

MINUTES OF THE TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL
COMMISSION, held on Thursday, September 4,
1930, in the Director's Room, Young Bldg.,
at 3:45 P. M., Honolulu, T. H.

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Mr. Brown
Dr. Hagood

This was a special meeting called by the Chairman to discuss:
(1) Radio Communication, (2) Lihue District, Kauai, (3) Budget.

RADIO COMMUNICATION:

On August 29 Mr. F. L. Peacock, Superintendent of Airports, called upon Mr. J. A. Balch, President Mutual Telephone Company, relative to the establishment of radio communication between aircraft and ground stations in the Territory, asking assistance from that Company in the matter. As a result of the interview the Chairman read a letter from Mr. Balch, dated September 2, describing present and future wireless activities and radio services, the duties of telegraph stations if established in Honolulu and Hilo, and terms in the way of radio apparatus, power, engineering, traveling expenses of engineers and general over-head expenses.

Mr. Balch recommended that the service for the present should be confined to telegraph from ground to plane and plane to ground, that only one ground station on Oahu be established (a second at Hilo, if necessary) and would be willing to proceed at the Telephone Company's expense provided the Commission would agree to pay during the course of investigation or until the service has been definitely inaugurated: Operator or operator's salaries and expenses, and all Mutual Telephone Company's rentals for telegraph lines and/or teletype machines as may be required.

Mr. Damon expressed his opinion that radio communication would be ideal but thought that immediate steps to demand radio sets on Inter-Island ships a bit too drastic, and was dubious about our spending the Territory's money for a project of this sort. The establishment of radio communication between ships and shore stations would seem to be an operating expense of Inter-Island Airways and Mr. Hinkley recommended that a member of the Commission see the Attorney General to ascertain if permission could be granted the Aeronautical Commission to spend money for this service. Mr. Peacock agreed to call upon the Attorney General.

LIHUE DISTRICT, KAUAI:

The Chairman reported that after the meeting last week he and Dr. Hagood had an interview with Mr. G. N. Wilcox relative to the selection of a suitable site for an airport in the Lihue district and Mr. Wilcox suggested that members of this Commission go to Kauai next week. Arrangements for the trip will be left in the hands of Dr. Hagood. X

A letter from Mr. F. W. Jamieson, Vice-President Hawaiian Trust Company, was read by the Chairman stating that our letter of August 9, to Mrs. Emma Wilcox, and blue-print showing the property

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owned by her in the Lihue district which the Territory wishes to purchase had been forwarded to him. Mr. Jamieson advised that Mrs. Wilcox is not willing to sell any of her property at Lihue inasmuch as a landing field located in such close proximity to her residence would interfere with the privacy of her property, quite an area of the land is wooded, and the pipe line for the water supply for her residence runs through the property which the Territory wishes to acquire.

BUDGET:

The Chairman read the budget prepared by himself and Mr. Peacock for the biennium 1931-1933. Some of the figures were not in final form and after considerable discussion the following motion was made by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That we approve an estimate up to \$397,850.00, or any total less than that, as prepared by the Chairman and Mr. Peacock."

In considering personal services Mr. Peacock informed the Chairman that after talking with the Governor he expected to resign from his duties as Superintendent of Airports, effective as of September 30, 1930.

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

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Anderson, Chairman