

## **Na Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council**

### **Minutes of January 17, 2018**

Present: Sue Guille, Nick Saussy, Tom Cannon, Donna Clayton, Terry Quisenberry, Kevin Jenkins, Bob Hobdy

Absent: Russell Reinertson, David Brown

Ex-Officio: Torrie Nohara, Moana Rowland, Rodney McCollam, Facility Manager for Haleakala National Park

Guest: Aaron Reichert

#### Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

Sue called the meeting to order. Public notice was posted and quorum was met.

#### Review of Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2017

The November 15, 2017 minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

#### NAH Staff Reports:

Kaina Ryan – Volunteer/Intern Update: Joshua Pinheiro (KUPU Intern) has completed 382 hours since starting on October 2, 2017. Mykah Bailey has completed 342 hours of his 1700-hour term since starting on October 2, 2017. Samson Bailey (MEO Intern) has re-enrolled a second term with NAH and started on December 22, 2017. He has completed 64 hours of his 900-hour term. Trent Nakihei (MEO Intern) has re-enrolled a second term with NAH and started on December 29, 2017. He has completed 32 hours of his 900-hour term. Trent has also re-applied for another term through MEO. Wesley Hart (MEO Intern) has re-enrolled a second term with NAH and he has a start date of January 8, 2018 and has a completion of a 900-hour term. Wesley has also re-applied for another term through MEO. Kaipo Nakahashi (MEO Intern) has a start date of June 10, 2017 and has completed 800 hours of his 900-hour term. On November 17, 2017 NAH acquired a new intern, Cassie McCarty, with a 450-hour term through MEO and she has 290 hours left to complete. The NAH trail crew now has a total of 13 crewmembers with 7 of them being interns. The NAH trail crew is very grateful to get the extra hands and help from these new interns.

From November 21 to December 5 the crew worked with the US Forest Service on the lower section of Upper Waiakoa Trail making improvements and rerouting a portion using a mini-dozer, mini-excavator and hand tools. From December 5-29, the crew spent time on trail maintenance on all of Kula Forest Reserve trails and the east side trails. Currently, we are finishing up trail maintenance on the west side of the island. Following the flash flood event on December 26, the crews did trail inspections for water damage and found damage on three trails – Waihe'e Ridge Trail, Ohai Trail and Mokule'ia. Waihe'e Ridge Trail damage included the upper portion of the trail rutted out

and the bottom portion gravel washed out. On Ohai Trail ruts in the middle of the trail needed work. On Mokule'ia Trail the bottom of the staircase stone walkway was washed out. The crew is also working on Lahaina Pali Trail.

Kahakapao Recreational Area Maintenance Report – Adam Lottig of Flow Farm Pacific  
In Adam's absence, Aaron Reichert reported Flow Farm has been working with the DitchWitch on Pineapple Express Trail and doing needed maintenance work. Trees on the west side are down but the trail has re-routed with use. Use has been up recently due to little rain.

NAH Specialist Report -Torrie Nohara –Torrie circulated reports from the State Advisory Council Meeting.

Rodney McCollam, Facility Manager of Haleakala National Park introduced himself and reported he was here to meet the NAH councilmembers. Haleakala National Park is short of staff and he is finding it hard to get good workers.

#### Old Business:

1. West Maui Greenway Update – Donna continues to attend the West Maui Community Planning meetings, HEAL meetings and meetings with the Blue Zones group to keep the West Maui Greenway a priority in the community. Saman Dias and Lee Chamberlain are back on Maui and the planning for the second Love the West Maui Greenway Day on April 14th is underway with the addition of a fun run this year.
2. Nakula Potential Access Routes – Nothing new.
3. Waia'ilio Trail Complex – Tom reported on the site visit yesterday with John Brito of Forestry operating a drone. A map showing the GPS routes and photos from the drone were distributed. Unfortunately, there was not time to overlay the proposed historic trail on the map but that is the next step to move this forward.
4. Maui Motocross Park – Nick reported they are preparing for the upcoming state races on Presidents' Day Weekend. They are now qualified to hold national amateur events in cooperation with the American Motocross Assoc. He is trying to get a water truck for a good price. Insurance is almost in place and he has 3 estimates for a new timing system. The scoring tower is ready to go up and they are taking over the porta potties too.
5. Waihee Ridge Trail – The storm damaged the road and repairs are underway with larger rocks and chicken wire lining for the rocks. Drainage improvements are also underway and a drainage culvert. Torrie is hoping to get the trail counter installed this week.
6. Makena to Ulupalakua Trail – Moana Rowland reported her intern has been a big help with preparing the map of parcels so that Moana can research the individual parcel records to see if the trail shows up on the parcel land records.

7. Onau Alanui – Moana will research this trail along with the Makena to Ulupalakua Trail.
8. Haleakala Trail – The Memo of Understanding (MOU) is under review with the partners for comments. The partners are the Sierra Club, PATH, and Haleakala Ranch. When comments are received, the state attorneys will check the MOU one final time. The plan is for up to four guided hikes per year.
9. Trail above Keanae Arboretum – Nothing new.
10. Lipoa Point – As no update on this is expected soon, Torrie suggested removing this trail from the agenda.
11. Election of Officers for 2018 – Russell Reinertson, Sue Guille and Donna Clayton have agreed to stay on in their officer roles as Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary respectively. Terry made a motion to accept this team for Maui Council officers for 2018 and Kevin seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

New Business:

1. Suggestions for new Na Ala Hele Trails: Bob recalled a government road running through the old HC&S lands from Pukalani to Pulehu Rd. The council remembered David bringing in a map showing that road and other government roads on HC&S lands. We will add this to the agenda and reach out to see if there is hope one of these can become a trail.
2. Agenda items for next meeting – Delete Lipoa Pt. and add Government Roads on HC&S Lands.
3. Date of next meeting: February 21 at 2pm.
12. Public Testimony on All Agenda Items, Public Comments – Open Forum: None
13. Adjournment: 3:17 pm