

HAWAI‘I COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS

MINUTES – REGULAR SESSION

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

10:08 a.m. – 12:33 p.m.

County Council Chambers

Hawai‘i County Building

25 Aupuni Street

Hilo, Hawai‘i 96720

Members and Staff Present:

Lisa Fukumitsu, Vice Chair

Paul “Scotty” Paiva, Member

David Bruno, Member

Kelly Valenzuela, Member

Cameron Takamura, Deputy Corporation Counsel

Keyra Wong, Deputy Corporation Counsel Section Chief

Khayla-Lei Peiler, Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER (10:01 a.m.)

Ms. Fukumitsu called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. Present in chambers were Lisa Fukumitsu, David Bruno, Kelly Valenzuela and Paul “Scotty” Paiva. Also present was Deputy Corporation Counsel Cameron Takamura, Deputy Corporation Counsel Keyra Wong and Board Secretary Khayla-Lei Peiler.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok, good morning everyone I am Vice Chair Fukumitsu and due to Chair Shorts absence today I’ll be presiding over this meeting. Calling to order the Board of Ethics meeting for August 13, 2025 which is being held both in person at the Hilo Council Chambers as well as virtually on Zoom. I’d like to review protocols with all of our zoom participants, cameras must be turned on at all times during the hearing, one person speaks at a time with no side conversations, please mute your device when you’re not speaking to improve audio quality for all. For Zoom participants raise your hand and wait for recognition by the Chair before speaking to ensure we make a clean and clear record. Prior to speaking please state your name so that all parties know who is speaking, speak slowly, clearly and be close to the microphone. Limit distractions, turning off mobile phones and other devices. And as a general reminder for all Board of Ethics members please state your name before speaking throughout our hearing today. So if we could now introduce ourselves. I’ll go first. Vice Chair Fukumitsu.

Mr. Bruno: Member, David Bruno.

Mr. Paiva: Member, Scotty Paiva.

Ms. Valenzuela: Member, Kelly Valenzuela.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok also present we have Deputy Corporation Counsel Cameron Takamura, the Boards attorney, and BOE Secretary Khayla-Lei Peiler. And Keyra Wong who will be assisting the Board.

Mr. Takamura: Chair there are four members present and you have quorum to proceed.

2. STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS (10:10 a.m.)

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok moving on to agenda item 2 we'll take statements from the public on agenda items. As a reminder public testifiers can either testify now or have the option to wait until the agenda item is called to testify. Do we have any public testifiers at this time? Ok so there's no one on Zoom and no public testifiers at this time.

Ms. Peiler: There is a petitioner on Zoom.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Oh there's a Petitioner on Zoom. Ok so we can move on.

3. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR SESSION MINUTES (10:11 a.m.)

a. Approval of the regular session minutes of July 16, 2025

Ms. Fukumitsu: So we're moving on to approval of the minutes? Ok, moving on to approval of the regular session minutes for July 16, 2025 meeting. Any public testimony on this agenda item? Let the record reflect there's no public testimony has everyone had a chance to review the regular session minutes for our July 16 meeting? Seeing everyone nodding yes can I get a motion to approve the regular session minutes for our July 16 meeting?

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno I make a motion to accept the minutes for July 16 meeting.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Thank you. Can I get a second?

Ms. Valenzuela: Member Kelly Valenzuela. I second it.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Any discussion? Seeing and hearing none all those in favor of approving the regular session minutes for our July 16, 2025 meeting say aye.

All members say aye in unison

Ms. Fukumitsu: Any oppose? Ok unanimously motion passes.

Motion and Vote: Board member Bruno moved to approve the Regular Session minutes of July 16, 2025; Board Member Valenzuela seconded; All Members voted aye. Motion Passes. (10:12 a.m.)

3. APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES (10:12 a.m.)

b. Approval of the executive session minutes of July 16, 2025

Ms. Fukumitsu: Next is the approval of the executive session minutes for the July 16, 2025 meeting. Any public testimony on this agenda item? Hearing and seeing none let the record reflect there's no public testimony. Has everyone had a chance to review the executive session minutes for our July 16, 2025 meeting? Can I get a motion to approve the executive session minutes from our July 16 meeting.

Ms. Valenzuela: Kelly Valenzuela a make a motion to approve the July 16...

Mr. Takamura: Executive session minutes.

Ms. Valenzuela: Executive session minutes.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Thank you. Can I get a second?

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva second.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Any discussion? All those in favor of approving executive session minutes for the July 16, 2025 meeting say aye.

All members say aye in unison

Ms. Fukumitsu: Any opposed? Ok motion carries.

Motion and Vote: Board member Valenzuela moved to approve the Executive Session minutes of July 16, 2025; Board Member Paiva seconded; All Members voted aye. Motion Passes. (10:13 a.m.)

4. COMMUNICATIONS (10:13 a.m.)

- a. Legal memorandum from the Board’s attorney pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, and analyses relating to informal advisory opinions requested by employees and officers.

Pursuant to Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS) §§ 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), the Board will convene an executive session to consult with the Board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Ms. Fukumitsu: We’re moving on to agenda item 4a which is a legal memorandum from the Board’s attorney pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, and analyses relating to informal advisory opinions requested by employees and officers so I’d like to request for an executive session at this time. And can I get a motion?

Mr. Takamura: And for whoever is going to make the motion all you really need to do is say you’re going to move and then read the paragraph under 4a.

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno I move that we move to executive session pursuant to Hawai‘i Revised Statutes (HRS) §§ 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), the Board will convene an executive session to consult with the Board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Can I get a second?

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva. Second.

Ms. Fukumitsu: All those in favor of moving into executive session say aye.

****All members say aye in unison****

Ms. Fukumitsu: Any opposed? Nope. Unanimous so we are moving now into executive session at 10:14 a.m. Oh anyone in the gallery if you could step outside while we convene our executive session and we’ll call you back. Mahalo. And Zoom.

Mr. Takamura: Ok so at this time I’d ask anybody who’s not on the Commission to please wait outside.

Motion and Vote: Board member Bruno moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to HRS Sections 92-4 and 92-5a(4) for the purpose of consulting with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Boards powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities as they relate to this agenda item; Board Member Paiva seconded; All Members voted aye. Motion Passes. (10:14 a.m.)

Board enters Executive Session (10:14 a.m.)

Board enters Open Session (11:17 a.m.)

Ms. Fukumitsu: How do you guys feel about taking a break while we start to you know move back into open session bring everybody back take a little 10 minute break? Do we have to vote?

Ms. Valenzuela: I just feel bad for the guys waiting.

Ms. Fukumitsu: I know. Ok up to you. No break, we keep going? Is everybody ok? We'll keep going.

Ms. Valenzuela: Can we do like five minute, like a bathroom break really quick?

Mr. Takamura: Yeah you can go now.

Brief five minute recess

Ms. Fukumitsu: Thank you very much, Vice Chair Fukumitsu. Starting our open session meeting at 11:24am we are at agenda item 4b. So review of draft communication from the Board to all department heads requesting information on internal departmental policies and procedures pertaining to outside employment. Do we have any public testimony on this item. Ok, has everyone reviewed the document? Can I get a motion to approve?

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno I make a motion that we approve the memo to make the request to department heads.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Can I get a second?

Ms. Valenzuela: Kelly Valenzuela. I second.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok any discussion?

Mr. Bruno: I just have question for Corporation Counsel. Whether the month or the time frame are we looking at do we give them a couple weeks? Do we have to get it back before the next meeting?

Mr. Takamura: That's for you guys to decide. They would probably need at least till the next meeting or within the Board Packet period of the next meeting so it would be within three full business days of the next meeting it would be at least what the probably need. But it's up to your guys.

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno. Just to go into detail, so request would obviously fall to you to get this out? That's something that could be done reasonably quickly and then just giving them potentially that 3 week window to respond so we have the information before next meeting.

Mr. Takamura: Yup so the draft has that I guess that parts blank the deadline so acting Chair Fukumitsu has the Draft that can be filled in and signed today and then we could send it via inter-departmental mail or via email within the day.

Mr. Bruno: Thank you.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Vice Chair Fukumitsu. So just point of clarification this memo is going... this is sort of a memo for ongoing use yes? Or just a one time.

Mr. Takamura: So at a previous meeting you guys discussed wanting to know what the department's internal policies are regarding outside employment so that's what this does is it seeks a response from them as to what their current internal policies are.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Thank you so given that this is going to be a memo template?

Mr. Takamura: No this is going to be the actual memo.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Oh a one time thing. Ok cause I was going to say if we're going to continue to use this format in future sessions, hearings, that we would just leave that last part blank but it's a one time thing that's fine.

Mr. Takamura: Yup it's just the memo to be sent out.

Ms. Fukumitsu: And for the record do we need me to read the memo contents out loud?

Mr. Takamura: It's not necessary. But if you want to.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok great, nope that's fine. So ok any further discussion?

Mr. Takamura: So I guess one thing you guys would have to discuss is what the deadlines going to be put into the draft memo.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok.

Mr. Bruno: Yeah so to that, Member Bruno, just looking at the calendar our next meeting is scheduled for September 10th so for the packet which comes out the prior Friday would be the 5th. Although that Monday is Labor Day so do we need to request it by the 29th of August which gives them 2 and half weeks? Or can it fall to the 2nd or 3rd of September? Just to make sure that timewise for the packet.

Mr. Takamura: Yeah timewise in order to make it into the Board packet it would have to be by like the 3rd but that is only like a little over 2 weeks. So that's something you could consider. The last time it took DPW a little over a week I think but it really depends on the Department and their workload. I'm sure they wouldn't object to having a longer timeline but that's up to you guys.

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno. I think it would be helpful to have the information we may not have the complete response so we may have to deal with what we haven't gotten back by then if we can request at least we can see how many are able to respond using DPW in their example last time. So if we gave them until the 2nd, which is after the labor day holiday does that seem reasonable?

Mr. Takamura: If that's ok then I would ask for a vote to approve the letter with the amendment that the deadline be September 2nd.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Yes can I call for the motion please.

Mr. Bruno: We need a revised motion to accept the memo with putting in the date of the deadline to the 2nd.

Mr. Takamura: Yes.

Mr. Bruno: So to amend my prior motion to accept the memo and have it sent out with the return date being requested by September 2nd.

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva. Second.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Calling for the vote all those in favor of accepting the memo with amendments as discussed including the due date of September 2nd. All those in favor of?

****All members say aye in unison****

Ms. Fukumitsu: Any opposed? No opposed the motion passes unanimously and the memo is accepted with amendments. So I'm going to sign it.

Mr. Takamura: Ok so at this time I'd ask anybody who's not on the Commission to please wait outside.

Motion and Vote: Board member Bruno moved to accept the memo asking Department Heads to provide information in regard to internal policies regarding outside employment with the amendment to add the deadline of September 2, 2025; Board Member Paiva seconded; All Members voted aye. Motion Passes. (11:31 a.m.)

5. OPEN PROCEEDINGS FOR INFORMAL ADVISORY OPINION PETITION(S)

- a. Petition 2025-14 (Open Proceeding): David Holbrook, building inspector, petition for informal advisory opinion as to whether proposed outside employment as architectural plans drafter would violate the Code of Ethics.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok, so sorry. We're moving on to agenda item 5, continuing discussion on Petition 2025-14. Where are we...with that. Oh and for the record Vice Chair Fukumitsu I would just like to make a disclosure the Petitioner, Mr. Holbrook, was the inspector on my photovoltaics like a few weeks ago. I don't even know if you were aware of it. I just was looking at my permit for my photovoltaics and I noticed your name. But for me being transparent I just want put that out on the record but just also I am confident I can continue to be impartial as we move forward with this. Oh yes and the permit is already closed. Is that enough? It's no longer a continuing thing. And I didn't know at the time that we were having this discussion...that we were reviewing this Petition, it wasn't happening at that time. Thank you.

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno, I guess just to address this in light of what we discussed in executive session and notwithstanding the fact that we've requested the...we just approved the request for further information on department standards that that's sort of separate and aside from considering this Petition at least in my view.

Mr. Takamura: Yeah so you guys already had requested DPW's opinion in the past and they rendered it prior to the last meeting.

Mr. Bruno: So I guess I would say based...for discussion I think based on the information that I have heard and that we've discussed and speaking with Petitioner as far as he's described it and sort of defined what he anticipates to do and I'm considering sort of the analysis we discussed recently that it in my opinion at least that it would not create a conflict but I'm open to having further discussion about that to kind of move this through or if we need to wait for further information.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Vice Chair Fukumitsu. Are we then saying we're ready to make a motion?

Mr. Takamura: Yeah if you guys have flushed out everything.

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva. I have a little bit to...include I think past practices as we have approved other similar petitions and one in particular was number 2024-22 and in that we added some requirements and if we can add that in. And we have here does not inspect any projects or buildings or structures that may have been part of the drafting, part of drafting of the plans. Or use county resources, equipment or county paid time for the side drafting business. If we can include that into the motion.

Ms. Fukumitsu: So the person who makes the motion would include all of those.

Mr. Takamura: So all the basis for your disposition. So first you're going to decide the disposition right? On the Petition whether or not you find that the conduct proposed is or is not a probable violation and then after that you can decide whether or not to add any kind of I guess guardrails to ensure that it remains that way or to come back into compliance.

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva. I think this is part of my thinking that with, I wouldn't approve it without this...requirements. So I think it's part of the motion. But you said after we approve.

Mr. Takamura: Oh no. So in your disposition, your oral disposition right now the first thing you have to find is whether or not the proposed conduct is or is not a probable violation and if it's not a probable violation then you guys can add additional stuff like what you're talking about as guardrails to make sure it stays that way.

Mr. Bruno: I actually have a question could I ask the Petitioner to...come forward I'd like to ask a question and get clarification speaking of restrictions that Member Paiva has raised. Mr. Holbrook thank you for coming back again. So one of things if I recall correctly when you were talking about sort of the breath of the amount of work that you have sort of tied in with someone that you've talked that's interested in using your services and that you plan to create a set of plans that they can go. My question is to do you foresee sort of soliciting additional business or are you going to market yourself as that? Or is it you're clearing the way so that you have this one

you can take care of through a word of mouth thing or how much solicitation I guess and how much marketing are you planning?

Mr. Holbrook: In the past when I had a drafting business before I never solicited work I would usually get calls and I was on a list at HPM Building Supply and things like that of available draftsmen but in this case I have one general contractor who's interested in having my...me build, draw plans for him. He wants to have four or five house plans on his website that customers can choose from if they so please and I could make changes to those plans as necessary. But otherwise I don't really have time to actually run a full business. It just takes too much time and I have a house and a yard.

Mr. Bruno: And so just to clarify. This opinion you're looking to be able to fulfill sort of that what we've been talking about. The plans of working with one general contractor to create these plans. What I'm thinking of is just not trying to handcuff you if we say you won't be actively soliciting or you know promoting it as a separate business if that becomes too restricting I'm just trying to divide the line between you're just trying to get this first set done...

Mr. Holbrook: This is strictly just a part time kind of a thing that I'd like to do. It could take a couple of months to prepare a set of plans and especially doing it part time. And I can't use all of my time towards that, spare time. So no it would be, and actually if I had four or five sets of plans on this guys website I would be getting a commission...

Mr. Takamura: Sorry Mr. Holbrook I'm going to have to ask you to pause. We're having a technical issue. You want to call for a recess.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Vice Chair Fukumitsu I'm going to call for a brief recess to get our recording back and Wi-Fi up.

****Technical Difficulties****

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok Vice Chair Fukumitsu, our Wi-Fi's back up and running. Zoom's good? Ok. We're back in session at 11:42 and I believe we were having a discussion with Board Member Bruno.

Mr. Bruno: Yeah Board Member Bruno. That's helpful to you know we want to put appropriate limitations to it as my fellow member but I just

want to make sure that we're not going to far with what your anticipated endeavor is. Thanks. I don't have any other questions.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok so I think...Sorry Vice Chair Fukumitsu. Are we ready for a motion?

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva. I move that we find that the requested activity does not violate the County Code of Ethics with the inclusion of the same requirements we put in for an earlier decision Petition 2024-22.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Sorry legal question. Do you want us to state what those parameters or provisions would be for the record?

Mr. Takamura: Yeah I think it would be helpful to read the applicable ones out.

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva I'll include those to the best of my abilities. The Petitioner does not inspect any projects or buildings or structures that they have been a part of the drafting plans. Or use any County resources, equipment or County paid time for the side Drafting business.

Mr. Takamura: Ok anything else? Anybody else have any additions or other comments?

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok great can I get a second?

Ms. Valenzuela: Kelly Valenzuela. I second it.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok calling for the vote all those in favor?

All members say aye in unison

Ms. Fukumitsu: Opposed? None. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion and Vote: Board member Paiva moved to find that Petition 2025-14 does not violate the Hawaii County Code of Ethics as long as the Petitioner does not inspect any projects, buildings or structures that they have been a part of the drafting plans and does not use any County resources, equipment or County paid time; Board Member Valenzuela seconded; All Members voted aye. Motion Passes. (11:45 a.m.)

6. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Petition 2025-15 (Closed Proceeding): County Employee petition for informal advisory opinion concerning their own conduct.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok, can I get a motion to move us into executive session?

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno, I make a motion that we move to executive session for agenda item 6a pursuant to HRS Sections 92-4, 92-5a(2) and 92-5a(4) the Board will convene in executive session to consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline of an officer or an employee or of charges brought against the officer or employee where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved provided if the individual concerned requests an open meeting, an open meeting shall be held and to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Boards powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities and further to item 6b also pursuant to HRS Sections 92-4, 92-5a(2) and 92-5a(4) the Board will convene in executive session to consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline of an officer or an employee or of charges brought against the officer or employee where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved provided if the individual concerned requests an open meeting, an open meeting shall be held and to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Boards powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities for the following confidential financial disclosures.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Can I get a second?

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva, second.

****Technical Difficulties****

Ms. Fukumitsu: Do you want a break?

Mr. Takamura: No, I'm going to note for the record that the motion was made by David and seconded by Scotty. And then I'll include that in the minutes later so you can proceed on the vote.

Ms. Fukumitsu: All those in favor of moving into executive session say aye.

****All members say aye in unison****

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok, unanimous. We're moving into an executive session at 11:50am.

Mr. Takamura: Ok so this is for Executive session for item 6a which is Petition 2025-15. I would ask that anybody not in here for that Petition please step outside until your Petition is called.

Motion and Vote: Board member Bruno moved to go into Executive Session pursuant to HRS Sections 92-4, 92-5a(2) and 92-5a(4); Board Member Paiva seconded; All Members voted aye. Motion Passes. (11:50 a.m.)

Board enters Executive Session (11:50 a.m.)

Board enters Open Session (12:21 p.m.)

Ms. Fukumitsu: Also for the record Board Member Paiva is needing to leave at this time and we lose quorum.

Mr. Takamura: But I still can do the executive session report without quorum.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok so we can still address agenda item 8 Executive Session Report and announcements to finish our...

Microphones turned off

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok. We're back in open session. It's 12:27 p.m. at this time can I ask that DCC Takamura provide the executive session report pursuant to HRS Section 92-4b.

Mr. Takamura: This is the executive session report agenda item 4a was held in executive session pursuant to HRS 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4) for the Board to convene in executive session to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's power, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities. There was no action and it's not subject to disclosure as disclosure would tend to defeat the purpose of the executive session pursuant to HRS 92-4(b) and 92-5(a)(4) which was the purpose that the Board held it. Item 6a 1 was also held in executive session pursuant to HRS Section 92-4, 92-5(a)(2) and 92-5(a)(4) which was to convene in executive session to consider the hire, evaluation, or discipline of an officer or employee or of charges brought against the officer or employee where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved and to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues

pertaining to the Boards powers, duties, privileges, immunities and liabilities. The Board voted on a preliminary decision which will be reviewed at the next meeting. The discussion and the contents of the action is not subject to disclosure pursuant to HRS 92-4(b) and HRS 92-5(a)(2) as it would defeat the purpose of the executive session as stated before. Item 6a 2 was also held in executive session pursuant to HRS Section 92-4, 92-5(a)(2) and 92-5(a)(4) which was previously stated for the previous item. Similarly the Board voted on a preliminary decision which will be voted on at the next meeting. Discussion and the contents of the action are not subject to disclosure as it disclosure would tend to defeat the purpose of the executive session pursuant to HRS 92-4(b) and HRS 92-5(a)(2). Items 6b was continued to a future agenda item so no action and no discussion. And that's it for the executive session report.

Ms. Fukumitsu: I'm so sorry. Vice Chair Fukumitsu. Did I state for the record that due to were losing quorum that we were going to move or continue agenda item 7? The permitted interaction group?

Mr. Takamura: We can do that in open session.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Do I need a motion to move?

Mr. Takamura: You can either have a motion to continue it to a future agenda item or you can exercise your discretion as the Chair to cancel the item. Up to you.

Ms. Fukumitsu: What does it mean if I cancel it?

Mr. Takamura: So that just means it's no longer on the agenda. Because you control, as the Chair, you control the agenda. But if you wanted it to be like everybody's input then you can do a motion.

Ms. Fukumitsu: But if I cancel it will it just automatically move to the next?

Mr. Takamura: Yeah so well it doesn't automatically move but it cancels it and then you or Chair Short will put it on a future agenda using your authority to dictate the agenda.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Can I get a motion? Thank you.

Mr. Bruno: Member Bruno I make a motion that we move item 7 permitted interaction group to the September meeting.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Can I get a second?

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva Second.

Mr. Fukumitsu: Any discussion? Calling for the vote all those in favor of moving agenda item 7 to the next meeting in September please say aye.

All members say aye in unison

Ms. Fukumitsu: Opposed? Ok none. Passes unanimously so we're going to move the permitted interaction group report to our September meeting.

Motion and Vote: Board member Bruno moved continue agenda item 7 the Permitted Interaction Group Report to the next meeting; Board Member Paiva seconded; All Members voted aye. Motion Passes. (12:32 p.m.)

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS (12:32 p.m.)

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok moving on to item 9 announcements. The next monthly meeting of the Board of Ethics is scheduled for Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 10 a.m. at the Hawaii County Building Council Chambers, 25 Aupuni Street Hilo, HI 96720.

10. ADJOURNMENT (12:32 p.m.)

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok let's see, can I get a motion to adjourn?

Mr. Paiva: Member Paiva, motion to adjourn.

Ms. Fukumitsu: Can I get a second?

MS. Valenzuela: Kelly Valenzuela. I second.

Ms. Fukumitsu: All those in favor say aye.

All members say aye in unison

Ms. Fukumitsu: Ok everyone's in agreement, we are adjourned at 12:33.

Motion and Vote: Board Member Paiva moved to adjourn the meeting; Board Member Valenzuela seconded; All Members voted aye; Motion Passes (12:33 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted:

Khayla-Lei, Secretary