

**Orchidland Community Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Approved Minutes
January 17, 2017**

Call to Order: Vice President Don Stoner presiding, President Steve (Mongo) Lyon is absent tonight; this is the Board of Directors meeting of January 17, 2017 at the Pahoia Community Center the time is 6:35pm.

Row Call: Don Stoner, Tegen Greene, Frederic Wirick, Sky Platt, Doug Anderson, Chris Coles-Morales and Jeremai Cann.

Steve Lyon, Gerald Akana and Steve Baca were absent with advance notice.

Paul Imaizumi is out on extended leave while he is caring for his wife, Faith. Our thoughts and prayers are with Faith, Paul and their family.

Motion to approve the Agenda for the BOD meeting of January 17, 2017 as distributed.

Seconded, call to vote, unanimous, 7 in favor.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the BOD meeting of December 20, 2016 as distributed.

Seconded, call to vote, 6 in favor, one abstention

Vice President's welcome announcement to members and general public:

Aloha and welcome to the January 2017 Board of Director's meeting for fiscal year 2016-17.

OLCA members and the general public are welcome to attend but are asked to please not interrupt the proceedings and agenda. Guests will be given the opportunity to speak at the end of meeting. Sign-in and suggestion forms will also be provided at the meeting; these forms will be reviewed and addressed by the BOD at the next scheduled meeting.

Please note, the lawsuit originally launched by a dissident group calling themselves Orchidland Voice on July 1, 2015, and being perpetuated by Barbara Arthurs is still in process. Legal topics and related issues will not be addressed at the OLCA meetings while the lawsuit is in process. Mahalo for your continued support.

Announcement: the new Orchidland Community Association phone number: 808-464-5598

Monthly Reports:

Treasurer Tegen Greene: Some OLCA accounts remain frozen; a complete financial report will be given when these accounts are unfrozen.

RMC report read by Secretary Wirick:**Unpaved side road updates:**

As reported last month, road maintenance was completed on all unpaved side roads, approximately 30 miles. This unpaved road maintenance service began in July and ended November 2016. The service rotation began on through-streets starting at 34th Ave up to 41st Ave. Then cross streets and finally dead-end streets were completed. This maintenance included some mowing, opening natural drainages and adding fill materials where needed.

It was the intent of the RMC to begin the second rotation unpaved side road maintenance in January 2017, but this and some other road projects have been postponed due to the freezing of some OLCA financial accounts. Barbara Arthurs has claimed responsibility for freezing these accounts.

Signage installation:

The extensive RMC signage project is almost complete. This project began in July 2016, some signage includes: the replacement and/or addition of STOP signs where side streets intersect with Main Access Roadways.

In December 2016, posts and STOP signs were replaced/ installed on Laniuma at 38th, 39th and 40th; Orchidland at 36th; Auli'i at 40th and 41st; Illima at 34th, 35th and 37th Ave; and Ainaloa at 34th and 35th.

The Orchidland Estates entry sign post was replaced on Auli'i near the intersection with Hwy 130, the sign had been hit by a vehicle.

Pothole filling:

With the rainy weather throughout December 2016 potholes were filled on regular basis on lower Orchidland Drive from Hwy 130 to 34th Ave. This is the worst cracked and deteriorating section of pavement in Orchidland Estates. Also some pothole filling was completed on Auli'i from Hwy 130 to 36th Ave, and at the corner of 35th Ave. and Laniuma.

Road side mowing:

Tractor mowing was completed on the Main Access Roadways of Pohaku and Orchidland Drive and 40th Ave.

Road side trash removal:

The rear end of a vehicle was dumped on 39th Ave between Orchidland and Laniuma Drive, the section was moved off the road and hauled away by the maintenance crew. The incident was reported to and report filed by the Hawaii Police Dept. No vehicle identification number was located.

The first week of January 2017 an older model Toyota Corolla was abandoned near the intersection of Pohaku Drive on 40th Ave. The incident is currently under investigation, a vehicle identification number was located on the vehicle.

Update, on or about Thursday January 12th the abandoned Corolla was hauled away, apparently under the direction of the HPD and the County.

Note: Apparently recycling centers are no longer paying for metal recycling, so this dumping of vehicles may become more of a problem in the future.

Old Business:

There was a discussion regarding the Board approval of the letter to commercial property owners on lower Orchidland Drive and the proposed roadway improvements.

The OLCA Kubota tractor is being repaired and made ready for auction.

Discussion continued regarding the possible installation of 25mph “speed humps” on Pohaku Drive and 40th Ave. (the elbow) to slow speeding vehicles. The posted speed is 25mph. A traffic light is scheduled to be installed at the intersection of Pohaku Drive and Hwy 130, plus the County has designated the “elbow” (Pohaku to 40th to Ola’a) linking Hwy 130 and Hwy 11 as emergency by-pass route. For the safety and welfare of Orchidland residents along the elbow, 25mph speed humps are being considered. The RMC discussed two types of speed humps: temporary/ plastic-rubber type that bolt together and then bolt to the pavement surface or permanent speed humps constructed of hot asphalt. Estimated cost of is about \$1000 per speed hump.

RMC funding issues were discussed: currently some road maintenance projects are being cut back and some postponed due to the actions of Barbara Arthurs. Mrs. Arthurs is the sole plaintiff in the lawsuit that was launched by Orchidland Voice on July 1, 2015 – the complaint was filed against some OLCA Board members and threatened OLCA with dissolution and receivership.

Without a court directive or court approval in March/ April 2016 Mrs. Arthurs approached all 3 OLCA financial institutions and was able to force the freeze of two primary accounts, the frozen funds total over \$120,000. OLCA in-turn was forced to run all corporate business from only one account covering all road maintenance, administration, legal costs, and minor community lot improvements. From May 2016 to present the RMC and BOD had been able to complete all managerial and corporate operational duties without disruption. But now the malicious actions of Mrs. Arthurs with her forced freeze of over \$120,000 of OLCA funds has caused disruption and puts Orchidland resident’s safety and welfare at risk.

For the past 18 months, since July 1, 2015, 4 of 5 RMC members have managed OLCA’s extensive road maintenance program of over 40 miles of private roadways with very good results and growing Community support. As both RMC and BOD, we need all OLCA funds unfrozen in order to continue this good work and to serve the Orchidland Community.

That concludes the RMC report for last month.

The Social/ Community lot Committee report by Jeremai Cann:

The Social/ Community lot Committee held their monthly meeting and potluck on January 4, 2017. Updates from the meeting include:

On December 22, 2016 both Edie Valentine and Frederic (Ric) Wirick attended the mandatory Food Basket orientation course so that OLCA could participate with Food Basket distribution in 2017. This orientation was a 5 hour session. OLCA representatives were welcomed by the Food Basket representatives, and they were excited to hear about OLCA's Harvest Sharing events and our interest in food distribution. All necessary details will be worked out throughout the next months and Food Basket distribution from the OLCA Community lot should begin soon after.

Plans are also underway for the Committee to set up the Orchidland Community Farmers Market:

Last month we looked at registration and liability waivers from both Hawaiian Acres and HPP. The plan is to get the registration, liability waiver and mission statement completed in January/February, submit for BOD approval and move forward with market soon after.

Community lot/ Hui Hoaloha updates:

We have a number of projects that have been approved by the BOD including Community lot signage, a second pole tent and more base-course for a raised tent platform. Plus, to get estimates for the proposed Community lot development plan to include a septic system, restrooms, electrical pole, pavilion/ Quonset hut and playing field. Unfortunately all of these 2016 Community lot projects are on hold because OLCA community lot funds are frozen!

The sixth consecutive monthly Harvest Sharing/ potluck social event was held at the Community lot/ Hui Hoaloha on January 14, 2017. The Taiko drummers were not able to attend but an impromptu Community drum circle opened this New Year event, followed by a presentation by the Agri-Tourism Association at 2pm. Orchidland residents and guests also shared harvests, plants and seedlings, as well as a potluck meal -- a good time was had by all.

That concludes the Social/ Community lot committee report.

General BOD and guest discussion:

-- The dumping of vehicles and littering had increased in the month of January 2017, this issue and a developing a proposed protocol for reporting these incidents were discussed.

Motion to adjourn, 7 in favor, unanimous, the time is 7:48 pm

Submitted by:

Frederic Wirick, Secretary

Date

