

Maui County Arborist Committee

Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2018

1. Call to order at 1:35 pm was made by Kimberly Thayer, Committee Chair, when it was determined that a quorum was present.
2. Committee Business –
 - a. Election of Committee Chair and Vice Chair – this item was moved from Subcommittee Reports to New Committee Business with no objection by committee. Lance DeSilva nominated Alex Haller as Chair, noting that Alex had expressed interest at a previous meeting. Alex accepted with a condition that all the previous exceptional tree nominations be handled by outgoing chair, Kimberly Thayer. The motion was seconded by Arine Bulkley and approved unanimously. Lance DeSilva nominated Chris Reynolds for Vice Chair. No other nomination, was made for Vice Chair. It was noted that Chris has served on the committee for several years. The motion was seconded by Arine Bulkley and approved unanimously.
 - b. Approval of minutes - It was mentioned by Kimberly Thayer and discussed by committee regarding subcommittee item 3b to delete the wording “during and resolved” in sentence 2. Also, it was suggested to delete “which has been resolved” in sentence 3. It was motioned to approve amended minutes by Arine Bulkley and seconded by Kimberly Thayer and all in favor. It was suggested by the committee to submit a formal complaint to the Director of Parks regarding any concerns moving forward of the Hoaloha Park. Also suggested by Kimberly Thayer to add comments that was discussed on subcommittee item 2a, It was discussed to add the following to the end of 2a “The Committee comments were for adherence to the Maui County Planting Plan to make sure the new species choices adheres and consistence to the current list and maintenance of trees”. There was a motion made to amend minutes by Kimberly Thayer, seconded by Arine Bulkley and passed unanimously. No other discussion or comments of the minutes was made. Approval of the amended minutes for the Committee meeting of June 11, 2018: Motion to approve by Lance DeSilva and seconded by Kimberly Thayer and unanimously approved.
3. Subcommittee Reports –
 - a. Election of Committee Chair & Vice chair was moved to new business by Kimberly Thayer. Refer to 2a
 - b. Exceptional Tree Nomination package - Public Testimony by Barbara Fernandez, Director of Maui Green & Beautiful: suggested and asked the Committee go through the protocol for processing and advancing exceptional tree nominations

and clean up the process referring to the Maui County Planting Plan Chapter 5. On behalf of Maui Green & Beautiful, Barbara offered their expertise and assistance in processing the exceptional tree nominations. No questions or comments by committee. Public Testimony closed. Discussion on this topic, Kimberly Thayer started off by saying that the exceptional nomination tree list binder was put together and all required information has been included; Elaine Malina, President of Maui Green & Beautiful assisted greatly with putting the binder together. The binder was passed around the room to be reviewed by all committee members to ensure all information required is included in the binder as stated by David Galazin, Corporate Counsel. David provided an overview of the procedure to submit the exceptional tree nomination package to the County Council and Councilmember Don Guzman for Council action. This process of the binder of exceptional tree nominations will be given to Karissa Kaeo to make a copy for file. Then Kimberly Thayer will deliver to Director of Parks & Recreations office for transmittal to the County Council. Alex Haller to follow up with the Director's office. There was a motion made by Arine Bulkley and seconded by Lance DeSilva and unanimously approved.

- c. Proposed Changes to Off-Street Parking Ordinance - Kimberly Thayer will work on the Committee comment letter and submit to the Planning Dept. No further action needed.
 - d. Arbor Day – Public Testimony by Barbara Fernandez, Maui Green & Beautiful, mentioned to discuss and for the records to include the Beautification of Waiko Road tree stump removal. It was mentioned that a quote was done on the removal of the stumps, estimated quote was a few thousand dollars per stump from past Committee member Mark Dobbertin. Arine suggested planting of trees on the corner of High Street by the Eucalyptus tree by the State Building. Would need permission from DAGS in order to carry out this project. Alex Haller to call DAGS to ask permission on planting trees. Alex Haller suggested maintenance of the existing trees on the Kaahumanu median location using molasses as fertilizer and to detach and compost. Arine Bulkley suggested Keopuolani Park. Lance DeSilva mentioned Central Maui Regional Park needs trees, very minimal trees and shade. Kimberly Thayer mentioned the park alongside the Maui Lani Parkway road has very minimal to no trees or shade, but it was determined that this is not yet a County park. No action needed. Further discussion on topic will be put on next meeting's agenda.
 - e. Haleakala Ranch Mamane Tree Nomination - Hanna Mounce not present at meeting to provide update. Deferred to next meeting
4. Chairman's Report – none
 5. Agenda Development for Next Meeting –
 - Public Testimony by Barbara Fernandez to add discussion of Kula Park – Jacaranda Trees covered with glycine vines

- Discussion on ideas for public outreach and education as suggested by Arine Bulkley
- Haleakala Ranch Mamane Tree update by Hanna Mounce
- Arbor Day updates

6. Next meeting to be held on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 1:30pm

7. Adjournment – Meeting Adjourned at 3:23pm

Those present: Kimberly Thayer, Alex Haller, Lance DeSilva, Arine Bulkley, Chris Haynes, William Myrter, Members of the Committee; Tim Griffith, Arboriculturist; David Galazin, Corp. Counsel; Elaine Malina, President of Maui Green & Beautiful; Barbara Fernandez, Maui Green & Beautiful, Karissa Kaeo, Dept. of Parks & Recreation clerical staff. Those absent: Chris Reynolds, Hanna Mounce, Alison Cohan.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Karissa Kaeo