

Nā Ala Hele (NAH) Maui Advisory Council

Minutes of June 19, 2024 - 1:00pm

Present: Mark Short, Sue Guille, John Meier, Tom Cannon, Russell Reinertson, Kevin Jenkins

Absent: Dave Brown

Ex-Officio: Stephanie Franklin NAH Specialist

Public: Bruce Faulkner, Justin Varaljay, Rich Donovan, Peter Fay

Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum

Sue called the meeting to order at 1:00. Public notice was posted. Quorum was met.

Mark moved to approve the January minutes, seconded by Tom, and approved.

Staff Report:

Stephanie reported that there are a lot of personnel changes.

Nathalya Yadao is the new volunteer coordinator and her email is nathalya@hawaii.edu.

New trail stewards have been hired through Kupu for a 2 year contract. There is a new GIS position open and there are openings on the trail crew.

There was a successful workshop on trail building and trail building equipment.

The Kahakapao access road repair is complete.

Waihou Springs is open, though there is still fuel mitigation work being done.

The summer intern jobs from Kupu and SCA have been posted. We expect to have 4-5 interns this summer.

Flow Farm - Justin reported that Ravine and Renegade are being worked on. The Akamai Skills course will be closed July 16 until the end of August for a rebuild.

Maui Motocross park - no report

Old Business:

1. Kamehamehenui Forest Reserve

The contractor working on the Kamehamehenui management plan has been delayed. It may be posted for comments in August. The fences are complete. Work is being done to remove pines. In August, hunting will begin to clear all the ungulates inside the fence.

2. Onau Trail - next step is SHPD inspection and approval

3. Waia'ilio Trail - the drone operator transferred to a new position so this is on hold until a replacement is found.

4. Ho'olawa bay - on hold while the court resolves the legal issues between the state and the landowner

5. NAH Program Plan update - currently looking at capacity needs for trails and parking

6. Kaeanae Arboretum extension - trying to find someone who knows the path of the old trail. The process to fix up an overgrown trail is much easier than making a brand new trail.

New Business:

There are two openings on the board and we are looking for people to apply. Stephanie will send out the application form.

Date of next meeting: July 24 2024, 1pm

Adjournment: 2:00 PM