

Na Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council

Minutes of October 17, 2018

Present: Russell Reinertson, Sue Guille, Tom Cannon, Donna Clayton, David Brown, Kevin Jenkins

Absent: Bob Hobdy, Terry Quisenberry, Nick Saussy

Ex-Officio: Torrie Nohara, Trails and Access Specialist

Guests: Bruce Faulkner, Adam Lottig and Justin/Flow Farm Pacific

Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

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

Review of Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2018

The September 19, 2018 minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

NAH Staff Reports:

Trails and Access Technician Corey Rosa – In Corey's absence, Torrie gave his report:

Volunteer/Intern Update: Monthly volunteer hours totaled 168 and so far this year the total volunteer hours are 3,500.

MEO

Samson Bailey completed 402 of 900 hours

Wesley Hart completed 328 of 900 hours

KUPU

Joshua Pinheira completed 16 of 1700

Counter on Waihee Ridge Trail Totals: No count due to need for repair.

Counter of Kahakapao Trail Totals:

Monthly user count (10/16/18) = 417

Total Annual User Count (9/11/18) = 746

Highest count for one day – 10/14/18 = 67

Work done from September 19 – October 17: The Na Ala Hele crew has been working on repairing damages and cutting fallen trees in Kula Forest Reserve. The crew has also been doing sign inspections, repairs/replacements and cleaning graffiti.

Looking forward, NAH crew will be continuing inventory and trail inspections on all NAH trails.

NAH Specialist Report -Torrie Nohara – Torrie circulated copies of the proposed NAH capital improvement projects for TIP funding for 2020 and 2021. These 8 projects will be considered along with all other requests from the state and finalists will be presented to the legislature for decision on funding.

District Manager – No report

Adam Lottig – Kahakapao Report

September has been a month for maintenance, re-visiting past work, and a good bit of storm cleanup. Hurricane Lane, along with Hurricane Olivia brought down many small branches and trees. This encouraged us to not only clear trail but do a bit of drainage and shaping work on many features throughout the whole Pineapple Express Trail along with clearing along East, Renegade, and Ravine Trails. We have also been maintaining the Skills areas to a more refined level and have seen a positive result with riders showing up to these areas weather permitting.

The Maui Mountain Bike Coalition membership numbers have dropped and they are trying to rebuild membership on their volunteer days. Torrie suggested the upcoming November 4th Skyline Ride might be a good time to find members.

Old Business:

1. West Maui Greenway Update – Donna reported that Hawaiian Tourism Authority (HTA) in response to her proposal request for \$20,000 will fund \$15,000 for the creation of a Visitor Channel video, training for bike ride leaders and bike rides led by Maui Biking League. Donna continues to work with Lauren Armstrong of Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization with their long-range planning for incorporation of bike routes/greenways into all areas of Maui.
2. Waia'ilio Trail Complex – Torrie circulated copies of the Kanaio Management Area PowerPoint presentation and preferred map for discussion on comments from this council. Donna will prepare a draft letter with the comments.
Comments included:
 - a. Concern with planning a road across a trails complex and request that Forest and Wildlife consider trails as a cultural resource.
 - b. Recommendation that we continue to locate trails in this area on the ground.

- c. Consider marking the two actual water sites of Waia'ilio. Might be best to protect the sites with an enclosure.
 - d. Consider a gate at the shoreline access point that requires a key for access.
 - e. Request that Na Ala Hele be included in the planning to restore trails for public and hunting purposes.
3. Maui Motocross Park – Nick emailed Torrie that the race series has started and turnout has been great. The water truck is “awesome!” Nick gave Torrie a list for upgrades at the facility.
 4. Government roads on HC&S lands – No update. This item will be removed from the agenda.
 5. Cable Ridge Trail – Bruce has not been able to locate the trail on Google Earth. It is on the Kipahulu side of the National Park.

New Business:

1. Suggestions for new Na Ala Hele Trails: None
2. Agenda items for next meeting – Remove Government roads on HC&S lands and add Makena/Ulupalakua Road.
3. Date of next meeting: November 14th.

Public Testimony on All Agenda Items, Public Comments – Open Forum: None

Adjournment: 3:30 pm