

January 18, 2018

Na Ala Hele - Lāna'i Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 10:38 AM

Members Attendance: Alan, Ben, Bob, Debbie, Ken, Mike, Richard, and Torrie

Approval of Sep 14, 2017 minutes: Passed as is

Specialist Report: Torrie provided copies of Lāna'i maps from the <http://ags.hawaii.gov> website. During this discussion, Mike provided a copy of a Map of Lāna'i that was published with *The Story of Lāna'i*, by George C. Munro. It provides an updated collection of most known Lāna'i place names, and includes many trails and other features of the island. Limited copies of this map are available at the Lāna'i Culture & Heritage Center.

Council Chair Report: Mike reported that he is excited about the upcoming year and having the council work on a new Na Ala Hele trail. He also stated that Pulama's Natural Resources Division and Culture and Historic Preservation Division are working together to maintain the Na Ala Hele Fisherman's Trail.

Old Business:

Revisit trail inventory (continuation): A discussion on the possibilities for a new Na Ala Hele trail included the desire to find trails that don't go into sensitive areas, are easily accessible to residents and visitors, and can showcase the natural and historic features of the island. Bob suggested a trail known as Blue Screen Trail and the Ka'iholena Ridge trail, which can be combined to form a loop trail joined by the Munro Trail. Mike asked about the Kai'olohia-Kahue Trail that was once a Na Ala Hele trail. Bob shared that the trail was dropped from the Na Ala Hele inventory because maintenance was very difficult due to Kiawe overgrowth and shifting sands.

New Business:

1. Our next meeting will include a field trip to the proposed Blue Screen/Ka'iholena Ridge Trail. Mike and Bob will scout out the trail prior to the next meeting.

2. National Trails Day, Jun 2, 2018: Mike proposed that we sponsor an event to bring awareness to trails on the island. A decision will need to be made regarding which trail to highlight. A subcommittee was formed to plan the details of this event and report at our next meeting. Members of the subcommittee: Alan, Bob, Debbie and Mike.

3. Bob resurrected past articles on Na Ala Hele - Lāna'i Advisory Council and volunteered to use this information to write an article to inform the community about the history and provide awareness of this Council. He will present a draft of the article to the council at our next meeting.

Public Testimony: None

Schedule date for next meeting: April 12, 2018

Adjourned: 11:47 AM