



## NORTH SHORE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 27

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### **DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2013 HALEIWA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFÉTERIA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Mike Lyons called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **Quorum was established with 13 members present.** Note – This 15-member Board requires eight (8) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present** – Leif Andersen (arrived at 7:39 p.m.), Moana Bjur, Tammy Ann Escorzon, John Hirota, Roberts “Bob” Leinau, Michael Lyons, Blake D. McElheney, Antya Miller, Jacob Ng, Kathleen Pahinui, Carol Phillips, William “Bill” Quinlan, Warren Scoville, Thomas Shirai, and Patrick Vega.

**Board Members Absent** – None.

**Vacancies** – None.

**Guests** – Frank Kimitch; Captain Dan Johnson and Lieutenant-Colonel Rich Gordon (Army); Kimball and Lynn Dodds; Jack and Tonya Reid; Mark Yonamine (Mayor’s Representative); James Estores; Fire Fighter 3 Sean Tateishi (Honolulu Fire Department); Andrea Woods and Jeannie Martinson (Sunset Beach Community Association); Mike Takahashi; Faith M. (STHA); John Bain; Jeff Scott; Ruth Gerrity; Sheryl Bieler; Bob Schieve; Sharlyn Foo; Pamela Whitman; Bob Pedrazzini, Ev and Linda Fritz; Stew Ring (Mokuleia Community Association); Andrea and Richard Davis; Robert and Florine Robinson; Mary Pratt; Major Groosi, Captain Mark Ward, Sergeant Eli Walters, and Lieutenant Gordon Lum Kee (Honolulu Police Department); Catherine St. Germans; Peregrile St. Germans; Bruce Bellows; Beau Sheil; Scott Gordon; Joe Wilson; Alix Forgenon; Jamie Kocher (TWBCPC); Cody Rose (DOC); Tim Vandever (Defend Oahu Coalition); Sandra Thomas; Mark Takemoto; Will Schoettle (Haleiwa Town Center); Kalani Fronda (Kamehameha Schools); Representative Lauren Cheape; and Kazuaki McArthur (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

**PLEDGE OF AGLLGIANCE:** Shirai led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and Hawaii Pono.

Lyons announced that representatives from Turtle Bay would not be present to address agenda item VI-C Turtle Bay Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS).

#### **CITY MONTHLY REPORTS:**

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)** – Fire Fighter 3 Sean Tateishi reported the following;

- **January 2013 Statistics:** Included 2 rubbish fires, 1 vehicle fire, 73 medical emergencies, 15 search/rescues, and 26 miscellaneous calls for service.
- **Safety Tip:** Have dryers installed and serviced by a professional. Do not use the dryer without a lint filter. Clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum. Flexible or rigid metal venting material should be used to sustain proper air flow and drying time. Ensure the air exhaust pipe is not restricted and the outdoor vent flap opens when the dryer is in operation. Remove lint from the vent pipe or have a dryer lint removal service do it for you if you notice that it is taking longer than normal for your clothes to dry. Maintain the dryer in good working order. Gas dryers should be inspected by a professional to ensure the gas line and connection are intact and free of leaks. Utilize the proper plug and outlet and ensure the dryer is properly connected. Follow the manufacturer’s operating instructions, and do not overload your dryer. Keep the area around your dryer clear of items that can burn, such as boxes, cleaning supplies, and clothing. Clothes that have come into contact with flammable substances, such as gasoline, paint thinner, or similar solvents, should be laid out to dry, and then washed and dried as usual.



Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Lieutenant Gordon Lum Kee reported the following;

- January 2013 Statistics: Included 11 burglaries, 35 thefts, 28 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV), 5 auto thefts, and 6 auto theft recoveries.
- Introductions: Lum Kee introduced Major Groosi, Captain Mark Ward, and Sergeant Eli Walters. Groosi introduced himself as the new major of the district and made himself available for questions.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. Illegal/Unregistered/Uninsured Vehicles: A Board member noted the added stress it puts on beat officers to specifically identify and cite illegal/uninsured/unregistered vehicles. It was suggested that community policing officers monitor the situation. The Board member noted his insurance rate spiked when he was hit by an uninsured vehicle. Groosi noted that beat officers are supposed to be keeping an eye out for illegal vehicles on the road; however, officers must also prioritize incidents that are called in. It was suggested identifying a specific area which is frequented by illegal vehicles and having officers patrol the area and look specifically look for such vehicles.
2. Tourists Thefts: Concern was expressed regarding theft from tourists. It was noted that the crime reduction unit monitors such cases and all officers should be aware of items that are stolen.
3. Drugs: It was suggested providing statistics on drugs and providing a plan to resolve drug issues in the community.
4. Criminal Release: Concern was raised of people being released so soon after being arrested. It was noted that HPD is only part of the judicial system. It was noted that the courts decide how long a person stays in prison. Apprehended individuals need to meet certain criteria charges to be held for an extended period of time. A Board member suggested the lack of prison space as reason for early releases. HPD did not comment on the statement.
5. Yield: It was reported that westbound traffic approaching the Kaukonahua Road/ Wilikina Drive intersection and Weed Circle are not adhering to the yield sign.
6. Noise: Concern was raised regarding loud boom boxes late at night. It was noted that adults as well as juveniles are contributing to the loud noise.
7. Community Help: Jack Lee was introduced to HPD and it was noted that he, as well as other residents are willing to assist HPD.

Mayor's Representative – Mark Yonamine introduced himself and reported that all five (5) Motor Vehicle Division (DMV) locations are now equipped with online cameras to allow residents to monitor lines at DMV locations to help plan when would be the best time to visit a particular location.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Contact Information: It was asked and Yonamine stated that he can be reached at 768-8481.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Ernest Lau reported that the average American household wastes more than 10,000 gallons of water each year due to running toilets, dripping faucets, and other household leaks. In an effort to promote water efficiency and savings, BWS is observing Detect-A-Leak Week from March 18-24, 2013. During the observation, all residents throughout the state are encouraged to check for property leaks and to fix them promptly. Throughout Detect-A-Leak Week, free toilet leak detection tablets will be available to the public at the BWS Public Service Building at 630 Beretania Street, all Satellite City Halls, and City Mill locations. For more information, call 748-5041 or visit [www.boardofwatersupply.com](http://www.boardofwatersupply.com), <http://www.facebook.com/BWSHonolulu>, or <http://www.twitter.com/BWSHonolulu>.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. BWS Head: Lau was asked and clarified that he is the head of BWS. Lau was thanked for his attendance.

2. Monthly Water Bill: A Board member noted she had received her first water bill and did not encounter any problems.

City Council Chair Ernie Martin – A representative was not present; a newsletter was provided.

Treasurer's Report – Leinau read the Treasurer's report and noted expenditures of \$59.15 during the month of January 2013 for printing and postage, and a remaining balance of \$713.83. The report was filed.

U.S. ARMY REPRESENTATIVE: Captain Dan Johnson reported that the Tropic Lightning reopened on February 16, 2013. Lieutenant Colonel Rich Gordon of the 25th Infantry Brigade reported that members of the unit returned back from Afghanistan last month and will begin training in March. The community was thanked for their support and Gordon noted the Army will do its best to keep flight noise levels to a minimum.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. Training Updates: A Board member requested the army keep the community abreast of training in Kahuku and Dillingham. It was also suggested inviting other branches to the Board meeting if they will be conducting similar or joint activities with the Army. The Board members did not want to fault the Army for noise if it was not generated by them.
2. Sequestering: It was asked and clarified that sequestering would not affect any civilian workforce as there are no civilians working within the battalion; however, sequestering may limit the amount of flight exercises that could be conducted.
3. Medi-Vac: It was asked and clarified that the Army is looking to strike a contracts with the City that would allow medi-vac services to be restored and to be used as training for military pilots. A Board member noted that there is a usable landing strip in Kakaako.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **The January 2013 regular meeting minutes were UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED AS AMMENDED, 13-0-0 (Aye: Bjur, Escorzon, Hirota, Leinau, Lyons, McElheney, Miller, Ng, Pahinui, Quinlan, Scoville, Shirai, and Vega).** Corrections included;

1. Page 4 – Under Pake Ditch should read...did a **fairly** good job...
2. Page 5 – Under Exhibitionists should read...polo fields in **Mokuleia**.

AGENDA REQUESTS: None.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Waialua Bike Path – Frank Kimitch reported that the City currently proposes to place a bike “route” along Goodale Avenue, from Farrington Highway to Waialua Beach Road. Kimitch proposed the City implement a bike “path” instead. It was noted that the bike path is a 10-12 foot wide off road shared use path compared to a bike route which is an on street bikeway marked with signage. Kimitch noted that Waialua Bike Paths are a priority-1 project in the Oahu Bike Plan. It was noted that a bike path would provide for better safety and access. It was noted that City Council Chair, Representative Cheape, and Chris Sayers of the Mayor’s Advisory Team on Bicycling have been approached and are supportive of the proposal. Board support was requested to have a bike path on Goodale Avenue, from Farrington Highway to Waialua Beach Road.

Andersen and Phillips arrived at 7:39 p.m.; **15 members present**.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

Board Members: It was noted that several board members are actively working to secure the bike paths for Waialua.

**Pahinui moved, and Ng seconded to support the proposal to place a bike path along Goodale Avenue, from Farrington Highway to Waialua Beach Road as soon as possible.**

Discussion followed;

1. Capitol Improvement Project (CIP): It was noted that the City will soon be seeking suggestions for CIP. It was suggested submitting the proposal to be funded under CIP funding.
2. Commendation: Kimitch was commended for taking initiative on the matter.
3. Private Road: It was noted that Goodale Avenue is a private road owned by Castle and Cooke.
4. All Roads: A map was referred to in the handout. It was noted that Kimitch is only advocating for a portion of all the roads slated to receive bike path or routes. Kimitch noted that he is advocating for the specified portion because it is an area frequented by children and is an area where his wife fell. Kimitch voiced his support for all proposed bike paths in Waialua.
5. Support: A Board member voiced support for the motion and noted that a bike path would also provide for strollers and wheelchairs.

**The motion was UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED, 15-0-0 (Aye: Andersen, Bjur, Escorzon, Hirota, Leinau, Lyons, McElheny, Miller, Ng, Pahinui, Phillips, Quinlan, Scoville, Shirai, and Vega).**

Windmill Resolution – Miller introduced a resolution that **the North Shore Neighborhood Board advocates that no more windmill projects be built in Hawaii; and that the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process be amended to ensure that those properties and people directly impacted by a project be directly informed of those impacts with visual simulations equal to what the human eye sees; that the Secretary is directed to transmit copies of this motion to the Governor, Senate, House of Representatives, Hawaii State Energy Office, the Chair and members of the City Council, the Mayor, the Director of Planning and Permitting, and the Planning Commission of the City and County of Honolulu.**

**Miller moved, and Phillips seconded that the resolution be adopted.**

Discussion followed;

Illegal Document: A Board member stated that the proposed resolution is an illegal document and violated the Sunshine Law.

**Ng moved, and Shirai seconded to defer action on the proposed resolution.**

**Miller called a point of order and noted that she had made a motion first.**

Discussion followed;

1. Clarification: Several Board members asked how the Sunshine Law was violated. It was noted that the windmill resolution was placed on the January 2013 agenda; however, a presentation was not prepared at the time of the meeting and the Chair announced that the issue would be deferred to the February 2013 agenda. Following the January 2013 meeting, a number of Board members gathered outside with community members to gather signatures regarding the windmill resolution.
2. Motions: Lyons suggested taking a vote on both motions and noted that if the motion to defer fails and the motion to adopt the resolution passes, the resolution be sent to the Office of Information Practices (OIP) for review before dissemination. It was noted that if the passing of the resolution is found to be in violation, the resolution would be retracted and brought back before the Board for proper action. Lyons and Miller clarified that she would not be in favor of waiting for an OIP ruling to send out the resolution.

**The motion to defer action on the resolution FAILED, 5-9-0 (Aye: Hirota, Lyons, Ng, Shirai, and Vega No: Andersen, Bjur, Escorzon, Leinau, McElheny, Pahinui, Phillips, Quinlan, and Scoville).**

Discussion Followed;

1. Electrical Grid: It was noted that a number of homes are not connected to the Hawaiian Electric Company's (HECO) electrical grid and depend on windmills to power their homes. It was noted that passing the

resolution would put the Board on record to saying that it does not approve of residents who use and depend on windmills.

2. Neighbor Islands: Concern was raised regarding language in the resolution that would apply to windmills on all islands. It was noted that many ranchers on the outside island depend on windmills to power their ranch. It was suggested the resolution be changed to confine the comments to Oahu only. A Board member expressed that the resolution could be amended to only affect large commercial windmills. However, it was noted that size is relative and that ranches could be considered a commercial entity.
3. Resolution: It was noted that the resolution is only an expression of how the Board feels and it would be up to legislators to decide on actual legislation.
4. EIS Laws: It was noted that the Board may not be in total agreement but the consensus of the Board seems to favor amendments to current EIS laws as it pertains to windmills.
5. Community Opinion: It was noted that the resolution generally expresses the opinion of the community.
6. Involvement: It was expressed that if you are interested in the issue to get involved and not look only at the Board to take action.
7. Errors: It was expressed that the resolution is poorly written and is an illegal document. It was noted that windmills are only one (1) source of green energy being used in Hawaii. It was noted that 5% of Oahu's population benefits from the windmills.

**The motion to adopt the resolution was ADOPTED, 8-3-9 (Aye:** Andersen, Leinau, McElheny, Miller, Pahinui, Phillips, Quinlan, and Scoville **No:** Hirota, Lyons, and Ng **Abstain:** Bjur, Escorzon, Shirai, and Vega).

Turtle Bay Draft Supplemental Impact Statement (DSEIS) – Pahinui declared that she is a member of the Keep the North Shore Country group. Escorzon disclosed that she is a member of the North Shore Strategy Committee. Mike Takahashi and Gil Riviere reported that the investors proposing the Turtle Bay expansion are from out of state and have no obligations to fulfill promises once they develop and sell the property. It was noted the money will go out of state and local residents will be left with any problems caused by the expansion. Proposed plans will increase the current resort by 300%. If the DSEIS is approved, expansion will cause overcrowding and will affect traffic and schools. It was also noted that the DSEIS does not adequately address traffic, electrical, and water impacts. It was suggested the Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) require the DSEIS to be corrected and to be brought before community for review again before any action is taken.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. Ahupuaa: A Board member raised concern with the SDEIS statement that the ahupuaa allowed for hotels.
2. Oahu Burial Council: Concern was raised that a person being appointed to the Oahu Burial Council is a Turtle Bay representative.
3. Traffic: It was noted that there was a major traffic jam on the North Shore during the last Christmas break. Concern was raised with the notion that there will be a 34% increase in traffic due to the development and the fact that there will be 500 additional cars in the road during rush hour.
4. Audience: The audience was asked to raise their hand if they were in favor of the suggestions given by the presenters. Nearly all those in attendance raised their hands.

**Quinlan moved, and Miller seconded that the proposed DEIS not be approved and that Replay be required to do a full presentation of the DSEIS to the North Shore Neighborhood Board to allow all residents the opportunity to get complete knowledge of the plan before any further action is taken.** A letter with the motion was submitted to Board members.

Discussion followed;

1. Addressees: It was noted that Mr. Hooser and Mr. Sumada no longer serve in the capacities listed on the letter.

2. North Shore Sustainable Community Plan: It was noted that the North Shore Sustainable Community Plan is specifically against hotels even if the Kahuku Sustainable Plan allows for it. It was noted that the development will affect the entire north Shore.

**The motion was ADOPTED 12-2-1 (Aye:** Andersen, Bjur, Hirota, Leinau, McElheny, Miller, Pahinui, Phillips, Quinlan, Scoville, Shirai, and Vega **No:** Escorzon and Lyons **Abstain:** Ng).

Homeless Committee – Pahinui reported that the next Homeless Committee is scheduled for April 4, 2013, at the Waialua Community Association. The committee is seeking for additional housing on the North Shore and Wahiawa.

Agriculture Committee – Miller introduced Jeff Scott of the Hawaii Farm Bureau. Scott circulated a list of current bills that the bureau had discussed and supports. It was noted that there are around 75 bills relating to agriculture being considered during the current legislative session.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. Membership: It was asked and clarified that the Hawaii Farm Bureau is comprised of farmers and agricultural businesses.
2. Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO): It was asked and clarified that several GMO bills have been submitted for the current legislative session; however, the Hawaii Farm Bureau has not looked into them yet.
3. General Plan: It was noted there is conflicting language in the General Plan as it pertains to open spaces. It was suggested keeping up the General Plan proceedings.

**Miller moved, and Pahinui seconded to approve the list of bills submitted by the Hawaii Farm Bureau. The motion was ADOPTED, 14-0-1 (Aye:** Andersen, Bjur, Escorzon, Hirota, Leinau, Lyons, Miller, Ng, Pahinui, Phillips, Quinlan, Scoville, Shirai, and Vega **Abstain:** McElheny).

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

1. Bike Path: Concern was raised regarding the City rehiring the same crew to fix the Sunset Beach Bike Paths. It was noted that the crews are doing an unsatisfactory job.
2. Sunset Beach Elementary School: It was reported that Sunset Beach Elementary School will be holding a Family Night on March 8, 2013.
3. Street Repairs: Concern was raised regarding lack of road maintenance on Huelo Lane and surrounding streets. It was noted that the streets are not included on the City's list of priority street repairs.
4. Kaena Point: It was noted that the Kaena Point Advisory Group had provided five (5) recommendations on how to better preserve Kaena Point. It was noted that two (2) of the recommendations were not taken up by Department of Land And Natural Resources (DLNR) Director William Aila Jr., and instead had other ideas of addressing issues. Alternatives to the recommendations have yet to be implemented.
5. Karsten Thot Bridge: Concern was raised regarding the lack of signage regarding the Karsten Thot Bridge repairs.
6. Haleiwa Metric Century Ride: The John B. Kelley Metric Century Ride will take place on April 28, 2013. Set up will be at 5:00 a.m. and the race will be from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The event is expected to draw 900 participants. The Hawaii Bicycle League is also putting on a free summer bike education program for children in grades three through seven. Volunteers are needed for the program.
7. Senate Bill 590: A Board member referred to the list of bills supported by the Hawaii Farm Bureau and noted that the bureau supports SB 590. It was noted that many groups opposed to GMO are also opposed to SB 590.
8. Haleiwa Entrance: The State was thanked for landscaping the entrance to Haleiwa.

9. Oahu General Plan: A timetable was requested on the completion of the Oahu General Plan. It was suggested the Board place the item on a future agenda.
10. Wahiawa Reservoir: It was reported that the Wahiawa Reservoir has risen 80 feet beyond normal due to recent rains.
11. Pake Ditch: It was noted that Kamehameha Schools have yet to clear Pake Ditch as promised. Kamehameha Schools noted that they have found a contractor familiar with the vegetation and natural environment in Pake Ditch and are working to finalize a contract. Following the signing of the contract, the ditch will be cleared.
12. Pesticides: It was noted that Hawaiian ducks frequent Pake Ditch. It was suggested that pesticides not ever be used again in the area.
13. Bus Stop: The City was thanked for moving a recently damaged bus stop.
14. Kamehameha Reservoirs: It was noted that when heavy rains occur, reservoirs overflow and causes dirt to flow to the beaches. It was suggested Kamehameha Schools lower their reservoirs frequently to avoid overflowing should heavy rains occur.

**ELECTED OFFICIALS:**

Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard – A representative was not present; a report was not made available.

Governor Neil Abercrombie – A representative was not present; a report was not made available.

Senator Clayton Hee – Pahinui circulated a newsletter and noted that any community concerns could be transmitted through her.

Representative Lauren Cheape – Representative Cheape reported that she had attended the Waialua High School Open House and read to students at Waialua Head Start. Cheape expressed the importance of submitting testimony on current legislation. Community members were encouraged to visit the Public Access Room portion of the State website to learn how to track bills and to submit testimony.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. Youtube: It was suggested posting bill tracking information on Youtube.
2. Rooftop: A Board member suggested looking into rooftop gardening at the State capitol.
3. House Bill (HB) 486: Support was expressed for HB 486 relating to funding for programs such as Future Farmers of America (FFA). It was noted that Waialua was once one of the nation's top FFA programs. It was noted that Hawaii as a whole does well on a national level with FFA.
4. Kipapa Gulch: Concern was raised regarding road crews shoveling asphalt to fill potholes during rains. It was noted that there four (4) trucks and only two (2) people filling potholes.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Naliipo'aimoku: Encouraged the community to remember Naliipo'aimoku; the grandmother of Mary Kawena Pukui. A list of her accomplishments and history was read.
2. Rock Climbing: A discussion on rock climbing will take place on March 12, 2013, at Haleiwa Elementary School, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
3. Japanese Debris: If community members encounter debris from the 2011 Japan Tsunami, call 587-0400.
4. Emergency Disaster Plan: The North Shore Chamber of Commerce has received funding to put together an emergency preparedness plan. Those interested in discussing and contributing to the plan can contact Board member Antya Miller.

5. North Shore Business Expo: The North Shore Business Expo will be held on May 10, 2013, at Turtle Bay.
6. Next Meeting: The next North Shore Neighborhood Board meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2013, at 7:00 p.m., at the Haleiwa Elementary School Cafeteria, 66-505 Haleiwa Road.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

Submitted by: Kazuaki McArthur, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Nola Frank, Neighborhood Commission Office staff; Mike Lyons, Chair