

KILAUEA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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MINUTES OF MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, June 1 2010, 7:00pm

PLACE: Kilauea Neighborhood Center

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Chris Jaeb, Michael Kaplan, Keone Kealoha, Tamra Martin, Nicki Pignoli, Linda Sproat, Nanea Sproat-Armitage, Karen Tang, and Rae Ann Yadao-Butac

DIRECTORS ABSENT: John Constantino, Shann Hashimoto, and Gary Pacheco

I. CALL TO ORDER

- a. President Keone Kealoha called the meeting to order at 7:23pm

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

- a. Treasurer Gary Pacheco is absent, but he left the KNA account balance. The accrual balance as of June 1, 2010 is \$4,514.30.

III. COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY REPORTS

- a. **Kilauea Community Outreach Program (KCOP):** Rae Ann Yadao-Butac
 - i. They will have a meeting in the next two months to start planning Halloween.
- b. **Waele:** None.
- c. **Kahili Beach Report:**
 - i. Next beach cleanup is June 19, 2010, at 9:00am, Wailapa side.
 - ii. They have changed this to a quarterly cleanup now, because it is pretty clean!
- d. **Seniors:**
 - i. The Kilauea Seniors remain busy with many events this month:
June 8, 2010- Outreach Trip to KVMH in Waimea; June 16, 2010- Anini Beach Picnic; and June 23, 2010- Mother's/Father's Day Luncheon.
- f. **Kilauea School PTSA:** Nanea Sproat-Armitage
 - i. Kilauea School had a very good May Day!
 - ii. School is officially out for the summer and will be back in session on August 2, 2010. During the summer, they will be renovating almost all the classrooms.
- g. **North Shore Council:** Keone Kealoha
 - i. Councilman Jay Furfaro came to their last meeting, and spoke about the increased crime lately. They may get Lt. Contrades to come out to a future meeting and talk about greater preventative and control methods.
- e. **Water Committee:** None.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Ka'aka'aniu/Lepeuli Beach Access (Larsen's Beach)-** Linda Sproat, Hope Kallai
 - i. Linda Sproat attended the BLNR hearing on May 13, 2010, in Honolulu, and was able to testify for her own appeal of Paradise Ranch's CDUA permit.
 - ii. The only thing that the Board was going to rule on was whether Chairperson Thielen had broken a law when she issued the CDUA permit to Paradise Ranch. After the hearing, the Board determined that what she did was indeed legal.

- iii. However, the DLNR is going to continue the case to allow for discovery of additional facts that were not correct or thorough in the original permit application. For example, the submitted maps of where `iwi are interred is wrong.
- iv. State Senator Gary Hooser and Kaua`i Councilwoman Lani Kawahara also testified.
 - 1. Since DLNR never conducted a Public Hearing for this case, Senator Hooser had offered to use his own campaign money to hold a Public Hearing, but his offer was rejected.
- v. Hope Kallai also attended the hearing and has a full audio clip of the appeal, recording many of the inappropriate things expressed by the applicants' lawyers. For example, their attorney Don Wilson said that the County was offered the Alaloa, but had turned it *down*, saying that they would rather have the steep access trail. However, Councilwoman Lani Kawahara was there, maintaining that they never received that offer.
- vi. After this hearing, Hope K. believes that the only real case may be the Native Hawaiians' perspective.
- vii. Karen Tang asked what our other fellow appellants are considering for further action at this time. Hope K. believes that they are probably not going to be able to continue due to financial constraints, but she and husband Tim Kallai, also appellants, do want to want to see this through. Tim Kallai explained that they are going to approach County Council and request that they further investigate the SMA procedure and the Paradise Ranch application, because it seems inexplicable that it went through without issue in the first place.
- viii. There was another baby seal born down at Lepeuli recently, by the same mother who had been there many times before to give birth, proving that it is still sacred ground.

b. Kahili Quarry Road Improvements/Film Shoot at Kahili Beach- Steve Goldberg

- i. Community member Steve Goldberg lives on Kahili Quarry Road. Despite folks using that road to the beach as a local dump, it was always very quiet, until recently. After the recent film crew for *Just Go With It* improved the road, the traffic has increased tenfold with mostly local use. He doesn't feel like he has a lot of strength to ask them to leave or slow down, because when he put up a "Please Slow Down" sign, someone came out of their car and yelled at him. He feels that the dynamics has changed on the road now and that even walking the dog down the road is dangerous.
- ii. Nicki Pignoli recalls that at the KNA meeting with the film crew (March 2010), they offered to remove the improvements if the community wanted them to. However, neighbors, especially Charles Summers, who utilizes that road to his new house site, may not necessarily want the improvements to be *removed*; Steve G. would just like to see the traffic to slow down.
- iii. Keone Kealoha asked if Kahili Quarry Road is a County Road. Steve G. clarified that the County only has a 15' wide easement, but the main road is a private road.
- iv. Community member Gary Blaich made several points:
 - 1. While this increased traffic was exactly what the community was afraid of when Charles Summers wanted to improve that road, Summers is within his rights to hang on to the improved road.
 - 2. But, it is also within the community's right to scrape the coral off for first several yards and put up a "4WD Only" sign, so that at least it *looks* bad initially, to deter unknowing drivers, even though it is good beyond that.
 - 3. The community may try to get together to get the County to put in a speed platform, which successfully occurred on Weke Road in Hanalei.

- v. Keone K. suggested that it is still possible to approach the film company and see if they can assist with any of the above, and recommended that Steve G. draft up a letter or request for the KNA to officially consider or endorse. Steve G. agreed to do this, and Gary B. recommends copying any correspondence to County Public Works.

c. New Board Members

- i. Lea Weldon has officially resigned from the KNA Board. With her gone and Larry Hinkle's previous resignation, the KNA is now down to only twelve board members.
- ii. Kenny Martin said that he is willing to step up, if need be, as is Steve Goldberg.
- iii. The KNA will bring all board member nominees to next month's July 2010 meeting, and then have a vote for the new members.

d. KNA Banner

- i. Steve Goldberg suggested to go online for a KNA banner, because it is much less expensive.
- ii. The Board believes that an 8x4 or 6x4 size is good.
- iii. Michael Kaplan volunteered to look up prices for consideration by next meeting.

e. Anaina Hou Letter

- i. Keone K. had sent KNA's letter of support for the Anaina Hou Kilauea Pavilion to the Board by email in the last month, and received the necessary votes of approval via email and phones. The motion needs to be ratified and officially approved here in person with quorum.

Upon motion duly made by Rae Ann Yadao-Butac, seconded by Linda Sproat, and carried with 7 in favor (Chris Jaeb, Keone Kealoha, Tamra Martin, Nicki Pignoli, Linda Sproat, Nanea Sproat-Armitage, and Rae Ann Yadao-Butac) and 2 abstentions (Michael Kaplan and Karen Tang), it was:

RESOLVED, for KNA to send a letter to the County of Kaua'i Planning Commission in favor of the Anaina Hou Kilauea Pavilion Use Permit (attached).

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Kilauea Lighthouse Restoration- Shaina Carney, Park Ranger

- i. In November 2008, the First Phase of the Kilauea Lighthouse restoration took place, wherein the massive anchor bolts were replaced.
- ii. Now they are about to start the Second Phase, which involves repairing the lantern room itself and the cast iron roof. This will require extensive scaffolding and a structure to stabilize and protect the actual lens, so that it does not become damaged during the lantern room renovation. On July 12, 2010, the North Shore Lions Club will wrap the lens in foam and then encase it in wood. After that date, visitors will not be able to see the lens at all.
- iii. This phase also involves sandblasting away old paint, so the Kilauea Lighthouse and Refuge may be closed for up to two weeks during the lead abatement period.
- iv. This entire Second Phase is scheduled to take six months, and is out to bid right now. They will review the bids by June 12, 2010, and award a contractor by late June.
- v. They will be sure to let KNA and the community know when the Kilauea Lighthouse will be shut down, and are considering a sign on the highway to notify tourists of this.

- vi. Rae Ann Yadao-Butac asked the Kilauea Lighthouse staff please take down the hand painted sign at the intersection of Kolo and Kilauea Roads, that says, “The Lighthouse” with an arrow.
- vii. After this, there will be a third and final phase, which will involve restoration of the concrete tower.

b. Kilauea Plateau Sale- Michael Kaplan

- i. Bill Hay is in Escrow to buy Fowler’s property in Kilauea, known as the “Kilauea Plateau,” and it looks like the sale will go through.
- ii. Keone K. and Michael K. both spoke to the buyer, and confirmed that he does know about the Kilauea Town Plan and wants to talk to community about his plans for the property. He is not a real “developer,” but is interested in doing something that would help the community. Keone K. got an initial sense that his intentions are good.
- iii. KNA will invite him in to talk at a meeting. Chris Jaeb will write a letter to the buyer before he closes so that he is aware of KNA’s desires to be involved and so he is aware of the community’s direction before he finalizes the sale.

c. Kilauea Town Sign- Tamra Martin

- i. Tamra Martin will design a new wood sign for Kilauea Town to replace the old one that was stolen at the entry to town by the Shell Station on Kolo Road. Scott Majores had volunteered to make the sign for KNA free of charge a long time ago, and Tamra M. will contact him again once we know what we want.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. North Lions Club Bus Shelters- Michael Kaplan (on behalf of Gary Pacheco)

- i. The bus shelters in Princeville and Kilauea will start going up this month.

b. Kilauea Pavilion Public Hearing- Karen Tang

- i. The new date for the Anaina Hou Kilauea Pavilion Planning Commission Public Hearing is Tuesday, June 22, 2010.

c. Bridge Closure on Kalihiwai Road- Linda Sproat

- i. Renovations to Ben Stiller’s private residence on Kalihiwai Road will cause the small bridge over Pu`ukumu Stream on Kalihiwai Road to be closed on the nights of June 1st and June 2nd to allow for the passing of very large trucks.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion duly made by Michael Kaplan, seconded by Nanea Sproat, and carried unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED, to approve the May 2010 minutes as is.

VIII. NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

- a. The next KNA monthly meeting is July 6, 2010, at 7:00pm, in the Kilauea Neighborhood Center.

Upon motion duly made by Rae Ann Yadao-Butac seconded by Michael Kaplan, and carried unanimously, it was:

RESOLVED, to adjourn the June 1, 2010, KNA meeting at 8:42pm.