

## **ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

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235 S. BERETANIA STREET, HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813  
AUGUST 16th, 2012, 1400 HOURS UNTIL 1600 HOURS

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mark Ambler, David Atkin; Scott Glenn; Charles Prentiss; John Richards; Mary Steiner (Chairperson); Shannon Mears; Azita Quan; Glenn Teves

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Malia Akutagawa; Iris Terashima; Pete Cooper; Marjorie Ziegler; Koa Kaulukukui; Gary Gill (Director of Environmental Quality Control, ex officio, voting)

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Attendance sheet attached

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** With a quorum of 9 members, Chairperson Mary Steiner called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm.
2. **INTRODUCTIONS/ATTENDANCE:** Attendance sheet attached.
3. **APPROVAL OF June 17, 2012 MEETING MINUTES:** Scott Glenn moved to approve July 19th meeting minutes. No changes were suggested. The Environmental Council approved July 19th meeting minutes by acclamation.
4. **ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL CHAIR'S REPORT:**
  - a. Chairperson Mary Steiner announced that a letter to the Governor suggesting criteria for the next OEQC Director, discussed at the last meeting, had been sent out.
  - b. Chairperson Mary Steiner has designed and submitted a budget to Gary Gill.
  - c. Chairperson Mary Steiner suggested tabling further discussion of retreat follow-up until the next meeting.
5. **OEQC DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** No report, Director not present.
  - a. David Atkin moved for the Chair to convey to the Director of OEQC the importance of communicating status of OEQC to Council in person or by an official delegate. Seconded by Glenn Teves. All in favor. Motion Passes.
6. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT:**
  - a. Exemption – Committee Chair David Atkin discussed Kauai County's application for a wholesale replacement of their exemption list, that will be published in the September 8<sup>th</sup> Environmental Notice, which will begin the 30-day comment period.
    - i. Committee Chair David Atkin moves for Chairperson Steiner to request the Environmental Center review and comment on the Kauai County exemption list application. Scott Glenn seconds. John Richards abstains, all else in favor.
  - b. Rules – Committee Chair Scott Glenn announces that Draft #1 of the rules update process has been released for public comment and input from stake-holders. The 2-year update plan is discussed.
    - i. Committee Chair Scott Glenn moves for the Council to authorize David Atkin to prepare a press release announcing the release of Draft #1 of rules update. Shannon Mears seconds. All in favor.
  - c. Annual Report – Committee Co-Chair Azita Quon discusses current focus on data collection working towards GPI. Receiving support from HPU and OEQC staff. Requests Council members to begin thinking about bio information as well as Committee updates for the report.
  - d. Legislative – Committee Chair Mary Steiner discusses plans for reintroducing a fee bill. Herman of OEQC is currently reviewing and redrafting language.
7. **PUBLIC TESTIMONY:**

- a. Dave Penn urges Council to stay up to date on Environmental Notice publications and projects that are coming through. All Council members will be added to Environmental Notice mailing list.
  - b. Question posed on availability of 2012 Environmental Council meeting minutes. Les responds that he is still working on getting the past minutes posted and up to date.
8. ADJOURNMENT: Chair Steiner thanked everyone for their time and the meeting was adjourned at 3:02 PM.