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Kaua'i Ni'ihau Island Burial Council
Meeting Minutes

DATE: Wednesday, June 15, 2016
TIME: 09:07 am to 10:25 am
PLACE: Department of Transportation
Conference Room
1720 Haleukana Street
Lihue, Hawaii 96766

KNIBC MEMBERS: Keith Yap, Landowner/Developer Representative
Mauna Kea Trask, Koloa Representative
Nathan Kalama, Kawaihau Representative
Janet Kaeo Bradford, Lihue Representative
Leiana Robinson, Niihau Representative

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Barbara Say, Hanalei Representative
Wayne Palala Harada, Napali Representative
Debra Ruiz, Waimea Representative

SHPD STAFF: Kauanoe Hoomanawanui, Kauai Island Burial Sites Specialists
Mary Jane Naone, Kauai Island Archeologist

GUESTS: Kaliko Santos, OHA-Kauai
Mike Dega, SCS

I. CALL TO ORDER

Keith Yap, KNIBC Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

II. ROLL CALL/PULE

Kawaihau District Representative Nathan Kalama gave pule. Chair Yap gave Mahalo to Kaeo for her service on the council as she has resigned.

III. MINUTES

A. None

IV. BUSINESS

A. Burial Treatment Plan for 20.81 Acre Parcel in Waipouli, North Oloheua Ahupua'a, Kawaihau District, Kauai Island, TMK: (4) 4-3-2:14, 16, 20.

Information/Discussion/Recommendation: This is a previously approved plan the landowner is now returning to the council to discuss an internment location change because of issues with coastal erosion. Presentation by Scientific Consultant Services, LLC.

Mike Dega from SCS Archeology presented himself introducing the proposal to add an additional burial preserve to accommodate the county SMA conditions. The initial burial treatment plan was approved by KNIBC in September 2005. The preserve area approved in the plan that has a forty foot set back from the coast. Today's proposed preserve area is 80 feet above the high water line as the initial proposal of the first preserve area is only forty feet. The continual coastal erosion has led the county to increase the high water line. We have not implemented the BTP as of yet however when we relocate the 7 burials into the 40 feet preserve area and that area erodes we would like to relocate in today's proposed 80 feet burial preserve. Chairman Yap suggests that we relocate all one time into today's proposed 80 feet burial preserve. The county arbitrarily included 50 feet set back according to the SMA conditions stated Dega. Vice Chair Trask questions if the developer needs to go back to the County to amend the SMA. Dega clarifies the county would like a letter stating if the KNIBC would like to abide the original 40 feet set back burial preserve. Trask clarifies that this body suggests the use of the 80 feet burial preserve amending the initial burial treatment plan. Yap states our desire is to have the burial treatment plan amended to include the 80 feet set back burial preserve and removing the 40 feet set back and removes the remains directly to today's proposed preserve. Trask recommended to Dega at SCS to amend the plan and bring it back to the council for approval.

Chairman Yap opens the floor for discussion.

Naone asks if there is any current signage on the burials to be removed. Trask answers no, the burial treatment doesn't call for interpretive signage. Dega clarifies there is no work to be done until the remains are removed.

V. SHPD INADVERTENT DISCOVERIES/OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

A. Inadvertent Discovery of Human Skeletal Remains on April 25, 2016 at Pilikoa Street, Wai'oli Ahupua'a, Hanalei District, Island of Kauai, TMK: (4) 5-5-010:031.

Hoomanawanui introduces herself explaining Naone identified the burial to be fifty years or older and of Hawaiian ancestry. The excavation was halted and the landowner was notified. I and geographic representative Barbara Say did a site visit determining to preserve the remains in place. The landowner agreed to modify his plans to accommodate the insitu.

B. Inadvertent Discovery of Human Skeletal Remains on May 13, 2016 at Coconut Market Place during monitoring, Kawaihau Ahupua'a, Puna District, Island of Kauai TMK: (4) 4-3-02:013.

Mike Dega of SCS Archeology introduced himself as the hired Archeology monitoring firm for this project. Jim Powell was onsite during these inadvertent finds and has consulted with geographic representative Nathan Kalama of Kawaihau and also Barbara Say. Preserve in place was determined however the fragments not found insitu to a set have been determined for relocation onto the burial preserve approved in the burial treatment plan.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT

A. Next meeting date is scheduled for Wednesday, July 20, 2016

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Yap entertained a motion for adjournment Bradford seconded, motion approved unanimously.

Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:25 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kauanoë Hoomanawanui

Pursuant to §92-3 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 Oahu Island Burial Council at its September 14, 2005 meeting, oral testimony for items listed on the agenda is limited to three minutes per person, per agenda item.

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

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