

FERN ACRES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MEETING OF THE BOARD

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Okay. Okay. Alright everybody, thank you for coming out to the Fern Acres community or board of directors meeting. Um, we have, uh, gone ahead and accepted by unanimous vote, the excuse of, uh, of Rick and of Claudia for not being here today and able to join us. Next thing on our agenda is, uh, that was Joe and, uh, who seconds? Hank. Yeah.

Okay. Now, um, I believe Claudia got out the minutes to us already earlier. I also have unlocked the office. So if any of you need to get into your baskets, uh, board of directors, please do so and grab your things there. But that being said, anyone had a chance to look over the minutes and if so, do I have a motion to accept or do we want to need to discuss them further?

Yes. Um, on the minutes there was, I don't know if it was like talked about with everybody. I remember me and Joe making eye contact and talking about helping with folding the envelopes and getting the mailing out mm-hmm. And stuff like that. And I didn't see that conversation at all in the minutes. So I don't know if it was just like a sidebar or if, 'cause I remember us all talking about it and Roy saying that.

Everything was okay. They didn't need help folding and all of that kind of stuff. Okay. And so, um, Christie wants to make an amendment to the, uh, to the minutes that there was discussion about helping Roy and his crew, uh, do the, uh, envelopes and folding of the, uh, newsletters and ballots and things like that.

Um, I assume you make a motion to add that to the, uh, minutes. Yes, please. To amend the minutes. Do I have a second? All set. Okay. Then, I think I'd like to combine this all together. Other than that, does anybody have any other amendments to the minutes from last meeting? Yes. Excuse me. I, since I ran and tried to get the minutes, but I haven't seen the minutes.

What was the amendment for? I, it was to have Roy and the road crew, uh, do ballots? No, not Roy and the road crew. It was, uh. Uh, Roy and his wife and many times his kids get together, they fold up the newsletter and stuff, the envelopes basically. And so these two had talked about offering to help and Roy commented, I think we got it covered.

We may not need any help. And so she just wanted to make sure that that was included in the minutes as that was a discussion during our meeting. So any other amendments to the amendments guys? Okay, let's then, um. Uh, I have a first and a second to accept those. I'm gonna just move with that person. Second, then, all in favor of the minutes of the last meeting with that amendment please.

So show, okay, we have unanimous for those here. And, uh, for the recording, if you are making a motion, second in here. So, um, please say your name. I'll try to say it too, as in. Okay. So. That was, did you get it recorded? Who did it first and second? Yes. Okay. Awesome. Okay. Um, next thing is President's report. I have just a quick thing to add here.

Christie and I have been talking about our community sign board that sits out front that we all see as we, of course, every one of us stop at that stop sign and wait patiently for traffic. Um, as we sit there, that community board is there for everybody to look at and see what's going on. In our community. And um, lately it had been getting kind of cluttered with a lot of extra things that is not sponsored or official by us. And so we don't mind that people want to post things around the neighborhood, but we would like to keep that board clean and use so we have some way of communicating with many of our residents in here. That's clear, open as it is. It's kind of like. It's kinda like everything, right? It's kinda like white noise. If you have too much on that board, you'll not see what we really need and want to get the word out there for. So on that case, Christi asked me earlier this week, she asked me last meeting, but uh, earlier this week, if she was gonna do some work out there, if she could start removing those, um, those extracurricular outside of our realm things here. I told her to go ahead, but I am mentioning it in this meeting because I want it in a minutes. And I want everybody to know, the reason why we're doing that isn't because we don't like, um, uncle Tony's garage sale. Okay? It's because we just need that clear communication with our community. And before that was up there, uncle Tony would hang his garage sale on poles, on other methods, sometimes a sandwich board or something. Uncle Tony, you can keep doing that. Okay? We just need that for what we do here. Any questions or conversation guys? Yes. I would like to thank you, Christi, for doing work out there. It's very professional now. It looks wonderful. You are welcome. Yeah. Okay. Anything else guys? Any other conversation on this?

Yes. I have one question. What date is set to count ballots? So the Board of Directors, I think it's before. Yeah. Usually it's the Saturday before the, uh, it's gonna be on that Saturday on the 12th. Yeah. Okay. Who, who's gonna be counting them? Those of eligible to count are those of us who are not up for now. Right. Okay. So I'm planning on doing it, being one of 'em. Okay. And I'll take anybody else who's not Claudia and I have to be at the, uh. Revitalized Puna event all day. The emergency prep there is on Saturday and I'm planning on going to that too. So it may be an evening thing I'm doing here to count. Evening would be good. If we could do that. Joe, we'll be doing the setup on the 12th, correct? Yeah, I should. Well. Yes. Yes. So if we start late on the 12th doing the setup, by the time everybody else is done with what they have, they can show up. And whoever's here counts. We can't set up without Claudia. We know how that goes. Well, she has. She has her plans. Putting those popups up is gonna take some time. Yeah, exactly. So while you are down doing what you do, she'll have a plan of what goes where. She and I are going shopping on Friday before, so we're hitting Costco, together. So at worst I could try to make sure what we do is in align with her plan by the time we do it.

When you guys count, that's just like a private thing or anybody can come and observe, but, but only you know, but only, only the counters get to actually handle and look at the ballots. Okay? But anyone can come and observe and hear how we do it. We don't mind. I did it last time, even though I was up for a vote.

I sat out here and just observed. I didn't say anything to anybody until it was done. Even when it was done. I didn't know who was one, two, and three until later. And, uh, and I had to know eventually so that I could announce it to the community at the picnic the next day. Of course. Gotcha. But um, and our procedure is we have tally sheets, and we divide the ballots into however many people are counting into little stacks, and so each person counts their stack, puts it on the tally sheet, and that stack goes to the next counter. It's recounted three or four times, depending on the number of counters, on their tally sheets, so that we're sure that each little stack of ballots has been counted by three or four different people.

There was a huge hubub on Facebook about these numbers.. So are those numbers recorded somewhere? Is there a list somewhere those, yes. We've had trouble in the past where all of our ballots were on a certain color paper. Mm-hmm. But by the time I count, we go to count, there's a half dozen that are white paper.

We didn't send out white paper. And so I got people that are photocopying. And, uh, and, and so this, these numbers are randomly generated and recorded. They're not recorded to lock in. Like who went to which one 'cause they were written on and then randomly shuffled and stuffed into about, and stuffed into the sheets.

Okay. Oh, so that way we can look and say that's either that number's been used more than once 'cause it was photocopied, or that number isn't even on our list. Somebody just randomly wrote a number. Okay, so, so it's not like a list that says Joe is number 23 and No, but even if is number 2, 5, 3, even if it was, you could go for federal elections and you've gotta sign the envelope. Exactly. Okay. Okay. Yes, I see. Right. The random number is just, you know, we get 150 members, so we have to track how many votes we get or how many ballots go out. So that's why the number system was made. I think it's wonderful. It's ingenious. 15 numbers that's randomly generated. It's put on the list so that we can reference those numbers to the list.

Um, so what happened is we stuff all the envelopes, we shuffle everything, and then we stuff everybody's receipt inside. So we don't know who got what number. Call this our way of trying to keep the elections here - keep the integrity of the elections within. We're still trying to keep the anonymity of the elections and if we'll be honest with it, I don't care if I become board member or not.

You know, so you not gotta worry about me trying to cheat or nothing like that. But I gotta say that we lucky if we even got 30 ballots. I know so far. I know. I'm the only one who has a key to the ballot box. Yeah. And so I went in and looked and let's just say we don't quite have 30. We, uh, we need community.

Hello, community. Please respond. We want your vote. We want as many people as possible to designate. In light of that, I do need to share with the board that Cynthia McCay has withdrawn and, uh, she has, she has some personal things come up and she is unable to serve. And so. She indicated to me this week that she needs to withdraw. So what does that mean a lot? Yeah, it means a lot. She's well known. She's well loved in this community. But what it will also mean is even if she were to win one of our seats, I will, we will just have to, you know, I can't make someone serve, so I just have to even, she could be number one out of all the votes and I just have to ignore it. And everybody slides up in positions so. So you can't make that known beforehand to the community. I don't know how, you know, let's at least put it on the two Facebook. Okay. We have an administrator here, so I'll ask him to put a little something on there. Thank you know, you know, of course. Put it in the couching of thank you for being willing to serve.

Alright guys, I think I'm getting everything covered. Usually I get right to the treasure, but man, I had stuff today. Okay, I'm looking to you now, Joe.

Okay. MRMA started out at \$341,625.89. There was \$37,322.41. subtractions: \$276,232.36.

The ending balance is \$101,715.94. And that was, that big chunk came out because all of the road stuff happened, so, mm-hmm. That check had to go out. Uh, FACA beginning and ending is \$4,137.14. The money market account is \$30,511.93. The petty cash card beginning at \$1,663.07. There was \$717.35 subtracted ending balance of \$945.72.

Okay, awesome. Thank you. Alright guys, so we also have our financials That went out to everybody in an email and for those of you that don't do that real strong, it's sitting in your box in there. Um, so, any questions? Any conversations?

Okay, then I guess I need a motion Treasurer's Report. Say, going once, going twice. Alright guys, well there we go then we all got that covered. Thank you very much Joe. Uh, can I have a motion to accept the treasurer's report?

I move that we accept the subject audit. Thank you, Hank. You motioned? I'll second. Second by Christie. Okay. All in favor? Okay. Looks like we're unanimous on that. Moving on to our next Delio here. Uh, road committee. Roy.

You got it. Well, we canceled our meeting. So, I mean, paving is done for the year, so not really too much to talk about as far as roads. The only other thing would probably, um, try to do some kind of drive, whether it's both item drive or on other offline drive. Mm-hmm. We'll talk about that in the future next week. Gotcha. Yes. Go. I think the first one was Christie actually, go ahead Christie. Um, who takes care of the bus stops faculty. Us in general though. Who does after that? We've not really talked about it, so. Okay. 'cause there's two bus stops that are pretty damaged. Yeah. So I didn't know who's, who's the fixer? They, they were built, they were built with money. That was grants and grants from the, uh, transportation company in the county. Okay. Okay. Those of you raised your hands.

Keep your thoughts. We're gonna finish this thought and then we'll go to the next one, which I think was Joe. So. We did lose a member of the road crew for physical reasons, so I don't know how many open spots are out there. Now. We get one, but we might be bringing somebody on. Oh, okay. It's in the process.

Okay. Yes. Heck, and what, what is the scheduling for Patching? The Potholes on Plumeria, we already on them. 'cause they're still there. I drove last night. Yeah, we started from Pikake. I know it was rainy so they couldn't do a lot of last week. But it is our schedule. So we on Hibiscus this week and then probably next week or a week after.

Okay. Because we never get cold mixed on home on it wasn't batching any. Yeah, we recently started batching, so we ended up getting a double load so that we can have well enough to maintain patching loads. Okay. Go ahead. Does anybody wanna start a crew to fix the bus stops? I was gonna circle back to that, but thank you.

Oh, I, I, I will, I will volunteer to be help with the one on the Lehua and, uh, be, or yeah, Orchid. Um, it's, uh, it looks, I've stopped and looked at it. It looks like it needs a four foot piece of two by four, and I have one at home. I'll paint it green. Nail it to the side and it's gotta straighten up The one thing where they hit and the rest of it looks like it's just gotta be hammerd back together. Right? I'm not sure which other one it's was Hibiscus. The whole bus stop trip can be fixed. The road crew can take care of 'em, but the finances for those repairs or upkeep gotta come from somewhere. So as long as that happened, the little crew is out there already, so, you know.

Well, we have three ways to look at this. We can work on it and, and, and it's wonderful. We have project, yeah. Road, road crew. We have, uh, Hank saying at least one of 'em he could tackle with just a bit of help. Yeah. And then, and then the fire crew. So guys, some conversation here would be wonderful.

We have three options. What do you guys think? Um, I, I'll start with Joe, who Sam was up first. I think we need to identify which one's the worst. And then work our way back from there. Well, I think all three crews are saying they're gonna tackle it. Our ones that we come across as the road crew would be the one on Lehua and, or, well, the hook Hibiscus.. Orchid is pretty bad.

Hank, you go ahead. Um, I like the idea we have a lot of people doing it, um, rather than have the road crew do it. I think it would be better to have the community involved in it so the community sees that it's being done and not, oh well, the road crew fix everything. We can smash into anything.

And the road crew fixing it puts a lot on the road crew that I think that the community should be able to do it, and maybe it'll make more of an impression on the community if they say, well, the community's getting out there. Don't leave it up to the road too, to fix everything that they break. Okay. I, I would like to see, yeah, the fire department, uh, volunteers do it and see that the community is doing it rather than everybody assuming that the road crew's gonna fix everything that's wrong in the subdivision, it puts too much on the road crew.

I'm gonna let the board chat first, and then I'll invite the community. So go ahead. With fire and Neighborhood watch and the officers. We were looking for a new community thing, so I'm sure once Julie arrives, we can, we can double with the fire and the police to get all of them touched up. Okay.

In a community day. I like the idea of community involvement coming from the grassroots a bit more first. Any other comment from the board? Oh, oh, Joe, go ahead. If you can whip up a sign and come up with a date and put it out there so that we have, we have people that see the sign and say, Hey, there's gonna be a, a date that we're going to do this.

Perfect. I saw on Facebook that they stole the blocks that fittings were on. What kind of cement blocks were they, were the, the pillars or were they just cement blocks? The, the step ones, the stock. They were, those, those big \$50 ones a double step block.

Yeah. That's why they stole. Okay. Any other comment on this? Yes, go ahead, Hank. I wash my train of thought to me all the time. Okay. Alright guys, so, um, I'll tell you what you know. I kind of want, you know, I'm hearing, I think I'm hearing something here and you know, so I'd like to make sure we have somebody's hands and eyes on this.

We've had several offers that are wonderful. Um, board, do you, you know, let's, I'd like to work on this in a motion setting though. It's not really necessary, but I'd like to so that I get a consensus from the board. Do I have a motion of who we would like to ask? Out of the three entities that have offered. Who we would like to assign this work project to because we'll fund it out of FACA. We just, yeah, we just, you know, the materials and if needed labor, we'll give it to fire department. They have, so your motion is to, okay. Do I have a second for fire department? I'll second that. Okay. So it's Christie and Joe? Yes. Okay. Alright. Board, did anybody else jump in too? Yeah, absolutely. Yeah, of course.

Ready? Who's here? Mm-hmm. Okay. Alright guys. So, uh, then all in favor of, uh, of asking our fire department to head up the repair of these, um, bus stops. Okay. Looks like we're bus or not bus stops. I'm, uh, fire department. Thank you very much. You're welcome. And, um, and give me a rough idea of what you think it'll cost in materials and I'll. Oh, and if we have the same matching paint, if we still have that around, um, I have, I still have, uh, a little bit of that paint left that was due was in the bus stops. Okay. Okay. Awesome. Guys, I'll check at least the color and we can get in that. Yeah. Any other conversation about bus stops? We've got a plan for this.

Alright. Oh, what about how we catch those guys from, you know? Oh, that's what, because with the trash. It's 'cause we put the bags out there as a convenience to people that using the bus stop. So they throw the trash in the around. Mm-hmm. People stealing our bags and putting their trash bags. Or they're just dropping trash or whatever. Yeah. Yeah. But it bus stops. So, um, there's a few ways that we can do 'em, but how do we as a board, um, move forward on it? We catch the guy and.. Sir, I, I don't know what, how, what we as community association will do by catching these guys doing whatever they're doing and post about somebody dropping tires, you know, at one of those bus stop. And you know, how do we deal with this? I mean, I was not willing to stop and say, Hey, that's against the law. Quit doing it because they were way bigger than me. But you did file a, but I did file a report with the police and I will follow up with Officer Soto, who's our community officer on Monday and give a, I mean, I gave a full description of the people. That's criminal, right? Is you put the big heavy duty black trash bags out for it. Is it possible, do they make up a red trash bag, say a red, lightweight trash bag that may be smaller or a different color? Hang on. Those there. And somebody takes it and then they have it. We know where they came from. We have, but I would, I would think, uh, a smaller trash bag maybe because you're saying it's for the piece people out there.

I think they fill up too quick because the two out here, fill up. So it'd be possible to get either a clear or a different colored one that might stand out. So if somebody switches bags and puts their black one up there, they take the red one. They're not taking 'em. They're just stopping by. They're just stopping filling. They're filling some of them, steal 'em. You know, that's what you said before they switch out the bags. I don't think they're switching out the bags. I think they're just leaving their garbage and taking the The nicer bags. Yeah. 'cause we get 'em contract the, yeah, because you use the contractor bags. Well, we found a couple times they just leave their bag and light in a fire.

So the only solution that we have to it is we just. You know, if people gonna abuse us, putting a bag over there for their convenience, then that convenience gonna go away. You gotta take your trash. Yeah, we can. And just throw it on, or, yeah. We've tried, uh, cameras in the past and then the cameras get stolen, you know, and we, well, the thing about that, if you ever do put cameras, don't tell nobody.

Mm-hmm. That's the truth. Mm-hmm. Everybody's like, okay, we'll set up cameras now everybody's eyes gonna be looking for this camera. Right, right. Cameras, you don't tell nobody nothing. You just set 'em up, you know. I can hide 'em in teddy bears. There's gotta be other ways we can hide 'em. You know. Go ahead Hank.

Sorry, Hank. Um, with regards to the pier blox being stolen from the one bus stop, um, there was, it was posted the description of the truck and when the guy came for to the food bank yesterday, I asked him about it when he was sitting in line out there and he's not the one Yeah. That was taken. Yeah. I went up and asked nicely.

I said, are you still. Are you the one that's involved with the bus stops? No, he's not. He said his truck, they posted, he drives back and forth in front of it. He said, so they, somebody posted that his truck was the one that did it. He said he's not doing it. He says he is lived here in the subdivision for since the eighties.

Uh, he's not about to do something like that and he is very supportive of it. I took him at his word on it. Mm-hmm. And said, well, the word's out there, he said his whole family contacted him and asked him about that because it was posted and it was a description of his truck. Truck and he wasn't, he isn't the one that was doing it. So I wanted that to be, was the guy that did the container right there on Hibiscus. He the one to go. Okay. But I wanted know, went over He isn't the guy that was doing, yeah, so he, he took his family and he went over there. Found out was a guy with the container right there, but somebody who renting the place, not somebody who, not the owner.

So even at that, you know, it is a tough situation on how you gonna deal with that? Go get 'em back. You know? Yeah. You can ask them, but if they give you the finger, then leave them, you know? No, this is, this is always the funniest part is how to deal with what we call the bad actors in our community. How do we, it it, it happens everywhere. There's always like that. You know, the bottom barnacles scum off the bottom of the boat. That just, you gotta deal with constantly, you know, it costs a lot of money. One of the ways that we, we've, because that's been an ongoing problem with 'em, stealing those pier blocks. That's one of the reasons we, all the newer ones that have been replaced, we use sauna tubes on it because they're not approved for code and they're real obvious if somebody takes 'em. Nobody else has those kind of pure blocks. And the only reason why you get the pure blocks out there is 'cause that's the second of two that got built. Yeah, that's just the second one I built the first one out on. Yes, in there. Okay. I put that one in and then that was the second one that was built because they, they stole the blocks at the one on Lehua and Orchid. They stole those blocks too, and we replaced them with the. No two ones. So other than repairing 'em, do we have any other solution for, for prevention we can discuss The neighborhood watch has cameras. What's that? That's what I'll do. If I catch 'em, I'm gonna punch 'em off, you know? Yeah. Neighborhood watch has cameras. Okay. If they going, if people gonna be petty about getting knocked off because you, you vandalizing our community. Arrest me every single time I find somebody because that's what, that's what I do. You gonna do something stupid? You play stupid games.

Okay guys, I think we've had enough conversation on that. I wish there was an easy solution other than. Roy needing to knock him out, but, um, but last, let's get that in the minutes. Um, okay. The, the sono tube is a good solution Yeah. For, for the prevention of stealing those blocks. Yeah. But the rest of it. Okay. Um, turn our next thing, next item on the agenda is your Nominating Committee.

Okay. Um, how much, just my brain curiosity. How much does it cost per mile when we. Approximately. Approximately. Ooh. I'm not even sure. 'cause um, they, according to the painting company, they have to lay a hundred tons a day or they get charged on, um, like a shortage fee. Right.

You know? Okay. And, and it also depends on what kind of work we're doing. If we're rebuilding an intersection, yeah. That takes more, it takes a lot, but we don't get very far. We know what we paid for. Asphalt on Puhala. What? That was about \$250,000.00. Yeah. And that was a mile or not? That was about a mile. I have no idea.

Yeah. 1.3 I So an estimation, there you go. \$250,000.00 a mile. Estimation, because sometimes we get good deals thinking sometimes we get crappy deals, you know, so like eight years coming, you're doing inch and a half compacted to three quarter. Inch and a quarter? Uh, yeah. Inch and a half. One inch compact into one inch.

Yeah. Okay. Alright. Back to nominating committee. Um, just in the middle of the elections. We're just in the middle. We are down to four candidates. Uh, I think we need to get something on Facebook again and, uh, yeah, we're gonna get counting on July 12th in the late afternoon, say starting at four.

Um, I did not read the newsletter, but the rumor is the due date for all of them to be in the box is July 10th. That's correct? Mm-hmm. Okay. That's, yeah, that's when the box goes away at that point. But the 12th is when you sit and count. Count. That's correct. I saw a hand over here. Yes. Um, about the newsletter and the bios.

I did come across a discrepancy, which I believe is on Roy's part. Um. Don't think you are on the board for six years, Roy, and that's in your bio. Okay. Whatever, whatever it is. You know what I mean? When, when he puts up the notice about, uh, Cynthia put you, are you interested in updating your bio? Updated my bio for you. Were not on the board for six years. Like it says in your bio, it's a technicality. You know what I mean? Like, I don't think who careS? I don't care. You wanna, I don't care. Whatever. Okay. Um, I got motion is too late. Too late. Will be changing my bio right now. Open up. If you want a, something correcting your bio, you should correct it.

Okay? So one or two choices, vote for me or don't vote for me. I don't care. Okay. If I get on, I'll serve to the best of my ability. If I don't, good luck to the next person. That takes over accordingly. Yep. Okay. Is it a big problem? No. Do we have to make a big deal out of it? No. Since you, I've been in this subdivision for 18 years, served as the road com, uh, the road crew by myself for two years, and then I became a board member after, so a number of years I've been a board member. Whatever. Everybody in this community knows who I am, so, okay.

That's it. Alright. Thank you. Moving on to policy committee.

We don't have anything to do currently. Our work is complete, uh, the policies and procedures that we have drafted, which is like. What, 35, 40 pages of work? It was a lot of work. Um, all the board members have a copy. There are copies in the office. Uh, these are internal documents they have to do with how Fern Acres Community Association deals with employees and, uh, policies for our governance within the organization, but the, documents can be read by anybody in the public. Just come by. There's a binder in the office with the policies.

Alright, thank you. And um, and I don't know that the policies and procedures will necessarily be posted online because again, that's internal work here. It's not that they're hidden, it's just that they aren't you, you know, the community needs the bylaws.

They need to find out what affects them. You guys want to come in, like she said, we're gonna keep a copy here. Just, uh, you can either make an appointment or you can just come in and take a look at yourself. I think that's where we're at on that right now, but I'm open to if we need to post on the website as well.

Okay. Uh, public safety is starting off. Fire department. Um, the new ED has been installed. Looks really good there. By the way. You get into, it will alarm when you open the door. Mm-hmm. Once you get into it, you lift this little plastic thing and grab the key, turn the lock and open the door.

Can you pull that a ED up, open it up and as soon as you press on, it tells you what to do. And as soon as you open the door, it makes an annoying sound. When you open the door, it will alarm, tell pull. And the light goes. And the light flashes and tell the door shut. Pull on the door a little bit so they know. Yeah, you can just pull. Alright, please call nine one one first. Call 9 1 1. Or listen to the, and it says, "Call nine one." And we'll tell you call 9 1 1. Yeah. Awesome. Well thank you guys. And you know, I don't know where you guys got it from and who all took care of that, but thank you. You're welcome. Alright.

Fire Department - Um, we are, as far as volunteers go, we have a full load of people, which is an incredible, we are at 15, I think we are at 15, which is a full crew, which is actually over the number that we're supposed to have. But they told me. Keep recruiting. Nice. That's great. And we did, we did move our, because of that, they changed our training day to the second Tuesday of the month. I can't make that because we needed due to, just because there's so many of us, they wanted us to have our own training day instead of being combined with Hawaiian Acres because they're growing as well. So there's span of control just from the trainer. Okay. He, it's too much. Too much for him. Second Tuesday to keep call at six still, or four? Four or 30? Four 30. Four 30. Do you need a sign on the board? Probably. So is there a chance We might, is there any conflict you can think of on second Tuesday? We have. We have the new green one. I'm taking a gander myself. Old red one. It's in the firehouse. We have a small Yeah, yeah. I just, that's why I checked you. It's a four wheel drive brush truck. Um, we actually are on the list. I'll believe it when I see it, when I, when I have the keys in my hand. But we're on the list for a brand new brush truck. Ooh. So, like I said, I'll believe it when I see it. It's probably two years out. And the four wheel drive does not work on the four wheel drive. Right. It does work. It's just that truck is just heavy and gutless. He, he destroyed our yard. I'm working on the fire department's order of a new brush truck. Oh, so that's probably one of those is ours. Yeah. Yeah. So it, it's probably two years out, but it takes forever because it does requirements selling ones from 22 or 23. Our requirements are so steep that, um, a lot of the available trucks are not, we can't even buy Fern Forest. Fern Forest is Truck is sitting at the mechanic shop and that was ordered in '23, so. Yeah. Yep. It's sitting there waiting for a license plate. It's has been sitting there waiting for a license plate for six months because it needs a safety check.

Alright. Well, county is very efficient. Don't worry. Yeah, slow. And as far as the building and electrifying, they do not want to do anything without a written lease thing. Lease agreement, so I'm back to square one on that. Okay. I know we have the, I know we have the MOU and I'm trying to push that through as an acknowledgement as a lease agreement and there's no financial impact to anybody, so it should be easy to do. I know legal, it, there's just the legal, it's a check mark, right? Legal and admin are just money, so we can draw one up for a penny a year or something like that. Legal and admin are just bashing heads against each other. Okay. I dunno. Do they have, do they have one they like or do we need to draw one? There is. I believe Hawaiian Acres had one drawn up for their building. Okay. I'll check with you. I can, I can find out Okay. From the captain over there, what they had done. 'cause I know they got a bunch of work done on their firehouse, so.

Yeah. Um, yeah, they told me that we're at a standstill until they have something like that. Okay. Just, and with the electric, the way I understood it, that pole back there, that's on our property. That's on fur acre's property, so we can actually pull off of that hole as long as Heco will do it correctly, correct? No, no, if not, of the size of the pole. So your, our best bet is doing a. Metal pole out here, either underground, run 'em against a fence line and cut across to the firehouse best? Well, we need a decision from Heco first. Okay. And Heco. Yeah. Yeah. Once they say, yeah, you know, the best bet would just be put meter pole out there and, you know, trench the road back and, uh, trench the, the thing back and go on the ground.

There no overhead lines. Okay. Because the two electricians I had look at it won't. If we pull off of this building, it's a commercial, it becomes a commercial issue, and that's a whole other that, that creates a whole other can of worms. Um, Klein Felder told me that he would push stuff through for us if we had it come off of a pole or a different way. Because that's an ag building as far as he's concerned. Alright. Yeah. It would be a separate, probably would be a separate meter though. But yeah, if you put the pole out here and you run 'em underground, then yeah, you can get, you can get power wherever you like on this entire property, you know, based on having power to the pole. Glad you guys know about this. Gotcha. So we just gotta make sure when we do electric P of 200 amp inserts. 200 amp. Yeah. 'cause only the electrician. Can put the permit in for 200 amp service. Right. But 200 amp service can pull up to four buildings. You know what I mean? Right. So on the permitting, we put that we run welders and that can allow us to run welders.

That's well within the permitting of the 200 amp service. Right. But if it's for the fire department, we have to do the whole building so that vaca can use it too. Or is it just the fire side? You might as well pull a 200 amp service is what? It's always best to have more guarding you, not pulling off later. And you're not, because we never know what the future holds, even if we're not sitting. Because if you, if you don't, if you pull a hundred down service and then. You wish he asked crumble. It's a whole big trip because they gotta change the line or, or the fire department grows and we add another building. Well you just say you know you need to run equipment from the fire department. Yeah. Where you buy a massive air compressor that you big one time get there as much power as you can back there. You can utilize them. Mm-hmm. Okay. Things change. Anything else for the fire department? Nope, that's all I got.

Okay. Thank you. You bet. Neighborhood Watch. Anyone here able to speak for them? I'm not gonna speak for them, but I will speak about them, about, okay. If you see something, say something, take a picture if you can. Obviously we have a dumping trash issue always. And then, um, there was a big hubbub about a truck being parked on the side of the road and not supposed to be parked there. That was my truck, heaven forbid. Um. But I mean, when there's things on the side of the road, who do we contact? Mm-hmm. I guess it's a question actually. Like, because you know, I, you see it as well as I see it when we drive by that the homeless lady has a solar panel, solar panel outside the road, not duct anything. It's just there. Um. Who do, I mean, if we can't park on the easement, we can't have a solar panel on the easement. Correct. Nothing is supposed to be on the easement. Nothing's supposed to interfere with us being able to, to maintain the easement. Right. Yeah. And so, um, I'd start with the road crew, but it, depending upon the nature, it may end up being neighborhood watch, but I'd start with road crew usually because they're the ones that we notify the property owner that they have to move their obstruction. Mm-hmm. And that's where we start. Yeah. But usually we do that through the road crew is what I'm saying. Right.

Okay. Alright. And also for neighborhood watch, I think it's July, let me pull up my calendar real quick. They asked for an adjustment on their date in July, so they can do coffee with a cop on the 30th of July.

So they wanna move their meeting in July from the 29th. To the 30th and do coffee with a cop. So, so that changes it to the morning also, or, um, I'm got at 7:00 PM Are we doing night night coffee? Yeah, it's a night time. Night coffee. But you know what, Julie? I got a quick text on it asking if she could reserve that date. I checked with office. I checked with my calendar. It looked like I could give it to her, so I made a quick note in here, is all I did. What was the date again? The 30th, so Wednesday the 30th. We'll not be here.

Okay. Anything else for Neighborhood Watch? All right. Moving on to CERT and Hub. I'll speak to CERT and then I'll let, I guess. Christie or Joe wanna speak to Hub? I'm not hub. Okay. So then I'll, I, I'll take just a moment for cert. We had a meeting very sparsely attended. Now I realize that the weekend before that we are all up at Gilbert Kahele doing a bunch of training up there. So I understand people all give up two weekends to CERT, but we had a pretty sparsely, but, well, you know, pretty, I didn't think we'd do anything and we ended up doing some windshield assessments and then some search markings. But let's just say simply it went well. Okay. With the small crew. We had, um, nothing noteworthy to report, other than six of us have been trained on damage assessments. I don't mean to get too technical here, but simply put, if there's an emergency somewhere on the island end that damages a bunch of homes, our team, six members of it now can be deployed to go do FEMA and damage assessment.

Alright, let's just move on from CERT to hub. Any, any comment before I move on? Alright, fundraising, um, start off with food pantry. No, it has nothing to do with fundraising, but it's just under that the, the pantry was very successful on Thursday, we handed out all 144 bags in an hour. Half next month, I think we're going to wait until one o'clock and see how many cars come by. We'll leave the signs and cones up and we'll get a better idea of how many more that we can get. If we have more than 10 cars come in. After we're done, we're gonna bump it up to 168. Another thing, uh, Carma got an email from the Food Basket and she forwarded to me, apparently they're trying to write a grant for a mobile produce truck in conjunction with the pantry. Now, we haven't gotten all the details. Uh, Karma's gonna arrange to have a sit down and we'll figure out what it is they're trying to do.

My question is, is that going to hurt the farmer's market that we're trying to set up? Is there gonna be a conflict there? So I don't have all the details. Once I do, I will let everybody know what's going on. Well, if it's gonna be tied to the food basket, it, it should be almost different entities, right? All I know is they're writing the grant and if it's approved, it starts in September of this year and runs through September of 2028. Hmm. Okay. Patty? Oh, yeah.

Yeah. Oh, this question, two questions for Joe. Um, do you have any indication that, um, food Basket is going to continue? With the administration saying everything's not being funded anymore. I have no idea. So, so far, no, nobody's saying this. Nobody has said anything. Okay. And my other question is about the, um.

Uh, farmer's Market. Is this okay to say now? Sure. You know what I was, you know, or I, you know, I've got, I've got two things to cover, but I have Farmer's Market big red letters to cover shortly. Okay. Okay. And Roy? No. Uh, the only question I had about that would, what would be the purpose of it? Mobiles service.

I don't have any of the details. What they're trying to do is they're trying to use local farmers. Oh, I see. And they want the, they want a mobile produce truck to go around to the different pantries. Like a, like a mobile distribution points?

Kaukau for Keiki- It's either, so it's administrative fun stuff. It is, and there's nothing we can do about it, and it's a hassle. We went through, I think, our whole wait list and then we came back to the original list to see if people were coming. We shouldn't have to call to see if people are coming. Mm-hmm. When they're scheduled to come, they sign up to come.

Yeah. How many did we do last year? What was our list? 80. 80. 85 had 80 last year. 80, 85. And then we had another 35 or 40 on the wait list. They capped the wait list this time, which I don't know if they should have done, but then we also found, we had people signed up when they came. They're like. This is so far away. This is, this is not the closest place. Yeah. They live in Volcano. They live in Pahoa and when you call 'em on the wait list, they're like, I can't get there in time. So you go online. I thought that you selected your. You're supposed to, you're supposed to select, okay, sorry. You picked the long one, right? Because I talked to most of the people on the wait list and, and I was like, you need to be here by 12. They're like, well, that's in 13 minutes. And I'm like, well, I'm sorry. Where are you? And they're like, well, we live in Pahoa. And I said, well, how come you signed up for a Mountain View? Program and they said, we didn't. We just, that's where we got put. And I was like, that doesn't sound right. Yeah. And I got probably five people call me after. It was like, I missed a call. Well, you miss cake. Okay. Food too. Well, unfortunately, it's outside of our. Ability to change anything, pun. That's how it's listed is puna. Mm-hmm. I think the people think it needs to reverse. I think they puna check. That makes sense. Somehow. Who knows this huge area, but they thought it would be next door to. Yeah, because it's too vibrant. Circles through our, okay. Joe, one of the things that changed, which surprised me, uh, last year, you could sign up down in Hilo. Mm-hmm. Because that's where you work. You take your lunch hour, you go get your food, you go back. Where you live is where you have to get it. Now. You can't put in. Hilo or Yeah, you're supposed to go to your school district hall can and come here. No. What they checked on the list is right where it goes. You're supposed to go to where your kid is schooled. So if they're schooled in Mount View, which some people say, well, I use my mom's address and we go to school and heal 'em. True. Yeah. But. Okay, guys. Um, sorry, sorry. We're gonna move on and, and only because one more thing on that. Okay. Um, it nothing to do for keiki, but if somebody can put out there that even though you never sign a foot call, call for keiki, the school up here is offering breakfast and lunch that you can take your kids over there at Mountain View. Yeah, at Mountain View Elementary, as long as they're in school, they can go to the school and get free breakfast and look. Mountain View Elementary is doing breakfast and lunch for summer programs until July 25th. Until July 25th. Okay.

Um, next is let's do annual picnic and then farmer's markets after that. So annual picnic. I realize Claudia's not here, but I know lots of us have fingers in it. Um, I was asked to find out how we looking on turkeys. I have the two Turkey guy. I know it sounds weird. Turkey guys here. Roy's gonna reserve the turkeys. Okay. How many turkeys? I get two. Now you get two, three. Okay. I can get another. You, you get one more? Okay. You gonna shoot 'em? No, I, no. Yeah. Every now and then I see 'em, so. Okay. Um, awesome. And then, uh, like I said, cloudy and I are going shopping to Costco on the Friday before. Um, there will be a picnic meeting the Monday prior, if I remember right.

Mm-hmm. In a picnic game meeting right after this meeting. Right after this meeting. Anybody interested in being part of the picnic games, games or whatever else that we need to discuss? Yeah. Okay. Um, alright. And, uh, anything else, any picnics? I think we're moving, you know, moving forward the right direction here.

My, my question is about permits. Well, interesting. That's takes us to my part of it. Yep. Okay, so let me find it. Right here. Okay. So Alexandra Haban, uh, sent me a couple forwards of things from the county. It really comes down to, for this one guys, um, permits. We have to do a permit for this. Yeah. What, and people wonder why we don't do more anyway. Um, uh, a, a permit to sell our own stuff to each other. And, um, I, uh, um, but unfortunately we can't pull the permit because of our open permit. We still have. They want us to close this one and so anybody have information? I know we got the lines. They look love Lovely out here, so we could close that, but I'm not certain where that leaves us now.

Yeah. I thought you just got a call the building department and tell them Close you, you ready for a final inspection? Okay.

I thought he's announced that a few months ago that it was closed. Probably did. No. Oh no. Yeah. No, that it, that the last of what we need. So here, gimme a second. I'm put it on my list of to-dos real quick. So were we gonna amend, you can't get a permit on the other. Law. I don't know. This, uh, this kind lady has been emailing me plenty and she says that they are, they're not gonna probably because it's all under the same name of per acres. I don't know. So what didn't she say that it was easier to amend the current permit than to draw a whole new one? Well, we're all we have to do is close ours. All we need is them to come out and look and it's closed, and then we can open a, a new one. Um, that that's what she thought. But I, I thought they couldn't have more than one permit.

Isn't it just, that's why they need to close. Yeah. That's why we gotta close the other, that's why we gotta close the open one. We just put a fire hose and, and the parking lots and Yeah. And this permit needs to be closed. We've had quite a few extensions on it and I How many decades of extensions? Uh, at least three. And I believe, I believe that they're not gonna give us anymore. I think last time they said. We just, yeah, that's it. They want to, they want us to close it so I don't blame 'em one bit. Okay. I've got it on my list of to-do's. We'll see if I, if that helps me remember. Okay. Oh, I need that stuff. So does that mean that you're gonna apply for a permit that will allow produce only or value added or crafts?

Um, so only we, we can't do crafts is what I was the understanding that I had. It's only gonna be ag and value added. What, what is that? What is that? You're saying s tomato paste. Oh, yes. Something you think was produce. When I, when I was reading the, what the lady sent, um, it seemed like to amend the permit and add everything was the easier way to go than to close and do a whole new one, because that would take way longer. So I don't, I, the meetings have been on my days that I work, so I haven't been to a meeting. I'm just getting this from email. And, and so what would be ideal guys? Or, and I realize everybody has lives and these are all volunteer positions. However, um, this Alexandra Haban, I don't wanna mispronounce what I, she didn't tell me how to pronounce it. Um, anyway, guys, um, she is willing to help with this, but she recommend she's very busy and cannot just spearhead it completely on her own. Okay? So ideally we should come up with a community group, uh, two, three people that are willing to take this by the horns. Um, I will work on closing this. I'm excited about spearheading something.

And I don't know who else is on that committee already. I mean, there's a food. There is a critic, there's a farmer's market committee. Well, then I don't, so it's funny, Alex is saying, okay, really it'd be nice to hand off to this to some people. Well, it needs, it needs board meeting approval. It needs president approval.

Board meeting approval before about the permits. Mm-hmm. Before it can get pushed through. Maybe continue. Maybe that's all she meant. So our steps are to close our existing permit, start a new one, and we need to know what we're asking for. Yeah, and I have a planner, a Christian Kay that I can visit with Joe, I see your hand up first.

The way Alex has this set up is she's going to spearhead it until it is up and running, and then she's gonna hand it over to somebody. So I think I just need to deal with the permit and let her know that we dealt with the permit. So just so I'm understanding this correctly, the permit that needs to be closed is a building permit.

Mm-hmm. Yes. For this, the permit that you're trying to get is a special use permit? Yes. So they're two different kinds of permit? Entirely different. Yeah. So we can't amend a permit to do something different. Yeah. Thank you for that permit and was waiting for the striping. So done then. Yeah. We gotta hurry and get it done before the striping fade.

Exactly. Yes. So when I was reading through the current permit, it says, we're not allowed to have ag equipment or vehicles that are involved in ag stuff. Like it said, like. Specifically, these have not been approved. That's it. So is that part of this closing the permit or is that part of a whole new, that's a different permit.

That's a whole different permit. The per, the permit that's open right now is just to close the permit for the firehouse. And one big requirement that we haven't done for. Was, um, adding parking stalls, um, to that, to close the permit as part of the per month permitting process. I'll, I'll, I'll contact these guys.

I, all I'll do is call and let my fingers do the walking, so, okay guys, let's, let's move on to our next item.

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