

VHCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2014 AT 14-5049 WAI'OPAE RD.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Greg Braun (President), Gary Banks (Vice-President), Sheri Lehner (Treasurer), Mike Hughes, Richard Shea, Marlene Phillips (Secretary).

PUBLIC: Jan Anderson, Barbara Bell, Chris Biltoft, Harry Kim, Jim Lehner, Mitch Miyatake, Betty Oberman, Kenny Parrish, Hart Phillips, Kathy Sullivan, Carey Yost, Kelly Wikel.

CALL TO ORDER: at 9:01 am.

HURRICANE CLEAN-UP UPDATE:

G. Braun thanked all Vacationland residents who helped and also K. Wikel (who brought Greggor Ilagan and services, like Team Rubicon, United Way and Assembly of God to help our community). K. Wikel reported that 2 County and 3 United Way dumpsters will still be delivered. She is also working on getting pumps for pond clean-up.

Yost asked for our request to bring in ICC (International Coastal Clean-up) for a Beach Clean-up Day, September 21. They will bring in divers to pick up debris on the bottom of our ponds. UH Hilo will also be involved in the effort on the ocean side. M. Phillips moved, and M. Hughes 2nded to request ICC involvement in the clean-up. The motion passed unanimously. C. Biltoft volunteered to contact pond owners for their permission.

J. Lehner stated that we are 3 to 4 containers from being finished with ROW clean-up, and thanked Chris Biltof and Kendi Segovia for initially managing dumpsters. He also thanked Paul Charbonneau and Randy Dalessio from Aloha Building and Construction for their great service. Because of all the time R. Dalessio donated, S. Lehner moved to donate \$500 to him and \$500 to his company from House lots funds. G. Banks 2nded and the motion passed unanimously.

Pastors John and Dan have also put in many hours of their time clearing areas.

G. Banks reported that the prisoners' group is still available to help, but they need transportation.

HARA PROPERTY PURCHASE UPDATE: B. Bell reported that we became #1 priority in 2013 for the 2% Fund, and are applying to the State for matching funds. She urged us to attend the hearing on December 4 in Honolulu. We are asking for \$1.33 mil (half of the \$2.66 mil. purchase price), the County has to come up with the other \$1.33 mil. within 3 years. We are updating our letter from 2012. If the purchase goes through, Malama O Puna has offered to take over management. H. Kim urged us to take a big part in making it a community place.

MINUTES of the 6/5/14 meeting were approved (S. Lehner moved, M. Hughes 2nded). Minutes of the special meetings of 8/18/14 and 8/27/14 were also approved (M. Phillips moved, G. Banks 2nded).

TREASURER'S REPORT: As of August 31, our account balance was \$187,426.04, House lots \$105,264.39, Farm lots \$18,546.69, Waterfront donations \$57,508.32, Mailboxes \$9,618.10. A hurricane relief donation from Balancing Monkey Yoga was \$112. Accounts receivable were \$66,753.34, unpaid liens \$51,489.76. There were 4 property transfers in July. Total waterfront donations were \$80,157.29.

Hurricane clean-up has cost us \$1,920.92 so far, and security \$2,245.00. Also, many people have donated uncountable hours of their time. R. Shea moved to have all hurricane expenses through this weekend paid out of House lots funds. S. Lehner 2nded. All but M. Hughes voted for it and the motion passed.

ROADS:

HOUSE LOTS: The board appointed R. Shea to chair a House Lots Roads Subcommittee, with members J. Lehner, H. Phillips, B. Oberman, L. Oberman, L. Banks, and G. Braun (President ex officio). The subcommittee will deal with traffic, parking, post-hurricane clean-up, ROW encroachments, and such other topics as decided.

FARM LOTS: G. Braun asked for a motion to increase the amount for paving certain stretches of farm lots roads to \$15,000. M. Phillips moved, S. Lehner 2nded. The motion passed unanimously.

WATERFRONT COMMITTEE: S. Lehner will organize a meeting shortly with DNLR to address better signage and enforcement in the MLCD.

OLD BUSINESS:

WAI'OPAE ROAD REPAIR: Our attorney is monitoring the progress of our application very closely now, since the State made no progress for a while.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE: The Tribune Herald will publish a special newspaper section to honor Puna volunteers who helped after hurricane Iselle hit. G. Braun needs a list of names to submit. VHCA also needs to put out its own Thank You list.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: B. Oberman attended a post Hurricane Neighborhood Watch community meeting, where the actions and non-actions of different government agencies were discussed..

She donated \$500 from our Neighborhood Watch fund. S. Lehner moved and R. Shea 2nded, to apply the money to the house lots fund for the clean-up effort. The motion passed unanimously. B. Oberman urged residents to put up "Private Property/No Trespassing" signs.

NEXT MEETING: will be October 4, 2014 at 9 am, at 14-5049 Wai'Opae Rd.

ADJOURNMENT was at 11:59 am.