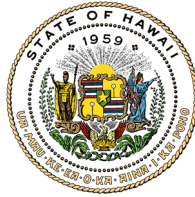


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**Minutes  
HAWAI'I ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**DATE:** Thursday, February 19, 2026

**TIME:** 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM

**PLACE:** Online via Zoom

**—AND—**

**Division of Forestry and Wildlife**

**Conference Room**

**19 E. Kāwili Street**

**Hilo, HI 96720**

*This meeting will be held using interactive conference technology (ICT) under section 92-3.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). Board members, staff, applicants, testifiers, and the public can choose to participate in person, online via ICT, or by telephone at +1 253 215 8782.*

**To Attend/Provide Testimony via ICT:**

<https://zoom.us/j/98382237515>

**Meeting ID:** 983 8223 7515

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**HIBC Members:**

Chair Crivello (LLO), *Zoom*

Vice-Chair Kahakalau (Hamakua), *Zoom*

Member Desmon Haumea (Ka'ū), *Zoom*

Member Freeman (Puna), *Zoom*

Member Abenes (Kohala), *In-person*

Member Pōki'i Seto (Hilo), *Zoom*

**SHPD Staff:**

Traven Apiki, Hawaii Burial Site Specialist

Noah Gomes, Cultural Ethnographer

**Guests:**

Zae-Michael Apele

Kaweni Ibara

Kamakana Ferriera

Paris Murray

Grayson Becker  
Palikapu Dedman  
Keoni Alvarez  
Apele Shana  
Jess Waiau

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

*Called to order at 9:32AM*

**II. ROLL CALL/PULE**

*Vice-Chair Kahakalau conducts pule*

*Member Freeman, Vice-Chair Kahakalau, Member Seto, Chair Crivello*

**III. MINUTES**

**A. Approval of the Minutes for December 18, 2025.**

**Deferred Until Quorum, Item Moves to Agenda Item IV. A.**

**Recording: 12:55-13:40**

*Motion and vote made at 13:00*

**MOTION: To Accept the December 18, 2025 Minutes**

**MOVED BY: Vice-Chair Kahakalau**

**2<sup>ND</sup> BY: Member Seto**

**VOTE: Motion carried unanimously**

**Agenda Moves to Item IV. B.**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Discussion Regarding the Burial Sites Working Group.**

**Recording: 3:50-12:30**

- Vice-Chair Kahakalau-4:15
- Chair Crivello-4:52
- Vice-Chair Kahakalau-12:00
- Chair Crivello-12:15

**Item Moves to Agenda Item III.**

**B. Discussion and Determination of the Lineal Descendancy Recognition Application of the Applicant, Zae-Michael M. Apele, to Unidentified Native Hawaiian Skeletal Remains, SIHP # 50-10-45-31430, Located at 15-1570 Maku'u**

**Drive, Hawaiian Paradise Park, Waikahekahe Ahupua'a, Puna District, Island of Hawai'i, TMK: (3) 1-5-023:040.**

The Council may elect to go into executive session pursuant to HRS § 6E-43.5(e). 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.

**Recording: 13:40-18:25**

- Chair Crivello-13:40

*Motion and vote made at 14:43*

**MOTION: To Enter Executive Session  
MOVED BY: Vice-Chair Kahakalau  
2<sup>ND</sup> BY: Member Abenes  
VOTE: Motion carried unanimously**

**Members Enter Executive Session**

- Chair Crivello-15:16

*Motion and vote made at 16:20*

**MOTION: To Amend Agenda IV. B. to Change Lineal Descendancy to Cultural Descendancy Recognition of Zae-Michael Apele  
MOVED BY: Member Seto  
2<sup>ND</sup> BY: Member Freeman  
VOTE: Motion carried unanimously**

**C. Discussion and Determination of the Lineal Descendancy Recognition Application of the Applicant, Eranious McNeil Murray, to Keakaonalii, Interred at Family Burial Cave, Kolomikimiki, SIHP # 50-10-18-18545, Located at, Kaulana Ahupua'a, North Kona District, Island of Hawai'i, TMK: (3) 7-2-005:004.**

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**Recording: 18:25-28:02**

- Chair Crivello-18:25
- Paris Murray-19:00
- Chair Crivello-21:52
- Paris Murray-23:08
- Chair Crivello-24:55

- Member Abenes-26:08
- Chair Crivello-26:52

*Motion and vote made at 27:15*

**MOTION: To Recognize Eranious Murray as a Lineal Descendant**

**MOVED BY: Vice-Chair Kahakalau**

**2<sup>ND</sup> BY: Member Seto**

**VOTE: Motion carried unanimously**

**D. Discussion Regarding the Presentation by Office of Hawaiian Affairs on their 2026 Legislative Package, House Bill 2104/Senate Bill 2538 and House Bill 2102/Senate Bill 2536, Relating to the Island Burial Councils and Historic Preservation.**

**Recording: 28:02-1:06:12**

- Chair Crivello-28:02
- Kaweni Ibarra-28:38
- Kamakana Ferriera-32:30
- Chair Crivello-32:44
- Kamakana Ferriera-34:41
- Chair Crivello-43:38
- Kamakana Ferriera-44:29
- Chair Crivello-44:45
- Kamakana Ferriera-45:13
- Chair Crivello-46:49
- Kamakana Ferriera-48:04
- Chair Crivello-46:49
- Member Haumea-53:35
- Kamakana Ferriera-53:45
- Member Haumea-54:10
- Chair Crivello-56:20
- Vice-Chair Kahakalau-1:00:25
- Member Haumea-1:02:58
- Chair Crivello-1:03:35
- Kamakana Ferriera-1:04:17
- Chair Crivello-1:04:52

**V. INADVERTENTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. Discussion Regarding Inadvertent Discovery of Human Skeletal Remains on the Hawai'i Preparatory Academy Upper Campus, Kauniho and Waiaka 2<sup>nd</sup> Ahupua'a, South Kohala District, Island of Hawai'i TMK: (3) 6-5-001:033.**

**Recording: 1:06:12-1:09:34**

- Chair Crivello-1:06:12
- Member Freeman-1:06:40

## **5-Minute Break**

- Chair Crivello-1:07:40
- Traven Apiki-1:08:18
- Chair Crivello-1:09:24

### **B. Discussion Regarding Letter from County of Hawaii Department of Public Works, Dated December 30, 2025, Pertaining to Section 106 Consultation of Safe Routes to Waiakea Schools.**

**Recording: 1:09:34-1:10:30**

- Chair Crivello-1:09:34

### **C. Discussion Regarding Letter from Bowers + Kubota, Dated January 7, 2026, Pertaining to the Section 106 Consultation State Hawaii Public Housing Authority's 2025 Environmental Review Project.**

**Recording: 1:10:30-1:11:34**

- Chair Crivello-1:10:30

### **D. Discussion Regarding Letter from Department of Transportation, Dated January 16, 2026, Pertaining to the Section 106 Consultation for Hawaii Belt Road Guardrail and Shoulder Improvements Vicinity of Kaaluu Bridge to Kuwaikahi Stream Bridge.**

**Recording: 1:11:34-12:10**

- Chair Crivello-1:11:34

## **VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **A. The Next HIBC Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 2026, 9:30 A.M., TBD.**

**Recording: 1:12:10-1:20:40**

- Chair Crivello-1:12:10
- Member Freeman-1:12:29
- Chair Crivello-1:13:28
- Member Freeman-1:14:30
- Chair Crivello-1:14:45
- Vice-Chair Kahakalau-1:16:55
- Chair Crivello-1:17:00
- Traven Apiki-1:17:53
- Member Freeman-1:18:12
- Chair Crivello-1:18:36
- Member Freeman-1:19:32
- Chair Crivello-1:20:15

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourns 12:19PM

**These Meeting Minutes Were Approved at the 3/19/26 HIBC Meeting**

**To Provide Written Testimony:**

We encourage interested persons to submit written testimony in advance of the meeting, which will be distributed to Board members prior to the meeting and allow a timely review. Please submit written testimony via email to: [traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:traven.apiki@hawaii.gov). Written testimonies can also be mailed to: 40 Po'okela Street, Hilo, HI 96720. Written testimonies may be posted upon the HIBC meeting website; as a precaution, please be mindful with any personal information prior to submitting unless you intend it to be shared. Late written testimony will be retained as part of the record and distributed to HIBC members as soon as practicable, but we cannot ensure the HIBC will receive it in sufficient time to review, prior to decision-making.

**To Provide In-Person Oral Testimony:**

Attend in-person at: 19 E. Kāwili Street, Hilo HI 96720.

**To Provide Testimony by Telephone:**

On the day of the meeting at the start of the agenda item you wish to testify on, dial +1 253-205-0468 and follow the prompts.

**To Provide Video/Zoom Testimony:**

Please send your request in a timely manner to: [traven.apiki@hawaii.gov](mailto:traven.apiki@hawaii.gov) with your information, email address, and the agenda item you wish to testify on. Once your request has been received, you will receive a confirmation email with pertinent information. You may testify without signing up in advance.

We kindly ask that all oral/video testimony be limited to not more than three (3) minutes. We ask that you identify yourself and any affiliation before speaking, but you can choose not to do so.

Pursuant to HRS § 92-3, all interested persons shall be afforded an opportunity to present oral testimony or submit data, views, or arguments, in writing on any agenda item. Public Testimony for items listed on the agenda is strongly recommended to be limited to three minutes per agenda item. We ask that you identify yourself and any affiliation before speaking, but you can choose not to do so.

The HIBC may go into Executive Session pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(4), to consult with its attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Pursuant to HRS § 6E-43.5(e), the council may hold a closed meeting if the location and description of a burial site are under consideration.

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.

It is strongly recommended that any member of the public who requests an item to be placed on a burial council meeting agenda must make this request with the Burial Sites Program staff at least two weeks preceding the scheduled meeting date. This request shall be accompanied by all related documents. Failure to comply with this procedure may 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.**

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