



# KILAUEA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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**President:**

Yoshito L'Hote

Meeting Minutes for: Tuesday July 1, 2014

**Vice President:**

Alvin Castelo

**Time:** Meeting started 7:10 pm ended 9:10 pm

**Secretary:**

Thomas Pickett

**Location:** Kilauea Neighborhood Center classroom

**Treasurer:**

Gary Pacheco

**KNA Directors present:** Thomas Pickett, Gary Pacheco, Mike Latif, Beryl Blaich, Bill Troutman, Tim Kalai, Carrie Souza, Ron Paul, Tamra Martin, Alvin Castello.

**Community Attendance:** 7

**Sergeant-at-arms**

Scott Mijares

**I. Call to order** Alvin Castello called the regular meeting to order at 7:10 pm

**PTSA Rep.**

Tricia Padilla

**II. Treasurer's Report** Gary Pacheco reported the KNA checking balance is 10,022.18

**III. Committee/Community Reports**

a) KCOP; No report

b) Seniors; Bill Troutman reported the Seniors are concerned about the standing water at the side of the Gym. Gary Pacheco said he had called in the problem to the county. He also said he would follow up on it.

c) PTSA; No report

d) Communication Committee; Tom Pickett reported several postings and updates to the KNA blog and continued success in the email address membership drive.

e) Ag. Park Committee; Alvin reported that the Kilauea Agricultural Center board held a public informational meeting on Sunday June 29th at five pm in the neighborhood center that was attended by 25 people. Yoshi L'Hote led that meeting and explained the general timeline and plan that is unfolding for the center. He presented planning diagrams developed at a recent perma-culture seminar. When funding is available the next step for the center is to survey the 75 acre lot, install water meters, develop windbreaks and water lines, install security fencing and select border landscaping plants. Tom Pickett expressed to Alvin his desire for public disclosure of relevant information; number of board and advisory board members, Names and terms of board members, long term strategy plans and a general management plan with information like selection criteria for future and rules of conduct for future co-tenants. Alvin responded agreeably.

**Directors:**

Mike Latif

Beryl Blaich

Bill Troutman

Tim Kallai

Ken Carlson

Charlie Martin

Carrie Souza

Tamra Martin

Ron Paul

### III. Committee/Community Reports cont'd

f) Access Committee; Tim Kallai reported for the committee. He attended two June meetings of the county public access committee. He will attend the August meeting on Thursday August 14th at 10 am. He is actively planning a public access forum in Kilauea on 8/16/14 between 9am and 5pm at the Kauai Christian Academy. There will be several public access speakers attending and the forum will be open to the public. Upon Tim explaining the scope of the project and expressing the need for minor funding a motion was made.

Upon motion duly made and amended by Bill Troutman then seconded the board voted unanimously to approve 500.00 to the KNA access committee for expenses incurred in printing costs and cost of securing the facility as long as receipts are provided to the treasurer for said expenses.

g) Somers Committee; Ron Paul and Beryl Blaich opened the continuing discussion on access to the Kilauea Falls through the Somers property and the continued focus of the KNA to see the Kahili Quarry road improved and made passable along its entire length to the beach at Kahili. Currently the progress on access to the falls by the Kauai County public access committee is stalled while the committee waits for a report on a direct exchange between the KNA president and Mr. Somers. The KNA wants the County access committee to send a letter to Mr. Somers requesting permission to walk onto his land to assess the access. Regarding the Kahili Quarry road discussion is caught in a "who's on first" loop trying to determine who owns the segment of road from Somers house to the beach, who is responsible for maintaining it and who has the authority to require a third party to maintain it. Shannon Smith representing the USFWS did say that with these issues clarified and with Mr. Somers agreeing to improve the road as per his previous building permit agreement that the USFWS would issue him the necessary permits from their side as long as they followed federal best management practices.

h) Beautification Committee; Alvin Castelo reported as a member of this committee. He gave a summary of the beautification committee's plan outlining six future projects. He asked for approval from the board and a promise of future funding if needed. There was brief discussion and a motion was made.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the board voted to approve of the scope of the Beautification committee projects and to the possibility of funding at a future date.

Members of the board also had some suggestions for additional projects. Gary Pacheco suggested the KNA through the beautification committee take responsibility for maintaining the immediate landscape around the newly erected town sign. Another board member suggested that the committee also take up the project of continuing the bike path down Kilauea road toward the Lighthouse. It was mentioned that the project has been getting some attention from a couple of directions one being that the grading for the path extension was volunteered by Rick Hurst and Rick Hurst Construction and two that the Kilauea Agricultural Center may be planning to include the path improvement in the upcoming infrastructure developments.

### IV. Old Business:

a) Collins-Wilmot residence in the Seacliff subdivision; The board discussed following up the Collins-Wilmot residence presentation and fulfillment of their request for the erection of story-poles on the building site with an opinion letter for the county planning commission. Discussion focused on the low elevation of the structure, the compliance with Seacliff subdivision ccr's and concerns for the landscape installation and if it might introduce invasive species so close to a wild life reserve. After discussion a motion was made.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the board voted unanimously to compose and send a letter in favor of the Collins-Wilmot residence with the caveat that there is concern and caution recommended regarding invasive species being included in the landscape.

#### **IV. Old Business cont'd;**

b) Historic Kilauea Mango tree; Carrie Souza reported that she had obtained an arborist's report stating the Mango tree slated for removal to make way for the Hunt development's parking lot at the future Kilauea Lighthouse Shopping Center was qualifiable as an exceptional historic tree. After a brief report from Carrie on the history and significance of the tree and some discussion a motion was made.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the board voted unanimously to prepare a letter for Lawrence Borgatti, of the Arborist Advisory Committee that the KNA nominates the Mango tree to be registered as an historically exceptional tree.

#### **V. Approval of minutes**

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, it was resolved to approve the 6/3/2014 minutes.

#### **VI. Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, it was resolved to adjourn the 7/1/2014 KNA meeting at 9:10 pm .