



EWA NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 23

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2013 EWA BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

CALL TO ORDER: 1st Vice Chair Ariel De Jesus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **Quorum was established with eight (8) members present.** Note – This 11 member Board requires six (6) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present – Rodney Boucher, Alex Bresslauer (Appointed at this meeting), Ariel De Jesus, Kurt Fevella, Ernest “Joe” Hartsell, Steve Knauer, Frankie McCurley, Kevin Rathbun, Roslyn Steiner, and Jessie Syd Weinberger (Appointed at this meeting).

Board Members Absent – Mitchell Tynanes.

Vacancies – There are two (2) At-Large vacancies on the Board.

Guests – Keba Maly and Onaona Maly (Kumu Pono Association); Cynthia Rezentes (Guest Presiding Officer/Nanakuli-Mailii Neighborhood Board); Millie Chambrella, Dennis Galolo (Councilmember Ron Menor’s Office staff); Councilmember Ron Menor; Charles Zhan and Jeanette Nekota (Neighborhood Commission); Henry Chang Wo; Captain Robert Abley (Honolulu Fire Department); Tiffany Patrick and Gunner Bryan Summers (Marine Corps Base Hawaii); Tesha Malama (Hawaii Community Development Association); Bolo Kahawai; Tia Kahawai; Adam Reeder and Kiran Polk (Councilmember Kymberly Pine’s Office staff); Councilmember Kymberly Pine; Bryan Mick (Neighborhood Commission Office); Lisa Enanoria (Haseko); Lee Tokuhara; Rock Riggs (Senator Mike Gabbard’s Office staff); Senator Will Espero; Paulina Espero; Victor Flint (NAVFAC); Brett Kulbis; Officer Mark Ramos and Sergeant Peralta (Honolulu Police Department); Christiane Bolosan-Yee (Ewa Beach Community Based Development Organization); Carl Young (Mobi PCS); Leila Kagawa (Governor’s Representative); and Kazuaki McArthur (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

INTRODUCTIONS: Those present introduced themselves. Boucher read the Board speaking rules. De Jesus introduced Guest Presiding Officer Cynthia Rezentes, NCO Executive Assistant Bryan Mick, and recognized Commissioners Jeanette Nekota and Charles Zhan of the Neighborhood Commission.

De Jesus relinquished the gavel to Rezentes. Rezentes advised all speakers to introduce themselves and to address all comments to her.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain Robert Abley circulated statistics and reported the following;

- **December 2012 Statistics:** Included 3 rubbish fires, 110 medical emergencies, and 15 miscellaneous calls for service.
- **Safety Tip:** Always supervise children when they are using a microwave oven. Use only microwave-safe food containers or dishes; never use aluminum foil or metal. If your microwave oven catches fire, keep the door closed, turn it off, and unplug it from the wall receptacle. If the fire does not extinguish, go outside and call 911. Purchase a microwave oven that has an independent testing laboratory label. Complete and return the product registration card to the manufacturers so they can inform you of recalls.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Sergeant Peralta circulated statistics and reported the following;

- **December 2012 Statistics:** Included 482 adult arrests, 74 juvenile arrests, and 9604 calls for service.
- **Safety Tip:** The Neighborhood Security Watch (NSW) program is sponsored by HPD and involves both police and citizen participation. The primary goals of the program are to support communities, through



neighborhood security watches, reduce crime and increase citizen and police partnerships. NSW programs are an effective way to decrease crime in your neighborhood. NSW program members work directly with beat officers, the district resource officer, and various community members in working towards building a safer community. If you are interested in forming an NSW program in your area, Contact Officer Michael Dela Cruz at 723-8408.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Mahalo: A Board member thanked HPD for all their hard work in the community.

Weed and Seed – Officer Michael Ramos circulated a report and highlighted the following;

- Narcotics: In November 2012, Weed and Seed, Crime Reduction Unit, and Narcotics officers executed a search warrant on Pohakupuna Road and arrested an adult male for methamphetamine trafficking, detrimental drugs and forfeited U.S. currency.
- Fireworks Enforcement: Weed and Seed officers were assigned to fireworks enforcement and cited 20 people for various fireworks violations.
- Upcoming Events: Weed and Seed Officers and the Community Policing Team will be giving a “Say Hi” presentation at Calvary Chapel on January 11, 2013. The Ohana Food Distribution will take place on January 25, 2013, at the Ewa Beach Hale Pono Boy’s and Girl’s Club.

Questions, comments ad concerns followed;

Mahalo: A Board member thanked Weed and Seed for monitoring and taking care of drug cases in the community.

Following the comments, Ramos introduced Christiane Bolosan-Yee of the Ewa Beach Community Based Development Organization (EBCBDO). Bolosan-Yee reported that the purpose of the EBCBDO is to reduce crime in the area through economic development. EBCBDO helped to find \$5,000 in funding for Weed and Seed activities in Ewa. Funds were also found to put on a community safety fair, and provide micro-enterprise training classes. Through micro-enterprise training classes 11 business have been successfully started and are currently running. EBCBDO is seeking to organize a youth art program and hold talk story sessions regarding internet violence.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Agenda Item: It was asked and Bolosan-Yee clarified that she has an item later on the agenda that deals with a request for support regarding funding for EBCBDO. Bolosan-Yee requested to be moved up on the agenda to complete her presentation.

Knauer moved, and Fevella seconded to amend the agenda to address item 7.1 at the current time. The motion was UNANMIOSULY ADOPTED, 8-0-0 (Aye: Boucher, De Jesus, Fevella, Hartsell, Knauer, McCurley, Rathbun, and Steiner). The agenda was moved out of order to address item 7.1 Ewa Beach Community Center Grant Improvement.

Ewa Beach Community Center Grant Improvement – Christiane Bolosan-Yee reported that EBCBDO is seeking Board support to sign a petition requesting funding for EBCBDO to fix the Ewa Beach Community Center.

Rezentes made a point of clarification and noted that what was being requested is not what is stated on the agenda under item 7.1. It was suggested deferring the request to be properly placed on a future agenda. De Jesus clarified that item 7.1 was placed on the agenda to address the grant funding request by EBCBDO to improve the Ewa Beach Community Center. Rezentes suggested ensuring that items placed on future agendas be clearly described.

Fevella moved, and De Jesus seconded to support the EBCBDO petition for grant funding to fix the Ewa Beach Community Center.

Discussion followed;

Repairs: A Board member expressed that the community center is in great need of repair and encouraged the community to support the petition. Another Board member suggested the petition be circulated to the audience.

The motion was UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED, 8-0-0 (Aye: Boucher, De Jesus, Fevella, Hartsell, Knauer, McCurley, Rathbun, and Steiner).

The agenda resumed order with item 4 Board Administration and Planning.

BOARD ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING:

Election of Board Chair – Rezentes opened the floor for nominations for Board Chair. **Rathbun nominated De Jesus and Fevella nominated Tynanes.** Rezentes noted that Tynanes was not in attendance and raised concern regarding his nomination. Fevella and Knauer stated they had contacted Tynanes prior to the meeting and noted that Tynanes was willing to serve as Chair. There being no other nominations, nominations were closed.

Discussion followed;

1. De Jesus: De Jesus ensured the Board he would do his best to work as a team to benefit the community and would do his best to be fair, serve with integrity, and to work with elected officials.
2. Tynanes: Fevella noted that Tynanes was born and raised in Ewa, is dedicated to the community, and is familiar with community issues. It was noted that Tynanes had previously served as Vice Chair of the Board but, did not have a real opportunity to show his leadership in the past. Knauer noted that Tynanes had previously served as acting chair of the Board and was the least contentious chair the Board has had. Tynanes was described as a strong dynamic leader.
3. Rathbun: Since two (2) individuals spoke in favor of Tynanes, Rezentes allowed Rathbun to speak in favor of De Jesus. Rathbun noted that he had worked with De Jesus since the resignation of former Chair Celeste Lacuesta and praised De Jesus for his work ethic and dedication.

De Jesus was ELECTED Chair, 6-2-0 (De Jesus: De Jesus, Hartsell, McCurley, Rathbun, Boucher, and Steiner Tynanes: Fevella and Knauer).

Election of Necessary Board Officers – Rezentes indicated that the Board currently has two (2) Vice Chair positions and noted that De Jesus' election to Chair had created a vacancy in the 1st Vice Chair position. Rezentes asked if the Board was still in favor of having two (2) Vice Chair positions.

De Jesus moved, and McCurley seconded to eliminate one (1) Vice Chair position and to have only one (1) Vice Chair position on the Board.

Discussion followed;

Limited Role: It was noted that the 2nd Vice Chair position had only a limited role. It was noted that the 2nd Vice Chair position was created at a time when no Board member wanted to serve as Chair.

The motion was ADOPTED, 7-0-1 (Aye: De Jesus, Fevella, Hartsell, McCurley, Rathbun, Boucher, and Steiner Abstain: Knauer).

Discussion followed;

Vice Chair Retention: Rezentes indicated that Rathbun had been serving as 2nd Vice Chair and asked if he would like to continue his service as Vice Chair. Rathbun responded yes. Rezentes asked if any other Board member wished to serve as Vice Chair. No Board member responded. Rathbun was retained as Vice Chair.

Filling of Board Vacancies: Rezentes noted there were two (2) At-Large vacancies on the Board and noted that interested community member must be nominated by a current Board member. Rezentes opened the floor for Board nominations. **Rathbun nominated Alex Bresslauer.** Rezentes opened the floor for interested community members to volunteer for the Board. Jessie Syd Weinberger expressed interest in serving on the Board. Weinberger noted she has been a resident of Ewa for a year and had previously served on the Mililani Neighborhood Board. **Fevella nominated Weinberger.** There being no other interested individuals or nominations,

nominations were closed. The Neighborhood Assistant confirmed that both candidates were residents within the Board district.

Alex Bresslauer was APPOINTED to the Board, 6-2-0 (Aye: De Jesus, Hartsell, McCurley, Rathbun, Boucher, and Steiner. No: Fevella and Knauer).

Jessie Syd Weinberger was UNANIMOUSLY APPOINTED to the Board, 8-0-0 (Aye: Boucher, De Jesus, Fevella, Hartsell, Knauer, McCurley, Rathbun, and Steiner).

Rezentes called a recess at 7:45 to allow the Neighborhood Assistant to administer the oath of office to Bresslauer and Weinberger, and to take a photo for the NCO website. Following the recess, 10 Board members were present.

Consideration of Board Meeting Schedule Through June 30, 2013 – Rezentes reported that the Board currently meets the 2nd Thursday of the month, at 7:00 p.m., at the Ewa Public Library.

Discussion followed;

1. Holiday and Availability: A Board member noted that the February meeting will fall on Valentines day. It was also noted that the library will not be available for Board use on May 9, 2013.
2. Meet: A Board member expressed the need for the Board to continue meeting every month.
3. Longstanding Schedule: A Board member noted that the Board has met on the same day for a long time and expressed that it should not change.
4. No Change: After discussion, the consensus of the Board was to continue meeting. No action taken to change the present meeting schedule.

Treasurer's Report – Hartsell read the Treasurer's report and noted a principal annual budget of \$3,560, expenditures of \$300 for the annual facility rental contract, \$2,280 for the annual video recording contract, expenditures totaling \$19.65 for printing and postage of agendas and minutes during the month of December, leaving a remaining balance of \$810.37. The report was filed.

Approval of the November 8, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes – **Rathbun moved, and De Jesus seconded to approve the November 8, 2012 regular meeting minutes as circulated. The motion was ADOPTED, 10-0-0 (Aye: Boucher, Bresslauer, De Jesus, Fevella, Hartsell, Knauer, McCurley, Rathbun, Steiner, and Weinberger).**

RESIDENTS' AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

1. Hawaii Community Development Association (HCDA): Tesha Malama introduced herself and referred to Board concerns regarding HCDA in the October and November 2012 Ewa Neighborhood Board meetings. Malama invited the Board's Permitting and Zoning Chair to attend and participate in HCDA and Kalaeloa Advisory Team meetings. It was noted that the HCDA administrative rules that were finalized in 2012 require an Environmental Assessment for any project in Kalaeloa. Malama noted she could be contacted at 692-7245 or by email at tesha@hcdaweb.org. A Board member noted he would forward concerns regarding the Bio-lab at Kalaeloa.
2. Emergency Tsunami Plan: Rodney Boucher disclosed that he is a member of the Ewa Beach Emergency Preparedness Committee and reported that the committee is currently forming a tsunami preparedness plan.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS:

Marine Corps Base Hawaii – Tiffany Patrick circulated a handout and reported the following;

1. Hornets: F/A-18 Hornets will be temporarily based at Marine Corps Air Station Kaneohe Bay while they support "Lava Viper", a battalion-sized training exercise conducted on Hawaii Island between January 14 and 22, 2013.

2. Bodysurfing Competition: Marine Corps Family Services will be hosting a bodysurfing competition on January 12 and 13, 2013, at 7:00 a.m., at Marine Corps Base Hawaii. The event is open to the public. For registration and event information, visit <http://www.mccshawaii.com/surf.shtml>.
3. Introduction: Patrick introduced Gunner Bryan Summers. Summers noted there will soon be a change in command.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Age Groups: A Board member asked if there would be different age groups in the bodysurfing competition. Patrick suggested visiting the website for the information.

Mayor's Representative – None.

Councilmember Kymberly Pine – Councilmember Pine circulated a newsletter and introduced staff members Kiran Polk and Adam Reeder. Pine expressed her eagerness to continue serving in the community and working with Councilmember Menor and the other State legislators on community issues.

Councilmember Ron Menor – Councilmember Menor circulated a newsletter and expressed that he would do his best to keep a positive, open relationship with the Board and Councilmember Pine. Menor introduced staff member Dennis Galolo and invited those present to view a map of the council district boundaries. Menor supported the Mayor's emphasis on restoring the bus system, improving parks, and working on concerns regarding Oneula Beach Park. Community members were also invited to attend public listening sessions sponsored by the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO). There is a meeting schedule for February 21, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., at Ewa Elementary School.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Parks Committee Meeting: A Board member invited Menor to attend the Board's next Parks Committee meeting.

Governor's Representative – Leila Kagawa reported the following;

- Traffic Study/Re-Striping: The State Department of Transportation (DOT) is currently looking into a request by the Board to study and re-stripe lane configurations of the Kunia Road/Fort Weaver Road .
- Fort Weaver Road/Makule Road Intersection Traffic Lights: DOT is currently still working on the Statewide Master Plan. As DOT has mentioned in its previous response, this crossing is identified as one (1) of 30 areas of concerns locations. After the plan is completed and funding becomes available, a new signal will be considered during the detailed engineering analysis of this location.
- Fort Weaver Road/Kamaile Street Intersection Traffic Lights: DOT sent a letter to the developer of the subdivision in July 2012 requesting a signal warrant at the intersection. DOT will send a follow up letter requesting the status of the signal warrant analysis.
- Fort Weaver Road and Ewa Beach Road/Kilaha Street Intersection Traffic Lights: DOT is awaiting traffic volume counts to perform a signal warrant analysis. The results from the traffic volume counts will be concluding shortly.
- Papipi Road/Hailipo Street and Kapolei Parkway Crosswalk Request: The intersection is maintained by the City.
- Fort Weaver Road/Hapalua Street Crosswalk Request: DOT does not recommend installing a marked crosswalk at this location. DOT observed the intersection and found that a total of two (2) pedestrians crossing before school and no pedestrians crossing after school. For such a low number of pedestrians, DOT prefers individuals to use the existing crosswalk at Ewa Beach Road and Kilaha Street. DOT does not feel it is unreasonable to walk less than 250 feet to use the existing crosswalk.
- Senate Appointment: Lieutenant Governor Brian Schatz was appointed to take Senator Daniel Inouye's

seat. State Senator Shan Tsutsui has now taken on the role of Lieutenant Governor.

- Technology Transformation: The State will be undergoing an overhaul of its Information Technology (IT) over the next two (2) years. Personnel will be looking into what types of forms can be made for public view on the State's website.
- State of the State: The Governor will hold his State of the State address on January 23, 2013. \$70.2 million were allocated to Capitol Improvement Projects (CIP) during the last quarter. \$500,000 has been allocated to perform a flood study in Makaha Valley.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. Board of Education (BOE) Representative: A Board member requested a BOE representative attend future Ewa Neighborhood Board meetings.
2. Crosswalk: A Board member expressed the need for a lit crossing at the Makule Road/Fort Weaver Road intersection, fronting Ilima Elementary School. It was noted there are a lot of children traversing the area during morning hours.

Senator Will Espero – Senator Espero circulated a newsletter and reported that he has been appointed Majority Floor Leader and chair of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs. It was also reported that evening construction on the H-1 to create the P.M. zipper lane and fix potholes will continue into 2014. Espero noted that he is working with DOT to start work on the leeward bikeway by the end of 2013. 2010 Grant-in-Aid applications are due January 31, 2013.

Senator Mike Gabbard – Rock Riggs circulated a newsletter and invited the public to Senator Gabbard's office for the opening day of the legislative session. Riggs noted that there will be free kidney screenings for the first 125 people at the Mill Town Golden Coin on January 19, 2013, from 8:00 to 12:00 a.m. For more information call 589-5903. It was also reported that Senator Gabbard will be holding his next Listen Story on January 12, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., at the Ewa Zippy's.

Representative Bob McDermott – A representative was not present; a report was not made available.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Homeless Issues: A Board member noted that Representative McDermott has been working on homeless issues and thanked him for his services.

Representative Rida Cabanilla – A representative was not present; a report was not made available.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Capitol Improvement Projects (CIP): A Board member reported that the Representative had sent a letter seeking ideas for CIP proposals in the district. Suggestions are due by January 16, 2013. It was noted that the same applies for all state legislators.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board recessed at 8:25 to allow the next presenter to set up his presentation. During the recess, Steiner departed the meeting. Following the recess, nine (9) members present.

Mobi PCS Antenna Proposal – Carl Young reported that Mobi PCS is planning to install a 100-foot antenna on the West Loch Fairways property. The antenna will be placed on West Loch Fairways, bordering Asing Park, between the Asing Park tennis courts and community center. The antenna will be outfitted to either look like a pine or a palm tree to help blend it with its surroundings. A slide presentation was provided giving renderings of what one could expect to see if the antenna is constructed as proposed. Several other locations were considered; however, the proposed location provides better access to utilities.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. West Loch Homeowner's Association: A Board member asked and it was clarified that the West Loch Homeowner's Association is aware of the proposal and were informed of the presentation being shown before the Board this evening.
2. Compensation: A Board member cited a similar presentation regarding a proposal to construct a Verizon antenna and noted that the compensation from the company for placing the antenna on the property was not sufficient. It was asked and clarified that West Loch Fairways will be compensated for allowing Mobi to place an antenna on their property.
3. Distance: A Board member asked and it was clarified that the proposed antenna will be placed 200-feet from the nearest playground.
4. Association Approval: A Board member asked if the West Loch Homeowner's Association approved of the project. Bob Hopestein of the West Loch Homeowner's Association reported that the West Loch Homeowner's Association has been in discussion about the proposal for over a year. It was noted that Mobi had made multiple presentations; however, the homeowner's could not come to a consensus to either accept or reject the proposal. The Board ultimately decided to approve the proposal by Mobi. It was noted that there were concerns regarding radiation from the antenna.
5. Color: It was suggested painting the antenna a different color to better blend it in with its surroundings.
6. Microwaves: It was asked and clarified that the antenna does emit low frequency microwaves.

Fevella moved, and Hartsell seconded to approve the Mobi antenna proposal. The motion was ADOPTED, 8-0-1 (Aye: Boucher, Bresslauer, De Jesus, Fevella, Hartsell, McCurley, Rathbun, and Weinberger Abstain: Knauer).

Hoakalei Cultural Foundation – Kefa Maly circulated a handout and made a presentation regarding the history, mission, and activities of the Hoakalei Cultural Foundation. It was reported that the foundation looks to pass down knowledge from kupuna, educate, and to preserve culturally significant resources of the Honouliuli Ahupuaa. A slide presentation was provided demonstrating the various structures, animals, plants, and areas of cultural significance. The foundation has organized various cleanups in the area; including major cleanups of the Oneula shoreline. Since September 2012, community members have worked together to clear 100 tons of trash along the Oneula-Honouliuli shoreline. There is another scheduled cleanup on January 26, 2013, at 8:00 a.m., at Oneula Beach Park. For more information call Kefa Maly at 563-0787 or visit www.hoakaleifoundation.org.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Mahalo: Multiple members of the community thanked Maly for his service to the community.

Fevella departed at 9:14 p.m.; eight (8) members present.

Discussion on State Legislative CIP Proposals – De Jesus reported that he would accept and forward any State CIP proposals to area legislators; or if community members decided to, they could do it as individuals.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Parks: It was suggested submitting any proposals regarding park or recreation center improvements in now.

COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS:

Consumer Affairs – None.

Education, Sports, and Arts – None.

Government, Legislative, and Military Affairs – None.

Health and Social Services – None.

Parks and Recreation – Rathbun reported there will be a meeting on January 16, 2013, at Asing Park.

Planning, Permitting, Zoning, and Environmental – Rathbun reported that the City Council has tabled the Ewa Development Plan. Rathbun will continue urging the council to vote.

Public Safety and Community Affairs – Boucher reported that the tsunami readiness program will be discussed at the March meeting.

Traffic and Transportation – De Jesus invited the community to submit any transportation issues to him.

Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization – Rathbun encouraged the community to participate in the OMPO public listening sessions on February 21, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., at Ewa Elementary School.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Board Committee and Members – Consideration of restructuring Board committee and members at to be considered at the next regular Board meeting February 14, 2013.
2. Election of 2013 Neighborhood Board – Oahu residents at least 18 years of age by February 15, 2013 may run for their respective Boards. The deadline to apply as a candidate is February 15, 2013. Mailed forms must be postmarked by the deadline date and received by February 22, 2013
3. Next Meeting – Scheduled for Thursday, February 14, 2013 at the Ewa Beach Public Library, 91-950 North Road, at 7:00 p.m.
4. Broadcast – Regular Board meetings are broadcasted every 1st Tuesday at 9:00 p.m. on Olelo Channel 49 and 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 12:00 noon on Olelo Digital Channel 54

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Submitted by: Kazuaki McArthur, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Nola Frank, Neighborhood Commission office staff; Ariel De Jesus, Chair