January 17, 2019

Na Ala Hele - Lāna’i Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 10:39 AM

Members Attendance: Alan, Bobby, Debbie, Jon, Kari, Ken, Melanie, Richard, and Torrie
Guests: Michael Millay, Na Ala Hele Statewide Program Manager

Approval of October 12, 2018 minutes: Passed as is

NAH Program Managers Report: Torrie provided copies of the 2019-2021 Federal Budget for NAH, see attached. The only CIP project approved for NAH was the Program Plan Revision. Mike provided a breakdown of NAH and explained why funding is so minimal this year. He is working with the State Legislature to improve the negative State Budget for NAH. The Lāna’i Advisory Council, and any interested citizen, can help by sending letters and providing testimony when bills are presented to the legislature, making calls to State Representatives and Senators, and get involved in developing specific goals for Lāna’i to be included in the State program plan.

Specialist Report:
1. Lāna’i AC Membership: Copies of the Appointment letters to serve on the Lāna’i Advisory Council were distributed to Bobby, Jon and Kari.
2. Election of Chair: Richard moved to elect Kari as Chair of NAH Lāna’i Advisory Council for one year. Ken seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Council Chair Report: Alan turned the meeting over to Kari. She reported that she plans to bring ideas for community hikes and possible new trail to the next meeting.

Old Business:
1. Kanepuu Access Continued Maintenance Update: The self-guided trail is now in good shape. The plants Kari and Hank planted three months ago are doing well. TNC is working with the Kanepuu Warriors to provide fuel for equipment. They also need to work out support for maintenance of the equipment.
2. Trail Inventory: According to the NAH 1991 Program Plan there are 2 maps, one for the general public and one w/private trails. The Advisory Councils are tasked to update these maps.
3. Field Trip to the NAH Fisherman’s Trail logistics were discussed.

New Business: Proposed New Trails - Jon and Kari agreed to check out making the Koloiki - Koele Loop Trail an official NAH Trail. It was also suggested that the existing LHCC Self-Guided trails be considered.

Public Testimony: None

Tentative date for next meeting: April 11, 2019

Adjourned: 12:07 PM