

Maui County Arborist Committee

Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2014

1. Call to order
2. Unfinished business
 - a. Mala Restaurant exceptional tree nomination—The kiawe tree near the restaurant was approved by the committee last year and will be transmitted to the EAR committee with the other nominations once the landowner gives his permission.
 - b. Viewpoint article—Kimberly Thayer will contact Richie Campas for follow-up regarding the status of the draft article.
 - c. Costco parking lot palm trees—Kimberly will contact Ann Cua of the Planning Department to determine the status of the planting plan.
 - d. Parks department staff support—Kimberly will invite Interim Director Brianne Savage to the June meeting to discuss this need.
 - e. Keopuolani Park planting project—This will also be addressed at next month's meeting with the Director.
 - f. Transmittal of Exceptional Tree nominations—Elaine Malina volunteered to follow-up on securing more information regarding the row of trees along Honoapiilani Highway and High Street in Wailuku nominated by Jordan Hart.
3. New business
 - a. Olinda Road eucalyptus trees—The contract will be executed in June or July. William Jacintho expressed a concern about how bidders will come in with a low bid, be awarded the bid but not complete the job in a timely manner. He is hopeful the trees will be examined both before and after the work is done.
4. Committees
 - a. Tree concerns—Members were advised to consider PSA's which are free as a means to educate the community on proper tree care.

Those present: Kimberly Thayer, Jeannie Pezzoli, William Jacintho, Harlan Hughes, Bill Myrter, Richie Campas, members of the committee; Elaine Malina, Cheryl McGrath, Barbara Fernandez