



WAIMANALO NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 32

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DRAFT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2015 298 REGIMENT MFTU RTI AUDITORIUM

Call to Order – Chair Wilson Kekoa Ho called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with a quorum of seven (7) members present. (Note – This 13-member Board requires seven (7) members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.) Chair Ho welcomed everyone to the Neighborhood Board meeting.

Members Present – Shannon Alivado (arrived at 7:40 p.m.), Michael Buck, Noe Galea'i, Rosina Ho, Wilson Kekoa Ho, Andrew Jamila, Marvelle Kuulei Laughlin, and Courtney Paulos.

Member Absent – Joe Albinio, Herb Nakamura, Ted Radovich (resigned), and Reneè Wallace Silberstein.

Vacancy – There is one (1) vacancy in Subdistrict 11, Hale Aupuni.

Guests – Jennifer Wooton (U.S. Senator Brian Schatz's Office), Tiffany Patrick, Liz Feeney, Doug Wadsworth, and Don Rogers (Marine Corps Base Hawaii), Major Dawn Standridge and Craig Gorsuch (Bellows Air Force Station), Representative Chris Lee; Melissa Miranda-Johnson (Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative, Mayor's Office); Captain Norbert K. Pokini (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant John Vines (Honolulu Police Department, District 4); Renwick "Uncle Joe" Tassill, and June Y. Toguchi-Tassill; Peter Besenbruch and Mahi Beimes (St. Matthew's Episcopal Church); Arthur Mahoe, L. Kealoha, Mahina Kaai, Albert Kaai, Vanessa Stewart (Blue Zares Project), John and Noe Aguia, Shannon Wood (WAA); Calvin Kalilimoku, Frencha Kalilimoku, and Arthur Keola (Hawaii Hazards Awareness and Resilience Program); Julie Dugan (Hawaii Job Corps), Scotty Reis Moniz (Waimanalo Canoe Club), 'Ilima Ho-Lastimosa (University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources), David Amodo (dba DVDmodo, videographer), and K. Russell Ho (Neighborhood Commission Office).

Opening Pule – Chair Ho noted that meetings begin with an opening prayer. Those not wishing to participate were allowed to remove themselves. Pastor Peter Besenbruch from St. Matthew's Episcopal Church gave the pule.

Honoring Retiring Board Member Rosina Ho – Chair Ho explained that this month was the last meeting of the Board for the 2013 - 2015 term. Neighborhood Board elections were held in April and May 2015 and one (1) new person was added to the Board and one (1) current Board member was defeated in a seven (7)-candidates contested At Large race. Rosina Ho will be retiring after many years serving on the Board and helping Chair Ho, who has been chair for 20+ years. R. Ho thanked everyone for putting the well-being of the community first, over personal interests. She noted that when she started, the community and the military were at odds and mentioned that through the years, a working relationship has developed.

CITY REPORTS

Honolulu Fire Department (HFD) Report – Captain Dominic Latorre reported the following:

- May 2015 Fire Statistics – There were 1 rubbish, and 1 vehicle fires; 44 medical emergencies, 1 search/rescue, and 6 miscellaneous service calls. There was 1 major incident at Bellows Air Force Station. (Note – On Sunday, May 17, 2015, while on a training exercise, a MV – 22 Osprey aircraft crashed. Two (2) Marines were killed and twenty were injured.)
- Fire Safety Tips – Wildland fires, also known as brush fires, can cause great damage in the communities and use resources that could be better utilized elsewhere. According to the National Fire Protection Association, the following steps should be taken to prevent brush fires at home: Remove flammable materials, i.e. dead vegetation and wood piles, from within 30 feet of the home. Keep the lawn hydrated and maintained. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for brush fires. Clear leaves and other vegetative debris from decks, gutters, porches, and roofs to help prevent embers from igniting the home.

Comments followed:

1. Bellows Air Force Station (BAFS) Accident – Jamila mentioned that when the accident happened at the BAFS, residents called 911 and thought that the dispatcher was asking too many questions about the location and cross streets. Also, Jamila asked if the HFD is allowed to go onto federal property. Captain Latorre responded that on the first call, the dispatcher sends out the nearest company. Then, the dispatcher has certain procedures to follow to gather exact information on the fire. Usually, 911 will get flooded with calls and it is unable to answer every call. HFD is allowed to respond first and the federal company can take over jurisdiction. Captain Latorre added that the closest federal HFD fire-fighting company is in Kaneohe. For HFD, after Waimanalo, Olomana, Kailua, and then Hawaii Kai would be called. Captain Latorre answered for Paulos that a separate, smaller fire station for BAFS may not be necessary. Captain Latorre answered for R. Ho that he has not listened to the tape with all the problems after the accident, but HFD does have joint training for emergencies on military bases.
2. Bon Fires on the Beach – Captain Latorre answered for R. Ho that HFD does not have citation powers, but it has the authority that bonfires on the beach be extinguished.
3. Federal Jurisdiction – "Uncle Joe" Tassill mentioned that HandiVan responded to the accident, as TheBus and HandiVan come under federal jurisdiction.
4. Parting Comments – Galea'i suggested that in the future to respond more quickly to emergencies, HFD and federal firefighting personnel should be invited to observe the military training exercises. Jamila noted that representatives from Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) were in attendance. Chair Ho mentioned the MCBH will be making a presentation under Community Concerns.

At 7:40 p.m. Alivado arrived at the meeting; **eight (8) members present.**

Honolulu Police Department (HPD) Report, District 4 covers from Waimanalo to Kahuku – Lieutenant John Vines reported the following:

- May 2015 Crime Statistics – There were 6 motor vehicle thefts, 3 burglaries, 18 thefts, and 29 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMV).
- Safety Tips – Lieutenant Vines mentioned there was a slight increase in UEMVs at Makapu'u. Do not leave valuables in plain view. Now, that it is summer, HPD expects more accidents on the road. Tell teens to not drink and drive. Be careful and wear reflective clothing or use reflective devices, when exercising or bicycling along the roadside, especially at nights.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – The *City News June 2015* was distributed and Melissa Miranda-Johnson reported the following:

- No Updates – There were no updates for concerns from last month.
- The Wildest Show in Town – The Summer concert series at the Honolulu Zoo will run from Wednesday, June 3, 2015 through Wednesday, August 5, 2015. For more information call 926-3191 or visit www.HonoluluZoo.org/wild. There will be live, local entertainers and one (1) ukulele given away each week to a child under 12 years old.

Comments followed:

1. Neighborhood Boards (NCO) Installation Ceremony – Chair Ho mentioned that the Installation Ceremony for the newly-elected Board members was on Saturday, June 27, 2015.
2. Stop Signs and Stop Boxes – Jamila asked for a follow up on the previously-requested stop boxes and stop signs behind Shima's store.

Councilmember Ikaika Anderson – Don Aweau mentioned that Councilmember Anderson was en route and distributed Councilmember Anderson's newsletter, which mentioned the following:

- Bills Passed – Several bills passed third reading, including Bill 12, the City Budget.
- Bill 8, Relating to Commercial Activities – Bill 8 passed second reading. Councilmember Anderson will set up a community meeting in the next two (2) weeks. Research show that the more exemptions offered, the harder it is for enforcement. Comments are welcomed.
- Kamehameha Day Holiday – The Kamehameha Day holiday is on Thursday, June 11, 2015. The holiday schedule for City services is listed in the newsletter.

Board of Water Supply (BWS) – Danielle Ornellas was not present. However, Neighborhood Assistant Ho had e-mailed the report to Board members and others in the community.

FILLING OF BOARD VACANCIES

Subdistrict 11, Hale Aupuni – As there were no Board member nominations or volunteers to fill the vacancy, the vacancy would remain vacant.

Chair Ho mentioned that tonight's meeting was the last meeting for the 2013-2015 Board term. The new 2015-2017 term starts on Wednesday, July 1, 2015. After the recent Neighborhood Board Elections, there will be three (3) vacancies on the Waimanalo Neighborhood Board No. 32, one (1) in Subdistrict 2 (Core Homes), one (1) in Subdistrict 6 (Beach Lots, except for makai side of Kalanianaʻole Highway), and one (1) in Subdistrict 11 (Hale Aupuni).

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

May 11, 2015 – Laughlin moved and Galea'i seconded that the Waimanalo Neighborhood Board No. 32 approves the May 11, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Frencha Kalilimoku had amendments. The motion was **ADOPTED** as amended by **UNANIMOUS CONSENT, 8-0-0 (AYE: Alivado, Buck, Galea'i, R. Ho, W.K. Ho, Jamila, Laughlin, and Paulos; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None)**. The amendments were as follows:

- Page 1, under Guests, it should read, "Colonel Gary Littlefield."
- Page 1, under Guests, and on page 4, it should read, "Honolulu Habitat for Humanity (HHH)."
- Page 4, under City Meeting Liability Insurance, it should read, "Frencha Kalilimoku reported that the City Department of Emergency Management (DEM) will pick up the liability insurance for the Hawaii Hazards Awareness and Resilience Program's (HHARP) Emergency Preparedness Fair on Saturday, June 20, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. As the City Department of Budget and Fiscal Services (BFS) had required Hawaii National Guard (HNG) assurances, Chair Ho acknowledged Colonel Gary Littlefield for the use of the Hawaii National Guard (HNG) facilities."
- Page 5, under Emergency Hawaii Hazards Awareness and Resilience Program (HHARP) Update, it should read, "...Other events include – ...; and on Saturday, June 6, 2015 HHARP will help the Red Cross at the Waimanalo District Park (WDP)."
- Page 7, under Hawaii National Guard (HNG), it should read, "Colonel Gary Littlefield announced that on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the flagpole, the HNG will commemorate the 130 soldiers, who gave their lives in service to the country, from the pre-World War II National Guard with a gun salute, naming of the fallen soldiers, playing of taps, and presenting a wreath."

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Ku I Ke Mana – A representative explained the youth mentoring program at the Waimanalo Health Center (WHC). The program services youth from Grade 4 (10 years old) through Grade 12 from the Windward side with guest speakers. The after-school program is from Mondays through Fridays, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., with tutoring and team building activities. The WHC also has a Native Hawaiian health program, which assists families with chronic diseases like high blood pressure, cancer, and diabetes and gives them resources for help. Aloha Harvest provides meat, fresh fruits, vegetables, and canned goods. The summer program will start next Monday, June 15, 2015 and goes to Friday, July 17, 2015.

Comments followed: Clarification – The representative answered for Jamila that target area is from all of Waimanalo, Kailua, and Kaneohe to Kualoa. There is no cost. Applications are at the WHC.

Damages to Kakaina Homestead – Andrew Jamila noted the big hole with the plastic bottles in it is to stop the force of rain water and to prevent flooding. The project stopped for one and one-half (1 1/2) years for the community's concern over ingress/egress. Now, there is concern over the infrastructure. Tassill added that has been three (3) years from the ground breaking, but DHHL is opening on the Big Island of Hawaii. At a meeting the contractor promised not to dig up the road, but dug up the road again.

As there were no objections, Chair Ho changed the order of the agenda.

Councilmember Ikaika Anderson – Councilmember Anderson apologized for being late and reported the following:

- Bill 8, Relating to Commercial Activities – Councilmember Anderson will set up another community meeting in two (2) weeks to get community input and support. A new proposal would allow commercial filming Mondays through Fridays in Waimanalo only. The City is not ready for an islandwide bill.

Comments followed: Bill 8 – Jamila noted that the non-profits want food vendors at canoe regattas, country fairs, and educational fairs. Tour bus stops would be prohibited. The bill would not prohibit wedding activities and there is a need for co-operation with the State. Councilmember Anderson mentioned that commercial filming would work with the Honolulu Film Office. Alivado was concerned that if the City bans buses, then tourists will drive their own cars. Councilmember Anderson will not put Bill 8 on the Parks Committee agenda next week, as he wants more community discussion and comments.

As there were no objections, Chair Ho restored the order of the agenda.

Waimanalo Canoe Halau Improvements – Scotty Reis Moniz thanked Chair Ho for the volunteers for the work days. R. Ho reported that the volunteers had a good time. A lot of activities are coming up, like the regatta, and Reis Moniz is working with the Hawaii Job Corps (HJC) to showcase the community organizations in Waimanalo. On Saturday, June 27, 2015, there will be the youth Makahiki games and the Regatta will be on Sunday, June 28, 2015, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be Hawaiian music and Hawaiian practitioners. The youth races start at 9:00 a.m. As to parking complaints, Moniz is working with the community for parking, safety, and traffic control. Volunteers may call 852-7910. Two (2) t-shirts were made for pre-sale and at the event at a \$20 cost per t-shirt.

Due to public interest, Chair Ho added the following item to the agenda.

Accident at Bellows Air Force Station (BAFS) – Doug Wadsworth, Chief of Staff for the Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH), mentioned that the accident is still under investigation. There were two (2) Marines, who lost their lives and the Waimanalo community people helped out and gave their support. A MV – 22 Osprey aircraft crashed on Sunday, May 17, 2015, while on a training exercise. Another aircraft flew over the Waimanalo community. The accident aircraft was sprayed with wax. The MV – 22 Osprey is a safe aircraft. There are 250 aircraft worldwide with over 200,000 flight hours. Crisis counseling is available. Chaplain Don Rogers was in attendance.

Comments followed: Concerns – Jamila wanted a federal emergency response presence at the training exercises. R. Ho added that RIMPAC should also have an emergency response presence. Paulos had concerns about what the MCBH will do in the future to prevent future mishaps. Wadsworth responded that they will know more after the investigation is completed. Chair Ho thanked Wadsworth for his attendance.

BOARD BUSINESS

Ride Share Vanpool – Kanani laea was not present and no report was available.

COMMUNITY REPORTS

Hui Malama O Ke Kai Foundation – A **representative** read a letter, which thanked everyone for the support for last year. See the website for the Hale Wa'a (Canoe House) birthday celebration. If anyone has access to **leaves**, call 259-2031.

University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources (CTAHR) – Ilima Ho-Lastimosa reported on the first meeting with the Kamehameha School students. The Youth program is waiting for funding. Ho-Lastimosa mentioned a video to watch.

Hawaii Job Corps – Julie Dugan was travelling on the mainland for the last two (2) months on Job Corps business and reported staff vacancies and job openings, which included Extended Learning Co-coordinator and other Instructors. Dugan acknowledged Calvin, a Waimanalo resident and landscaper, who organized volunteers to provide lei for Memorial Day. Another Waimanalo resident, Gary is the Painting Instructor, who will paint the tutoring room of the Boys/Girls Club. There will be no classes, as the students will be on vacation from Thursday, June 25, 2015 to Tuesday, July 14, 2015. Dugan distributed a computer calendar to Board members and more calendars are on the table in the back. Dugan will get a training schedule to R. Ho after the vacation. Dugan acknowledged R. Ho, who helped providing volunteers and hosted 15 students for Thanksgiving.

Waimanalo Canoe Club Activities – Dugan acknowledged Scotty Reis Moniz and twin brother, Nolan, who volunteer their time. During the Regatta season, they volunteer their time for five (5) nights a week, with 50 keiki and for 12 hours on Sundays. Chair Ho added that there are championship teams coming up. Dugan agreed.

Waimanalo Health Center – Piilani Kai mentioned that the annual 2015 Community Health Fair will be on Wednesday, June 10, 2015 in the employee parking lot. There will be free health screening, health information and education, live entertainment, refreshments, and giveaways. There will also be a ground blessing for the building project presented last month.

Hawaii Hazards Awareness and Resilience Program (HHARP) Update – Frencha Kalilimoku and Arthur Keola reported that on Thursday, June 4, 2015 the HHARP partnered with the Hawaii National Guard (HNG) for radio training and Hurricane disaster assessment. F. Kalilimoku will share the video when it is done. She and her husband had lunch at the HJC cafeteria. On Saturday, June 6, 2015 at the Waimanalo District Park, F. Kalilimoku saw how to run a supplies distribution center. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is predicting a higher amount of Pacific hurricanes in 2015. In an emergency, F. Kalilimoku and HHARP will need a lot of volunteers to help out.

Medical supplies distribution in an emergency training will be on Saturday, July 11, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon at the Waimanalo Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS) church. F. Kalilimoku will have more information next month. Call 259-7222.

Arthur Keola added that the Ho'omakaukau 'O Waimanalo "Get Ready Waimanalo" Emergency Preparedness Fair will be on Saturday, June 20, 2015 at the HNG training area from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Participants should enter/exit through the road behind Jack in the Box. F. Kalilimoku added that there will be door prizes, door prizes, and door prizes, for example from Long's Drugs, American Savings, Wet 'N' Wild, Sea Life Park, and the light-emitting diodes (LED) light lei. Another donation tonight is Neighborhood Assistant Ho volunteered to be one (1) of the two (2) photographers.

In Waimanalo there are (4) sirens. By the end of the year 2015 and in 2016, two (2) more sirens will be added for a total of six (6) sirens. The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) classes will be held in July 2015 and September 2015. Tassill commended Frencha Kalilimoku, for starting Emergency Preparedness for Waimanalo. F. Kalilimoku had filed an application on behalf of the community members. Now, Waimanalo will receive the following awards on Saturday, June 20, 2015 – a Storm-ready community, a Tsunami-ready community, and the first Resilient community in Hawaii.

EDUCATION REPORTS

Blanche Pope Elementary School – No representative was present and no report was available.

Waimanalo Elementary and Intermediate School – No representative was present and no report was available.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Senator Laura Thielen – Senator Thielen was not present and no report was available.

Representative Chris Lee – Representative Lee reported the following:

- Bills Signings – Of the four (4) bills signed today, two (2) bills would make Hawaii a national leader in energy savings, up to \$70 million a year. The first bill calls for Hawaii to be energy self-sufficient by 2045. Hundreds of thousands of jobs will be created to reduce Hawaii's dependence on imported oil. The second bill calls for the University of Hawaii (UH) system, the first public university in the country, to be 100% energy self-sufficient, as it paid \$40 million for electricity from tuition last year.

MILITARY REPORTS

Hawaii National Guard (HNG) – A representative mentioned the National Guard training, the Hurricane assessment exercise, and the Waimanalo Emergency Preparedness Fair on Saturday, June 20, 2015. On Sunday, June 28, 2015 at 2:00 p.m., there will be a change of command from Colonel Gary Littlefield to Colonel Stewart Kamaka.

Marine Corps Base Hawaii (MCBH) – Tiffany Patrick had no report, as Doug Wadsworth had spoken earlier.

Bellows Air Force Station (BAFS) – Major Dawn Standridge deferred to Craig Gorsuch, Environmental Program Manager, who reported the following:

- Interim Program – Students will come to next month's Neighborhood Board meeting to report what they learned in the Intern Program about dune restoration and native Hawaiian plants.
- Tinker Road Bridge – Gorsuch warned the public about the endangered birds that waddle on the road near the Tinker Road Bridge. Drive carefully and watch for the birds.

- Service Projects – Gorsuch will have service projects with students from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS) and Malama Honua Public Charter School (MHPCS) in June and July 2015. Interested people may call Gorsuch at 927-1867 (C).

Malama Honua Public Charter School (MHPCS) – Principal Denise Espania was not present and no report was available.

Governor David Ige's Representative – There was no representative present and no report available.

Hawaiian Homestead – Kamakana Aquino was not present and no report was available.

Waimanalo Market Co-op (WMC) – Kehaulani Padilla was not present and no report was available.

Waimanalo Ahupua'a Coalition (WAC) – Bernie Strand was not present and no report was available.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – F. Kalilimoku corrected that the date for the medical supplies distribution training will be on Saturday, July 18, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT – As there was no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Submitted by:
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Reviewed by:
Neil Baarde, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by:
Wilson Kekoa Ho, Chair