



NANAKULI-MAILI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 36

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013 NANAIAKAPONO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Hanalei Aipoalani called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Quorum was established with seven (7) members present. Note – This nine (9) member Board requires five (5) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present – Hanalei Aipoalani, Polly “Granny” Grace, Dixie Kalamau, Richard Landford, Henry “Kaiawe” Makaanani (Arrived at 7:50 p.m.), James Manaku Sr., Cynthia Rezentes, and Patty Teruya.

Board Members Absent – James “Kimo” Kelii.

Vacancies – None.

Guests – Shirley Landford (LLHCC); Lemonie Kolowena; Charles Zhan (Neighborhood Commission); Shaun Chillingworth, Maile Keliipio Acoba, and Samantha Hudson (Kamehameha Schools); Stacelynn Elli (Representative Karen Awana’s Office staff); Nohealani Benicarlo; Keoni Mattos (Board of Water Supply); Geanine McIntosh (Senator Maile Shimabukuro’s Office staff); Glenn K. Miura and Matt Chung (CDS INTL); Ana Piozdev; Kiran Polk and Louis Galdeira (Councilmember Kymberly Pine’s Office staff); Elroy Victorino; Mel Kahele (IW 625); Al Frenzel (Waianae Coast Neighborhood Board); Jack De Feo; Alice Greenwood (Concerned Elders of Waianae); Representative Jo Jordan; Natalie Iwasa (Cycle on Hawaii); Leslie McKeague ; Victor Flint (NAVFAC); John Kaopua III; Elizabeth Ahana; Richard Burns, Captain Glin Nelson (Honolulu Fire Department); Don Aweau (Mayor’s Representative); and Will Nhieu (Neighborhood Assistant).

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS:

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – A representative was not present; a report was not provided.

Mayor’s Representative – Don Aweau reported that neither the City Department of Transportation Services (DTS) or HPD are in charge of opening the privately owned Waianae Coast emergency Access Road; however, the on-duty watch commander of the Kapolei Police Station will determine if the access road should be utilized and shares the authority with other first responders.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. **Emergency Access:** It was noted that the community was previously informed by HPD that the highest ranking HPD official at the scene of an incident had the authority to grant access to the emergency access road. It was asked when and why the procedure was changed, and why the community was not informed.
2. **City Pavement Report:** It was noted that the City Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) conducted an island-wide road report. Statistics on the District 1’s road conditions was requested.
3. **Emergency Access Road Ownership:** Concern was raised that the Mayor’s report listed the emergency access road as private. It was noted that city funds were appropriated for the construction of the road. It was asked if the road was a public or private road.
4. **Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO):** Concern was raised that nobody answered the phones at the NCO after several attempts. Aweau noted that the NCO is currently understaffed.
5. **Crossing Guard:** Concern was raised regarding the lack of a crossing guard at Nanakuli Elementary School. A Board member noted she had had discussions with HPD regarding the matter. Community members were encouraged to volunteer to become a crossing guard.



6. Camping Fees: A Board member noted that the newspaper had an article listing camping fees for City parks. However, the article did not list any of the beach parks along the Waianae Coast. It was asked if camping fees would be applied to parks along the Waianae Coast. Aweau noted that the fees are most likely applied to all City campgrounds.
7. Puuhulu Community Park: It was asked when the Puuhulu Community Park comfort station would be constructed. It was reported that many sports teams use the area and have no place to use the bathroom. It was noted that Community Benefits Advisory Council (CBAC) funds were used to construct a basketball court but no bathrooms were ever made.
8. Tourist Accommodations: It was noted that out of state visitors were recently involved in an accident and had their car totaled on Farrington Highway in Nanakuli. It was reported that the visitors were left stranded with no mode of transportation. Concern was raised that with Hawaii being a tourism driven state; visitors were left stranded. It was reported that Chair Aipoalani transported the visitors back to where they were staying.
9. Theft: It was reported that 20 iPads and 10 laptops were stolen from Waianae District Park. It was noted that the equipment was purchased with CBAC funds for community classes. Concern was raised that there was no mention of the theft on the news. It was noted that the Waianae Coast Neighborhood Board has discussed the issue with Representative Jo Jordan.
10. Nanakuli Avenue Speeding: A volunteer crossing guard raised concern of speeding on Nanakuli Avenue. It was noted that the previous HPD watch commander had agreed to implement certain measures to address speeding in the area. It was reported that the old watch commander has been transferred and that the new watch commander has no idea of past agreements. It was suggested the situation be brought up with the Police Chief. It was suggested a police officer be stationed along Nanakuli Avenue during morning hours.
11. Recognition: It was suggested the Board recognize Board member Kalamau, Richard Jones, and his wife for their dedication to increase the safety for children on Nanakuli Avenue.
12. Pedestrian Overpass: It was suggested a pedestrian overpass be constructed near the blind curve on Nanakuli Avenue to allow children to cross safely.
13. Bill 5: It was noted that night fishermen are allowed to fish on State-regulated shorelines; however, City ordinance currently restricts access to City-regulated beach parks after it closes. It was reported that Bill 5 is being heard by the City Council to amend park rules to allow individuals to traverse City beach parks to gain access to shorelines. A Board member suggested placing the item on a future agenda. It was noted that park closure hours were implemented to prevent homeless individuals from sleeping in parks; however, many leeward coast families who rely on night fishing are being negatively impacted. Concerns were also raised of fishermen not being able to park at the beach park while fishing.
14. Makaha Beach Park: City Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) Director was invited to attend the Buffalo Big Board surfing competition at Makaha Beach to discuss the Makaha Beach Park Master Plan and the impacts the States Makaha bridges and bypass road would have on the beach and master plan.

City Councilmember Kymberly Pine – Louis Galdeira circulated a report and reported the following;

- Nanakuli Avenue Speeding: Councilmember Pine has been in contact with community members regarding the speeding on Nanakuli Avenue. It was reported that HPD has been contacted to set up speed feedback signs and implement other measures to address speeding in the area. Councilmember Pine is also looking at long-term solutions to address speeding. Community members were thanked for getting involved.
- Potholes: Community members were encouraged to call the pothole hotline at 768-777 to report potholes.
- Maili Beach Park: Maili Beach Park construction includes parking lot expansion and implementation of exercise equipment. Both projects are anticipated to complete in 18 months.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed;

1. Roads: A Board member requested Councilmember Pine obtain the City pavement report for District 1 which lists the status of roads and potholes in the area. It was suggested the Councilmember advocate for better roads due to the increase of commercial traffic.
2. Bill 5: It was suggested Councilmember Pine look into Bill 5 as it affects many fisherman along the coast.
3. Nanakuli Avenue Crosswalk Funding: A Board member noted that Senator Shimabukuro is working on getting Capitol Improvement Project (CIP) funding for crosswalks on Nanakuli Avenue.
4. Native Hawaiian Rights: A community member asked the Board if they supported Native Hawaiian rights and if the Board supports Bill 5. A point of order was called and the community member was asked to address all comments to the chair. A Board member noted that park closure hours were not agreed to with the intent to limit Native Hawaiian gathering rights.
5. Speed Humps/ Bumps: A community member suggested installing speed bumps/humps to help curb speeding on Nanakuli Avenue.
6. School Crossing Sign: A school crossing sign was reported missing on Nanakuli Avenue.

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain Glin Nelson reported the following;

- January 2013 Statistics: Included 2 structure fires, 7 rubbish fires, 73 medical emergencies, and 43 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.

Military Representative: No representative was available to share their report.

RESIDENTS/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- 1) Nanakuli Avenue still continue to having vehicles that speed up and down the road during school session; 2) the commercial activity in the City Parks have shown an increase, and the parks/campsites should look better shape if the City plans to charge and fee; 3) the CBAC funds are for the community and the City should release these funds as in the past.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AGENDA

41.1 Approval of January 15, 2003 Regular Meeting Minutes – The regular meeting minutes was deferred for approval.

4.2 Approval of February 19, 2013 Regular Meeting Agenda – Motion to approve agenda was unanimously moved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Kalaeloa Advisory Team update – No update at this time.

5.2 Transportation/OMPO - Landford encourage everyone to attend his Transportation Committee meeting held on the third Thursday, monthly at the Maili Community Park.

5.3 Planning & Zoning – Grace provided the dates of the P&Z Committee and announced the presentation of concern projects that the P&Z Committee will discuss.

5.4 Education –

5.5 Parks and Recreation/Parks Beautification –

5.6 Housing – Committee Chair Rezentos announced that the Housing meeting will recess to allow for members to attend the OMPO community meeting to be held on the same evening from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at Wai'anae High School.

5.7 Agriculture – Committee Chair Makanani announced their meeting dates and also added to the attention of the City's Agriculture liaison.

BOARD BUSINESS

6.1 Chair's Report – No report at this time.

6.2 Treasurer's Report – Grace informed the NA from the Neighborhood Commission Office to check on the board's banner and provide the board with an update.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.4.1 Update on Kamehameha School Ka Pua Initiative, namely the development of the Kamehameha Community Learning Center in Maili (former Voice of America site) by Ms. Kalei Kailihiwa, Director of Community Programs (recommended by Education Committee) – At this time, Ms. Kalei informed the board that the Kamehameha School's Ka Pua Initiative is seeking community input to confirm and help design educational programs offerings on the Waianae Coast. She described that the program is a long term commitment to excellent education strong community, and a committed presence on the Wai'anae Coast. The vision is a healthy, vibrant Native Hawaiian community whose youth and families lead locally and globally, firmly grounded in knowing who they are and where they come from. The Ka Pua Initiative is a collaborative endeavor between Kamehameha Schools, the Hawaii State Department of Education (DOE) and a number of community organizations serving the coast. Interested community members will participate in activities to further confirm the programs and needs to support a learning community on the Wai'anae Coast.

Members thanked Ms. Kaikihiwa for updating the board and the work they have done for this program and the Wai'anae Coast.

6.4.2 Update on Nanakuli Public Library design and construction by Mr. Glen Miura – Miura provided the board with an update on the project and also added that the funds are not release yet for the entire project. They are hoping that the State Legislature this year will release the construction funds with the Governor's support and signature. Questions on the amplifier conference room was questioned due to the same type of conference meeting room was being proposed with the Nanakuli Community project under the Department of Hawaiian Homestead (DHHL), with Kanahale and Watson's project. Others spoke in favor of the project and mentioned that the Library is suitable and well located.

6.4.3 Safe Bicycle Routes to School presentation by Ms. Natalie Iwase (recommendation by the Education Committee) – Ms. Iwase distributed safety bicycle brochures explaining and encouraging bicycling as an alternative mode of transportation to motor vehicle travel and encourages the adoption of mutual respect between motorists and bicyclists to enhance safety for all road users, including bicyclists. Bicycles on the roadway are by law vehicles with the same rights, and responsibilities as motorized vehicles. Our bicycle programs focus on the behavior of bicyclists and motorists towards bicyclists to reduce bicycle injuries and fatalities on our nation's roadways.

Recommendation was support by the board and Ms. Iwase was thanked for her presentation.

6.4.5 Update on City's Waimanalo Gulch Sanitary landfill Community Benefits package by Ms. Jackie Spencer – At this time, this item was discussed with frustration due to the missing items that was stolen from the Wai'anae District Park complex and was not publically discuss in the community or news media. Spencer also notified the board that the CBAC funds are not being released by the administration and because of this, the funds may now lapse and jeopardize past projects.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

7.1 Governor Neil Abercrombie – Ms. Keali’l Lopez was in attendance and provide her report of the Governor’s goals and vision for 2013.

7.2 Senator Maile Shimabukuro – report distributed and highlighted the Legislative matters.

7.3 Representative Karen Awana – Staff Stacey Eli attended the meeting for Representative and highlighted the representatives reports.

7.4 Representative Jo Jordan - Representative Jordan distributed her report and was in attendance in the meeting to discuss the bills she introduced as well as the following up issues in the community she serves. Representative was kindly thanked for her monthly attendance and appreciated she expanded her district and attend the Nanakuli-Maili NB meetings.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were no announcements at this time.

ADJOURNMENT: Without any further objections, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Aipoalani, as he thanked everyone who attended.

Minutes submitted by:

Patty Kahanamoku Teruya