



KANEOHE NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 30

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015 BENJAMIN PARKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

CALL TO ORDER – Secretary Bill Sager called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. **Quorum was established with nine (9) members present.** Note: This 17-member Board requires nine (9) members to establish quorum and to take official Board action.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT – Deborah Collins, John Flanigan, Marie Gavigan, Jonathan Hanks, L.C. Morris, Felipe San Nicolas, Bill Sager, Holly Sevier, and Patty Yamashiro-Hironaka.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT – Chad Kaukani, Mo Radke, and Lori Zakahi.

GUESTS – Captain Darryl Kong (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant John Vines (Honolulu Police Department); Liz Feeney (Marine Corps Base Hawaii); Lori Kahikina (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative); Councilmember Ikaika Anderson and Francisco Figueiredo (Councilmember Anderson's Office); Pam Isayama (Windward Coalition); Cinnie Frith (Timeout Hawaii); Ayumi Mizumoto, Glenn Uyeshiro, Sherrie Au, and Donald Dawson (Residents); and Neil Baarde (Neighborhood Commission Office).

FILLING OF VACANCIES – The item was deferred to the May 2015 meeting due to lack of volunteers.

CITY/STATE MONTHLY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) – Captain Darryl Kong reported the following:

- **March 2015 Fire Statistics** – There were 2 structure, 1 rubbish, and 2 vehicle fires. There were 143 medical emergencies, 2 search and rescues, and 41 miscellaneous calls for service. There were 3 major incidents that involved 9 companies.
- **Fire Safety Tip – Smoke Alarms** – Smoke alarms are a very important part of fire safety in the home. Statistics show that working smoke alarms in homes can substantially reduce the risk 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 also encouraged to install smoke alarms on behalf of senior family, friends, and neighbors. The HFD's Smoke Alarms For Everyone (SAFE) Program's purpose is to install free smoke alarms and educate residents on fire prevention and the importance of testing and maintaining the smoke alarms. Approximately 3,620 smoke alarms have been installed in more than 785 homes since the program's inception in October 2008. The HFD is planning another SAFE installation during the summer. Please contact the Community Relations Office at 723-7167 if interested in signing up.

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) – Lieutenant John Vines reported the following:

- **March 2015 Statistics** – There were 9 motor vehicle thefts, 9 burglaries, 59 thefts, and 34 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV).
- **Safety Tip** – Do not leave valuables in the car when shopping.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. **Illegal Parking** – Sager asked if the grass strip on the sidewalk is illegal for cars to park on. Lieutenant Vines responded that it is based on the responding officer's discretion and noted that there should be at least three (3) feet of space of pedestrian traffic to pass.
2. **Business Out of Homes** – Sager raised a concern about businesses that are working out of a residential home. Lieutenant Vines responded that it would depend on the types of activity that occur, and it is also based on the zone of the area.
3. **Speeding Cars** – Gavigan raised a concern about cars speeding down a dead end street and asked what can be done to enforce the speed on Ipuka Street. Lieutenant Vines will follow up.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) – Liz Feeney reported the following:

- Volunteers – Feeney announced that from April 2014 to March 2015, MCBH had over 80,000 volunteers.
- Keiki Month – Feeney announced that April is also known as Keiki Month and noted that April is also a month for military children. Feeney noted that there are over 1.88 million military children over the world and noted that if anyone sees a military child, say: “thank you!”
- Keiki Koa Kai Triathlon – The race will be Saturday, May 2, 2015 and will start at 7:00 a.m. This keiki triathlon will start at the base pool on Kaneohe Bay and will transition to bike then finish with the run. The deadline to register will be Tuesday, April 28, 2015.
- Kaneohe Bay Airshow – The US Navy’s Blue Angels will be featured in the Kaneohe Bay Airshow scheduled for Friday-Sunday, October 16-18, 2015.

RESIDENTS’/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- Adult Day Care – Ayumi Mizamoto noted that she is planning to open an adult day care in Haiku Village. The day care will be able to take care of 20 people and will be open Monday to Sunday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The day care will have two (2) Handi-Vans and it was noted that the reason for the day care is because in five (5) years Mizamoto would like to help the Baby Boomers and to give honor to her parents. Hanks called a point of order and noted that she should attend the next Agenda Planning Meeting. Sager noted that the next Agenda Planning Meeting will be on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 and invited Mizamoto to attend.
- Windward Coalition – Pam Isayama announced that the Windward Coalition has re-opened the communications with the senior officer of MCBH and noted that they will eventually have a better relationship with the military. The Windward Coalition has a newsletter that updates the community and commented that there are already 200 members in the coalition.
- Haiku Stairs – Ken Rose reported that from January to March 2015, there were 1,426 trespassing hikers, and in April 2015 there have already been 22 trespassing hikers. The Neighborhood Security Watch (NSW) reported making 26, 911 calls in December 2014. On Tuesday, April 7, 2015, Rose reported his first drone incident. The drone was flying around the neighborhood looking at the houses in the neighborhood. Rose noted that the hikers are still an issue but noted that HPD has been a really helpful with his issues.

ELECTED OFFICIALS’ REPORTS

Mayor Kirk Caldwell’s Representative – Lori Kahikina, Director of the City Department of Environmental Services (ENV) reported the following:

- 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 – The program period will be from Friday, June 12, 2015 to Friday, July 24, 2015. Registration is due for Districts 3 and 4 on Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. noon; Monday and Tuesday, May 11 and May 12, 2015 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. For Districts 1 and 2 registration will be on Saturday, May 16, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. noon; Monday and Tuesday, May 18 and May 19, 2015, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information visit: www.honolulu parks.com.
- “Sew a Lei” for Memorial Day – The Mayor’s Office of Culture and the Arts (MOCA) are now accepting donations of ti leaves and MOCA has a goal of 1,000 La’i Lei’s. Collections begin on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 and will end on Monday, May 18, 2015. Please drop off the donations to the MOCA office on the 2nd floor of Mission Memorial Building (MMB).
- Project Graduation Grants – There is one (1) month left to apply for Project Graduation Grants from HPD. Project Grad celebrations are adult-supervised, alcohol and drug free. The event is held for high school seniors on their graduation night. HPD supports healthy, safe choices for young people and will provide up to \$1,500 to pay for ground transportation expenses associated with Project Grad events. For more information, please visit www.honolulu pd.org. The deadline to apply is Friday, May 1, 2015.
- Stopping Rail – Halting the rail project now would mean falling behind in the construction schedule. As part of the Federal Funding Agreement (FFA) with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), HART is required to complete and open the 20 mile, 21 station rail system by the end of 2019.
- Sidewalks on Waikalua Road – The Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) noted that they will inspect and repair the damaged areas as needed.

- Ownership of Haiku Stairs – The Friends of Haiku Stairs is a non-profit, volunteer organization. They have some resources that allow them to make minor repairs, collect trash, and remove/control invasive vegetation for Haiku Stairs. BWS lacks the financial and manpower resources that it would take to make major repairs and improvements to Haiku Stairs to ensure hiker safety.
- William Henry Road – The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) will investigate and inform the Board by November 2015. The concrete sidewalk improvements would appropriately be constructed as part of an improvement district which would not only address the sidewalks but also the area drainage and appropriate road right of way improvements. These projects would need to be supported by the community and is normally initiated by the Councilmember representing the area. In accordance with City ordinances, the abutting property owner is responsible for the maintenance of the area between the asphalt road pavement and the property line to include the sidewalks/unimproved sidewalk area.
- William Henry Road Parking – There is a temporary no parking sign in the area. Officers issued five (5) parking citations and miscellaneous citation. HPD will continue to monitor the area. Vehicles parked on unimproved sidewalks can be cited if pedestrians cannot walk past safely.
- William Henry Road Drainage – In research of the files, the City had a drainage project for the area and the City terminated the “Paleka-Keaahala Drain Channel Improvement Project” because the drainage channel located at the backside of 45-252 William Henry Road is private. The City cannot expend public funds for a private purpose. DFM noted that the matter will be further discussed between DDC and DFM as to the background of the reported incomplete flood control improvement project.
- Windward Community Resilience Fair – Kahikina noted for Sager that both HPD and HFD will be at the Windward Community Resilience Fair on Saturday, May 16, 2015.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Parking Space – Sevier noted her appreciation for the City cutting the foliage along Haiku Road and raised a concern about the parking situations at condominiums because Lieutenant Vines noted that there should be a 10 foot space, but Sevier commented that there is a double yellow line in the middle of the street and asked if the City can either take out the double yellow line or make the street a no parking area.
2. Traffic Light – Gavigan raised a concern about a traffic light at Haiku Road and Kamehameha Highway. The turn onto Kamehameha Highway from Haiku Road. Kahikina responded that she will follow up with an update.
3. Pahia Road – Sager raised a concern about Pahia Road and noted that something needs to be put up during interim of the project. Kahikina noted she will follow up.
4. Bike Lane – San Nicolas noted that people riding along the bike lane are still driving behind parked cars and asked since the bike lane was installed, what the incident rate is. Kahikina noted that DTS has the information and noted she will follow up.

Councilmember Ikaika Anderson – Councilmember Anderson reported the following:

- Budget Review – City Council is reviewing Mayor Caldwell’s budget that was submitted for the upcoming fiscal year that starts on Wednesday, July 1, 2015, and the Councilmembers will have an opportunity to make amendments to the budget. These amendments will help to address specific needs within the Councilmember’s district or to address specific funding needs such as road repair or health and public safety.
- Haiku Stairs – Councilmember Anderson noted that his office has been calling the Governor’s office but has not received a response since the recent elections. Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) noted that they are not interested in the Haiku Stairs. The residents have suffered enough, and Councilmember Anderson noted that he is in support of BWS getting an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and removing the stairs. Councilmember Anderson noted that if anyone has any questions or concerns, call or email his office.

Questions, comments, and concerns that followed:

1. Haiku Stairs Removal – Flanigan raised a concern and asked for a timeline of the possible removal of the stairs. Councilmember Anderson responded that for removal the estimates that they were given were between \$1 million and \$5 million for removal of the stairs. Councilmember Anderson commented that BWS is not willing to open the stairs, they are only interested in transferring the stairs to a government agency. A resident asked for more information and Councilmember Anderson responded that OHA did not explain why they did not want the stairs, and commented that if people are willing to get arrested, how many people would pay to use the stairs legally. Flanigan commented that if the stairs are there but not open, there would still be trespassers. Councilmember Anderson responded that there will be trespassers until the stairs are completely gone, but no government agency is willing to take over the responsibility of the Haiku Stairs.
2. Signs – Sevier suggested replacing the signs along the stairs to deter hikers. Councilmember Anderson responded that the signs need to be real in order for HPD to cite trespassers.

3. Costs or Estimates – San Nicolas asked if BWS provided any information on costs or estimates. Councilmember Anderson responded that BWS has not given a time estimate or an estimate on the dismantling process of the stairs. Councilmember Anderson commented that the EIS still needs to be done, which can take up to a year. The planning and design phase will happen after the EIS and that phase can take up to a year, and then begins the construction which could take up to a year as well. Councilmember Anderson noted that the process is long, which is why he has been trying to get the issue moving.
4. Management Contract – Sager suggested that BWS hires a managing contract with a private entity. Councilmember Anderson responded that the transfer needs to go to an agency so there can be a nominal fee, but for a nonprofit or private agency, BWS is not willing to sell to them.

Governor David Ige's Representative – No representative was present; no report was provided.

Senator Jill Tokuda – No representative was present; no report was provided.

Senator Gil Riviere – No representative was present; no report was provided.

Representative Ken Ito – No representative was present; a report was provided.

Representative Jarrett Keohokalole – No representative was present; a report was provided.

Representative Cynthia Thielen – No representative was present; no report was provided.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Hawaii Pacific University – No representative was present; no report was provided.

Windward Community College – No representative was present; no report was provided.

BOARD BUSINESS

Adoption of the February 19, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes – **San Nicolas moved and Yamashiro-Hironaka seconded that the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board No. 30 adopt the February 19, 2015 regular meeting minutes. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 9-0-0. (AYE: Collins, Flanigan, Gavigan, Hanks, Morris, Sager, San Nicolas, Sevier, and Yamashiro-Hironaka.)**

Adoption of the March 3, 2015 Agenda Planning Meeting Minutes – **Hanks moved and Yamashiro-Hironaka seconded that the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board No. 30 adopt the March 3, 2015 agenda planning meeting minutes. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 9-0-0. (AYE: Collins, Flanigan, Gavigan, Hanks, Morris, Sager, San Nicolas, Sevier, and Yamashiro-Hironaka.)**

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Adoption of the April 7, 2015 Agenda Planning Meeting Minutes – **Gavigan moved and Yamashiro-Hironaka seconded that the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board No. 30 adopt the April 7, 2015 agenda planning meeting minutes as amended. The motion was ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY, 9-0-0. (AYE: Collins, Flanigan, Gavigan, Hanks, Morris, Sager, San Nicolas, Sevier, and Yamashiro-Hironaka.)**

Amendments follows: Members Present – Barbara Collins should read: "Deborah Collins."; John Hanks should read: "Jon Hanks."

Kulau Street Repair – Sager reported that due to heavy equipment the road has been tore up, but commented that the street has been patched but is only a slight improvement and noted that it is still a problem.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report – Flanigan reported that the total spent for March 2015 was \$45.76 with a remaining balance of \$298.61. The report was filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- State Legislature Committee – Hanks reported that Senate Bill (SB) 419 and House Bill (HB) 2HD1, are both in crossover and will be going to the crossover committee to be amended.
- Public Health and Safety – Flanigan reported that he has been trying to get the numbers of rescues on trails that are associated with Haiku Stairs. In the past two (2) years there were 26 rescues on trails associated with Haiku Stairs, six (6) were rescued from the ridgeline, and three (3) were found and helped on the stairs itself.
- Safety Committee – Sager reported that the Safety Committee is moving forward with getting Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) in Kaneohe and Kailua. There are currently six (6) people that can teach the classes quarterly. Anyone who is interested in joining can contact Sager.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (SPECIAL)

- Blue Zone Report – Sager reported that The Blue Zone Project was supported by the Board and commented that Kaneohe and Koolaupoko have both become Blue Zone Districts. A Blue Zone district will help people lead better, healthier, and longer lives. The meetings are at the end of the month. For those interested, contact Sager.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Regular Board Meeting – The next regular meeting of the Kaneohe Neighborhood Board No. 30 will be held on Thursday, May 21, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at the Benjamin Parker School cafeteria, 45-259 Waikalua Road.
- Next Agenda Planning Meeting – The next agenda planning meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015, 7:00 p.m. at the Kaneohe Community and Senior Center.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by: Neil Baarde, Neighborhood Assistant
Reviewed by: Nola J. Frank, Neighborhood Assistant
Approved and Finalized by: Secretary, Bill Sager