

Na Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council

Minutes of January 20,2021

Present: Russell Reinertson, Terry Quisenberry, Kevin Jenkins, Nick Saussy, Donna Clayton, Sue Guille, Dave Brown

Absent: Bob Hobdy, Tom Cannon

Ex-Officio: Torrie Nohara

Guests: Daryl Tokunaga, Aaron Reichert, Robb Cole

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 December 9, 2020

The minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

NAH Staff Reports:

Trails and Access Technician – Corey S. Rosa

**DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Division of Forestry and Wildlife
Maui District
January 20th, 2021,
MEMORANDUM**

Trail Counter Info

Kahakapao Trailhead				Kahakapao Secret Trail				Waihou Spring Trailhead			
Month	Daily Average	Highest Day		Month	Daily Average	Highest Day		Month	Daily Average	Highest Day	
October	146	Oct, 11	285	October	27	Sep, 27	56	October	236	Sep, 27	455
November	132	Nov, 8	320	November	20	Nov, 8	55	November	245	Oct, 18	460
December	115	Dec. 6	262	December	20	Dec. 13	86	December	311	Dec. 5	655
January	142	Dec. 28	233	January	20	Dec. 29	39	January	351	Jan. 3	515

Work Done from November 18th - January 20th

The Na Ala Hele crew has been brushing and clearing fallen trees at Waikamoi Ridge Trail, Makawao and Kula Forest Reserves due to high wind and rain.

Looking Forward

The Na Ala Hele crew will begin to repair water damage on Waihe'e Ridge Parking Lot and Trail as a result of the heavy rain fall over the weekend. Na Ala Hele will also be brushing Polipoli Park trail through Plum Trail.

Kahakapao Recreational Area Report - Flow Farm Pacific

As we prepare for our next trail rebuild day, we have been doing our routine inspections and minor trail clearings and maintenance. We also finished our end of the year inspection which includes inspecting the hardware that is connecting the imported features. All of the work we completed in the fall is holding up well, and the increased popularity since COVID continues to be evident in the trail wear and tear, and consistent trail use. We will be spending 2-4 weeks on the upper and middle sections of Pineapple express, starting in the early part of February.

Torrie Nohara – NAH Specialist – Torrie reported Waihee Ridge had a lot of damage in the storm. Plum, Boundary and Kula Forest Reserve are being inspected today. She shared photos of the damage.

A. Old Business:

1. Election of 2021 Officers:
 - a. Russell Reinertson, President
 - b. Sue Guille, Vice President
 - c. Donna Clayton, Secretary
2. West Maui Greenway Update – Donna reported the \$500,000 to develop a transit-oriented corridor for West Maui that will include planning for the West Maui Greenway is still in play. (Note: After the meeting she learned that the design work should start this summer and finish in Sept. 2022.)
3. Maui Motocross Park – Brody Baker

I would love to share with you some of the great accomplishments we have had to start 2021 at

our motocross park. With the support of Torrie, Na Ala Hele, and the community, we have accomplished the following:

- Maintenance on our machines
- Improved watering system
- 2021 Insurance
- 2021 County Permits
- Redesigned Amateur Track with major safety updates
- Rolled out our 2021 Membership
- Provided a safe place for the community to enjoy a sport! 🙌

We have great things happening over the next month and would like to thank everyone for the support!



4. Ebikes on NAH – The NAH recommendation letter was sent to Scott Fretz. He will discuss with Dave Smith his concerns such as is a rule change needed, can the rules be enforced, etc. From there the plan will be reviewed by the attorney general and eventually go to the board. Torrie has not had any response to date. As of now, the existing signs posted representing Scott's interim position are the rules of the day.
5. Kamehamehenui Forest – Update -Torrie is waiting for purchase order approval for the purchase of an ATV, trailer, pickup truck and other equipment and should get it in a few months so work can start on construction of trails. She is not moving forward on an environmental assessment until the master plans are ready. She expects a master plan vendor to be selected by the end of this month. She plans to utilize heavily the University of Hawaii student plan. Balthazar's lease has not expired, and his cattle still help control the non-native plants. Permission to enter is required. The UH plan is just a beginning plan. Russell offered to work on the master plan.

B. New Business:

1. Suggestions for new Na Ala Hele Trails: None
2. Agenda items for next meeting: Remove the following:
 - a. E-Bikes continued discussion
 - b. 2020 Officer Election
3. Date of next meeting: 2/17/20.
4. Public Testimony on All Agenda Items, Public Comments – Open Forum: See above under discussion on RPs.
5. Adjournment: 3:10 pm