

MINUTES OF THE  
MAUI COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION

DATE: August 13, 1964

PLACE: Tokyo Tei, Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

CALL TO ORDER: 12:30 P.M.

PRESIDING: Masaru Yokouchi, Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT: Masaru Yokouchi, Chairman  
William F. Crockett  
Cornwell Friel  
Shiro Hokama  
Nadao Honda  
Harry Kobayashi  
Keith Tester  
Charles C. Young, Research Assistant

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Emil Balthazar  
C. H. Burnett, Jr.  
Thomas Yagi

OTHERS PRESENT: Goro Hokama, Member, Board of Supervisors,  
County of Maui  
Mrs. Jay Van Zwalenburg, President  
Maui Citizens' Association for Good Government  
Robert Johnson, Advertiser Reporter

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The following were circulated to the members of the Charter Commission:

1. Final Draft of the Charter of the County of Maui;
2. Copy of letter to the Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of Supervisors, County of Maui, regarding the actions taken on the Alternatives Submitted by the Board of Supervisors to the Maui County Charter Commission on the Proposed Charter;
3. Copy of letter to the Honorable G. N. Toshi Enomoto, County Clerk, County of Maui, together with copy of the proposed form of ballot on the charter.

It was moved by Mr. Tester, seconded by Mr. Honda, that the letters to the Board of Supervisors and to the County Clerk be approved by the members of the Charter Commission. Carried unanimously.

SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO INFORM THE PUBLIC RE CHARTER:

The Chair called upon Mr. Charles C. Young, part-time Research Assistant, to explain to the members of the Charter Commission his suggestions as to how the people of the County of Maui could be informed of the charter and its provisions.

The following were Mr. Young's suggestions:

1. Send a letter to the various organizations and schools of the County of Maui, informing them that members of the Charter Commission or its staff will be glad to appear before their groups to speak on the charter.

2. Have the secretary prepare amended comparison reports of the present and proposed forms of government, which could be circulated to the people present at such meetings.
3. Publish an article in the Maui News that the charter will be published in the Maui News in its issues of August 29, 1964 and September 12, 1964. Also, inform the public that speakers will be available to appear before them.

Mr. Young mentioned that he is in the process of preparing a table of organization showing the proposed strong mayor-council form of government, under the guidance of Mr. Higa and the Chairman.

Mr. Tester suggested that a series of articles be published in the Maui News, pointing out the major differences between the present and the proposed forms of government.

In addition to Mr. Young's suggestions, Mr. Crockett felt that the members should accept Mr. Tester's suggestion, and also state why the Commission had decided on certain issues.

The Chair questioned as to whether the member or staff of the Charter Commission appearing before a certain organization should present his own views or the views of the majority of the Commission. The members agreed with Mr. Tester's suggestion that a speech be prepared for the speakers to use as a guide.

Instead of calling the charter the strong mayor-council form, the members of the Charter Commission agreed to call it the Home Rule Charter.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Harriette E. Miyamoto*

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Secretary