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**MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 1, 2022
VIA ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING (DUE TO COVID-19)**

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom Meeting

KNA Directors Present: Yoshito L'Hote, Jeremy Burns, Gary Pacheco, Bill Chase, Stephenie Brown, Thomas Daubert, Mike Latif, Mike Lyons, Charlie Martin, Kalena Pacheco, Ron Paul, Sonrisa Stepath, Stephen Squire, Sarah Wright

Community Attendance: 17+, including Councilwoman Felicia Cowden.

Call to Order: Vice Chair Ron Paul called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. There is a quorum.

COMMITTEE / COMMUNITY REPORTS:

Finance Committee: Gary Pacheco reported we have \$5,159.74. We received a \$200 donation. No payments this month. Please send donations to PO Box 328 in Kilauea if anyone wants to contribute!

Planning Committee: Ron Paul reported the next planning committee meeting should be held in the next week or two. There are several topics to discuss including Hay and Bertsch property, Kalihiwai Reservoir vote to decommission the dam, Wai Koa Loop Trail and other topics.

Communications Committee: Thomas Daubert hopes everyone is enjoying the twice monthly emails with community announcements. As always please send any interest in signing up for the Kilauea Neighborhood Association announcements, questions or potential meeting topics to joekilauea@gmail.com.

Fundraising Committee: No report.

NEW BUSINESS / GUEST PRESENTATIONS:

County of Kauaʻi Climate Adaptation Plan: Alan Clinton from the County of Kauaʻi Planning Department reported this is the County's first attempt to focus on an island-wide climate action plan. A presentation was overviewed for the group. Community and virtual open house events will be held over the next month as well as pop-up events to solicit input.

Question on travel times to Lihue from outlying areas to file architectural documents and related paperwork. Can online submission with credit card acceptance or satellite offices be considered? Will be reviewed and included.

Question on KKCR and other outlets for awareness? Will be reviewed and included.

Anaina Hou: Jill Lowry and Kilipaki Vaughan presented a plan for a County emergency resources staging location / hurricane shelter / disaster preparedness set of 3 82-foot diameter domed buildings to serve the north shore in times of emergency and for County emergency services and vocational programs.

Questions were fielded on elevation to roadway, emergency vehicle ingress/egress, mechanical ventilation and window tradeoffs, capacity, zoning, programming, cost and maintenance advantages, look-and-feel considerations. This presentation is still largely conceptual and there is flexibility to hone the details.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

UPDATES:

Seniors: No report.

PTSA: No report.

‘Āina Ho’okupu O Kilauea / Kilauea Community Agricultural Center: Jeremy reported that our OHA funding has run out for the Farmer Market boxes program and we are scaling that program back significantly pending securing additional funding. The retail juice bar and produce stand is under construction which we expect will increase demand for locally-grown produce and we are working to clear more land and bring more farmers onto the site to expand agricultural opportunities and meet this demand. Housing continues to be a serious issue. Our internship program is seeing more interest lately which will also help train new farmers and support the industry. We have added our first couple sheep to the property to help with clearing and ultimately to support our 2-acre homestead pilot model we intend to develop consisting of produce and animal systems. Finally, we are restarting our weekly Kilauea Thursdays Farmer Market from 2-5 pm beginning March 3rd.

Question on status of water to AHK with Kalihiwai Reservoir being closed? Jill noted that Stone Dam does not provide enough water for fire suppression, so a pond-within-a-pond is the plan for the moment, but the property is now under escrow so everyone is in a holding pattern.

Question on the MEC waste-to-energy development project? Still in development and testing phase on the mainland.

Discussion on reservoirs as a community resource and whether or how they may be administered and managed in the future. Multiple stakeholders are affected by Kalihiwai Reservoir including local agriculturalists, County water, etc. Community desire to include

this topic in a future meeting with key stakeholders and decision makers. Kalihiwai engineering to remove the dam must be completed by the end of April per the DLNR so time is of the essence.

Anaina Hou: Jill Lowry and Kilipaki Vaughan reported under New Business.

Kīlauea Point National Wildlife Refuge / Friends of Kauaʻi Wildlife Refuges: Thomas reported that next week Kilauea Point will open on Wednesdays for visitation.

Thomas Daubert with the Friends Group, reported they are opening the application for the Dan Moriarty scholarship for 2-4 year degrees through April 30th, more info on the web at kauairefuges.org. They are continuing to provide KKCR National Wildlife Refuge Minute spots with species highlights regularly. He will put a link on the website to listen to the archives at: <http://www.kilaueapoint.org/refuge-minute>

Kaulana Kīlauea: No report.

Kiaʻi Kāhili: Mehana reported there is a beach cleanup at Kahili 8:30 -10:30 this Sunday and first Sunday of every month.

Na Kiaʻi O Nihokū: Mehana reported that Leadership Kauai visited Nihoku and helped with cleanup activities. Mr. P has brought some local talent to the fencing project.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kauai North Shore Lions is now accepting applications for their scholarship program. They have \$50K to award. Visit their website at kauainorthshorelions.com for more information and a simple application form.

Malia Frye has kids in Kilauea School including a 6th grader up for graduation. Due to COVID-19 graduation celebrations have changed significantly and have fallen upon the parents to provide. She wants to request a donation towards the cost of putting on a celebration for the graduating 6th graders to help the parents.

Question on DOE requirements changing due to COVID rules loosening? Nothing is expected in the next few months so it's all still parent-led.

Jill Lowry offered to provide the Porter Pavilion for the event.

Question on budget? Costs of food will likely be the biggest cost. Tables chairs etc can be donated more easily. Kilauea PTSA is also donating some money towards food costs.

Graduation is around May 20th.

Request by KNA to develop a budget and request for next month's meeting.

Question on update on electronic sign? Mehana's mom Beryl found the historic designation for the property.

Approval of Minutes:

The February 2022 Kilauea Neighborhood Association meeting minutes were approved by Mike Latif, seconded by Charlie Martin. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
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Adjournment of Meeting:

Upon motion duly made by Gary Pacheco seconded by Bill Chase and carried unanimously, it was resolved to adjourn the March 1, 2022 Kilauea Neighborhood Association meeting at 9:21 pm.