

MINUTES OF THE TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL
COMMISSION, held on Wednesday, March 4,
in the Director's Room, Young Building,
Honolulu, T. H., at 3:45 P.M.

PRESENT:

Mr. Anderson, Chairman
Mr. Brown
Mr. Damon
Mr. Hinkley
Mr. Peacock

ABSENT:

Mr. Boyer
Mr. Wooldridge

There being no changes in the minutes of the previous meeting they were approved as circulated.

Kalaupapa, Molokai:

The Chairman read communications from the Governor, Dr. F. E. Trotter and Mr. R. L. Cooke, Superintendent Kalaupapa Leprosarium, re the leveling of sand dunes at Kalaupapa. Dr. Trotter stated Mr. T. W. Tay, Director, Bureau of Sanitation, feels that another site might be developed and suggested that a survey be made of the entire area at Kalaupapa to determine whether there is another site that could be developed in place of the proposed one. Mr. Cooke estimated approximately \$25,000 to move 25,000 cubic yards of material so as to clear an opening in the dunes 500' x 180'; to re-inter in new coffins at least half of the remains of the old graves approximately \$6,000.

After careful consideration it was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Damon and unanimously carried: "That the Chairman be instructed to write a letter to the Governor stating that for the present time we do not feel we should spend territorial money to develop Kalaupapa in view of more urgent requirements for other fields but if he can secure us the money for that specific purpose we will go ahead and put the field in condition but we are not in favor of using the money we have asked for."

The following motion was made by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Peacock and unanimously carried: "That the Chairman be instructed to write Inter-Island Airways asking if they will definitely use the field should the Commission have 500' of sand dunes levelled so as to permit a sea level approach."

Report on Commission's Activities:

The Chairman reported that Senator Harold Rice had asked Mr. Brown to have the Chairman submit a report to him covering all the Aeronautical Commission's activities since taking office in 1929. The Chairman has been working on such a report and as soon as it is completed will submit same to Senator Rice, also a copy to Governor Judd.

Airport in Lihue District, Kauai:

In connection with the land known as Wailua Park on the sea coast near Lihue, Kauai, word has been received from Mr. Bailey, Commissioner of Public Lands, stating that this property is owned by the territory and has been under the control of the Aeronautical Commission since 1927. Upon receipt of this letter the Chairman wrote Ahukini Terminal & Railway Company asking if they would be willing to relocate the railroad tracks and drainage ditch now crossing the property and an estimate of the cost; also, the cost of leveling the sand dunes on the sea shore. Mr. Carlinghouse, County Engineer of Kauai, estimated \$35,000 to do the work.

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Inter-Island Airways Limited have been asked whether the placing of a field in the Lihue District would affect their use of the Hanapepe Field, as the Commission hesitates to put in improvements at Hanapepe if that Company does not intend to call there regularly.

The following motion was made by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unanimously carried: "That we spend no money at Hanapepe now."

The following motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Damon and unanimously carried: "That as soon as we hear from the Ahukini Terminal and Railway Company and figures are received on the cost of moving the sand dunes we instruct the Superintendent of Public Works to spend our whole \$14,000 right away."

Statement of Expenditures from Mr. Bigelow:

As the last statement of expenditures from General Funds and Loan Funds received from the Superintendent of Public Works was on June 30, 1930, Mr. Brown advised writing to Mr. Bigelow asking for a statement of expenditures from the funds for Personal Services up to date. Some time ago quarterly statements were requested but none have ever been received.

Mr. Peacock brought out that in connection with the recent contract let for hauling coral from Ala Moana to John Rodgers Airport it was necessary to cancel delivery on part of the coral inasmuch as only a very small balance remains of the original amount available, approximately \$1000 to last until June.

The Chairman stated he had written to Mr. Bigelow on February 27 asking for a check up at this time on the balance of funds available for development work on the various territorial airports.

The following motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Damon and unanimously carried: "That the Chairman address a letter to the Governor asking him to ascertain for us a statement from the Superintendent of Public Works of the amount of money spent authorized by this Commission and all other money spent not authorized by this Commission, leaving it to the discretion of the Chairman just when to mail this letter."

Upolu Point, Hawaii:

No word has been received from Mr. George Watt relative to the cost of grading at Upolu Point landing field.

Molokai Airport and Emergency Landing field:

No word has been received from Mr. George Will, Commission representative for Molokai, relative to the work being done recommended by the Commission while on Molokai. Mr. Peacock agreed to write Mr. Will regarding the matter and authorizing him to spend up to \$75.00 in removing stones and doing necessary grading on Molokai Airport.

Inasmuch as it is understood the Army is to establish an emergency landing field on the West End of Molokai the Commission felt it wise to wait and see what action the Army is to take before spending territorial money on a field in this district. However, the Chairman recommended spending approximately \$150.00 in erecting a wind sock and placing markers on the proposed emergency field picked out with Mr. Cooke, while on Molokai. Mr. Peacock will obtain an estimate of the above mentioned work from Mr. Will.

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Koholalele Landing, Emergency Field, Hawaii:

A map of the Hamakua Mill Company plantation, Hawaii, was presented and the site known as Old Koholalele Landing on the Hanakua Coast for use as an emergency landing field was discussed. It was brought out that this land, owned by the Hamakua Mill Company, is not particularly good cane land and that Company is agreeable to exchanging it for other territorially owned property.

The following motion was made by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Peacock and unanimously carried: "That the Chairman address a letter to the Commissioner of Public Lands stating that the Commission favors the acquisition of this property as an emergency landing field, to be placed under the control of the Aeronautical Commission, and asking if a trade might be made".

John Rodgers Airport:

In order to cut down on current expenses Mr. Peacock recommended the dismissal of David Pereria, Francis Judd and Mr. Charke at John Rodgers Airport and accomplish as much work as possible with prison labor, under the supervision of Mr. Canerio, Prison Guard. There are insufficient funds at the present to go ahead with development work on a large scale. There are 1200 cubic yards of coral piled up at the airport at present which will be spread by prison labor. The Chairman and Mr. Peacock, together with Mr. Bigelow, plan to make an inspection of John Rodgers Airport this week. Mr. Peacock reported that the concrete flume was installed at the airport on March 5 and that arrival of the fence is expected on March 13.

Hilo Airport:

Mr. Peacock agreed to investigate the matter of the removal of occupants from the buildings at the end of the cross-wind take-off on the Hilo Airport.

Maalaea Airport:

The question of a cross-wind runway for Maalaea Airport was brought up but no action was taken. It was also brought out that the fence about the rest house has never been erected by the Kahului Railroad Company.

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

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Anderson, Chairman