



**Hamakua Soil and Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting
MINUTES**

Date: October 11, 2022 3:00pm
Location: Hilo Federal Building, 154 Waiianuenu Ave., Hilo, HI 96720, Room 102 and by teleconference with Waimea NRCS Field Offices, 67-1185 Mamalahoa Highway, Suite H148, Kamuela, HI 96743, and Kukaiau Office, 42-3643 Kukaiau Rd., Paauilo, HI 96776

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by Chairman Doug Beaton at 3:04pm.
Present: Directors –Douglas Beaton (DB), Kea Keolanui (KK), Dylan Shropshire (DS); District staff - Jennifer Reavis; NRCS staff – Kayla Kalauli, Alyssa Fujii, Kevin Burke.
2. **Welcome, Introductions, and Review of Agenda 3:04p**
3. **Approval of the Minutes –3:05p:** Accepted and approved as circulated. KK/DS
4. **Cooperator Activities 3:05p**
 - a. **New Cooperator and Conservation Plans**
 1. **Ferrell White & Patrick Nehmeier – 9.23 ac. Plans for CSP, prescribed grazing plan. DS/KK**
 3. **Subdivision/Change of Zoning/Additional Farm Dwelling Application Reviews 3:08p – none**
5. **Conservation Planner’s Progress Report 3:08p:** none
6. **NRCS DC Reports – Hilo and Waimea Field Offices (Hisashima/Cook) 3:08p:**
The monthly report for the Waimea Field Office was given by Alyssa. Updates on personnel changes, deadlines, project info, presentation, training, emergency programs, Farm Bill update, outreach, etc. was given. Online meetings will continue.
7. **FSA Report: As circulated via e-mail 3:10p**
8. **Correspondence received 3:10p**
9. **Treasurer’s Report: 3:11p**
Given by Dylan.
*Jen completed the 6 month DLNR report & submitted it to HACD & DLNR.
10. **New Business 3:15p**
 - a. The East Hawaii Annual Christmas Dinner meeting will be held on Thursday, December 8th @ 5:30p.m. @ the Fairway Grill on Haihai St. in Hilo. The Hamakua SWCD board accepted/agreed to join the Waiakea, Puna and Ka’u districts.
11. **Old Business 3:17p**
 - a. **New Employee Discussion** – Doug spoke about a potential candidate for the Hamakua SWCD Soil Conservationist position. Jen will check her emails and let Doug know if there are any other applicants.
 - b. **NACD mtg. – Maui** – Doug attended the NACD meeting on Maui. He discussed in detail with JB (NRCS pia Dir.) and others the *district employee vehicle insurance*. He explained that Hawaii differs from the other states because of the Hawaii No Fault law.

c. **HACD Annual Meeting** – will be held at KMC Volcano, Hawaii. Hosting districts will be East Hawaii SWCD’s. This will take place June 21-23, 2022. A “save-the-date” was sent to all directors.

c. **Next Meeting - The next Hamakua SWCD board meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 1st @ 3:00pm.**

12. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:20pm KK/DS

Submitted by:

Michael Manor, Secretary

Date
