

**Fern Forest Community Association, Inc.**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**September 11, 2021**

**Present of the FFCA Board: (on Zoom)** Christopher Quarré, Robert Arieta, and Marguerite Hauberg. Others from the Community watching on Zoom.

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 11:02 AM.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Marguerite read the August 14, 2021, Board Meeting Minutes.

2021/9/11 -1 Robert made a motion to approve the August 14, 2021, minutes as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris Q. All in favor. Motion approved.

**President's Report:**

Chris Quarré reported:

I think especially in today's crazy world it is important to look back at 9/11 & remember what we lost but also remember what we have, perspective is important.

Not only is the lawsuit over but members of our community who were previously involved are now involved in making our community a better place, (as they always were, but now we can work together!) we are all stronger together!

Mahalo to those that paid their fees in August, the influx will greatly help with keeping the office open & continuing road repairs.

Aloha,

CaptQ

**Treasurer's Report:**

Robert Arieta reported:

Beginning Balance \$ 95,783.40  
Income - \$ 15,116.00 from assessments  
Expenses \$19,878.00  
Rock/ Hauling \$4,656.00  
Ending Balance \$ 91,021.82

**Road Report:**

Robert Arieta reported the following:

Ells reported filling potholes on the following roads: Lower Kaleponi - 2 truck loads, Upper Kaleponi - 6 truck loads, Upper Upper Kaleponi and Omao Omao - 2 truck loads.

Rain total for the month of August was 17.83" bringing year to date total to 197.07".

### **Community Liaison:**

Marguerite reported that the Volunteer Fire Fighter Training will take place on the FFCA lot on Sept. 27, 5PM to 7PM. Contact Captain Wilson (808-938-1258) for detail and more information. The training sessions alternate each month with the Volcano Fire Station.

VFFF (Volcano Friends Feeding Friends) will continue the monthly "Ai Pono Program" (Eating Right) next Wednesday, Sept. 15.

Community Clean-Up Day took place on September 4. Two full truckloads of trash were hauled to Volcano. Volunteers picked up trash on the two main tar roads and many of the side roads as well. Noe Kuahiwi Road has improved. One lot owner agreed to pay 2 years of past due road fees for 4 lots. They were impressed with our efforts to get the trash off the easements.

### **Annual Newsletter update:**

Marguerite reported that the final draft of the fall Newsletter is finished. We are on target for the Newsletter to be mailed to owners the last week in October, 2021.

2021/9/11 -2 Marguerite made a motion for the FFCA Board to accept the Newsletter draft as written for publication. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris Q. All in favor. Motion approved.

### **Board Election Update:**

Marguerite is chairperson of the Nominating and Elections Committee along with Kris McCardel and Taj Johnson as members. Marguerite reported that they met August 12, 2021, in person, and have since been communicating by phone and email. There are 4 applicants for the 4 open positions, but there is still time for more to apply. The committee will accept applications up to the September 20 due date. Please consider serving on the FFCA Board. Ballots will be opened and counted at 9:00 AM on Dec.5, 2021. The Annual Members Meeting will begin at 1:00PM that day. The place is yet to be determined because of Covid restrictions.

2021/9/11 -3 Robert made a motion to adjourn the meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marguerite. All in favor. Motion approved.

All business being concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Marguerite Hauberg, FFCA Board Secretary

The next FFCA Board Meeting on Zoom will be October 9, 2021.

There was a time for questions/comments from the owners at the conclusion of the regular meeting.

Julie Tanner asked this question: Why do our yearly Road Fees go up each year?

Robert Arieta, Treasurer answered the question:

The FFCA Board reluctantly raised the MRMA for 2022 because of cost increases. There was a \$3.50 increase PER ton this year (Gravel - \$1.50 + Hauling - \$2) in 2021 we will have placed by the end of the year (with no unforeseen consequences or emergencies) approximately 5,568 TONS of gravel on the roads, this amounts to an additional \$19,488 dollars that will be needed next year if we are to be able to provide the same amount of coverage to keeping the roads passable.

### **Motions from September 11, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting**

2021/9/11 -1 Robert made a motion to approve the July 10, 2021, minutes as written. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chris Q. All in favor. Motion approved.

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