MINUTES OF TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL COMMISSION MEETING HELD AT THE HONOLULU ARMORY ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 15, 1928, AT 3:00 P. M.

## PRESENT:

Colonel P. M. Smoot, Chairman Mr. Leo G. Fehlman Mr. A. W. Van Valkenburg

## ABSENT:

Mr. Will C. Crawford (absent from territory) Mr. Herbert F. Cullen

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. There being no corrections, the minutes stand approved as read.

The following correspondence under "Old Business" was read:

Letters of thanks to Honorable Herbert Hoover; Girl Scouts of Hilo; and Kilauea Military Camp, with reference to the recent visit of Major Young and the dedication of the Hilo Airport.

Communication dated February 29, 1928 to Mr. K. Maehara of Hilo disapproving his request to take photographs from the air.

Letter dated February 29, 1928 to the Director of the Elev-venth Maui County Fair stating that it is expected that the landing fields on Maui will be in operation by the first of October.

Communication dated March 8, 1928 to the Territorial Surveyor re additional tracts of land at Hilo and on Kauai for landing fields and reply from Surveyor with reference to additional land for Hilo Airport.

The following motion was made by Mr. Van Valkenburg, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the motion unanimously carried at the meeting of February 23, 1928 to promulgate a new provision in the regulations of this Commission covering the subject of private flying fields, and changes in the present regulations of this Commission to conform thereto, be rescinded".

The following items under "New Business" were then taken up:

Request of Lewis' Hawaiian Tours to use the Hilo Airport starting Monday, March 19. The following motion was made by Mr. Fehlman, seconded and unanimously carried: "If it is the opinion of the Attorney General that we will not involve the territory in any risks by granting Mr. Lewis permission to land on the Hilo Airport while that airport is still in the course of construction, the Chairman is directed to grant this request; work out a schedule of flights with Mr. Lewis, and notify Mr. David Richards of such schedule". Mr. Fehlman informed the Commission that he feels that Mr. Charles Stoffer, pilot for the Lewis' Hawaiian Tours, will cooperate with this Commission.

Under date of March 13, 1928, the Chairman requested the Attorney General to purchase a second-hand, one-ton, Ford Truck to assist in the development of the Hilo Airport. The Attorney General verbally informed the Chairman that this request is approved.

Mr. Fehlman announced that on Friday, March 23, he will leave for Hilo and will investigate the progress being made on the Hilo Airport.

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A letter from Mr. Charles J. Fern of Linue, Kauai, giving a description of a tract of land at Wailua, Kauai, that he considers would make an excellent landing field, was read. The Territorial Surveyor has been requested to have this land surveyed.

The Chairman announced that he and Mr. Thrum of the Public Works will make a flight to the Molokai Landing Field on Monday, March / 19, for the purpose of constructing an identification mark on that field. Trees will be pulled, cattle trails cleared, a telephone installed, etc.

The Chairman informed the Commission that in connection with the Paukukalo (Wailuku) field, it will be necessary for the territory to survey the land to be exchanged.

The following motion was made by Mr. Van Valkenburg, seconded and unanimously carried: "The Chairman is authorized to employ a secretary at not to exceed \$175.00 per month, effective April, 1928".

The following motion was made by Mr. Van Valkenburg, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the Superintendent of Public Works be requested to provide specifications and plans for the widening of the John Rodgers Airport as shown on map on file in this Commission".

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 P. M. to meet again at the call of the Chairman.

P. M. SMOOT,

Colonel, A. G. D., Chairman.