



# KILAUEA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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**President:**

Yoshito L'Hote

Meeting Minutes for: April 1, 2014

**Vice President:**

Alvin Castelo

**Time:** Meeting started at 7:14 pm and ended at 9:23 pm

**Secretary:**

Thomas Pickett

**Location:** Kilauea Neighborhood Center classroom

**Treasurer:**

Gary Pacheco

**KNA Directors present:** Yoshito L'Hote, Thomas Pickett, Gary Pacheco, Mike Latif, Beryl Blaich, Bill Troutman, Tim Kalai, Charlie Martin, Carrie Souza, Ron Paul, Tamra Martin, Alvin Castello, Ken Carlson.

**Sergeant-at-arms**

Scott Mijares

**Community Attendance:** 19

**PTSA Rep.**

Susan Keller

**I. Call to order** Vice President, Alvin Castelo called the meeting to order at 7:14 pm

**II. Treasurer's Report** Gary Pacheco reported after expenses for a new key lock box of 72.00 and a deposit of 100.00 from Kauai rack card service for space in the KNA Kiosk at the Kong Lung Center the KNA checking balance is 8222.80

**III. Committee/Community Reports**

a) KCOP; Tamra Martin reported the KCOP will sponsor the yearly Easter egg hunt on the Kilauea park field at 9 am on Saturday April 19th. She has a couple volunteers but would like more. They will dye the eggs on the 18th. She invited the community and businesses to assemble and donate Easter gift baskets. She asked the KNA for 200.00 to cover expenses.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the board voted unanimously to fund Tamra's request for 200.00 or reimbursement of similar funds as long as receipts are provided.

b) Seniors; No report.

c) PTSA; No report

d) Communication Committee; Tom Pickett reported the KNA blog was updated and two emails were sent alerting KNA members to the monthly meeting and to a County Council meeting where a vote was held regarding the Kilauea Ag park.

e) Ag. Park Committee; Charlie Martin reported that the Kauai County council made it official in a 7-0 vote that the county has turned over management of the Kilauea Ag park to the Kilauea Agricultural Park Committee who will be operating under the non-profit status of the Malama Kauai organization. At this time Yoshi L'Hote and Keone Kealoha are the only official members. Questions regarding plans, management details and meeting dates were asked. There were no answers at this time. Felicia Cowden offered to start a membership campaign at the upcoming Earth day and seed exchange event.

**Directors:**

Mike Latif  
Beryl Blaich  
Bill Troutman  
Tim Kalai  
Ken Carlson  
Charlie Martin  
Carrie Souza  
Tamra Martin  
Ron Paul

f) Access Committee; Tim Kallai reported the committee met in the first week in March. They discussed the access issues relevant to the Kilauea area in preparation for a site visit by the Kauai county public access committee on Thursday April 10. Tim encouraged the community to attend this field trip and asked for support. He will provide the communications committee with updated information and itinerary so that it may be shared with the community in a timely manner. There were questions and conversation about the status of the public access trail to the east end of Kaupea beach. There were no solid answers or knowledge and a motion was made.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the board voted unanimously to allow the Communications committee to send a letter to the Mayor's office requesting an update on the status of the counties negotiations with the land owners around the East end Kaupea beach access.

g) Somers Committee; The public access topic segue'd into the Somers committee with a report from Ron Paul assisted by Beryl Blaich stating that they had held a well attended meeting and progress had been made untangling the trail of ownership, Decisions & Orders, and liable parties involved in the maintenance of the Kahili quarry road leading all the way to the ocean. The committee is pursuing these findings in order to successfully demand compliance with the conditions of Mr. Somers previous building permits. Conversation and questions from the community also covered various routes in the Kilauea stream valley for reaching the Kilauea falls. Also discussed was the P1 easement, a 20 foot wide easement along the stream shore line bordering 3400 feet of the Somers property, the revelation and implications of a pending land purchas and an announcement of a gathering celebrating the public use of the Kilauea Stream and estuary area that will be held Sunday April 6 from 8 am on.

h) Beautification Committee; Bino Castelo and Thalia Abrams announced a partnership between the new KNA beautification committee and Thalia Abrams, Author of a bill pending in the state senate making the concept of Edible Landscape and Food Forests policy and law state wide. Thalia will partner with members of the committee to implement her edible design principals into the beautification of Kilauea town's county recreational park.

#### **IV. New Business**

a) Eden Noble RN announced plans and asked for KNA board approval to open a health care business on private residentially zoned land off Ho'okui road. (the end of the road if you head towards the Kilauea Stream from the Healthy Hut store area. The board asked Eden for more information before they could make a decision.

b) Edible landscape. Thalia stood again and gave a bit more detail to the edible landscape theory. She took questions from the audience including offers of help with funding and resources. She announced there was progress toward a grant award of 5000.00. Tamra Martin suggested holding a short beautification committee meeting an hour before the next KNA meeting.

#### **V. Old Business**

a) Predator proof fence; Jessica Hallman Behnke a representative of the Fish and Wildlife service and their partners reported on progress toward the erecting of a sophisticated pretator proof fence around a significant portion of the Kilauea Point wildlife refuge. They have completed a Finding of no significant impact report and cultural surveys and nearly completed a technical details report and hope to begin construction of the stainless steel, small guage fence in June. More details are available at [www.fws.gov/kilaueapoint](http://www.fws.gov/kilaueapoint)

b)Kilauea Town Sign; It was reported that Yoshi is making progress on erecting the Kilauea Town sign in the old location. It will be constructed out of wood and hopefully painted by local artist Patrick Ching.

c)Kilauea Town Celebration; The Kilauea Town celebration was discussed and it the date was set for Saturday May 31st. Yoshi L'Hote was elected in abstencia to be the leader of the event. The following volunteered to help organize respective segments of the event. Tamra Martin-games, Tom Pickett-food, Bill Troutman-parking, possible Zero waste Kauai on recycling and waste managment. Yet to be headed; Tents/benches, stage, power, promotion, clean up. Meeting dates are forthcoming.

## **I. Announcements**

a) Elle Ward announced that there will be a liquor commission meeting on Thursday April 3rd at four pm. On the agenda is a liquor license request from the Common Grounds restaurant. Elle encouraged people with opinions on this issue to attend or submit testimony. A suggestion was made that the KNA publish an opinion on the subject. A motion was made and discussion followed.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the board voted with 11 votes in favor and two abstentions to prepare an opinion letter to be delivered to the Liquor commission opposing the liquor license request.

## **VII. Approval of minutes**

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, it was resolved to approve with one correction the March 4, 2014 minutes.

## **VIII. Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, it was resolved to adjourn the April 1, 2014 KNA meeting at 9:23 pm .

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## **VII. Approval of minutes**

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, it was resolved to approve the -----2013 minutes.

## **VIII. Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried unanimously, it was resolved to adjourn the -----2013 KNA meeting at 9---pm .

