MINUTES
HAWAI‘I ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: Thursday, February 17, 2022
TIME: 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
PLACE: Online via Zoom

Zoom Meeting Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84031998061?pwd=WTIxMTJDSFBtK2VrS2grVExEVExTVE40UT09
Meeting ID: 840 3199 8061
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HIBC Members: Present:
Vice-Chair Kalena Blakemore (Puna)
Member Clifford Kapono (Hilo)
Member La Crivello (LLO)
Member Desmon Haumea (Ka‘ū)
Member Scott Mahoney (Ka‘ū)
Member Waiola Higa (Hāmākua)
Member Norman Ka‘imuloa (Kona)

Absent:
Chair Nālei Pate-Kahakalau (Hāmākua)

SHPD Staff:
Kea Calpito, Burial Sites Specialist
Christian Omerod, Burial Sites Specialist
Linda Chow, Deputy Attorney General

Guests:
Diane Kramer (IV.B.)
Stephanie Brown
Maile (IV.B.)
Angela Neller
Richard Ha (IV.B.)
Glenn Escott (IV.B.)
Jimmy Medeiros (V.A.)
Jack Kelly (V.A.)
Leilani Peterson
Nicole Lui (IV.B., IV.C., V.A.)
I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Blakemore calls to order the meeting at 9:34 A.M.

II. ROLL CALL/PULE

Member Haumea conducts pule.

Clifford Kapono, Scott Mahoney, Waiola Higa, Desmon Haumea, La Crivello, Kalena Blakemore (Norman Ka’imuloa)

III. MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes for October 14, 2021.

Summary:

Recording: 04:55 – 06:05

- Motion and vote at 05:25

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

B. Approval of the Minutes for January 20, 2022.

Summary:

Recording: 06:10 – 07:10

- Motion and vote at 06:25

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

IV. BUSINESS

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

Information/Discussion: Discussion on the above item.

Summary:

Recording: 07:15 – 10:20

- Vice-Chair Blakemore (07:50)
• Kea (08:25)

• Proclamation ending and returning to meeting in person and locations

B. DRAFT Burial Treatment Plan for Burial Site #50-10-45-18987 Located in Maku‘u Ahupua‘a, Puna District, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK: (3) 1-5-010:009.

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: 10:25 – 58:30

• Glenn Escott (11:05, 30:30, 42:55, 55:30)
• Member Kapono (19:10, 30:55, 37:20, 44:05, 56:50)
• Diane Kramer (20:25, 28:05)
• Richard Ha (21:05, 49:30)
• Nicole Lui (24:25, 50:35)
• Maile (26:10, 55:00)
• Jimmy Medeiros (29:15)
• D.A.G. Chow (33:40, 36:40, 47:00)
• Member Crivello (39:10, 45:35)
• Member Haumea (40:05, 54:00)
• Motion (1) and vote at 40:25
• Vice-Chair Blakemore (41:15)
• Member Mahoney (42:10, 52:10)
• Member Kaʻīmuloa (48:35)
• Motion (2) at 53:30
• Member Higa (57:35)
• Vote (2) at 57:55

• Introduction on the project by Glenn Escott; preservation measures
• Audit provision; discussion and clarification on audit provision
• Descendants’ genealogical information, recommendations, access, and buffer

MOTION (1): To preserve-in-place
MOVED BY: Member Crivello
2ND BY: Member Mahoney
VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

MOTION (2): To defer recommendation
MOVED BY: Member Crivello
2ND BY: Member Haumea
VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

C. Descendancy Recognition Application of Nicole Lui to Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains Located in Kaumalumalu Ahupua‘a, North Kona District, Island of Hawai‘i, TMK(s): (3) 7-7-004:057, 058.
**Information/Discussion/Determination:** Discussion and determination whether to recognize the applicant as a cultural descendant to the 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: 58:35 – 01:06:30**

- Nicole Lui (01:01:00)
- *Motion and vote at 01:06:00*
- Discussion on genealogical information and description of burial

**MOTION:** To recognize Nicole Lui as a cultural descendant  
**MOVED BY:** Member Kaʻimuloa  
**2ND BY:** Member Mahoney  
**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously

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**V. INADVERTENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

A. Inadvertent Discovery of Human Skeletal Remains 1-9 in the Royal Aliʻi Subdivision, Kaumalumalu Ahupuaʻa, North Kona District, Island of Hawaiʻi, TMK(s): (3) 7-7-004:057, 058.  
**Notification/Discussion:** Notification and discussion on the above inadvertent discovery.

**Summary:**

**Recording: 01:06:45 – 02:13:20**

- Chris Omerod (01:07:25, 01:12:05, 01:51:10)  
- Member Kapono (01:09:05, 01:22:10, 01:22:30, 02:02:30)  
- Member Crivello (01:09:25, 02:06:20)  
- Nicole Lui (01:11:00, 01:32:45)  
- Vice-Chair Blakemore (01:12:35, 01:14:35, 01:51:55, 01:59:20)  
- Jimmy Medeiros (01:15:15, 01:29:30, 01:39:30, 01:56:15)  
- D.A.G. Chow (01:22:25, 01:59:50)  
- Member Kaʻimuloa (01:25:20, 01:58:35)  
- Member Crivello (01:26:10, 02:06:10)  
- Jack Kelly (01:31:50)  
- Member Haumea (01:42:35, 01:53:35, 02:10:35)  
- *Motion at 01:58:35*  
- *Vote at 02:12:30*

- Discussion on the inadvertent discovery and history of the project; description of burials
- Descendants’ history with the project; opinions of the descendants and reasons
- HIBC’s concerns; permit process; role of the state and role of the county

**MOTION:** To cease and desist construction activity

**MOVED BY:** Member Kaʻimuloa

**2ND BY:** Member Haumea

**VOTE:** Motion carried unanimously (Member Mahoney and Member Higa were not present for the vote, left at 11:32 A.M.)

**VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. The Next HIBC Meeting is Thursday, March 17, 2022, 9:30 A.M., Online via Zoom.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourns at 11:50 A.M.

***THE ABOVE MINUTES WERE APPROVED AT THE 03/17/2022 HIBC MEETING***