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**MINUTES  
HAWAI'I ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**DATE:** Thursday, March 21, 2024  
**TIME:** 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM  
**PLACE:** Online via Zoom  
—AND—  
Division of Forestry and Wildlife  
Conference Room  
19 E. Kāwili Street  
Hilo, HI 96720

*This meeting will be held using interactive conference technology under section 92-3.7, Haw. Rev. Stat. (HRS). Board members, staff, applicants, testifiers, and the public can choose to participate in person, online via Zoom, or by telephone.*

**To Attend/Provide Testimony Remotely:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82291862150?pwd=em1KRzUrL21oSjFINUlzZFNpY0U2Zz09>

**Meeting ID: 822 9186 2150**  
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**HIBC Members:** **Present:**  
Vice-Chair Kalena Blakemore (Puna), *In-person*  
Member Traven 'Āpiki (Hilo), *In-person*  
Member Desmon Haumea (Ka'ū), *In-person*  
Member La Crivello (LLO), *Zoom*  
Member 'I'ini Kahakalau (Hāmākua), *Zoom*

**Absent:**  
Chair Scott Mahoney (Ka'ū)

**SHPD Staff:**  
Kea Calpito, Burial Sites Specialist  
Christian Omerod, Burial Sites Specialist  
Noah Gomes, Ethnographer  
Tiare Elizares, Office Assistant III

**DAWN N.S. CHANG**  
CHAIRPERSON  
BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES  
COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

**RYAN K.P. KANAKA'OLE**  
FIRST DEPUTY

**DEAN D. UYENO**  
ACTING DEPUTY DIRECTOR - WATER

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CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT  
ENGINEERING  
FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
KAHOOLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION  
LAND  
STATE PARKS

**Guests:** Keone Kalawe (IV.D.), *In-person*  
Keikialoha Kekipi (IV.D.), *In-person*  
Mikala DeMotta (IV.B.), *Zoom*  
Angela Neller, *Zoom*  
Giuseppina Mamone (IV.A.), *Zoom*  
Wilson Kanaka'ole, *Zoom*  
Lily Anne Souza (IV.C.), *In-person*  
Clement Chang (IV.C.), *In-person*

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

*Vice-Chair Blakemore calls to order the meeting at 9:56 A.M.*

## **II. ROLL CALL/PULE**

*Desmon Haumea, Traven 'Āpiki, Kalena Blakemore, La Crivello, 'Iini Kahakalau*

*Member Haumea conducts pule.*

## **III. MINUTES**

### **A. Approval of the Minutes for January 18, 2024.**

**Summary:**

**Recording: 01:45 – 02:30**

- *Motion and vote made at 02:10*

**MOTION:** To accept the minutes  
**MOVED BY:** Member Haumea  
**2<sup>ND</sup> BY:** Member 'Āpiki  
**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously

## **IV. BUSINESS**

### **A. Descendancy Recognition Application of Giuseppina Lucia P. Mamone-Miner to the Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains of Samuel Napoleon, Located at Ka'alāiki Ahupua'a, Ka'ū District, Island of Hawai'i, TMK (3) 9-5-016:006.**

**Information/Discussion/Determination:** Discussion and determination whether to recognize the applicant as a lineal descendant to the above Native Hawaiian skeletal remains.

The Council may elect to go into executive session pursuant to HAR §13-300-25(d). The Council may close a meeting whenever location or description of a Native Hawaiian Burial site is under consideration. The chairperson, by concurrence of a majority of members present at the meeting, shall be authorized to require the public to leave the meeting while the confidential matter is being discussed and reopen the meeting once the confidential matter is no longer being considered.

**Summary:**

**Recording: 03:30 – 17:25**

- Giuseppina Mamone-Miner (04:45)
  - William Demotta (05:35, 08:40)
  - Member Haumea (11:25)
  - Vice-Chair Blakemore (13:10)
  - Member Crivello (13:40)
  - *Motion (1) and vote at 14:05*
  - Member ‘Āpiki (16:20)
  - *Motion (2) and vote at 16:45*
- Discussion on the applicants’ connection to the iwi and history.

**MOTION (1): To combine items IV.A. and IV.B.**  
**MOVED BY: Member Haumea**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> BY: Member ‘Āpiki**  
**VOTE: Motion carried unanimously**

**MOTION (2): To recognize the applicants as lineal descendants**  
**MOVED BY: Member ‘Āpiki**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> BY: Member Haumea**  
**VOTE: Motion carried unanimously**

**B. Descendancy Recognition Application of William M. Demotta to the Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains of Samuel Napoleon, Located at Ka‘alāiki Ahupua‘a, Ka‘ū District, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK (3) 9-5-016:006.**

**Information/Discussion/Determination:** Discussion and determination whether to recognize the applicant as a lineal descendant to the above Native Hawaiian skeletal remains.

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- **SEE AGENDA ITEM IV.A.**

**C. Descendancy Recognition Application of Lily Anne L. Souza to the Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains of Apela Opio, Kamela Kaleohano, Unnamed Twin of Apela Opio, and Setepano Kaleohano, Located at Miloli‘i Ahupua‘a, South Kona District, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK (3) 8-9-004:018.**

**Information/Discussion/Determination:** Discussion and determination whether to recognize the applicant as a lineal descendant to the above Native Hawaiian skeletal remains.

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**Summary:**

**Recording: 17:45 – 34:15**

- Lily Anne Souza (19:45)
- Clement Chang (28:10)
- Vice-Chair Blakemore (32:10)
- *Motion at 31:50*
- *Vote at 34:00*
  
- *History and background on the area and the 'ohana.*

**MOTION:** To recognize the applicant as a lineal descendant  
**MOVED BY:** Member Haumea  
**2<sup>ND</sup> BY:** Member 'Āpiki  
**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously

**D. Request by Vice-Chair Blakemore to Discuss the Hawai'i Island Burial Council's Letter to the Department of the Interior Regarding Ownership and Jurisdiction of the Kapoho-Kumukahi Lighthouse Access Road in Kumukahi, Kula Ahupua'a, Puna District, Island of Hawai'i.**

**Information/Discussion:** Discussion on the above item.

**Summary:**

**Recording: 34:55 – 53:40**

- Vice-Chair Blakemore (35:15, 39:55, 42:20, 46:05, 50:55)
- Keiki Kekipi (35:55, 40:45, 44:10)
- Member Haumea (47:20)
- Wilson Kanaka'ole (47:35)
- Member Crivello (52:30)
  
- *Progress and solicitation of advice regarding the letter; information and situation update.*

**E. Discussion on Hawai'i Island Burial Council Membership, Roles, and Responsibilities.**

**Information/Discussion:** Discussion on the above item.

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. The Next HIBC Meeting is Thursday, April 18, 2024, 9:30 A.M., TBD.**

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

*Meeting adjourns at 10:54 A.M.*

**\*\*\*THE ABOVE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE 05/16/2024 HIBC MEETING\*\*\***

**To Provide Written Testimony:**

We encourage interested persons to submit written testimony in advance of the meeting, which will be distributed to Board members prior to the meeting and allow a timely review. Please submit written testimony via email to: [jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov](mailto:jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov). Written testimonies can also be mailed to: 40 Po'okela Street, Hilo, HI 96720. Written testimonies may be posted upon the HIBC meeting website; as a precaution, please be mindful with any personal information prior to submitting unless you intend it to be shared. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the record and distributed to HIBC members as soon as practicable, but we cannot ensure the HIBC will receive it in sufficient time to review, prior to decision-making.

**To Provide In-Person Oral Testimony (masks are highly encouraged):**

Attend in-person at: 19 E. Kāwili Street, Hilo HI 96720.

**To Provide Testimony by Telephone:**

On the day of the meeting at the start of the agenda item you wish to testify on, dial +1 669 900 6833 (Zoom); input the meeting ID: 822 9186 2150 and follow the prompts.

**To Provide Video/Zoom Testimony:**

Please send your request in a timely manner to: [jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov](mailto:jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov) with your information, email address, and the agenda item you wish to testify on. Once your request has been received, you will receive a confirmation email with pertinent information. You may testify without signing up in advance.

We kindly ask that all oral/video testimony be limited to not more than three (3) minutes. We ask that you identify yourself and any affiliation before speaking, but you can choose not to do so.

Pursuant to §92-3 Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), all interested persons shall be afforded an opportunity to present oral testimony or submit data, views, or arguments, in writing on any agenda item. Additionally, pursuant to a policy adopted by the Hawai'i Island Burial Council at its November 17, 2005 meeting, oral testimony for items listed on the agenda is limited to three minutes per person, per agenda item.

The HIBC may go into Executive Session pursuant to section 92-5(a)(4), HRS, in order to consult with its attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Pursuant to §92-4, §92-5(a)(8), and §6E-43.5 HRS, and upon compliance with the procedures set forth in §92-4, HRS, the council may go into a closed meeting to consider information that involves the location or description of a burial site.

Pursuant to §92-2.5(d) HRS, if a meeting must be cancelled due to lack of quorum, the present council members may elect to continue to receive testimony and presentations on items on the agenda.

A request to be placed on a burial council meeting agenda must be made with the Burial Sites Program staff at least two weeks preceding the scheduled meeting date. In addition, the request must be accompanied by all related documents. Failure to comply with this procedure will delay the item to the following month's agenda.

Interested persons can submit written testimony in advance of each meeting that will be distributed to Burial Council Members prior to the meeting. Submit written testimony to [Jordan.V.Calpito@Hawaii.gov](mailto:Jordan.V.Calpito@Hawaii.gov) or via postal mail to the Hawai'i Island Burial Council at 40 Po'okela St., Hilo, HI 96720. Written testimony that is received later than 24-hours prior to the meeting will be retained as part of the record and distributed to the Burial Council Members as soon as practicable, but we cannot ensure that the Council members will receive it with sufficient time for review prior to decision-making.

Materials related to items on the agenda are available for review at the State Historic Preservation Division located at 40 Po'okela St., Hilo, HI 96720.

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact, Burial Sites Specialist, at (808) 933-7650 or [jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov](mailto:jordan.v.calpito@hawaii.gov) as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible have a greater likelihood of being fulfilled. Upon request, this agenda and other materials are available in alternate/accessible formats.