

Aloha Estates Association

Board Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2021 @ 9:00 am
St. Theresa Parish Hall

◆ Opening

Meeting was called to order at 9am by Glen Barfield, President.

◆ Attendees:

President – Glen Barfield

Vice-President – Shelly Pierson (phone)

Secretary – Patricia Hübner

Treasurer – Leilani Kruger

Assistant Treasurer/Secretary: Mahea Kane

Directors – Kelvin Kane, Glenn Pierson (phone)

Alternate Director – Sandy Schaffer

◆ Approval given of April 24, 2021 Board meeting minutes

◆ Old Business

1. Rusted shipping containers on Mauna Kea Rd and Road 4
 - a. Glenn P contacted the renter, Kevin that the AEA Board is interested in defraying the cost of removing the rusted shipping containers but has not heard back from Kevin or the owner.
 - b. There was a discussion about the owner's address in Las Vegas but it was decided to use the PO Box address AEA has to mail a letter with the proposal to the owner
 - i. Glenn P will draft a letter for review by the AEA Board
 - c. Glen B will speak in person to Kevin if it looks like he is home
 - d. Mahea K said that Business Services dumpster drop fee is \$500 and a charge per pound (\$0.05)
 - e. It was agreed that all papers need to be in order and signed prior to work being done
2. Bids to review for roadside mowing and clearing
 - a. Leilani K spoke with Lottie Chun (insurance agent) that the AEA insurance policy says anyone/business must be insured
 - b. Glen B updated the Board that Chad is not interested
 - c. Discussed the bid by Dwayne Kuilipule (Huki Pau Lawn Pros)
 - i. Glen B will review contract, modify if needed, sign and then send to Lelani to be scanned
3. Neighborhood Watch:
 - a. Patricia H received a reply from Officer Bryson Miyose who proposed a small group meeting on Wed, May 26. Bryson met at the home of Marianne and Parry Wollar on Road 9 and gave Marianne a booklet about organizing a Neighborhood Watch for our area

- i. Bryson encouraged that the Neighborhood Watch be a separate entity from the AEA. Police have a monthly meeting with neighborhood coordinators. Signs are free.
 - ii. Marianne and Parry W are willing to be the neighborhood coordinators.
 - iii. Another meeting should be held in July with Marianne and Parry and Block Captains.
 - iv. Patricia H will make a flyer this week that can be distributed at houses for residents interested in participating to contact Marianne directly.
- b. Should a banner be made? Are there funds for a banner? Mahea will update banner when date is finalized
- 4. Abandoned vehicles –Glenn P contacted the Dept of Environmental Management and cars that were not removed in April/May have now been removed
- 5. Treasurer’s Report – there is currently \$84,454.24 with \$950 pending deposit
- 6. Credit card option for dues payment:
 - a. Discussion about options. Shelly P said it is good to ask ourselves if it is of value and is it safe? It may be only a handful of people out of 300 who may want to pay electronically.
 - i. Paypal – link to bank account or set up to a savings account separate from checking. There is a 2.7% charge per transaction that cannot be charged to the payer
 - 1. Shelly suggested we could also send out an email invoice through Paypal rather than putting the link on the website
 - ii. VENMO – does not have a transaction charge but is it safe?
 - iii. Bank of Hawaii – does our bank have a recommendation? Leilani will ask the bank.
- 7. Pothole Repairs:
 - a. Glen B did a survey of potholes and contacted Loeffler about filling potholes and strengthening the road’s “soft shoulders” – He received an email on May 10 from Carolyn that she had passed this on to Buddy but Glen B has not been contacted by Buddy.
 - i. Note: Glen B has a new email address:growerglen@gmail.com
 - b. Did Loeffler finish the paving on Road 5? 400 ft short
 - c. Glen B would like to discuss Road 3 with Buddy at Loeffler (gravel or basecourse)
 - d. Leilani K asked about the future of the blocked off area on Road 3 and Mauna Loa Road. Glen B said Hawaii County needs to fix the problem of water flow and damage to Mauna Loa Road first.
 - e. Mahea K asked if rocks placed on the roadside are a liability issue for the AEA. Discussion was around what enforcement would look like having residents remove the rocks. Residents may be putting rocks to prevent muddy spots because of cars going around pot holes or speed bumps onto the roads’ soft shoulders.
 - i. Leilani suggested that prior to mowing or cutting of roadsides, residents be notified so they can move the rocks or vehicles out of the way.

8. Roadway sign for Road 1– Leilani K will order one sign from GP Roadway Solutions and will let us know when it is ready for pick up. Sandy S will pick up the sign from Kona. Post is already in place.

◆ **New Business**

9. Liens:
- a. Glen B asked what is the policy for liens. The current policy is a delinquency of 5 years or > \$250 would have a lien filed. Mahea K and Leilani K have been filing liens in the past but did not file any in 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Leilani said that the yearly AEA newsletter encourages property owners to be current on AEA dues.
 - b. Shelly P recommended we look at properties, by road and TMK#, that are delinquent > \$250
 - c. Lelani K will provide a list for the board to review at the next meeting
10. Bylaws: Mahea K asked about proxy voting and if phone attendance was or was not considered proxy voting. Glen B led a discussion about the difficulty of updating bylaws or to even add an addendum-- all neighborhood associations in Hawai‘i County are facing the same challenge and Puna Councilmember Matt Kaneali‘i-Kleinfelder is aware of it.
11. Joy San Buenaventura, Senate District 2, may be interested in or at least may want to be aware of the “road in limbo” situation of Mauna Loa Rd. Glen B mentioned that it would be good to have Matt K and Joy B connect with each other about Mauna Loa Road. Leilani will contact Joy B’s office to see if they are interested in attending our June 26 board meeting.
12. Leilani proposed a dues credit be given to AEA Road Committee members. Instead, a proposal to send a thank you card to Road Committee members and recognizing them in the annual newsletter was passed unanimously.
13. AEA Business Cards: Shelly is working on an order of 100 business cards (\$15). It was decided to use the AEA phone number (808-968-6897) and email address (aea96771@yahoo.com) on the cards.

◆ **Schedule next meeting**

The next AEA Board meeting will be held on Saturday June 26, 9am at St Theresa’s Parish Hall.

Leilani K will contact Father Sam Loterte to confirm this

◆ **Adjournment**

President Glen B. adjourned the meeting at 12 pm.

Submitted by: Patricia Hübner, Secretary, June 13, 2021