



PALOLO NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 6

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2010 PALOLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Orange called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with eight (8) members present. This 13 member board requires seven (7) votes to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Eisen, Gladys Gerlich-Hayes, Randy Hack, Paul Holtrop, Darlene Nakayama, Rachel Orange, Earl Shiraki, and Dawn Tanaka.

VACANCY: Dwight Synan expressed interested the in only vacancy for Sub-District Two. The board unanimously voted to accept the nomination of Dwight Synan. Synan fill the final vacant seat of the board and now all 13 seats are filled.

GUEST LIST: Kurt Tsue (Board of Water Supply), Ivan Hoe, Janet Yip (Councilmember Ann Kobayashi's staff), Jaynel Kerakawi, Lt. Gary Lum Lee, Sgt. Clayton Sukekane, and Officer Mark Mitchell (Honolulu Police Department), Dan Smith, Dwight Synan, J. Nekata, Julia Allen, Les Ihara (State Senator), Ann Kobayashi (Council member), Calvin Say (Speaker of the State House), Justin Jansen, Maile Horita, and Dean Harvest (Neighborhood Commission).

CITY MONTHLY REPORT:

HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT (HPD): Lt. Gary Lum Lee reported the following:

- Crime Statistics for March 2010 – 11 burglaries, 1 robbery, 26 thefts, and 5 UEMV for a total of 44 reported written cases for police services.

Questions, comments, and concerns:

1. If an owner of any that dog does not pick up the poop of which a dog has done on a public sidewalk, call 911 to report the violation. Please note a description of the person walking the dog, and a description of the dog or animal. If you know the owner of the animal, please note that to the police dispatcher. Your complaint can also be called into the Hawaiian Humane Society.
2. No information can be released on any ongoing investigation being conducted by HPD.
3. Residences noticed the decline of speeding vehicles since HPD stepped up their enforcement program. Mahalo to HPD.
4. Not all construction sites are required to have a Special Duty Police Officer, companies are now allowed to hire a private company that has trained flag men or other means of temporary traffic control devices.
5. Kudos for the pedestrian traffic enforcement that HPD is enforcing.

BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY (BWS): Kurt Tsue reported the following:

- No main breaks for Palolo District for the month of March.
- Many Oahu communities were first established more than a century ago. As these communities age, major portions of our infrastructure like roads, sewers and water mains are also aging and nearing the end of their useful life spans. The Board of Water Supply (BWS) system includes nearly 2,000 miles of pipeline, with more than 40% between 30 and 60 years old. In an ongoing effort to provide a safe and reliable water supply, BWS carefully manages and plans for the renewal and replacement of its infrastructure.
- The BWS continually analyzes the water system to prioritize which mains need to be replaced. There are four primary factors that BWS takes into account:



- **Condition Assessment:** Utilizing maintenance and main break records for historical data and analyzing the factors that affect pipe longevity, like soil type and pipe material, in a predictive analysis, BWS engineers determine which pipe segments have the highest probability of near future failure.
- **System Improvements:** The BWS identifies areas where the performance of the water system can be improved by adjusting water pressures, increasing main size, or by installing additional fire hydrants.
- **Public Impact:** Higher priority is given to mains along major traffic routes where main breaks will have significant impacts on traffic. Mains serving facilities that provide essential services, such as hospitals, or that serve large numbers of customers are also given a higher priority.
- **Project Coordination:** If there is a possibility to mitigate the impact on residents or motorists by combining projects with other City or State agencies, those projects are also given a higher priority.
- The BWS recognizes the impact construction projects can have on a community. However, these projects are critical to reducing the number of emergency repairs and to ensuring a continued safe and dependable water supply. To find out if the BWS has a construction project in your area, log onto www.boardofwatersupply.com, pull down the "Community" tab, and click on "Construction Projects." Maps of active construction projects are posted by neighborhood board districts. For questions about a BWS construction project, contact the BWS construction section at 748-5730.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. What is the status of the BWS Construction Project on Waiomao Street? What is taking so long?
This project is nearly complete. Crews are currently testing the system and should be complete and out of the area in about a month, barring any unforeseen circumstances. This project originally began about three years ago to replace an aging water main in the area. However, this project had to be reconfigured to convert to a new water system during the construction process because of the elevation and numerous valves that needed to be installed. The changes were made to ensure the safety and longevity of the water system.
2. What is the status of a leak detection investigation on 3325 Kalua Road?
This leak in a 4-inch main was scheduled and repaired on March 27th. The BWS Leak Detection Team is currently checking for leaks in the area of Kuaheha Street.

ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mayor Mufi Hannemann's Representative: Sharon Thom reported the following:

- The 10th Avenue Alliance has been in communication about 3 topics, please refer to the attachment for further info.
 - a) Left turn signal from 10th Ave onto Waiialae Ave.
 - b) 10th Ave between Keanu and Waiialae Ave, restricted parking during 3p-7p.
 - c) 10th Ave makai of Waiialae Ave to become a two way street again.Per Sharon Thom a study is being done and this will take anywhere from 60 to 90 days for the report to be completed. Then a report will be made back to the board.
- Flags to be placed at busy intersections for pedestrians to use while crossing the street. A Warning Strobe/Flashing lights for pedestrian crosswalk project will begin shortly. This will be a push button activation system. Pedestrians still should make eye contact with the drivers to make sure the cars are yielding, before proceeding across the street.
- Will our community be getting the count down pedestrian type traffic signals?
DTS is updating the entire island with this new count down system that is now the standard system.
- Why is the last (upper valley) half of Waiomao Road not paved? Is this a private or city road?
FYI: Board member Eisen claims he spoke with DPP and who ever he spoke with there indicated that Waiomao Road was owned by the city.
- On 7th Ave between Harding / Pahoa Ave need to smooth out the patched work.
BWS had already returned to this location and smoothed out the bumps.

Questions, comments, and concerns:

1. The 5th and 11th Avenue on-ramps to the H-1 westbound are under the jurisdiction of the State DOT.
2. Please paint in the crosswalk fronting the Palolo Hongwanji 1641 Palolo Ave.
3. Graffiti or tagging is occurring to trees on 8th Avenue,
4. Status on the update of the resurfacing project for the tennis, basketball, volleyball and jungle gym playing area at Palolo Park
5. The advance warning system strobe light crosswalk project is a pilot program right now and if it proves to be effective, more of Oahu will see them being installed.

Councilmember Ann Kobayashi: related that her report was here at the table and to please help your self to a copy and highlighted the following:

- Sewer rehabilitation project is in the CIP and \$1.2 million was appropriated.
- The early warning system sirens have been repaired.
- The crosswalk at the Times Market area on King Street is being improved by DTS.
- Council is still working on Bill 78 bulky Waste.
- MSW is being fined \$10k a day for every 10 cubic yards of trash that is not shipped out.
- Graffiti Cleanup Day this Saturday, April 17, 2010 from 8am to 12 noon. Please meet at Prince Kuhio Elementary School.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Status on the plastic bag bill?
2. A rubbish convenience center for bulky waste could be established somewhere in the area.

Speaker Calvin Say: related that his report was on the table and to please help your self to a copy and highlighted the following:

- The concerns at the following locations have been addressed 3415 Paalea St, 3278 Kilihune Place, 10th & Waiialae Avenues.
- Furloughs continue to be a major setback and assistance of \$30 million has been appropriated.
- The Hurricane Relief Fund will be use to assist the State in its short fall of the budget.
- There will be a \$1.05 tax increase on every barrel of oil.
- Please fill out your 2010 US Census form. Theses monies will help the State provide important services.

Questions, comments and concerns:

1. Is there a possibility of using palm oil as an additive to gasoline?

Senator Les Ihara: reported the following:

- HB 444 is still a possibility of passing.
- All stimulus monies for FY 2011 have already been earmarked for programs.

Community Concerns:

1. Letter of status to Mr. Scott Nagao, State Elections Officer regarding the military waiver of 45 days for active duty members.
2. Status on SB 2045 relating to "Human Trafficking".

NEW BUSINESS:

Ryan Leong of Hands in Helping Out will be at the Palolo Gym on Saturday, 17, 2010. Hands in Helping Out will do a clean up of the gym as their community project.

Announcements:

Nominate your favorite road for inclusion as a "Hawaii Scenic Byway" by March 31st, 2010. Visit <http://hawaii.gov/dot/highways/scenicbyways> for details.

Olelo Broadcast Slots: aired on Channel 49 every Wednesday at 9:00 p.m. and online anytime at http://olelo.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=25. For schedule and information, call 834-0007, ext. 133 or email olelo@olelo.org.

Bulky Trash Pick-Up: Take out by the morning of April 21, 2009 (3rd Weds of every month).

May is bike month and the theme is "Make it Safe for me" poster contest.

Contact Rachel Orange at rachelpualani@gmail.com with agenda item requests.

Approval of February 10, 2010 and March 10, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes:

THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 10, 2010 AND THE MARCH 10, 2010 REGULAR MEETING WAS APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.

Treasurer's Report:

Vice Chair Tanaka reported the following, opening balance February 2010 of \$2,239.74, current expenses \$342.70 closing balance of \$1897.67.

Vice Chair Tanaka also reported the following, opening balance March 2010 of \$1,897.67, current expenses \$342.70 closing balance of \$1554.97. Both treasurer's reports were filed.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05pm.

Submitted by:
Dean Harvest
Neighborhood Commission

Reviewed by:
Rachel Orange, Chair