

**PUNA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN  
STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES  
APPROVED**

Thursday, February 7, 2008  
Kea'au Community Center  
Kea'au, Hawaii 96749

Chairman Jon Olson called the meeting to order at 5:52 p.m.

Present: Stephanie Bath, Greg Braun, Barbara Lively, Marti Lockwood, Jon Olson,  
Rick Warshauer

Absent: Eddie Alonzo, Kim Tavares

Others Present: Larry Brown, Ron Whitmore (County of Hawaii Planning Department)  
Three members of the public

**Approval of Minutes:** January 24, 2008 SC Minutes  
**Stephanie Bath moved to approve the minutes of January 24, 2008, as written; Greg Braun seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Public Testimony on Agenda Items**

None

**Unfinished Business**

**Discussion and recommendations for additions, deletions and changes to the December 31, 2007 Pre-Draft Puna Community Development Plan (CDP)**

**THE PUNA MAKAI ALTERNATE ROUTE (PMAR)**

Larry presented a revised PMAR map, which featured a mid block alignment from Kaloli Drive somewhere between 10<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Street. The exact alignment would be determined by the EIS. The proposed road would tie in to a bypass at Milo St. or Macadamia Road which would lead to the Keaau Bypass or Highway 11 respectively.

The committee will recommend that the Plan state that the County shall fund an EIS Study and preliminary engineering report for a PMAR. It should be done to Federal Highways Standards in order to qualify for Federal Highway funding.

During Phase Two, a connector road would be built extending to Puainako Street or perhaps beyond that. A mauka-makai connector road would also be built between Hwy 130 and the PMAR on the Hilo side of Paradise Park. It would be new road built along the edge of the Shipman property and not affect the properties at the end of the streets on Shower Drive.

During Phase Three, mauka-makai connectors would be built from Keaau to mauka Hilo as determined by a separate EIS.

Included in the Phase I & II EIS a right-of-way corridor of sufficient width to allow for a 2-lane roadway with separated pedestrian/bicycle facilities will be designated through Hawaiian Paradise Park to allow for future capacity demand. Identifying it now would minimize cost and impacts in the future.

The committee felt that it was important to also include extension of the PMAR from HPP to Hawaiian Beaches and from Hawaiian Beaches to Nanawale to not only address capacity needs, but also emergency response issues.

**Rick Warshauer moved to accept the revised PMAR map, with ovals drawn for connector roads and to include roads from HPP to Hawaiian Beaches and from Hawaiian Beaches to Nanawale in Phase I.**

**Seconded by Jon Olson. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### ROUNDBABOUTS AND FRONTAGE ROADS

**Stephanie moved to revise Section 4.4.2., objectives a. and b. to read:**

- a. Make intersection improvements along highways that allow safer access from intersecting streets as a priority over traffic speed on the highway, giving preference to the use of roundabouts.**
- b. Consider ~~frontage roads as a means to~~ control private driveway access ~~reduce the number of driveways exiting into~~ to major highways with higher traffic volumes, such as Highway 130.**

**Seconded by Rick Warshauer. Three members voted for; one member voted against; Barbara Lively and Marti Lockwood abstained. The motion failed.**

**Stephanie moved to revise Section 4.4.2., objectives a. and c. to read:**

- a. Make intersection improvements along highways that allow safer access from intersecting streets as a priority over traffic speed on the highway, giving preference to the use of roundabouts.**
- c. Use native landscaping for highway improvements and connectivity points, emphasizing the retention of native vegetation.**

**Seconded by Greg Braun. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Greg Braun moved to accept the revised Section 4.4.2. objective b. to read: Consider roundabouts as a means to control private driveway access ~~reduce the number of driveways exiting into~~ to major highways with higher traffic volumes, such as Highway 130.**

**Seconded by Jon Olson. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Greg Braun moved to accept the mauka subdivision ovals as drawn on the map by Rick Warshauer.**

**Seconded by Jon Olson. The motion passed unanimously.**

COASTAL TRAILS

**Rick Warshauer moved to add a new action in the Plan which states:**

**Encourage the development of a hike and camp coastal trail and campsite system to provide for pedestrian recreational opportunities.**

**Seconded by Barbara Lively. Five members voted for; Greg Braun abstained. The motion passed.**

The committee decided to request that John Whalen find the appropriate place in the Plan to add the action stated above.

Rick also submitted four additional recommendations regarding coastal zone preservation and shoreline setback concerns, which will be considered at a future meeting.

LOCATION OF PARK AND RIDES:

**Rick Warshauer moved to revise Section 4.2.3. (c) to:**

**Provide park and ride lots at the transit hubs and at all selected village /town centers and county parks.**

**Seconded by Greg Braun. The motion passed unanimously.**

TRANSPORTATION/ENERGY:

**Rick Warshauer moved to revise 4.6.1. (a) to: Puna has made significant progress to achieve energy self-sufficiency by 2020.**

**Seconded by Stephanie Bath. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Stephanie Bath moved to rename Chapter 4 “Transportation” and move Alternative Energy (4.6.) to Managing Growth to the most appropriate subsection, as determined by John Whalen.**

**Seconded by Rick Warshauer. Three members voted for; three members voted against. The motion failed.**

**Rick Warshauer moved to make Energy its own chapter and to be renamed as Energy Sustainability, and to include Section 4.6 and the appropriate language in the Introduction to Chapter 4**

**Seconded by Stephanie Bath. Five members voted for; Jon Olson abstained. The motion passed.**

**Stephanie Bath moved to rename Chapter 4 “Transportation.”**

**Seconded by Greg Braun. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### FULL SERVICE MEDICAL FACILITY

The committee discussed Section 3.3. (a) Develop a full service medical facility through a non-profit organization in Kea’au, Hawaiian Paradise Park, Volcano and Pahoia, modeled on the Waianae Coast (Oahu) Comprehensive Health Care Center.

The committee discussed whether the model should be named specifically, since the Volcano Health Collaborative is a project already underway and is NOT modeled after the one named in the recommendation.

Jon clarified that the reason that Waianae Coast Health Center was named was because it met all the criteria that the Puna community needs.

**Jon Olson moved to revise Section 3.3.3 (a) to: Develop a centrally located 24-hour, full-service medical service facility, through a non-profit organization in Keaau, Hawaiian Paradise Park, Volcano and Pahoia, modeled on the Waianae Coast (Oahu) Comprehensive Health Care Center with trauma care, in Puna. Expand existing County-funded van services to carry people from subdivisions to medical facilities.**

**Seconded by Barbara Lively. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### TRANSFER STATION SITES

**Jon Olson moved to add to the Plan: Relocate the Keaau and Pahoia stations to sites more suitable to serve the major population areas in which they were intended to serve.**

**Seconded by Stephanie Bath. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### Future Meetings

**Barbara Lively moved to continue the meeting until Monday, February 11 at 3:30pm. Greg Braun seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### Recess

At 8:30, the meeting was recessed until Monday, February 11, 2008 at 3:30p.m.

**The February 7, 2008 Meeting continued at 3:37 on Monday,  
February 11, 2008 at the Kea'au Community Center in Kea'au, Hawaii.**

Present: Eddie Alonzo, Stephanie Bath, Greg Braun, Barbara Lively, Marti Lockwood,  
Jon Olson, Kim Tavares, Rick Warshauer

Others Present: Larry Brown, Ron Whitmore (County of Hawaii Planning Department)  
One member of the public

Chairman Jon Olson called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m.

**Unfinished Business**

**Discussion and recommendations for additions, deletions and changes to the  
December 31, 2007 Pre-Draft Puna Community Development Plan (CDP)**

**LUPAG AND ZONING**

The committee discussed and accepted the following recommendations:

1. Downzone all Agricultural (A) zoned parcels in Puna as follows:
  - Lots of 100 acres or more to A-20a
  - Lots of 50-100 acres to A-15a
  - Lot of 5-50 acres to appropriate designation to allow a two lot subdivision only
  - Lots of less 5 acres to A-5a
2. No changes to the existing agricultural or rural designations shall be made to the LUPAG map for Puna
3. Downzone all existing sub-dividable lots in Volcano (BRBZ) to appropriate density designation so as to prevent any further subdivision
4. Change the zoning of any lots in Volcano (BRBZ) larger than 20,000 sf to A-20a or other appropriate designation to prevent subdivision
5. Prohibit Ohana Dwelling Units in Volcano (BRBZ)
6. For TMK 1-6-01:025 (Wattamull property): amend urban expansion LUPAG designation to appropriate ial or ea designation; and downzone to A-2000a.
7. Provide allowance for families to subdivide A zoned parcels under pre-CDP zoning designations
8. Existing Zoning Code provisions for Additional Farm Dwellings shall not be altered.
9. No land use recommendations shall be applicable if they inhibit the creation of village, town or regional centers as approved by the CDP

10. Amend the existing LUPAG designation for all State owned lands in Volcano area (BRBZ ?) to open.

#### LEVEL OF SERVICE

The committee recommends that the following be included in the PCDP:

All County of Hawaii Agencies prepare a Level of Service document detailing the level of service and what measures are being done to meet established standards. -- (based on national standards.)

The committee felt that Bonnie Goodell's LOS Study 1999, along with an updated study, may be a useful justification for the recommendation stated above.

#### MAPPING OF RECOMMENDED ADDITIONAL AND EXPANDED PARK SITES

The committee designated ovals around areas to identify park locations to be developed. See Map attached.

Larry reminded the committee that before a park site is selected, an EIS would be prepared. This will involve conducting a study, including public input, and therefore it was acceptable to draw ovals to recommend general areas where park facilities should be considered.

#### PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

Rick proposed a tax break for conservation easements prohibiting development, particularly in areas where there is prime agricultural land, native forests or historic features, for the purpose of reducing the number of lots in Puna. Jon felt that an important component would be to add "in perpetuity." Rick will prepare a written recommendation and bring it for discussion at the next meeting.

#### IMPLEMENTATION TABLE

**Stephanie Bath moved that the following be added to the PCDP in Section 5.3: When implementing the actions listed in the following table the Working Group report that addresses the relevant topics, shall be considered as a reference to provide greater specificity on the location, description and intention of the proposed action.**

**Seconded by Eddie Alonzo. The motion passed unanimously.**

#### Public Outreach

After the Steering Committee approved plan has been submitted to the County to begin the adoption process, there will be four community events as scheduled:

Saturday, April 5 – Keaau Elementary School in the cafeteria  
Sunday, April 6 – Cooper Center in Volcano  
Saturday, April 12 – Pahoa High School in the cafeteria  
Sunday, April 13 – Hawaiian Paradise Park Community Center

All the events will be from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
The Planning Team will be meeting on Friday, February 15 at 3:00pm at the County of Hawaii Planning Department. Assistance will be needed from Steering Committee, as well as the community to help organize the events.

The goal of these events will be to educate the public about the Plan, which will help them be better informed and equipped to testify at hearings as the Plan moves through the adoption process.

**Stephanie Bath moved to accept the proposed dates and locations for Public Outreach for the purposes of education.**

**Seconded by Jon Olson. The motion passed unanimously.**

Jon is working on scheduling airtime on local radio talk shows. Stephanie volunteered to also participate.

### **Recess**

At 8:15, the meeting was recessed until Tuesday, February 12, 2008 at 3:30p.m.

**The February 7, and 11, 2008 Meeting continued at 3:50 on Tuesday,  
February 12, 2008 at the Kea'au Community Center in Kea'au, Hawaii.**

Present: Eddie Alonzo, Stephanie Bath, Greg Braun, Barbara Lively, Jon Olson,  
Kim Tavares, Rick Warshauer

Excused: Marti Lockwood

Others Present: Larry Brown, Ron Whitmore (County of Hawaii Planning Department)  
One member of the public

Chairman Jon Olson called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m.

**Unfinished Business**

**Discussion and recommendations for additions, deletions and changes to the  
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USE OF RARE/ENDANGERED SPECIES AS BUILDING MATERIALS

**Kim Tavares moved to revise Section 2.1.3 (c) to:**

**Amend the County building code to add standards for structures utilizing  
traditional Hawaiian building design and construction methods. and materials.**

**Seconded by Rick Warshauer. The motion passed unanimously.**

KEAAU-VOLCANO HISTORIC CORRIDOR

**Kim Tavares moved to revise the narrative in Section 2.1, the first sentence in the  
third paragraph to listing in geographical order:**

**Puna's history is also evident in the architecture of its older towns and villages;  
namely Keaau, the Kurtistown-Mountain View corridor, Pahoa, and Volcano  
Village.**

**Seconded by Greg Braun. The motion passed unanimously.**

PROMOTE HOME ORGANICS Section 1.2.3 (p)

The committee initially discussed ways to have the County promote organic gardening,  
which eventually focused on measures the County should take to minimize the use of  
pesticides, especially as they are used along County roads to control weeds and pests. It  
was also suggested that the County investigate alternative ways to deal with weeds, such  
as biological controls.

Jon Olsen moved to have John Whalen come up with language to capture the intent of prohibiting herbicides on County property.

Seconded by Stephanie Bath. The motion passed unanimously.

#### EQUESTRIAN FACILITIES

The committee discussed the need for encouraging equestrian as a mode of transportation. After reviewing Section 4.5.1.(c), “Puna has a network of contiguous scenic trails between and within subdivisions for walking, bicycling, and horseback-riding.”, the committee felt it was sufficient to leave it as is.

#### VILLAGE CENTERS AND TDR (TRANSFER OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS)

Ron reiterated Chris Yuen’s concern that the use of TDR would be a disincentive to the building of Village/Town Centers. The committee reviewed the table prepared by John Whalen to address four alternative recommendations. After discussion, the committee concluded that the Plan does not state the use of TDR as a requirement, but only one option, and decided to leave it in the Plan as is.

#### PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

January 4 Memo from John Whalen page 2, 1.1.2. (i) & (j)

**Rick Warshauer moved to remove Section 1.1.2. (i) ~~By focusing on incentives, combine substantial property tax reductions with permanent restriction, loss or transfer of development rights on properties, including through change of zoning and replacing (j) Provide long-time property owners some relief from escalating property values and discourage property speculation by adjusting the real property taxes of voluntarily enrolled property owners with: Properties where development rights have been removed or significantly and permanently reduced by means of conservation easements, or a TDR or similar measure, shall be permanently relieved of all but a small basic real property tax fee.~~**

Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.

#### STUDY IMPACTS OF BUILD OUT AND EXISTING NATIVE VEGETATION

Rick Warshauer moved to revise Section 1.1.3 (m) to:

Conduct a study on the impacts from build-out based on predictions related to:

- Native ecosystems;
- A study where potential municipal wells and potable well sites are allowed by DOH rules and how these areas would diminish with build out.
- Flooding Rainfall reduction due to widespread loss of forest from build out.

Seconded by Eddie Alonzo. The motion passed unanimously.

## COASTAL ZONE AND SHORELINE SETBACKS

**Rick Warshauer moved to have John Whalen integrate appropriate narrative to set the context and specific action to the effect of “taking into consideration what we know about the geological sinking of land and the ocean rising, revisit the shoreline setback rules and revise as necessary.”**

**Seconded by Eddie Alonzo. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Rick Warshauer moved to have John Whalen integrate appropriate narrative to set the context and specific action to the effect of “taking into consideration what we know about the geological sinking of land and the ocean rising revisit the SMA rules and revise as necessary” to protect the coastline.**

**Seconded by Eddie Alonzo. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Rick Warshauer moved to have John Whalen integrate appropriate narrative to set the context and specific action to the effect of “taking into consideration what we know about the geological sinking of land and the ocean rising, revisit the coastal flood zone maps and revise as necessary using current technology.”**

**Seconded by Eddie Alonzo. Five members voted for; Greg Braun Abstained. The motion passed.**

**Rick Warshauer moved to add an action to have the County request that the Department of Health to take emergency action to address the public health issues derived from the wastewater contamination of public waters used by people in Kapoho and require immediate conversion to self contained wastewater disposal systems that can be pumped and or connected to a community treatment facility.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Kim Tavares moved to recommend that the Puna CDP support the actions specified in the Ocean Resources Management Plan.**

**Seconded by Greg Braun. The motion passed unanimously.**

Rick submitted a document entitled Kapoho Special Design District. Larry will email to all Steering Committee members for consideration at a future meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **Prioritization of Action Items:**

Ron explained the importance of prioritizing items in the Plan, to clearly indicate what the community felt were the most pressing issues.

He referred the group to a document entitled “Small Group Comment Priorities” which he created to help the committee with the prioritization process.

Ron explained that prioritization could be worked on as a group. Alternatively, since each committee member is also a working group liaison, it could be deferred to each liaison to prioritize their respective Actions.

**Jon Olson moved to submit a prioritization schedule to John Whalen to be attached to the completed document before it goes to the Planning Department and the Planning Commission for its consideration.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Scheduling and Agendizing Future Meetings:**

**Kim Tavares moved to continue the meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 2008.**

**Seconded by Stephanie Bath. Three members voted for; Eddie Alonzo and Jon Olson abstained. The motion failed.**

**Kim Tavares moved to have one more meeting before sending the revisions to the Plan to John Whalen.**

**Seconded by Stephanie Bath. The second and motion were withdrawn.**

**Stephanie Bath moved to continue the meeting on Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at the Planning Department at 4:30.**

**Seconded by Rick Warshauer. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Recess**

At 7:25, the meeting was recessed until Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at 4:30p.m.

**The February 7, 11, and 12, 2008 Meeting was continued at 4:37 on Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at the County of Hawaii Planning Department Conference Room.**

Present: Stephanie Bath, Barbara Lively, Marti Lockwood, Jon Olson,  
Kim Tavares, Rick Warshauer

Excused: Eddie Alonzo, Greg Braun,

Others Present: Larry Brown, Ron Whitmore (County of Hawaii Planning Department)  
One member of the public

Chairman Jon Olson called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Discussion and recommendations for additions, deletions and changes to the December 31, 2007 Pre-Draft Puna Community Development Plan**

**Jon Olson moved to have committee members forward any non-substantive changes in the narrative to John Whalen for consideration.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Stephanie Bath moved to have John Whalen integrate into the Plan, as a goal, in Section 3.2, Goal 2, Strategic Action 1, Benchmark 7 from the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Plan which reads “To increase production and consumption of local products” and also consider fusing it with 3.2.1 (e).**

**Seconded by Marti Lockwood. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Jon Olson moved to revise Section 3.2.1. (b) to:  
Quality agricultural land is dedicated to agricultural use in perpetuity.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Stephanie Bath moved to add a new goal to Section 4.1.1. stating:  
“To reduce reliance on fossil fuels.” and reference the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Plan, Goal 3, Strategic Action 1.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

## SOCIAL SERVICES AND HOUSING

Barbara introduced the following recommended goal and objective for discussion:

**Goal:** Puna has increased public/private partnerships that provide social services including counseling/treatment, and economic development opportunity programs.

**Objective:** To create incentives/programs to encourage/empower community groups to partner with non-profit agencies for counseling and treatment and training, skills development, incubator offices, and adult education.

**Barbara Lively moved to have John Whalen develop a goal and objective to accompany the following additional action in Section 3.3:**

**The County will partner with non-profit organizations to increase the range of services available, including economic development opportunities, in Puna.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

Barbara also discussed the need for additional charter schools. Larry stated that the problem is not zoning, but lack of funding by the DOE. Jon reminded the group that schools were listed as a possible use of Village Centers in the plan.

**Stephanie Bath moved to establish a goal and appropriate objective and action to increase the availability of long term care and elderly housing facilities in Puna, with a Reference to the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Plan.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

## RICK WARSHAUER'S PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE PRE-DRAFT PLAN:

**Jon Olson moved to add a new goal to Section 2.1.1:**

**The native forests of Puna are revered as a part of the native culture and are provided with permanent protections from degrading and loss.**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Jon Olson moved to revised Section 2.1.3. (b) 1<sup>st</sup> bullet to:**

**Volcano Heritage area and the separate Biosphere Buffer Zone region Village;**

**Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Rick Warshauer moved to insert into the Plan, where appropriate: Empower a body that has greater than advisory powers to direct decisions made about the management of resources in an area.**

Seconded by Kim Tavares. Five members voted for. Stephanie Bath abstained. The motion passed.

Jon Olson moved to make a revision in Section 2.2.3 (a), last bullet:  
Re-zoning agricultural - and residential zoned lots to ~~discourage~~ prevent further subdivision within the BRBZ.

Seconded by Stephanie Bath. The motion passed unanimously.

Rick Warshauer moved to include the following changes:

Sections in 2.3.1:

(a.) ~~Coastal Waters and~~ Aquifers that could be used for future community wells in high growth lower elevation areas are protected from pollution by untreated wastewater disposal systems.

(c.) Coastal waters maintain and increase their quality.

Sections in 2.3.3:

(a.) Encourage State legislation to prohibit the use of cesspools as a means for wastewater disposal in area below ~~800~~ 1000 feet Mean Sea Level,...

(b.) LAST SENTENCE: Also, seek acceptance of clustered septic systems for wastewater treatment in village/town centers, clustered residential development and other special circumstances.

(e.) In areas below 100 feet above mean sea level, require all wastewater disposal systems to be contained, pumpable systems or be attached to a collective treatment facility. Explore using the Special Management Area regulations to ensure such systems be required.

Kim Tavares seconded. Four members voted for. Marti Lockwood and Stephanie Bath abstained. The motion failed.

Rick Warshauer moved to include the following changes:

Sections in 2.3.1:

(a.) ~~Coastal Waters and~~ Aquifers that could be used for future community wells in high growth lower elevation areas are protected from pollution by untreated wastewater disposal systems.

(c.) Coastal waters maintain and increase their quality.

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(a.) Encourage State legislation to prohibit the use of cesspools as a means for wastewater disposal in area below ~~800~~ 1000 feet Mean Sea Level,...

(b.) LAST SENTENCE: Also, seek acceptance of clustered septic systems for wastewater treatment in village/town centers, clustered residential development and other special circumstances.

Seconded by Marti Lockwood. The motion passed unanimously.

Rick moved to add an Action in Section 2.3.3:

**(e.) In areas below 100 feet above mean sea level, require all black wastewater disposal systems to be contained/pumpable systems or that they be connected to a collective treatment facility. Explore using the Special Management Area regulations to ensure such systems be required.**

Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.

John Olson moved to include the following changes:

Section 3.1.1:

**(a.) Puna retains a rural character while it protects its native natural and cultural resources.**

**(d.) Reduce exposure to high risk from natural hazards. ~~Situations associated with positions on the landscape and traffic congestion are reduced.~~**

And to add a new goal:

**(i.) Reduce traffic congestion and traffic-related health risk.**

Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.

Jon Olson moved to include the following changes:

Section 4.6.3:

**(i.) Pursue the development of new renewable energy sources such as Ocean Thermal Energy conversion (OTEC) and, wave-energy generation, and solar energy capture, as the technology advances to make an investment in such a demonstration and production facility in Puna feasible. To facilitate this, pursue an ocean energy sub zone or enterprise zone preferably on State land, in order to encourage research and production of ocean-based alternative energy systems and facilities. In addition to energy generation, cold water aquaculture and agricultural processing should be encouraged and accommodated, including refrigerated warehouse and processing facilities, hot-water treatment of agricultural products, and agricultural product washing and packing facilities.**

Seconded by Kim Tavares. The motion passed unanimously.

**John Olson moved to ask John Whalen to advise the Committee on how to best address the wide range of issues in the Kapoho area.** [With respect to the continued desire/pressure to develop the existing lots and to create new residential lots, the exposure to the numerous natural hazards, and the expanding commercial and public pressure for recreational access to the area.]

Seconded by Stephanie Bath. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Scheduling and Agendizing Future Meetings**

The committee will request that John Whalen send the revised Plan back to the committee for review no later than February 25, 2008.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for 3:30 p.m., Thursday, February 28, 2008, with John Whalen and Chris Yuen scheduled to arrive at 5:30 p.m.

**Adjournment**

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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Marlene Murray, Recorder

**The next Steering Committee Meeting is scheduled for:**

**Thursday, February 28, 2008**

**3:30 p.m.**

**Kea'au Community Center – Kea'au**