



MILILANI/ WAIPIO/ MELEMANU NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 25

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DRAFT- REGULAR MEETING MINUTES **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2015** **MILILANI RECREATION CENTER III**

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Dick Poirier called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m., with a quorum of **14 members present**. Note: This 23 member Board requires 12 members to establish quorum and to take official Board action. Chair Poirier led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Pauline Arellano, Michael Dau, Ann Freed, Corinne Gallardo-Mata, Sabrina Gustafson, B. Pua Iuli, Marilyn Lee, Karen Loomis, Joy Marshall, Trevor Nagamine, Dick Poirier, Charlie Remington, Mary Segura (arrived at 8) p.m.), Carol Siegel, Emil Svrčina and Douglas Thomas.

Members Absent: William “Bill” Bass, Ann Freed, John Norris, Rodney Park, Dane Wicker and Alvin Wong.

Guests: Kathy Bryant and Jordan Bell (U.S. Senator Brian Schatz’s office); Elise Carmody, Captain Duke Kahanu, Firefighter 3 P. Bailon, Firefighter 1 R. Hoopai and Firefighter 1 R. Uyetake (Honolulu Fire Department); Janet Ward (Mililani High School Student Activities Coordinator), Austin Ajimura (Associated Students of Mililani High School), Major Anthony Williams and Captain Heba Bullock (25th CAB, Garrison-Hawaii); Stephanie Burgess (Representative Beth Fukumoto Chang’s office), Tim Schiller, Brandee Schiller, Skyler Robinson, Joy Sanchez, Tyler Lacroix and Chase Wittaker (Mililani High School JROTC Trojan Battalion); Tracy Kubota (Mayor Kirk Caldwell’s Representative/Deputy Director Enterprise Services), Danielle Bass (Representative Ryan Yamane’s office), Councilmember Ron Menor, Scott Ishikawa (Honolulu Rail Project), Dave Amodo (DVDmodo) and Nola J. Frank (Neighborhood Commission office).

Filling of Vacancies: There were no vacancies.

CELEBRATION OF KEIKI MONTH FLAG CEREMONY, NATIONAL ANTHEM, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND HAWAII PONO`I: The Mililani JROTC Trojan Battalion (Mililani high School) posted the colors while the National Anthem pledge and everyone sang Hawaii Pono`i. Chair Poirier led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 2015: **By UNANIMOUS CONSENT, the March 25, regular meeting minutes were ADOPTED as amended, 14-0-0 (Aye: Arellano, Dau, Gallardo-Mata, Gustafson, Iuli, Lee, Loomis, Marshall, Nagamine, Poirier, Remington, Siegel, Svrčina and Thomas; Nay: 0; Abstain: 0).**

- Page 4, Questions, comments and concerns followed, 7 should read, “...\$25 million...”

COMMUNITY FORUM:

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD): Captain David W. Kahanu, Jr. reported the following:

- **March 2015 Fire Statistics:** There was 0 structures, 1 wildland, 2 rubbish and 0 vehicle fires; 56 medical, 0 search and rescues, 24 miscellaneous calls for service. There was 1 major incident, 2 companies responding.
- **Smoke Alarm Fire Safety Tip:** Smoke alarms are a very important part of fire safety in the home. Statistics show that working smoke alarms in the home can substantially reduce the rise of fire deaths in residential fires. Smoke alarms alert occupants of smoke and fire 24-hours a day. HFD would like to increase the public’s awareness of the importance of smoke alarms and encourages everyone to install a smoke alarm in each bedroom, sleeping area, and on every level in the home. Families are encouraged to install smoke alarms on behalf of senior family, friends and neighbors.
- **HFD’s Smoke Alarms for Everyone (SAFE) Program:** The purpose of SAFE is to install free smoke alarms and educate residents on fire prevention and the importance of testing and maintaining smoke alarms. Approximately 3,620 smoke alarms have been installed in more than 785 homes since the program’s

inception in October 2008. Another SAFE installation is planned for this summer. Contact the HFD Community Relations Office at 723-7367 if interested in signing up.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD): Lieutenant (Lt.) Goeas reported the following:

- Safety Tip: Be focused on the road when driving. Do not use electronic devices when driving.
- Valuables: For safety, it is recommended to engrave valuables, put decals on house windows. For detail on how to keep valuables safe call 723-8708.
- Statistics: There was 3,826 calls for service. For details visit www.honolulupd.org.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Incident Last Month: Arellano inquired about an incident last month regarding a mentally ill person being transported jumped off the freeway. Arellano asked why type of handcuffs were used and transport procedures. Lt. Goeas answered that officers are having refresher training at the HPD Academy, but will follow up.
2. Pedestrian Citations: Remington relayed that many pedestrians are being cited for various violations. Remington asked what type of identification is needed to show the officer and what if the person has no identification. Lt. Goeas answered that if a person has no identification, the computer is used to assist with the person's identification.
3. Introduction: New District 3 Third Watch Captain Osburn was introduced.

Military, Combat Aviation Brigade, 25th Infantry Division: Major Anthony Williams reported the following:

- 25th Combat Aviation Brigade: There are approximately 400 personnel currently deployed in support of overseas contingency operations and off-island missions.
- Leilehua Concert Series: On Friday, April 24, 2015 Sean Naauao will be performing at the Grill at Leilehua Golf Course.
- Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony: The public is invited to attend the U.S. Garrison-Hawaii annual Installation Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony on Monday, May, 25, 2015 at the Schofield Barracks Post Cemetery. For more information call 656-3159.
- Army Natural Resources: The program leads monthly volunteer service trips to protect rare and endangered plants and animals on Army-managed lands. The next scheduled Army Volunteer Service Trip to Puali'i is on Thursday, April 30, 2015. Call 656-7741 to for more information or to volunteer.
- Fire Prevention: The annual prescribed burn will take place at the training field on Sunday, May 10, 2015.
- Noise and Dust Complaints: To report loud or low-flying Army aircraft call the noise concern line at 656-3487. For other noise or dust complaints call 656-3159 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.
- Response: In response to Board member Luli from last month, the Army works with multiple native Hawaiian individuals including the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA). In answer to Board member Freed, Schofield has monthly briefing with a cultural representative regarding cultural science and native species.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Visitors: Major Williams will follow up on Svrcina's inquiry if visitors are allowed on Schofield Barracks to Kolekole Park and identifications required.

8:00 p.m. Board member Mary Segura arrived; **15 members present.**

Board of Water Supply (BWS): Duke Chung highlighted the following:

- Handouts: Copies Water matters, new parking arm procedures and the Halawa Xeriscape Garden 2014-2015 Saturday Workshop schedule were available on the back table.
- Free Educational Materials for Keiki: The BWS is offering educational materials for the island youth and other community organizations to learn about O'ahu's resources in support of the Neighborhood Commission's Office "Keiki" month in April. Publications include: activity and coloring books, water conservation flyers, watershed protection handouts, and water for life booklet. These free materials are available online at www.boardofwatersupply.com for pickup at the BWS headquarters at 630 South Beretania Street. Contact the BWS Communications Office at 748-5041 for more information.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Homeless: Arellano asked if the homeless are camping on BWS property.
2. Bill Leaflet: Gustafson reported receiving a leaflet noting that the main shut-off valve on her street would be turned off. Chung replied that the valve maintenance program has two (2) cycles, one (1) for the large main and one (1) for the smaller main. It takes 18 months for fire hydrant maintenance.

Honolulu Rail Project (HRP): Scott Ishikawa circulated photos of the rail project and highlighted the following:

- Mahalo: Area representatives were thanked for posting the Mililani Town Hall meeting last night.
- General Excise Tax (GET) Legislation: Per the Senate a half percent GET increase for the next five (5) years to complete the original 20 miles. The House submitted a quarter percent surcharge, with the sunset date to be determined.
- Construction: Photo 1 shows the building of columns on Farrington Highway between Ewa/Waipahu with lane closures for safety. Photo 2 shows east Kapolei columns at the edge of Waipahu-west end. Photo 3 depicts the balance cantilever for the H-1/H-2 merge. The bridge is being built in segments then are connected eastbound.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Segments: Ishikawa answered for Luli that 2,000 rectangular segments have been installed near the North/South Road. However, the contractor was notified about one (1) cracked column and working on a replacement, Inspections are ongoing. Regarding the degree of the cracks, Ishikawa noted there is no concern because the column is on the side of the road. Columns near Hoopili improperly installed with a crane were replaced.
2. Columns: A resident asked if the columns would withstand earthquakes. Ishikawa answered the columns are built to the same standards as the freeways to deal with a major earthquake.
3. Comment: A member of the audience commented about the mag-lev rail that was not chosen. Ishikawa noted that mac -lev is a different type of rail proprietary technology at a higher cost.
4. Tax Effects: In response to an inquiry, Ishikawa noted that the contractor still construction is currently footing the bill.
5. Fort Weaver Road Construction: Nagamine noted construction and road closures on Fort Weaver Road next month. Ishikawa replied that starting next week, one (1) inside lane would be closed in each direction for the installation of a column near the overpass. Work will continue through June or July 2015.
6. Bill to Stop Rail Breakdown: Ishikawa Svrcina answered for Svrcina that currently claim damages are paid to the contractor and half of the bill returned.

Other Community Concerns: There were no other community concerns.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Update Regarding Office of Services of Unites States Senator Brian Schatz: Kathy Bryant thanked the Board members for serving on the Neighborhood Board. Bryant noted that it is important to Senator Schatz that a meeting is attended on a regular basis. In celebration of "Keiki" month, high school intern Jordan Bell was introduced and highlighted the following: Youth Programs: Pamphlets were circulated and Bell relayed that high school students' work with the outreach team on hands-on activities. Applications is available in the summer and \$5,000 scholarships are available for qualifying students. Bryant added that are currently 15 high school inters, however none from Mililani High School. High school students were encouraged to participate in the youth programs. The Youth Center program is privately funded with eleventh and twelfth grade students participating.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Southern Open Boards Immigration Policies: Bryant answered for Svrcina that follow up will be done regarding Senator Schatz opinion regarding immigration policies for the southern open borders between the United States and Mexico.

IN CELEBRATION OF KEIKI MONTH:

Kipapa Elementary School Poster: Board members Lee and Arellano showed the four (4) poster boards displayed from Kipapa Elementary School.

Mililani Uka Elementary School Posters: Board members Lee and Arellano showed the three (3) poster boards displayed by Mililani Uka Elementary School.

8:30 p.m. Board member Danielle Bass arrived; **16 members present.**

Community Update on the Activities of the Associated Students of Mililani High School (ASMHS): Austin Ajimura presented the following: The ASMHS consists of eight (8) student body officers who facilitate numerous events throughout the year. These events include quarterly pep rallies, spirit week, homecoming, winter ball, Japan school visitations and more. The Mililani School's Student Council and ASMHS is recognized as the 2015 Gold Council of Excellence by the National Association of Student Councils. The recognitions is the highest level attainable by a

student council. Officers had the unique opportunity to attend the LEAD Conference in Chicago, Ill. The conference featured many breakout sessions and keynote speakers. A list of upcoming events were included in the handout.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Mililani High School (MHS) | 2015 Carnival: Remington asked how much money was raised.
2. School Needs: Gustafson asked if there are any needs the school has such as support or publicity that the Board can assist with. Ajimura replied that community involvement and participation in events such as athletics, golden scholar awards and graduation is always appreciated.
3. First Friday's: Lee relayed that there is a food truck for the food fest on the first Friday of each month held in the MHS parking lot.

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

Governor David Ige's Representative: A representative was not present; a report was not provided.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative: Tracy Kubota reported the following:

- City News: Included in the City News was information relating to the budget.
- 88th Lei Day Celebration: The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) will be accepting entries at the Lei Receiving booth at Queen Kapiolani Park on Friday, May 1, 2015 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. There are different classes based on age group for judging.
- Summer Fun Registration and Program: The program period is from Friday, June 12, 2015 to Friday July 24, 2015. Registration for District 3 and 4 will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon' and on Monday and Tuesday May 11 and 12, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- "Sew a Lei" for Memorial Day: The Mayor's Office of the Culture and the Arts (MOCA) is now accepting donations of ti leaves. MOCA has a goal of 1,000 lā'ī lei. Collection ends on Monday, May 18, 2015. Donations may be dropped off at the MOCA office (2nd floor of Mission Memorial building).
- Age Friendly Cities Action Plan: Over the past year, the city has been engaged in an effort called Honolulu's Age-Friendly City Initiative. Supported by Mayor Kirk Caldwell and AARP Hawaii, as well as the leadership and input from a Steering Committee and a Citizens Advisory Committee of over 80 representatives from public and private sectors. Through this process, an Action Plan was created, a comprehensive plan for transforming Honolulu's built environment and encouraging social involvement and healthy aging. Written comments will be accepted until Friday, April 24, 2015. Comments may be mailed to the University of Hawaii, Center on Aging, 1960 East West Road, BioMed T705B, Honolulu, HI 96822, or emailed to Kupuna2keiki@gmail.com.
- Honolulu Police Department (HPD) Project Graduation Grants: Deadline to apply for Project Graduation grants is Friday, May 1, 2015. HPD will provide up to \$1,500 to pay for grand transportation expenses associated with the project. All accredited high schools on Oahu are eligible. For details visit www.honolulu.hpd.org.
- Lanikuhana Avenue Damaged Sidewalk: The Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) will investigate and provide a repair schedule at the next meeting.
- Wainihi Street Rap-O: Wahiawa crew performs litter pick-up on Wainihi Street twice a month and will check the manhole cover at the same time and repair as needed. If noise from the manhole is noticed call the Wahiawa Yard at 768-9766.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Thank You: D. Thomas thanked Kubota for the Kaholo Street repair.
2. Hokuahiahi Basketball Courts: Segura reported that the courts were repaired a year ago, but the surface and concrete is cracked.
3. Keaopua Street "No Parking" Signs: Gallardo Mata asked if "no parking" signs requested by Board member Arellano have been installed.
4. Power Outages: A resident reported 13 power outages in the area.

Councilmember Ron Menor: Councilmember Ron Menor circulated the monthly report and highlighted the following:

- Central Theatre Arts Academy (CTAA): Councilmember Menor CTAA was congratulated for a splendid production.
- Oahu Interscholastic Association (OIA): Councilmember Menor honored the Mililani High School boys and girls varsity tennis teams for winning the OIA team championship.
- Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Update: Included in the budget is \$500,000 for the Central Oahu Regional Park (CORP) expending funds for park improvements, maintenance and support services.

- Rehabilitation of Streets: The \$102 million includes rehabilitation of Kuahelani Avenue between Meheula Parkway and Lanikuhana Avenue, and a segment of Lanikuhana Avenue between Anania Drive and Meheula Parkway is still in the budget.
- Bill 75 (2014) CD1: Council Bill 75, CD1 creates the Central Oahu Regional Park (CORP) Special Fund which would receive deposits of all special revenues generated from CORP. Monies be expended for the improvement, maintenance and repair of CORP, passed the City Council today. The bill will go to the Mayor for his signature.
- Kipapa Drive Crosswalk Request (adjacent to the school): Councilmember Menor was informed by the Administration that work should start in May 2015.

Questions, comments and concerns followed:

1. Department of Transportation Services (DTS): Gustafson asked about modifications suggested by the Board. Councilmember Menor noted that suggestions would be included in a resolution.
2. Thank You: Lee thanked Councilmember Menor for the crosswalk, noting that the crosswalk does not intersect with the housing path and having the everlasting puddle repaired.
3. Commercial Advertisements in Parks: Council member answered for Arellano that the bill passed first reading. However, Councilmember Menor has no opinion on the matter.
4. Affordable Housing/Transition Program: Councilmember Menor answered for Chair Poirier that the Council deadline is this week where conditions/modifications can be submitted. Concerns raised included that developers might privatize the housing rentals. Councilmember Menor will keep the Board updated.
5. Trash Pick-up Budget: Gallardo Mata asked and Councilmember Menor replied that the Environmental Services (ENV) is aware of the fact. The City is obligated to provide the services for at least one (1) more year. If the trash trucks breakdown, the City will contract out trash pickup to a private company.

Senator Michelle Kidani: Trevor Nagamine circulated the report and was available for questions.

Representative (Rep.) Ryan Yamane: Danielle Bass reported the following:

- Hokule`a 40th Anniversary: The Polynesian Voyaging Society and the 12 member of the original 1976 Hokule`a crew were commended earlier this month by Representative Yamane on their efforts upon the 40th anniversary of the vessel's first launch.
- Honoring Major General Darryll Wong: Representative Yamane was the honored to be the only State Representative to attend the retirement ceremony for Major General Darryll Wong who served the Hawaii National Guard for 36 years. Representative Yamane honored Major General Wong for his commitment, dedication, service and leadership to the State.
- Water and Land (WTL) Committee Bills: Three (3) bills have gone to the Governor for signature including storm water management.
- House Bill (HB) 444: This bill relates to beach front protection
- House Bill (HB) 830: The bill exempts residential homes 50 years or older from the historic law review.

Representative (Rep.) Beth Fukumoto Chang: Stephanie Burgess distributed the report and was available for questions.

Representative (Rep.) Lauren Matsumoto: Rep. Lauren Matsumoto circulated her reported and the mid-session update for District 45, and highlighted the following:

- Thank You: Representative Matsumoto thanked the community for attending the rail town hall meeting.
- House Bill 134:
- Education Bills: Higher education bills
- Easter Basket Drive: On behalf of the Women's Legislative Caucus, Representative Matsumoto's office was honored to chair this year's Easter Basket Drive. 160 plus baskets filled with household goods were collected for the Institute for Human Services (IHS) 24-hour shelter for families in need.
- Peter's Prom: This is an annual event for youth with special needs to have a special night and go to their own High School Prom. Representative Matsumoto and staff assisted spouse Mr. Matsumoto, a yearly volunteer with photos.
- Introduction: Mililani High School inter Vanessa Pancetta working with Representative Matsumoto and staff was introduced.
- District 45 Mid-Session Update: Copies of the update were distributed. Representative Matsumoto noted that the survey results were on page 2.

Questions, comments and concerns followed: Teen Smoking: Representative Matsumoto answered for Gustafson that information of teens smoking status sheet can be found on the capital website.

COMMITTEE AND OTHER REPORTS:

Treasurer's Report: Park reported expenditures of \$30.61, leaving a balance of \$258.42. The report was filed.

Chair:

- Resignation: Chair Poirier announced that Board member Shaun Kawakami has resigned from the Board.
- Neighborhood Commission Office (NCO) Executive Secretary: Chair Poirier announced receiving a notice that Nicole Velasco, Executive Secretary for the NCO has been transferred to fill the vacant position of the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development starting Friday, May, 2015. Ms. Velasco expressed her sincere gratitude to all Board members for their public service and spirit of collaboration.

NEW BUSINESS:

Governor Representative: **Lee moved and Remington seconded that the Mililani/Waipio/Melelanu Neighborhood Board No. 25 requests the Office of the Governor to provide a representative at our and other neighborhood board monthly meetings. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 16-0-0 (Aye: Arellano, D. Bass, Dau, Gallardo0Mata, Gustafson, Iuli, Lee, Loomis Marshall, Nagamine, Poirier, Remington, Segura, Siegel, Svrcina and Thomas); Nay: 0; Abstain: 0).**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Next Meeting: The next Mililani-Waipio-Melelanu Neighborhood Board 25 meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at the Mililani Recreation Center III at 7:30 p.m.
- Broadcasts: Broadcasts of Board meetings are scheduled to be show on `Olelo Channel 49 every second Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and every first and third Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Submitted by: Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Neil Baarde, Neighborhood Assistant

Final Review by: Dick Poirier, Chair

RESOLUTION REUESTING THE GOERNOR TO ASSIGN A REPRESENTATIVE TO THE
MILILANI/WAIPIO/MELEMANU NEIGHBORHOON BOARD NO. 25

WHEREAS, THE Mililani /Waipio/Melelanu Neighborhood Board was the first neighborhood board established on Oahu in 1974, and

WHEREAS, the Board has a long history of service to the community, including working towards the designation of Mililani as an ALL AMERICAN CITY in 1986, and

WHEREAS, the presence of a Governor's Representative has been a long tradition at neighborhood board meetings; and

WHEREAS, the issues of mutual concern to the State and the community are brought to the attention of the Board at monthly meetings; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate handling and resolution of these concerns can only be addressed by a representative of State Government, and

WHEREAS, for the past several months there has been no Governor's Representative assigned to our Board, and

WHEREAS, on multiple occasions, the Neighborhood Commission Office has reached out on behalf of multiple boards and the general public to request such assignment, and

WHEREAS, there has yet been no response to these pleas; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that Mililani/Waipio/Melelanu Neighborhood Board No. 25 requests the Office of the Governor to provide representation at our and other neighborhood board monthly meetings, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Office of the Governor, Area Legislators, the Neighborhood Commission, the Managing Director of the City and County of Honolulu, the Honolulu Star Advertiser, and all neighborhood board chairs.