MINUTES
HAWAII HISTORIC PLACES REVIEW BOARD MEETING

DATE:     Friday June 2, 2017
TIME:     1:00PM to 4:00PM
PLACE:    North Hawai’i Education and Research Center NHERC
          45-539 Plumeria Street
          Honoka’a, Hawaii 96727

The following were in attendance:

MEMBERS:    Nancy Peacock, AIA CHAIR     Ikaika Bantolina
            Alton Okinaka                  Katie Stephens
            Paul Morgan                    Pat Griffin
            William Souza                  Matt McDermott
            George Casen

STAFF:      Alan S. Downer, Administrator
            Megan Borthwick, Architectural Historian
            Chandra Hirotsu, Secretary III

PUBLIC/ HOMEOWNERS/ NOMINATORS:
            Don Hibbard                     Laura Ruby
            Ross Stephenson                 Gerald De Mello
            Cecily Ching                    Lucas Mead

The meeting was called to order at 1:06 pm by Chair Nancy Peacock
The review board members introduced themselves.

A. AGENDA

Approval of the Friday June 2, 2017 Agenda
B. MINUTES

Approval/Amendments of the June 2, 2017 Limited Meeting Minutes

Action: A motion was made by **William Souza** to approve minutes with changes.

Seconded: **Katie Stephens**

Vote: 9-0; **All in favor** (Griffin, Stephens, Morgan, Okinaka, Souza, Peacock, Bantolina, McDermott, Casen). Unanimous Motion Carries

Approval/Amendments of the June 2, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

Action: A motion was made by **George Casen** to approve minutes with changes.

Seconded: **Paul Morgan**

Vote: 9-0; **All in favor** (Griffin, Stephens, Morgan, Okinaka, Souza, Peacock, Bantolina, McDermott, Casen). Unanimous Motion Carries

C. SHPD REPORT

Megan: The National Park Service has started the process to update Bulletin 16A which is the process on how to complete a National Register Nomination. Deadline for comments is December 31, 2017. If the board would like to make an official comment, then I suggest that we add it to the August 2017 agenda. Then vote on it in the December 2017 Meeting. You can also make comments as individuals. It hasn’t been updated since the 1980’s.

In July Jessica, and I will be going on a training on Tax Credits.

Mr. Downer mentioned that he will be making an offer next week for the Librarian/Archivist position.

SHPD is now down to only 4 vacancies. 5 intern positions stalled and didn’t pass, will restart next session. There was a re-org at the end of the session Representative Cindy Evans (Majority Floor Leader) Senator Tokuda is out, and is now the Chair of the Labor Committee. Senator Dela Cruz is now the Chair of the Ways and Means Committee. He is dedicated to preservation. On the Federal budget side. HPF reduced by 5.8 million dollars. It’s a complex formula on how much each SHPO will lose. If this budget was to pass we would take a smaller hit. 14million taken out for identification of sites.

**Smith Apartments Recap** - This is a Tax Act project. That was approved by the National Park Service. They have the final say. The stairway that you were concerned about is not
original, it was added on. The stairway that is in the middle is original and they have been asked to retain. The National Park Service has approved the window changes. The electric meter is where HECO insists on it being. Final progress has been slow due to cash flow issues.

Nancy- Thank you to the town of Honokaa for their warm and wonderful reception. On behalf of the Board and Staff thank you for warm hospitality and lunch.

D. DISCUSSION OF COMPLETENESS OF NOMINATIONS

There is nothing to post yet. The Board did discuss the difference between the State vs Federal regulations on nominations. We need the feedback from the board on how they would like to proceed and to make sure that we are on the right track. Mr. Downer stated that the both standards are completely different. A nomination could be submitted to the State level and be complete. But it would not be complete for the National level. We would like to suggest to use the National Register Standards. But if someone wants to use the Hawaii Register Standards we must use it. We need feedback on how you would like to proceed. A motion was not made, but the Board did agree to proceed with considering changing the standards of completeness of the nomination.

Ikaika mentioned that would it be more efficient work for the staff. Even with the Hawaii Register I think that it should be National Register Standards because it shows the essence of the property that is being nominated.

Megan said that it would only be efficient for the nominations that go on to The National Register.

George mentioned that it does raise the standards. Previous nominations were done so poorly. Quality was so bad. If we insist on National Register standards it will raise the level of all the Hawaii Register Nominations Standards as well.

Nancy mentioned that the last 13 years there have been very few that went to the National Register.
E. NOMINATIONS

Bank of Hawaii-Hamakua Branch
45-3568 Mamane Street
Honokaa, Hawaii 96727
(3) 4-5-016:010

This nomination was introduced by Megan Borthwick.

This nomination was presented by Laura Ruby/Ross Stephenson

Action: A motion was made by William Souza to list the building to the Hawaii Register with further recommendation to the National Register.

Seconded: Alton Okinaka
Criterion: A & C
Level of Significance: Local
Vote: 9-0; All in favor (Griffin, Stephens, Morgan, Okinaka, Souza, Peacock, Bantolina, McDermott, Casen). Unanimous Motion Carries

Questions: George Casen asked how many Spanish colonial revival are left on the Big Island? This is unique for the Big Island. It was very popular form of architecture in the 1920’s in Honolulu.

Bill Souza asked is the town built on a cliff? The study talks very clearly about the down sloping. They built up the Makai side. It gives the illusion of being a straight street.

Bill Souza asked when was the bank vault put in? Inaudible

First Bank of Hilo- Hamakua Branch
45-3490 Mamane Street, Unit G
Honokaa, Hawaii 96727
(3) 4-5-006:014

This nomination was introduced by Megan Borthwick

This nomination was presented by Laura Ruby/Ross Stephenson
Action 1: A motion was made by Alton Okinaka to list the building to the Hawaii Register with further recommendation to the National Register. 
Seconded: Ikaika Bantolina 
Criteria: A&C 
Level of Significance: Local 
Vote: 9-0; All in favor (Griffin, Stephens, Morgan, Okinaka, Souza, Peacock, Bantolina, McDermott, Casen). Unanimous Motion Carries 

Questions: When was the hitching post put up? Not sure maybe 25-35 years ago. Wood came off the boat into the salt water. Which made it resistant to termites. Which made it a better grade of wood. A wood plank sidewalk was also put up for safety. What was color of the original paint? White/Black/Green. In this case, they were going to restore it to its original glory. Unfortunately, in the translation with paint chips and samples it gets to the painter and then it changes. Then when it gets to the paint store it changes again. Next time we must try and bring it back to the historic colors. You try to bring it back to the original color but sometimes like this room is red. But must recognize the fact that it’s the owner’s property not ours. Do you know if anyone has done any paint analysts? I have paint chips I’m going to take back to HBM to match. Using that as a trim color.

ILWU Jack Wayne Hall
45-3720 Honokaa Waipio Rd
Honokaa, Hawaii 96727
(3) 4-5-008:012

This nomination was introduced by Megan Borthwick
This nomination was presented by Laura Ruby/Ross Stephenson

Action: A motion was made by Pat Griffin to list the building to the Hawaii Register with further recommendation to the National Register. 
Seconded: Matt McDermott 
Criterion: A&C 
Level of Significance: Local
Vote: 9-0; **All in favor** (Griffin, Stephens, Morgan, Okinaka, Souza, Peacock, Bantolina, McDermott, Casen). Unanimous Motion Carries

Questions: Is this the first Quonset hut on the list? This is the 1st one that is a part of the history of Honokaa. Was the * put on in the beginning? Yes. Katsu Goto? Was he murdered or did he commit suicide? There’s is a movie coming out about it. That will explain what happened. Most Quonset huts are straight to the ground. This one has raised concrete. Was it for military specs? Was this only for the large ones or was it an adaptation for just this one site? Well for here they were thinking of the specs for all the sports…that would be played. And, the events that took place. By lifting it up you change the ambiance.

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**Rice Beach House**
Kīpū Road
Līhuʻe, Kauaʻi 96766
(4) 3-1-001:003

This nomination was introduced by Megan Borthwick

This nomination was presented by Don Hibbard

Action: A motion was made by **Matt McDermott** to list the building to the Hawaii Register with further recommendation to the National Register.

Seconded: Katie Stephens

Criterion: A

Level of Significance: Local

Vote: 8-0-1; **All in favor** (Griffin, Stephens, Morgan, Okinaka, Souza, Bantolina, McDermott, Casen). Peacock-Abstained Motion Carries

Questions: Was the movie The Descendants filmed there? Yes. Why did you decided to do the 17 acre’s is that just random? So, you have the house then the structures that support the house. Its
seems like there’s lots of structures? You have 3 that are non-
contributing. So, there’s is a total of 16. The water tank and the
house, barn are non-contributing. It’s all in the nomination.
Who gets to go to this property? Since he had no children. It was
the wish of Jack Waterhouse that his nieces and nephews have use
of the property. When there are no descendants, then it will be
transferred to the state, and the property must be preserved in its
current state.

F. 2017 MEETING DATES
December 1-2017
Submitted Nominations: The list is subject to change. The December meeting agenda will be will
be available on the SHPD website 30 Days prior to the meeting.

G. SUBMITTED NOMINATIONS FOR December 1st MEETING

Action:               A motion was made by Alton Okinaka to hold a Limited
Meeting on Thursday August 24 & 25 2017 of the Oahu
properties. The purpose of the site visits is for privacy, safety,
access and liability issues.

Seconded:   Pat Griffin

Vote:                 8-0-1; All in favor (Peacock, Stephens, Souza, Morgan, Bantolina,
Griffin, Okinaka, McDermott) Casen-Abstained Motion carries

H. MEETING ADJOURNED

Action:               A motion was made by Dr. Alton Okinaka to adjourn the meeting
seconded by Pat Griffin.

Vote:                The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:50pm
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Respectfully Submitted,

Chandra Hirotsu  
Secretary III  
State Historic Preservation Division