

**Hawaiian Paradise Park Owners Association  
CULTURAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
AUGUST 10, 2024**

**ATTENDEES:**

Members present: Lanell Lua (Chair), Liz Amaral, Christine Harker, Kathy Hollingsworth, Sandee Maeda, Danee McFarr (Secretary), Brian Ogawa, Julie Rice, Michael Schiszler (quorum met)

Members absent: Ho`oululahu Perry, Nainoa Rosehill, Jan Emerson-Sheldon Guests:  
Spencer Willis

Call to order: Lanell Lua, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Meeting agenda approval: Maeda made a motion to approve the agenda; Rice seconded; approved unanimously.

Previous meeting minutes approval: Maeda made a motion to approve the July 13, 2024 meeting minutes; Harker seconded; approved unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
GUEST PRESENTATION: Keoni Alvarez, independent film producer, director, and author, Keoni Alvarez Productions	Keoni Alvarez was unable to attend. He had asked to address committee members regarding a proposal to collaborate with him and others interested in Puna district preservation efforts.  Lanell will contact him to reschedule.	Lanell will contact Keoni to reschedule.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS		
Archaeological study – final report update: Lanell Lua	The HPPOA board members have received a draft report for review. The board has not provided specific information as to when the review will be completed, only that it will take a long time.	Update at next meeting.
Ko`olauo Instagram page and website updates:  Lanell Lua and Spencer Willis	Lanell Lua said that nothing has yet been posted on the Instagram page. (Waikahekahe_nui_iki)  Spencer Willis said that work on the website is progressing. (Koolauo.wordpress.com) He would like input from members as to the form and content. He suggested a blog post style with content consisting of the history of Puna. There are publicly available reports that can be posted. Interested individuals would be able to sign up for email notification upon new postings. Lanell Lua will create an email account in Gmail for that purpose. Content will include the mission and history of the cultural preservation committee and a link to the	Lanell Lua to create email account in Gmail for website.  Members are encouraged to visit the website and offer any suggestions at the next meeting.  Updates at next meeting.

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	<p>Kumu Pono Associates website. Members were in agreement, with no objections. However, no vote was taken as this is a work in progress. Member suggestions will be discussed at the next meeting.</p> <p>The initial cost for the website's first year is \$63.99 (Spencer Willis is donating his time.) Brian Ogawa made a motion to donate money for the website and Christine Harker seconded. It was approved unanimously. Brian gave Spencer a check for the full amount. Donations will go to Brian as reimbursement.</p>	
Consideration of nonprofit organization for stewardship of Ko'olauo	Discussion tabled until after the final archaeological report is reviewed.	For information. To discuss after final report is reviewed.
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>		
Archaeological study draft report discussion.	<p>Lanell Lua was appointed to a vacant seat on the HPPOA board on July 17. This entitled her to receive the archaeological study draft report, which she shared with committee members via email, asking that it not be shared with any nonmembers.</p> <p>General comments were very positive about the content. The report is very detailed, covering the history of the area and including previous studies. Comprehensive recommendations were made for preserving, protecting, and for the eventual cultural use of the area for education and traditional learning. This is a long process, involving state and county agencies, and (with HPPOA board approval) a nonprofit to steward the land. Until a final report is received, the cultural preservation committee is limited in what can be done to further progress. One suggestion was to invite potential nonprofits for stewardship of the land to the committee's monthly meetings to discuss. Not everyone had completed reading the study; discussion to resume at the next meeting.</p>	Discussion to resume at next meeting.
<b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	None	For information.

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Next Meeting	The next meeting will be held September 14 at 10 a.m. in the HPPOA library. We will spend 20-30 minutes on business and then talk to swap meet attendees about the committee and the work that we are doing; we can mention that the archeological study draft report is being reviewed by the board, but cannot reveal content. Clarification of what can be shared will be discussed at the next meeting.	For information.  Discussion about information to be shared will be discussed at next meeting.
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The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.  
Meeting minutes submitted by Secretary to Chair on September 7, 2024.

Approved:

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Lanell Lua, Chair

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Date

