



PĀLOLO NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 6

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 2014 PĀLOLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Pro Tem Beverly Mau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. **Quorum was established with nine (9) members present.** Note - This 13-member board requires seven (7) votes to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present: Frank Farm Jr., Gladys Gerlich-Hayes, Randolph Hack, Beverly Mau, Stephen Maybir, Darlene Nakayama, Earl Shiraki, Shaun St. Vincent, and Michael Weinstein.

Board Members Absent: Paul Holtrop, and Rachel Orange.

Vacancies: There were two (2) vacancies; one (1) vacancy in sub-district 2 and one (1) vacancy in sub-district 3.

Guests: Captain James Ryes Jr. (Honolulu Fire Department), Lieutenant Maurice Asato (Honolulu Police Department), Ross Sasamura (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative), Cliff Kaneshiro (Councilmember Ann Kobayashi's Office staff), Speaker Emeritus Calvin Say, Congressional District 1 candidate Joey Manahan, Dan Smith and Stephen Saito (Neighborhood Commission Office staff).

FILLING OF VACANCIES ON BOARD: There were two (2) vacancies; one (1) vacancy in subdistrict 2 and one (1) vacancy in subdistrict 3.

CITY MONTHLY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain James Ryes Jr. reported the following:

- June 2014 Statistics: There were 0 structure fires, 0 wildfires, 0 rubbish fires, 0 vehicle fires, 25 miscellaneous calls, and 29 medical emergencies.
- Fire Safety Tip – Keiki Safety Plan: With our Keiki on summer break, this is an opportune time to review your home for potentially dangerous conditions. Take the time to childproof your home. Check for situations that may cause electrical shock, accidental falls, and poisoning from unsecured medications, cleaning products, houseplants. Ensure swimming pools are properly fenced and gated. An alarm on the door from the house to the pool can help prevent an unattended keiki from drowning. Keep matches and lighters out of children's reach or in a locked cabinet.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lieutenant Maurice Asato reported the following:

- June 2014 Statistics: There were 3 burglaries, 10 thefts, 2 motor vehicle theft, 2 unauthorized entries of motor vehicles (UEMV).
- Safety Tips- Disaster Preparedness: Have at least 10 days of rations of food and water and make sure that flashlight has spare batteries.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. June 2014 Statistics: Farm voiced concern in regarding the decrease in crime statistic reports from May 2014. Lieutenant Maurice noted that Farm should contact the office tomorrow.
2. Mopeds: Shiraki voiced concern about the dangerous moped drivers. Lieutenant Asato noted that officers are stopping and citing mopeds.

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Dominic Dias was unable to attend and a written memo was circulated. Chair Pro Tem Mau read the following:

- Unthirsty Plant Sale: The Unthirsty Plant Sale will be on Saturday August 2, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Everyone is invited and admission is free. For more information, visit www.boardofwatersupply.com or call 748-5041.
- Summer Water Conservation: Board of Water Supply would like to remind all residents to avoid wasting water. A few simple things to follow:
 1. Check for property leaks
 2. Avoid watering lawns between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

3. Turn off the tap while brushing teeth or shaving.
4. For more tips on how to conserve water, visit www.boardofwatersupply.com.

Honolulu Community Action Program (HCAP): St. Vincent reported that HCAP has been unable to meet to discuss.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Councilmember Ann Kobayashi – Cliff Kaneshiro provided a newsletter and reported the following:

- Palolo Sewer Rehabilitation Pukele Stream Sewer: There will be sewer rehabilitation near Pukele stream behind Ipulei Place and Palolo Place. Crews will be working in the city easement Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Anticipated completion of the project is November 2014.
- Wilder Avenue and Metcalf Street Sewer Rehabilitation: There will be sewer rehabilitation on Wilder Avenue from Metcalf Street to Evelyn Lane. Crews will be working on the roads Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Anticipated completion of the project is July 2014.
- Budget Highlights: Kaneshiro cited various highlights in Operating Budget and Capital Budget including \$5,000,000 for the restoration of bus routes, \$32,000 to fund the Homeless Relocation Initiative, and \$132,000 for the Street Rehabilitation project.
- Recognitions: On Wednesday June 4, 2014, the full Council honor and recognized the Washington Middle School's chess team on being named National Junior High Champions in K-9 Unrated Division at the 2014 U.S. Chess Federation Tournament in Atlanta, Georgia. Full Council Also recognized Lillian Takeda for her 10 years of volunteer service at Kuakini Geriatric Care Facility.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Bus routes: Maybir raised concerns of the traffic congestion and safety from pedestrian and students and if there is any way to reduce traffic. Kaneshiro noted that it is a Department of Transportation (DOT) concern and he will submit a request of investigation to the appropriate department.
2. Fireworks Bill: Shiraki voiced a concern about safety and health when handling fireworks. Kaneshiro noted that the bill was deferred with a shelf life of two years.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative: Ross Sasamura reported the following:

- City News: Sasamura reviewed the June 2014 City News handout.
- Sewers: Pukele Stream Sewer's anticipated construction finish date is Monday August 11, 2014. The Palolo Sewer Rehabilitation is going through planning/ design phase. Construction funds to follow.
- Parks: The Kanewai Community Park Reconstruction of Playcourts and Lighting System project went out to bid.
- Bike Lane: The contractor presently completing paving work. When completed, the striping and markings for the bike lane will follow.
- Palolo Traffic Improvements Project: This project has been deferred due to Right-of-Way certification issues. Will inform the board if the project is restarted.
- Playground Equipment Procurement and Installation: It is the Department of Parks and Recreation's (DPR) understanding that Palolo District Park's playground equipment is scheduled to go out to bid in May or June 2014.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Bike Lanes: Shiraki voiced concern about bike riders. Sasamura noted that the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) encourage safe bike riding.
2. Pool at Palolo District Park: Dan Smith suggested that in regards to working families, that if there could be a way to implement a recreation/ family swim from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Smith suggested usage of kickboards and a lottery for a city-recreation center sponsored swim lesson.
3. Report: Farm requested for a report of bid of results for the Palolo District Park Playground Equipment Project. Wednesday May 14, 2014 Meeting Minutes indicated bid opening scheduled for Friday May 23, 2014.
4. Traffic Lights: Request from community member to install a traffic light at the intersection of Kiwila Street and Palolo Avenue.

Governor Neil Abercrombie's Representative: No representative was present; no report was provided.

State House Speaker Emeritus Calvin Say: Speaker Emeritus Say reported that residents of 9th Avenue suggested to have the middle school cut the hale koa tree down.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Medical Marijuana: Shiraki asked for the status of medical marijuana. Speaker Emeritus Say noted the Department of Health (DOH) will determine what the dispensary of medical marijuana would be in Hawaii. There was no legislation in the decriminalization of marijuana.

Senator Les Ihara, Jr.: No representative was present. No report was provided. If there are any concerns, email senihara@capitol.hawaii.gov.

RESIDENTS'/COMMUNITY CONCERNS:

- Kuwila Street: A resident requested that a traffic light be installed at the intersection for the hazard of those making a left turn.
- Bulky Items: People are dropping off bulky items. Chair Pro Tem Mau responded that these concerns will be referred to Sasamura and Councilmember Ann Kobayashi's Office.

NEW BUSINESS:

Three (3) Absences Rachel Orange: Mau noted that Orange is overseas on a job. No action was taken on Rachel Orange's three (3) absences.

Three (3) Absences Randolph Hack: No was action taken on Randolph Hack's three (3) absences.

Three (3) Absences Stephen Maybir: Maybir noted that his absences were related to school, being sick, and other commitments. No action was taken on Stephen Maybir's three (3) absences.

Election of Officers:

Board Chair: Chair Pro Tem Mau opened the floor for nomination of Chair person. Shiraki nominated Mau for Chair. Noting no other nominees, nominations were closed. **Mau was elected Board Chair, 9-0-0 (Aye: Farm, Gerlich-Hayes, Hack, Mau, Maybir, Nakayama, Shiraki, St. Vincent, and Weinstein).**

Board Vice-Chair: Chair Mau opened the floor for nomination of Vice-Chair. Shiraki nominated Nakayama for Vice Chair. Noting no other nominees, nominations were closed. **Nakayama was elected Board Vice-Chair, 9-0-0 (Aye: Farm, Gerlich-Hayes, Hack, Mau, Maybir, Nakayama, Shiraki, St. Vincent, and Weinstein).**

Board Secretary: Chair Mau opened the floor for nomination of Secretary. Shiraki nominated Weinstein for Secretary. Noting no other nominees, nominations were closed. **Weinstein was elected Board Secretary, 9-0-0 (Aye: Farm, Gerlich-Hayes, Hack, Mau, Maybir, Nakayama, Shiraki, St. Vincent, and Weinstein).**

Board Treasurer: Chair Mau opened the floor for nomination of Treasurer. St. Vincent nominated Hack for Treasurer. Noting no other nominees, nominations were closed. **Hack was elected Board Treasurer, 9-0-0 (Aye: Farm, Gerlich-Hayes, Hack, Mau, Maybir, Nakayama, Shiraki, St. Vincent, and Weinstein).**

Chair Mau called a recess at 7:54 p.m. the meeting reconvened at 8:40 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Bulky Trash Pick-Up: Take out by the morning of Wednesday July 16, 2014 (third Wednesday of every month).
- Farmers' Market: Every Wednesday from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. at Palolo District Park.
- Olelo Broadcast Slots: The Palolo Neighborhood Board No. 6 meetings are aired on Channel 49 the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:00 noon and the 4th Thursday at 9:00 p.m, or online anytime at <http://olelo.org>.
- Social Media: Join us informally at the "Pālolo Valley Community" page on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/107111366012456/>
- Agenda Requests: Contact Chair Beverly Mau by phone number, 220-6626 with agenda item requests.
- Parliament Tree Procedure Training: Mau reminded Board members that on July 19, 2014 9:00 a.m., a Parliament training will be held at the Mission Memorial Auditorium and RSVP the Neighborhood Commission office by contacting 768-3717.

APPROVAL OF THE MAY 14, 2014 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes for May 14, 2014 was **ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY as corrected, 9-0-0; (Aye: Farm, Gerlich-Hayes, Hack, Mau, Maybir, Nakayama, Shiraki, St. Vincent, and Weinstein).** Corrections included the following:

- Page 1: Under “FILLING OF VACANCIES ON THE BOARD”, “seven (7)” should be changed to “two (2).”
- Page 5: Under “APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 12, 2014 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES,” “MARCH 12, 2014,” should be changed to “APRIL 19, 2014.”

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Hack noted a balance of \$430.09 will be return to the City and County’s general funds. Maybir asked if the balance could be used in the future for potluck. Hack noted that funding cannot be used for food and refreshments.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Community Recognition Award: Shiraki requested that the Board add an item to the agenda to open discussion of old business of nominated individuals of Community Recognition. Shiraki moved and Nakayama seconded. **The motion to add to the agenda to open discussion on Community Recognition Award nominees was ADOPTED, 7-1-1; (Aye: Farm, Gerlich-Hayes, Hack, Maybir, Nakayama, Shiraki, and Weinstein. Nay: St. Vincent. Abstain: Mau).** Weinstein had departed the meeting.

Discussion followed:

1. Approval: Shiraki noted that he wanted to have the Board approve Mark Carpenter, Sarah Kamida, Ruth Silberstein, and Chino Montero.
2. Sunshine Law: St. Vincent noted that “[d]ue to the “Sunshine Law”, issues and concerns not listed elsewhere on the board’s agenda may be presented, but no board action may be taken.”
3. Vote: Hack moved and Shiraki seconded. **The motion to approve the four nominees from the May 14, 2014 Meeting (Mark Carpenter, Sarah Kamida, Ruth Silberstein, and Chino Montero) was NOT ADOPTED, 5-1-2; (Aye: Farm, Gerlich-Hayes, Hack, Nakyama, and Shiraki. Nay: St. Vincent. Abstain: Mau, and Maybir).**
4. Committee: Mau recommended that Shiraki work with the committee to come to a decision.
5. Committee Appointment: Nakayama, Shiraki, Hack, and Farm were appointed by Mau to elect a Committee Chair and review the “old business” of “Community Recognition Award” nominees.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Submitted by: Stephen Saito, Neighborhood Assistant I
Reviewed by: Rise Doi, Neighborhood Assistant II
Reviewed and finalized by: Beverly Mau, Chair