

Enchanted Lake Residents Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Via ZOOM

Tuesday, 15 Apr 25

PRESENT: Greg Colbert, Mike Compton, Linda Jenks, Connie Jewell, Todd Jewell, Margaret Novack, Alan Richardson, Jim Scofield, Fran Tannen, and Cindy Turner

ABSENT: Gus Gustavson and Melody Spencer, Admin Assistant.

GUEST: Bob Bourke, Scientific Advisor

CALL TO ORDER: **G. Colbert** called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. A quorum was declared.

OPEN SESSION:

APPROVAL OF THE Mar 2025 MINUTES – M. Novack had emailed draft minutes to the board prior to the meeting. L. Jenks moved to approve the minutes and T. Jewell seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT – A. Richardson: Assessment revenues are tracking approximately the same as last year and are on track with our budget. Expenditures are in line with the budget. Investment income is \$33,167 for July through March, which primarily represents income from US Treasury Bills and Notes. It is anticipated that this amount will decline in the future due to a large transfer to the Qualified Settlement Fund (QSF) mentioned last month.

As of April 12, our investment in short-term US Treasury Obligations of \$664,251 was valued at \$673,859. The gain of \$9,607 is generally accrued interest which should continue to grow until each T-Bill or Note matures. Our longest maturity date is October 10, 2025. These obligations are held in our Charles Schwab brokerage account. Most of the turmoil in the bond market earlier in April has revolved around longer maturities, and lower rated bonds.

We also hold approximately \$25,000 in a Charles Schwab US Treasury Money Market Fund which is managed to ensure constant share value. The American Savings Bank March end of month balance is \$2,253 in savings and \$11,515 in checking.

The Financial report was approved by acclimation, pending audit.

ADMINISTRATION:

Lakeside Sales: M. Novack provided the following list. This has been a very busy period. Houses are not on the market long. Inexperienced realtors make life interesting. Getting updated owner's names and addresses for welcome letters is challenging.

For Sale - None

Pending

967 Iopono TBD

1353 Kahili Possibly

Welcome Letters Due

822 Halula	Sold 28 Feb 25
964 Iopono	Sold
1261 Kahili	Sold – Encroachment Transfer
1247 Kahili	Sold 27 Feb 25
664 Keolu	Sold – Encroachment Agreement

Kailua Neighborhood Board Meeting Report: M. Novack reported:

Call to Order was at 7:06 pm. Quorum was established with 10 members present.

Announcements

- HNL Alert - Signing up for HNL Alert ensures you get more information, more quickly during an emergency. HNL Alert is the City and County of Honolulu's new notification system for Oahu's residents and visitors.
- Stormwater Town Hall – A town hall addressing stormwater issues in Kailua cohosted by Councilmember Kia'aina and the Kailua NB Water Quality Subcommittee with the Department of Facility Maintenance presenting will be held on Tuesday April 8, 2025, at 6:00 pm at Kailua Intermediate School
- Kailua Town Party – The annual Kailua Town Party will be held on Kailua Road in downtown Kailua on Sunday, April 27th 11 am-4 pm.
- Kailua Neighborhood Board (KNB) Elections – This year there are competitive elections for the 15 seats in Subdistricts 1, 2, and 4. Subdistrict 3

Representative Scot Matayoshi – Office representative Shana Kukila provided updates on the tunnel lights on the Pali Highway, and bills that are in progress of crossover during this legislative session.

Representative Lisa Marten – Scott Peters provided updates on progress of crossover, highlighting bills related to healthcare, invasive species, little fire ant infestations, and summarized a few bills in the legislature.

Senator Chris Lee – Senator Lee highlighted a few bills, including a bill relating to electric bikes.

Councilmember Esther Kia'aina – Councilmember Kia'aina shared information about the stormwater town hall, street sweeping schedules, Kalaheo hillside development, and a response to Kaha Park dog concerns

U.S. Representative Jill Tokuda – Nicole Gray provided a brief update on agricultural inspections, federal funding cuts, and announced an upcoming townhall on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

Adjournment – Chair Hicks adjourned the meeting at 9:59 pm.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Relations Committee – C. Jewell On April 1st, "Save the Date" postcards for our upcoming annual meeting were mailed to our membership and invited guests. A total of 155 postcards were mailed:

- 147 postcards were sent to our current members
- 8 postcards were sent to invited guests*

The total expenditure associated with this mailing was \$239.99, which covered the cost of both the postcards and the postage stamps.

There are about a dozen postcards remaining. If there is anyone else that should receive a postcard, please let me know.

Environmental Committee – L. Jenks There have not been any berm openings since the last meeting, and no major storms.

On March 24th I went to an all-day workshop at He'eia NEER (National Estuarine Research Reserve) that was jointly sponsored by Pacific Birds Habitat Joint Venture, Division of Aquatic Resources, and Moloka'i Land Trust. There were others from various non-profits, including Kako'o Oihi, Hawaiian Islands Conservation Collective (HICO), and Hui o Ko'olaupoko (HOK). It was a very fun day listening to the story of the He'eia Fish Pond restoration project that has taken place over several years. The level of mangrove removal that they are doing is significantly greater than what we must deal with. They used bulldozers and heavy equipment and had to create roads into the wetland using the trunks of the trees they were tearing down. It was a good time to establish some contacts and get to know others who are involved in wetland and estuarian management. The area of land being cultivated mauka of Kahekili Hwy is huge, and their goals are inspiring. It is worth a visit if you ever get the chance to go on a tour.

Greg, Cindy, Bob (remotely) and I met with DFM Director Gene Albano on April 10th and had a productive discussion about the ongoing need for regular berm openings and the options available, and changes in the overall direction of use of the CIP funding (they have abandoned the idea of doing the hydro separator on Akiohala). There was a discussion about possible collaboration in the future with our dredging project. Director Albano mentioned that expressions of broad public support for monthly berm opening could make a difference in its being implemented.

Cindy is looking into ways for the canoe clubs and fishermen, and others to be able to easily email messages of support to the DFM director. We will also want to ask our membership to reach out to others in the community expand the advocacy.

The Stormwater Town Hall on April 7, was sponsored by Councilmember Kia'aina and the Water Quality Subcommittee of the Kailua Neighborhood Board. Randall Wakamoto, DFM Stormwater Branch, Gene Albano, DFM Director, and their project consultant, Fiona, were there to explain their proposal for the \$2 million in CIP funds that our councilmember secured for BMP projects in Kaelepulu.

A group of neighbors living near the city's project on Akiohala Street were there to express their stringent objections. Others in the audience also spoke against the city project. Cindy talked about the negative impact stormwater has on the estuary and presented alternatives that we believe will be more effective. Several of the board members were there, including Greg who spoke about the need to improve flow through the estuary, the ELRA dredging project and the need to open the berm monthly.

Building a berm in the Kaopa settling basin received strong support from audience members.

This is the website the city put together: <https://www.kaelepulustormwater.org/>

This is the PowerPoint Cindy put together of alternate projects that the community has expressed interest in. It was shared at the town hall: <https://kailuawaterways.com/2025-proposed-stormwater-projects/>.

A reminder that the \$2M will lapse soon if not used. B. Bourke recommends presenting ELRA's priorities to the KNB Water Quality Sub-Committee

We are still waiting to hear about the DOH 319 request.

J. Scofield asked about Canoe Clubs messaging. ELRA should provide facts. Stated ELRA needs a messaging campaign.

Operations Committee – M. Compton reported that other than a dead pig found floating in a bag the lake has been quiet. No fishing violations were found.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Dredging Committee – G. Colbert

OPEN SESSION

AJOURNMENT: G. Colbert adjourned the meeting at 8:31 PM.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY: Margaret Novack

NEXT MEETINGS:

- Board of Directors Meeting – 13 May 25 at 7:00 pm – Emmanuel Episcopal Church
- Kailua Neighborhood Board Meeting: 1 May 25 – L. Jenks

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)