



KAHALU'U NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 29

(He'eia Kea, 'Ahuimanu, Kahalu'u, Waihe'e, Kaalaea, Waiahole, Waikane, Hakipu'u, Kualoa)

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**DRAFT – REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2012
KEY PROJECT**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair David Henkin called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. **with a quorum of eight (8) members present.** This 15-member Board requires eight (8) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Members Present: Gregory Geboski (arrived 7:07 p.m.), Lee Gomes, David Henkin, Rocky Kaluhiwa (arrived 7:45 p.m.), Ken LeVasseur, Matt Longfellow, Art Machado (departed 7:45 p.m.), Yvonne Nelson (arrived 7:39 p.m.), Brian Nuss (arrived 7:04 p.m.), Flora Obayashi, Lucy Salas, and Alice Taum.

Members Absent: Clifford Loo and Amy Luersen.

Vacancy – There is one seat vacant in Subdistrict 1 (Kualoa-Hakipu`u-Waikane-Waiahole).

Guests: John, Jean, and Chris Tangaro; Byron Ho and Hannah Salas (Waiahole-Waikane Community Association); Lt. Dave Eber (Honolulu Police Department); Paul Zweng (Ohulehule Forest Conservancy); Michael Sakata (City Councilmember Ernie Martin's staff); Marie and George Samudio; Capt. Darrell Kong (Honolulu Fire Department); Clifford Wong; Ka`oi Hulama, Farley Watanabe (United States Army Corps of Engineers); Eileen Mark, Wayne Y. Yoshioka, John Nouchi, and Glenn Moir (City Department of Transportation Services); John Reppun (KEY Project); Forest Frizzell (Mayor's Representative); and Gloria J.P. Gaines (Neighborhood Commission Office Staff).

INFORMATIONAL SESSION:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Deferred.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Lt. Dave Eber reported the following:

- **May 2012 Statistics** – Included 1 assault, 2 auto/motorcycle thefts, 5 burglaries, 12 thefts, and 4 thefts from automobiles (UEMV).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- **Dog Bite Incident** – There was a concern about a dog that bit a 13-year old girl who may lose her vision. HPD was called to the scene and is responsible for citing the owner. It is up to the Hawaiian Humane Society to investigate and determine what should happen to the dog.

The agenda was taken out of order to hear the report from HFD.

At 7:04 p.m., Member Nuss arrived; **nine (9) members present.**

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Capt. Darrell Kong reported the following:

- **May 2012 Statistics** – Included 2 structure, 1 wildland, and 7 rubbish fires; 49 medical emergencies, 1 search and rescue, and 9 miscellaneous calls for service.
- **Fire Safety Tip** – During the summer months, the island is at a higher risk for fires due to dry vegetation and hot weather. Historically, wildland fires were referred to as brush fires; however, the term wildland fire is nationally recognized. It was requested that residents exercise caution when utilizing flame-producing devices, such as fireworks, lighters, or matches as a spark or flame can ignite dry vegetation.



Always follow the manufacturer's directions on the label. As a reminder, keep flame-producing devices away from children.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- Open Fires – Call 911 to report an open fire. Dispatch has a file of “legal burnings” with a permit from the State Department of Health’s Clean Air Branch. If the open fire reported is not on the list, HFD will be dispatched. BBQs and cooking fires are permitted without a permit, as long as the smoke does not pose a health risk. A piggery on Okana Road is on the list of “legal burnings” for cooking slop for the pigs.

The agenda resumed order.

FILL VACANCY: There were no nominations or volunteers to fill the vacancy in Subdistrict 1 (Kualoa-Hakipu`u-Waikane-Waiahole).

At 7:07 p.m., Member Geboski arrived; **ten (10) members present.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Chair Henkin announced the following:

- Guests Sign In – Residents were encouraged to sign the Guest Attendance Sheet.
- Next Board Meeting – The next Kahalu'u Neighborhood Board No. 29 Regular Meeting is Wednesday, July 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at KEY Project, 47-200 Waihe'e Road.
- Candidate Forum – The Candidate Forum is Thursday, July 19, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at KEY Project, 47-200 Waihe'e Road. Invited were candidates for the State House and Senate and the City Council.
- Application for a Variance Hearing – The hearing regarding an application for a variance to retain a lanai encroaching on the front yard at 47-355 Lulani Street (TMK 4-7-21:26) is Thursday, June 21, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. at Mission Memorial Conference Room, Mission Memorial Building, 550 South King Street.

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

- Pet-Friendly City Parks – Ned Busch requested the Board discuss at either its August or September 2012 meeting the issue of making City Parks in Kahalu`u pet-friendly.
- Eviction Notice – Jean Tangaro and her family said the City is trying to evict them from David Chinen's property in Waiahole after they have lived there for 23 years. The Waiahole-Waikane Community Association supports the Tangaros request to take over the lease and farm the land. Chair Henkin referred Ms. Tangaro to Councilmember Ernie Martin's office for assistance and said he would place the matter on the Board's July agenda, if it is not resolved by then..
- Marsh on Makai Side of Waihe'e Road – Rick Towill raised a concern about the marsh on the makai side of Waihe'e Road that the City spent a lot of money to clear, but couldn't maintain because of endangered water birds nesting in that area. The overgrown vegetation needs to be cleared to allow storm flow to drain and to provide nesting habitat. Chair Henkin referred Mr. Towill to Councilmember Martin's office for assistance.
- Walking Distance to School – Member LeVasseur announced that, on Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., the Board of Education (BOE) will have a public hearing on whether to extend the walking distance to school for children from one and one-half mile to three miles (about a one-hour walk). Go to the BOE website to submit testimony or by email.
- School Bus Routes – Member Gomes announced that the BOE will also be cutting back on school bus routes.
- Potholes – Member Salas reported that a constituent is concerned about big potholes before and after the bridge at Ahilama.

INFORMATIONAL SESSION:

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Chair Henkin stated that Barry Usugawa will not be attending tonight's Board meeting and read the following submitted reported:

- Main Break Report – There was one main break reported on Monday, May 7, 2012, which involved an eight-inch cast iron pipe near 47-649 Lamaula Rd installed in 1954. O`ahu potable production for the week ending May 26, 2012 was 147 mgd.
- Annual Water Quality Reports – Each year, the BWS conducts thousands of tests on the water source and distribution system to certify that municipal water meets or exceeds all federal and state safe drinking water standards. The results of those tests are shared with customers in our annual water quality report, which will be mailed to all by July 1st. Digital copies of water quality reports and additional water quality information will also be posted on our website, www.boardofwatersupply.com. Should you have any questions about this report, please contact the BWS Communications Office at 748-5041.
- 2012 Water Conservation Week Poster and Poetry Contests Winners Announced – Two thousand student artists and 270 poets participated in the 2012 Water Conservation Week poster and poetry contests. The contest theme, The Wonder of Water, focused on the value of water and the need to protect and preserve it. The contest winners were announced and recognized at an awards ceremony last month. The full list of winners, an online art gallery, and a short video is available at www.boardofwatersupply.com. Also, these posters and poems will be on exhibit at Kapolei Hale from now through Thursday, June 14; at Windward Mall from Monday, June 18 to Thursday, June 28; at Kahala Mall from Monday, July 2 to Thursday, July 12; and at the BWS Public Service Building Lobby from Tuesday, July 17 to Friday, August 3, 2012.
- Ko`olaupoko Watershed Management Plan (WMP) Update – Bill 48, to amend the O`ahu Water Management Plan by adopting the Ko`olaupoko WMP, passed first reading at the Wednesday, May 9, 2012 Honolulu City Council meeting. The Zoning and Planning Committee will probably hear the bill at their Thursday, June 28, 2012 meeting. Please check the council website for the committee agenda.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

- Drought Status – Marie Sumidio asked whether O`ahu is currently experiencing drought conditions and, if so, does the BWS have a proactive plan to promote water conservation.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) – No representative or report was available. Chair Henkin was informed that MCBH's public affairs office is short of personnel and may not be able to attend every Board meeting. Chair Henkin will forward concerns that need attention to MCBH.

Kane`ohe Bay Regional Council (KBRC) – Member Machado stated that there was no information to report. Chair Henkin noted that, according to the Governor's Report, the State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) is reviewing applicants to fill the vacancy for KBRC Chair. Once the review process is complete, DLNR will submit a list of recommendations to the Governor for selection. Chair Henkin will follow up with DLNR Chair William Aila to try to get a better sense of the timing for filling the vacancy.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Art Machado reported a previous balance of \$408.68. Total expenditures for May 2012 were \$103.90 for printing and postage of agenda and minutes and facility rental payment; leaving a current balance of \$304.78. The report was filed.

PRESENTATIONS ON COMMUNITY PROJECTS:

Update Regarding Response to Flood Damage to Bridge over Waihe'e Stream at Ahilama Road – Farley Watanabe of the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) reported as follows:

- Stabilizing Waihe'e Stream Revetments – The City Department of Design and Construction (DDC) is planning a project to stabilize the revetments on the stream that are partially collapsed. The City Department of Facilities and Maintenance (DFM) has offered to provide an interim measure putting sand bags in the stream to hold up that revetment until DDC secures a permit from the ACOE.
- Required Approvals for Flood Debris Clearance – The ACOE received an inquiry from Representative Jessica Wooley's office seeking clarification about any approvals that the two landowners mauka of the bridge, Mr. Clifford Wong and Mrs. Barbara Oshiro, may need from the ACOE to clean debris out of Waihe'e Stream, as the City has ordered them to do. The ACOE understands that the Governor issued an emergency declaration to provide assistance to the State, the County, and individuals to recover from the flood damage in March 2012. In that executive order, the Governor exempted clean up of

flood-related damage from State and County laws, including Clean Water Act certification from the State Department of Health (DOH). If Mr. Wong and Ms. Oshiro decide to remove debris, they will not need a Clean Water Act certification. Accordingly, the ACOE's position is that no federal permit is required to clean up debris in the stream caused by Mother Nature. The ACOE will, however, require DDC to get a permit to repair the revetment. The ACOE is not requiring a permit for DFM temporarily to stabilize the revetment with sand bags.

- Waikane Bridge Replacement – Watanabe has met with the State Department of Transportation (DOT), which is preparing an environmental assessment (EA) for replacement of the Waikane Bridge on Kamehameha Highway. In about two years, the draft EA will be out for comment, and the public will have a chance to provide input on the DOT's plans. At that time, the engineering specifications would be set in stone, and the ACOE will require a permit to remove and replace the Waikane Bridge.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Stream Debris – Rick Towill raised a concern as to how the ACOE permitting would work when most of the debris was deposited from last October's rain storm, did not get cleaned up and then this year's floods damaged the wall. It would be better to avoid damage in the first place by keeping the stream clean. Watanabe stated that the ACOE participates in meetings with State Civil Defense, and everyone was aware of the potential for flood damage, especially in Waikane, Waiahole, and Waihe'e Streams. The ACOE recommends that, if there is a risk to private property, it is better to clear the stream in case of emergency and apply for after-the-fact approval. The ACOE cannot order the State, County or a private entity to clean up or override State or County laws, but it can make recommendations to protect public property and private property.
2. Schedule for Sandbagging – To fix the revetments, DDC may be able to use a nationwide permit, which allows minor activities in streams. If DDC has all other approvals in hand, it usually takes only about a month to get the ACOE permit. The delay often comes as a result of the DOH certification, which is mandatory.

At 7:39 p.m., Member Nelson arrived; **eleven (11) members present.**

3. Fined by Other Agencies – Mr. Clifford Wong was concerned about being fined by another agency, if he goes ahead and starts cleaning the debris himself. Also, that there should be a way to have all agencies concerned with the stream to be on the same page as the ACOE.

Bill Tam of the State DLNR and Commission on Water Resource Management (CoWRM) reported:

- Permits for Stream Work – CoWRM issues stream channel alteration permits whenever work needs to be done in a stream. In 2003, CoWRM issued a ruling to the DOT to permit regular maintenance on the channels and streams under bridges. Routine maintenance such as manual clearing of rock, silt, and debris and removal of rocks and boulders from non-submerged portions of the stream does not alter the stream. If clearing debris from a stream qualifies as "routine maintenance," stream alteration permits are not required.

At 7:45 p.m., Member Machado departed and Member Kaluhiwa arrived; **eleven (11) members present.**

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Re-aligning the Stream – If clearing work affects the stream flow and the water quality over the long term, it may require a permit. It depends on how much re-alignment is being done. If rebuilding a wall, probably not. Tam suggested that a landowner who knows there will be future floods should get a preauthorization from the Commission by submitting a request for a declaratory ruling from CoWRM ahead of time. By outlining scope of the work, the next time there is a storm the landowner will already have a ruling in hand of the types of things that can be done.
2. Kahalu'u Flood Control Project – John Reppun distributed a copy of documents from 1988 related to the Soil Conservation Service's (SCS) Kahalu'u Flood Control Project. Reppun suggested that the Board revisit the Kahalu'u Flood Control Project by contacting the National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS,) formerly known as SCS, which remains the lead federal agency. He also suggested that the Board invite NRCS to see what can be done. The gravel needs to be pushed aside to get the water

flowing in the middle to the bridge, and rebar is needed to hold up the revetment wall at the Young's property. NRCS may be able to get federal funding to help with these needs.

3. Sandbags – A comment was that the force of the water is too strong for sandbags on the revetment to last long; something stronger is needed. Watanabe stated that sandbags are the least damaging temporary solutions and that there are different types of material in the sandbags that the City can choose from. The ACOE can offer available technology for the City to use. Reppun suggested that gravel from upstream of the bridge could be bagged to stabilize the wall. Watanabe agreed that local material was best, as long as it does not make the water silty.
4. County Responsibility for Clean Up – John Reppun questioned why Mr. Wong and Mrs. Oshiro are required to clear the debris, which comes from a City-owned watershed and got backed up behind a City-owned bridge. Tam noted that state law (HRS 46-11.5) says that, if the City owns the watershed, it is responsible for addressing problems upstream to prevent debris from piling up downstream. Rick Towill said that Maui County has three full-time positions for its conservation plans, while the City and County funds only half a position.
5. Public Information – Watanabe said the ACOE has a website (poh.usace.army.mil) with information about permitting. Tam noted that CoWRM's website has rules and declaratory rulings posted. The latter give a good sense of how CoWRM staff have treated various situations.
6. NRCS Cooperators – Watanabe said that, if a landowner is agricultural cooperator with NRCS, the agency will survey the property and establish a management plan that establishes what actions can and cannot occur. If requested, the survey could define what portion of the stream belongs to the landowner.
7. Permitted Action Group (PIG) – Chair Henkin suggested that it may be helpful to form a PIG to formulate a plan of action, including discussing with NRCS possible approaches to be discussed at a future Board meeting. In addition, the congressional delegation needs to be contacted to ensure adequate funding for the Kahalu`u Flood Control Project.

Kaluhiwa moved and Nuss seconded that the Kahalu`u Neighborhood Board No. 29 write a letter to NRCS, ACOE, and other agencies as deemed necessary to participate in a partnership for stream work. The motion WAS ADOPTED, 11-0-0 (AYES: Geboski, Gomes, Henkin, Kaluhiwa, LeVasseur, Longfellow, Nelson, Nuss, Obayashi, Salas, and Taum; NAYS: None; ABSTENTIONS: None).

8. Follow-Up – Chair Henkin recommended that Member LeVasseur and Mr. Wong follow up with NRCS on a watershed work plan and invite NRCS to attend the Board. Also, it was recommended that the City should follow up with the ACOE on the type of sand bags recommended.

Update Regarding `Ohulehule Forest Conservancy's Proposed Projects in Waikane – Paul Zweng presented a slide show and a handout describing proposed projects in Waikane Valley. Zweng is the owner of both mauka and makai parcels totaling 1,443 acres. Most of the land is in the State Conservation "Resource" subzone. The highest areas are in the Conservation "Protective" subzone, but no activities are planned there. The proposed projects include (1) forest restoration (watershed protection), including fencing to keep pigs out, weeding and planting native species; (2) protection of "Elepaio nesting sites; (3) operation of an agro-forestry cacao farm; (4) restoration of taro growing and the protection of cultural and historical sites; and (5) construction of a single-family dwelling to be used by the Zweng family.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Support from Waiahole-Waikane Community Association (WWCA) – WWCA President Byron Ho distributed a letter from WWCA in support of Mr. Zweng's proposed projects. John Reppun stated the community has always supported agricultural use in Waikane Valley.
2. Non-Profit Status – The `Ohulehule Forest Conservancy is a for-profit entity because Zweng did not want to set up an independent board, which is required for a non-profit. Most of the proposed activities will lose money, but Zweng hopes the cacao farming will be profitable and help fund the forest restoration.
3. Taro Restoration – Zweng is looking to community members to become stewards of the taro lo'i with a long term commitment. The concept is to secure permits to allow taro farming in historic lo'i and then have community groups take it on.
4. Employees – The Forest Restoration Program is done by volunteers. The cacao farming may employ one to two community persons for every five acres, with more people needed at harvest time. Growing cacao is a low manpower operation.
5. Road Improvements – Chair Henkin asked how Zweng prevent illegal use of the roads he proposes to improve. Zweng stated the roads would be kept as dirt roads with turn outs to allow passage of oncoming

vehicles. Gravel will be used to keep roads from eroding. Zweng is helping form the WWCA Trespass Committee, which will work with DLNR and HPD to control illegal off-roading, and is considering installing barriers for the stream.

6. Water Source – The base plan is to use water from the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation, which where the water comes from now. Zweng is also considering using McCandless water lines, but that is not currently the plan.

Obayashi moved and Kaluhiwa seconded that the Kahalu'u Neighborhood Board No. 29 supports in concept the five principal activities of the 'Ōhulehule Forest Conservancy, namely, (1) forest restoration/preservation, (2) preservation of 'Elepaio nesting sites, (3) operation of an agroforestry cacao farm, (4) restoration of taro growing and the protection of cultural and historical sites, and (5) construction of a single-family residence to be used by the Zweng family. The motion WAS ADOPTED, 11-0-0 (AYES: Geboski, Gomes, Henkin, Kaluhiwa, LeVasseur, Longfellow, Nelson, Nuss, Obayashi, Salas, and Taum; NAYS: None; ABSTENTIONS: None). See Attached Resolution.

REPORTS BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Mayor's Representative – City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) Director, Wayne Yoshioka shared the comments DTS has received since changing bus service on Routes 55 and 65 and requested additional feedback from the community:

- Route 55 – DTS received comments that buses on Route 55 are very crowded, even during non-peak hours. DTS is doing load checks to understand better where the “pick up load” is so that service can be modified.
- Route 65 – Residents are concerned that Route 65 no longer goes all the way to the Hygienic Store, leaving a gap in service. Also, eliminating the morning buses along Kamehameha Highway between the Hygienic Store and He'eia has caused problems for residents trying to go to work in Honolulu. In addition, some bus stops along Kahekili Highway were deactivated prematurely, since Route 88A still stops there. The notice posted on the bus stops should have said that Route 65 buses no longer stop there.
- Submitting Comments On-Line – Go the City's website at www.thebusstop@honolulu.gov and submit comments through email; or by calling 768-8365. Submitting through email allows for immediate reply and follow-up to questions. Provide detailed information as to the day, time, and bus route numbers when submitting concerns.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Public School Students – A concern was raised about how the bus service changes would affect public school students who would no longer have school bus service. Yoshioka stated that the City asked the State Department of Education (DOE) not to cut service, especially in rural areas, because City buses would be unable to handle the increased usage. Since cuts are occurring, the City asked DOE to inform DTS of the school bus plans before school session start. DTS will try to work with DOE.
2. Twenty-four Hour Bus Service – The only 24-hour bus service is on the Waianae Coast. Route 40 at 3:00 a.m. is full and is an example of true need of service. Yoshioka said that DTS cannot provide 24-hour service on the Windward side without taking service away from some other area. Member Kaluhiwa suggested that DTS provide night service once every two hours.
3. Notification of Bus Route Service Changes – A concern was raised about inadequate advance notice of service changes. Yoshioka said that changes to bus service routes were handed out on the bus and a flyer was posted on the fare box.
4. Park and Ride – The Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club met with DTS about a park and ride for the Kaneohe Transit Center at Ala Loa Street. The Ala Loa Street property is owned by Kamehameha School. DTS is also considering a park and ride on Kawa Street.
5. Connectivity to North Shore – Members Geboski and Gomes stated that there is now no good connection for 'Ahuimanu residents to travel to the North Shore. Yoshioka asked that residents notify DTS and explain in detail their personal experience when trying to get to North Shore on the bus.

At 9:48 p.m., Member Gomes departed; **ten (10) members present.**

6. Bus Route 55 – Chair Henkin stated he rode Bus Route 55 at 8:48 a.m., which DTS considers non-peak hours, from Kane’ohe to Honolulu and the bus was packed, with people standing. A slide show was provided. Henkin suggested that DTS move the transition from peak to non-peak bus service later in the morning.

At 10:00 p.m., Neighborhood Assistant Gloria Gaines left the meeting. The remaining agenda items will be recorded and submitted by Secretary Longfellow.

Mayor’s Representative Forest Frizzell further reported:

1. Bus Stop Numbers – TheBus’s stop field service maintenance crew is working to install identification numbers at bus stops. Vandals are removing the numbers faster than the crew can put them up, but the crew is working on the problem.
2. Cross Walks on Hui ‘Iwa – DTS is evaluating the installation of cross walks and stop signs on Hui ‘Iwa behind the Temple Valley shopping center and should complete the evaluation by the next Board meeting.
3. Notice of Public Meetings – To receive notice of public meetings and other information, the public should follow the City on Facebook and Twitter. It is often hard to get media outlets to report this information.

Governor’s Representative – Since no representative was present, Chair Henkin read the following report:

1. Hurricane Awareness Month – June 1 marked the beginning of the annual hurricane season in Hawai’i. Residents are encouraged to develop family and business disaster plans, create disaster supply kits and stay aware of current weather conditions.
2. Revenue Projections – The Council on Revenues has kept a 12 percent growth forecast for the current fiscal year, but lowered the revenue projection for next fiscal year (2012-13) from 7.5 percent to 5.3 percent, a decrease of \$110 million.
3. Project Labor Agreement – Governor Abercrombie declared by Administrative Directive that the state is implementing a Project Labor Agreement plan to ensure timely and efficient completion of various state construction projects.
4. Status of Kane’ohe Bay Regional Council (KBRC) Chair Vacancy – DLNR is reviewing applicants for the KBRC Chair’s position. Once the review process is completed, DLNR will submit a list of recommendations to the Governor for selection.
5. Mobile Trailers at He’eia Kea Pier – Kama’aina Kidsacquired trailers that are currently sitting at He’eia State Park. They have offered the State Division of Conservation and Resource Enforcement a trailer to use as their substation. The initial offer has just been extended and negotiations are just beginning.

Council Chair Ernie Martin – Council Chair Ernie Martin reported:

1. Restroom Maintenance at Kualoa Beach Park – According to the Department of Parks and Recreation, two groundskeepers monitor the restrooms for cleanliness until early afternoon.
2. Bus Route Changes – Chair Martin stated that the Council has established a “fare box ratio” that requires 27 percent to 33 percent of the buses operating expenses to be paid from fare receipts. Thus, when fuel costs increase, either fares must go up or service must be cut. There is currently a proposal to increase the fare box ratio, but it won’t go far. Chair Martin is working with DTS Director Yoshioka to look at other funding sources to restore services. He also will revisit the fare box ratio to see if it should be lowered. Ultimately, it is up to the Mayor to set priorities, and the Mayor refused to consider cutting the City Office on Culture and the Arts and Office of Economic Development. In the future, the Council will consider cutting them. The Council is looking for federal funds to provide temporary relief, especially for underserved communities.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Assessing Bus Service Cuts – Member Gebowski asked if there was an integrated system to figure out the overall effect of the bus route changes. Chair Martin said that a study was done, but was performed by a mainland firm, which caused some controversy and questions over the study’s accuracy.
2. Modifications to Bus Service – Member LeVasseur asked if it was possible to have a bus connection in an empty lot near the Hygienic Store to allow Route 65 to connect with Route 55 and still turn back down

Kahekili Highway. Chair Martin suggested that the public continue to provide that type of feedback to DTS.

3. Board Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Priorities – Chair Henkin asked if the Board's CIP priorities had made it into the budget. Chair Martin confirmed that they had.

Senator Clayton Hee – No representative or report was available.

Representative Jessica Wooley – No representative or report was available.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS: The consensus of the Board was to include the following items on the agenda for the Board's regular meeting on July 11, 2012: Election of new officers; the eviction of the Tengaro family from Waihole; and a report from the Permitted Interaction Group that has been meeting with DTS to discuss the changes to bus routes. Chair Henkin encouraged all Board members to consider serving as officers.

APPROVAL OF MAY 9, 2012 REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES: The Board unanimously approved the May 9, 2012 regular meeting minutes, as amended:

- Page 4, appointment of Bus Route PIG: Correct spelling of "Ned Busch."

The Board unanimously approved the May 9, 2012 special meeting minutes as submitted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Member Kaluhiwa provided the following report for the Preservation of Hawaiian Heritage Committee:

1. Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club Fundraiser – On July 28, 2012, from 4-9 p.m., the Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club will hold a fundraiser at Aloha Tower, which will include a concert with dinner.
2. Song Contest – The Ko'olaupoko Hawaiian Civic Club is sponsoring a song contest, with three categories (professional, amateur and Hawaiian language). All songs must pertain to Ko'olaupoko. The deadline for submissions is August 1, 2012, and winners will perform at Windward Mall in September.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Submitted By: Gloria Gaines, Neighborhood Assistant
Reviewed By: Theona Kapoi, Neighborhood Commission Office

Submitted By: Matt Longfellow, Secretary
Reviewed By: David Henkin, Chair

ATTACHED RESOLUTION:

**RESOLUTION
REGARDING OHULEHULE FOREST CONSERVANCY**

At its Wednesday, June 13, 2012 regular meeting, the Kahalu`u Neighborhood Board No. 29 unanimously adopted the following resolution:

The Kahalu'u Neighborhood Board supports in concept the five principal activities of the 'Ōhulehule Forest Conservancy, namely, (1) forest restoration/preservation, (2) preservation of 'Elepaio nesting sites, (3) operation of an agroforestry cacao farm, (4) restoration of taro growing and the protection of cultural and historical sites, and (5) construction of a single-family residence to be used by the Zweng family. This support is based on the information presented at the Kahalu'u Neighborhood Board's June 13, 2012 meeting and is subject to revision or even possibly complete withdrawal should new information regarding the above five proposed activities come forth that is inconsistent with the purpose and mission of the Kahalu'u Neighborhood Board.