

MINUTES OF THE TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL
COMMISSION, held on Wednesday, June 24,
1931, in Room 51, Young Hotel Building,
at 3:45 P. M., Honolulu, T. H.

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Mr. Boyer

It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Hinkley and un-
animously carried: "That the reading of the minutes of the last meeting
be deferred."

Reply from Damon Estate re Fill at John Rodgers Airport:

A letter from Mr. Jas. L. Cockburn, Trustee of the S. M. Damon
Estate re filling a portion of Damon Estate property at the Ewa end of
the main runway, John Rodgers Airport, was read by the Chairman. The
Trustees advise it is agreeable to them for the Commission to make the
fill at no expense to them, it being understood that a free flow of
water into or out of the fish pond will be maintained at all times. Mr.
Peacock stated the fill will in no way interfere with the ditch carry-
ing water to the fish pond.

Authority has been granted by the Attorney General to make the
fill. It was moved by Mr. Wooldridge, seconded by Mr. Hinkley, and unan-
imously carried: "That an area approximately 50' by the width of the
runway be filled to grade from the airport boundary down to the ditch
on Damon Estate property".

Permission From Attorney General to Pass Hat at Parachute Jump
Exhibition:

In answer to our letter to the Attorney General requesting an
opinion as to whether it would be legal to pass the hat among the crowd
attending the parachute jump exhibition at John Rodgers Airport under
the auspices of the American Legion the Chairman read a reply wherein
Mr. McGhee advised there is no objection from a legal standpoint. The
Commission has already approved the exhibition subject to the decision
of the Attorney General. Nothing in writing has been received from
the American Legion and Mr. Peacock agreed to have that organization
address a communication to the Commission.

John Rodgers Airport:

Spreading Oil On Port: The matter of spending part of the bal-
ance of the expense fund before June 30th to purchase oil to spread on
a large area near the Inter-Island Airways Hangar No. 1 was brought up
for discussion by the Chairman. The oil would do away with the glare
from the coral, settle the dust, and bind the coral. Mr. Brown was in
favor of covering a smaller portion with a more permanent surface; the
Chairman favored purchasing oil except for the lack of equipment with
which to spread it. After considerable discussion the following motion
was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Damon and un-animously carried:
"That the Chairman be authorized to purchase up to \$1,000.00 worth of
oil."

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Concrete Flume Under Cross-wind Take-off: It was reported by Mr. Peacock that a contract amounting to approximately \$1,600, for 300' of 36" reinforced concrete pipe to finish the flume under the cross-wind take-off at the Ewa end of the port would be let soon, bids to be opened on the 27th of June. It was moved by Mr. Damon, seconded by Mr. Wooldridge and unanimously carried: "That we approve of this action."

Contract For Gasoline: Mr. Peacock reported a contract for 5000 gallons of gasoline at 14¢ per gallon, delivered to the Airport, had been let to the Standard Oil Company.

Coral from Pearl Harbor: The Chairman reported he had talked to Mr. Dillingham, Hawaiian Dredging Company, re obtaining coral from Pearl Harbor for John Rodgers Airport. Mr. Dillingham suggested we see the Standard Dredging Company who are dredging the fine material relative to a pipe line to pump coral to the port if we had sufficient funds. There is available \$35,000 in the next biennium for Rodgers Airport and Mr. Peacock felt it wise to divert at least \$25,000 for pumping coral, reserving \$10,000 for other running expenses. Mr. Brown expressed himself as being agreeable to spending money for putting the coral on the field but not in the water area unless it could be done for nothing additional. The possibilities of a Zeppelin base and sea plane landing in the future were brought out in connection with filling in the underwater area. No action was taken, but the matter will be followed up.

Employment of Laborers: At present Mr. Peacock reported there are about 45 laborers employed at John Rodgers breaking rocks and spreading coral. A grader has been rented and approximately 100 yards of coral are being spread daily from the coral piled about the port. The laborers will work until June 30th.

Application, Mr. R. F. Clarke: It was reported by the Chairman that Mr. R. F. Clarke, Mr. Bigelow's inspector, now employed at John Rodgers Airport, had made application to him for a position at the airport after July 1st. Mr. Clarke is desirous of generally supervising the work at the field and obtaining living quarters in the Administration Building. The necessity of such a man, salary, and living quarters were discussed but it was felt that at present Mr. Laningham, now residing in the Administration Building quarters, was capable of handling all immediate requirements. There is not enough engineering work to warrant an engineer and supervision of prison labor is carried out by the prison luna. If Mr. Peacock is employed as Superintendent of Airports Mr. Clarke's services would not be required. The Chairman agreed to see the Governor soon. The matter of employing Mr. Clarke was held in abeyance.

Airport in Lihue District Kauai:

A tracing showing the proposed development of Wailua Airport, Kauai, was presented and gone over. A letter from Mr. Bigelow listing the following items it is intended to do at this time was read by the Chairman: (1) Excavate new drainage ditch; (2) Fill old drainage ditch; (3) Relocate existing railroad tracks; (4) Construct roadway into airport from main road; (5) Construct two concrete culverts, one for railroad and one for roadway; (6) Construct one cattle guard where railroad tracks pass through the airport boundary fence. Mr. Bigelow stated he believed the six items will use up the money available at this time. X

The plans as submitted by Mr. Bigelow were approved. It was agreed that an alternate bid be requested on grading an additional 800 feet of runway.

The Chairman stated he had talked to Mr. Treadway, Auditor, who advised the \$35,000 appropriation for Kauai had been made and would be

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available within 2 or 3 weeks. It was moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Damon and unanimously carried: "That the Chairman address a letter to Mr. Bigelow requesting him to call for bids on the entire project as outlined on the plans, including an alternate on grading an additional 800' of take-off, making a 3,100' take-off length."

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

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. Anderson, Chairman