

## **Fern Forrest Community Association**

April 10, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Members Attending: Julie Tanner, Mac Castillo, Noel Pinckney-Absent, Claudia Halbert. Community Attending: Chris Hintergart, Stanley Simpson, Hannah Hedrick, Caroline Frazer, Deb Castillo.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/ RECOMMENDATIONS	CONCLUSION	RESPONSIBLE PARTY/TIME LINE
I. Call to Order	President Julie Tanner called the meeting to order at 2:20 pm.		
II. Approval of Minutes	Minutes of March 13, 2022 were presented for approval	Mac Castillo suggested corrections to minutes. Approval of corrected minutes an seconded by Claudia Halbert	Approved – Post to Face book page
III. President Report	-Meeting Etiquette reminder that the meeting is for the Board to conduct business.	The members may comment during the community input portion of the agenda Asking members to not disrupt the meeting.	Presented for informational purposes.
<b>IV. Old Business</b>			
A. Obstruction of roads on FFCA easement	Julie will research regarding towing services for abandoned cars. Consider local service. Cars that appear abandoned but have license plates the HPD will be called to have these cars tagged then towed.	Focus on non running vehicles and have HPD tag and then tow if not moved	Update at May meeting
B. Sign - ATVs not allowed	Two signs have been ordered. 12x18" and cost 54\$ each	Mac will install the signs. Neighbors will now be able to call HPD and mea a report. It was noted that the stop sign at Kaliponi and Captains Dr. has been knocked over. Mac will evaluate the best way to reinstall the sign	Completed
C. Community Watch Committee	Committee Update. This is an independent committee formed and managed by members of the	To date this remains under discussion. Ron Costa spearheaded this group last year and was contacted to see if he would be agreeable	Update in May

	<p>community. It has been inactive and looking to have ties activated again.</p> <p>S-Turn trash and human waste</p>	<p>in advising how to get started.</p> <p>Complaints continue about the people that loiter at the S-Turn. Many in the community felt this increase after Glenwood park had the bathrooms vandalized and were not repaired. This is private property and doesn't belong to FFCA. There was discussion about communicateing with the property owner about ongoing concerns including alleged drug use/selling, trash and health hazards</p>	<p>Update in May</p>
<p>D. Himalaya Blackberry Eradication Committee</p>	<p>Hannah is leading the effort to engage community support to help remove this invasive plant species.</p>	<p>Different methods were disused including spray. Currently FFCA owns a sprayer that has never been used and is in Hilo. The company is making repairs (no cost to FFCA) and there could be an opportunity to use it for simple spot spraying on the Himalaya Blackberry only. The other method would be to remove by hand but does not prevent it from coming back and is labor intensive.</p>	<p>Status update May meeting</p>
<p><b>V. Standing Reports</b></p>			
<p>A. Road Maintenance</p>	<p>-Road Sign on Kaliponi. The stop sign and pole that was waiting to be reinstalled had been stolen but now is back.</p> <p>-Rock Stabilizing using "Gorilla Snot" (GS)</p>	<p>Many other road name signs are missing. Mac will create a list of missing signs an inventory the extras that are in the shed.</p> <p>The product comes in 250 gal toat and cost is \$1,000 and requires 24 hrs to cure. Although a motion was passed last month to purchase and evaluate the effectiveness, The Board is reluctant to spend that much just to test it.</p>	<p>Chris Hintergard offend to help with the install.</p> <p>Decision on hold for now.</p>

	<p>-Projected road work</p> <p>-Mowing proposed services</p> <p>Tractor cost for repairs and replacement parts.</p>	<p>In the coming weeks roads targeted for gravel will be Kaliponi from Capitan's to Akazuka. Smaller trucks will be needed to access the smaller side roads.</p> <p>The Board is considering hiring a contractor who lives in the Forest, to take over the mowing the roads. The mower attachment broken for the second time. Mac was not sure if the repair this time would hold. The blade hits rocks that are along the side of the roads. The contractor would be using his equipment and crew. In order to calculate cost he will see how much he is able to do in 1 hour then we can budget accordingly.</p> <p>The bucket of the tractor has continued to be damaged by the constant dragging when spreading gravel. Most recently it required a welder to reinforce areas of wear but this is just a temporary fix. The Board has also agreed to the purchase of a blade that will enable the reclaiming of gravel along the sides of the road to help establish a road crown for better water runoff.</p> <p>The Board is considering utilizing an outside contracted company for road maintenance and weighing cost and benefit to FFCA</p>	<p>Under discussion evaluating the cost and benefit to FFCA.</p>
<p>B. Treasurer Report</p>	<p>Noel was not present to give the treasurers report</p>		<p>Julie Tanner made a Motion for the removal of Mr. Pinckney, seconded by Mac Castillo. Open positions will be posted.</p>

VI. New Business			
A. FFCA Board Attendance /participation	Vacancy The Board made the decision to take action and vote on removing Mr. Pinckney from the FFCA BOD. communication. December voting results.	<p>This is based on violation of the Bylaws of missing 3 consecutive meetings without communicating. There are now 2 open positions for the Board. These will be posted on the bulletin board at the lot and description of requirements defined and posted on FFCA face book page and web site.</p> <p>In January 2022 The Board reviewed the results of voting and revisited the results again with the community members present. As per the Bylaws 3 people were contacted regarding the open position and all declined.</p>	
B. Bill 125- Aggressive Dog Ordinance.	Presented for informational purposes to apprise community of new law with increased fines directed towards aggressive dogs.	Additions to law include damage and death to other animals' including poultry and live stock. The community is encouraged to notify HPD of dogs running loose or who display aggressive/ harmful behavior.	
C. Port-a-potties	Currently there are 3 Bathroom structures on the lot. One is leased, one was a donation and both are serviced on a regular basis. The third, is plumbed directly to a cesspool however there is no running water to the third.	In keeping with one of the goals The Board for 2022 is to reduce unnecessary spending a motion was made to terminate the contract with "Hawaii Johns" and bring a water line to #3. Mac will also explore if there is a member of the Community who would be willing to donate their time and equipment to the project	Motion mad by Claudia to terminate contract with "Hawaii John's" Second by Mac
Open Discussion			