

WAIAKEA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Monthly Board Meeting
May 19, 2023

The monthly board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Leslie Takayama at 9:30a.m. via Microsoft Office Teams.

Present were Leslie Takayama (LT), Susan Litteral (SL), George Mikami (GM), Sheldon Takajo (ST), Directors; Kanoe LeeLoy, Acting District Conservationist; Kevin Burke, Soil Conservationist; Alina Abramovich, Soil Conservationist; Jennifer Reavis, Conservation Aide/District Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING 9:30a

Minutes was accepted and approved. Circulated & placed on file. SL/ST

TREASURER'S REPORT 9:30a

Deferred.

CORRESPONDENCE 9:31a

*Sent via email...

NEW COOPERATOR AND PLAN APPROVAL 9:32a

1. Delbert Cambra – 84.3 acres. Plans for grazing operations. Approved. SL/GM
2. Community Based Education Support Services – 34.5 acres. Plans for re-forestry operation. GM/ST

OLD BUSINESS 9:37a

- A. District Employee Report – (1) Alina notified the board about her immigration status and she may have to resign from the district.

NEW BUSINESS 9:42a

- A. D.C. Report 9:42a - (1) Kanoe gave the monthly report for the Hilo Field Office. Updates on personnel changes, deadlines, project info, presentation, training, emergency programs, Farm Bill update, outreach, etc. was given.
- B. FSA Report 9:46a - (1) Info was sent to directors via email and circulated in correspondence.
- D. RC&D Report 9:46a – (1) Les gave a report on the BIRCD projects.
- E. HACD Report 9:48a – (1) It was accepted and approved to register whoever can attend from the Waiakea SWCD board to attend the HACD annual conference. George & Les will attend all 3 days, Sheldon will attend Thurs & Fri. Jen will check with Amy. Susan is unable to attend. (2) The voting delegates for the conference will be Les Takayama & George Mikami. Accepted and approved. SL/ST (3) Please bring any silent auction donations to the conference on the first day.

F. Other New Business 9:51a

1. Insurance pertaining to the board – Directors liability insurance is up to date.
2. Conservation Planning – nothing to report.
3. Subdivision Review
 - a. Gladys Junko Suzuki – no comments sent to the County.
 - b. Patrick & Lynn Sherman – no comments sent to the County.
4. Other New Business –
 - Cooperator of the Year dinner meeting invoice – It was accepted and approved to pay the COY dinner meeting invoice. Accepted and approved. GM/SL
 - Slate of officers to remain the same.
 - No SWCD meeting in June

Meeting adjourned at 10:01a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ George Mikami
Secretary

Recorder: Jennifer Reavis