

# Hulopo'e Beach Park Council Meeting

Zoom call

**MINUTES** Thursday, August 26th, 2021

## **Council Members in Attendance**

### **Present:**

Kelli Gima                      Sherri Mora                      Jon Sprague    Butch Gima  
Pua Turqueza                      Michelle Fujie                      Bruce Harvey

### **Absent:**

Tammy Sanches, Ewan Knowles,

## **I. Meeting Called to order 5 pm**

- a) Purpose of the HBPC (standing agenda item)
- b) Housekeeping items, testimony rules

## **II. Approval of July 17th, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

- a) Deferred to Sept Meeting

## **III. Rangers Report**

Trilogy		FS Guests	
Expeditions		Beach Users	(taken at noon everyday)
Paragon	0		High
Maui Nui	0		Low
			Avg

Incident report regarding beach user with dog, photos now being taken by rangers

## **IV. Public Testimony (none)**

## **V. OLD Business**

- a) 1st Public Testimony - Approximately 50, general testimony were in favor of limiting day guests to Hulpo'e beach and concerns about overcrowding.

- b) Executive session recap reactions - testimony both written and verbally mirrored previous 12-18 months of HBPC discussion. Testimony provided why HBP was valued so much, short in recommendations for proposals. Topics discussed included: Four seasons guest, trilogy passengers, formal residents, reservation systems, charging fees, limiting access during the day, adherence to state law and public beach access, special charter permits for small boat harbor, potential of additional small boats coming into harbor, Paragon president wanting to be on HBPC meeting agenda. Next steps: Come up with potential recommendation of proposals, council would like to set up a time to talk with beach park ranger manager, meet with Harrilyn about setting up meeting with council and Pulama and executive team in addition to rangers. 8/26 morning meeting - parameters that Pulama may have with what HBPC is trying to do and what Pulama does/not want - satisfied with the process will set up meeting after Sept 9th.

VI. Public Testimony (none)

VII. Paragon - Sailing charters, Don Prestage

- a. With current timing not considering coming back anytime soon.
- b. Taking the opportunity to start conversations about how to contribute to the Lānaʻi community.
- c. Encouraged the operator to contact Pulama Lānaʻi and shared that current HBPC rules state commercial operations are restricted from the park.
- d. B. Gima asked to describe pre-covid operations: 8:30am - 3:30pm, During weekdays M-F snorkeled at Club Lānaʻi or Hulopoʻe arrived around 11:30 and returned at 1:15, capacity of vessel 49 passengers. Seasonally full, average 40 a day. Commercial use VME - access to Manele harbor for commercial use. Mooring permit is out of Lahaina. Not on weekends - west maui snorkel (not into harbor)
- e. Wanting to return only if the community welcomes feedback, open to providing contact information email.
- f. Question about where advertising - sailmaui.com, online concierge - trip advisor, google ads.
- g. How many years has Paragon been coming to Lanaʻi? - 6 years since purchased , previous owner believed to have been coming for 20+ years.

VIII. Public Testimony (none)

Next Agenda

- a. Four Seasons Gentleman's agreement about where setting up umbrella and chairs.
- b. Limiting non-residents next public testimony
- c. Updates with meeting with Rangers / Pulama

Announcement: Kainalu appointed as intern for Brian Schatz

Meeting Adjourned 5:35pm