### Orchidland Community Association Board of Directors Meeting Approved Minutes August 15, 2017

**Call to Order:** President Steve (Mongo) Lyon presiding; this is the Board of Directors meeting of August 15, 2017 at the Pahoa Community Center the time is 6:44pm.

**Roll Call:** Steve (Mongo) Lyon, Don Stoner, Frederic Wirick, Gerald Akana, Sky Platt, Jeremai Cann, Steve Baca and Doug Anderson via telephone conference call. 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 as distributed for August 15, 2017. Motion seconded, called to vote, 8 in favor, unanimous.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the BOD meeting of July 18, 2017 as distributed. Motion seconded, called to vote, 8 in favor, unanimous.

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

Aloha and welcome to the August 2017 Board of Director's meeting for fiscal year 2017-18. 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. One final notice, this is a public meeting and it is being audio recorded.

**Monthly Reports:** 

Treasurer Tegen Greene is off Island, Secretary Wirick presented the monthly financial report.

Road Maintenance Committee report summarized by RMC Chairperson, Gerald Akana, the full report is as follows:

**RMC report, summarized by RMC Chair Gerald Akana (full report as distributed):** The unpaved road maintenance of over 30 miles of unpaved roadways is scheduled to begin this month.

For reference, last month's approved Motion and discussion is listed below, please note the RMC was notified by the Treasurer that adequate funding was received to begin this project: **Motion to approve up to \$35,000 plus material and delivery costs to begin the first rotation of unpaved road maintenance as soon as OLCA funding becomes available.** 

**Discussion:** This is the top priority road maintenance project. And it had been postponed since January 2017. As noted earlier, this would include road side mowing, opening of natural

drainages, grading and adding materials where needed. The extensive maintenance project would begin on the unpaved Main Access Roadways, then across Orchidland Estates beginning at 34<sup>th</sup> Ave up to 41<sup>st</sup> Ave, then cross-roads between the Aves, and finally dead-end roadways. **Motion was unanimously approved by the BOD on July 18, 2017.** 

During the past month potholes were filled where needed on Main Access Roadways, the worst and most hazardous location being lower Orchidland Drive between Hwy 130 and the entrance to Blanes Drive-in. This short section of roadway will be addressed in later discussion.

# For reference, the complete list of proposed road maintenance and improvements for fiscal year 2017-18 that was addressed last month is listed below:

1) Up to 3 complete rotations of road maintenance service on 30 miles of unpaved roadways. This would include road side mowing, opening of natural drainages, grading and adding materials where needed. The extensive maintenance project would begin on the unpaved Main Access Roadways, then across Orchidland Estates beginning at 34<sup>th</sup> Ave up to 41<sup>st</sup> Ave, then cross-roads between the Aves, and finally dead-end roadways.

2) The completion of some asphalt paving on Main Access roadways. This paving plan will be finalized by RMC taking into account a number of factors including: roadway flooding and other hazards, amount of traffic flow, general public safety issues, potential liability risks and more. Also this asphalt paving project will be dependent on OLCA funding, the more OLCA funding received the more asphalt paving that can be completed.

3) Monthly filling of potholes on the 10 miles of paved roadways as needed.

4) To develop a long-term road maintenance and road improvement plan to address paved roadway maintenance.

4) Continued mowing of road sides and intersections to increase visibility.

5) To address Orchidland residents safety concerns on the emergency by-pass roadways of Pohaku Drive and 40<sup>th</sup> Ave. These OLCA roadways have been used by the County during emergency situations to help move traffic from Hwy 130 to Hwy 11. The RMC's primary concern is to slow the traffic speeds and reduce traffic flow on this bypass during non-emergency situations. This includes the proposed the installation of 25mph speed limit signs and 25mph speed humps and/ or speed dips.

6) For the RMC to open negotiations with the commercial business owners on lower Orchidland Drive to collectively come up with a solution to address the failing, primarily commercial roadway, from Hwy 130 to the entrance of Blanes Drive-in.

## Old business:

The dozer operator and company that damaged the pavement on Laniuma above 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. will be contacted regarding the necessary repair work required.

## New Business:

New Business will be addressed at the end of the RMC report as recommended Motions for Board approval.

More RMC discussion on road related topics:

-- As addressed last month, some members of the RMC/ BOD visited Fern Acres to see and hear more about a new seal coating process they have used for road maintenance of existing paved roadways.

**Report summary:** the new seal coat product is comprised of a mixture of oil, sand, cement and water -- the computerized machine can adjust the water content depending on environmental conditions. This seal coating process is intended for recoating hard and flat existing paved surfaces. In the public road construction industry it is primarily used to recoat bridges. The product is not as flexible as the chip seal coating process. And if the product is not applied evenly, thicker areas can crack and break out.

#### Comparison between Fern Acres and Orchidland Estates chip sealed roadways:

**Fern Acres** began chip sealing their roadways in the late 1990's. They prepared the roadways by grading and removing soft spots (digging out the muddy areas) and used only base course (hard and compactable material) as the road foundation (no red cinder). They then applied the first coat of chip seal, making sure that all of the equipment was operating properly before applying the product. These roadways were recoated every 3 to 7 years depending on available funding. Fern Acres has just of 20 miles of roadways and about the 2000 properties.

**Orchidland Community Association** began chip sealing their roadways in the early 2000's. Most roadways were graded but soft spots (muddy areas) were often overlooked and red cinder (soft, light weight cinder that breaks down into red sand) was used most often as the foundation. The chip seal application process was poor and unregulated – blocked sprayers and other product irregularities created uneven surfaces. The chip seal surfaces and foundations began to fail quickly and potholes appeared. Extensive pothole filling on these chip sealed roadways continued for almost 15 years until the existing surfaces (3.6 miles) were chip "seal coated" in 2015. Specific OLCA chip seal maintenance funding was collected for 2 years (2012-14).

Orchidland Estates has just over 40 miles of roadways and about the 2000 properties.

**Analysis:** As noted above, the chip seal surfaces and foundations in Fern Acres and Orchidland Estates are not similar, and it is doubtful that the "new seal coating" used in Fern Acres would hold up on Orchidland chip sealed roadways. Fortunately, the chip "seal coat" application completed by Island Roads, LLC in 2015 is still holding up very well.

**More Discussion:** it was also noted that the cost of the new seal coat process used in Fern Acres was significantly higher priced.

-- The topic of Speed Limits were discussed with the Fern Acres Road Maintenance Chairperson. They gave us a copy of the State Statutes that designating maximum Speed Limits in both Fern Acres and Orchidland Estates as 25mph on paved roadways. This State Statute allows the HPD to ticket violators for speeding with or without posted 25mph Speed Limit signs.

#### Other road related topics:

-- The "Speed Dip" road sign and post were recently stolen on Auli'i Drive near the intersection of 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. A police report with the HPD was made and the incident number is pending. It was determined that the sign and post should be replaced as soon as possible. And that a bid to repair this section of roadway should be considered.

-- The letter to Commercial Property owners on lower Orchidland Drive between Hwy 130 and 34<sup>th</sup> Ave regarding proposed road improvements is pending.

-- Special guest input: President Lyon presented the RMC with preliminary road and property maps in preparation for the proposed right of way procedures and policies. The detailed maps included HELCO power pole locations (to help locate specific locations on the roadways) also TMKs and whether or not a structure exists on the property.

-- As addressed last month by Sky Platt, the process for installing more Post Office boxes in Orchidland Estates was discussed and the possibility of getting more information out to the OLCA Membership regarding more PO Boxes in the October 2017 Newsletter. Specific information is being compiled for this October publication.

# From RMC New Business/ RMC approved Motions for Board approval:

# Motion to approve funding of up to \$10,000 for the fiscal year 2017-18 for cold mix and pothole filling on Main Access Roadways.

Motion seconded

**Discussion:** This is necessary and ongoing monthly road maintenance to improve road conditions, increase public safety and reduce liability risks. It is addressed in the proposed 2017-18 fiscal year schedule.

More discussion, motion called to vote, 8 in favor, unanimous.

# Motion to approve funding of up to \$10,000 for the fiscal year 2017-18 for the mowing of intersections and road sides on Main Access Roadways.

**Motion seconded** 

**Discussion:** This is necessary and ongoing monthly road side maintenance to improve visibility, increase public safety and reduce liability risks. It is addressed in the proposed 2017-18 fiscal year schedule.

More discussion, motion called to vote, 8 in favor, unanimous.

# Motion to approve funding of up to \$1000 for road signs and posts when needed for fiscal year 2017-18.

Motion seconded

**Discussion:** This is a necessary road safety project to increase public safety and reduce liability risk.

More discussion, motion called to vote, 8 in favor, unanimous.

## Social and Community Lot Committee Report read by Jeremai Cann:

As noted in previous Committee reports, the Orchidland Harvest Sharing event held the second Saturday of each month has now been going on for 12 months. Last month also featured the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual free pancake breakfast, plus the launch of the Orchidland Farmers Market. And last Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> one more event was added, yes three in one: Orchidland Harvest Sharing, Farmers Market and Swap Meet.

Everyone is encouraged and welcome to these monthly OLCA social events. Again, these events are the second Saturday of each month from 10am to 2pm. The location is the Orchidland Community lot, the Hui Hoaloha, located at Orchidland Drive and 36<sup>th</sup> Ave. For more information please visit <u>www.Orchidland.org</u>, on the website there is a direct link to the OLCA group Facebook page, also a link to the OLCA email address, or call 808-464-5598. For vendor information please contact either Committee co-chairs Edie Valentine or Merlin Forman at the monthly events or by calling 808-464-5598. Mahalo and Aloha

That concludes the Board business.

**Guest input:** guests were present but had no comments, suggestions or input.

Motion to adjourn, seconded, called to vote, 8 in favor, unanimous, the time is 6:57pm.

Submitted by:

Frederic Wirick, Secretary

Date

Motion to Adjourn