VHCA Annual Meeting 2021 Minutes

(Minimally revised and re-formatted 4-20-22 for handout at 2022 meeting.)

Held remotely via ZOOM on April 17, 2021 due to Covid Restrictions. Board Members “present”: Deb Smith, Jim Lehner, Eric Cockroft, Diane Franciosa, Susan Kim, Alex Keeley, Betty Oberman. Community members “present”: Hart and Marlene Phillips, Mary Fleming and Julie Reinholtson, Jan Marshall and Jim Seagraves, Tara Plachowski, Larry Compton, Carol Ryan, Ryan Hendrickson, Beth Custer, Gwinn Lehman, Jeanne Sours, Diana Guenther and Theresa Donham, Chris Biltoft

Meeting called to order 9:13 am

Eric read the 2019 annual meeting minutes which were approved.

Treasurer's Report: $70,481.28 Total in savings/checking; $81,327.26 in accounts receivable

The floor was open for nominations for 4 open Director’s positions: Directors whose terms were expiring - Deb Smith, Betty Oberman, Eric Cockcroft volunteered to continue serving. Jim Seagraves volunteered for the 4th open position. There were no other volunteers. With only 4 volunteers for 4 open positions only one vote for each was required. Hart Phillips led off by voting them in.

The resulting Board composition is: Deb Smith (2023) President, Betty Oberman (2023) Vice President, Jim Lehner (2022) Treasurer, Tara Plachowski (2022) Secretary, Diane Franciosa (2022), Eric Cockroft (2023) and James (Beau) Seagraves (2023).

Deb delivered an update on the eruption recovery. VHCA is still waiting to accept the $250,000 County grant ($225,000 net) because of lack of progress on Route 137. The Puna Strong grant application was denied. VHCA was seeking matching funds for a video project estimated to be finished June 2021.

Jan Marshall reported that she and Eileen have approached HUD about using recovery funds on subdivision roads.

Deb reported that there is council support for insurance in Lava zone 1 and 2 and testimony can be submitted by 4/20/21

Board meetings will be scheduled every other month instead of quarterly.

Deb has asked Tom Callis to make a public announcement about the status of Cape Kumakahi access.

Motion to adjourn by Eric, Second by Betty 9:55 am