

# Hulopo'e Beach Park Council Meeting

Lana'i Senior Citizens Center

Thursday, March 15, 2018, 5:00pm

## MINUTES

### Council Members in Attendance

Sally Kaye	Ella Yumol
Tammy Sanches	Butch Gima
Kelli Gima	Ron McOmber

### Council Member(s) Absent

Jerry Rabaino  
Tuma Fauatea

- I. **Meeting called to order:** by Chair, Butch Gima
- Letty Castillo - Condolences to the Castillo family for the passing of Letty Castillo. Longtime member of the Hulopoe Beach Park Council, community member, Catholic Church and contact person for Roz Baker when she represented Lana'i.
  - Purpose of the HBPC – Handout, verbatim from the November 1987 MOA (please refer to copy of handout in your binder)

II. **Approval of Minutes:**

Approval of Minutes of February 15, 2018 was moved by Sally Kaye and second by Ron McOmber.

- All in favor: 6
- Oppose: 0
- Abstention: 0

Discussions: None

**Rangers Report:** Presented by Ella Yumol for Mike Lopez

<u>Boat Count</u>	<u>Feb 2018</u>	<u>Feb 2017</u>
1. Trilogy	1738	581
2. Expeditions Ferry	214	140
3. Paragon	109	209
4. Maui Nui	<u>77</u>	<u>219</u>
TOTAL	2138	1149

<u>Campers</u>	Feb 2018	Feb 2017
1. Resident	91	128
2. Non-Resident Campers	105	100
3. # of Camp Nights	87	75
4. # of Reservations	47	42
5. Non Resident Sponsorship	<u>6</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	202	228

<u>Four Seasons Kiosk</u>	Feb 2018	Feb 2017
1. Guests	1861	1467

**Discussion:**

Butch and Kelli Gima:

- As requested by Les Vierra in previous meeting, Rangers to count all beach users including residents on a daily basis.
- Requests for Rangers to start counting all beach users daily, including people in the water

Ron McOmber:

- Have big concern of the boat guests using the beach facilities and urges to enforce this rule.

Noemi Barbadillo:

- Rangers have already started taking count during the busiest time of the day at 12:00 noon.

**Public Testimony for Rangers Report:**

Isaac Belez:

- Questioned how can we control how much Trilogy can bring in? As confirmed by Butch, at this time, we can't really control how many guests Trilogy brings in.

### III. Public Testimony – Other

Winnie Basques:

- The Rescue tubes are up but questioned who will be responsible in maintaining them? Anyone trained to use them in case of emergency?

**Action:**

- The board had no answer for this question

Isaac Belez:

- Unaware of boat guests not able to use the facilities. Feels it's not right. Where would they go to use the bathroom?

**Discussion:**

Ron McOmber:

- Have long opposed the boat guests using the beach facilities, however, Chair, Butch asked if this is a rule? No, it's not in the rules. Ron request to address and enforce this rule.

Sally Kaye:

- Prohibiting the use of the facilities by boat guests is not in the rules.

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. Proposed change in HBPC member term limits

Council met on 2/28/18 and decided not to modify the 1987 MOA but adopt the new term limits. The Council's decision is based on having new blood on the council. Council agreed to staggered terms of 1, 2 and 3 years and may extend for a second 3 year term. If they do come back for another term, they may serve for 3 years and possibly additional 3 years. If they want to continue to serve again, they would get off for one year An application process will be developed to be filled out by potential members

- Vacancy protocol
- Vacancy will be posted within one month
- Per the 1987 MOA, Pulama Lana'i and LSG will select the new member after reviewing applications and if necessary, interviewing them.

- If the new member is replacing a member who did not complete their term, the new member will finish out the term and be eligible for an additional 3 year term.

**Disclaimer:**

- Effective the date of approval, the proposed Term Limit rules do not invalidate prior actions of the HBPC related to the terms of its members.

**Discussion:** No Discussion

**Public Testimony**

John Dela Cruz and Miles Saruwatari:

- In agreement with the Term Limits presented by Butch Gima. Having someone with history would also benefit the council.

**Discussion:**

- Vacancy Protocol – Pulama Lanai will fill a vacancy within (1) one month.

**Action:**

Butch Gima:

- Entertained a motion to adopt the Term Limits for the Hulopoe Beach Park Council as amended.
  - Moved by Kelly Gima and second by Ron McOmber.
  - No Discussions
  - All in favor: 6
  - Oppose: 0
  - Abstention: 0
  - Date of Approval, March 15, 2018

**B. Quartered Off Sections of the Beach**

Ron McOmber:

- Proposes again for the beach to be quartered. Wants the total square footage of the Beach Park and then quartered into sections.
- Also wants confirmation that Trilogy's section of 13,836 sq. ft. is a quarter of the beach.

**Discussion:**

Sally Kaye:

- In January, Jim Coon attended the meeting presenting their new agreement with the company. No one disputed the amount of footage and everyone was content with their use of the area.

Noemi Barbadillo:

- Confirmed the Beach Park was surveyed from the high water mark to the parking lot. The total square footage came out to 71,742, a quarter of that is 17, 935. Trilogy uses 13, 836.

Ron McOmber was satisfied with the report.

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**Public Testimony:**

John Dela Cruz:

- Wants to also ensure that any activities with a permit at the Beach Park are also getting not exceeding a quarter as well. Butch Gima also agreed with John's statement.

**Action:**

Sally Kaye:

- This subject has been satisfied and answered. Move this subject be removed from the Old Business.

Butch Gima:

- This subject has been moved by Sally Kaye and seconded by Kelly Gima to remove the quartered off sections of the beach from the agenda.
  - No Discussions
  - All in favor: 5
  - Oppose: 1
  - Abstention: 0
  - Motions carried

**C. Rescue Tube Update**

Noemi Barbadillo:

- Three Rescue Tubes have been installed without permission from Pulama Lana'i and DLNR. Locations installed were at the Four Seasons Kiosk, middle of the beach and third location at the Keiki Pond. Have been trying to get a hold of Joe Golonka to have them removed. A sign "Warning, waves break on ledge. You could be swept off, injured or drown. If in

doubt, keep off” sign was also drilled into the railing at the Keiki Pond. The company removed the sign because the location and sign was not approved by a sign expert.

**Discussion:** No discussions

## **V. PUBLIC TESTIMONY - Other**

**Noemi Barbadillo:**

- The company has decided to meet the request of the bikers of the community and allow bikes up to a certain point. The bike rack will be placed where the old Ranger Station was. There will be a sign attached to the bike rack that says “Bicycles Only. Bike Parking at Your Own Risk. Bikes Not Allowed Past This Point”. To avoid permitting, rack will not be installed into the ground.

**Mike Weinhaus:**

- Confused from what was said from last meeting that the language in the by-laws said “No Bicycle Riding”. It seemed reasonable to get off bike from Ranger’s Station and walk it to the parking lot at your own risk. Now why is there no bike riding past that point?

**Sally Kaye:**

- Answered Mike’s question. The rule actually says that certain activities are prohibited if it’s signed by the Company to provide notice that it’s prohibited. The company has chosen a certain point, which is consistent with the rules.

**Isaac Belez:**

- In confusion why bikes are not allowed on the beach and golf carts and motorcycles are allowed? What is the difference?
- Would like to re-open this subject to allow bikes at the beach

**Butch Gima:**

- Answered: 1) unknown why the provision was put in the first place. 2) For liability reasons, they need to pave the parking lot, but for fiscal reasons this has not yet been budgeted. It was decided, this is no longer a Beach Park Council issue because Pulama has the right to make the decision.

Miles Saruwatari:

- Concerned and against having the Rescue Tubes. It is a tool and if one does not know how to use it, it might do more damage.

## **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Activities Update**

Note... due to flight schedule, Access Surf was called up first to present their request.

- Access Surf – Presented by Ann Yoshida and Cara Short. This organization sponsored by Optum Health Care, Steve Miskoll to host a beach day for people with disabilities from Lana'i and Maui as an employee community engagement activity during their conference at the Four Seasons. This event will take place on Thurs. April 12, 2018 from 8am to 1:30pm

### **Discussion:**

- Participants are winners of Optum Health who have won incentive travel program thru the Four Seasons for a week.
- Attendees will come from Maui and Lana'i. Approximate headcount will be 200.
- Flyers will be provided and Pulama volunteered to post on their website.
- COI provided

### **Action:**

- No objections from the council for this activity.

## **VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **A. SMA Permit to Post Signs Update**

Noemi Barbadillo

- The permits for the signs have been approved. Working on the fabrication of the signs starting next week. Signs are to be installed by a licensed sign installer.

## **VIII. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**

1. Review/modifications of the HBPC Rules before printing (Executive Session)
2. Review the proposed application for new HBPC members (New Business, FYI)
3. Rescue Tube Update

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm