

Hulopo'e Beach Park Council Meeting

Zoom call & Lāna'i Senior Center

MINUTES Thursday, July 21 st, 2022

Council Members in Attendance

Lana'ians for Sensible Growth	Community at Large	Company
X Butch Gima	Bruce Harvey	X Tammy Sanches
X Kelli Maltezo	X Pua Turqueza	X Jon Sprague
X Michelle Fujie	X Anthony Bandalan	Sean Fonte

I. Meeting Called to order 5:07pm

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

II. Approval of June 2022 Public Testimony Minutes

- a) Motion: Postpone approval of minutes to next meeting
- b) Update with written testimony at end of document and review & revise zoom meeting for accuracy of testimony.

Rangers Report

Trilogy	3232	FS Guests	3524
Expeditions	1522	Beach Users	4073
Paragon	0	High	236
Maui Nui	0	Low	54
Campers	487	Avg	140

III. Public Testimony

- a) None

IV. New Business

Beach park updates

- a) Camping incident of residents being asked to move
 - i) Both and Pulama and Trilogy reached out and apologized.
 - ii) Working closely with Trilogy to make sure that this doesnt happen again.

- b) Mineral Sunscreen dispenser will be installed in Middle Bathroom wall - Permit needs to be approved. Will
- c) King Tides & Large South swells July 26th
- d) Pumping water out, getting the parking lot dry enough to remove sand to the beach park area, and planning to sanitize bathrooms, tables and showers. Tables need to be assessed as some were damaged.
- e) Trilogy charters are not coming in.
- f) Expeditions were notified that HBPC were closed but day guests were still coming over.

V. Public Testimony

- a) Stanley Rudias - pumping from Hulopo'e contaminating silt basin

IV. OLD Business

- a) Public Hearing Council summary:
 - i) Fewer testifiers from Fall 2021 - 6 in person testimony & 4 online via zoom.
 - ii) Majority were consistent with prior testimony, except 1 who opposed.
 - iii) After public hearing, the final version of the proposal was shared with Pulama.

V. Beach Access

- VI. Proposal is dependent on Pulama regarding alternative public beach access.
- VII. HPBC reached out to the planning department to find out what kind of permitting Pulama will need. SMA (Major) Permit to be approved by Lāna'i Planning Commission - Requires a Public Hearing.
- VIII. All boat operators were notified and DOBAR also sent notice about the public hearing in June. No operators provided public hearing.

IX. Public Testimony

- a) Stanley Rudias:
 - i) How much does Trilogy pay per person?
 - 1) \$8.32 per head
 - ii) Currently two Alternative Beach access is by hotel golf maintenance.
 - 1) Blue and White sign w/parking area.
 - 2) 13 or 14th hole.
 - iii) Is there a timeline on non-resident sponsorship?
 - iv) Council Members response:
 - 1) Noemi provides clarification as long as you camp with them the whole time (24 hours) - it does not count as sponsorship.
 - 2) Kelli clarified non-resident sponsorship is only for 6pm - 7am and leave has not reopened. No current timeline, perhaps by next meeting.
 - 3) Jon shared that being short staffed is one of the issues about establishing a timeline.

- 4) In addition to the camping incident with Trilogy - noticed that encroaching on other areas, guests are moving chairs where there is more shade.
- 5) Jon & Butch commented that a challenge with Trilogy is that there is a 2018 aerial view that changes each year with high-level water lines. There is a need for a more specific language that defines the perimeter with a clear defined mapped area.
- 6) Noemi clarified that the aerial map was just to define not taking up more than ¼ of the beach and cannot use more area. Need to check on the purpose of this map.
- 7) Kelli public should be made aware of this issue.

b) Michele Kapua Weinhouse:

- i) ArcGIS research on Hanauma Bay vs Manele
- ii) Acres
- iii) 3,000 visitors per day vs 129 visitors per day
- iv) Mauka to Makai
- v) Closest houses and parking lot - construction sites nearby affecting the reef.
- vi) Concerns not so much because people impacting of Coral bleaching / Water warming / Climate change
- vii) White and yellow fish are still in water and ensure that we keep in mind to preserve the beach.
 - 1) (30 years of data) Quarterly report - quality of water, fish count, status of coral.

c) Nick Brillande:

- i) Yellow Tang and herbivores are still plentiful
- ii) Requesting a copy of the water quality report.
- iii) June 8th - World ocean day to raise awareness about issues that surround the oceans. Other islands have educational booths, and organizations share information with the community. Food vendors and entertainment, like a pineapple festival but for oceans. Ideally, I would like to start something like this, what would be the steps to make something like this to happen.
 - 1) Commercial activity - Permitting process.
 - 2) Would be an opportunity to share issues about Hulopo'e
 - 3) What would be the timeline (Saturday before June 8th)?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Next Meeting ____ - 5 pm virtual meetings
- b) Public Meeting: UH-Hilo July 25th - Aquaculture opportunities & Manele Hulopo'e Conservation district. Questions could be emailed to hulopoebpc@gmail.com Jon to email Kelli to post this on the HPBC Facebook page.

- c) Butch shared that there was a request for meeting notices can be sent out via group email list.
- d) Kelli shared that participants can also use zoom meeting ID and password.

X. Agenda for Next Meeting

- a) Discuss second On-site visit
- b) HBPC Updates (timeline on non-sponsor
- c) Update on Proposal (Old business)

XI. Adjournment

- a) Adjourned _5:58_pm