

# Hulopo'e Beach Park Council Meeting

Lana'i Senior Citizens Center

Thursday April 19, 2018

## MINUTES

### Council Members in Attendance

Sally Kaye	Ron Mcomber	Jerry Rabaino
Tuma Fauatea	Butch Gima	
Tammy Sanches	Ella Yumol	

### Council Member(s) Absent

Kelli Gima

- I. Meeting called to order: by Chair, Butch Gima
  - a) Purpose of the HBPC (standing agenda)
  - b) Housekeeping items, testimony rules

- II. Approval of Minutes:

Approval of March 15, 2018 minutes was moved by Ron McOmber and second by Tuma Fauatea.

- All in favor: 7
- Oppose: 0
- Abstention: 0

Motions carried unanimously.

**Discussion:** None

**Public Testimony:** None

- III. Rangers Report: Presented by Mike Lopez

<u>Boat Count</u>	March2018	March 2017
1. Trilogy	2344	2424
2. Expeditions Ferry	717	306
3. Paragon	423	195
4. Maui Nui	<u>421</u>	<u>85</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3905</b>	<b>3010</b>

<u>Campers</u>	March2018	March 2017
1. Resident	271	167
2. Non-Resident Campers	295	180
3. # of Camp Nights	115	104
4. # of Reservations	59	57
5. Non Resident Sponsorship	45	n/a

<u>Four Seasons Kiosk</u>	March 2018	March 2017
1. Guests	2762	4414

#### Daily Beach Users Count

March 20<sup>th</sup> thru March 31, 2018 = 1,780

Daily average: 150-200

Highest: 260

Lowest: 35

#### **Discussion:**

Mike Lopez:

- o New Barbecue grills have been installed, large and small.

Butch Gima:

- o Contacted an Architect to provide an estimate to do a study on the Carrying Capacity of the Beach Park.

#### **IV. Public Testimony – Other**

Pua Turqueza:

- o The Canoe Club, Hui Waa has been stagnant for several years. Plans on starting a new Canoe Club under a new entity instead of umbrella under Hui Wa'a and CDFL. There are several kids that are interested and also have couple of people to be on the Board of Directors. Currently working on the 5013C in getting a grant. Currently there are (6) canoes on the beach but belongs to Hui Wa'a. She is asking if it's okay to bring in two 6-man canoes and push the other canoes on the side.

**Discussion:**

Ron McOmber and Sally Kaye:

- Ron has concern of too many canoes at the beach. Both Ron and Sally suggested talking to Saul Kahihikolo, President of Hui Wa'a.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Update on Rescue Tubes**

Joe Golonka:

- Tubes were installed and removed. Asked who removed them and why was he not contacted?

Butch Gima:

- Confirms to Joe that Noemi Barbadillo has tried contacting him but was unsuccessful. Pulama Lāna'i and DLNR were not aware they were going to be installed. It was the Council's understanding that Joe was to contact DLNR-Lanai, Four Seasons (Alastair McAlpine) and Pulama Lāna'i (Kurt Matsumoto).

Joe Golonka:

- Went into the office three times to see Noemi. Left a note providing the phone number of the Head of DLNR and to please call him back (Joe) after speaking with this person, but no call was returned. In previous meetings, understood that he had Noemi's blessing and also confirmed with a "yes" when he asked her. Also contacted the State, Chief of Fire department, Life Guards. Spoke with DLNR's Daniel Ornellas, however learned Daniel did not communicate any of this to the Lana'i DLNR. The tubes were installed in the correct places. They were 2-3 feet in from the high tide line. Disappointed and doesn't like to be called a liar. He tried his best to help. Will send the tubes to Molokai.

**Discussion:**

Harrilynn Kameenui:

- Confirms Pulama Lāna'i did not approve the installation of the Rescue Tubes. At no time was there formal approval. Also confirms Noemi did not approve the installation as she was sitting next to her during this conversation.

**Mike Lopez:**

- At the time of the installment, he should have been contacted and they could've walked this through together. He instructed his Rangers to remove the tube.

**Ron McOmber:**

- Is disappointed that someone who cares and does something for safety gets rejected by the company.

**Sally Kaye:**

- Sally made a clarification. The Beach Park Council did not approve or reject this proposal. Pulama Lāna'i just hadn't yet approved it yet. Should you still want to pursue this, please do so.

**Butch Gima:**

- If Joe decides to go through with the rescue tubes, the people to contact should be:
  - Alastair McAlpine – Four Seasons General Manager
  - Kurt Matsumoto – Pulama Lāna'i
  - DLNR - Lāna'i

**Public Testimony:**

**Margaret Peary:**

- In agreement with Ron McOmber's statement. Disappointed that this Rescue Tube did not go through. Feels this has become very political. The term liability has been said a lot. Confirms she thought Noemi gave the okay to install the tubes in the October meeting.

**Jerry Rabaino:**

- Suggests to Margaret to get a petition going.

**Sally Kaye:**

- Sally asked Harrilynn Kameenui if she agreed that according to the HRS 663-1.5 there are exceptions to liability to people coming to someone's aide, the "Good Samaritan" statute. Harrilynn agreed.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Review of the Proposed Application for New HBPC Members**

Sally Kaye:

- Application for New HBPC Members has been created, circulated to members to review, and is ready to be used.

**Action:**

Butch Gima:

- Motion to approve the Hulopoe Beach Park Council Application
- Moved by Jerry Rabaino and second by Tuma
- No discussion
- All in favor: 7
- Oppose: 0
- Abstention: 0

**Discussion:**

Butch Gima:

- Will use the new application to fill the late Letty Castillo's term.
- No longer dependent on specific organizations, will bring in independent members at large.
- Position flyer will be posted in Pulama's website and posted around Dole Square.
- Flyer to be posted by April 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Application will be distributed to each member and at central.
- Deadline to submit application is May 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Select by June meeting.

### **B. Activities Update**

Harrilynn Kameenui:

- Kahana Canoe Club – requested to camp 4/21 thru 4/22/18 however, group did not submit required documents. This request is withdrawn.

**Public Testimony:**

Stan Ruidas:

- The Proxy Camping was brought up again. Proxy would mean sponsoring someone, but by having a Proxy, would not require you to camp with that person. Hoping the council will consider this request.

**Butch Gima:**

- Suggest to write up a proposal. Something like this would involve changing the Park Rules.

**Miles Saruwatari:**

- Suggests to the Council to work with the County in hiring a Life Guard.

**Butch Gima:**

- Previously inquired with the Chief on what it would take to get a Lifeguard on Lana`i. Said we would need minimum of (5) Lifeguards for a full schedule. Due to budget, it would be almost impossible.

**VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS - none**

**VIII. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING - none**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:08pm**