



KILAUEA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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President:

Yoshito L'Hote

Meeting Minutes for: 3/3/2015

Time: Meeting started 7:00 pm ended 9:00 pm

Vice President:

Alvin Castelo

Location: Kilauea Neighborhood Center classroom

Secretary:

Thomas Pickett

KNA Directors present: President: Yoshi L'Hote, Alvin Castelo, Thomas Pickett, Gary Pacheco, Beryl Blaich, Bill Troutman, Tim Kallai, Ken Carlson, Charlie Martin, Carrie Souza, Ron Paul, Joi Bonaparte, Mike Latif.

Treasurer:

Gary Pacheco

Community Attendance: 40

Sergeant-at-arms

Scott Mijares

I. Call to order President Yoshi L'Hote called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 pm

PTSA Rep.

Tricia Padilla

II. Treasurer's Report Gary Pacheco reported after expenses and income the KNA checking balance is 8824.06. Yoshi discussed The Kilauea Agricultural Complex. 1300.00 in funds were promised to help get the Complex on it's feet. On behalf of the Ag. Complex Yoshi asked for a check for 850.00 to be made out to the IRS as payment for the fees regarding his recently completed 105 C3 non-profit organization application. A motion was made.

Directors:

Mike Latif

Beryl Blaich

Bill Troutman

Tim Kallai

Ken Carlson

Charlie Martin

Carrie Souza

Joi Bonaparte

Ron Paul

Upon motion duly made by Tom Pickett , seconded by Bill Troutman and carried unanimously the board voted to fund and write a check to the IRS for 850.00 as payment for fees associated with filling the application to establish a 501 C3 tax free Corporation.

III. Committee/Community Reports

a) KCOP; no report

b) Seniors; no report

c) PTSA; no report

d) Communication Committee; Tom reported posting three items to the KNA blog and mailing out the notice announcing the March meeting to the membership.

e) Ag. Park Committee; Yosh announced that the board of the Kilauea Agricultural Complex had received 100,000.00 in funding. He said that by the next meeting he hoped to report, with collaborations involving paid contractors and volunteers from the business community, ground breaking, water meter installation, property line clearing, grubbing and road layout progress.

III. Committee/Community Reports cont'd

- g) Access committee; Tim Kallai had no report but to say that the county public access committee has changed their meeting schedule to meet once a month instead of twice a month, probably due to budget restraints.
- h) Somers committee; Ron Paul announced that recent efforts focused on attending the February Kauai Planning Commission meeting and representing the interests of the community and the KNA in regards to Mr. Somers development. He stated the planning commission postponed Mr. Somers building permit review for six months. It was not clear if the delay was at Mr. Somers request. Ron said also that it appeared the planning commission members were not happy with several of Mr. Somers actions or in-actions, namely; A shed or greenhouse structure built in a conservation area of his property without the proper paperwork, his lack of action on surveying an established public access bordering his property on the Kilauea stream estuary, compliance with guidelines for landscaping, his uncompleted conservation plan. Beryl mentioned that she thinks Mr. Somers is working with the county to stake the property line easement.
- i) Beautification committee; Bino Castello reported finalizing plans for the edible landscape garden and hopes to meet with the mayor soon for permission to proceed with work in the Kilauea town park. He also expressed a need for volunteers to help with various beautification committee goals.
- j) Transportation committee; Ben Wellborn reported his committee, working with the previous committees, research and conclusions came up with a draft plan of traffic recommendations and strategic options for the KNA. Four questions regarding KNA road/transportation issues;
1. Can the County prioritize the new entry road as proposed in the Kilauea Town Plan?
 2. What is the status of the left-hand turn/merge lane from Kilauea Rd at the Keneke Road intersection into the new Lighthouse Village? Is this matter as yet unresolved, and if so will Hunt permits be affected?
 3. Being that the new entry road will not be constructed concurrent with the development of the Lighthouse Village, what traffic and safety improvements are planned for Kilauea Road?
 4. Has the New Entry Road been included on the recent update to the Statewide Long-Range Transportation Plan being prepared by the State DOT?

V. Old Business

- a. Calendar of KNA events; Yoshi brought up the subject of producing one or more regular community events to bring the town residents together and to potentially fund raise for the KNA. He mentioned the calendar already has a few regular entries; with the help of the KCOP; The Christmas tree lighting feast, the Halloween costume contest, the Easter egg hunt and he encouraged a spring or summer event like the successful ones of the last couple years. There was a suggestion from the audience by Courtney Puig to combine the KNA event with the successful monthly first Friday event at the Kilauea shopping center. Yoshi suggested putting event planning onto the April agenda.

IV. New Business

- a. Mayor Bernard Carvalho and team present the 2015 draft county budget proposal; The mayor, assisted by his county administrator Beth Tokioka, Adam from his litigation team and Ernie Barrera his director of finance presented a detailed outline of the 2016 budget. He explained that several strategic changes his team has made. He created a centralizes human resource department, developed a Budget analyst team/ budget director that factors accurate collective bargaining projections and he assembled a strong, inhouse litigation team. Mr. Barrera and Ms. Tokioka laid out the budget in detail outlining the where the county revenues come from, increases in expenses, the administrations past budgeting history and management strategies. After discussions and questions by Ron Paul concerning the collective bargaining obligations Gary Smith brought up the issue of affordable housing on Kauai and how it is only designed to remain affordable during the life of the purchase contract. He questioned the logic of building a subdivision that is only time dated to remain affordable for ten year. He asked the county to plan on affordable housing that remains affordable in perpetuity. There were also questions regarding solid waste; How much Methane gas could be harvested off the county landfill? 25 year supply. (no specification of volume except they may have been referring to a gas supply for county vehicles.) The second question was asking if there was any planned improvements towards controlling commercially generated waste which lead to questioning if businesses should be held responsible for the garbage they import to the island.

Announcements;

- a) Gary Pacheco announced the Lions college scholarship application deadline is March 31st. He also announced that the Lions pancake fund raiser breakfast is coming up on April 12, 2015.
- b) Fish and Wildlife Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan; Mike Mitchell announced that the public comment period was still open and while thanking the community for the input he has already received invited the public to familiarize themselves with the plan and give personal feedback.
- c) NOAA Advisory Council; Yosh announced that the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands reserve is seeking to fill seats on the Citizens Advisory Council and he invited the public to read about the recruitment effort on line in the KNA blog.
- d) Anaina hou community park announced there upcoming, annual, free seed and plant exchange on Sunday March 22nd, 2015 from Noon to 5pm.

V. Approval of minutes

Upon motion duly made by Gary Pacheco, seconded by Bill Troutman and carried unanimously, it was resolved to approve the February 3rd, 2015 minutes of the KNA board meeting.

VI. Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Gary Pacheco, seconded by Bill Troutman and carried unanimously, it was resolved to adjourn the March 3rd, 2015 KNA meeting at 9:00 pm .