MINUTES
HAWAIʻI ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Thursday, November 19, 2020
TIME: 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
PLACE: Online via Zoom

Zoom Meeting Link:
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ATTENDANCE:

HIBC Members: Present:
Vice-Chair Kalena Blakemore (Puna)
Member Norman Kaʻimuloa (Kona)
Member Scott Mahoney (Kaʻū)
Member Waiola Higa (Hāmākua)
Member Desmon Haumea (Kaʻū)
Member Clifford Kapono (Hilo)

Absent:
Chair Nālei Pate-Kahakalau (Hāmākua)

SHPD Staff: Kea Calpito, Burial Sites Specialist
Chris Omerod, Burial Sites Specialist
Cindy Young, Deputy Attorney General (Attorney General Office)

Guests: Keawe Alapai (V.B.)
Mana Kapele (V.D.)
Dayne Kealanahele-Querubin (V.C.)
Locelani Brandt, ASM Affiliates, Inc. (V.D.)
Jojo Tanimoto
Mary Laurietta-Paris via phone (V.A.)
“Kehaulani”
“Kahi”
I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Blakemore calls to order the meeting at 9:36 A.M.

II. ROLL CALL/PULE

Recording: 00:00 – 03:00

Member Haumea conducts pule.

(*Norman Ka'imuloa, Clifford Kapono, Desmon Haumea, Kalena Blakemore, Scott Mahoney

(Waiola Higa arrived at 10:09 A.M.)*)

III. RULES OF CONDUCT

IV. MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes for October 15, 2020.

Summary:

Recording: 03:05 – 04:00

- Motion and vote at 03:25

MOTION: To approve the minutes
MOVED BY: Member Haumea
2ND BY: Member Mahoney
VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

V. BUSINESS

A. Descendancy Recognition Application of Mary-Laurietta Paris (Whittington) to Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains Located within SIHP #50-10-74-24403 and -24407, Hi‘ona‘a Ahupua‘a, Ka‘ū District, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 9-5-014:017.

Information/Discussion/Determination: Discussion and determination whether to recognize the applicant as a cultural descendant to unidentified Native Hawaiian skeletal remains at the above location.

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: 04:05 – 24:30

- Kea (04:30)
• Member Haumea (08:00, 11:35, 15:40, 22:45)
• Member Mahoney (09:25, 10:55, 15:30, 20:40, 23:05)
• **Motion made at 09:55**
• Member Kapono (10:15)
• D.AG. Young (12:35)
• Member Ka’imuloa (13:15)
• Vice-Chair Blakemore (21:30)
• Lokelani Brandt (23:40)
• **Vote at 24:25**
  Mary Paris (01:03:00) (arrived to testify at 01:03:00 via telephone)

• Telephone interview with applicant
• Verified genealogy of applicant
• Lack of appearance before the council
• Definition of cultural descendant

**MOTION:** To recognize Mary-Laurietta Paris as a cultural descendant
**MOVED BY:** Member Mahoney
**2ND BY:** Vice-Chair Blakemore
**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously

B. Descendancy Recognition Application of Keawe K. Alapai to Unidentified Human Skeletal Remains, Located in ‘O‘oma 2 Ahupua‘a, North Kona District, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK (3) 7-3-007:038 and (3) 7-3-009:007.

**Information/Discussion/Determination:** Discussion and determination whether to recognize the applicant as a lineal descendant to Native Hawaiian Skeletal remains at the above location. The applicant was previously recognized on October 15, 2020 as a cultural descendant.

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**Summary:**

**Recording: 24:40 – 01:02:45**

• Keawe Alapai (26:00, 27:20, 29:25, 31:50, 33:45, 40:20, 47:20, 01:02:10)
• D.AG. Young (27:05, 42:30, 50:10, 56:50, 57:45)
• Member Ka‘imuloa (29:05, 31:25, 33:55, 37:10)
• Member Kapono (30:45, 38:30, 44:00, 48:20, 52:40, 56:15, 01:00:45)
• **Motion made at 38:50**
  Vice-Chair Blakemore (33:20, 34:25, 46:05, 51:55)
• Member Mahoney (39:40)
• **Vote at 41:25**
• Member Haumea (55:00)
• Kehaulani (57:20)
• Kea (59:35)
• Identify burial for lineal descendancy
• Applicants genealogical background
• Role of the chairperson and voting
• Number of votes required to pass a motion

MOTION: To recognize Keawe K. Alapai as a lineal descendant
MOVED BY: Member Kapono
2ND BY: Member Kaʻimuloa
VOTE: Motion failed [YAY: 3 (Kaʻimuloa, Kapono, Haumea; NAY: 3 (Higa, Mahoney, Blakemore)]

C. Descendancy Recognition Application of Dayne P. Kealanahele-Querubin to Skeletal Remains interred at the Kealanahele Family Graves, Located at Waimea Ahupuaʻa, South Kohala District, Island of Hawaiʻi, TMK (3) 6-5-011:014.

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

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Summary:

Recording: 01:05:45 – 01:21:00

• Dayne Kealanahele-Querubin (01:07:30, 01:11:50, 01:15:20)
• Vice-Chair Blakemore (01:10:30)
• Motion at 01:10:50
• Member Kaʻimuloa (01:11:00, 01:15:15)
• Member Haumea (01:14:30, 01:18:15)
• Kea (01:17:35)
• Member Kapono (01:19:25)
• Vote at 01:20:30

• Applicants genealogical information and background

MOTION: To recognize Dayne P. Kealanahele-Querubin as a lineal descendant
MOVED BY: Member Kapono
2ND BY: Member Haumea
VOTE: Motion carried unanimously


Information/Discussion/Determination/Recommendation: Discussion and determination on whether to preserve in place or relocate human skeletal remains at the above location.
Recommendation to the State Historic Preservation Division whether to accept or not accept the above DRAFT Burial Treatment Plan.

Summary:

Recording: 01:22:00 – 02:21:00

• Lokelani Brandt (01:22:45, 01:36:00, 01:38:50, 01:41:50, 01:45:45)
• Member Ka‘imuloa (01:33:10, 02:01:15)
• Member Mahoney (01:36:30, 01:37:40, 02:13:40, 02:18:50)
• Member Kapono (01:36:45, 01:40:25, 01:47:40, 02:11:15, 02:15:25, 02:18:10)
• Vice-Chair Blakemore (01:38:20, 02:10:45)
• Member Haumea (01:42:35)
• Kehaulani (01:44:55)
• Mana Kapele (01:48:40 – 02:10:30, 02:18:25)
• D.AG. Young (02:19:35)
• Vote and motion at 02:19:55

• Update on project and BTP progression
• Views of the cultural descendants
• Audit provision of future landowner accountability
• Member Higa left the meeting at 01:45:00

MOTION: To defer item until next meeting
MOVED BY: Member Haumea
2ND BY: Member Ka‘imuloa
VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

E. Discussion on Hawai‘i Island Burial Council Membership, Roles, and Responsibilities.
Information/Discussion: Discussion on the above item.

The Council may elect to go into executive session pursuant to HRS §92-5(a)(4), to consult with the council’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the council’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Summary:

Recording: 02:21:10 – 02:32:55

• Member Kapono (02:21:30)
• Kea (02:22:05)
• Member Ka‘imuloa (02:25:00)

• SHPD list of recognized descendants
• HIBC Membership

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. The Next HIBC Meeting is Thursday, November 19, 2020, 9:30 A.M. Location TBD.

VII. ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourns at 12:15 P.M.

***THE ABOVE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE 12/17/2020 HIBC MEETING***

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.

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.

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. Individuals requiring special assistance or auxiliary aids or services (e.g., sign language interpreter, wheelchair accessibility, or parking designated for the disabled) at the HIBC meeting, please contact staff at least 72-hours prior to the meeting at (808) 933-7653 so that arrangements can be made.