

HAWAIIAN PARADISE PARK OWNERS ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE MINUTES

2 March 2014

Call to Order: Terry Michels called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Sign up list was circulated to provide contact information and all introduced themselves. Present were Terry Michels, Joan Galante, Leilani Bronson, June Conant, Mary Cashman, Judy Sumter, Bill and Kathy Tilton, Bonnie and David Fithian, Lenard Allen, Sharon Carino, and James Weatherford.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was reviewed and approved by a raise of hands.

Approval of 2/9/14 Minutes: June made a motion to approve – seconded by Lenard and Judy.. Minutes were approved.

Discussion of two prior Master Plans with accompanying questions for Larry Brown: Discussion was held encompassing the two prior Master Plans and other documents which had been distributed. These led to the formation of questions for Larry Brown as well as for the committee. Mr. Brown will be the first guest of the committee as he is intimately involved with the Puna Com. Development Plan along with the Planning Department as well as a resident of HPP. The following areas were addressed today with proposed questions.

Planning Process:

What brought about the resurrection of HPP's Master Plan? While the PCDP was being developed, HPP was encouraged to revise Master Plan.

Many questions of the chicken and the egg variety. Do we plan before zoning? What are the limiters/possible roadblocks and what is feasible? Water and sewage accessibility? Legal issues? What does the future hold (what is already being planned that would impact our plan?) What is needed to move forward?

Our status in the hierarchy of organizations/departments involved in the process – who are the people and entities involved? – What is the overall process for completing HPP's Master Plan so that it can be adopted by the county? As Larry Brown has done this successfully, what did he do? Is there a step by step process we could adopt for success?

In this planning document, are there appropriate formatting and structural guidelines we should follow, such as headers and source citations, that would ease adoption of said document by the county?

Need for basic knowledge about zoning laws/processes (found on pages 5-3 and 5-4 of the Puna Community Development Plan). What is the zoning process? Who has jurisdiction? At what point do we shift from county to state with land use? It appears special permits have been used to get around zoning restrictions.

In this process, should we aim for county review first or membership review?

Is this a legal plan?

How do we go about getting monies?

Access to other plans such as ones for Puna, Paho, Mt. View, Volcano? – Most information is available – Mary C will provide web site to access these plans along with their supporting documentation. Judy or June will check with the HPP Office to see if they have materials available.

Previous plans have had subject experts, professional facilitators, or consultants available. Do we have monies or access to such experts (GIS which provides public information but sometimes in a not so clear format or state historic preservations for archeological sites). Is there any mechanism for providing similar support or partnerships for us?

Implementation process once the plan has been accepted so that the “vision” becomes a “reality”? Who/what do we have to push the plan? Does the plan sit until monies are provided by others? Suggested that Mark Henshaw

Relationship issues:

What happens if HPP’s plan is not in line with other plans, such as Puna’s Plan corridor between Hilo and Puna)? How are differences resolved – by negotiation or if other entities have plans accepted, we must abide by them? If the PCDP is codified, how does that affect even the drafting of our plans?

Discrepancies noted between the location of HPP’s town, village, and community centers and the PCDP.

Next steps: We will meet with Larry Brown and continue to review (Proposal of 97 for financial plan for subdivision) and research (Pahoa and other plans).

Next meeting date: 6 March at 4pm with Larry Brown. We will meet on Thursday at 4pm on 20 March to see if that is a good time to set as a standard meeting day and time.

Meeting was adjourned.