

The meeting was opened at 2:05 pm online using Zoom Meeting

- I. **PRESENT: Directors:** Ed Kawamura, Jr. (Presiding); Leonard Vierra; Brad Seymour; Eric Hansen  
**Associate Directors:** Darren Tamekazu; Jerry Ornellas  
**Others:** Jenni Scotti, Conservation Specialist; Jenna Dunn, NRCS District Conservationist; John Nelson, HACD Conservation Specialist; Kehaulani Medeiros, District Assistant
- II. **REVIEW OF AGENDA (ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES):** No additions or changes.
- III. **MINUTES: Motion:** Leonard made a motion to accept the minutes for 9/14/20 & 10/13/20, Ed second. Motion was accepted unanimously
- IV. **TREASURER’S REPORT:** Leonard offered the Treasurer’s report and it was e-mailed to the directors. Department of Water grant to be discussed at next month’s meeting.
- V. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Information and flyers were e-mailed
- VI. **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - A. **NRCS REPORT:** Jenna Dunn, NRCS Conservation Specialist gave a report for 11/16/2020:
    1. **General**
      - Molokai DC- Kahana Stone is acting through the end of December
      - State Engineer- Susan Kubo is Acting.
    2. **Farm Bill Programs**
      - a. **EQIP & CSP FY21-**
        - i. EQIP application cutoff deadline in December 15, 2020
        - ii. CSP application cutoff deadline will likely be January 15, 2021
    3. **CAMP**
      - a. Survey sent out- not many responses, and very few from producers, majority is from partners
      - b. Essential to developing NRCS Kauai’s long-range plan and steer future funds for the next 3-5+ years

**Discussion:** LWG Survey resending to everyone. Survey closes at the end of the month. Paper copy is available from the state office, for people who need it.

**B. CONSERVATION SPECILAISTS’ REPORTS:**

1. **Jenni Scotti** gave her report for 11/16/2020:
  - a. **Trainings / Meetings / Learning**
    - i. NRCS/SWCD new employee meetings
      1. Meeting new people
    - ii. Cattleman’s Council Annual meeting
    - iii. ECS trainings (mostly review for me)
  - b. **Plans / field visits**
    - i. Planning
      1. Planning and follow-up with 16 clients
      2. 4 site visits
      3. Worked on 1 practice check-out

**c. Misc/News/upcoming events/future projects/goals**

- i. CTA Planning & new requests
- ii. 2021 Plans & Applications
- iii. Grant permissions for submission

**2. John Nelson: gave his report for 11/16/2020:****a. Trainings / Meetings / Learning**

- i. Multiple trainings and Practice Updates
- ii. Completed 2020 Conservation Plans

**b. Plans / field visits**

- i. Planning
  1. CSP Checkout
  2. Multiple site visit check-outs

**c. Outreach**

- i. All outreach postponed due to pandemic

**d. Misc/News/upcoming events/future projects/goals**

- i. New EQIP plans 2021 (5 potential)

**VII. REVIEW & APPROVAL OF CONSERVATION PLANS & COOPERATOR AGREEMENTS:**

**New Kauai Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Cooperators:** None

**Conservation Plans:** None

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**A. Garden Island RC&D:** Jenni spoke with Carolyn – No meeting till December.

**B. Grading Ordinance:** No Updates

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None**X. OTHER BUSINESS:** None**XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS / EVENTS:****A. HACE Executive Board Meeting**

- a. November 19<sup>th</sup> @ 10am **ZOOM** - Brad and Ed will be there

**B. Water Conservationist of the Year Presentation**

- a. Tentative December 2<sup>nd</sup> Email invitation will be sent to confirm
  - i. Jenni will send Zoom invite

**C. Annual Dinner**

- i. Held by West Kauai this year, aiming for Jan Zoom presentation

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Monday December 14, 2020 location TBD. Information will be posted on the online state calendar. <http://calendar.ehawaii.gov/calendar/html/event>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm, written by Kehaulani Medeiros, District Assistant.