

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Saturday, October 6, 2012
1:00 pm

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: 1:10 pm

PRESIDING OFFICER: Board of Director President, Madie Greene

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Paul Martinez, Minerva Chenoweth, Al Kualii, Madie Greene & Gwen Kupahu

ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM: Read by Minerva Chenoweth

Votes Cast: 660

Lot Owners: 2800

Quorum: 24%

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME: President Madie Greene welcomed everyone in attendance. Ms. Greene shared with everyone about how she was out at breakfast one morning when she was approached by someone that complimented Nanawale and how it has turned into such an inviting place and thanked her for all the effort.

Ms. Greene continued with an acknowledgement to Fred Blas, District 4 Councilman, and added that Councilman Blas has asked The Mayor's Office to have a representative attend the next Board of Directors meeting to share information regarding a health study. Ms. Greene reminded everyone that the next Board of Directors meeting would be on Wednesday, November 14th at 6:30pm and asked all members to make an effort to attend.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Motion to accept the 2011 Minutes was made by : Rene Siracusa

Seconded by: Bob Chenoweth

All attendees accepted unanimously and the motion was passed.

NEW BUSINESS: Robert Berry announced that everyone should have received a ballot when they checked-in and collected all ballots that had not yet been placed in the ballot box. Ms. Greene adjourned the meeting at 1:15pm and invited everyone to take a break and enjoy the refreshments provided while the ballots were being counted.

The meeting was reconvened at 2:02pm and called to order by President Madie Greene

The total votes cast:

Al Kualii - 74

Gwen Kupahu - 74

Larry Jarrett – 48

A chant was followed by Kumu Hula Roy and Makamai. Kumu Hula Roy announced that everyone is invited to join his group at the Nanawale Longhouse to talk story and share the Hawaiian culture, prayers, dance, and ukulele on Saturday, September 13, 2012 at 3:00pm.

MEMBER TESTIMONY: Michele Aiwohi expressed her appreciation to the Association and its' staff for all they do. She stated that she has been here 40+ years and in the last several, there has been many improvements. Ms. Aiwohi added that she appreciates the friendliness of the maintenance crew as they always wave when they are out doing road work. In closing, she added "Kudo's to all."

Rene Siracusa shared her appreciation of the wall between the office and playground that had been taken down. She stated how much brighter the longhouse looked without the wall. Lastly, Ms. Siracusa also commented on how much ambiance has been added by the beautiful floral arrangements that decorated the longhouse for the meeting.

Madie Greene thanked Robert Berry and his staff for all of their work with preparing for the Members Annual Meeting. Robert Berry shared that Billy Shackley spent five (5) hours on Friday preparing all the floral arrangements.

QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD: Phil Jennings thanked Paul Martinez and the Maintenance crew for their assistance when a tree fell very close to his home. Mr. Jennings shared that the Maintenance crew remained until 9:00 pm cleaning and clearing the debris. In addition, Mr. Jennings expressed his thanks to Robert Berry for his assistance with contacting the property owner to have the lot cleared.

Karen Ashley introduced herself to everyone as a new member of Nanawale having arrived two (2) days ago. She has concerns of two (2) large Albizia trees on her property near the corner of Lana'i and Hapu'u. She expressed that it is her first priority to have the trees cut down as she is concerned that they may fall. Robert Berry informed Ms. Ashley that he would have someone contact her who can be of assistance to her.

David Kisor shared that many years ago, a notice was sent out to all property owners notifying them that the Association needed access to their property to remove albizia trees and miconia. The property owner could reply either Yes or No; however, if no reply was received, it was implied that access was allowed. There was not a single “No” reply sent back to the Association at that time.

Madie Greene stated that Frances Malani, a past Board Member was working with the Maintenance Crew to have the Miconia removed as soon as they are discovered. Outside groups were formed that went onto the properties to remove the Miconia. Mr. Malani continues to be of assistance as needed.

Rene Siracusa recommended that the notice be resent because there are probably a lot of new property owners that are not aware of the danger. Most likely, it is not part of a realtor’s disclosure.

Fred Blas announced that he is assisting the community with albizia concerns. Mr. Blas stated that members can call his office with the property owner’s tax map key number (tmk#) and he will write a certified letter to the property owner to notify them regardless of where they live including Japan, the Middle East, etc. Mr. Blas noted that he pays for the certified letter out of his own pocket and works with his wife Betty and Gwen Kupahu to do as much cleaning as possible. Mr. Blas will also follow up with the state so a lien can be filed if needed. Mr. Blas clarified that no council money is being used and that they are individuals who are offering the community their services to help.

Michelle Aiwohi inquired if the association had participated with mailing out the notices as well. Robert Berry responded that yes, the association does send out notices; however, officially it is not written in the association by-laws that can force a property owner to take down a tree located on his/her own property. Mr. Berry works diligently to educate property owners about the issue and the potential liability they might incur. He also added that the association is persistent, but it is a slow process taking years in some cases.

Fred Blas added that an Albizia tree grows one (1) ft each month and have very shallow roots; therefore, very important to cut them down ASAP. Robert Berry informed everyone that there is literature on the information table if anyone needed it.

A member who did not identify herself said that she has had two (2) trees on her lot cut down for \$500.00 years ago. She inquired about how much it would possibly cost her to clear her lot. Robert Berry said that as a customer service, the association provides a list of tree cutters available. Mr. Berry also informed her that Administrative Assistant, Kathryn Katada could provide her with the list. Robert added a reminder that it really would not be a very good to clear a lot unless you are planning to build immediately.

Fred Blas recommends to be sure to always ask if the companies or individuals hired are license and bonded. Robert Berry agreed and added that property owners can ask for proof of license and insurance. Fred also reminded everyone to get a signed contract for their protection.

Ana Dela Pena inquired about a white A-frame home that is in foreclosure. She expressed her concern about the roots to a number of pine trees on the property and is very worried that one will fall on her home. Robert directed Ana to stop by the office so he can help her track down the bank that foreclosed on the property so she could send a letter of her concerns to them.

Michelle Aiwohi inquired about the property on Seaview Road that was not following the association rules. Robert reported that the illegal 2 story home has been condemned by the county since his last follow-up. There are liens and fines against the property totaling \$8k from the county and \$8k from association. The property owners are billed each month and there was to be a court date on Aug 23rd. It is not yet known if the property has been foreclosed on.

Robert added that there were fourteen (14) other ongoing issues. Eight (8) were being ignored with liens filed. The association is following up with an outside collection agency that only charges 10% of what is collected. Hawaiian Shores is currently using an outside collection agency. With dues only \$81 per year, the budget is very limited. Before deciding to go with a collection agency, the association will seek legal council to answer all of the Board's concerns.

Roberta Mathieu expressed her Mahalo to all for the great meeting. She inquired about the availability of internet service in the area. With the new cell tower up since 2010, Verizon has piggy-backed onto this service. 5gb Wi-Fi is available to many. The cost is about \$50 per month or you may also contact Verizon and inquire about a bundle package. Oceanic Cable has had a special for those residing on the Boulevard only.

President Madie Greene asked members at the meeting if there were any other business to discuss. There was no other business. In closing, Madie Greene asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mary Montoya motioned to adjourn the meeting, Joe Mathieu seconded the motion, all were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm