

'Aiea Community Association

June 17, 2024

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This meeting was virtually conducted via Go To Meetings
7 pm, 'Aiea, O'ahu

- I. **In Attendance:** Sherry Cassetta, Laurie Chang, Ati Jeffers-Fabro, Ronald Fitch, Chris Gaydosh, David Harris, Jordon Higa, Karen Higa, Joanne Iritani, Daniel Jandock, Andy Kaufman, Chris Kinimaka, Kim Moa, Susan Morishige, Piper O'hara, Jeff Ramsey, Lydia Robertson, Erin Salvador, Lynn Sari, Tina Somaru, Cathi Schar, Garner Shimizu, Samantha Spain, Jane Sugimura, Claire Tamamoto, Kris Tanahara, Erika Vargas, Desiree Woodman
- II. **Secretary Minutes** on website. Weird format made it difficult to upload.
Treasurer's Report: Balance reported. 4 additional memberships gained, and 4 more books were sold.
- III. **Neighborhood Watch:** Jordon reported representatives from various government agencies were in attendance at the May 21 meeting at Alvah Scot Elem. Statistics on crime and hurricane preparation was discussed. Discussion regarding the Kam. Drive Inn lot being abandoned. Homeless, car stripping and other unsavory actions taking place. No landowner presence so hard to monitor/control. Older white panel van seeing early morning, weekday hours casing neighborhood; also individuals on electric bikes. May want to see what info is out there online regarding your residence.
- IV. **Halewaliko Senior Housing:** Questor sent report. See EAH Report on website. Project proposed to be completed by or prior to October 2025. There is a website eahhousing.org/aiea regarding the project. Dusty event occurred this month. Partial landscaping design shared, awaiting full design. Exit stairwell design appears disconnected.
- V. **Aloha Stadium:** Samantha reported the 3rd weekend of the 50th State Fair is occurring. The 50th State Fair is running from May 24-July 7 with the Fair opening at 6pm on Fridays, 4pm on Saturdays and 12pm on Sundays. 45th Anniversary of the Swap Meet coming up. 50thStatefair.com has more information or go to alohastadium.com. Rideshare area has been modified. Suggested that a sign be put up at the "Out Exit," stating Exit Only.

NASED: Chris shared that the NASED team attended the convention on sport entertainment facilities. Still moving forward towards a September offer. <https://nased.hawaii.gov>
- VII. **OCCC:** Claire shared Bettina recently returned from a trip, so we will deal with OCCC next month.
- VIII. **Loko I'a Pa'aiiau:** Report forwarded to Claire and is available on the website, see Loko i'a Pa'aiiau-June 2024 Update. Recently received a grant through Sea

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Grant. Mahalo for the many donations and volunteers. Next workday is July 6, see Paaiau.org.

- IX. Makalapa Park Project:** Ati Jeffers-Fabro reported they are continuing to rejuvenate the Park. The Hui had its 3rd meeting, and they are working on goals. Climate champions from the City continue to monitor and care for the planted trees. Three events coming up: Walk with the Stadium Authority, looking at this as a safe route to school to hopefully reconnect 'Aiea and Halawa; A Cooldown Fest at Makalapa Neighborhood Park on June 28, 2024, 10-1pm, open to the public, would like to showcase proposals for the Park; and a back to school event, looking for umbrellas, shoes and school supplies. Would encourage volunteers to join the Hui. Flyers going out in the community.
- X. Navy Matters:** The US Navy-June 2024 Report and the 6.12.24 weekly Moololo is available on the website. Lydia Robertson reported that the Navy conveyed land to the City; on the Kuponu Solar Pane project, and on the Red Hill monitoring program. Weekly highlights from across Navy region Hawaii can be found at: <https://cnrh.cnrc.navy.mil/News/The-Weekly-Moololo-News-from-around-the-Region/> .
The Navy continues to monitor the air quality and these reports are also available on our website.
Question on the EPA CRI? The Navy is invested in talking to the community. The Navy is interested in getting feedback. Question on RIMPAC, with the fluctuating Covid numbers, is there monitoring? The health of the participants is vital, and the Navy does its best to keep the community safe. Homeported ships get orientation about Hawaii but not sure if RIMPAC also has that protocol. Is there still public tours of RIMPAC ships? Is there a 4th of July show? Yes to 4th of July fireworks, will get back to us regarding RIMPAC tours.
Question regarding the rejection of land transfer due to contamination? Will get back to us as it was understood the area has an endangered plant, the Akoko, that needs to be taken care of so area may not be appropriate for development.
- XI. 2024 Christmas Parade:** Karen Higa shared the Parade would start at 9am at Pearlridge Elementary. Would like to do the Fun Fair, looking for a volunteer group to do this. Suggestions, ideas, volunteers can be emailed to Karen at aieaparade@yahoo.com.
- XII. 'Aiea Library Book Sale:** Probably in August, not that many books available. This year makes 10 years that the 'Aiea Library has been open. Claire has a bunch of photos of the opening. Comic Con runs on the same anniversary day.
- XIII. By-law Amendments:** Joanne reported that an Executive Board meeting took place to approve an amendment to the by-laws regarding lifetime membership. Proviso that those that paid for lifetime membership don't have to pay again. Mahalo to Ron Fitch for the formatting and keeping us legal.

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- XIV. Misc:** Concern regarding cars parking everywhere on 'Aiea Heights Drive. Truck parking on drainage ditch. Ditches are not functional. May want to mention low lying tree branches at the horseshoe turn, as limbs are near wires. New signs installed but no maintenance of area done. Homeless Camp site is considering Halawa District Park as a new site. Would like community to be notified prior to this happening.
- XVI. Announcements:** See agenda for announcements.