# Hawaiian Paradise Park Owners Association DRAFT-UNAPPROVED – General Membership Meeting Minutes February 28, 2017

**I. Call to Order:** Vice President, Ruth Mizuba (District 2) called the Board of Directors meeting to order on February 28, 2017 at 3:18 p.m. Quorum was established. The meeting took place in the HPPOA Hui Activity Center.

#### II. Roll Call:

**Board of Directors**: Ruth Mizuba, Vice President (District 2), Chris Anderson, Treasurer (District 8), Richard Solie (District 7), Patrick Murdoch (District 9), Mike Dickerson (District 4), Jeff Finley (District 3), Leilani Bronson-Crelly (District 5), In Owner seating: Larry Kawaauhau (District 1)

Owners: Jerry Sodan, Frances Sarpinato, Earl Nicholson, Mary Ann Saindon, Kathleen M Shaw, Regina S. Mick, Jay McClure, Michael Vines, Ken McGilvray, Pat Steffen, Barbara Rboertson, Gyongyil Szirom, Verne Presnell, Mayelin Stillwell, Wilfred Tilton, Jeffrey Newman, Richard Solie, Doug Ralston, Paula Simmons, Bonnie E. terry, Kirk Madariaga, Alexa Von Alemann, Gaila Vidunias, Wes Peters, John Seastrom, Mary Roblee, Ruth Mizuba, Naomi Powers, John & Gabi Rundrup, Linda Richards, Terry Stratton, Judy Sumter, Brian Phillips, timothy Moore, Marian Marcigan, Sharon Sillanpaa, Ron Vizzone, Marie Rieck, William Wenbourne, Christian Pearson, Margot Robinson, rod Thompson, Sondra Vlasaty, Marie Claire Stiles, Thomas Sawikki (sp?), Julie E. Miller, Bonnie (No printed last name, illegible signature), Peggy McKinsey, Bridget Haley, Marsela Cani, Chris Anderson, Lorie Combs, Rose O'Connor, Lee & Peggy Brunner, Robert Merrill, Lester Moore, Patrick Murdoch, Linnea, Lindley, Peter S. (Illegible), Leslie Blyth, Evelyn Stanley-Lovett, Helen Cooper, William Eaker, Lori Laucik, Charlotte Collord, Robert Beebe, Cynthia Hisatake, Inez Stein and Andrew Kisselof, Angelica L. Covington, Katherine Akerberg, Beth Evesong, Cindy Kunishima, James and Gale Camacho, Nerissa Collins, David Fithian, David Filing, Bruce Derrick, Richard Kovac, Al Bandian (sp? Last name illegible), James Hill, Sheila Bentermann, K. Boyd, Herbert Kamada, Mike (Last name illegible), Mary Couch, Julia Hoskins and Glenn Brown, Pete K. Leeloy, Sally Gray, Alex Franceshini, Marcus Moody, Steve Crawford, Charles Findley, J. DeVincent, France Calvert, Herlinda Broadgate, Allen Deehr, Kerry Burrell, Martha Morishige, Dorothy Clopton-Moore, Paule Baillie, Brendan Freitas, Mike Dickerson, Gail Madre, Deanne Marino, Robert Luke, Cynthia and Michael Greenlaw, Janice and Greg Dauw, Jennifer and Sterrett Grune, Randy Linville, Judi Houle, Michelle Blum, Hope Henry, Brian Egan, Ian Cave, Ed Barry, Michael Jackson, Theresa Jarn (sp? - Last name illegible), Jack Chaney, Dorothy Heinrich, Christine Bachman, Sandra Fahey, Janet Gonzalez, Tracey Grove, Rosemary L. Brown, Jeffrey Finley, Leilani Bronson-Crelly, Tanya Seaver, Andrew Izutsu (sp? - last name illegible), Pauline Brault, Mary Cashman, Lynett Pearsen, A. A (sp? - Illegible), A. R. T. (sp? - Illegible), Dean McKinsey, Paula Spinrello, Joan Pieper, Rick D. (sp? - Last name illegible), Yu Zhang, Janet Mantz, Larry Kawaauhau

NOTE: If Signature was illegible and there are multiple listed owners then the name on legal lot ownership roster was used and someone was officially checked in as a signatory for that named owner.

## III. Approve Agenda

[INAUDIBLE] moved to approve the Agenda as amended. A member wanted to move the mailbox issue nearer the top of the Agenda per his request to the office before the meeting. It will occur after the Treasurer's report. A member requested Owner Input be moved to the front or middle. It was moved it to after Bond Presentation and before the community reports. Discussion about Recording Secretary not present and that the membership didn't remember that it was moved by a recent past board, approximately three years ago, that recordings that were then transcribed by a Recording Secretary were okay to have for HPPOA Board, Executives Session and General Membership meetings.

Large discussion over the Agenda and Minutes. Peter Frost moved to approve the agenda as amended. Mary Couch seconded the motion. Vote: Yes-112, No-0, Abstain-0. Motion carried.

Discussion: There was worry it's not okay per the bylaws to not have the Recording Secretary in the rules per the bylaws, so some wanted to shut down the meeting because they were scared the meeting was illegal. It was decided that people want the information and they discussed just not doing business on substantive issues. It was decided after reading the bylaws that stated that the minutes just needed to be recorded, the membership wanted to move forward with the meeting. Peter Couch moved to accept the recording devices in lieu of the recording secretary not being present. Mary Couch seconded the motion. Discussion: The impartial, third party, outside hired Recording Secretary will transcribe these recordings into a written document for the General Membership Meeting Minutes. Vote: Yes-Majority No-8 Abstain-0. Motion carried.

IV. Approve Past Minutes – Membership meeting minutes of 10-25-16 are still outstanding and in need of approval.

Jerry Sodan moved to approve the minutes of October 2015 [\*\*\*NOTE FROM TRANSCRIBER: THE OCTOBER 2015 MINUTES WERE ALREADY APPROVED AT THE OCTOBER 2016 MEETING], February 2016, June 2016 and October 2016 General Membership Meeting Minutes. Chris Anderson (District 8) seconded the motion. Discussion:

Steve Crawford (District 7) stood to speak and stated that a lot of things being said in the owner input are wrong, but instead of going through each of them, he had a solution to instead go over all his contested issues with the minutes in detail, **Steve Crawford moved to suspend the approval of the General Membership Meeting Minutes of October 2015 [REMINDER: 10-25-15 MINUTES ARE ALREADY APPROVED BACK IN THE OCTOBER of 2016], and all the other minutes she mentioned.** {He is referring to the Chair of the Meeting here, but does not restate the minutes-- it is then referred to as a friendly amendment because it was out of protocol to have allowed a motion when there was already a motion on the floor}.

It was noted that there was already a motion on the floor, so he could not make another motion during the discussion of a previously stated motion. Mr. Crawford went on to state the solution would be to let the Recording Secretary see and verify the minutes for their veracity before draft approval to make sure and attest to the fact that the minutes are accurate. A disruption amongst the membership occurred at this point. Someone called for the vote. Someone moved to table the minutes. Mr. Crawford restated his desired to have a motion to verify the past minutes for accuracy. Your Yes vote is voting against transparency because that prevents the minutes from being posted. Bridget Hayley noted that these minutes have been printed and brought up for approval at four different past meetings and this requires 100 copies of them to be distributed at each meeting and that is costing the Membership unnecessarily. Vote for Mr. Crawford's amended motion: Yes-65, No-72, Abstain-8. Motion did not carry. Mayelin Stillwell submitted corrections that she wanted reviewed for each of the three sets of minutes [NOT AUDIBLE WHICH THREE SUBMITTED]. Next up came original motion to approve the minutes. Vote: Yes-119, No-11, Abstain-16. Motion carried.

Judy Sumter moved to table the minutes 10-25-15 General Membership Meeting Minutes. Steve Crawford seconded. Discussion: For members not present, the approved minutes are put on the website. It was discussed that having the Draft of the minutes is okay to put on the website as well and they will make sure that is done, too. Judy Sumter amended her motion to also table the February and June 2016 minutes to the next General Membership Meeting. Steve Crawford seconded. Discussion: They will be posted and easy to find on the website. Vote: Yes-57, No-7, Abstain- 2. Motion carried.

#### V. Park Plan - Ruth Mizuba

[TAPE CHANGE-RECORDING STARTS WITH RUTH ALREADY SPEAKING] ... The park plan proposed would have the park made in increments, with the first part being a walking path within the 20 acres and a parking lot. When the plan has been approved, we will be looking for volunteers to help us implement our plan. We hope to have a volunteer bulldozer, which I think we have lined up already and we hope to raise more funds as time goes on to complete the park. It will be our park. Waimea raised \$600,000 to make their park. We have a plan and the hope is still alive to build this park for our community. We are looking into creating a Friends of the Park like how Waimea was able to create their park.

**Dust Abatement also known as Chip Sealing** because the Health Department is threatening us with \$20,000 per day fines for dust abatement. Chip sealing was commenced to handle the dust. Yes, this is inferior to asphalt; however, these are cross streets that don't have the majority of traffic like the main roads and it's effective in abating the dust. This is being done to stop the Health department from continuing to threaten our community with a \$20,000 per day fine.

The dust has been terrible lately, so the crew is moving on this plan. They started at the top of the park, they've just completed 26<sup>th</sup> and they have plans to continue down the park until all the roads are done. Some dead ends were done as tests.

# VI. Treasurer's Report - Chris Anderson

\*\*\*NOTE-CHECK THESE FIGURES-NO WRITTEN REPORT WITH EXACT FIGURES RECEIVED BY TRANSCRIBER SO ALL NUMBERS ARE PULLED FROM THE AUDIO RECORDING AS STATED

Bank Balances as of January 2017:

TOTAL Checking, Savings, Investments and Bond Reserve: \$5.564 million
Accounts receivable \$3.8 million
HPPOA billed out in January for Road Maintenance \$2.7 million
As of February 24, we have received \$827,000

We are depositing all receivables into our Bond Sweep Account in order to make the payment ready for the bond's next fiscal year. January 1st we pay the bond payment of \$906,000. The total bond payment for the next fiscal year is \$1.269 million. That's a lot of money and it goes up every year, just like our road maintenance fees. The sweep account for the bond at First Hawaiian Bank has \$1,068,000 and needs, approximately, another \$200,000 in order to make that next bond payment for the next fiscal year. This money

has to stay in the bank for the bond payment. We also have \$1.285 million in the Union Bank reserve fund that we cannot touch until the bond is paid off. We are looking to refinance the bond and have contacted a couple banks already and are looking into a third bank in search of a better rate with local, not foreign lending institution, as it is in now, but the bond can't be refinanced according to the bond agreement until January of 2018.

The old grader was down for four months. It's so old that every time it breaks down, we can't find parts for it, so we have to have the parts manufactured and sent to us; therefore, it was decided by the board of directors that in order to proceed with dust abatement, a new grader was purchased for \$132,000 in January 2017. It will be paid over 60 months. We have to continue with business as usual per the bond requirements.

VII. Mailbox Presentation – A detailed presentation proposal was given about the mailboxes that are inevitable going to be coming to the park because they are needed in the community for everyone, not just the small percentage of people that have the few available within the park now. There was a suggested solution by USPS to only deliver mail to the top half of the community, which is clearly not acceptable to the board for our whole community's best good. The lack of safety of the mailboxes we do have is also an issue for the boxes we do presently have in the park. There are 8,847 lots in HPP. The USPS requires one box per lot in order to deliver and we only have 2,064 boxes of which they are old and many need replacing. There are currently 5,759 households in the park and this time, so there's a lot of residents without mail service and the park is 2/3rds full now leaving 3,088 lots still not developed.

Location of mailbox suggested could be in one, two or four sites. Maku'u/16th(4-2-1), Maku'u/7th(4), Kaloli/14th(4-2), Kaloli/5th(4) The numbers in parenthesis indicate which lots will be used for which plan of 1, 2 or 4 sites. It was noted that HPP doesn't own any lots closer to the highway, so that's why the lot options are what they are.

How traffic would be handled was shown, so that neighbors would not be disturbed by the way that they position and put in the driveways to the sites. The proposed site plans were shown. They asked for grant help and possible ways to raise funds to offset cost. They asked for workable, common sense suggestions. Every person in the community deserves to have a mailbox.

After the presentation there was a 15-minute question and answer period that occurred. People who already have mailboxes made it clear that they weren't going to pay \$150 for anyone else in the community to have a box or change the present boxes as they are for a united mail center area. The some people commenting didn't seem to understand that the board is comprised of volunteer members from the community and they are voluntarily trying to represent and help the community as a whole. People with little understanding of the entire process just wanted it known that they want it as it is and they don't care about the community at large who doesn't have mailboxes, and some didn't want to believe that the mailboxes that do exist are a danger and many do not seem aware that once or if the County takes over any of the main arteries, they will widen those roads and the mailboxes that do exist will have to be removed. This has been an on-going issue and discussion for ten years, and it was agreed by many that something needs to be done. Some great ideas were given, including ways to raise funds for the mailbox sites and thus not charge a one-time fee of \$150/box for each person in the park to have their own box associated with their real home address. Lots of really angry comments were in between lots of reasoned, thoughtful appreciative comments. Christian Pierson didn't seem to understand that the board is made up of fellow volunteer community members and further didn't realize that the bylaws created make the board the community's representatives to decide how to do things per the bylaws and requirements of the charter of this community. People were encouraged to please run for the Board and help represent the community. **Christian Pierson moved to table the board mailbox proposal and form a member committee to continue to researching mailboxes for the park. A [WOMAN'S] voice was hear to second the motion.** 

A POINT OF ORDER was called by Rod Thompson, who pointed out that it was decided at the beginning of the meeting that no substantive motions would be made because people were worried that without a Recording Secretary present the meeting and any motions could be considered illegal. [TRANSCRIBER NOTE: A previous board approximately two or three years ago had this same problem, so they made a motion in Executive Session and then announced it to the Membership in a subsequent Board of Director's meeting that two recordings would be made, if the Recording Secretary could not be present at any meeting and that the recording secretary would use those recordings to legally transcribe the minutes in accordance with the Recording Secretary's neutral third party transcription services.]

A poll of the membership was encouraged to find people interested in volunteering for an informal committee to help find a way to create mailboxes without costing the membership any money. The Mailbox Committee IS a group of community members, so those wanting to volunteer to help were encouraged to join the committee.

## VIII. Hawaiian Paradise Park Bond Deal Explained – Chris Anderson

A Presentation from 2007 that was presented by that Board to get the community to take on the Bond. The goal was to pave every road in HPP. It was supposed to start in 2007 and take less than 36 months to complete with no guarantee of that, but it was reported by the board at that time that there would be enough money to pave every road baring unexpected costs. It was supposed to help everyone and last 20 to 25 years, weather and use dependent. The total cost was estimated at \$12 million. The road improvements committee at that time looked into loans and bonds payable from road maintenance fees. HPPOA's fees were expected to increase 10% as they had been

historically. The ballot said yes/no approval to improve the roads, but the Treasurer pointed out that it nowhere on the ballot approves paying \$26 million dollars for a \$12 million bond that was supposed to improve all the roads in the community.

#### **HPP Before the Bond Deal – A Power Pointe Presentation:**

THIS ENTIRE PRESENTATION WILL BE POSTED ON THE WEBSITE – it was jammed through right before everyone's terms on that board were up. 6% was supposedly to be the lowest interest rate that they could get. It was shown how they forced it to get it through before a new board. They took out the bond with a junk bond loan company that is now defunct.

The bond requires our road fees to go up every year and it doesn't even cover the maintenance for the road and things like graders that are so old they can't even be fixed, to make this bond.

The presentation went on to show how the board at that time bid on a foreclosed house with the road fee money and a canceled check was shown to prove that's how the money was used instead of going toward paving the road.

## **Owner Input:**

Shawn Merrill: how many people read the Tribune or glance at it. Some may or may not recall that the mayor got an earful from 60 members of a subdivision. She asked why can't we reach out to all the other communities with all the same types of problems that we have to try to solve these problems together. She wanted to propose that if one community can get a headline, why can't 14 communities coming together get heard. Maybe we have one common concern and we could come together to try to solve it. All 14 communities united can be a force to be reckoned with – together we stand and could find a way to improve our issues here in Puna. Wanted to ask the Board to resurrect the Political Action Committee so that it could then reach out to the other 13 communities and see what there issues are in order to see if there's something we could all unite together to help change for the better in Puna and get the mayor's attention.

At this point, Councilperson Eileen O'Hara was introduced and noted as being in the audience and instrumental to helping the community because HPP is the heart of her district. More than half her voters reside in her district and she stated that she is here to listen and she is accessible so she encouraged the community to come and talk to her.

Peter Frost: Road Fee Assessment. Proposed forming a committee to make the fees paid equitable according to whether they have a paved road or not. He felt that those who still don't have paved roads shouldn't have to pay for increases in road maintenance. Felt that he had a right to throw aggregate all over the stage because it was actually in a tray, and although it wafted all over the Recording Secretary's equipment, as mentioned in the minutes, it was his right to do that since his lungs are exposed to white lung then therefore she should have had to suffer her electronics being ruined in order for him to demonstrate why he shouldn't have to pay his road fees at the same rate as anyone else. Peter Frost moved to form an Equitable Use Road Fee Committee. Christian Pierson seconded the motion. Vote: Yes-58, No-29, Abstain-2. Motion carried.

**Dave Fithian:** [DIFFICULT TO HEAR] Has been analyzing the past three year's financial statements of HPPOA and found that the road fees 2013 changed 8.6%, then in 2014 the percentage increase was 17.23%, and then [INAUDIBLE]- the road fees are increasing and wants to know how the assessments are made.

**[INAUDIBLE] Stein**: Explained the large amount of outstanding debt for road fees and wanted to know what is being done to collect the overdue receivables. The Treasurer replied to her as she requested, going on to explain how the foreclosure process works to how the back road maintenance fee are collected. Wondered if there's any way to see the people who haven't paid who might have more equity in the property, but it was stated that most the properties our out of country owners. If the county does it, they take care of the stress and then we get the road fees past due. A discussion occurred between her, the treasurer and the office bookkeeper.

Mayelin Stillwell: Said they used to get a detailed financial report and wanted to know how to get that – it was stated that it is on the website.

**Bruce Derrick**: Received a certified letter from the board stating that the office received a piece of mail that came to HPPOA Office regarding the recall intending to insure that HPPOA is not held responsible for the mailing he sent out as a member in the membership using the letterhead of the Board. He maintained that federal law was violated when the mail was opened in the office. The board asked him not to use the HPPOA when sending out mailings. They offered to put the letter up on the website so the community could see how he sent out a mailing representing it was from the board and it wasn't.

**Jeffry Newman**: Been in the park close to 40 years. Started a nursery here 30 years ago. Currently the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest grower in Hawaii. Receive a maintenance fee letter that will give him a 75% increase for the road assessment fee. He didn't agree with it, his roads a mess and obviously whoever it was in 2012 that was the board. He wanted to make a motion to repeal the road impact fees.

A discussion occurred: Steve Crawford: It implied it was passed in 2012, but it was passed in 2014. He was in the finance committee and the board passed it in March 2014. The intention was for the board that would be coming on in July 2014 to do further work on it. That schedule passed was completely different than the one passed. In 2016 a special extra burden road maintenance fee was passed. And it's different with at least three changes and it passed in 2016. When did the board pass the schedule fee that was mailed out?

Bruce Derrick: 2014 was a building block to work with. This is the third one I've seen. None of the previous motions have been rescinded so the new motions are null and void.

Jeffry made a motion to rescind the 2012, 2014, & 2016 extra burden road assessment burden fee for businesses. He came here for 40 years and this is crazy. It was decided he would go to the next BOD meeting and make that motion then.

**Alexa Von Alemann**: Just learned that it's been several years until my road has been graded, the amount of fugitive dust is incredible and she's worried about the children waiting for the school bus. Would like all the energy to go to paving the roads.

**Judy Sumter**: Had questions about chip seal. How many of the test roads have been done. Stated there's gouges in potholes in some of them so she wanted to know how that will be addressed. Wanted to know if something should be published to get drivers to stop abusing the newly laid roads.

A discussion occurred about people who destroy the road. Judy stated she thought the chip seal damage seems worse than other paving. Maybe people need to be encouraged to take action and figure out how to get the people to stop destroying it. She said it's disrepair means that the chip seal doesn't work and it was countered that using the roads as they should be used like going 15MPH on dirt roads as posted would alleviate fugitive dust more than when people speed on those roads.

**Al Mander:** [DIFFICULT TO HEAR] Had a question and a request, but first wanted to remind everyone that the Board members are actually also members, too! He thanked them for volunteering. He wanted to know if people didn't participate in the recommended Mailbox program, would they be forced to participate in the fee? Requested if the Board would look into if the person doing the chip seal has a license.

**Christian Pierson**: Wished there wasn't so much emotion in these meetings, but he would appreciate if everyone would give the other person their chance to speak and not get so charged up about it. We need to understand that you're doing the best you can and thanked the board, hoping that we all could get along.

**Leilani Bronson-Crelly**: In 2012, I fought for an issue that is now back on our boundaries again and that is the Puna Makai Alternate route to bisect our community to take Kapoho to Hilo. Today there is a house bill #835 authored by Joy San Buenaventura coming up and it has a \$15 million for a bypass road as an alternate to Highway 130. **Leilani Bronson-Crelly moved to reinstate a membership committee to address the Puna Makai Alternate Route. Chris Anderson seconded the motion**. Discussion: This is to address how we as a community feel about the possibility of being completely bisected through our community. **Vote: Yes-31, No-0, Abstain-0. Motion carried.** 

**Sandra Collins:** She is officially asking the board to officially address the ablizia problem. She requested having the grass cut and can't see anyone coming at the intersection because of the grass height. The grasshoppers need to cut the grass so we can get onto the main roast and she did put in a request for service. She just wants it safer. Must see when getting onto Maku'u or Paradise.

It was replied that this is actively being addressed and she was happy to hear that.

Larry Kawaauhau: [DIFFICULT TO HEAR] I'm a homeowner and am on the board. I pay fees like everyone else here. When it goes up it hurts me, too. I get a lot of negative feedback. We are all suffering here and I came to join the board to help and make a difference. I'm frustrated that some of the membership are bashing the board when we are trying to help. Please come, volunteer and support us. We want to make this community great.

Allen Deehr: I appreciate the board's patience. I'm the guy who was part of the bond issue. I'm not sure what the purpose of his presentation was, but I agree with him that this is something that the board should look at refinancing. The original bond did not have that provision in it. At the time the bond was acquired, the cost was \$15 per [INAUDIBLE], which came to \$82,000 with about 120 miles paved. The bond provided an estimate of 24 to 30 months to complete. It didn't get done and the costs to do the work rose tremendously. Many worked hundred of hours over three years on that bond and we thought it would be good for the community. It didn't work out that way, but the best of good intentions were earnestly put into that project. Refinance of the bond would be good. It was a three-year process to try to get the bond. It was 8% interest and only one commercial loan could be gotten. He explained in detail what happened at the time of the bond and how it was proposed and happened.

**Ken McIlvray**: David Pettijohn, then Richard Solie were Treasurer and the finance committee only had two meetings. We were begging for more detailed financial information. Now we have a third treasurer since July of last year and I want to get that financial information. I was looking at the road fees online and the increase in road fee of \$5 some years ago is different than the 10% increase needed. Our revenues increase but our road fees go up. In 2012 we spent 215 in road main but last year we only spent 123. We only have 55 miles of unimproved roads left.

The finance committee has caused considerable debt to this community.

Chris the finance committee meets three times a year according to the bylaws and that has occurred. There will be a meeting in March to go over the budget.

Mary couch moved to adjourn the meeting.

Community Resource Coordinator - Judi Houle -

**Food Pantry** – Neighborhood Watch has volunteered to take over the Food Pantry. We have some donations of money. It only cost \$150 to fill 26 bags of groceries. This Tuesday is the next Food Pantry. We could use at least ten to twelve volunteers.

Neighborhood Watch meets here the first Saturday of the month. There are actually 19 subdivisions.

Albizia workshop is free and [INAUDIBLE – CAR STARTS]

Fire Ant Workshop: March 4, Saturday at 1:00pm RSVP needed for coupon registration. Free program last one had 80 participants. Need six neighbors to make a request for the invasive species team to come help you.

### XII. Announcements

- 1. Next Board of Directors Meeting: March 15, 2016 at 6 pm
- 2. Next General Membership Meeting is Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 3 pm

#### XIII. Adjournment

Richard Solie moved to adjourn. Chris Anderson seconded. Vote: Unanimous. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.	
Respectfully Submitted and Approved:	
Susan Bambara, Recording Secretary	Leilani Bronson-Crelly, Secretary
 Date	 Date

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