

LEILANI ESTATES NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING MINUTES – October 25, 2016

Present: Greg Armstrong, Roberta Van Goethem, Ross Stadnyk, Jay & Gloria Turkovsky, Mark Hauanio, Jim Penny, Jerry Strand, Steve Vierra, Steve & Lucina Aquilina, J.W. Henry and Marcie Ughoc.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Greg Armstrong.

No Community Police Officers were in attendance. Greg noted that the most recent crime statistics for Puna District for the first half of October included 4 burglaries and 10 unauthorized entries to motor vehicles. There were no crimes reported in Leilani Estates during that period.

The September 27th Neighborhood Watch Meeting Minutes were provided as handouts and reviewed by those attending. Mark made the motion to approve the August minutes and Jay seconded the motion. All attending were in favor.

Roberta gave the Treasury Report, indicating a balance of \$2,382.54 as of 10/24/16. Jim made the motion to approve the Treasury Report, Jay seconded the motion and all attending approved.

Roberta trained four new LENW volunteers this month. There are still two daytime shifts open and three weekend evening shifts available. Recruiting of volunteers continues as we can always use back-ups when drivers are off- island for periods of time.

Greg announced that at the most recent Puna Watch meeting LENW received a GoPro video camera. It may be useful to record incidents while on patrol. We're still learning how to use it and how to download the videos. Additionally, Hilo Medical Center Foundation and Big Island Toyota purchased 28 AED's for the community. Greg applied for one to be donated to LCA and the request was approved. Training for use of the AED will be held at the longhouse in the near future. LCA staff will participate in the training.

Mark reported that speeding continues to be a problem on Kahukai street and vehicles have been observed running the stop signs on Kahukai at Kumakahi and Nohea streets. If traffic violations (speeding, running stop signs, etc.) are observed, witnesses are urged to report the vehicle's license number on the HPD Community Road Safety Watch form (available on line). HPD will then contact the owner of the vehicle.

Mark noted that the albizia project volunteers will continue work on a lot on Moku street Saturday, October 29th. The Big Island Invasive Species group will hold albizia workshops again November 12th and December 10th. Jim will post an announcement on Next Door for interested volunteers.

Greg passed around the October Loose Dog Report, indicating another light month for dogs off-leash. There were 4 loose dogs sighted, 3 with photos and one complaint received. One First Warning was sent and a Second Violation Notice and fine was sent regarding an aggressive dog on Malama street.

Greg announced that the second treatment for little fire ants has been completed around the LCA park. There will be another treatment in December, and then the Big Island Invasive Species group will return in January to offer training again.

Greg also indicated that the Weekend Evening Driver schedule has been clarified to eliminate what had been some confusion in the past. The schedule now indicates "First Friday, First Saturday, Second

Friday, Second Saturday, etc.” – based on calendar dates. Greg will contact each weekend driver to ensure that everyone understands the schedule.

Jerry noted that a neighbor on upper Kahukai street recently had someone stealing items from his property and notified the police. HPD showed up about 30 minutes but the perpetrators were gone and it was too dark for the resident to get the vehicle license number.

Marcie complained that a neighbor’s dog on Makamae street comes across the street to her property to poop. She has complained to the neighbor but the dog continues to be a problem. It was suggested that she take a photo of the dog when it’s on her driveway or property and send it to Kim at the LCA office. LCA will then send warning letters or notices of violations based on LCA’s Leash Law.

There was some discussion about donating \$\$ from LENW funds to the Food Basket as part of our commitment of giving back to the community – either a monetary donation or purchasing a quantity of paper bags with handles.

Greg informed the group of the following upcoming events:

Wednesday, October 26th – Food Basket preparation @ 9:30 am at Nanawale Estates;
@ 12:00 Food Basket distribution at LCA (about two dozen households)

Saturday, October 29th @ 5-9 pm – Halloween party and potluck

Tuesday, November 1st @ 6 pm – Dinner and Bingo (set up at 2 pm)

Saturday, November 5th @ 7-11 am - Monthly Garage Sale (Gloria volunteered for the 7-9 am shift at the Recruitment Table)

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 29th at 7 pm - Leilani Community Center