

Na Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council

Minutes of May 23, 2018

Present: Russell Reinertson, Donna Clayton, Bob Hobdy

Absent: Torrie Nohara, David Brown, Kevin Jenkins, Nick Saussy, Terry Quisenberry, Sue Guille, Tom Cannon

Ex-Officio: Corey Rosa, Trails and Access Technician

Guests: Bruce Faulkner

Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

Russell called the meeting to order. Public notice was posted; quorum was not met.

Review of Meeting Minutes of April 25, 2018

The April 25, 2018 minutes were deferred due to lack of quorum.

NAH Staff Reports:

Corey Rosa – Volunteer/Intern Update: The monthly volunteer hours total is 568.5 and the annual volunteer hours total 6,400. The MEO interns Samson Bailey, Trent Nakihei, and Wesley Hart have completed 803.75 hours, 563.75 hours and 601.75 hours respectively of their 900 hour term length. The KUPU interns Joshua Pinheiro and Mykah Bailey have completed 1,074.25 and 1,038 hours respectively of their 1,700 hour term length.

The Waihee Ridge Trail Counter Totals are:

14,765 for the 4/19/18 – 5/21/18 period with a total year to date count of 41,452. The highest count for one day took place on 4/19/18 with 840 people.

From April 19 to May 20 the Na Ala Hele (“NAH”) crew did general trail maintenance for Kula Forest Reserve, West Maui Forest Reserve and Makawao Forest Reserve. The crew also did tread work and water mitigation on Boundary Trail and Waihe’e Ridge Trail.

Looking forward NAH will be clearing brush overhanging Kahakapao Recreation Area access road and will also continue tread work and water mitigation on Boundary Trail and Waihe’e Ridge Trail.

NAH Specialist Report - None

Kahakapao Recreational Area Maintenance Report - Adam Lottig/Flow Farm submitted his report as follows: The focus of their work in April and May was on the middle to lower trail areas of Pineapple Express, continuing to reshape turns that they didn't get to shape with the machine and grooming jumps and berms that are in need. They have also groomed and reshaped the expert skills area. Along with the grooming work, they have done some small tree cutting and branch clearing on the upper east side and lower Renegade and Ravine Trails.

They are preparing for another rebuild of the intermediate skills area and upper Pineapple Express starting in June. They have also begun the discussion to address some of the potentially hazardous trees in the lower area of the park.

Old Business:

1. West Maui Greenway Update – Donna is continuing to follow-up with Lauren Armstrong of the Metropolitan Planning Organization and Shayne Agawa and Nolly Yagin of Public Works on a proposal for using a part of the \$5 million statewide Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding for the greenway. The proposal deadline is May 31. Lee Chamberlain and Saman Dias will return to the mainland for 6 months soon and Donna plans to work with the West Maui community as they work on updating their community plan to keep the West Maui Greenway discussion in the planning.
2. Nakula Potential Access Routes – Russell resubmitted the March 16, 2017 letter request to Suzanne Case via Jimmy Gomes with the agreed to maps. He was unable to attach the lease as he did not have a clean copy.
3. Waia'ilio Trail Complex – Corey reported a site visit has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 13. The plan is to work with a drone in the top upper section from the road down.
4. Maui Motocross Park – No report
5. Honuaula Area – Moana Rowland sent word that research is continuing on the Makena to Ulupalakua Trail. This trail crosses several ahupuaa containing almost a hundred land grants and awards. Nothing further to report at this time.
6. Haleakala Trail – No report
7. Trail above Keanae Arboretum – Corey reported a field trip is scheduled for June 4 with a local resident.
8. Government roads on HC&S lands – No report
9. Lahaina Pali Trail – No report
10. Land Agent notification to council on trails affected by land sales – no word from Daniel Ornellas.

11. New Business:

1. Suggestions for new Na Ala Hele Trails: Bruce suggested the Cable Ridge Trail on the south rim of Kipahulu Valley be discussed.
2. Agenda items for next meeting – Add Cable Ridge Trail
3. Date of next meeting: June 20 at 2 pm

12. Public Testimony on All Agenda Items, Public Comments – Open Forum: None

13. Adjournment: 3:30 pm