



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

Date: June 6, 2023 3:00pm
Location: Hilo Federal Building, 154 Waiuanue Ave., Hilo, HI 96720, Room 102 and via 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 3:00pm.
Present: Directors –Douglas Beaton (DB), Kea Keolanui (KK); Michael Manor (MM); District staff – Chloe Gallegos, Jennifer Reavis; NRCS staff – Kanoe Lee Loy, Spencer Nagata, Kayla Kalauli, Kevin Burke
2. **Welcome, Introductions, and Review of Agenda 3:00p**
3. **Approval of the Minutes –3:01p:** Accepted and approved as circulated. KK/DB
4. **Cooperator Activities 3:02p**
 - a. **New Cooperator and Conservation Plans**
 1. **Laura Furlan – 6.1 acres. Plans for goat operation. Accepted as a cooperator and conservation plan approved. KK/MM**
 2. **George Hirowatari Farms LLC – 12.6 acres. Plans for pasture management. Plan approved. KK/MM**
 3. **Five O Cattle Company LLC – 460 acres. Plans for grazing operation. Accepted as a cooperator and conservation plan approved. KK/MM**
 3. **Subdivision/Change of Zoning/Additional Farm Dwelling Application Reviews 3:15p – none**
5. **Conservation Planner’s Progress Report 3:15p:** Report given by Chloe – this included but not limited to going on certifications & field visits, Ag Learn training, hands-on OJT, assisting with the HACD annual conference.
6. **NRCS DC Reports – Hilo and Waimea Field Offices (Lee Loy/Fujii) 3:19p:**
The monthly report for the Hilo Field Office was given by Kanoe. Updates on personnel changes, deadlines, project info, presentation, training, emergency programs, Farm Bill update, outreach, etc. was given. There are 2 interns working in the Hilo Field Office. Kori has accepted a position as the NRCS Assistant Director for Partnerships
7. **FSA Report: As circulated via e-mail 3:24p**
8. **Correspondence received 3:24p**
9. **Treasurer’s Report: 3:24p**
Deferred
10. **New Business 3:25p**
11. **Old Business 3:27p**
 - a. **HACD Annual Meeting –**

- If anyone has any donations for the Silent Auction, please bring it to the Hilo Office, or take it to the conference on June 21st at KMC.

c. Next Meeting - The next Hamakua SWCD board meeting will be held in July.

12. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm KK/DB

Submitted by:

Michael Manor, Secretary

Date
