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

DATE: Thursday, April 18, 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.

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Meeting ID: 836 8113 8982
Passcode: 0G9bxF

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HIBC Members: **Present:**
Chair Scott Mahoney (Ka'ū), *Zoom*
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*

Absent:
Member 'I'ini Kahakalau (Hāmākua)

SHPD Staff: Kea Calpito, Burial Sites Specialist
Christian Omerod, Burial Sites Specialist
Noah Gomes, Ethnographer

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION
KAHOOLAWE ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION
LAND
STATE PARKS

Guests: Keikialoha Kekipi (IV.A.), *In-person*
Keone Kalawe (IV.A.), *Zoom*
Healani Waiau, *Zoom*
Damien Kenison (V.A.), *Zoom*

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mahoney calls to order the meeting at 9:36 A.M.

II. ROLL CALL/PULE

Scott Mahoney, Desmon Haumea, Kalena Blakemore, La Crivello

Member Haumea conducts pule.

III. MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes for March 21, 2024.

- *Deffered until next meeting*

IV. BUSINESS

A. 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: 04:40 – 33:15

- Vice-Chair Blakemore (04:40, 12:50, 15:00, 17:30, 21:00, 28:00, 30:30)
- Chair Mahoney (09:00, 14:30, 24:20)
- Member Crivello (09:55, 14:00, 20:15)
- Member Haumea (16:20, 23:00)
- Keiki Kekipi (18:55, 32:00)
- Member ‘Āpiki (22:20)
- Keone Kalawe (25:55)
- *Motion at 29:00*
- *Vote at 31:30*

- *Update on the letter to the Department of the Interior and background on the issue regarding jurisdiction of the road.*

MOTION: To accept the letter to send to the Department of the Interior with revised bullets made during discussion

MOVED BY: Member Haumea

2ND BY: Member Crivello

VOTE: **Motion carried unanimously**

B. Discussion on Hawai‘i Island Burial Council Membership, Roles, and Responsibilities.

Information/Discussion: Discussion on the above item.

Summary:

Recording: 33:30 – 43:45

- Member Haumea (33:40)
- Member Crivello (34:35)
- Chair Mahoney (37:00, 42:45)
- Vice-Chair Blakemore (39:10)
- Keiki Kekipi (41:50)

- *Discussion on moving the in-person location to different areas around the island; burial council membership.*

V. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Request by Damien Kenison to Consult with Hawai‘i Island Burial Council to Discuss Iwi Kupuna Concerns at Ho‘okena Beach Park and the Palianihi Cliff, Located in Ho‘okena and Kauhako Ahupua‘a, South Kona District, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 8-6-013:029 and (3) 8-6-011:006.

Information/Discussion: Discussion on the above item.

Summary:

Recording: 43:45 – 56:10

- *Member Crivello disconnects and leaves meeting (46:00)*
- Damien Kenison (50:25)
- Member ‘Āpiki (54:00)
- Chair Mahoney (55:20)

- *Discussion on the history and background of the issue.*

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The Next HIBC Meeting is Thursday, May 16, 2024, 9:30 A.M., TBD.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourns at 10:32 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. 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.

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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 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.

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