

Hulopo'e Beach Park Council Meeting

Zoom call

MINUTES Thursday, May 20th, 2021

Council Members in Attendance

Present:

Kelli Gima	Ewan Knowles	Sherri Mora	Ella Yumol
Butch Gima	Pua Turqueza	*Michelle Fujie	Tammy Sanches
Bruce Harvey			

***Minutes**

Absent:

I. Meeting Called to order 5:01 pm

- a) Purpose of the HBPC (standing agenda item)
- b) Housekeeping items, testimony rules
 - i) Pua to take minutes in June

II. Approval of April 2021 Meeting Minutes

- a) Motion: Ewan
- b) 2nd: Sherri

III. Rangers Report

Trilogy	0	FS Guests	8865
Expeditions	560	Beach Users	1341
Paragon	0	High	69*
Maui Nui	0	Low	14
		Avg	45

***Error for High Number on spreadsheet, listed as 73.**

- a) Current Data not listed on spreadsheet, Mike Lopez to get revised copy.
- b) Will send out on Monday before the HBPC meeting to allow council time to review.
- c) Community member took out measuring tape because he was concerned that FS guest lounge chairs were encroaching into the canoe hale area.

IV. Public Testimony

- a) None

V. OLD Business

- a) Student Survey Update
 - i) LHES students, Kainalu and Scarlett are not able to attend due to graduation.
 - ii) Council can see their preliminary data findings via email with a link to
 - iii) STEM Capstone Website:
<https://sites.google.com/hawaii.edu/ontrack/fp-404/lhes-fp-404?authuser=0>
 - iii) 331 respondents, shared on LSG, Facebook and Lanai96763.com

VI. NEW Business

- a) Beach park updates
 - i) As of 5/20 you are able to use pop-up tents 6ft, grills and BBQ allowed.
 - ii) Gate permit still pending
 - iii) Restrooms fixed
 - iv) Night control for deer hunts, 7pm - 11pm w/ranger on duty
11:30pm-Midnight.
 - v) New ranger: Makana Cortez
 - vi) 5 rangers on staff
- b) HBPC Executive Session recap/summary
 - i) Increasing use of beach park
 - ii) Incorporate results of survey with potential for policy or rule changes with consideration for fairness, beach access in accordance to state law
 - iii) Keeping MOA in mind about preserving traditional uses
 - iv) HBPC to hold a public hearing and follow the process with proper public notice.
 - v) Need to identify what is /is not the responsibility of HBPC.
- c) Another Executive session needed for the council to discuss the process of creating a proposal and plan public testimony.
 - i) Continued discussion on carrying capacity for next meeting agenda item
 - ii) Will provide a summary at the June meeting.

VII. Public Testimony

- a) Gabriel Lucy - Lānaʻi City Service / Trilogy (President), Nikki Alboro
 - i) Open on May 15th on a 2 week trial basis.
 - ii) All safety precautions taken: Temp check, log travel form, guests remain in trilogy area, van tours discontinued.
 - iii) Each tour can hold up to 44 passengers twice a day up to 88 per day.
 - iv) Arrival 8:15-8:30, guest at beach for 2.5-3hrs, Lunch, depart at noon.
 - v) 2nd Arrival 12:15 - 12:30 depart by 2:30-2:45

- b) Gabe Johnson
 - i) Commercial #s are different than individuals in community gathering of no more than 10 people
- c) Scott Stein
 - i) Shared that has been picking up rubbish on the beach

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Next Meeting **June 17th**, 5 pm virtual meeting
- b) Warning: 5-6ft Baracuda in bay swimmers advised to avoid wearing shiny objects while swimming. Signage is posted around the beach park.

IX. Agenda for Next Meeting:

- a) Beach park updates
 - i) Gate Update
- b) Student Survey Update
- c) Trilogy Update
- d) Carrying Capacity / Executive Session

X. Adjournment

- a) Adjourned 5:57 pm