

Membership Mail Box Committee
July 9, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Attending: Mike Smith, Mary Couch, Alexa Von Alemann, Kim Kuffell, Kathy Crawford

The meeting was called to order at 1pm on July 9, 2018.

Alexa made the motion to approved the minutes for the June 18, 2018 meeting. Kim seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Our mission statement is being changed as the first one is no longer applicable.

Our new mission statement is:

" Develop a solution that will provide a mailbox to every member of the HPPOA community, current and future, that wants one. In cooperation with the USPS, ensure mailbox areas are developed in a way that promotes ease of use, safety, and provides for regular maintenance."

Mary updated the committee about the letter of authorization from the board that gives our committee the legitimate recognition to exist and the power to be the point of contact with USPS. Once the letter receives the necessary signatures our committee can move forward contacting Greg Wolney (USPS district rep) and Roberta (Hilo postmaster)

Mary received past mail box committee information and passed it on to the chair. (Mike)

Work Product: We reviewed Mike's proposed USPS questions as part of our introductory letter to the USPS representatives. We discussed and refined them.

Kim stated that we need more information from USPS. She said that it is unlikely that all 8,800 mail boxes will be delivered at one time and wanted to know where we would store them. That many boxes and installation is a huge burden for USPS and HPP. There are many considerations. More mail will be out for delivery, more boxes to fill, more contract deliverers and less burden at the Kea'au post office from general delivery customers.

Possible opposition and future issues: 1 mail box per lot/ ohana's not included in count. Keeping mail box and key for residents living in HPP(property owners) Renters vs. mail box usage, multiple lots per 1 owner- 1 box per lot, will the 20 acre parcels get 1 mail box for future use? Setbacks & safety issues.

Alexa suggested we invite Brian Egan to our next meeting. He had voiced interest in attending. Since our meetings and minutes still have not been posted, we decided a verbal invite should be extended. He was a postmaster in California. Kim stated he may have some good insights as California and Hawaii are in the Pacific Coast Region.

Upcoming meetings are Monday July 30th and Monday August 6th. Both at 1pm.

Meeting adjourned at 2pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathryn Crawford