

**Volcano Cymbidium Acres Road Maintenance Corporation  
(VCARMC)**

**Newsletter – September 2009**

Aloha VCARMC members;

The VCARMC Annual General Meeting will be at Cooper Center in Volcano Village at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 17, 2009. The Board of Directors will meet immediately after the general meeting. We are making important decisions about our roads, please attend.

We do not presently have the full number of members of the VCARMC Board of Directors permitted by the VCARMC bylaws. Any member interested in joining the Board is welcome. The three current officers have all been serving for over eight years now. We need to elect new officers.

The annual road maintenance assessment for the year 2010 is due September 30, 2009. We have continued to collect past due assessments from owners as part of the escrow process when their properties were sold. The VCARMC will have a current balance of about \$8,000 in funds, after we have paid the final balance of \$6,000 for the completion of roadwork on Road A and Laukapu Road. The board tries to maintain a minimum balance of about \$3,000 to cover unexpected expenses.

We have contracted our major roadwork since 2007 with the company, Island Roads, Inc., which has recently reorganized as a new company, Triple K Trucking & Equipment Rental. They will honor all contracts and agreements we had with Island Roads. We had contracted with Island Roads to chip seal and follow-up fog seal, the bottom half of Laukapu Road and most of Road A, from Road B to Road E. They have just completed the work, and will be paid the outstanding \$6,000 on the contract. As part of their services under the contract, they have agreed to patch potholes and do roadside poisoning of grass and weeds overgrowing road shoulders for no additional charge. We intend to have them continue to patch potholes and poison for us.

All of the subdivision's roads, originally built back in 1967, have now been upgraded by the VCARMC. We plan to continue contracting with Island Roads/Triple K to do our road maintenance work. The Board's plan for future major road maintenance work, is to consider follow-up chip sealing and/or fog sealing of Roads B and D, the roads which are now in poorest condition. Island Roads/Triple K has proposed fog sealing all of the subdivision's roads, to better preserve them.

There has been a continuing problem with residents and visitors speeding on our subdivision's roads, creating a safety hazard. The posted speed limit for our roads is 15 mph. For some time, we have been considering installing speed bumps on at least some of our roads to deter speeding. The Board of Directors has voted to install speed bumps on Road B and on Laukapu Road. Signs and yellow striping on the bumps will call motorists' attention to their presence. We hope residents will cooperate, and not try to drive around them, degrading the road shoulders.

Resident owner Sharon Moraes has taken on the project of giving three of our roads new Hawaiian names, rather than just the existing letters "A", "C" and "E". We are very grateful to her for this. She has done all the preliminary work necessary to officially submit the proposed names to the County. Two of our roads already have Hawaiian names. The official name for Road B is "Kekoanui", and the name for Road D is "Kalaninauli". She has proposed new names (referring to native Hawaiian trees found in the subdivision) for Roads "A", "C" and "E". The proposed new names are "Olomea" for Road A, "Likolehua" for Road C, and "Kawailehua" for Road E. She has drafted an explanatory letter and a ballot to be sent out to the owners on these roads, requesting their approval of the name change, as required by law. The Board of Directors voted to endorse the name changes, and to assist in contacting owners. The ballots for road name changes will be mailed to owners separately from this annual newsletter.

All of these issues are on the agenda for discussion at the Annual General Meeting, hope you can attend.