

Hulopo'e Beach Park Council Meeting

Lana'i Senior Citizens Center
Thursday, September 19, 2019

MINUTES

Council Members in Attendance

Ella Yumol	Butch Gima	Bruce Harvey
Tammy Sanches	Kelli Gima	Sherri Mora
Ewan Knowles	Michelle Fujie	Pua Turqueza

Council Member(s) Absent

none

- I. **Meeting called to order:** by Chair, Kelli Gima
- A. Purpose of the HBPC (standing agenda item)
 - B. Housekeeping items, testimony rules

II. **Approval of Minutes:** .

Approval of August 15, 2019 minutes was moved by Butch Gima and second by Ella Yumol.

- o All in favor: nine
- o Oppose: none
- o Abstention: none

Discussions: none

III. **Rangers Report:** Presented by: Rex Brines – Ranger

A. <u>Boat Count</u>	Aug 2019	Aug 2018
1. Trilogy	2621	2158
2. Expeditions Ferry	798	390
3. Paragon	572	328
4. Maui Nui	<u>267</u>	<u>226</u>
TOTAL	4258	3102

B. <u>Campers</u>	Aug 2019	Aug 2018
1. Resident	340	263
2. Non-Resident Campers	104	66
3. Non Resident Sponsorship	<u>80</u>	<u>95</u>
TOTAL	524	424
4. # of Camp Nights	70	43
5. # of Reservations	36	26

C. <u>Four Seasons Kiosk</u>	Aug 2019	Aug 2018
1. Guests	3600	1598

D. Daily Beach Users Count

1. Lowest Count 63
2. Highest Count 192
3. Average 139

Discussions:

Butch Gima: Suggest to do another category for # Camp nights & # Reservations

Public Testimony:

Les Vierra: Shared an event on Sept. 5th spotting a Drone flying over the beach originating from Four Seasons. Drone was flown over his head. Contacted Four Seasons Cabana and said it was ok as long as the Drone is not flying over someone. Contacted Rangers and said as long as it's FAA compliant, Ranger can't do anything. Contact DLNR Lanai and Land Division, Representative Linda DeCoite and other people but could not do much about it. Finally Gary Chung/Communications Director. Said that the use and launching of Drones are prohibited in state parks. Also went over this issue with Lt. Rodrigues and advised to call MPD.

Ewan Knowles: Also experienced an incident with the Rangers while flying his drone. Ranger took a picture of his ID and ID of the

Drone from his cellphone. Did not feel right about it and contacted someone from Pulama and said that should not have been done that way and will advise ranger to remove those pictures from cellphone.

St. Kim Masse was also present at meeting and advised everyone to call MPD of any Drone issues.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Supplemental information on Beach Use Count: by Les Vierra
More information on this supplement are in member's binder

Largest Number of people for July 2019/2018 per day

	<u>Aug 2019</u>	<u>Aug 2018</u>
Monday	162	187
Tuesday	178	127
Wednesday	181	149
Thursday	188	130
Friday	192	131
Saturday	159	159
Sunday	167	186
Holidays	0	0

Discussion:

Ewan Knowles: It was confirmed by the president of Trilogy that the increase of visitors is due to cancellation of permits to Molokini.

- B. Vacancies – At Large and company – Kelli Gima
- New member – Bruce Harvey – representing Community at Large. Lanai resident since 1999 for 20 years, originally from Oahu. Loves the beach, surfing and excited to be part of the council and give back to the community.
 - New member – Ewan Knowles - representing Pulama Lana'i/Four Seasons seat. He is the Sr. Director of Engineering for Four Seasons. Been with the company for three years. Moved here from the Carribean. Worked at sea for 20 years as an Engineer and 14 years in the merchant marine. Been in Hospitality business since 2004.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Link to Pulama Lanai's website – submit anonymous comments – Kelli Gima

- This subject is tabled until there's more information and input on creating a section on the website for comments regarding the beach.

B. HBP Park rules – Noemi Barbadillo

- Signs update – signs are about done, however, the chemical that is used in iodizing the process was discontinued. Looking into a different brand to complete these signs.

C. **AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**

- Comments on website
- Ewan Knowles to obtain Four Seasons Policy on Drones

D. **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 5:44pm