

October 12, 2018

Na Ala Hele - Lāna'i Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 10:30 AM

Members Attendance: Alan, Debbie, Richard, and Torrie

Guests: Alison Cohan, Nature Conservancy; Bobby Vivas, Lāna'i Resident; Jon Sprague, Pulama Wildlife Control Manager; Kari Bogner, Pulama Botany Program Manager;

Approval of April 12, 2018 minutes: Passed as is

Specialist Report: Torrie provided copies of the 2019 Budget, see attached. Na Ala Hele is totally dependent on a Federal Grant, which was cut significantly. As a result of these cuts, there is no money to work on roads on Lāna'i or Moloka'i and she will not be able to provide lunch for our Advisory Council meetings.

Council Chair Report: Alan agreed to be the temporary Chair until we are able to fill the vacancy. He reported that Mike, Ben and Bob had resigned from the Council. The Lāna'i National Trails Day Event on June 2, 2018 was a great success. A group of volunteers from the Na Ala Hele Lāna'i Advisory Council worked to clear the Ka'iholena Trail from the drip station to the old Ko'ele Golf Course parking area the week before. There was a good turn out for the public hike.

Old Business:

1. Fisherman's Trail - Na Ala Hele needs to keep sending a team over to inspect the trail. The MOA with Pulama needs to be revisited. It currently says the trail is to be maintained once per quarter and the Company is to provide housing. The cost of housing Na Ala Hele workers to maintain the trail for a week was more than having Pulama staff provide maintenance of the trail.

2. Kanepu'u access has changed because the contract between Nature Conservancy and the Kanepu'u Warriors ended June 30, 2018. Access will now be controlled by Pulama, as the land owner, and Nature Conservancy. Jon Sprague holds the key for Pulama and will make it available upon request and approval by Nature Conservancy.

New Business:

1. Bobby Vivas, Jon Sprague, and Kari Bogner were nominated and approved as new members to the Council.

2. Proposed new trails - look at a Loop Trail from the old Ko'ele Lodge.

3. It was suggested that we work with the Maui Visitors Bureau to develop a Lāna'i Recreation Map similar to the Maui Recreation Map that Torrie provided to the members.

4. Mike Millay, new Na Ala Hele Program Manager plans to attend the next meeting.

Public Testimony: None

Schedule date for next meeting: January 17, 2019

Adjourned: 12:07 PM