

Molokai Irrigation System Advisory Board
DRAFT Meeting Minutes
June 14, 2023

1. Meeting was called to order at 2:04pm
2. Approval of minutes: No quorum
3. Introductions/ Roll Call
 - a. Board Member present in person: Jill Coombs, Nathaniel Oswald, David Bush (non-voting)
 - b. Board Member present via zoom: Faith Tuipulotu
 - c. D.O.A. Staff In person: Lance Kaneakua
 - d. D.O.A. Staff via zoom: Kirk Saiki, Janice Fujimoto, Stephen Dalton
 - e. Guests: none
4. Old Business:

None
5. New Business

None
6. Reports and Presentations
 - A. System update – refer to attachment, board asked for amendment of report for interruption of service for meters under service and laterals that will no longer be a part of the meter project.
 - B. Capital Improvement:
 1. Waikolu Valley fiberglass walkway project. Tentative July start date
 2. Water valve replacement by Goodfellow Bros. Project is in progress. Replacements are requiring a disruption in service, but only a few hours, Lance is notifying customers beforehand. The handful (#?) of laterals that also need to be repaired which were assumed to be part of this project have been put on hold as the contractor has said that additional permitting would be required, grading permit and historical survey. The board questioned this, knowing of the agricultural exemption to grading and grubbing permits, especially relating to maintenance of existing irrigation infrastructure. HDOA will be following up by next meeting.
 3. Corona Virus Recovery Funding
 - a. Repairs to lower diversion dam
 - b. Replace couplings on transmission pipeline, but there is not enough funding for this, so only some of the couplings can be replaced, not all.
 - C. Board Member Vacancies
 - a. Users have applied for all vacancies, during the legislative session, however, the appointments were not scheduled, and no appointments made, so no members will be appointed until next legislative session in January.
 - i. Hikiola
 - ii. Homestead Users
 - iii. Moku Puni-seat has never been filled since its creation
 - iv. DHHL-
 - v. Non-Homestead Users

7. Announcements: The rate increase was brought up. The public hearing will be July 13, 2023. Testimony may be submitted online, due two weeks after the meeting. No in-person meetings will be held, only zoom. The board has formally stated that they oppose the rate increase.
8. Next meeting date: June 28, 2023 at 2pm at the Molokai base yard or zoom
9. Meeting adjourned 2:51pm

Sincerely,
Jill Coombs

Molokai Irrigation System
Department of Agriculture
Date: June 14, 2023

To: Molokai Water Users Advisory Board
From: Lance Kaneakua (District Manager)
Subject: System update

Molokai Irrigation Tasks

June 7th We went through the tunnel. We flushed the diversion Dams and cleaned the roadway to the diversion dam building to do our monthly maintenance in the valley.

June 8th We flushed the Transmission pipeline from Red Hill to the reservoir.

Weed whacking reservoir is a daily project. I'm with Good Fellows doing the meter installation just to give the home owners a heads up there water will be off for an hour or 2. They Replaced about 70 2inch meter at the moment.

All daily/Monthly duties is on going for the month.

Kualapuu Reservoir level.....28.000 feet..... 670 million gallons stored.

Level at this time last year.....25 1/2 feet.

Reservoir average outflow.....1.755 MGD

Reservoir average inflow.....4.140 MGD

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Monthly Report

Number of farm field visit to provide general assistance not related to meters 0

Quarterly Report

Period: April. to June.

Number of days without planned water delivery disruption (i.e. normal water delivery)0

Number of days of water restrictions for Homesteaders0

Number of days of water restrictions for non-Homesteaders.....0

Number of days without accidents or injuries: 35

Percentage change in revenue and operating cost:

Pumps: off due to good flow

Semi-Annual Report.

Period: January to June

Number of meters installed for Homesteaders.....0

Number of meters installed for Non-homesteaders.....0

Number of meters repaired or replaced..... 0

Average time between request for service and completion of service:approximately 3 months.

Annual Report.

_ Number and type of Capital Improvement Projects 2

Number of CIP projects in progress..... Pending

Percentage of brush cleared in Reservoir..... 30% cleared.

Percentage of gravel cleared in tunnel..... 95% cleared.

Financial Strength: On time bill paying

Financial Weakness: Delinquent account\Rising Fuel Cost\Pumps