



KILAUEA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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President:

Yoshito L'Hote

Meeting Minutes for: June 2, 2015

Time: Meeting started 7:10 pm ended 9:10 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, Scott Mijares, Beryl Blaich, Bill Troutman, Tim Kallai, Charlie Martin, Ron Paul, Carrie Souza.

Treasurer:

Gary Pacheco

Community Attendance: 14

Sergeant-at-arms

Scott Mijares

I. Call to order President Yoshi L'Hote called the regular meeting to order at 7:10 pm

II. Treasurer's Report Gary Pacheco reported that after expenses and income the KNA checking balance is 8121.37

PTSA Rep.

Tricia Padilla

III. Committee/Community Reports

a) KCOP; No Report

b) Seniors; No Report

c) PTSA; No Report

d) Communication; Tom Pickett reports that Michelle Wamsley has finished her work on the revised edition of the KNA blog including adding a verifiable back up feature, a working contact email address and simplified access features. Tom just has to learn how to use it. He also reported continued additions of email addresses to the KNA membership contact list, there are currently over 700 contacts.

e) Kilauea Community Agricultural Center; Yoshi reported he's submitted paperwork for a sign permit and banner for the center. He is completing a scope of work plan and soliciting 3 bids for the center's trailer and water meter installation. He expects approval of the 501C3 corp. within 60 days. He is submitting a USDA conservation plan in hopes of getting an exemption for grubbing the land after the month of July. He is hiring Ray Maki, Permaculture Hawaii, on a limited basis for burm and border belt work before considering him for the entire border landscaping.

f) Access committee; Yoshi started off by announcing that at a chance meeting with a trustee from the Lucas estate he confirmed that the KNA can get a new key for the access road mauka of the Pilaa property. Yosh reported he would follow up with the person, confirm the access agreement conditions and get a new key. Tim Kallai followed up by announcing that the committee is active. They are following up on the North Shore/Kilauea Alaloa (lateral access) trail. Tim reported that the County of Kauai has allocated 70,000.00 to build and maintain a fence to border the shoreline public access trail for Ka'aka'aniu (Larsen's) beach. He expressed concern that the allotment and county action bisects the Alaloa and makes re-establishing the lateral trail less likely. Frank Rothchild then asked if anything was being done concerning improving the Kahili Quarry road.

Directors:

Mike Latif

Beryl Blaich

Bill Troutman

Tim Kallai

Ken Carlson

Charlie Martin

Carrie Souza

Joi Bonaparte

Ron Paul

III. Committee/Community Reports cont'd

Mike Mitchell, manager of the USFW reserve responded. He restated that the reserve is in favor of improving the road and that sometime this summer the comprehensive management plan that is currently under review and includes road improvements, open hours and a management plan between the reserve staff and community members will, hopefully, be approved. Once the plan gets approvals then at that point, with follow up from the KNA, the reserve is ready to grant permits to Mr. Somers so that he can fulfill his development permit obligations and begin improvement of the Kahili Quarry road.

g) Somers committee; Beryl reminded the board that Mr. Somers has said no to all of the committee's suggestions for managed public access to the Kilauea Falls on his property. She added that one thing he did say was that if anyone wants access to Kilauea Falls all they have to do is ask him. Beryl qualified that as a possible way to establish the communities priority for access and counceled the board and the community to present requests for access to Mr. Somers and his attorneys in writing to establish a paper trail/history of the issue. Tim Kallai added that the county is going forward with surveying and clearing the P-1 access between the Somers property and the stream/estuary shoreline.

h) Beautification committee; No Report other than acknowledgement and thanks to the anonymous person who mowed the sign this month and to Patrick Ching for repairing some of the letters on the town sign.

j) Transportation committee; No Report

IV. New Business

Haleakala Solar; Scott Gueltzow presented a brief description of his business and the benefits and options available for residential solar power systems including battery back up and storage. He outline the costs of various components and sizes of systems. He described the variability of costs and pay-off time frames considering the state and federal tax benefits. His number for Haleakala Solar on Kauai is 808-639-3648.

Kauai North Shore Community Foundation: Laurie Mull presented KNSCF's four community service priorities and focused on the organization's plan to work toward establishing a public intermediate and high school on the North shore of Kauai. The non-profit group was formed to enhance the educational, cultural, and charitable vitality of Kauai's North Shore. Their four priorities are; Education and culture, youth and seniors, health and wellness, and public spaces. Laurie described her efforts and strategy for the establishment of a public school on the North shore. She pointed out that the need was there based on the distance to the closest school and the number of eligible North Shore children. Laurie said this effort was in it's early stages but that the political climate at the state level may be receptive to the efforts. She was presenting tonight to encourage community members and the KNA board to join a letter writing campaign to encourage our state representatives to think about a North shore school and to help put the concept into their minds and at the front of their priorities.

V. Old Business

a.) DOT Kalihiwai tree clearing; Yosh reported that the contractor for the tree clearing work missed a deadline for filing a permit and then missed the window for tree removal that depended on the lifecycle of the indigenous Hawaiian Hoary Bat and the Newell's Shearwater bird. Therefore the tree removal will begin early next year.

b) Relay for life; Yosh reported that he will organize a team to represent the KNA.

c) County Island wide General Plan update; As one of the only KNA attendees during the meeting Beryl reported that this time around there was emphasis on subjects that were not given enough thought initially like Temporary vacation rentals. Beryl said that in general the team that is updating the plan this time around is doing a great job of gathering and listening to community input. She expresses confidence in the process. The contractors for the update have published a website - <http://plankauai.com> - It was suggested by Tim Kallai that the KNA ask the team to come back to Kilauea for a second time as the original public meeting was scheduled on a busy holiday weekend and was poorly attended.

d) Princeville urgent care facility; Yoshi reported that he attended a public meeting in Princeville regarding the new urgent care planned for the area. He verified that the facility was not an emergency care unit but a urgent care unit that could only perform basic stabilizing first aid in the event of an emergency and the patient's would

Old Business cont'd

d) Princeville urgent care facility; cont's... would still be required to be transported to the emergency room in Lihue. The developers of the project said they were filling a need for more health care on the North Shore. Competing North Shore clinics express concern that one more facility will weaken all the existing ones by diluting the available health market. Some members of the audience referred to the developers as off island doctors coming to Kauai for a working vacation with lodging. A kind of temporary medical vacation rental. T.M.V.R. Mary Patterson was asking for open mindedness for the proposal and described positive aspects of the idea like new medical equipment on the North Shore like x-ray machines and lab equipment. Scott Mijares and Frank Rothschild suggested be proceed with caution and be wary of a group of doctors building in Princeville suggesting they may have profit, tax incentives, public money and good investments in mind before they think of patient care. It was suggested that the KNA host another meeting with the developers.

e) Calvary Chapel building permit; Yosh opened discussion on the church's building permit application. There was extensive feedback from board members mostly concerned with continued growth without proper infrastructure. Board members were not endorsing the permit because concerns about of lack of parking, future growth, hours of church operations, water run off from the new building. There was a motion made and withdrawn then with more discussion a motion made;

Upon motion duly made by Tim Kallai and seconded by Scott Mijares to prepare a letter for the Calvary Church expressing the reasons why the KNA will not support the building permit application.

VI. Announcements: Gary Pacheco announced that he and Bob Roberts made inquiries for the county to purchase and install an independent power generator for the Kilauea Community center. He also announced that he heard the Hanalei transfer station may change their hours to 7am - 3:30. He also heard the green waste was going to change to restricted hours. He also pointed out the inconvenient design of the new green waste drop off sight. he requested the KNA contact to county and express this dissatisfaction. A motion was made.

Upon motion duly made by Tom Pickett , seconded by Scott Mijares and carried unanimously the board voted to send a letter to the relevant county departments to express concern for the proposed hour changes and to ask that a county representative come to a future KNA meeting and answer questions regarding the conditions at the Hanalei waste transfer station.

VII. Approval of minutes

Upon motion duly made by Bill Troutman, seconded by Gary Pacheco and carried unanimously, it was resolved to approve the May 5th, 2015 minutes of the KNA board meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

Upon motion duly made by Tim Kallai , seconded by Scott Mihare and carried unanimously, it was resolved to adjourn the June 6th, 2015 KNA meeting at 9:10 pm .