



# KILAUEA NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

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**President:**

Yoshito L'Hote

Meeting Minutes for: December 1, 2015

**Time:** Meeting started 7:05 pm ended 8:40 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, Ken Carlson, Charlie Martin, Ron Paul, Mike Latif.

**Treasurer:**

Gary Pacheco

**Community Attendance: 9**

**Sergeant-at-arms**

Scott Mijares

**I. Call to order** President Yoshi L'Hote called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 pm

**II. Treasurer's Report** Gary Pacheco reported after November expenses and income the KNA checking balance is 8505.37 .

**PTSA Rep.**

Lori Patch

**III. Committee/Community Reports**

**Directors:**

Mike Latif

Beryl Blaich

Bill Troutman

Tim Kallai

Ken Carlson

Charlie Martin

Carrie Souza

Joi Bonaparte

Ron Paul

a) Seniors; No report

b) PTSA; No report

c) Communication; Tom Pickett reported that the KNA blog was kept up to date with several community postings.

d) Kilauea Community Agricultural Center; Yoshi reported progress in several areas. The first ten acres has been cleared as well as the south and west boundaries. He will be meeting with Rick Hurst to determine the location and cost estimate for the interior farm access roads. He will be fine tuning architectural plans for the entrance, farmers market features as well as taking out roots and snags, discing the soil and planting cover crops so the land can sit until spring. He is securing contracts for further infrastructure like a storage and office trailer, plumbing and water meters. Funds have been approved for the infrastructure jobs and will be released directly to the contractor as soon as final bids are decided upon. Next will be selection of farmers and beginning the community garden.

e) Access: There was discussion about the body of the letter the board agreed to send, during the November board meeting, to county council member Mason Chuck regarding surveying and opening community access to the P-1 easement. After many ideas, historic recollections and opinions were shared it was agreed upon by the board that Ron Paul would write the letter stating the importance of the P-1 easement to the Kilauea community and ask Mason Chock to follow up on the counties obligations to survey, stake and clear the easement.

Committee reports cont'd.

f) Transportation committee; Ben Wellborn reported on a meeting of the Kauai transit feasibility study. He reminded the board that if anyone did not make the meeting that it is still possible to learn and participate in the study by finding it online at [www.kauaishuttle.com](http://www.kauaishuttle.com). Ben re-capped the study's priorities and goals. Essentially seeking alternative transportation modes other than individual cars in order to relieve congestion on Kauai's roadways.

Ben also reported on a meeting mid November that several community members were invited to that was held by Mike Mitchel at the Kilauea point refuge's offices. The meeting was attended by members of the federal highway administration and the Kauai county transportation director, Lee Steinmetz. Solutions to the North Shore traffic congestion problem were discussed with an emphasis on traffic loads to, into and from the Kilauea Point refuge. He reported learning that construction of the new Kilauea entry road is not very high on the county or states road improvement priorities. There was brief discussion and concerns expressed for improving the safety of the current intersection at the entrance to Kilauea. Two members expressed frustration at the states inability to lower and even out the speed limits on the approaches to the main town entrance. Ben concluded his report by updating us on the recent activities of the Kauai Path group. Kauai Path is a group that is persuing the construction of a multi use path that parallels the state highway around the island. He explained that the Kauai Path has recieved encouragement from the county to improve the North Shore path alternative plan with a privately funded multi use path and complete streets mobility plan for Kilauea and Princeville. It would conclude with two individual plans, one for each community, that would improve safety and access for people using transportation modes other than automobiles. Ben asked the board to review the Kauai Paths plans and priorties and to give the plan their appoval or dis-approval. He then gave a brief synopsis of the Kauai General plan process. Ben also reported that his client Bill Haye is still willing to deed land on his property for the new Kilauea entrance road. He reminded us that the road would have to be connected to growth of the west Kilauea plateau. At the end Ben offered to present the proposal for a multi use path and complete streets mobility plan for Kilauea and Princeville at a future meeting. There was one more question about the direction the Kilauea point reserve was leaning regarding the shuttle plan and where they were considering basing the shuttle stops at. It was understood after Yoshi answered that the county and the NFW were considering a number of parking areas and shuttle stops on the north shore as opposed to one central parking area.

g) Election Committee; Charlie Martin held the yearly board elections to fill the seven board positions that had terms expiring on 12/31/15. He announced a last call for nominations. Six of the seven board members who's terms were expiring (Yoshi L'Hote, Beryl Blaich, Scott Mijares, Bill Troutman, Ron Paul and Mike Latif) agreed to run for re-election. One member of the community audience, Jenni Shin, raised her hand as a self-nominated candidate. With seven nominees and seven positions to be filled a vote was held by a show of hands for each nominee. Each nominee won election by a unanimous vote from the community members and board members attending the December meeting. It was agreed that an executive meeting would be held on 12/15 to determine KNA board officers and the new committees for the year 2016.

## **V. Old Business**

a) Tree lighting ceremony; a recap of the timing of the ceremony was announced. The week of the ceremony to be held on Saturday 12/5 started with one last meeting, two days of set-up, the day of the event and then one day of clean up.

**Announcements;**

Yosh announced that a property owner in the Sea Cliff subdivision had presented plans to the KNA for the future home of the Giron family. They were not required to submit them to the public by any county or sub-division rule but did so as a courtesy to the community. The house appears to be positioned on the west side of the slope of crater hill facing the sunset with the Japanese graveyard behind them.

**V. Approval of minutes**

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

**VI. Adjournment**

Upon motion duly made by the Ken Carswell, seconded by Tim Kallai and carried unanimously, it was resolved to adjourn the December 2nd, 2015 KNA meeting at 8:40 pm .