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Na Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council

Minutes of September 19, 2018

Present: Sue Guille, David Brown, Kevin Jenkins, Nick Saussy, Terry Quisenberry, Tom Cannon, Russell Reinertson

Absent: Donna Clayton, Bob Hobdy

Ex-Officio: Torrie Nohara, Scott Fretz, Shane De Mattos

Guests: Bruce Faulkner, Lauren Armstrong

Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

Russell called the meeting to order. Public notice was posted; quorum was met.

Review of Meeting Minutes of July 18, 2018

The July 18, 2018 minutes were unanimously approved as submitted. No meeting was held in August.

NAH Staff Reports

Corey Rosa – Volunteer/Intern Update: The monthly volunteer hours total is168.

The Waihee Ridge Trail Counter is inoperable at the moment.

The Kahakapao Recreation Area Trail Counter monthly total was 329. Highest 1 day count was 63.

The Na Ala Hele crew has been working on repairing damages and cutting trees that have fallen due to lots of wind and rain caused by two major storms. Most of the damages occurred in the Makawao Forest at Kahakapao Recreation Area with a few landslides and lots of fallen trees.

Na Ala Hele will be continuing the replacement of wooden steps on Plum Trail that are deteriorating with new composite lumber. The crew will also be continuing tread work and water mitigation on Boundary Trail and Waihe'e Ridge Trail.

Kahakapao Recreational Area Maintenance Report – No report.

Old Business:

 West Maui Greenway Update – Guest speaker Lauren Armstrong from the Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization spoke about long range transportation planning. This includes bicycle, pedestrian, transit and auto improvement projects. Since the population has reached 50,000 Maui is eligible for federal funds. The group is a think tank that will develop a vision for our transportation needs and opportunities over the next 20 years to ensure that our communities are connected by a safe, efficient, and sustainable transportation system. The think tank has representatives from Maui Public Works, Planning Department, County Council members, as well as state representatives. A Complete Streets pilot program has been assigned to 2 streets in Kahului. It will be a multi-use design for autos, bicycles and pedestrians. The West Maui Greenway coalition is working with MMPO. The WMG has also applied to the Hawaii Tourism authority for funds to sponsor a monthly bike ride on the WMG.

- 2. Nakula Potential Access Routes No Report.
- 3. Waia'ilio Trail Complex and Kanaio Management Area Shane De Mattos Wildlife Biologist from DOFAW/DLNR did a power point presentation on the Kanaio Management Area. Kanaio area is 5500 acres of state unencumbered land that has not been managed. Current uses are hiking, ocean fishing and camping. A management plan is being developed to include archery hunting of ungulates and birds. Impacts to the land have been dirt bikes, vehicles, dumping and feral cattle damaging the vegetation. The goals and objectives are to determine sustainable compatible uses with a game management area. The draft management plan is in process and the Na Ala Hele Advisory Council comments are being sought. We want to protect the Waia'ilio trail complex. Also protect the Hoapili Coastal Trail by making repairs and keeping vehicles off the trail. Further discussion at the next meeting.
- 4. Maui Motocross Park Nick Saussy just returned from National Motocross Championships on the Mainland. He shared with us that the National Motocross group is reaching out to e-bike riders to join ranks with them.
- 5. Honuaula Area Residents, County Council members and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs are criticizing the project in Honua'ula for not undergoing a proper archaeological review. Grading, land grubbing and destruction of old rock walls have taken place. A stop work has been placed on the area by the Public Works Department until a review takes place. The old path that we have been discussing is under the rock walls in the area.
- 6. Haleakala Trail No Report.
- 7. Trail Above Keanae Arboretum No Report.
- 8. Government Roads on HC&S Lands No Report.
- 9. Lahaina Pali Trail In the zoning change hearing the Maui Planning Commission stipulated that the Lahaina Pail Trail will have its own TMK and the developer needs to provide vehicle access for the trail.
- 10. Land Agent notification to council on trails affected by land sales. No report
- 11. Cable Ridge Trail No Report.

New Business:

- 1. No suggestions for new Na Ala Hele trails.
- 2. Agenda items for next meeting no changes.
- 3. Date of next meeting October 17th, 2018 at 2pm.
- 12. <u>Public Testimony on All Agenda Items, Public Comments Open Forum:</u> See minutes in agenda Item # 1 presented by Lauren Armstrong.
- 13. Adjournment: 4:10pm

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