of December 30, 1948. Motion seconded by Mr. Bolles and carried.
- HONOLULU AIRPORT SIGN AT HIGHWAY INTERSECTION: Mr. Bright asked about the possibility of illuminating this sign. The Director reported that he was working with the Highway Department on this matter.
- KIPAPA AIRPORT HAZARDS: Mr. Holloway, Superintendent of Safety Regulations, reported on the outcome of his several meetings with Colonel Rasmussen. He felt that the problem could be overcome through cooperation of all parties concerned, particularly by flying within designated flying areas.
- PRIVATE FLYING, HONOLULU AIRPORT: Questions were asked the Safety Regulations Superintendent regarding private flying from Honolulu Airport. Problems concerning this matter were discussed.
 - Mr. Flaherty and Mr. Williams of CAA were called upon for an expression of opinion. It was pointed out that private flying off Honolulu Airport could be handled without a great deal of difficulty, and that CAA had gone on record a year or so ago regarding the matter.
- KAILUA (OAHU) AIRPORT: Mr. Flaherty said that the CAA was very interested in the Kailua Airport and hoped that the Commission could work out some means of keeping it open, and that CAA believes that the airport, with very little improvement, will make a very fine flying field.
- GASOLINE FACILITIES, Light Aircraft: Mr. Flanders inquired about the gasoline facilities for light aircraft on outer island airports. The Director reported that an investigation had been made on the matter; that Hilo oil companies will make available a truck with drums for refueling; Kailua will be furnished gasoline service when opened; also, the matter is being worked on with the oil companies for supplying fuel at the other airports.
- GAS TAX, Island Aviation, Ltd.: Mr. Flanders said that at the time the gas tax was passed, no consideration had been given to private field operation, and asked the Commission's endorsement to have Island Aviation's attorney work with Mr. Canright of the Attorney General's office in preparing a bill requesting reimbursement of gas tax collected from the Island Aviation, Ltd. by the Territory.
 - After discussion, it was decided to refer this matter to the Kailua (Oahu) Airport Negotiating Committee.
- THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED TO THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE.
- MAUI TAXICAB CONCESSION: The Commission met with Mr. Cabral and Mr. Ovio, President and Secretary, respectively, of the

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Maui Taxicab and U-Drive Association to discuss rates for taxicab stalls at Maui Airport.

It was finally agreed that the rate per stall would remain at \$25.00, but that the Association would, for the time being, reduce the number of stall reservations for the Association to eight. It was further agreed that all billings for stall rentals would be retroactive to November 1, 1948 on the basis of eight stalls.

Motion was made by Mr. Bolles, seconded by Mr. Bright and carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph C. Honda, Secretary