#### HAWAIIAN ACRES ROADS CORPORATION BOARD - MEETING MINUTES

P.O. Box 1261. Kurtistown, HI 96760 March 10, 2019 2:00 pm Hawaiian Acres Community Center

#### **Board Members Present:**

President: Geneva Jackson Vice President: Jordan Epperson

Secretary: Debi Lowe

Secretary Pro Tem: Angela Esposito

Director: Graceson Ghen

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Treasurer: Ashley Gagnon

## **Road Representatives Present:**

Road 1: Jordan Epperson

Road B: Debi Lowe

Road C: Deborah Beaver

Road D: Graceson Ghen

Road F: Open/Board

Road G: Geneva Jackson

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# **Aloha Etiquette:**

- Listen for understanding
- Be respectful
- Be concise
- Avoid repetition
- Agree to disagree
- Use appropriate phone/device usage

## **Road Representatives Absent:**

Road E: Ashley Gagnon

Welcome all to the HARC meeting
Review of Aloha Etiquette
Fill out a Comment Form to be included.

Fill out a Comment Form to be included in the public comments section

#### Call to Order

Geneva thanked everyone for coming. The meeting was called to order at 2:13 pm.

### Introductions of board, road reps

Geneva introduced all Board members and stated all positions up for nomination and election at the end of the year. Graceson asked that all attendees introduce themselves and explain what road they live on. This allowed for topics to come up in regard to opening communication to review issues such as dumped vehicles, drainage, volunteers for working on the road, and other issues. Geneva stated that anyone who sees issues on the roads to text the HARC mobile number or call so Geneva would be aware of the issue(s).

### President's Report - Geneva Jackson

Geneva stated she and the Board members are working on getting information to all of us in order to work for transparency and communication enhancement. The documents notebook that contains financials, historical, bylaws, and other information regarding the operations of HARC was passed around to attendees. She explained issues with Hurricane Lane and the use of emergency funds to repair some major issues caused by the hurricane.

In the past there used to only be one or two board members who were able to use QuickBooks. The plan is for all board members to learn how to query in QuickBooks in order to be familiar with the status of HARC at any given time. All board members will be up for a vote this year and we will be getting information out for everyone to have a vote. We need a new treasurer this year and we will be doing back ground checks on anyone who will be handling the accounting and funds. Our current treasurer now has a job that requires her presence for over 60 hours a week and she is no longer able to devote the time needed for the duties of treasurer. Ashley will be resigning from office within the next couple of months or sooner. Geneva asked if anyone knows someone who is qualified to be the Treasurer, to have that person contact her.

Because of all flooding during Lane, Geneva is in talks with the County regarding the flood wall but we need thousands and thousands of dollars to repair some of the very bad areas. Geneva passed around the totals to date of the funds available for each road and explained the profit and lost documents.

# Secretary's Report - Debi Lowe

Since being elected Secretary of HARC in December, Debi stated she has spent time over the last two months becoming familiar with the history of HARC and the issues concerning our roads.

Along with our Secretary Pro Tem, Angela Esposito, Debi is learning how to use QuickBooks in order to assist the Treasurer, who now works more than a full-time job, by entering in dues and donations, and preparing purchase orders. She will be involved in helping to update our bylaws and prepare educational materials to be sent out to all property owners this summer in the effort to enhance communications and awareness of our road issues, needs, and estimated costs associated with those needs. To do this right, it is necessary to spend time in researching every TMK in the Acres to ensure we know correct mailing addresses. Anyone who wishes to assist, please let Debi know. She asked that everyone be understanding and patient, because she also works, but that will do her best to be proactive in carrying out the duties of the office.

# Treasurer's Report - Ashley Gagnon

Geneva presented the treasurer's report that consisted of the profit and loss statement prepared by the treasurer for the first quarter of 2019 to date. Geneva also presented the amount of dollars currently available for respective roads. Respective amounts for each road are: Road 1, \$1147.91; Road B, \$2359.45; Road C, \$380.75; Road D, \$2223.90; Road E, \$1884.00; Road F, \$1508.37; and Road G, \$1183.29.

## Road 1 Report – Jordan Epperson

The community has donated a lot of money to the cause of road 1 to buy loads of materials to build up low spots of Road 1. Over \$6000 in donations and over 14 loads of material leveled with a bobcat for unpaved sections of Road 1 are the result of Jordan's 'Go Fund Me' site, with more donations coming in. Jordan is looking into opportunity to apply to the Corps of Engineers to assist with Road 1 and looking into doing drainage in areas where needed. The state of the pavement on Road 1 is a disaster, too, but HARC has been paying for material to fix potholes in the pavement.

# Road B Report - Debi Lowe

Debi state how grateful she is for Geneva's energy and leadership that have been a catalyst for proactivity in getting more of us to become involved in issues concerning the condition of our roads. Geneva has been volunteering labor, material for our roads and participating in discussions that can only enhance the knowledge that we will be moving forward as a group, rather than as individuals doing different things at different times and in different ways. It is so important that we communicate and combine our talents, time and resources in the most efficient manner possible.

In regard to Road B, Geneva is the one who coordinated all work that has been done over the past couple of months, including the laying down of reclaimed asphalt over bad places of the driving strips, weed eating and cutting down trees that obstructed the view of the intersection at B & 8. The road log will be posted to our website this coming week and if anyone has done work themselves, Debi asked to know the people, work done, material purchased, and the dollar figure assigned for the donations in order for her to log on the Road Log.

# Road C Report – Deborah Beaver

Deborah stated there was a very limited amount of money this quarter, but there was enough for 17 T (one full load) spread through three sections of C to fill 4 ponds with 3 inch rock. Just recently another load of 3" at the lower end of C was delivered, and Peter and Deborah leveled gravel in a couple sections of the three sections. Brett delivered, smoothed and spread gravel purchased by some residents who paid for a load after the 2/23/19 flash flood. She stated worse spots between 1 and 2 need cold patch for washed out areas, between 3 and 4 has big puddles requiring more rock in the future.

#### Road D Report - Graceson Ghen

Graceson has maintained the section of D around 5 and 6 and maintained a drainage area that flows into a lava

tube for years. He just purchased a bobcat and a donation from a resident provided half a load of gravel. He dropped a couple loads of gravel this year on worse areas between 5 & 6 and between 4 & 5. It will take 20 or more loads to make road D drivable. Need to build up the grade and the crown in order to direct water flow. Volunteers have done some weed eating and clearing to make areas of the road clear enough for gravel trucks to get through. Want to patch the drive strips in near future.

# Road E Report – Ashley Gagnon

Geneva presented the Road E report stating the work has been done between 6 & 7 and 20 Tons of gravel was delivered between 4 & 6.

## Road F Report - Board (Geneva Jackson)

Geneva stated that Demian Barrios is interested in being rep, but we are waiting for him to pay dues. The gravel between 6 & 7 has held up pretty well. Tractor work has been done in various sections going up from 6 to 2. A load of 1.5 minus was ordered but came as .5 so had to go back to Puna rock. Working on upper section for drainage. Residents have been donating funds paying directly to Jim Reitveld for delivery and spreading of aggregate, and we are working with another vendor regarding drainage.

### Road G Report - Geneva Jackson

Tractor work and dump truck to pick up existing material between 8 and 6 has resulted in quite a bit of work to date. Drive strips been in disrepair for years. Drainage: in desperate need.

### **New Business:**

Flash rainstorm- Emergency Funds released: released \$400 for each lettered road to assist with larger aggregate and reclaim material.

Drainage: getting quotes for drainage on all roads because properly doing so will prevent flooding and movement of new aggregate that has just been spread.

PayPal \$2.04: Fee is absorbed by HARC, now that 2.04 is going to be paid by property owners

Community Service Volunteers: We have one person assigned to our subdivision to work off community service requirement and this person is weed eating and picking up trash. We are not getting any violent offenders; and we want to have only residents and only people who are approved by the Board.

Safety & Signs: Signage needed at F and 1 and G and 1 where Fern Acres has installed a gate. Motorcycles and ATV's been going around the gate and trespassing on owners' properties. Fern Acres is going to pay for boulders to detour this traffic, but we want to put up a sign, stating not a through road. We do have rules and regulations and would like to have signs stating do not speed, no clear cutting, and we are discussing with county to update their signage. Also, F and 8 to state "pavement ends." No money for roads will be used for any signage, so we are hoping for donations and hand painted signs.

TMK Color Grid: We want to make up a color grid for subdivision showing to what roads dues go and stating that donations can be assigned to any lettered road:

HB288: Geneva presented copies of the State measure to make dues mandatory for private subdivisions: Just making people aware of this House Bill.

### Old Business:

Fern Acres Gate Update: Knox box was cut and gate was open for a day; then closed with a new lock. FACA distributed new keys to fire station and Sheldon (HACA's volunteer fire chief) and to all emergency responders. Secondary Exit Routes (South Enos, 11 at B and 11 at C, 9 A through G, 8 & F, and Puhala): We need to upgrade these alternate exit routes that are needed when regular routes become flooded during heavy rains. Geneva is working with County on defining where HARC responsibility starts on South Enos. Road 2 off B and C is not a through street due to a river running through the middle. In the event of another "Hurricane Lane" sized storm, we need to help all the roads that can be exit roads become better. Ashley has voted yes on everything except Puhala because Puhala should be a part of Road 1. Geneva has stated to remove Puhala from

emergency funding. Bill stated that Puhala is actually part of Old Volcano Road and the County needs to maintain that part. In regard to \$200 funds going into secondary exit routes (minus Puhala) Geneva proposed to vote and Debi seconded. Board voted and passed unanimously.

New HARC Phone Number (808) 313-0542: A mobile number for HARC

2019 mid-year mailer to include annual ballot, survey and updated by-laws: We will be sending out a survey, an annual vote, old and new bylaws, the tmk grid, and documentation.

Public Comments (please turn in your written Comment Card in advance to be included)

Diane asked about \$100 transfer fee and how to see that on financial statement. Those funds go directly into the road to which the TMK is designated and go directly into the respective road account.

There was a question regarding grant money and whether it is listed in the financials? The answer is we do not currently have any funds that have come from grants, but will be applying for another USDA grant this. Our grant writer is a volunteer and is in the process of writing up the grant.

Meeting Adjournment: at 4:25 pm Adjournment Mahalo for attending Next Board Meeting is June 9th, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.