



**HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

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**KAUAI NIIHAU ISLANDS BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Meeting Minutes**

DATE: Wednesday March 16, 2022

TIME: 9:05-9:43 AM

LINK: Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/6559750322?pwd=dGhKVDC0ZzN3Vzhkek9Fa2t6a1Jrdz09>

Meeting ID: 655 975 0322

Passcode: qiUjd3

KNIBC MEMBERS PRESENT: Kau'ilani Kahalekai, Lihue Representative
Sandra Quinsaas, Koloa Representative
Leiana Robinson, Niihau Representative
Carol Lovell, Kawaihau Representative
Palala Harada, Napali Representative

ABSENT: Barbara Say, Hanalei Representative (Excused)

SHPD STAFF: Kauanoë Hoomanawanui, Kauai Island Burial Sites Specialist

GUESTS: Angela Neller, guest
Roslyn Cummings, guest
Karla, guest
Kaulana Waipuilani Ola'a Hawaii
E, guest
Ash iPhone, guest

I. CALL TO ORDER/PULE

Chairwoman Quinsaas called the meeting to order and Napali Representative Palala Harada gave pule at 9:16 am.

All members present.

II. ROLL CALL

Chair Quinsaas introduced herself to be at home alone and asked for roll call while introducing where you are and if you are alone. Vice Chair Carol Lovell introduced herself to be alone at home. Kaulani Kahalekai announced that she too is at home alone. Palala Harada introduced himself to be at his work office alone. Leiana Robinson introduced herself also home and alone.

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. **January 19, 2022, Meeting Minutes**
- b. **January 19, 2022, Executive Meeting Minutes**

Lihue Geographic Representative Kau'ilani Kahalekai moved and Vice Chair Carol Lovell second the motion to approve the minutes.

Chairperson opens the floor for discussion

Unanimously approved.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Role and Responsibilities of Kauai Niihau Island Burial Council (KNIBC).**
Discussion: Discussion on the above item. Presentation by Chair Sandi Quinsaasat.

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. **(BRING BLACK BINDER)**

Napali Geographic Representative Palala Harada moved and Vice Chair Carol Lovell second the motion to go into executive session at 9:10 am.

Chairperson opens the floor for discussion

Unanimously approved.

Chairperson Sandi Quinsaasat called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.

All members present.

V. UPDATES/CORRESPONDENCE

- a. **Inadvertent Discovery of Human Skeletal Remains encountered at the shoreline of Lawai Beach, Lawai Ahupua'a, Kona District, Kauai Island of Kauai, TMK: (4) 2-6-002:001.**
Notification/Discussion: Notification and discussion on the above inadvertent discovery.

Chairperson Sandi Quinsaasat read the above and opened the floor for discussion. Roslyn Cummings introduced herself and asked if the burial council members are aware of the cave system in Kukuiula area. Koloa Geographic Representative answered yes. She continued to ask if the remains were found on what end of the bank? Hoomanawanui answered it was found on the East end of Lawai Beach also known as Allerton's on the shoreline in the rocks on the low tide. Cummings continues to ask if anyone is aware of the protocols of Kukuiula? I found out where the reinternment site is and who attends to that area. There are three developments coming up in Koloa and Kamakahahelei is buried there in one of those caves and will be affected by this. The planning commission had the archeologist review the area and recommended a paakai analysis.

Chair Quinsaas asked for further questions, with no response she gave her aloha to everyone who came today. Our next meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2022, and hopefully we will have an in-person meeting.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PULE

- a. Next meeting is scheduled tentatively for Wednesday, April 20, 2022.**

Chair Sandi Quinsaas adjourned the meeting at 9:43 am.

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.

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 Kauanoa.m.hoomanawanui@Hawaii.gov or via postal mail to the Kauai Niihau Island Burial Council c/o P.O. Box 1729 Lihue, HI 96766. 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.

Individuals requiring special assistance or auxiliary aids or services (e.g., sign language interpreter, wheelchair accessibility, or parking designated for the disabled) at the KNIBC meeting, please contact staff at least 72-hours prior to the meeting at (808) 896-0475 so that arrangements can be made.