# Enchanted Lake Residents Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Virtual Meeting Tuesday, 9 July 2024

**PRESENT:** Greg Colbert (remote), Gus Gustavson, Linda Jenks, Connie Jewell, Todd Jewell, Margaret Novack, Alan Richardson, Fran Tannen, Cindy Turner, and Melody Spencer, Admin Assistant.

**ABSENT:** Mike Compton

**CALL TO ORDER – Cindy Turner:** The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm. A quorum was declared.

**NOTICE:** On 8 July 2024, Director Danny Medeiros submitted his resignation, effective immediately.

**APPROVAL OF THE JUN MINUTES – C. Turner:** M. Novack emailed draft minutes to the Board prior to the meeting. G. Colbert submitted an amendment on 9 July 2024. L. Jenks moved to approve the amended June minutes and M. Novack seconded the motion. The minutes were approved. G. Gustavson abstained from the vote due to his absence last month.

Following the vote, there was a discussion about board minutes and some of the challenges the Webmaster has in getting them posted. It was agreed that a small working group should gather to continue the discussion.

**FINANCIAL REPORT – Gus Gustavson** had emailed the Monthly Financial Report for the month ending June 2024 to the Board along with the following summary prior to the meeting:

There are no significant expenses for the ELRA finances in the month of June 2024.

The American Savings Bank June end of month balance is \$2,252 in Savings and \$23,718 in checking. As of July 2<sup>nd</sup>, there has been approximately \$13,000 in receipts for the FY 2024-2025.

Expenses tracked closely with the budget throughout the year. Major differences were in General Liability Insurance, where the expenses were less than anticipated, and Lake clean-up where we did not spend the budgeted amount.

This report shows that ELRA collected \$8760 more in DPP assessments and \$2347 more in late fees in FY 2023-2024. This was the result of delinquent letters, outreach and communication with the delinquent homeowners. It also reflects the settlement of a multi-year delinquent account with the sale of the property.

The year-to-year comparison also reports the increase of our investment savings as the result of investing our dredging funds in short term Treasuries and CDs. ELRA earned \$33,711 on these investments. Thanks to Alan Richardson who has continued to identify the best investment vehicles.

Greg Colbert, our lake cleanup contractor Sean Connell, and others conducted a major multi-day cleanup of Kimo's Cove in May. The results of the cleanup were significant. The labor and material expenses for this cleanup were scheduled to be paid in June but will be reflected in July.

## **ADMINISTRATION:**

- 1. Communications Log: provided by email
- 2. June Kailua Neighborhood Board Meeting Report None

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. Community Relations Committee, Annual Meeting Planning Status Connie Jewell:
  - a. Through email C. Jewell proposed a mailing schedule for invitations and confirmed the enclosures for the Invitations.
  - **b.** Costs: C. Jewell suggested keeping the member meal cost the same as last year, which was \$20 for the first member and \$40 for additional members. The cost of printing last year's invitations was about \$200 and that it should cost about the same this year. With the new addition of sending invitations for non-member Kukilakila residents, the total printing cost this year should be about \$300. **MOTION:** M. Novack made a motion to charge \$20 for the first member's meal, \$40 for additional meals, and \$300 for printing the invitations; F. Tannen seconded the motion; and it was approved by all in attendance.
  - c. Invitations: ELRA Members invitations will be mailed by the end of this month.
  - d. Kukilakila Non-member Residents: as a possible recruiting tool, C. Turner proposed sending a customized invitation to the residents of Kukilakila, who are not currently members, to join ELRA as Voluntary Members and come to our annual meeting. For them to attend, they would have to agree to become ELRA members. This proposal was discussed and approved on the condition that the invitation only be sent to non-member residents that have a local address and have not previously stated that they wish not to be contacted. Upon further discussion, the topic was tabled until the August Meeting.
  - e. Guest Speaker: inviting someone to speak to our annual meeting was discussed as well as inviting special guests to provide remarks. M. Novack suggested Herb Lee Jr., CEO and President, Pacific American Foundation. D. Young had invited him to speak at an earlier annual meeting but had to cancel due to Covid. L. Jenks volunteered to reach out to him and see if he would be interested.
  - f. Recognition: It was discussed and agreed that special recognition for D. Young, outgoing President, was appropriate. As before, departing board members would be recognized with a lei.

# 2. Elections Committee – Margaret Novack:

a. Novack asked if the three individuals mentioned at the June meeting had been contacted by a director to determine their interest in running. They had not.

# 3. Dredging Committee – Greg Colbert:

- a. G. Colbert reported that a private property owner is still considering our request to place dredge materials on their property.
- b. Additional information to follow.

# 4. Environmental Committee – Linda Jenks:

- a. No recent berm openings to report, no recent changes in the lake that the committee is aware of.
- b. State Representative Lisa Marten's office notified ELRA that some of her constituents had experienced negative encounters with barracuda in the canal and the lake while paddling. There was much information exchanged, and ELRA reached out to Rep. Marten with a letter signed by Greg Colbert, a copy of which was sent out to all directors. We acknowledged the issue, and proposed some mitigating measures, and brought home the fact that the situation would be improved if we were able to get the berm opened on a more regular basis, and that we would appreciate her help with this ongoing issue.
  One of the proposals for decreasing the number of large barracudas was to change our policy of catch and release. The idea would be to allow a catch and not release of any barracudas over two feet in length. The language of our current policies will need to be changed if this amendment is agreeable to all.
- c. We have not heard back from Mayor Blangiardi after our letter requesting that City & County remove the mangrove on waterfront properties under their jurisdiction. We will be sending out a follow up letter to the mayor asking for follow up. Any volunteers for letter writing are always welcome.
- d. ELRA Website received a request from a Wanaao neighbor of 771 Wanaao that the mangrove in front of 771 be removed. This is the second request by this neighbor. The Board agreed that the removal should take place and projected that it happen in August 2024.

5. Operations Committee – Mike Compton: No report

6. Membership Committee – Danny Medeiros: No report

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**AJOURNMENT:** C. Turner adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

**MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:** Margaret Novack

**NEXT MEETING:** 

- Board of Directors Meeting: 13 Aug 2024 at 7:00 pm Emmanuel Episcopal Church
- Kailua Neighborhood Board Meeting: TBD

**Note:** See the Enchanted Lake Residents Association/Ka'elepulu Pond website's home page for meeting schedule and link to the approved board meeting minutes (kaelepulupond.org)