

The departmental reviews reconvened on April 16, 2012 at 9:14 a.m. and proceeded as follows:

Councilmember Rapozo (*present at 9:26 a.m.*)

PUBLIC WORKS:

Chair Furfaro: Aloha good morning, I'm calling back into session the Budget process that was in recess from Friday. On that note Mr. Dill it is my understanding that we're going to start today with automotive right? And eventually work towards the start of the CIP Review. How do you have your program laid out for us, just so we can all make a few notes this morning? I did get that right we are going to start with automotive right?

LARRY DILL, COUNTY ENGINEER: That's correct. Good morning Council Chair and members of the council, Larry Dill, County Engineer for the record. Our agenda for this morning we plan to start off with the repair shop/automotive then move to the highways operating budget and finish off with the solid waste operating budget. My understanding was that CIP was re-scheduled for Thursday?

Chair Furfaro: Yes it is scheduled for Thursday but we put it in the calendar for the purposes of if you come through with flying colors and its only 1:30 in the afternoon, we might want to start talking about some of those items.

Mr. Dill: I apologize I'm not prepared for that for today.

Chair Furfaro: Okay then we'll go to a long recess.

Mr. Dill: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: Okay but I think we do have it in the narrative. It talks about going into the engineering department and it leads up as...

Mr. Dill: I apologize it was my understanding that it was in there than there was a change to that. That was my understanding and I apologize if that's not correct.

Chair Furfaro: Well this was my calendar so we'll take it as it comes and if you noticed even Thursday says if necessary a continuation department of public works and then CIP, but all 3 days also indicated CIP. So gentlemen you have the floor, good morning.

Mr. Dill: Can we get the slides projected on the screen please?

Chair Furfaro: Larry I'm going to move to the side table.

Mr. Dill: Good morning again we will be proceeding as we were last Friday with our various divisions we finished 3 on Friday and we have 3 more this morning. Generally speaking our general format will be talking about fiscal year 2012 and some of the highlights and issues there. We will then talk about fiscal year 2013, and then we will look at operating budget discussion highlights where there is significant variations or cost that we have not perhaps anticipated and then any staffing issues pertinent to that division. I will turn it over now to our chief of our automotive division, Dwayne Adachi.

DWAYNE ADACHI, CHIEF AUTOMOTIVE DIVISION: Good morning, Council Chair, Councilmember's, Dwayne Adachi Automotive Division. We have a short slide presentation that goes

over what we did in 2012. We purchased some new vehicles and equipment including 1 bushwhacker mower, 1 skid steer loader, 3 refuse transfer trailers and 2 hybrid SUV's. We also implemented a refuse transfer station preventive maintenance program. Some improvements that we've made to our facility were to provide additional work space within the existing building footprint. In 2013 we plan to acquire and implement a new fuel management system to replace the obsolete system we are currently operating. We plan to procure approximately 3.3 million dollars worth of vehicles and equipment for all county departments. One of the main areas where we're concerned about is the increase in the fuel cost so the main item is the increase in diesel which we estimating seven hundred thirty thousand dollars versus last year's amount of five hundred fifty and gasoline also. We estimate four hundred fifty five thousand versus last year's three hundred eighty five thousand. Staffing, we recently hired a supervisor to fill that vacant position which was dollar funded and that's about it for the slide presentation if you guys have any questions?

Mr. Dill: If I may add a couple of things here for clarification and reminder that the automotive division is funded by the highway fund so it comes under that fund. Also to elaborate a little bit on this repair shop supervisor position, we have hired someone but we're at in him into that position so we are requesting funding of that dollar funded position since we are using vacancies elsewhere to fund that position. It is a key position that Dwayne has been basically covering himself for some time now and with this new position though he's only at in, he's allowing our shop to be a lot more effective and efficient in its operations. Since we are using other vacant funding if we fund the dollar funded supervisor position that would allow us to fill those vacancies and increase our capacity at the shop.

Chair Furfaro: Larry I'm going to continue our practice, we're going to start with 2 questions each as we go around the table and so forth from various councilmembers. I will pose my first 2 questions I have 4 all together, but we'll see if others will quarry some of the same that I have. The new fuel management system, is this selection and the terms to accurately report the fuel system and its use and so forth, has that been exposed to the county auditors department so that we all have an understanding of how do we use these electronic codes cards as that they are? How do we keep a system of specimen signatures knowing who's approved and so forth. Has that system been looked at by the auditors department?

Mr. Adachi: We currently doing research now on this new fuel management system and it's basically the same procedure the only difference would be the hardware and the software, which supposedly is more reliable. Right now the system we have is obsolete and difficult to repair and get parts for. To transition into the new system shouldn't be that difficult.

Mr. Dill: If I can add to that chair. As you saw in the audit that came back from the auditor's, they pointed out many deficiencies in our current system. As Dwayne pointed out we have not gotten into the details of the procurement so we are fully aware though of the auditors concerns and areas they want us to address in procuring that system which is part of the driver for us acquiring the system.

Chair Furfaro: I just think it would be wise of us to have them look at it and see if they can make any recommendations about controls in advance of actually implementing the new system. My second question when we talk about the refuse trucks and trailers, I have been to the shop several times now and I've noticed a number of times I've seen the new refuse trucks in the yard being serviced. My last visit I found 3, we have 6 right?

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: I found 3 of the 6 in for repair at the same time. Do we have a manufacturer issue there? Have we been in touch with them?

Mr. Adachi: Yes we've been having problems with the engine manufacture the warranty because the new trucks are still under the warranty period and one of the difficulties we face now is the representative for the engine company is based on O'ahu. They have representatives on each Island except Kaua'i and so it's difficult to get repairs done in a timely manner because they like to impose traveling fees on us and we feel the county shouldn't be paying for traveling fees under the warranty period. So we go back and forth with the engine manufacturer.

Chair Furfaro: So at this point the warranties are still active, we have this discrepancy about this travel fees. May I ask if the County Attorney's Office is involved at this point to make sure we are documenting these discrepancies? If they're not I find I just request that they do it now.

LYLE TABATA, DEPUTY COUNTY ENGINEER: Maybe I can answer that. Lyle Tabata, Deputy Engineer. I recently was made aware of this and what we have done is our supervisor has gone back to the manufacturer on the Mainland to work with them around the Hawai'i rep and he has directed the service according to what our needs are. We are letting that process work its way first before we get the County Attorney involved.

Chair Furfaro: Actually I want to say that we don't have a very good track record on things like warranties at the Kilauea Gym because we waited too long to get the County Attorney's Office involved so I am going to make a request if we can at this point to at least send a cover letter to the manufacturer that we got a couple of issues and at least we're on record. I think that would be my recommendation. Those are my 2 questions for this first go around and thank you gentlemen and I hope you understand my sensitivity to it because we had a couple of warranties on building work expire and we had to come back and rebuild the documentation. Okay I'm going to go to Mr. Chang first Council Vice Chair, and then I will come to you second. Okay Mr. Chang and I'm going to move back to my seat.

Mr. Chang: Thank you good morning Dwayne and thank you for being here. It might sound self explanatory but what is a bushwhacker mower and a skid steer loader?

Mr. Chang: The bushwhacker mower is what we use to maintain the roadside, the vegetation it's the tracker with the side arm that cuts in on the side arm. And the skid steer loader is a small loader referred to as a skid steer, it's like a bobcat we use to have in the old days. But now we got small rubber track loaders.

Mr. Chang: So after we cut on the side of the road the remnants of the weeds or the bush just sits there? Is that how that works?

Mr. Adachi: Yeah pretty much.

Mr. Chang: Do we coordinate with like your department when you guys are getting ready to cut because I noticed a lot of times we cut and it exposes a lot of the rubbish and then the rubbish doesn't sit in the grass and it's now exposed and starts blowing.

Mr. Dill: Councilmember Chang Dwayne's role is simply the procurement of the equipment and the maintenance of the equipment but can I ask when highways comes up that you can pose that question and we'll address it then.

Mr. Chang: Okay, okay.

Mr. Dill: Thank you.

Mr. Chang: Just one quick fact question. In regards to the contractor that we have that doesn't want to fly out to do maintenance. Are there other situations like that with some of the other vendors?

Mr. Adachi: Yes we ran into that in the past just basically with this engine company. But we've worked around that and we've had the company make concessions and fly the person over. The same in this case it's just that the back and forth communication in trying to get that done is time consuming.

Mr. Chang: Yeah.

Mr. Adachi: You wait for this guy, wait for that guy and we keep going back and forth but in the end they always agree and they send someone down but it takes awhile.

Mr. Chang: Okay thanks. Thank you Chairman.

Chair Furfaro: Vice Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Good morning, as a follow up to the questions from both Chair and councilmember Chang on this warranty issue. To me it's quite outrageous that they don't immediately come and rather than having to work around it, isn't there something we can put in the bid documents that insures prompt service on the warranties and a leverage system that says if they don't respond in so many days that there's a daily penalty?

Mr. Adachi: It states in the bid document under the scope of work that the contractor has 4 days to get the warranty issues addressed and after that we can start charging liquidated damages for each and every day.

Ms. Yukimura: Well that's why I think the Chair's advice to get the County Attorney's involved maybe good, you just start charging them liquidated damages and then it's in their court. Although it still doesn't solve our problem I mean with solid waste you need daily service and so maybe in our bid documents we say for the warranty period they station a separate truck on Kaua'i until the warranty is covered so we have immediate substitute. I don't know what it is but it's such an urgently needed service on a daily basis that it seems to me we might look at both our procurement documents and our legal documents so that you folks don't have to spend all this time trying to get what we should be able to assume. That's just for future even especially if we've had trouble in the past with this manufacturer. My question is about fuel because the statistics your showing is terms of increase costs are quite dramatic and this diesel does it cover our bus fuel? Or is this other vehicles?

Mr. Adachi: No bus has a separate account, transportation has a separate account.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay so when the bus consultant Jim Charlier came forward they have identified that as a key problem in future planning and so it seems if you put together the needs of the bus system and the needs here, it really gives us urgency in terms of finding a substitute fuel and biodiesel comes to mind immediately. There are huge complications but it seems to be that dove tailing in our energy plan and your needs the counties basic operational needs, there

should be maybe a special initiative to figure out this fuel issue. Arriving at fuel self sufficiency is maybe the most urgent thing we need to do and you know Pacific Bio Diesel is an international company now that has started out of Maui and at least we should be talking to them about what the issues are. So gasoline is similar but not as bad of a problem? I'm not even sure how to begin with that one. Ok lastly, thank you for mentioning Larry that the automotive is funded by the highways fund, but automotive takes care of more than just highway operations right? So the question is how are we separating the cost to actually get accurate cost for what is highway related and what is other and are we charging it to the other operations so we know the true costs?

Mr. Dill: We do charge out the other operations to other departments though I don't believe that we are 100% consistent in the way we do that so, we have been having discussions with the Finance Director about that. I would like to leave that up to him to address since he has control over that issue but good point but well taken and we are discussing that with him.

Ms. Yukimura: So you said there are allocations but how accurate they are is the question?

Mr. Dill: Well not how accurate but how consistent we are in charging various departments.

Ms. Yukimura: I see, I see, so that would go to how reliable your figures are?

Mr. Dill: Well I think decisions have been made to charge some departments perhaps and perhaps not charge other departments. And I don't know the history on that.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay, okay, thank you very much.

Chair Furfaro: Okay Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Good morning gentlemen and I wanted to start with just sharing with everyone here including my colleagues, I have missed some budget sessions recently because of illness and because of addressing legal matters that have been imposed on me. I apologize if any of my questions are redundant, I am doing the best I can this day and track with what's going on. So you are proposing a new fuel system and I think that's great and I remember an initiative that didn't happen from Public Works a number of years ago that I see that's related so I want to ask some questions about fleet management and fuel management and that will be my question for this round. The initiative I'm referring to was kind of new high tech 8 or 10 years ago or it was probably 4/5 years ago but it's becoming routine now which is GIS tracking of vehicles. It has many purposes both audit and knowing how fuel is spent but also knowing where your assets are in the field given an emergency. Also the potential and there's been a history and I'm sure it doesn't happen now but there's been a history of county people kind of hanging out and not working and I know that history is real and I'm sure it was a long time ago but it also addresses that kind of fraud that might happen. If you think your workers are out over here but all the vehicles are still at the base yard and that's why I'm hoping that this system you're looking at integrates GIS tracking of vehicle. Is that something you're talking about or considering because I think it's related to fuel systems in often a part of that package?

Mr. Dill: The system we're looking at does not include a GIS option.

Mr. Bynum: So are you aware that that was an initiative from public works in the past?

Mr. Dill: No I'm not.

Mr. Bynum: At that time as I recall was like we're going to collect this data that's not instantly available all of the time but when you drive back into the base yard you get the days data, how many miles were driven, where and that kind of thing. That's one of the systems that was discussed here at budget a number of years ago but it was cut from the budget and not by council I don't think but by the administration. I would really like that to be considered and I may do follow up questions, I mean it's become fairly routine with large fleet management and the cost have plummeted compare to 10 years ago of putting in those kinds of systems. We are all GIS and GPS on all of these phones and that's how cheap it's become so I would strongly encourage our entire county fleet to have that system.

Mr. Dill: Okay we can look into that as part of our system.

Mr. Bynum: And that can be part of your fuel I'm pretty sure same companies and that's all for now. Oh I'm sorry I got two questions. I heard earlier in the budget that we're looking at doing small equipment repair at the bus, and is that going to relieve your operation from some of that stuff?

Mr. Adachi: That would alleviate some of the work load.

Mr. Bynum: And there was some discussion about having a new facility sometime? Is that on the back burner, front burner?

Mr. Dill: Its not on the front burner at the moment, other priorities have come up. We are still investigating that but that's a big cost proposal that we are looking at in the long term.

Mr. Bynum: Right and so it makes sense if you're stuck with your existing space to get working on primarily the fleet so work the big equipment there and take the small equipment elsewhere.

Mr. Dill: Yes and it will make Dwayne's operation more efficient by relieving all the small equipment stuff.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you very much.

Chair Furfaro: We're going to go around the table with two incremental questions for each member. Does anyone want to take some time now? I see Mr. Kualii checking his score card over there. Are you ready for any questions now?

Mr. Kualii: Is this the right place to ask about positions for automotive?

Chair Furfaro: It sure is.

Mr. Kualii: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Yes and then councilmember Nakamura after that. Mr. Rapozo if I step out can I ask you to continue to dialog?

Mr. Rapozo: Sure.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you Mr. Chair. Aloha and good morning and thank you for all your work. You have mentioned the dollar funding of the repair shop supervisor position. Can you tell me how long it's been dollar funded and vacant?

Mr. Adachi: For the past 3 years it's been dollar funded.

Mr. Kualii: Is there other current dollar funded vacant positions that is being budgeted and proposed to be filled?

Mr. Adachi: Not for our division.

Mr. Kualii: Are there any other vacancies that are proposed to be filled?

Mr. Adachi: Currently I have a vacant welder position and a vacant body repair position. We are using the funding from those positions to fill the supervisor position.

Mr. Kualii: So you said a vacant welder position?

Mr. Adachi: Right.

Mr. Kualii: So that is position 1338? Yeah okay in the Department of personnel services from their report from December 31 up to December 31 they put fund dollar funded repair shop supervisor. So position 1338 which is a heavy auto and construction equipment welder which has been vacant since 10-1-2009 is being reallocated to have the funding for the supervisor?

Mr. Adachi: We just transfer the funds so that...

Mr. Kualii: Like lapse surplus funds wasn't used because the position was vacant and it was budgeted for... and you're utilizing those funds to now fill the dollar funded positions?

Mr. Tabata: Maybe I can answer. When Larry and I reviewed Dwayne's operation last year after last year's budget was approved, we felt very strongly that he needed another person to help him. So we took the funding from these two vacancies 1338 and 1342 and we funded and we hired consequently a supervisor for him. Once you approved our budget the dollar funded position would then be funded and we will fill these two vacancies with personnel through the recruitment process.

Mr. Kualii: So it's just a temporary use of the surplus funding?

Mr. Tabata: Right and we do intend to fill this position with the new fiscal budget.

Mr. Kualii: You intend to fill both positions?

Mr. Tabata: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: The welder and the body and fender repair.

Mr. Tabata: Right.

Mr. Kualii: Okay. What about 1336 which is construction equipment mechanic 1? Personnel show it as vacant since November 1, 2009 and in their recruitment status they say... I'm sorry 1336 vacant since November 1, 2011 so just last year the end of last year, not recruiting no request receive county funded. So it just went vacant in November of last year?

Mr. Adachi: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: Someone retired?

Mr. Adachi: A mechanic retired and we plan to fill that position in the future.

Mr. Kualii: What was that?

Mr. Adachi: We plan to fill that position in the future.

Mr. Kualii: Have you been experiencing delays with recruitment with department of personnel services and knowing that it might take 6 months or more, when are you going to get them started in recruiting?

Mr. Adachi: We're working on it right now.

Mr. Kualii: Working on it right now. Okay thank you so much, thank you
Mr. Chair.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you for your presentation and your work in trying to expand the facility. It seems like you added 6 thousand square feet over the past year to increase your operation?

Mr. Adachi: That was property that we had that was unusable because it wasn't really paved it was overgrown, so we cleaned it up and paved the area and we're using it for storage now to get some of the equipment out of the way so we can free up our operating space.

Ms. Nakamura: So do you do the automotive and heavy equipment for all of the county agencies?

Mr. Adachi: Well with the exception of the Fire Department, who has their own mechanic, Transportation has their own facility, the Water Department has their own and we take care of everyone else.

Ms. Nakamura: So Police goes to you?

Mr. Adachi: Right.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay and I also noticed that you're also doing procurement for all the vehicles and heavy equipment?

Mr. Adachi: I do.

Ms. Nakamura: I'm just wondering, what thing we're hearing from other departments is the difficulty they have and the length of time to procure a lot staff get assigned the procurement responsibility but it's only a part of their job or their not really experienced in it and therefore it takes awhile. I'm just wondering do you feel that you have adequate capacity to do procurement. Does it work out fine with you?

Mr. Adachi: Yeah it's just that the process has a course to go through and so it's just the time it takes just to complete the process.

Mr. Dill: One thing I will add their too is the one reason Dwayne's been stretched thin is because he hasn't had a supervisor and that's takes away from his management duties which is the specifications and procurement of the equipment.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay.

Mr. Dill: So taking the supervisory off his plate will allow him to do those things.

Ms. Nakamura: And that's your responsibility is the procurement?

Mr. Adachi: Correct.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay that was my 2 questions.

Chair Furfaro: Does anyone else have any questions, if not I have 2 that I will pose now while others are contemplating other questions. On the fuel system that you are projecting a 32% increase in diesel fuel usage and an 18% increase in gas usage, how much of that is related to the change in prices? And how much of that increase is related to expanded travel time?

Mr. Adachi: Usage remains the same it's just the cost that is the reason for the increase, the price of fuel.

Chair Furfaro: So we're anticipating which usually will peak in August we're anticipating that whole increase will somehow come into this summer and that what we're going to forecast for the rest of the year?

Mr. Adachi: We have no way of projecting the cost or where it's going to go.

Chair Furfaro: But typically our records do indicate that the peak of fuel pricing occurs in July and August and we have gotten there yet.

Mr. Adachi: It still going up.

Chair Furfaro: Okay and so that's the same rationale on the 18% increase in gas?

Mr. Dill: Yes and also Council Chair you may note that the budgeted numbers of five hundred fifty thousand, three hundred and eighty five and we are burning that faster than was projected last year.

Chair Furfaro: Yeah I can see it's about 16% higher in your first six months and we haven't ended the year yet and it's already high. I was just trying to find out if any of that is expanded in the number of vehicles or the kind of traveling we're doing but it's all related to fuel cost, the pure and simple cost of fuel. Now Larry because I have set up an extra revenue model for this new budget sequence and I think we're coming up on it tomorrow. I will be giving you a copy of all the revenue pieces and this is not about property taxes so solely this is about all revenue. Do you folks have an idea of where we are at with the county fuel tax or should I save that question for another day? Because as the fuel prices go up everybody notices that less fuel is used and people are being more conservative. The county's share of the fuel tax doesn't necessarily align itself with the actual increase in fuel. Do you folks have an idea of the projected county fuel tax revenue?

Mr. Dill Well after our meeting Friday afternoon we did do some quick looks at our projections this year versus last year and I haven't has a chance to analyze it but...

Chair Furfaro: Well than we'll save it for tomorrow.

Mr. Dill: Okay alright.

Chair Furfaro: We'll save it for tomorrow I would rather you have the time as we put in our schedules and try to guess it. We'll safe it for tomorrow. Questions, Mr. Rapozo you have questions?

Mr. Rapozo: I just have one and I apologize I was at an appointment in the morning so I stepped in late so if you did answer it I apologize. Regarding your vacancies, one of your challenges are the vacancies, when do you anticipate having those all filled?

Mr. Adachi: As soon as if we get the funding reinstated for the dollar funded position we plan to move forward with the hiring of those 2 vacant positions.

Mr. Rapozo: And typically how long does that take you? I know because every position is different here with testing and different types of screening but for your positions, is there basically a back log or?

Mr. Adachi: I don't know it's hard to answer that question right now I'm not sure exactly how long it will take.

Mr. Tabata: I can answer that. We've been typically anywhere from 2 to 3 months. We try to be more proactive in our effort to recruit and assure the hiring practice along. If I typically don't get feedback I follow up myself and I help the process.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay and the vacant positions that are being funded, those are 8 month funded not 12 month right?

Mr. Tabata: Well our vacancies right now and we kind of discussed this earlier are being used right now to fund the supervisor.

Mr. Rapozo: Correct but I'm talking about going forward July 1, if what your budget is submitted includes funding of those 2 positions correct? And the supervisors position?

Mr. Dill: At 12 months.

Mr. Rapozo: Oh it's at 12 not 8?

Mr. Tabata: Ours is at 12 months.

Mr. Rapozo: You guys at 12?

Mr. Dill: For this division that's right.

Mr. Rapozo: That's fine I know some of the positions I noticed was 8 month funding and I just wanted to know that. The other question is you talked about another challenge of not enough days you got 10 technicians and 8 days so what do those 2 technicians do on a typical day is your days are all full?

Mr. Adachi: We share workspace and try to fix as many vehicles as we can.

Mr. Rapozo: Right and so some technicians are actually doing work outside of the bay?

Mr. Adachi: Sometimes yes.

Mr. Rapozo: I have been down there many times in the past and those guys are hard workers and I guess the frustration is like you said we've out grown that space. Years ago I suggested that we try to create another facility for public safety for police and fire so that their vehicles get addressed at another location. I'm not sure if that's even feasible but I know that's a concern for some of the police officers that the turnaround time for the police vehicles sometimes is a long time. For the non public safety sector does it really matter?

Mr. Adachi: We average about four and a half days.

Mr. Rapozo: For the police?

Mr. Adachi: For overall.

Mr. Rapozo: Oh overall, so the police don't have a separate priority schedule or if they come in they just go into the rotation schedule like everyone else?

Mr. Adachi: Right.

Mr. Dill: We did have a meeting with the folks over at the police department because they had some of the same concerns you are mentioning and we are working with them to create some protocols to allow us to better meet each other's needs. Help us to help them sort of thing. So I think we're improving in that regard concerning the police department.

Mr. Rapozo: I haven't heard too many complaints lately but I know it's always a concern.

Mr. Dill: Good and yes it's always a concern.

Mr. Rapozo: Like I said for the County Clerks explorer it really doesn't matter if it sits there. We would like to get it done but I think the public safety vehicles come first and we have to get them back on the streets. That's all I have Mr. Chair, thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, Vice Chair Yukimura and on that note Mr. Rapozo I'm going to have to step out could you coordinate the meeting?

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you and congratulations for your success of meeting the needs and demands of the different departments because that's your core function and if you're doing that that's commendable. I know that you've addressed some of the challenges as well so we know there's room for getting better, but related to that is your future capacity and you've identified that as a challenge and you've mentioned it as an upcoming initiative. I think this analysis of workplace facility capacity is very important and I'm glad that you've identified it, it sounds like it's not fully activated yet but my question is, do you have what you need in this year's budget to support that or is there anything that's needed?

Mr. Dill: Well the immediate thing we're doing is Dwayne had one of his highlights was we're looking at something we can do within the existing billing footprint to create more workspace. So that would be an immediate need that we had budgeted or requested budgeted for this year. We are having at this point discussions longer term and currently the auto shop is a 5 day a week operation so we're discussing the possibility of going to a six day a week operation. That might be a way that we can utilize existing space more efficiently. Also on the table is and my very conceptual discussion is how we might build a facility which of course would be a significant investment on the county's part. So that's kind of where we're at with those things.

Ms. Yukimura: You know these related items that come up and this idea of a separate facility for police but that's means a whole... well either way it means decentralized so all the issues that come up with that in terms of supervision and so forth. Those are the kind of long term things you need to look at and even the bus system looking at decentralized facilities which you may or may not know about. That's coming up in their long range planning so there might be some opportunity for joint usage if there are decentralized or separated by function. Those are kind of all the different parameters you have to look at if you're doing this long range 20 years planning maybe. I don't know if you need particular help with a planning consultant or anything like that but that's just my question and you're saying not in this budget, but maybe in future budgets?

Mr. Dill: Right.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay and I loved the idea as you have identified performance metrics in your upcoming initiatives? Are you saying that you're going to identify, you've identified 4 right here and is it are you saying in this initiative you're just trying to turn these initiatives faster, I mean these performance metrics faster?

Mr. Dill: Well generally speaking that's correct and we need to understand how we're performing and if we're lagging then how we can address that. We are working with IT now to come up with a way for because Dwayne uses the worker order system through the S-400 how we can generate a report for us on the regular automatic basis and he'll be able to check and have a number every month to see how his performance is versus those metrics.

Ms. Yukimura: Yeah I think it's the management guru damming who said what you can't measure you can't manage, something like that and so you're trying to identify these parameters and measure them is very commendable. I had one more question If I may then I'm done. Is that's okay? You do have a replacement schedule for all your equipment right?

Mr. Adachi: Right.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay and that you're following or you're using that more or less as a guide? Okay excellent thank you very much.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay anyone else? Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, just one more quick one. So in your narrative on the successes and achievements you listed some of the vehicles and equipment, when I looked at the budget on page 228 it has the line item for lease and its going from two hundred thousand to five hundred thousand. So the three hundred thousand increase addresses that vehicles and equipment, there's a long list of detail like it says second of three year lease at 39 thousand but it doesn't say what vehicle or equipment it's for. I'm curious also about the annual cost so the new leases for the following equipment amounts to over four hundred thousand dollars and it has several equipment and not all attributable specifically to you I guess but can you tell me a little bit about the equipment that is yours. Maybe this is also a request for finance as sort of a lease schedule because I would be interested in the new leases...

Mr. Adachi: I think what you're looking at is the amount that we pay yearly for the leases that we're responsible for. Each year we enter into a new lease agreement for the new vehicles that we purchase so that's the current amount that we owe the bank for the lease.

Mr. Kualii: I don't know if you can see this budget but it can't be these amounts because it amounts to well over the four hundred thousand dollar amount. It looks like over a million maybe so I'm thinking it's the value of equipment over time but it doesn't show the monthly amount that we're actually paying, or the number of years I don't know are all the leases six years?

Mr. Dill: Councilmember the list of equipment you see on page 229 is what you see there is the purchase cost.

Mr. Adachi: That was what was budgeted for to purchase this equipment.

Mr. Kualii: Right but then the five hundred and two thousand is the annual lease cost including the previous lease and the new lease and I would ask and those are Finance Director really sort of questions.

Mr. Kualii: Yeah but when you say that is the purchase cost, we're not purchasing.

Mr. Dill: Correct we're leasing.

Mr. Kualii: So that would be the cost if we purchased it?

Mr. Dill: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: So it would be interesting to see the breakdown of what is the lease payment for each of those pieces? And how many years is the lease good for so when we negotiate a contract we're going to pay this amount for 6 years? Is the first year?

Mr. Dill: Right.

Mr. Kualii: The other thing is so the cost per year the number of years and whether at the end of the lease we own the equipment or not or do we have a buy option of what it will cost then. So if it's a finance question I can...

Mr. Rapozo: Wally if you can I think this is similar to the question I asked a few days ago that it's a lease to purchase program.

Mr. Rezendes: Yes in the end we own the asset. It's a five year term and like it was said earlier the prices or the cost items per equipment on page 229 is our best estimate at this time before procurement on what the items will cost us. On page 228 the four hundred sixty two thousand, two nine two, that is the annualized cost of the lease, estimated annualized cost of the lease for a five year term. I apologize we should have said that it would be for a 5 year term of these. We will definitely update that for the May budget submittal too. I'm sorry Wally Rezendes Jr., Director of Finance.

Mr. Kualii: Okay that helps some thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you any other questions for auto shop? Go ahead
Councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: Because the diesel cost has been probably your single largest increase in this division from five hundred fifty thousand to seven hundred thirty thousand this coming year. I was just wondering we are sort of stuck with paying this fee because of the type of equipment that we're running but are there development in the market to move towards other types of fuel sources for these types of equipment? You know like with cars there are alternatives now that we can look at.

Mr. Adachi: Well currently now and you are referring to the hybrid, there is not much in the marketplace right now, basically you're looking at the fuel consumption for diesel is refuge trucks or truck tractors, fire trucks, heavy equipment, construction equipment. Basically the alternative fuel in that application would be bio-diesel right now but we went down that path a few years ago and we ran into problems not being able to procure quality fuel, quality bio-diesel.

Ms. Nakamura: Right.

Mr. Adachi: So we had to put that program on hold because the fuel was starting to damage our equipment so we're right back to our only option is just ultra low sulfur diesel.

Ms. Nakamura: So until the technology catches up to where we have a higher quality fuel at commercial rates...

Mr. Adachi: Or we could get some type of quality bio-diesel delivered to the island right now, which was what Councilmember Yukimura referred to Pacific Bio-Diesel which is on Maui. There is no outlet here for their product for us to procure.

Ms. Nakamura: So is that algae bio-diesel facility not... is that still in experimental phase or?

Ms. Yukimura: I don't think you call it bio-diesel.

Mr. Rapozo: It's jet fuel.

Ms. Yukimura: Yeah it's jet fuel.

Mr. Rapozo: They're making jet fuel.

Ms. Nakamura: Oh okay.

Mr. Adachi: That's not the type of fuel we use.

Mr. Rapozo: Unless we buy rocket powered tractors and maybe we can get the recipe from North Korea. For anyone watching that wants to get into the market of bio-diesel an opportunity sits there but right now it's just not available.

Mr. Tabata: I guess to add on to Dwayne's remarks; our challenge has been getting the product delivered to our island at a reasonable cost.

Mr. Rapozo: And quality.

Mr. Tabata: And quality yes.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you for clarifying. My last questions is I think the metrics is good because it tells us what our baseline is but it would be good to also see where you want to be and what are your goals. If this is the baseline metrics for accident rates or vehicle turnarounds, equipment repairs turnaround. Where do you want to be when you're fully staffed? You don't have to answer that now but if you want to that's fine.

Mr. Dill: Will look into that.

Mr. Rapozo: I think four and a half days is great if you can turn it out in 4 days it's better than... that's really, really good, that's very, very acceptable. Any other questions? Go ahead councilmember Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes I fell like there has been improvement so we do appreciate that and want to encourage you to keep moving in that direction. Just in relationship to the questions about bio-diesel. I agree with you that it is about that delivery at a reasonable cost and long range right now it's a matter and I think even Pacific Bio-Diesel's facing it and it's a matter of source of bio-diesel. You are either going to get it from recycle vegetable oil or from some kind of a plant and they're still in an experimental phase on that. But preserving Ag land so we can actually have economically viable bio plant material for bio-diesel is going to be one of the future issues I think if we want to be able to produce it on island. I think it's worth talking and I'm just thinking gosh maybe we could finance as a county project for county fuel with federal monies just experiment that might be able to find out what is the best plant, what is the best bio mass source and actually run some experiments. Doing it with people like Pacific Bio-Diesel, who are doing this worldwide? Thank you and that's Kelly and Bob King, thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Any more questions? Thank you very much, Mr. Chair.

Mr. Furfaro: Thank you, thank you Mr. Rapozo. So can we go into highways now Larry. Larry I'm going to have to break away to meet with Wally Rezendes for a few minutes at 10:30, but before I do I want to pass out to all the members the sub categories and agendas for tomorrows revenue review which I hope you'll tighten up those questions I asked earlier for tomorrow. Are we going to have a power point presentation?

Mr. Dill: Yes here we go and there's the first slide right there.

Mr. Furfaro: Okay I'm going to relocate myself.

HIGHWAY DIVISION:

EDWARD RENAUD, ROADS ADMINISTRATOR: Good morning Council Chair and Councilmember's, Ed Renaud for the record. Island wide resurfacing, this is one of the first times we have incorporated the road reconstruction work and this is a needed process because we're going to get more life out of the road on the resurfacing so it's going to work perfectly. Besides this we have other things to do on the shoulders and all that stuff but with all the multiple things to improve its going to work out real well. The levee, the Hanapēpē levee has been turned around like you all know in November so I thank everyone for that. Waimea is coming on board, highway gates are coming on very shortly in May and we've already started with the contractor out there with other gates that need to be installed, cleaned or whatever. We are looking at a completion date of June but we have until July and in July we do the inspection with the core of engineers to close that project. We have completed, roads operations has completed discrimination harassment training with their members. Emergency response training with their supervisors and ADA accessible improvements of the base yards has been completed by The Building Division, thanks to them. Vehicle equipment training has been ongoing and going on real well. Major responses to storm events from March turns around real well and we're just waiting for the final assessment from State and FEMA assessment.

Roads Division, we are in implementation of micro paver management system and its working out real well but we're looking at other resources to assist the program so this way we can have an updated of our county roads island wide. We are implementing a maintenance program so this way we can be accountable all of us in roads division. DIS is ongoing and this is one of the systems we are working with and it's going out very shortly for a bid proposal. We are also working with IT, they did some training or they did a contract and we are working with them on what they have available to assist roads with. Reorganization of the field a (inaudible) man power that is ongoing and we believe with this dedication that we are going to turn around the levee's in a more time available so we do away with the overtime. Special construction section is a must to have so we can put it all in one so called section and we can do specialized work there. Traffic signs and marking there is no change but it will be under that section. Equipment logistics we have equipments, just one equipment that we service all the base yards so by putting it in this section it will be on a schedule but we can help all roads different districts besides county wide. Bridge maintenance, we are looking at bringing that up to speed and working hand in hand with engineering. Okay operation, budget, fuel cost I believe we went over that already unless you have any questions we can go over that.

Chair Furfaro: We will hold questions to the end Ed.

Mr. Renaud: Inflation and additional lighting and I think that was answered last week with assistance. Increase in equipment lease, the new equipment we're bringing on is to help the field so we can move better in our operations and get more projects done. Staffing, I will leave it up to Administration I won't discuss anything on that, I don't know anything about that. Okay that's it any questions please?

Mr. Furfaro: Ed I'm going to ask my colleagues to bear with me I've got several questions before we go to our 2 pair question because I have to step out with the County Attorney and Wally Rezentes. But first just a comment on the emergency response to the storm event, when do you think we're going to see a final statement? Is it all being and maybe Larry can help, is it all being coordinated with Civil Defense? When is the goal for the council to see what the thresh hole was on the emergency responses?

Mr. Dill: You're correct Council Chair Civil Defense is taking the lead in coordinating all of that. I know that they are planning to come to council I believe on Wednesday to address that.

Chair Furfaro: Okay are you current with all the information they requested from you?

Mr. Dill: Yes we've provided all reports and assessment as to damages in the report.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so again just a note thank you for the response and the work done during that period of time. Is this a correct assumption now, we are in fact doing one ton of asphalt per one hundred and eight square feet of road service?

Mr. Renaud: That is the correct plan.

Chair Furfaro: That is correct, okay. Now where is your roads group based? Are they based mostly in Kapa'a, and from Kapa'a, they go to Anahola all the way to Puhi? What is the status of your team?

Mr. Renaud: Okay I will give you the breakdown, the Southwest side goes from Mānā to halfway bridge, from halfway bridge to Anahola river is Kapa'a.

Chair Furfaro: To Anahola River.

Mr. Renaud: Correct. And from Anahola Bridge it goes all the way out to Hā'ena.

Chair Furfaro: Where are your people based?

Mr. Renaud: The first portion or southwest is Hanapēpē base yard and that's considered a large base yard, the next group is the Kapa'a base yard and that's similar in size...

Chair Furfaro: You have numbers for us? How much of your staff is in Hanapēpē?

Mr. Renaud: Hanapēpē we average 28 people.

Chair Furfaro: Twenty eight okay.

Mr. Renaud: That's with refuge and everything.

Chair Furfaro: That includes refuge?

Mr. Renaud: Correct and in Kapa'a we average about the same and in Hanalei we average about eighteen.

Chair Furfaro: And in the scope of this staff, what tasks do they take? What tasks are assigned to them besides roads maintenance?

Mr. Renaud: Basically it's roads maintenance; number one is roads maintenance, anything from roads and anything out there. The second thing is we support solid waste, we support other county agencies whether it be parks or whoever that needs our help on a scheduled thing and that's how we move around.

Chair Furfaro: If I recall as we automated our team you were going to use less and less for solid waste. Is that correct?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Chair Furfaro: Is that correct?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: What I've end take is all the tree trimming and everything that this roads group does falls in their scope but can I ask you with the small equipment that we're getting I see it's a local practice it's a local culture it's something that we all grew up with but we still use machetes? Aren't we going to get small equipment for these gentlemen's so we can increase productivity?

Mr. Renaud: We still use machetes?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Renaud: We only use machetes in most of the time if we're trimming trees we're using chain saws.

Chair Furfaro: Okay well I have to tell you unless I was in a time warp I just saw this last week. So I want to make sure if we're going to set a small equipment base that we're getting enough equipment for you folks.

Mr. Renaud: I believe we have enough equipment out there and the only other thing I would say is if there is not enough then the district bureau should send in and have a meeting with me so we can discuss all this. Now before he comes in and he has things that are missing, stolen or lost, they have to come in with the reports and tell me why. That's the bottom line because there's police reports and everything that is needed before we can assist but the Administration has been real fine with this and at the end of fiscal we have bought some added chain saws and weed eaters, so that's one of the procedures.

Chair Furfaro: I had a long discussion with the Mayor on this and I want to make sure if we're making this kind of investments in small tools that we in fact are going to use the tools that are suppose to improve productivity. It's a pretty substantial amount that we're investing in small tools. So you can assure me of that and if my colleagues can be a little bit patient with me I only have a couple more real quick questions. Ed typically we have authorized about 1.7 million dollars a year for road resurfacing, average, okay. Now understood we seem to have fallen behind about 3 years, now we have a pot of money that you folks have done a really good job in putting together a new schedule for us and everything. What area's is that going to cover and when typically do we do that work? I made a statement the other day and I want to make sure I'm repeating what I heard that usually we wait until the rainy season is done and we start road resurfacing sometime in May, is that typically when we start?

Mr. Renaud: Right now we don't have the contract, the contract when I did check into it everything was ready to be processed or presented over to roads. I think by the end of the week I will have that contract in hand but before this we had meetings and our low bidder was Grace Pacific and I had meetings with them for pre-schedules and things like that. When we sat down on the table we were talking something like May or June, but last week I found out they had a change in reorganization of their people so whoever was in charge of Hawai'i is not there anymore. We are scheduled to have a meeting very shortly as soon as I receive the contract this week hopefully its next week to sit down with whoever is going to run the projects. As soon as I can push that out that's my number one goal.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so there's no deviation from our hundred and eight square feet, one half inch covering per ton. The two main people here are Grace Pacific and Glover?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: And they both bid on the job?

Mr. Renaud: Both of them bid on the job and the low bidder came out to be Grace Pacific where this is one of the first times they have taken all of it Island wide, usually its divided but this time they took it all.

Mr. Chang: I'm sorry what was that?

Mr. Renaud: They took the whole island wide resurfacing and it came in really well.

Chair Furfaro: So you can see my concern, we got 3 years of resurfacing to do, one contractor and I think the money in the pot is 6.3 million. Are they going to be able to get us caught up in that time frame with that amount of work to the specs that we gave them; Do you folks feel comfortable with that?

Mr. Renaud: Well the thing is when I first sat down with them before they did the reorganization I was comfortable but right now I need to sit down with whoever is going to be in charge and their people from Honolulu because I have to be reassured before we go there that they are going to supplement me on the conditions that we just stated and in a timely manner. There are other projects they have on island, for example our Koke'e Road and I personally am not involved in Koke'e road my only concern is Island wide resurfacing and that's where I'm at. The thing is if we can get it on time and everything I will be okay, but if they tell me no I'm going to request to have a meeting with whoever and I will make sure administration is with me and for them to bring another crew from another island to assist this because I don't want this to be stretched on.

Chair Furfaro: Okay and I don't either, after I saw Ken Stokes article that we have some of the worst roads in the State, our County, I don't want another 3 year period to go by because they couldn't get the job done after we've given this money aside to get us caught up. I'm assuming at this point the 6.3 million dollar 3 year pot that we have there is going from late May or early June and its going to carry us through September and we're going to be able to do that work. You are confirming that right?

Mr. Renaud: I'm going to confirm that. I am confirming that period.

Chair Furfaro: Larry you told us about the preparation of the overhang on the roads in particular some of the narrow roads up at Waipouli and... what's the road that Glenn

lives on? Olohena and we are always hearing about nobody prepping the sides of the road. In this job scope who is doing the road prepping?

Mr. Renaud: We are going to do it and looking at the North Shore the road prepping out there is simple it's no problem.

Chair Furfaro: Because there's no shoulder.

Mr. Renaud: I walked every road and looking at the South West Side is similar, the biggest work we had on preparing the road is going to be on the Kapa'a District. Because of the Kawaihau and all this stuff we are paying a lot of money to get the road repaired in the proper way and in those areas the shoulder need to be improved and that's the biggest problem out there.

Chair Furfaro: But like upper Waipouli and so forth we're going to prep the shoulders and get it...

Mr. Renaud: Oh yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay I'm good with that. Now I want to confirm these numbers one more time because I'm going to look at it with aficionado of staffing guides which is Mr. Kualii, he has a keen eye for this, Hanapēpē approximately 28 people?

Mr. Renaud: That's what we have now.

Chair Furfaro: Kapa'a approximately 28 people?

Mr. Renaud: That's what we have now.

Chair Furfaro: The Hanalei base yard approximately 18?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you very much. Mr. Rapozo I'm going to turn the meeting over to you when I step out for a meeting. Thank you for letting me asks my questions upfront.

Mr. Rapozo: Any other questions, if not thank you very... Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I want to follow up with Jay for a second and you and I have talked about this over the years Ed. When you say prepare for, so prepare the sides of the road for the contractor to come in is that like clearing the brush away and giving them a clean work surface and subsequently when as my understanding the asphalt has to cure for a period of time before you redress the side. Who does that side redressing after the concrete?

Mr. Renaud: On county roads this island wide resurfacing is going to be the county. When we do collector roads the contractor themselves will be the person doing that portion because the collector roads are much busier then the county roads.

Mr. Bynum: So, on the county roads we need to come back after the asphalt has cured for a period of time and make the side of the road level with the pavement right?

Mr. Renaud: Let me go one step forward, I did not explain, my apology. In the Kapa'a area right now the shoulders are very high so what happens is the water comes on to the edge of the road. What we need to do is have the water go off the road and be in a swell of that position and that's what we are going to do there. I believe we're going to have to go to every house and let the residents know what we're doing because it's going to be a drastic change and so that we can have water away from our roads. It's an educational portion for our roads people and it's also something that will keep the life of our road.

Mr. Bynum: Okay so you come in and prepare the road for the contractor to come and the sides are dressed then the asphalt comes in so it raises it this far, so there's a period in time where there's a drop off right on the edge of the asphalt and it needs to be that way for awhile until it cures. Have I got this right?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: Then we come in and redress the sides of the road by bringing gravel, dirt whatever, so now in the future when the water comes off the road it doesn't pull right next to the asphalt it moves into its intended place.

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Bynum: So when the water is collecting immediately adjacent to the asphalt, that bad for road maintenance right?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Bynum: So I assume you do some ongoing maintenance when you're aware of those areas in between resurfacing, saying "hey" look the roads not dressed properly, the water is pulling and it's a safety issue as well right because tires go off of the roadway into water or whether they can get thrown off. That's been an issue for many years and for many years we never did it and you know that history but we're doing it now.

Mr. Renaud: We're going to do it, yes.

Chair Furfaro: I'm going to step out and Mr. Bynum has given me a moment here. I'm going to pass out Larry this is in preparation for the revenue presentation tomorrow. I'm just going to distribute the memorandum that details those areas that we're looking for, you'll get your copy, Clint will get a copy and so forth, but just so that there's clarity about the revenue parcel in tomorrow's presentation. Thank you Mr., Bynum for giving me the time and Mr. Rapozo I'm stepping out now.

Mr. Bynum: So back to my main question I was following up on this service and I just want to make sure I understood it and who's doing what. Going forward we can anticipate a resurfacing contract every year?

Mr. Renaud: I don't see a problem, we just have to get our micro paver program online and there are a lot of other things we need to do to get that ready. Once we have this report coming in it's going to be much easier to look at island wide and what the problems we have in every district and this is how we're going to base our roads with the number of dollars we receive. So we are going to each district but before we can get there we need some inventory done and we are looking at consultants on the outside that will be out very shortly.

Mr. Bynum: I just wanted to go over a couple of things that in my mind are improvements that the roads division had made over the last couple of years and make sure I get it right. Right now we are optimizing our federal monies by identifying collector roads where they can be federal reimbursements and we're also in dialog with the State about how those roads are labeled and making changes where necessary and a large by that effort is to procure as much federal financing as possible. Have I got that right?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Bynum: I just really want to acknowledge the leadership from roads and the team for going there. It's also my understanding that we're looking at the base underneath the paving more thoroughly and where patching needs to be done prior to resurfacing. In the past we kind of resurfaced over weak areas and now we're defining those weak areas and doing improvements prior to resurfacing. Have I got that right?

Mr. Renaud: That's right.

Mr. Bynum: And that's an improvement that I've seen under this leadership and so it may mean that our costs are higher per mile but then those roads are more likely to remain safe and stable for a longer period and in the long run be of cost savings. Just for my point of view, thank you, it's much better to do 3 miles properly than 4 miles that we have to revisit 10 years sooner than we would have had too. I'm really surprised Mr. Mickens isn't here today because he's been on us about these issues, sometimes correct sometimes incorrect in my view but there really has been a responsiveness from roads. The down side was we missed a year or two in roads resurfacing that kind of caught me unaware at one point and that's why my initial question going forward, you have all these initiatives in place but we can anticipate a roads resurfacing contract virtually every year, if there isn't a heads up about why you would want to skip a year. Other than that I have a whole bunch of laundry list of smaller questions I can do offline and I see the changes and I appreciate it very much.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you, Mr. Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you Aloha and Mahalo Ed, Mahalo for the work that you and your division do. My questions like the chair (inaudible) are pretty specific on positions and in starting with the Hanapēpē base yard I see several vacancies and again my report is from 12-31 end of eleven so if the position has been filled maybe you can just say so and when it was filled. 860 equipment operator 4 BC-11, forty seven thousand nine hundred, vacant since 7-1-2010, DPS status was names referred personnel names referred 10-12-11 filled. Has that position been filled?

Mr. Renaud: 860?

Mr. Kualii: Page 212 Hanapēpē base yard.

Mr. Renaud: What was the position number?

Mr. Kualii: 860.

Mr. Renaud: 860.

Mr. Kualii: Equipment operator 4.

Mr. Renaud: Yeah I know I'm looking at my... 860 is part of reorganization and its moving from maintenance to levee.

Mr. Kualii: Maintenance to...

Mr. Renaud: Levee, the levee's yeah.

Mr. Kualii: Okay.

Mr. Renaud: I don't know if it was filled. I don't think it was filled, but the thing is it's going to be for we have an excavator there an older excavator and that excavator has been turned around to be a flare attachment on it so it can extend out so it can do both the levee's on both sides of the slopes instead of using manpower. It's much faster with that and we've been having a little problem with the excavator but the shop has been real great in turning it around, it's an older model but it's something different that we have been trying to do to cut back on manpower.

Mr. Kualii: In the reorganization the position title will remain the same and the salary will remain the same?

Mr. Renaud: No it's going to be changed to 4, Equipment Operator 4.

Mr. Kualii: 860 is Equipment Operator 4.

Mr. Renaud: Yeah it's in our budget.

Mr. Kualii: So it will stay the same?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: The next one is 939 Laborer 2, it was vacant since 3-1-11 and personnel status on 12-31-11, was to be filled 1-3-12. Was that filled on 1-3-12?

Mr. Renaud: I believe so; I believe all laboring positions have been filled.

Mr. Kualii: And 940 Laborer 1 was vacant since 11-7-11 and it said not recruiting, no request received. Are you currently recruiting?

Mr. Renaud: Yes we are.

Mr. Kualii: You have requested and it is being worked on by personnel?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: Same thing for 9-4-01, Equipment Operator 1?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: And position 872 Equipment Operator 2, vacant since July 1, 2010, it says the status was pending discussion with department.

Mr. Renaud: Correct that's one of the ones that is going to the levees.

Mr. Kualii: 872, is going to levee also?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: And the last note down here says (inaudible) supervisor 1 is being transferred in from Kapa'a base yard? Oh out to Kapa'a base yard. Yeah that's why there is no dollar amount in that position and we should see that in Kapa'a right? And 835... wait a minute, oh that's the same one okay lets jump to Kapa'a base yard. There is only one vacancy according to personnel 847 Field Operations Clerk and it was vacant since June 30?

Mr. Renaud: It's been filled.

Mr. Kualii: It's filled?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: As of when?

Mr. Renaud: April the 2nd first day of work.

Mr. Kualii: So just a couple weeks ago?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: I guess Hanalei is next. The Labor Working Supervisor Position 955, vacant since 10-1-09 status on 12-31-11 was not recruiting, no request received. What's the situation with that?

Mr. Dill: I'm sorry was that 955?

Mr. Kualii: 955.

Mr. Dill: That's was dollar funded right?

Mr. Kualii: It says previously dollar funded start November 1, so is that going to be recruited and going to start November 1, 2012? Position 955 Hanalei base yard page 218 on the budget.

Mr. Tabata: That's the position we're using to reallocate for the mechanic that's going to take care of the small equipment in transportation.

Mr. Kualii: Position 955 so it's not being recruited into the Hanalei base yard to start on November 1 as a laborer working supervisor? It's being reallocated to what?

Mr. Tabata: Transportation for the small equipment mechanic.

Mr. Kualii: Okay so besides being reallocated you're also saying that it's being transferred to another area? Okay can you repeat that?

Mr. Tabata: The reallocation is to transportation for the small equipment mechanic.

Mr. Kualii: Out of Hanalei base yard to where?

Mr. Tabata: To transportation for the small equipment mechanic.

Mr. Kualii: Now just say that in the budget there's this little asterisks on the bottom that gives us little notes of what's happening but that wasn't noted at all so just to make a note of that. So if I go look elsewhere the reason why there's no dollar amount here is because it's being reallocated into transportation. The last thing is sign and road marketing, is that part of yours too? Okay so in signs and roads marketing there's a position 899 TS and Marking Crew Leader that was vacant just since October and personnel had a status of not recruiting, no request received. Is that currently being recruited for?

Mr. Renaud: Yes that's going to be reallocated to special construction section re-org.

Mr. Kualii: Is that changing construction uses but reallocated to special construction section?

Mr. Renaud: Yes and its going to be under bridge construction and maintenance.

Mr. Kualii: And the title and compensation will change also?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: So in the signs and roads marking budget, it is showing forty two thousand, eight hundred and sixteen. So unlike the other one we just talked about where no figure was showing because the budget will show up where it's being reallocated to and it is here, this is going out?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: The forty two thousand eight hundred and sixty, and we'll see that in the next submittal. And the last position is the base yard attendant BC537, vacant since July 2, 2010 and it says on hold pending division re-org so what's happening with that position?

Mr. Renaud: Excuse me could you give me that number again, the position number.

Mr. Kualii: Sure it's 1063 Base Yard Attendant.

Mr. Renaud: That's another one that's going to be part of the reorganization, 2 special construction section and it's going to be a part of the bridge construction maintenance.

Mr. Kualii: So the thirty seven thousand dollars will be moving with that position?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: The only other thing and I might be missing it but on the total on the next page... oh its leased vehicles again probably. The Leased line item signs and roads

marketing is going from five hundred forty two thousand to 1.2 million but there is no detail so I of course would want to see that detail. Again because it's leased and I believe it's the last page of the signs and roads markings budget section.

Mr. Dill: The lease number is zero there and the signs and roads markings are the sum totals.

Mr. Kualii: Okay I was just told it's actually the total not just for signs and roads. We already addressed that earlier, thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you and before I get to Councilmember Nakamura maybe you can provide for us because it's very difficult to follow the transfers and the reallocations using the budget. There are several positions that Mr. KipuKai touched on that doesn't reflect it being moved and the perception is just going to remain in there so if you could provide and we will send over a question. Just provide us a spreadsheet with all the transfers because it's not lining up with what's being provided so I just want to make sure we understand where it is and I guess for me the most important thing is, what was the net effect to the department with these transfers and what the net impact was whether fiscally. I added up on our comparison sheet and its showing a decrease but I cannot imagine just going over what you just said with the upward allocations, I can't imagine a decrease. Again I believe some of the positions maybe transferred out of public works, so if you could make it real easy to follow chart of what staying and what's moving and what's leaving because I'm having a difficult time following and maybe it's just me. Councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you and thank you for your presentation Ed and for the progress you are making on procuring the micro paver software. It's something you talked about last year and it looks like it's in place and the training has been done. What I wanted to find out is how long do you think it's going to take to do the data capture to make this software useable?

Mr. Renaud: When we looked at the software the software is a really good software it's just documentation intense but then I researched and roads didn't have all the information because I want accurate roads with width, length, miles whatever, what's wrong with it, when we paved it and all of that. We found some but we didn't find anything that accurate so what we are doing right now any week now shortly within this month we're going out for our inventory upgrade on all of our county roads. With this we have different criteria's for example (inaudible) of the pavement roads what wrong with the 5 criteria's we gave them we want them to look at whoever the vendors are going to be with the bid. We also looked at all the existing signs what's out there, existing pavement, bridges, you name it everything and they come back with the information and the GIS layer and this way we will share with our engineering and our public works and whoever else. But we need this info so that everything we put in micro paver is accurate.

Ms. Nakamura: So that's the contract you're going to be letting out?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Ms. Nakamura: And so the funding was in last year's budget?

Mr. Renaud: Yes it was all part of the funding that was allocated to us.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay and when do you expect the completion of that project?

Mr. Renaud: The completion of that project we're looking at 3 months.

Ms. Nakamura: Three months.

Mr. Renaud: Well that's what I'm requesting of in the contract, 3 months turnaround.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay.

Mr. Renaud: There's an original of what we really need it for and the other one is an additive and if it comes within our budget than hopefully I can do all of it this time around.

Ms. Nakamura: That's great. Also I wanted to find out because we actually are doing some catching up from previous years in this contract, so was it roughly 6 million dollars in this?

Mr. Renaud: Its seven hundred thousand dollars I think we left on the table. I shouldn't have told Dickie that because he wants me to pave the whole island. But there's about seven hundred minus from the 6.1 that was allocated to us. I know Chair said 3 but my (inaudible) was 6. 1.

Ms. Nakamura: How many miles is that generally?

Mr. Renaud: Right now I don't have it with me, there are too many things but I would say... I think it was about 20 miles or so.

Mr. Dill: If you can send that question over we can respond and get the right answer.

Ms. Nakamura: Sure and I guess what I'm getting at is moving forward what is the metric for your department? I know you're doing not just the paving I mean you're doing the fix as well so I just wanted to get a sense of what do you hope to be able to accomplish.

Mr. Renaud: Well my goal is very big and I think it's too big and I'm looking to do 30 miles a year. Before we can get there we first have to repair our roads the proper way. Once we get the repairs done then w can say we're moving that channel, now with that program on board it's going to help us with the information of the inventory. It's going to tell us everything that is wrong island wide of county roads and every district and we will go into this data and say okay we have about a million and a half and it's going to tell us the critical areas and... where we would have to address instead of going out and selecting this and someone says my road is this and my road is...This criteria by an independent vendor will help us.

Ms. Nakamura: So it's really short term goals was to do the fix and once you have that in place then long term you could try and work towards 30 miles per year?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Ms. Nakamura: So it's just a matter of how long is it going to take to get us to that point.

Mr. Renaud: I hope within 5 years and so that's why I think big and I'm trying to push that.

Ms. Nakamura: That's great, thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Did anyone else have a question? Councilmember Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you, you're 30 miles a year goal which I liked that you have a goal that makes everyone reach, but would that put us on a preventive maintenance schedule?

Mr. Renaud: It would have to be on a preventive maintenance schedule and with some of the equipment that we are requesting for its going to help us get there.

Ms. Yukimura: Do you mean that if we do 30 miles a year we will be in a preventive mode?

Mr. Renaud: Yes we have to be because these 30 miles is going to be done correctly.

Ms. Yukimura: Right and then you can depend on a more or less a how many year life are you?

Mr. Renaud: Well it's supposed to be 10 year life.

Ms. Yukimura: Roads are supposed to have 10 year lives?

Mr. Renaud: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: And we have 3 hundred miles of roads?

Mr. Renaud: That's what I was told and that's why with the inventory that we are requesting of a vendor, hopefully they can come up and tell us what we actually have of that.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay, do you have any projections as to how many new roads we are creating every year? That if we had a good GIS data system from planning we should be able to get right? Because with every new subdivision approved you could get the road mileage so I would hope that there's going to be some interface with that and Brandon Raines did give us a big picture forecast of the kind of system we're going to start building. Your inventory upgrade you said was by contract so you're actually hiring someone to do that? Okay to be done in 3 months approximately? Okay and then how does the micro paver pavement management system and the 4 winds maintenance management information system productivity enhancement tool, how do they interface?

Mr. Renaud: Well micro paver will tell us about our roads period. Everything, anything about our roads, our signs, signage or pavement marking, there's a lot of things that program can keep a library for us.

Ms. Yukimura: That's the micro paver?

Mr. Renaud: Right, now for the 4 winds I don't know where we're at with 4 winds right now but I have a meeting with administration on that. What that program tells us or helps us with is being accountable everybody. I being time sheets or work orders you name it that's what we're going to do with that program. Right now we don't know everything that's happening in the field unless we pressure our supervisors and I don't know how true that is with the program itself we can go online and everything will be electronic. We can go online and look at every base

yard so we need the program so that we can move forward and it's just going to simplify everything out there what we do.

Mr. Tabata: If I can add it's an asset management software where by micro-paver is strictly designed for the roads and the additional help that Ed is saying when we got micro-paver as he mentioned we looked into our records and they weren't adequate. We are now hiring another firm to come in and inventory all of our roads for us and it will just upload into micro-paver. Now 4 winds is an asset management tool of everything else it is responsible for, canals, we didn't mention the canals. There is also drainage ways, storm ways, storm drains, trees and right of ways different right of ways. Every asset that the county owns that's not a building will be input into this arena. So we will be able to like Ed said create systematic work orders to be able to track and you can also go to the point of management where we can track performance for the various base yards based on turnaround time to complete repairs and categorizing everything. Right now it's all done manually and papers get lost in the shuffle between the base yards to the main office things get lost and it will also be able to allow him to better track his cost to do the work out there and allow us to manage smarter. I think we do a lot of work out there because redundant we do our repairs the work orders come in from the field or from the public. We go and do the job next week we get the same thing and we've sent guys back out there and oh we've already done this. So these are our tools to help us do things let's just say smarter that we want to implement. Waste Water uses 4 winds, State Highways uses 4 winds, and Department of Water uses 4 winds so it's the software of choice right now. Hopefully we can get piggy back on to what waste water has and make a quantum leap or I wouldn't say quantum leap but a leap forward.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you for that explanation, Its very commendable that you're moving in that direction. I just have all these questions about interfacing with our assets management inventory, our fiscal assets inventory and I don't know if that...

Mr. Tabata: Yes that will be all catalog in this because these soft-wares are data bases and then we quarry the types of reports that we need and we can create the different forms that we need from the data base. They are powerful enough and they are geared strictly for maintenance.

Ms. Yukimura: The time and attendance is that any interface?

Mr. Tabata: Right that will allow us to keep track of our people better. What they do and what they are assigned for the day.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay and internally I have no questions about if it's the software choice, I just don't know if there has to be some attention to interface with the payroll system?

Mr. Renaud: Yes it will and that's the biggest thing.

Mr. Yukimura: Okay so all of that is going to be attended to in the design of the system?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay well that's good thank you very much.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you. With that its 11 o'clock, we're going to take a 10 minute caption break and return and I believe Mr. Bynum you have some questions.

There being no objections, the Committee recessed at 11:01 a.m.

The Committee reconvened at 11:13 a.m., and proceeded as follows.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay we are back in session thank you very much. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Maybe one last question that I ask every year at budget this is my little pet thing here. Thermo plastic lane markings... did we acquire that equipment or are we doing it that way, and if not why not?

Mr. Renaud: If I go thermo right now it's going to cost me five hundred grand estimated price plus one position and I cannot go there right now. Thermo is not that critical for me on county roads, we do use thermo on smaller version on our stops and as for collector roads that's for the contractor.

Mr. Bynum: Right so the contractor's going to do it on collector roads and I'm just going to ask these questions like I do every year.

Mr. Renaud: No I'm good.

Mr. Bynum: We're all in agreement that it maintains much better, that it has much higher visibility. That it increases road safety right we all agree with that?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Bynum: So acquiring the equipment to do it that way I'm sure is a cost expense but if it saves one life, two lives, three lives, because what I hear a lot is people worried and I know we can't keep up with painting as much as we would like but when you're on Kaua'i's rural roads at night, raining and the paint is gone, the difference between a thermo strip and the painted strip is the painted strip is gone, it's just not there and you don't see it at night in the rain and that's the kind of things probably more than anything I hear about safety concerns. I believe it's an investment we need to make because its safety and in long term we will save money right?

Mr. Renaud: Well I'm not disagreeing with you but the thing is I want to research that further because there are a lot of county roads, not collector roads but county roads that we don't stripe the whole road.

Mr. Bynum: Right.

Mr. Renaud: Okay so I don't want to put money in the wrong place and I understand where you're coming from. Let me research all of that first and with my inventory coming back it's going to tell me what's out there and then I will put a number together and I don't have a problem coming back to administration.

Mr. Bynum: Okay and I'm not trying to be argumentative but that's what I've heard for 4 years, oh let me research it this year and let me see if will do it next year.

Mr. Renaud: No well the thing is we said that on collector roads and that's why collector roads are the busiest roads and the thing is with heavy traffic so we are making our contractors do that. On our county roads we don't have that many roads but we can go there but I need to do some research.

Mr. Bynum: Okay but that's a change in the contract to have the contractors do this thermo striping right?

Mr. Renaud: Correct.

Mr. Bynum: And that improvement that's a good thing. These other lease software systems that you're talking about integrate with GIS right and I don't know if this is for you or for the bigger picture but hopefully as the county invests and I think that's IT that helps and says you can use this too especially GIS that has so many potential uses. Are we mapping and then the software easements, utility easements, public access easements. We were talking about getting an inventory of county roads, assets right and part of that data are these utility easements and specifically public access easements. Is that part of what you guys are doing if not you someone else? Does anyone know?

Mr. Renaud: Its not part of our roads but the thing is that also another phase and I will talk to Wally and Administration if we can go together into that. For this first phase we're not into that yet so it can be the next one.

Mr. Bynum: I would just hope the overall expert here is the IT division right and they're going to be consulting with you guys so we're not buying software over here for this purpose and software over here for this purpose. Hopefully that discussion is happening so that and I guess my last question would be all of the software purchases that you're doing is and his been in consultation with IT?

Mr. Renaud: Yes even GIS, I just had a meeting with... well we sat down and we talked about the GIS and all this stuff and I one time in a different meeting I heard that we had something in county. We have something in county but it's not really up to par where I'm going with the GIS that I have so what we're going to do we are sharing our GIS with him and what he has so that we have a bigger picture. Everything we do we do consult with GIS, I mean IT excuse me.

Mr. Bynum: Right and whatever data you're collecting from micro-paver hopefully that's a data layer in GIS.

Mr. Renaud: Correct it is.

Mr. Bynum: Okay thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: Hi, this is just a comment for Larry and Lyle that I'm just happy to see the funding in there for training. It's a big job but it's well worth it the conferences that you've outlined here, it seems like it will increase capacity to do the work. I also wanted to ask you the question about the street lights because that's another big jump in costs from a million to 1.6 million. I was just wondering is that just because of the cost of electricity?

Mr. Dill: That's correct and as I mentioned earlier for the fuel similar to the electricity cause, we are burning at a faster rate this year as our budget projected for and so it reflects the current rate as I well as I anticipated the inflation in cost.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay, and this issue about addressing the roads in limbo and paper roads. What is the direction that you want to move in with this issue?

Mr. Dill: Well I guess mainly we are looking for clarification it's been as issue for 30 years and we have been talking to the attorneys about this and I don't pretend to be an attorney or close to the legal aspects of this but there's a difference of opinion as I understand between the AG's Office the state Ag and our attorneys as to who has the responsibility for the maintenance of these roads. Who are the owners of these roads and it's an ongoing issue for us and makes it difficult to determine how we service our residents, our Kaua'i residents. It's our initial response and as an initial response we want to take care of our people but obviously the ratification to that when it's a road we say we don't own, once we go out there and start maintaining it well we own it. So we continue to work with the attorneys on that and unfortunately I don't have a real good answer for you on that in this stage except to say that we continue to work with our attorneys on trying to reach some sort of a Resolution on that.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay and maybe this could be a follow up Public Works Committee discussion because of the outstanding issues involved. It's just a suggestion.

Mr. Bynum: Twenty five when we talked about it 5 years ago and it is a huge issue so welcome to the every 2 or 3 year goes around and what are we going to do about this. The State just dumped this on the County years ago and the county said no thank you... State you don't get to unilaterally just give us all this responsibility, all of this liability so I'm laughing because I don't know that it will ever be resolved. I have a file somewhere with a big report from Warren Perry when he was the County Attorney in the County Attorney's Office and that's at least I think 30 years ago.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay well the Chair is back and I just want to say in last year's budget submittal or budget presentation that was one of the initiatives, was to work with the attorneys and we have dueling opinions someone has to make that call because we have to service the people and I agree with that. I'm not surprised that our opinion, our county attorney's opinion is different from the Attorney General and that seems to be common now days but regardless if we're going to go with our county attorneys opinion than we tell the people sorry and call your State Representative but we have to do something. It was an initiative last year it's not this year but it hasn't been resolved so I think we need to... Mr. Chair and I will turn it over to you.

Mr. Furfaro: Larry I just want to make sure you know the roads in limbo go back to 1926, they don't go back 25 years or 30 years, they go back to 1926 when the territorial government and the state's first started with this pilikia, the County didn't want to maintain certain roads the State didn't want to cover liability on certain roads. There is one that you and I are very familiar with it's the plum tree road that goes down from the Westin and it goes down to Anini to what used to be the 1957 bridge that crossed 'Anini Stream. You know eventually the State sold it and it was very interesting but in 2004 Peter Nakamura did a lot of investigating for us when we started with this open space commission and Mr. Asing you use to refer to it as the low hanging fruits. Where are the roads that we can just make claim too. So it's almost a 90 year history that deals with roads in limbo and I don't think the State has changed its position and recently the most recent roads in limbo issue is dealing with the road in Poīpū that has the stone wall that goes down to what was a trail. The State had first indicated we could move to acquire it and the State then went through court and claimed it for themselves and that's the Hapa Trail or the Hapa Road in Poīpū. It's going to take us some legal investigations for directions and I thought that's where we were going to start, not so much on the engineering items but get some legal interpretations so I just wanted to clear the air of how long this has been going on in the territory of Hawai'i. Okay Mr. Kualii and than Council Vice Chair Yukimura.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you Mr. Chair. I too had a question about the street lights and I'm curious if because of the 6 hundred thousand dollar jump. Councilmember Nakamura got to about the electric costs and I'm wondering if the inventory of street lights has changed? Have we added street lights to any county roads and I would imagine in addition to the electrical costs sky rocketing, the volume growing is part of the reason too?

Mr. Dill: That is part of the reason and I don't have a firm number for you at the moment but as subdivisions get developed the street lights get turned on as density increases so you have vacant lots that get filled with houses, requests coming through for additional street lights so that is a factor. Like I said I don't have a firm number for you at this time.

Mr. Kualii: Okay and the newer developments are incorporating whatever sustainable better lighting technologies are available out there?

Mr. Dill: Yes they would use the latest specifications by KIUC.

Mr. Kualii: Okay and than the other question had to do with the line items of other services with a zero amount in the 11/12 budget and a 350 thousand dollar amount in the 12/13 proposed budget. Under the detail I see 2 explanations, tree trimming and Maluhia Road tree trimming. The amounts that show there does not add up to three hundred and fifty thousand so I'm wondering if you had a basic detail explanation of how that 350 thousand breaks down? Is that some amount to tree trimming in general and then some other amount to Maluhia Road tree trimming? It's on page 223 in our budget.

Mr. Dill: There is a typo in there. The five hundred on you Maluhia Road tree trimming should be 3 hundred.

Mr. Kualii: So the tree trimming remains at 50 thousand and the Maluhia Road tree trimming is 3 hundred thousand?

Mr. Dill: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: So how is that money expended? Is it work that we do as a County or that we pay a sub contractor to do?

Mr. Dill: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: So how is that money expended? Is it work that we do as a County or that we pay a sub contractor to do?

Mr. Renaud: That's going to be contracted out and the thing is we need to get a contractor with arborist on board and what we do is we walk the road. I have already walked the strip myself and a few landscapers just to see what kind of ballpark numbers I would come up with. It's more about safety because there are a lot of dead limbs up there and some dead trees that need to come down. So working with an arborist and a contractor a so called designed built that would work perfect. We have to go out there and select what we see out there with advice of the abreast.

Mr. Kualii: So that line item of 3 hundred thousand is all allocated towards contracting out the work to trim Maluhia Road. The fifty thousand is that just a tree trimming line item? Is that for County done tree trimming?

Mr. Renaud: Okay what the 50 is for is there are a lot of residents and I guess they are new residents that just moved in and they bought a particular property and they don't want to see any County trees on their property. What happened up in Kapa'a we have a lot of trees up there that are 40 feet in height plus and somehow I don't believe that was a county tree project but maybe it was on the property and if it goes over to the county right of way it becomes a county tree. So now everybody wants it removed because it is unsafe and everything so we put some money in there because we cannot do everything in roads as I'm talking right now and there are some specialties that we cannot do and this is why we need to go out and contract. We don't have the expertise on working around electrical and the utility company prefers to do it themselves. So if there are trees that have to be removed and we after talking discussions with the attorneys and our county surveyors then we would have to remove the trees. So we put some money in there to see where we're at.

Mr. Kualii: So based on the amount of requests we have from citizens/residents and based on potential liability if you will. I know of one specific example that was brought to my attention and I forwarded on to Public Works was that after the heavy rains up on the main road right above Kapa'a Middle School, that along the road side they said were some county areas where there are large trees and because the soil was softened some of the trees are loosened and a couple of them have even fallen and they were worried about additional trees falling. They wanted the county to get in there and trim the trees, take um down and whatever based on the potential liability. Its fifty thousand dollars enough to deal with where all these potential problems are and big liabilities could exist.

Mr. Renaud: In all honesty no but the thing is we are assess each complaint that come through and if the county, if there is no electric around our extension boom trucks can get up there we will do it ourselves. For the areas that we can't do we contract it out.

Mr. Kualii: Is this just for tree trimming or in the case where the tree needed to be removed. Would that be handled there too?

Mr. Renaud: Like I said if the county can do it than we'll do it.

Mr. Kualii: Where in the budget is that accounted for?

Mr. Renaud: It's our R&M.

Mr. Kualii: Oh R&M that's right. The other thing is how much of the county's tree trimming needs as a whole across the county across Parks and Recreation, is that coordinated in any way through public works because I'm interested about this whole new software system and stuff because the management and the scheduling of even those assets the tree trimming like Lyle had mentioned as part of the list. Because Parks and Recreation came before us and they were asking for some special equipment because they said their tree trimming needs sometimes they can get addressed by public works but not timely for them so they want to get this specialized expensive equipment to do it themselves. I'm concerned that Parks and Rec is not necessarily in the tree trimming business and I think it should be public works whether you do it yourself in-house or you contract it out like you're doing with the Maluhia road project. I'm just saying what is the truth on that and can you accommodate tree trimming throughout the county and do you consider it your responsibility?

Mr. Dill: If I may councilmember Kualii. The Parks & Rec folks their goals are a little different when it comes to tree maintenance. We look at safety issues primarily, we look at tree trimming and we don't look at things like beautification. So Parks & Rec's focus is

maintenance and beautification issues. Sometimes we do assist them if they have one of the larger projects and they aren't equipped or have the equipment that we do for that but our focuses are not necessarily the same so we assist sometimes and also they do provide us with assistance when we need an arborists expertise they provide us with that but our focuses are a little different and the Parks guys I don't think want our crew coming in to do beautification because beautification is not our forte.

Mr. Kualii: They actually said they would request help from you and that you sometimes could help them but other times weren't responsive enough to suit their needs. I would think if it's just a matter of beautification that it could be scheduled and I would rather see this county not duplicate the equipment if often that equipment might be sitting idle. I would imagine in your case it's less likely to be sitting idle because you have the big jobs throughout the county, but I think if Parks & Rec gets similar tree trimming equipment they are not going to be using it day in and day out well maybe they are. They can show me a schedule or something but I'm interested to know that moving forward with this software, what kind of tree trimming schedule you have and how you can or cannot accommodate Parks & Rec or anyone else in the department or the county that has those needs.

Mr. Renaud: I don't have a problem assisting parks or any other agency okay, but when it comes to parks what I request of them is I will have my operator operate the truck and they come with their people because we don't have the special expertise that they have. Excuse me we are rough, you know if it's dead we will take it down if we can and that's our forte. To trim a tree nice, where to trim it and what not that's not our forte so you know we're willing to train them to use our equipment but the thing is per union we want to go with our equipment operator and the equipment and we're willing to have them on the job but they need to go to the training, a safety training then we don't have a problem. I can understand we're you're coming from on equipment and what not with the county, that's not a problem.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you, thank you Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Vice Chair before I give you the floor can I point out something? We have a lot of difficulties with these encroachments on issues okay. I was at Kīlauea Park yesterday and this diagram that I just drew Larry is a puka that's been in the slides steps since 2 months ago when we brought it up in the Parks Department. It is jagged, it is rusty and I think Ms. Boynton may have sent Vice Chair Yukimura some photos of this but it is after hearing from parks on Friday I stopped in at Kīlauea Park and it's this piece that really bothers me. A two or three year old could walk up the steps and slip their foot right through that puka and its jagged and 2 months is a long time and it's like the same problem with the trees. We need to develop that value of Kōkua between departments especially parks and Lenny touched on it on Friday as we brought it up with repairs and maintenance in the parks area but I do think there's some common expectations of Public Works to provide some response to safety issues. I really want to compliment Ed and your attitude about helping, Kōkua but it's that public works area that keeps crossing over where parks is thinking that public works is going to do it and parks thinks the road people can take care of a tree issue and so forth. Somehow I don't know what the answer is but we have to tighten it up Larry and I'm going to give this little note to you about Kīlauea but somebody or it somehow has to go on the radar screen when the help is requested from this cross over departments and the work gets done. This is not good for a 2 or 3 year old that could put their foot right through the steps on the slide. I guess what we're hearing here is roads has equipment and the lifts and you and I know how we use to handle those kinds of things with the tree trimmers out at Princeville whether it was for the Community Association or the golf course and so forth, but there's got to be a way to get that on the radar screen so the work actually gets done. I want to tell you that I appreciate Ed's willingness for the value of Kōkua.

Mr. Dill: Thank you we did have some issues we worked out with parks as they were requesting some assistance and how that happened, we sat down and met with them several times. I think we've made a lot of progress as far as the tree trimming is concerned and when they would be able to schedule to use our equipment and we would need to send operators along to help support their operation. I think we have some along way in that regard. I can't speak to their volume of workload and how that meets their needs.

Chair Furfaro: Well it's interesting that the Mayor's granddaughter was in the Kīlauea playground yesterday and she's a two and a half year old who uses the slide and this is medal work and I don't know that the parks guy's have that specialization but if you could look into it I would appreciate it. Vice Chair thank you for your patience.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you Chair. On the issue of those roads that are in limbo roads thank you. Could you not perhaps work on it instead of trying to take the whole bundle of roads just on a road that maybe logical for us to manage and use and just work some agreements where the State says whatever rights we have we give to you and we take it over and start managing it. It's sort of like whatever the legal relationship is between the Mayor and the Police Chief; they could still workout some things between themselves perhaps and could we perhaps not do that on a road by road basis because to take it all on at once is very complex. Maybe one road whether it's Hapa Road or some other road which I'm sure you know better which ones might be the logical ones may be a very short one that's very manageable and we work out some protocols about it and work on it one by one possibly.

Mr. Dill: I will talk to the attorneys, I don't know the legalities of that once you accept one you accept them all. I don't know if that's a concern or not but obviously when you take over new roads to maintain we're accepting some fiscal responsibility along with that.

Ms. Yukimura: Absolutely.

Mr. Dill: But that certainly is a good idea and we will look into that and see if it makes sense for us to take some of the roads over

Ms. Yukimura: It's sort of a pilot project so you actually flush out what the issues are on one simple case and see if there are more possibilities on the larger scene. And lastly regarding the street lights, there have been several proposals for photovoltaic street lights and it sort of makes sense that you would use the sun's energy during the day and turn it into lighting at night. I don't know, In my mind I'm remembering some proposals for a pilot project and I'm just wondering if we might explore that and at the same time I'm presuming we're having shielded lights for because of the shearwater and bird issue. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Rapozo you have the floor.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you. With the restructuring of Public Works and this is just a follow on to my regular question and I know you mentioned something about the union based on duties between divisions whether its parks or public works roads or whoever and it kind of triggered this question because I know last year we had some issues with automated or maybe it wasn't last year it might have been 3 years ago. How are we communicating with the union as far as restructuring? Are we meeting the contractual requirements as far as... some of these positions are being re-defined and changed and I'm not sure if they're all within UPW or they're actually moving towards other unions. Have we been in contact and in compliance with the contract regarding the restructuring?

Mr. Renaud: I believe a 105 is required when we're working with UPW and in checking with our personnel that went forward.

Mr. Rapozo: But is that... checking with personnel, our personnel?

Mr. Renaud: Our personnel?

Mr. Rapozo: Our personnel. So If I ask the union they would have the same answer?

Mr. Renaud: I hope so, I think, I cannot answer that you would have to ask them.

Mr. Rapozo: I don't know as we sit here today, I'm not sure what the status is but I know I did have discussions with UPW within the last couple of months and that wasn't the concern, I mean that wasn't the case. I just want to make sure that we're dotting our eyes, crossing our tees because you know what happens when the grievances are filed and everything is held up and I just hate to be moving in the direction that's going to cost us more money in the end.

Mr. Renaud: I take that back we did meet with the union reps the 3 of us and we did present the positions that we're moving forward in the re-org.

Mr. Rapozo: So everything is ok?

Mr. Renaud: I don't know if everything is okay but we did answer all the questions that the union had asked.

Mr. Rapozo: I guess the real question is, are we in compliance with the contract?

Mr. Renaud: I believe so.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Do you want to send some correspondence over to administration?

Mr. Rapozo: Well we can. I know we had a big concern with the automated where the trucks were purchased before and I just want to make sure because this is substantial change this is not small. Again I cannot even count how many positions have been transferred and moved and reallocated. I just want to make sure we're in compliance with the collective bargaining because whether we agree or disagree with the contract we have to follow it and I just want to make sure we do that before we push this budget through. We can do that Mr. Chair and I guess I would ask that communications be sent to both the administration as well as the UPW and we can get a better indication of what's going on. The other question is we're sending it over again but the equipment request I have to agree with Councilmember Kualii and I wasn't here for the parks presentation but I know parks has a lot of work with the coconut trees and the trimming of the coconut trees and that and that is always a concern and that's not you're Kuleana but I would agree that we probably should centralized the tree trimming function of the county to one agency, whether it's parks or public works because to have 2 sets of equipment and tools makes no sense whatsoever. The equipment request this year is aggressive it's huge, the last time I saw a budget like this was

when Mayor Baptiste decided to go ahead and get the much needed equipment. So I just want to get a comparison department by department to see and make sure we're not purchasing too much. Understanding that maybe we can lease it and we can spend 1 million dollars this year to get 5 million dollars of equipment but the last thing we want is to see equipment sitting and not being used. I know not so much for you folks because, I think you're equipment get used but county wide I always said the motor pool format of the military is wonderful. All the machines and equipment goes to one motor pool section. If public works needs a loader they go sign out the loader, if parks needed a dump truck they go sign out the dump truck. It's one focus motor pool versus all these trucks and mowers and all over the place, some of them broken some of them not working some of them sitting idle versus the motor pool department where you only sign out what you need. That to me makes a lot more sense and there's a lot of equipment I believe about 5 million dollars and maybe even more than 5 million dollars worth of equipment we're buying this year. I just want to make sure it's equipment that we definitely need right now.

Mr. Renaud: Lyle and I talked about that because we seen equipment here parked and we're doing some duplication so I kind of jumped on his case and I said you're the Deputy now and we got to change some things. We need something like that, one place with a schedule that we assign and give to the motor pool and etc... until we use the equipment. We have so many duplications in the county, we have our own companies and that's not feasible right now the way things are with the economy but we talked about it.

Mr. Rapozo: Right and that even makes me think even further now as should we move forward with this huge equipment purchase. If you folks are looking at a better system and you already heard my suggestion it would be (inaudible) now to go spend all this money to come back with a system that now we have too much. I think JoAnn's claim to fame is the planning aspect, we need to plan first, plan what we're going to do and then make the purchase versus all this equipment because we can and figure a way to get it into the system later. I guess we can have that discussion as we get into decision making. I'm glad you guys are looking at an alternative because we cannot continue to purchase, purchase, and purchase.

Chair Furfaro: Ed before you respond to that let me say something that's very basic here. A large purchase of equipment and I'm glad Ernie's in the room here. A large purchase like this for small tools and equipment is really important that those assets and the recording of the financial inventory go on our books. You folks need to make sure there's a policy and procedure that effectively recognizes where that equipment gets issued out but more importantly getting back to Mr. Rapozo, I would think at some point in time your providing us a list of what we have that's going to be retired and its going to be taken off of our books. So I will send that over as a question from the Council wanting to know what changes are going to be reflected in our asset inventory for equipment that's going to be retired okay and I think that's real important. Ed you have the floor.

Mr. Renaud: Yeah I got one thing. The equipment that we are requesting I have the breakdown where it's all going. I shouldn't say this but I'm going to say it, there's one equipment that we have in the county but when I researched and it took me one year to come up with this list. I studied the roads division the equipment we need and do we go equipment or more men? I went more equipment so we can specialize and get people assigned to it and so forth and that's why we have the special so called construction that we're trying to push forward. We go to each district we have the operator with this particular equipment, we go to each district we schedule with the district supervisor that we're going to need x number of other equipment or manpower to do this operation. But when I researched this other one, this one equipment in order for me to use it I would have to work on overtime and it cost me big dollars so I said ok I'm going to put in for one because I have enough work for this one particular equipment for 4 years right now if I start by one

operator from the special crew and going to each district and doing this maintenance and this is the drainage and every drainage I looked at it is capacity full.

Chair Furfaro: Well all I got to say is we should have started earlier on that and if we don't start this year you're going to be 5 years behind. Ok? You get my point I want to know what equipment is being retired as we go forward to buy new. And Ed if we're that seriously behind maybe we ought to talk in terms of leasing and maybe you got 2 guys that qualify and the equipment we get is leased and leased not to own but to lease to let the leases expire. But we want to be very sure that what we're retiring and what we're replacing is accounted for. I think Ernie you agree with my observation and you can just nod your head. We have to know what we're going to retire in this way of small equipment.

Mr. Rapozo: One more question.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: As far as Public Works is concerned your inventories of all your equipment, small tools, small equipment. You guys maintain that inventory and when was the last time we actually checked it for accuracy? I did get parks as I requested it, it took a long time but I finally got the parks tool list and I can tell you there is a lot of stuff on that list that are not where they suppose to be in various parks and so forth. I mean small tools like weed whackers and so forth and they may have broke or are just not accounted for. Are we pretty comfortable with the asset the inventory for public works? If I picked up inventory for Hanapēpē Base yard and I went with the list every piece would be on there?

Mr. Renaud: I had my list come in from my district supervisors and my traffic signs those 4 areas and whatever they produce it has to be honest.

Mr. Rapozo: But do we even check that does someone do it like an audit of it internal...

Mr. Renaud: Ok by collecting this inventory that's my next step.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay and I would encourage you to do that. I'm concerned with the parks one but I don't know if we do that occasionally or if we do it enough. It's like the budget we get the budget typically it's the same budget we had last year with a little fine tuning. But in the tools and I'll go back again to the military I mean monthly inventories were what we had to do in every screw driver and it was almost ridiculous but that's the only way we keep track. Someone needs to be in charge of that, someone needs to make sure at the end of the month when they go down the tool box and there missing whatever and not so much to go find out if it got stolen but so we can replace it so these guys can do their job. I think that's the bigger concern versus coming up every 4 years with a 5 million dollar requisition because we need equipment that we simply don't have. I think that goes for what the Mr. Chair is saying, the Fire Department does a replacement schedule on the big equipment, fire trucks and so forth and I think that's what we're asking is on the major equipment really what is the replacement schedule going to be is it a 5 year, 10 year asset, 20 year asset. These big loaders are they going to be replacing something and I think it's important for us as we go forward, thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay thank you Mr. Rapozo. So Larry I'm sure you heard that we're looking on getting a grip on these getting a grip on these intangibles I think general accounting practices they should be inventoried once a year.

Mr. Dill: Yes and I don't know what the history on that is Chair, we just requested and just received inventory of small equipment from all the base yards. Now we have to follow up on that and the larger equipment is on a replacement schedule and one factor is how old it is, the miles, the use, hours, etc... Those are one of the criteria there that we replace equipment and retire it and replace it with a new one. We do track those.

Chair Furfaro: That's why getting a grip on these intangibles to me is very important. We don't want to over promise but we certainly want to make sure our staff, our employees have the right tools to do the job that's expected of them. Cliff you heard my comment that once a year an inventory should be done as a general accounting practice, any other questions here? Gentlemen thank you very, very, much and I got an answer from your assistant engineer that they were of the impression that parks was going to take care of that staircase and I've asked him if he could check up on it one more time please. Okay B.C., it is five of twelve and I think it is our intent to start Solid Waste and I think we will have most of the afternoon for solid waste. We can either plan to break now Larry for a half an hour and come back at 1 p.m., or we take a half hour now and break at 12:30?

Mr. Dill: I prefer to break now and come back.

Chair Furfaro: We can start on a new subject matter at 1:00 p.m., I'm sorry for the staff in the back but we don't want to lose of track of thought as we go through this process. Okay I'm going to excuse you folks.

Mr. Dill: Okay so 1:00?

Chair Furfaro: Yes 1:00, we're going to take public testimony as I've been doing. I'm asking for public testimony at the end of each session. Is there anyone who wishes to give public testimony at this point and time? Come right up. So that you know I take public testimony at the end of each session so the session we've covered is the automotive shop and the highway and roads department. I will give another opportunity to everyone who wants to testify on solid waste when we go through that.

LEILANI MINDORO, KAUAI DIVISION DIRECTOR, UPW: I'm sorry I know its right before lunch but I just wanted to go over a few questions and I know you had asked... I'm sorry Leilani Mindoro, Kaua'i Division Director for United Public Workers. I just wanted to state that Ed Renaud was right in one factor that the union and the employer has been in consultation regarding a reorganization of the roads division. It was also brought to my attention that they were moving positions and some of the positions that were being moved were 2 positions and I believe it was the Superintendent Highway Construction and Maintenance Supervisor 1, position #835 and the other was Hanalei from Hanalei base yard and that was the Working Supervisor position #955. These were dollar funded numbers based on the consultation and we're going to have to get back and meet again on this. It's not complete we are waiting for some information from the employer but my understanding in regards to position 835, that position initially was supposed to be HGEA be reallocated to a HGEA position outside of roads and into solid waste. Again I'm sure because the process in which the employer suppose to take when they reallocate a position outside of the bargaining unit is to present that documentation to the union and we then go into consultation whether or not we agree and if we do not agree then if we do not agree it goes into the Labor Board process.

Chair Furfaro: Can I ask you to repeat that position number I see Mr. Kualii is making a note but we can surface that question with Solid Waste that's coming up.

Ms. Mindoro: That was number 835 from the Hanapēpē Base Yard and I know in the discussion with Mr. Kualii basically had asked whether or not that position was going to be, he was informed that that position was going to be transferred to Kapa‘a Base Yard but in the discussion that was brought to my attention initially it was going to an HGEA position. So I'm not sure where it's going.

Mr. Furfaro: Okay we will follow up on that when we're in Solid Waste.

Ms. Mindoro: Okay and the other position which was not initially in our re-org the 835, the second position, position number 955 that's the Labor Working Supervisor from the Hanalei Base Yard. That position from my understanding from the previous discussion is going to be re-allocated to a Small Equipment Mechanic from Transportation. However in the re-org that re-organization discussion that we had with roads that was created but not completed at this point, that position was going to stay within the roads division so there is a conflict of information but again Mr. Renaud was correct in saying there was an initiation of consultation with the union it just has not been completed at this time. In this re-organization of the transportation we're also going to need to know what's happening with transportation which was not initially consulted with us.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Ms. Mindoro: So that's all I have to really say.

Chair Furfaro: Okay let's see if we have any questions for you. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: Thanks Leilani for being here. I Leilani, are you intending on being here this afternoon for the solid waste discussion?

Ms. Mindoro: I wasn't initially but I am going to be coming back yes.

Mr. Bynum: We'll maybe I will save my questions but eventually I'm just going to say overall how is Public Works doing in respect in engaging with UPW?

Ms. Mindoro: Over all we're working to improve the relationship. Initially we had a very good working relationship and there was better communication. I don't know if it is because there are new administrative personnel and we have to... I don't know if it's the feeling each other out sort a speak to try and figure where we're at. We are working to try to resolve many of our grievances and many of the issues and hopefully the communication will improve. Again these were the first positions that are aware that were moved from one place to another so I don't have a list of all of these reallocated but I will be looking to get those so I'm aware as to where other positions may be moved too or from.

Mr. Bynum: We'll if you're here this afternoon I may have some specific questions about solid waste because there's a lot of changes happening.

Ms. Mindoro: Okay I do want to add one thing if I may, that with the discussion of tree trimming and a little history from UPW. There was a tree trimming group that consisted of a tree trimmer and an assistant so there were 2 people within the tree trimming unit. That tree trimming unit I would say before my time back in about 2 thousand or give or take a year either way was absorbed into the roads division. That tree trimming piece of equipment that tree trimmer the boom truck is basically a temporary as needed number, it is not assigned to any specific personnel. My understanding in solid waste is it is rotated base yard to base yard so that the areas of which roads division works they basically on a cycle will do their tree trimming. As for parks and I

beg to differ when it becomes a safety issue and their focus is not safety its beautification, parks, to advocate for parks it does become a safety issue when you have fallen branches at soccer fields or... and I'm a very strong advocate for the park usage for the kids for soccer or baseball. It's real important that accessibility of this equipment be available education for usage of this equipment for parks because we want to keep our Keiki's safe and our adults who go out to these parks and play.

Chair Furfaro: I don't think you heard and sympathy from this council directed at their limited resources in any employment role safety is first.

Ms. Mindoro: Exactly.

Mr. Rapozo: I have a real quick question.

Chair Furfaro: Go ahead Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Leilani you said you were trying to resolve your grievances right now, how many you guys have?

Ms. Mindoro: Our parks grievances were running at approximately twelve I believe...

Mr. Rapozo: Okay ballpark is fine. So that's parks 12, public works?

Ms. Mindoro: Public Works we had a back log of probably seven. So about 19 total between parks and public works?

Ms. Mindoro: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay thank you.

Ms. Mindoro: And at this point just to let you know we have resolved and we've been meeting with the department heads as well as step 2 from for the Mayor's representative to try and resolve it and at this point we have resolved just about all of them. There are 2 that we have to agree to disagree and there are 2 that may go further than the county law will go into arbitration.

Chair Furfaro: Well that's the good news and thank you for that summary. Vice Chair Yukimura has a question for you.

Ms. Yukimura: I just wondered the sheets on employee transfers and filling I think is public information so perhaps we should just make it available to Leilani. We can do that after we adjourn.

Ms. Mindoro: Okay thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I'm sorry staff you heard that inquiry? Okay Leilani we have one more question for you and that's from Councilmember Kualii.

Mr. Kualii: Yeah along the lines of Vice Chair Yukimura's suggestion to make the personnel report available I think that's pretty important because of the vacancies. I suppose that this reallocation of the labor working supervisor position to the small equipment mechanic and I think from what you're saying is not one that you're participating in so far?

Ms. Mindoro: Correct my understanding is that position was going to stay as a working supervisor with the roads division during the re-organization.

Mr. Kualii: Okay because that's not what was told to us and that's not what...

Ms. Mindoro: Because part of that re-organization they're doing the levee crew at Hanapēpē, so the other working supervisor position and that position number was 1995 and that one is currently occupied. That position would move with the crew member under the re-organization to the levee crew, so that piece of equipment...

Mr. Kualii: That's Hanapēpē yeah?

Ms. Mindoro: Yes would be specifically for that so that working supervisor and by moving that 835 would eliminate the working supervisor and basically you'll have all of your different crews that need that working supervisor to be able to assist in the delegation and ensure that the work is done appropriately in the field.

Mr. Kualii: What about this other position 956 laborer 2.

Ms. Mindoro: Okay.

Mr. Kualii: Also in the Hanalei Base Yard.

Ms. Mindoro: 952.

Mr. Kualii: 956 laborer 2. The asterisk says transfer to traffic signs markings and there's nothing budgeted in Hanalei Base Yard so I'm assuming it's going to show up in signs and marketing.

Ms. Mindoro: And its going to signs and marketing you said?

Mr. Kualii: Yes 956 laborer 2. I guess it's not the position itself is not changing. Does the union also get involved when it moves from the Hanalei base yard to signs and roads marketing?

Ms. Mindoro: Yes because it's all roads division it would be in the roads reorganization so I did write down the numbers that was discussed earlier, so I can go back and just ensure that what was discussed in our reorganization is basically what is actually happening.

Mr. Kualii: Okay thank you, thank you Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Leilani, I'm going to thank you for your testimony. We are going to come back at 1:15 Larry from lunch to take solid waste and we'll follow up on your quarries than.

Ms. Mindoro: Okay thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay we are on recess for lunch until 1:15.

There being no objections, the committee recessed at 12:11 p.m.

The Committee reconvened at 1:23 p.m., and proceeded as follows.

Chair Furfaro: Good afternoon we are back from our lunch recess and Mr. Dill do you want to launch the discussion now on solid waste? We can get another chair for you folks over there too. Alison we can get another chair over there too. Larry I want to thank you on the lunch break Lyle has talked with the Parks Department about the playground at Kīlauea and the (puka) in the grill that covers the first step so...

Mr. Dill: Good very good. Good afternoon Council Chair and members of the Council, Larry Dill, County Engineer for the record. Moving on now and this afternoon we will be discussing the operating budget for the Solid Waste Division and in our format we'll be talking first of all about some highlights of fiscal year 2012 and we'll discuss some highlights of fiscal year 2013 and anticipate and talk about some highlights of the operating budget and some staff issues. I will turn it over to the head of our solid waste division, Troy Tanigawa.

TROY TANIGAWA, HEAD OF DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT: For the record Troy Tanigawa, head of division of solid waste management. As Larry has mentioned we have some noble accomplishments that we wanted point out. We've implemented phase 2 of the transition from manual to automated refuse collection that included the areas in Kapa'a, the Kawaihau District. We completed our pilot curbside recycling program that was done in Līhu'e and produced the final report that's available upon request. We've implemented the residential refuse collection assessment program and generated new revenues for the county. We conducted an electronic recycling event this past fiscal year and two roads to recycling tours that showcased different aspects of the solid waste recycling programs. We've initiated the environmental impact statement for the proposed new landfill. Moving on to some highlights for upcoming fiscal year 2013, some challenges we face include are phase 3 of the automated refuse collection program. We are going to be embarking on negotiations with the union, sighting of the proposed new landfill, that process continues with substantial work being done this coming fiscal year on the environmental impact statement. Another program or challenge that we're facing is the deposit beverage container program, this year we were informed by the state that more than likely funding that we are currently receiving in the coming fiscal year will be cut off due to budget constraints in the program and it's a developing situation that we're going to be facing that will impact all of the current programs that are funded through that grant. That would include some certified redemption center operations in areas where that we consider underserved by certified operators that can redeem beverage containers as well as 2 county staff positions. We will be monitoring that very closely and hoping to see a turn for the better.

We also have construction and demolition diversion initiatives that include coming up with an ordinance to further diversion in that area. Also to further diversion of materials of the landfill will be introducing business recycling requirements by ordinance. There will also be a move to increase public education in our diversions programs and we have a new program on tap that we can get into a little bit more discussion later on when we reach recycling programs is a recycling grants program. There is also an increase budget I should say for our household hazardous waste collections appropriation request so we can increase more services in that area. We would like to look at expanding electronic recycling events, improvements for the Kaua'i Recycles Program and also to move on procuring services to increase diversion of bio solids from the landfill. In this slide we just wanted to point out that there are 2 areas that we experience most of our increases in and that was in line item 4, indirect cost central services as well as our recycling services costs. The last slide is just to point out that we're going to be continuing with our contract with our Waste Diversion Programs Advisor in our solid waste division and it points out the position that would be using. There is one slight change to that and instead of the Highway Construction and Maintenance

Supervisor it will be the Highways Superintend Position that we plan to use. That's all I have and I will open up for any questions.

Chair Furfaro: Are your people going to make a presentation at this time before I go back to my seat?

Mr. Dill: No we have no further presentations.

Chair Furfaro: I'm going to practice the same by going around for couple questions each. I have 5 questions here but I will wait my turn after I ask my first 2 and I need and maybe Mr. Barreira you can help us here. He just presented to us that this highway position being transferred to solid waste and that has come up earlier, and is that going from one union to the other and where is the discussion about that reallocation of that staff position.

ERNIE BARREIRA, BUDGET & PURCHASING DIRECTOR: Yes Mr. Chair, Ernie Barreira, Budget & Purchasing Director. Thank you for the opportunity to clarify, the position that was just mentioned by Mr. Tanigawa in terms of which is actually an EM Position. I had reported earlier both in writing and verbally at the council last Friday that there were some submission errors in the March budget. One of them was that where as the Superintendent of Highway Construction which is position number 827. That is a position that we intend to seek your approval to re-describe and to transfer to the public works/solid waste division as a waste diversion program advisor.

Chair Furfaro: Is that an EM category?

Mr. Barreira: I believe it's an EM 5 Position sir?

Chair Furfaro: EM 5?

Mr. Barreira: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay has solid waste had this discussion or who should be initiating this discussion either with the HGEA or UPW do you know?

Mr. Barreira: I couldn't say sir I'm not sure who normally takes that responsibility.

Mr. Dill: Yes that would be the county engineer myself, but as we pointed out we're not moving now or re-allocating from one union to another, its within the HGEA, but we will coordinate that with the HGEA.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so both positions were identified as the workforce in HGEA?

Mr. Dill: That's correct.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so no way did it cross over with UPW?

Mr. Dill: that's correct.

Mr. Barreira: Chair if I may since we're on the topic of clarification and the highway construction and maintenance supervisor position number 835 which is a public works

highways Hanapēpē base yard position. That was submitted in error as well and that will remain in its current classification as our budget submission in May will clarify.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so the 835 position is going to be clarified in the May 3rd submittal?

Mr. Barreira: May 8th submittal sir.

Chair Furfaro: May 8th I'm sorry.

Mr. Barreira: And that position is not going to change, its classification and functionality will remain the same.

Chair Furfaro: Okay. I will give you the floor in a couple of minutes; I just want to go to my other question and then Mel you can start off. Troy I didn't understand your question or maybe I should say your statement about some of the struggling we've got going on in the recycling program. Could you clarify that for us again?

Mr. Tanigawa: Well Alison has been in touch with the state the most, she's been point on getting the information about the beverage container recycling programs so I will let her answer any details of what you need to know.

Chair Furfaro: Sounds like you're going to take us to an expert so we'll go to the expert, Alison.

ALISON FRALEY, SOLID WASTE PROGRAM COORDINATOR: For the record, Alison Fraley Solid Waste Program Coordinator. We've been receiving a grant from the State Department of Health since the bottle deposit law went into effect. For the past 3 years we've been funded at a level of about 265 thousand dollars and the funding basically goes towards 2 staff positions that monitor the program here on Kaua'i. They go to all the retail outlets and the certified redemption centers on a regular basis and report back to the state. They also provide customer service to county residents if something goes wrong with the redemption centers they assist and they also provide public education. We have the 2 staff positions and all of their mileage and their office overhead and that kind of thing. We also have 2 redemption centers that are funded through contracts with the recycler to provide redemption center services in Kekaha and in Kōloa. So we have an annual contract with Kaua'i Community Recycling Services to provide those in locations who were underserved in the inception of the deposit program. We heard from the state a few months ago that they have a deficit and a fund and that they will no longer support the county in fiscal year 2014.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so they have a deficit in the program?

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Therefore our 265 thousand dollar grant to staff, transport and to the reporting documents is not going to be available to us?

Ms. Fraley: That's what they've said.

Chair Furfaro: That's what they've said.

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Mr. Fujimoto: Next fiscal year.

Ms. Fraley: In 2014.

Mr. Furfaro: Yeah I understood the numbers so what is our strategy?

Mr. Dill: If I may Council Chair, I'm not sure if Alison mentioned but we were first notified by the State, they were telling us that they would remove the funding in fiscal year 13 so our initial response in coordination with other counties because we weren't the only county affected. We were to work with them to get in reinstated for this fiscal year upcoming.

Chair Furfaro: Sounds like you were successful.

Mr. Dill: Through the efforts mainly led by Alison I would say we were successful so that's a recent happening. So you have raised a good point but we don't have a good answer for you yet. We've got in reinstated until 13 then we have to take a look at 14. We have been considering among other things is asking the state for an audit of their program so we can understand better how they've been expanding the funds for this DBC Program but we need to pursue that.

Chair Furfaro: Eh I like that, no guts no glory. That's the state to be audited. Okay so we don't have a new plan for 2014?

Mr. Dill: No.

Chair Furfaro: We did get the extension for one year?

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so we'll put it on a future agenda item and see where you folks are going. I had promised Mr. Rapozo the floor next for his first 2 questions. Go ahead Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: I was just going to get clarification on that transferred position because we just sat through the description from public works and they verified that's those positions were going to be moved. I'm reading the April 3 memo from Mr. Barreira and they did clarify those 2 positions so I will waive my 2 questions right now.

Chair Furfaro: Okay Vice Chair Yukimura, you have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you, I want to do a follow up on the deposit beverage container issue. I thought there was a surplus of funds at one point, what happened?

Ms. Fraley: We don't know. We thought so and they thought so too but we were recently informed that they had a deficit so there needs to be some accountability there and an audit like Larry mentioned.

Ms. Yukimura: Well the other thing is if it's not too late to get the Legislature to authorize an audit this year, so that it can be done during this year and to look at the law because doesn't the law and I think the law has to support the cost of bringing in these beverage containers. I mean arguably you could raise the deposit one more cent and then cover the deficits on all the islands or the...

Ms. Fraley: Well the law states that half cents that there's this one cent non refundable fee that supports this program at this time. The law states that once the redemption climbs above 70% that another half cent can be charged to the customer a non refundable half cent. So that's one way that monies could come into the program to support our grant and other activities to administer the program however right now there is a house resolution that is urging the department of health not to charge that half cent, not to raise the fee, before an audit is completed.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay well.

Ms. Fraley: So there is activity at the state level the ledges.

Ms. Yukimura: Oh okay so an audit is trying to be authorized?

Ms. Fraley: Yes but at the same time we are saying don't increase the fee which is a concern to us.

Ms. Yukimura: And we are over the 70% recovery rate?

Ms. Fraley: Yes about 80% and we have been for many years.

Ms. Yukimura: You know that is a remarkable record to celebrate actually because 80% of all the beverage containers are being recyclable through this law and it's quite astounding. I'm just wondering if council intervention or support for certain legislative options are important.

Ms. Fraley: Yes I would say.

Ms. Yukimura: This year.

Ms. Fraley: Yes I would say and appreciate it.

Mr. Dill: We are drafting testimony to support both an audit but also an increase in the fees to help support that program. It's interesting that the program success is also a challenge for because the more successful the program the less money is available to run the program.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes that's very ironic.

Chair Furfaro: Larry did you just say you've already offered testimony on those 2 topics.

Mr. Dill: We have drafted testimony but haven't submitted it yet.

Chair Furfaro: Oh draft but haven't submit yet. Could you send a draft of that to the council as well?

Mr. Dill: Sure.

Ms. Yukimura: So the resolution is pending?

Ms. Fraley: There are 2 and it's just crossed over at this time.

Chair Furfaro: Okay Larry, thank you. Vice Chair Yukimura you still have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: Well I need to ask my question about the materials facility?

Chair Furfaro: We can come back, we can come back.

Ms. Yukimura: Oh I can ask it. I would like to have a status report on the materials status facility?

Mr. Dill: We had done a lot of work this year on the materials status facility in house and we have not yet reach the conclusion as to whether the facility would be best as a county owned county operated or county owned privately operated or privately owned privately operated facility. So as we have not reached that point we are really not ready to make a presentation to you. We are very close to altering (inaudible) we need to make that decision but in working with the administration we haven't got to that point of establishing the direction for that.

Ms. Yukimura: So is there any money in the budget for it for this year?

Mr. Dill: No we have not put money in the budget for this year but depending on the decision be made shortly and on the direction then hopefully we would see money in the May submittal.

Ms. Yukimura: I think the council needs to be briefed on the options you're looking at and the implications for operational costs and other issues. I mean it's not just an administration decision.

Mr. Dill: Well I would like to think that the administration needs to come up with a recommendation before the council has its proposed direction and then I agree with you we would certainly cover the options, pros and cons of each and support the recommendation that's being given.

Ms. Yukimura: And you're going to do that all before the 6th or whatever the date is?

Mr. Dill: Well I hope so yes.

Chair Furfaro: When do you think that would happen?

Mr. Dill: When do I think that would happen?

Chair Furfaro: Yes.

Mr. Dill: I'm...

Chair Furfaro: I mean should I be scheduling a call back session for the council just to talk about...

Mr. Dill: Maybe just a special session for the council just for that issue. But until we agree with the administration on the direction on which is the proposed solution to

pursue, I wouldn't request that you call a session until that happens. I feel we are very close to do that.

Chair Furfaro: It is in our overall plan right?

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay Council Vice Chair you have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: And it has been delayed in the plan for about 4 or 5 years so...

Chair Furfaro: I don't know if that long, maybe more like three but it's been awhile, Alison could you share that better with us. Is it closer to 3?

Ms. Fraley: Closer to 3.

Chair Furfaro: Closer to 3?

Ms. Fraley: Closer to 3 yes.

Mr. Yukimura: Okay but in the meantime our landfill is filling up and we have to spend money to extend it?

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: And I mean we at least the council has said it's a priority and every session you've come to us and you've said you're going to report to us or have it in the budget and include a report to us to show us that we were going to proceed for the last six months for about every six months. Alright well I think anymore delays is really too long so I hope we can get it reported to us and included in this budget, Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay, Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I have 2 questions and I'm going to stop crying over this spilled milk okay but I do want to talk about the implications of that. First the simple question, projected revenues for fiscal and this is regarding residential refuse collection. Projected revenues for fiscal year 11/12 were 2.7 million, revenues received by February 1, is 1.7. Is that below your expectations and do we know what those factors are? It's a million dollar difference and the tax bills went out in January and maybe they all hadn't come in by then or is there an update to these numbers because it's April now?

Mr. Tanigawa: Yes Councilmember Bynum I can update you. We just got the very recent information as of last week we are up to 2.77 million dollars so we are just about to...

Mr. Bynum: So right on target. Isn't that great when you get an answer like that? Thank you. I sent over written questions previously and I think there's an update coming so first I want to take responsibility for wording those incorrectly and you folks responded to the request I made but one of the questions was and I'm going from memory. Isn't it true that when we adopted the integrated solid waste plan we were going to and our major goal was to avoid horizontal.... Oh what's this? Vertical yes, wasn't one of our primary goals to avoid any further vertical expansion of the Kekaha Landfill right? That was a major goal and in my correspondence I said lateral and you answered it correctly, it was my fault and I used the wrong word. I'm pretty

clear in my mind that that was a major goal to avoid vertical expansion of the land fill. Now we are relying on that, is that correct? I mean in order to and there is no way for us to avoid a vertical expansion on the landfill at this point. That's a question, is there any way for us to avoid a vertical expansion of the landfill?

Mr. Dill: That will be (inaudible) upon a few things and I think the most significant of which is how soon a new landfill can be brought on-line and also on how successful waste diversion efforts are.

Mr. Bynum: Right and what is the estimated cost to the county of doing and using and closing that... was is the additional cost related to a vertical expansion?

Mr. Tanigawa: Excuse me. The additional costs are substantially less than the cost that we experience with the lateral expansions. We started developing figures so we know where we need to go as far as funding and how much capacity we would have when we approach the council to make a recommendation on that. I don't have that figures with me but I can get back to you.

Mr. Bynum: Is it 10 million?

Mr. Tanigawa: No.

Mr. Bynum: Less then?

Mr. Tanigawa: The less vertical expansion we did at the Kekaha Landfill was within the original Phase 2 footprint. I believe the total of debt just in compass costs, planning related costs for an environmental assessment and the Department of Health permits, so just a very round figure under a million dollars.

Mr. Bynum: I'm surprised and that's good news.

Mr. Tanigawa: Probably much less than that for the last vertical expansion that we do.

Mr. Bynum: That's way less than I expected to hear.

DONALD FUJIMOTO, ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES OFFICER: Councilmember Bynum, Donald Fujimoto, Environmental Services Officer. I think you're confusing the cell 2 lateral expansion with the vertical. The cell 2 will require about 10 million dollars and that is part of the lateral expansion and we're doing that right now. The lateral expansion had actually 2 phases and expanding on what Troy said the vertical expansion is (inaudible) as far as the additional cost because the lining is already in place it's just a matter of going up and revising our permits.

Mr. Bynum: So that's a major factor that makes the cost less.

Mr. Fujimoto: Yes it's the fact that it's already lined. There are other options out there and obviously you know cell 3 which was part of that original. Cell 3 is over phase 1 which is presently on-line.

Mr. Bynum: No I mean that's part of what you get from being here for 5 and a half or 6 years talking about this issue and that's why I remember we were all solid we were telling people in Kekaha that's it we're not going any higher and now we need to own it. We're going

higher and so I'm still concerned if we're going to be able to accomplish this goal and also in that and I will close with this and I will have other questions when we come back around. Also in that I ask and I want this on the public record and I think I have had this distributed to other councilmember's but I asked whether you were supportive of the initiative to get special council to oversee the EIS for the landfill expansion and I got a solid yes at the departmental level here in support of that. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Before going any further let me ask you. Donald are you an engineer?

Mr. Fujimoto: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: What kind of engineer are you?

Mr. Fujimoto: Civil.

Mr. Furfaro: Okay, Troy you're background?

Mr. Tanigawa: Double (inaudible) with education I have my civil background.

Chair Furfaro: Okay Mr. Dill?

Mr. Dill: Civil.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so let's make sure we understand, we have 3 engineers' professional backgrounds here okay. Spilled milk is an accident and I don't expect accidents to happen with the engineering staff that we have here. The MURF okay is in a paid 35 thousand dollar study that is several years old, so that's not by accident and it is actually by design with the approval of this council. I would like to send over some questions that are dealing with in writing describing costs associated with the one vertical expansion and the 2 laterals. I want to get an understanding what that costs are so we can look for the money and in June when we are talking a bond visit again let's let the council have some idea of these costs for these 3 extensions. I think you folks understand what we are saying here. We are very professional about this but this is taking much, much too much time and now it doesn't look like we're really focusing our attention on what the costs are and how we get moving. That's my observation after being on the council for 10 years. In 2004 we started a lot of dialog about this and I think we know where we need to be and we need to do it Mr. Dill by a design plan to get us there. I think you folks agree it's a big item its costly and we need to be focused on it because it's only going to lead us to other questions about Kekaha having to host that facility for a longer period of time which brings up a whole new set of questions. I would appreciate it if you answered the questions about the cost related to 2 laterals and 1 vertical so we see it in writing. Okay Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay let me change subjects real quick because I have a feeling we're going to go back to that subject.

Chair Furfaro: I want you to know I'm pau with it.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay. In other services in the recycling division on page 250, there's an increase in over 350 thousand dollars, could you explain I see the breakdown but I'm not sure where... is that all in the Kaua'i recycle, Kaua'i is spelled wrong by the way. Is that 35 plus thousand is it in there?

Ms. Fraley: Mainly in the Kaua'i Recycles Program and also there's an addition in the Household Hazardous Waste Program to increase public service for that program as well.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay can you explain the increases? The Kaua'i Recycles first of all.

Ms. Fraley: Yes Kaua'i Recycles we are actually out to bid right now for a new contract. The new contract and first of all in the current contract we've continued to see growth and public participation. The last couple of years there have been a 25 percent increase in the amount of materials coming into those bins and because of that an increase in the number of hauls and that's what the major cost of this program. So we're out to bid and we don't know how the bid is going to come in but the new contract calls for major increase in hauls to provide better service to the public we've heard that people go to the bins and we don't ever want that to happen we don't ever want to discourage recycling, so increase in hauls. Also increase in the materials collected and we are adding tin cans to the program so that people can recycle their food cans and that's a commodity that's just going to the landfill that the public really wants to recycle. Also there are increase requirements to clean the sites and we know this is all going to cost money so we put our best guess and what this contract could cost.

Mr. Rapozo: How does that contract work? How do we pay out for that program? So the contractor picks up our stuff?

Ms. Fraley: Yes the way the contract works is we rent the bins.

Mr. Rapozo: We rent the bins?

Ms. Fraley: Yes we don't own the bins the contractor provides the bins for us. They provide all the hauling services as well as the processing of the material they mark the material recycle it and report back.

Mr. Rapozo: And then they keep the material?

Ms. Fraley: Correct.

Mr. Rapozo: And get paid off of the material?

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: And then the household hazardous waste that's just the requirement that we're going to have to start collecting hazardous waste or is that something new?

Ms. Fraley: No those are the public collections we want to increase the service and right now it's annually and what happens when people move off island or they need to get rid of their materials right away, there not able to and so we want to increase that service perhaps to twice a year whatever we can afford to have better public service for that material.

Mr. Rapozo: Well what does 120 thousand get us?

Ms. Fraley: Double the service right now.

Mr. Rapozo: So we're at 60 right now?

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: And that's once a year.

Ms. Fraley: Yes and also that covers our new battery recycling program. We do collect household batteries at the Kaua'i Resource Center now starting in March 2011, so continuance of that program as well. Hopefully increase participation in that program as people become more aware.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay and the other question is relating to the expansions. The vertical doesn't eliminate and this would be for probably you Donald. The vertical expansion doesn't take away the lateral I mean it's in addition to it right? We're already doing the lateral of the first lateral correct? And then the vertical is on phase 2.

Mr. Fujimoto: There are a couple of options I guess or several options.

Mr. Rapozo: We did the workshop here not long ago we did that all day workshop. Has anything changed from that because you provided the numbers, you provided the maps, all the colored drawings all of that stuff so nothing has changed so we can refer back to that information correct?

Mr. Fujimoto: Yes.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you that's all I needed to know.

Chair Furfaro: That doesn't relieve you folks from my request. I want to make sure you know that doesn't relieve you folks from my request and I will give you until the end of the week to give us that information on the vertical cost as well as the 2 lateral. Okay any other questions, Vice Chair Yukimura. No one is raising their hand. Mr. Rapozo will you run the meeting for a little while.

Mr. Rapozo: Sure.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you. Aloha, just because I know you said it was submitted in error but I want to know now what's going to be resubmitted on May 8 and I thought I heard you say both ways that position 835 would end up stating in public works Hanapēpē base yard. But position 835 is being transferred and re-described correct for the EM5 Waste Diversion Program Advisor? The waste division program advisor will show up in this solid waste recycling budget even though nothing is showing right now.

Mr. Dill: Okay position 835 is going to stay in its classification and its opposition at the Hanapēpē base yard.

Mr. Kualii: As 8CNM Supervisor one?

Mr. Dill: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: And it's a dollar funded position but it's going to be funded at the WS10 level?

Mr. Dill: Yeah if that's its current level than it's correct.

Mr. Kualii: In the budget it says WS10 but under the dollar item its blank, so it's not budgeted for in the public works Hanapēpē base yard line item.

Mr. Dill: Right.

Mr. Kualii: I think the reason it wasn't budgeted there is because is because you were transferring it out to solid waste but then I'm looking for it in the solid waste listing of positions where the dollar amount with a position titled EM5 Waste Division Program Advisor since you said that's what it's being re-described as and I just done see it.

Mr. Dill: Right and as indicated before that was an error.

Mr. Kualii: Okay getting pass that it was an error, what is going to be correct?

Mr. Dill: Okay so position 835 is going to stay at the Hanapēpē base yard at its current designation.

Mr. Kualii: So the error was that it had no dollar amount for the WS10 classification. So what is the correct dollar amount that's going to be put back in?

Mr. Dill: I'm sorry I don't have that number with me.

Mr. Kualii: Okay I want that number?

Mr. Dill: Okay.

Mr. Kualii: And what is the correct number for the EM5 Waste Diversion Program Advisor position that's going to show up in the solid waste recycling budget and then it's not a re-described position anymore it's a new position right? Or is it some other position that's being re-described?

Mr. Dill: The position we planned to use for that is position 827.

Mr. Kualii: Position?

Mr. Dill: Position 827 that was the superintendent of highway construction.

Mr. Kualii: Okay so isn't there 2 positions, 835 the waste diversion program advisor and position 827 for the waste diversion supervisor.

Mr. Dill: No.

Mr. Kualii: It was pretty clear that when Larry talked about it the other day or... so that's the same position. So 835 is staying so that's no longer the issue, 827 is the position that's going to be the EM5 and what is the title again, Waste diversion Program Advisor or Waste Diversion Supervisor?

Mr. Dill: Waste Diversion Program Advisor.

Mr. Kualii: Okay and that will be paid at EM5?

Mr. Dill: Yes SR-22.

Mr. Kualii: Oh SR-22.

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Mr. Kualii: And it was EM-R5?

Mr. Dill: EM-5.

Mr. Kualii: EM-5 I'm sorry. When it was the Superintendent of HC&M Highways in the roads admin, and that position will start on November 1 so it has 8 months funding?

Mr. Dill: We may come back in the May submittal and request 12 months funding for that.

Mr. Kualii: Because you anticipate being successful with the recruitment earlier than later?

Mr. Dill: There's someone in that position already.

Mr. Kualii: Okay. So you will come back and request 12 month funding?

Mr. Dill: Most likely yes.

Mr. Kualii: The other position is 1064 Refuse Collection Crew Leader, BC-9.

Ms. Yukimura: Where is it?

Mr. Kualii: Page 245 the list of positions for solid waste recycling. The Department of Personnel Services shows that it's vacant since September 5 of 2011 so just September 5 but under status of recruitment it just has department handles internally. So how is the department handling that internally? Is it currently under recruitment? Have you filled the position since it's been vacant since September of last year?

Mr. Tanigawa: I don't have the details of that but what I can do is go back and we'll check on that and we can get back to you.

Mr. Kualii: Okay that's position 1064, vacant since September 5 and recruitment status according to personnel is department handles internally so you can get back to me.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you, Councilmember Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you for your report. I wanted to ask you a question about public education mainly because of the plastic bag ordinance and the shift now from plastic to paper. I thought part of the component was going to be public education component to try to get people to shift from now paper to recyclable and bringing your own bags, but when I go to the store I

don't observe that. I observe a lot of people using paper bags and so I'm just wondering if there is any place in this budget that moves us in that direction or is it the role of some other entity to do that?

Ms. Fraley: Well the public education budget could be used for those purposes and initially when the law went into effect we did radio campaigns, we did some news ads, we worked with the Chamber of Commerce, but your saying as a customer you're not seeing it at the stores and probably more could be done in those areas.

Ms. Nakamura: And what is the line item budget for public education?

Ms. Fraley: Its on page... we have a recycling budget for it and it's on page 250.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay.

Ms. Fraley: There is an increase this year, last year it was 20 thousand and we're making the request of 45 thousand this year. We plan to increase and we found that radio promotions are very successful and though we do want to do some other work to increase public education this year. So we want to continue with intensive radio ads for all of our different programs especially event type programs like electronics and household hazardous waste. We may be doing special print jobs and promotional pieces like what you're talking about for the bag program and banners for the stores and things like that, and also working to educate students as well.

Ms. Nakamura: So your current budget this year was?

Ms. Fraley: 20 thousand.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay so you're doubling it.

Ms. Fraley: Yeah a little more than double well yeah more than double 45.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay thank you. I also had a question relating to the former (inaudible) site. There were things about toxic waste at that site based on the previous operations. Is the cleanup of that in this budget?

Mr. Tanigawa: Right now we're working with consultants to try and assess the level of contamination if any. We have done partial assessments on the site already and we're working to complete full (inaudible) testing on the entire site that was used, area's that were used. We will have more information about cost once we have that done we will have some preliminary numbers in a couple of months because we have our consultants looking at the results and they're going to formulate some recommendations and cost estimates for us. So we'll have more information to discuss with you folks when we reach that point.

Ms. Nakamura: So there's probably nothing in this budget to address the concerns?

Mr. Tanigawa: No we don't have any.

Ms. Nakamura: Yeah and we would be looking for that in the next budget.

Mr. Tanigawa: More than likely yes.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you, those were my 2 questions for now.

Mr. Furfaro: Thank you I had a question. This is also for Clint in the Finance Department for solid waste and so forth. Larry how periodically do we review capital improvement investments at the landsite? At the land field?

Mr. Dill: Oh at the land field.

Mr. Furfaro: Yeah equipment that we have there, investments?

Mr. Dill: I know that our Solid Waste Division staff visits there regularly but I don't know the schedule off hand. How often?

Mr. Tanigawa: Weekly.

Mr. Dill: Weekly.

Chair Furfaro: Okay and do you submit annually a financial statement about the value of those assets that are there?

Mr. Tanigawa: Council Chair right now according to our contract sanifill or waste management provides all of the heavy equipment at the site and what the county provides is fairly minimal, small tools and I think the largest price item in this year's current fiscal year 2012 budget we replaced was a personnel cart. It's a four wheel drive that can get in all areas of the site but beyond that we have smaller tools. We don't have a regular report the bottom line is and if it's the desire to get that in place and more consistent reporting on that we can look at that.

Chair Furfaro: I don't think that's so much of a request coming from the council. We had a little bit of a quarry about the purchase of a large earth moving machine two years ago and so forth so I just for financial recording it's required for us to have a detailed inventory of what our items are. Maybe since the majority is actually coming from the contractor do you request from them to indicate to you to fulfill the contract of what equipment is on the facility, on the property for the use of them fulfilling their contract.

Mr. Tanigawa: We have some equipment required in our per bid bin, those primary pieces of equipment have basic functions that we do require to be in place. We had recently asked them for information on what equipment is going to have to be replaced in the near future and...

Chair Furfaro: Well that's where I'm going. I'm starting to have a little bit of a problem that they provide us a list of items that we have to replace but they're interpreted as being their equipment?

Mr. Tanigawa: Well actually it's equipment that they own that we are asking them for information so we can foresee ahead of time these pieces of equipment that are going to be changed. We don't want the equipment to be on site because of age and wear and tear and it ends up going down. For example compactors, compactors are a major piece of equipment and while we can sustain land field operations without that we end up losing airspace because there isn't the efficient compaction...

Chair Furfaro: Yeah but that's provided in their contract right?

Mr. Tanigawa: So we ask them for that type of information but we don't ask them for any detailed financial information.

Chair Furfaro: I think I want us to start okay?

Mr. Tanigawa: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: I it's the terms of their contract that they're providing us, earth moving machines, their providing us with compactor information, the deals with the life eventually of our land filed and so forth and we have a contract with them and they're suppose to provide that to us. I would like to see that we start each new year knowing what equipment they have and especially if they amortize it off the property when it leaves we can verify that its gone and they have a replacement item. I think that is reasonable that we have some detail to their contract. I forget what piece of earth moving equipment it was last year we were dealing with a piece that would scrape the collections out of the metal wheels and so forth. I think our employees though that was a new piece of equipment that we gave but reality it's part of their contract and so for them to fulfill the contract obligation we should have at least a list verify the list of equipment that's theirs that's at the site. If you could do that for me I would certainly appreciate it and I can ask Clint to get involve too. Would you make sure that happens? Let the record show he is acknowledging with a nod of the head, thank you Clint, any other questions? Vice Chair then Mr. Bynum.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes thank you I just want to say that it might be 3 years from adoption from our solid waste plan but it was a year or 2 before that and the MURF wasn't even in the draft plan and it was only until zero waste Kaua'i brought in Eric Nordmeier and Gary Heu went to visit the MURF there that it got into the plans. And ten million dollars later we don't have a MURF and we don't have the jobs that the MURF would create either. This expansion of the land filed is not going to create jobs like a MURF will. I wanted to ask about your completed pilot curbside recycling program. Do you have a evaluation report on that? I don't need to hear the factors but can you submit that?

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Also your residential refuse collection, is that a study?

Ms. Fraley: No that's the program where we collect the fees from the residents for the refuse service.

Mr. Yukimura: Oh good okay. Well congratulations on that that's a big step forward.

Ms. Fraley: Thank you.

Ms. Yukimura: Also congratulations on your 25% increase in recycling. That's a hefty increase and really is testimony to your good work. My next question is, have you explored the... I mean I'm looking at this 120 thousand for 1 household hazardous waste collection?

Ms. Fraley: It would be for 2 plus the battery recycling.

Ms. Yukimura: The what?

Ms. Fraley: I'm sorry the household battery recycling.

Ms. Yukimura: Plus the batteries so its covers that as well?

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: And then there's 55 thousand for used motor oil collection.

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: So that's a 175 thousand. But then there's electronic recycling which is 80, I mean that's over 200 thousand. What is the value of a charm, just opening up a charm so that people can come day after day during the year then you don't have to do these special incident... I mean the logistics get more expansive and you do this for 10 years you might pay for a charm. I'm sure it doesn't just include the cost of the building and it's more complicated than that but over time it seems that it could be cheaper. Has anyone done an analysis of this?

Ms. Fraley: Well that's the goal of the integrated solid waste management plan is to have ongoing collection services for these items. I want to say that the motor oil program is ongoing and we have it at all the transfer stations and that's a daily program but for electronics we are hoping to expand the program so we can have more consistency. We have the State Law in place where manufacturers are required to have programs but all they've offered were mail back programs. There have been activity at the legislature to amend the law to make it better on the neighbor Islands but they haven't been successful. What we've seen is the manufacturers actually contracting recyclers on O'ahu to hold events on the neighbor islands and we've recently received a zero bid for an event that we're going to be holding in a couple of months which is much different than the high price of that we paid for a very successful event in October. We are seeing this program forming and fluctuating and we're hoping to take advantage of the manufacturers support in the next fiscal year and have a much better program and maybe even something where computers could be collected by appointment and something that's open on a way regular basis than once a year. That's always the intent is to provide better convenience for the public and we know that's how they can participate is if the programs are convenient, that's the goal.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay but I haven't gotten the answer to my question which is... have you looked at the value of opening a charm? Couldn't the manufacturers focus their money and pay us for operating the charm because we're going to be the site of collection of their recycled electronics.

Ms. Fraley: So a permanent facility is in the plan but it's farther out. Our goal is to get that MURF going first.

Ms. Yukimura: Yeah but what is the timetable for the charm?

Mr. Fujimoto: Year five.

Ms. Yukimura: Well we're in year three so you say year five you start the planning and design of the charm or you open the charm?

Mr. Fujimoto: I think that's the timetable for that.

Ms. Yukimura: I'm sorry I can't hear you.

Mr. Fujimoto: If I remember correctly, in year 5 the charm is supposed to be scheduled to be open.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay so who's doing the planning leading up to the opening in year 5?

Mr. Fujimoto: Again this is an ongoing process and I think I should be the last one to explain to you really the issue and the reason why primarily we're behind. A lot comes down to the economics and the affordability and how fast we want to push this through. I think there was definitely a big period of when the economy and everything slowed down and at that point there was a conscious decision to slow some of these developments of the integrated solid waste management plan.

Ms. Yukimura: There was a decision to slow down the management plan; is that what you're saying?

Mr. Fujimoto: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: Who made the decision?

Mr. Fujimoto: Well part of it if you remember part of it was also required because of the union agreements. We wanted to initiate some of these plans sooner than later but the plan was not accepted so we were asked to wait until the plan got approved.

Ms. Yukimura: Excuse me I'm not sure that unions are involved in electronic recycling.

Mr. Fujimoto: Well I'm talking about...

Ms. Yukimura: Or hazardous waste.

Mr. Fujimoto: Right there are other issues in this plan that has a higher priority and you were talking about one of them and that the MURF. We are still actively trying to get that online.

Ms. Yukimura: So the 3 year delay of the MURF is not only delaying the MURF but it's also delaying the charm and all those issues?

Mr. Fujimoto: Yes.

Ms. Yukimura: You know that's the first time we're hearing this.

Mr. Chang: Vice Chair excuse me for the public again can you remind us what is charm please?

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you, you're right, charm is an acronym shame on me for Center For Hard To Recycle Materials. It involves electronics, hazardous waste and other such items. I'm sorry that I missed that.

Chair Furfaro: Now we all know it's not a breakfast cereal we're good. Mr. Bynum. Yeah you have to lighten up things here sometimes okay. Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Bynum: I want to follow up on something JoAnn said and then ask my 2 questions. Excuse me for the straight talk okay, Donald what you just said is very significant that there was decision made to slow down the integrated solid waste program. I believe that was a political decision and so I do not hold the people that are sitting up there responsible for these delays. What you just said is the first time anyone has said it and that's been my assumption all along just from reality to just look and see. You left this position vacant for an existing amount of time, we would ask questions and there would be no movement on it so I wanted to say this publicly. I'm not holding you guys responsible for that, those were political decisions and the problem is, it wasn't "together we can", it wasn't collaborative, no one came to the council and said we think for these reasons we should slow this project down. What we heard officially was we got the plan we're on it and we're working on it. So that's my political comment. My question has to do with the big picture, last year solid waste expenditures were about 12 million and this year the budget is for 14.4 right? Revenues are up because of the trash fee collection primarily and so we're anticipating revenues of 6.2 million for a 14 million dollar budget. So obviously that doesn't jive because revenues are far lower than expenditures. Now the 14 million I'm hoping your budget is somewhat tighter then it was because of this lapse factor that administration has told us about, that you're budgeting tighter. We all know we probably won't expand 14 million this year, at the end of the fiscal year we have a 14 million dollar budget right... does this makes sense of what I'm saying so far and so this year and I'm very appreciative of this 5 million of that 14 million is coming from a fund balance you were holding in solid waste.

I don't think it's appropriate and the administration has agreed and I think that's one of the places where we have agreement this year that these funds that need supplement from the general fund should not be holding bin balances at the end of the year. We should look to end the fiscal year with a pretty small fund balance and I know solid waste has set aside some funds for land field closure so taking those out you know... so that means for this year the contribution from the general fund is 2.3 right to get to the 14 million but we're using 5 million, 5.7 million from the fund balance. So just going forward let's say our actual expenditures are 13 and our income is 6.2 then we're going to be looking at the next fiscal year at supplementing from the general fund at around 6 or 7 million. Does this all make sense? Okay and so I just wanted to make sure we were all on the same page about this when looking at the big picture. I very much appreciate that the administration not only in the solid waste fund but others isn't going to be holding in essence what the general fund balance should be in the receiving funds.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum could you go over those numbers one more time so they can write them down as you reconcile....

Mr. Bynum: Sure well I mean it's all right here from the CAFR in the budget.

Chair Furfaro: No but I think hearing from you on how they can reconcile...

Mr. Bynum: Well last year's actual expenditures in the solid waste fund was 12 million 13 thousand. Now the budget was much higher than that but like most of our budget we don't expand every dollar we budgeted and so the actual cost was 12 million to run solid waste. This year's budget is 14 million 4 hundred and 23 thousand and to get that you have 6.2 million dollars of revenues from fees and I assume primarily tipping fees and trash collection fees primarily. You have a 5.7 million dollar contribution from the current solid waste fund balance and 2.4 million being transferred in from the general fund to get to your budgeted amount of 14 million 423. I just wanted to make sure we were all in agreement about those numbers and how we got there and also that it has implications for the next fiscal year and it gives us somewhat of an idea and there's actually a question at the end of this too. It gives us somewhat of an idea of what kind and if we're

managing our solid waste fund properly which means we make sure there's enough funds to get through the year but not a big surplus at the end of the year. Then we evaluate and on the next budget we put the funds in that we need and we can anticipate and FY-14, we're not going to have that 5.7 million dollar fund balance to plug in here so we're going to need to be prepared to supplement the solid waste fund in around the 6 or 7 million dollar range. Assuming that cost generally stays the same and here's the question, is there some big cost item in terms of this operational budget that the council is not aware of that's coming up other than kind of normal increases.

Chair Furfaro: If you're not prepared to answer that right now will take a 5 minute tape change and you can answer it after the tape change.

Mr. Dill: Actually I was going to ask Council Chair and Councilmember Bynum if you could put that over in writing and we'll respond to that in writing and make sure we get you a good answer.

Mr. Bynum: Okay is there a staff member that wrote this down? If not they should come ask me.

Mr. Dill: Okay.

Mr. Bynum: I just... we're getting back to the kind of budgeting that I thought we should have and I'm very happy about that.

Chair Furfaro: And it's taking us awhile to get there but we're on the right track.

Mr. Bynum: But it's reasonable at this point to say, are there things on the horizon that's going to bump that higher than the kind of normal increases of cost.

Ms. Yukimura: May I ask a question?

Chair Furfaro: Just one moment.

Ms. Yukimura: Related, related.

Chair Furfaro: I understand but that will be the second question that we won't expect the answer until Friday rather than the 2 day turnaround. Yvette do you have that? Okay very good, Vice Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: So related to this because we're going to start paying principal on our bond monies, are the bond payments included that are attributable to solid waste costs included in our operating budget for solid waste.

Mr. Dill: I would have to ask the Director of Finance to respond to that question.

Ms. Yukimura: Okay and you can add it to your question that you'll be answering but they may not I don't know if there are bond payments that are related to the present land field but there certainly will be for the land filed expansion at Kekaha and the new land filed cost. You start putting that in and you begin to really see what solid waste is costing us.

Chair Furfaro: Okay now on that note Mr. Bynum will still have the floor but Mr. Rapozo has a follow up question on this item, but we're going to take a 10 minute break and when we come back Mr. Bynum will have the floor, so hold on Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Mine is not a follow up question.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so we're going to take a 10 minute break a tape change and when we come back Mr. Bynum still has the floor.

There being no objections, the Committee recessed at 2:35 p.m.

The Committee reconvened at 2:54 p.m., and proceeded as follows.

Chair Furfaro: Okay we are back from recess and Mr. Bynum you have the floor.

Mr. Bynum: I'm going to pass.

Chair Furfaro: Okay Mr. Rapozo you were going to have a new item right?

Mr. Rapozo: Yes thank you. I just wanted clarification on the indirect cost. I noticed it went up from two hundred thousand from seven hundred to nine hundred, does anyone know the indirect cost there is no explanation?

Mr. Dill: That was our cost allocation for service support from our Finance Department.

Mr. Rapozo: So what are we getting for that extra two hundred grand? Are we getting lunch or dinner or?

Mr. Dill: Not that I'm aware of.

Mr. Rapozo: So what's the increase anyone know?

Mr. Dill: I would ask that maybe Mr. Barreira would be able to address that and if not maybe we can ask the Director of Finance because that's an allocated cost.

Mr. Rapozo: Yeah I understand that and this two hundred grand I don't know what we're getting. Maybe we just send that over.

Mr. Dill: Yeah.

Chair Furfaro: Larry you're sure that's not some new allocation for legal fees?

Mr. Dill: No and my understanding is that's an increase of the existing allocation..

Mr. Rapozo: Yeah I understand that and this two hundred grand I don't know what we're getting. Maybe we just send that over.

Mr. Dill: Yeah.

Chair Furfaro: Larry you're sure that's not some new allocation for legal fees?

Mr. Dill: No and my understanding is that's an increase of the existing allocation.

Chair Furfaro: Okay.

Mr. Rapozo: That's a big increase.

Mr. Dill: Yes and that's why we pointed it out.

Mr. Rapozo: So I just want to make sure and Wally is around maybe we can get Wally to come in.

Chair Furfaro: I think Wally left for a staff meeting today that's what he told me.

Mr. Rapozo: This is the most important staff meeting on the planet Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Yeah well he did check in with me and that was the answer, he's working on some things for a future committee for Mr. Bynum.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay and just one more question and it's pertaining to the Host Community Benefits Facilitator. Is that going to be a recurring fee every year? I thought we hired a facilitator to help set up the process but is that going to be something we do every year? From what I understand the process was set up and they already started to award some money. Are we going to pay 80 thousand dollars a year for her to run a meeting or...

Mr. Dill: I don't know the answer to your question.

Chair Furfaro: I have the answer, well I have the information I don't know that I have the answer. I had a separate meeting with the CAC, I understand that the current contract would be completed in May. I understood the CAC had indicated that it would have only been a onetime need for them they've already started awarding some projects. That's all I know at this point and it was after meeting with the Kekaha...

Mr. Rapozo: Actually you and I met with them here.

Chair Furfaro: Oh yeah you were part of the group.

Mr. Rapozo: That's why I'm surprised to see it in the budget again because I thought that was done; I mean the last council put in 90 thousand dollars to facilitate to get the process started and from what I understand it's moving.

Chair Furfaro: That will be a good piece for our plus and minuses but I believe both Mr. Rapozo and myself are under the understanding that when the contract runs out in May there is maybe not an effort to redo it but now to focus on projects. So we will save that for our plus and minuses.

Mr. Rapozo: I would much rather put that 80 grand into the fund for community work then a facilitator that might not be needed at this time. Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Yes Mr. Bynum has a follow up question on this subject, go ahead.

Mr. Bynum: We have money going into the fund every year couldn't the community group decide to use some of that for administrative cost if they chose too?

Ms. Fraley: Yes.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I am sending a note out to Mr. Bulatao and his group that this will obviously be a discussion item on Thursday when we go into the CIP discussion if any of them wanted to be available Thursday was the day for that with CIP. Vice Chair Yukimura and then Mr. KipuKai after council vice chair.

Ms. Yukimura: Regarding that indirect services line item I think there's been increases in lot of the departments and so a report from the Finance Director as to how these allocations are being made will be very helpful.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so the staff will direct a question over if you can make a note we will send one question over to the Finance Director asking for some background information on the increase across the board in reallocation expenses for various departments. Mr. Barreira did you hear that? Very good, a separate memorandum and you still have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: My other question is on your procurement of bio-solids diversion services can you explain a little bit about that?

Mr. Tanigawa: Yes what we're doing is we're preparing an RFP to go out to solicit proposals from various service providers and we're not targeting any specific type of processes or technology. We've been approached by a few firms that have different types of systems that they claim can manage bio-solids. We are also going to be asking him to manage headwork screenings and grit that's also a byproduct of the waste treatment process that pose potential nuisances at the land filed. It just makes operations more tedious and difficult so we're going to try and go out for that service as soon as we can. We are targeting before the end of the fiscal year to get something out on the street and we hope to find some feasible alternatives.

Ms. Yukimura: And are you involving you in house contractor John Harder on this?

Mr. Tanigawa: I don't think he's been involved a lot in it.

Ms. Yukimura: Except that on Maui he's very familiar with Maui's program of sewage and mixing it with the green waste to come up to this high quality soil conditioner. It was done during his term as Director of Solid Waste so I would think you would drawn on some of his background information about a process that seems to be working well on Maui.

Mr. Dill: Okay thank you we'll be sure to involve him in that.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Please do Larry and I also understand that more and more the Feds are frowning on mixing these dry solids with product that might bake in certain areas so I think that would be part of the discussion as well would it not?

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Vice chair are you done? Mr. KipuKai.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you Mr. Chair, so on the solid waste recycling division budget page 248 that has a detail on the lease. The lease line item from 541 thousand last year went up to 738. There is some detail and in order to try and understand it because it just says second of five year lease but it doesn't say what type of equipment. I looked at last year's budget and there was some detail there to so I think I was able to make some determinations that of the top five the bottom of the third five year lease since last year was the second of five year was a transfer trailer and last year we pad 84 thousand and now its 74 thousand. I'm not sure why the amount changed but it went down so that's good. The other one fourth of five year lease auto collect trucks, last year we paid 143 thousand and this year it's 145. The fifth of five year lease auto collection trucks is the same amount we paid 139,906 last year and we're paying 139,906 this year. The 2 above that the second of five year lease one of them is showing 228,100 and if that is the annual payment then what is that piece of equipment. I don't see it in last year's budget so it must have been in its first year in another division or somewhere else in the county, in Public Works? What is that first equipment leased item, second of a five year lease, 228 thousand?

Mr. Dill: Councilmember Kualii we don't have the details of those leases with us but we'd be glad to get back to you with that information as to what those cost are covering.

Mr. Kualii: Okay and I made a request to finance I will make a specific request to you because I want to see now in that lower section where it says new lease for the following equipment. Wally said that's all the leases are 5 years and there all lease to own so that amount like for truck tractor 180 thousand, 180 thousand is just the estimated purchase price if you were buying it?

Mr. Dill: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: So these 4 items, 180,180,130 and 165, there's some amount you're estimating as the annualized cost of the lease for a 5 year term for each of them, and they add up to 121 thousand?

Mr. Dill: Correct.

Mr. Kualii: It would be interesting to know the breakdown and to assume that they are all 5 years and after 5 years we own it. The last question I had on that is after 5 years and we own it. How many more years can we own it? I know it depends on the different types of equipment but like this rear loader refuge truck, this truck tractor, I mean we're leasing it and getting it new this coming fiscal year and then we're entering into a 5 year lease and after 5 years it will be paid off and we'll own the equipment. So beyond those 5 years how many more years use we're going to get? You can answer later because it might be a different answer for the different piece of equipment too.

Mr. Dill: Right and in our auto shop Dwayne Adachi is our Chief over there and he has a heavy equipment replacement schedule so he assigns a life3 to all of these guys. That information is readily available and we can get it back to you if you submit it in writing.

Mr. Kualii: Okay that will all help me, thank you Mr. Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Are you raising your hand no? Councilwomen Nakamura.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you I just wanted to get a clarification because I'm looking at page 240 of the budget and the Kekaha Land filed contract is 1.8 million, is that correct? That's what we pay the contractor and is that the annual payment to the contractor?

Mr. Tanigawa: That's actually our annual budget requests and their actual payment is based on tonnage that goes into the land filed.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay and do we know in 2011 what that was?

Mr. Tanigawa: I don't have the figure off the top of my head but I can get it for you.

Ms. Nakamura: Okay and so that's really the biggest line item in that category and then what I wanted to check is there seems to be some recycling items that are also part of this. The green waste processing, the vehicle metals recycling... it's under this solid waste and not recycling. Is there a reason?

Mr. Tanigawa: This area of the account is solid waste programs; these are under the umbrella of solid waste programs although it deals with the waste diversion also.

Ms. Nakamura: Yeah it's kind of both.

Mr. Tanigawa: Yeah.

Ms. Nakamura: I had a question on page 251 other supplies. So you're asking for about 860 more composting bins and I was wondering what do you plan to do with those bins?

Ms. Fraley: We plan to continue with the public distribution of the bins. Right now we have about 500 bins in stock and at the current rate of distribution we giving about 30 bins out per month. By word of mouth and a little bit of promotion if we stay with that frequency of distribution our stock would be depleted towards the end of next fiscal year so we don't ever want to have a point when we don't have bins available for people that want to do the backyard composting. Instead you can add food waste to your diversion and you can also keep from traveling to the transfer station so it's a very low cost program.

Ms. Nakamura: So any person or any member of the public can ask your office for a bin?

Ms. Fraley: Yes and we provide an educational training at the time we distribute the bin so people will know how to use before they take it home.

Ms. Nakamura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay before I go to Vice Chair Yukimura, the 1.8 million Troy we need a better understanding of that number because it seems all of the land filed numbers indicate we're going down right? We're going down with tonnage?

Mr. Tanigawa: Tonnage has been low but it looks like it's picking up now.

Chair Furfaro: Okay we cannot look like its picking up now with 1.8 million dollars. I'm trying to find out they charge us by the tonnage?

Mr. Tanigawa: Correct.

Chair Furfaro: Okay if we had an opportunity to save 10 thousand dollars a month on this billing which is 150 thousand dollars a month and a 1.8 million drops down to 168, that's a 120 thousand dollars. I would like to think that if we were wrong we could ask for more money but I don't like the numbers if at one side we're saying the land filed tonnage is going down but on the other side we're saying and the money to service the contract is going up, that's not real proficient.

Mr. Tanigawa: Well the difficult thing about this contract is it's not a static number because the further the tonnage drops it jumps up to a different figure. They have operational cost and overhead that they need to support and...

Chair Furfaro: But we have to have a better handle on just big numbers like this, we have to have a better handle. If you're going to tell me that there going to do... what do they do in a month?

Mr. Tanigawa: It ranges from 58 hundred tons a month to right now I think the high was 64 hundred tons.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so at 58 hundred tons a month and 64 as a peak okay and they have in their contract this scale that says if we fall below five four then a new rate applies. I'm not even seeing that schedule do you follow me Mr. Dill?

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: So I'm not given an opportunity to guess on the credibility of that number.

Mr. Tanigawa: Understood.

Chair Furfaro: Okay and so if everything we're doing is about trying to divert and so forth then I would like to see some of the savings now even if it's only 120 thousand dollars for the year. One hundred and twenty thousand dollars a year might get us a couple more people at the dollar funded manpower line, okay?

Mr. Tanigawa: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: So you know lets know the situation is relatively tight and it's not for us not to try and make the numbers work to the best of our ability but we have to have some reasonable reach in their about our goals. May I just point out Clint do you know what that schedule is and at what point does the number change if we go below 5.6 thousand?

Mr. Tanigawa: If I can just add to what you're saying here?

Chair Furfaro: Let me just finish this I want to know and he can just shake his head. Does he have the schedule? The tonnage schedule, who has the tonnage schedule?

Mr. Tanigawa: I don't have it here with me but we keep it at the office. It's accessible to the staff or anyone who needs it. If I could just point out Chair that the unit rate jumps up if we fall below 6 thousand tons and it just so happens where we are we've been titter/tottering back and forth. It's been really difficult to say that we're going to be above 6 thousand this amount of time and below so what we've done in the past was we've tried to balance it to say half of the time we are here and half of the time we were here.

Chair Furfaro: Okay and what is the difference? What is the difference if we're on the titter/totter and 6 months out of the year I'm on the high part of the titter/totter and the other 6 months I'm on the low end, what is the net savings between the 6 months at the high end and the 6 months at the low end?

Mr. Tanigawa: I do not understand your questions as far as that savings?

Chair Furfaro: Okay let me pose the question one more time and let me see if Mr. Dill understands me. Mr. Dill if 6 months of the year we're at the volume of 6 thousand tons or less and 6 months of the year we're at 6 thousand tons more, what is the difference between those 2 and why doesn't that become my savings just rather than chance um that everything is going to be at least six?

Mr. Dill: Council Chair I understand the question but we don't have the numbers here but we can certainly respond to you if you put that in writing.

Chair Furfaro: Okay put it in writing but that one I would want a turnaround in 2 days okay?

Mr. Dill: Okay.

Chair Furfaro: Our job here is not to find out lets pad this lets have a little flat here and there. Maybe for us we want to have some reasonable stretch but we don't want everything to be a blended number. All this other money we're throwing at recycling and so forth, we have to have a pay off somewhere and to me it's in what this fee is. So we'll send it over if that number can be tightened up more than 1 million 8 and some background on it. Vice Chair Yukimura you have the floor.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you, I wanted to piggy back on 2 of Councilmember Nakamura's questions. One is the opportunity to promote the compose bins because when we were at the dispatch celebration the celebration of dispatchers week. Three ladies there were talking about the problem of not being able to burn their rubbish anymore and I mentioned to them that they could get these free compose bins and that would take care a lot of their smaller leaves and so forth but maybe not the palm fronds and those kinds of things. They were really excited to know about this program so hopefully other people in the listening audience who are feeling suppressed by the burning regulations now that are being enforced, will know there is an alternative for this and that's the composting bin. From all your analysis it looks like one of the most cost effective diversion methods. It keeps everything at home they don't have to take it anywhere and it's very cheap in terms of county cost and really helps with green waste diversion and its very beautiful substantial

strong compose bins that last long. The other question if I can remember, what other question did you ask?

Chair Furfaro: We can go to Mr. Bynum...

Ms. Yukimura: No, no okay I remember. The question about why they are recycling programs listed under solid waste programs. Alison and I were talking during the break that it would be helpful if maybe next year you could look at organizing the budget in terms of diversion programs and waste management programs, to help us see the really see the differential between the two and actually conceptually if we're moving towards a zero waste goal which has been articulated by the council as our policy and goal we can begin to see how our budget is moving in that direction too, so a request for next year, no need to come back with anything this year.

Ms. Fraley: Thank you.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Mr. Bynum:

Mr. Bynum: Two things and I want to stick with the big picture. I like this discussion we just had about the tonnage going in the land filed and just for all of our edification and the listening audience that's so huge as Mel says millions. We all want to reduce the tonnage going into the land filed for a lot of reasons not the least of which maybe we can still avoid this vertical expansion. But there are other factors that we want to happen that will increase tonnage and part of the decrease tonnage is our recycling efforts and our diversion efforts. The other is the economy has been horror over the last few years, fewer visitors, fewer consumer spending reduces things into the land filed. There are other factors and I think most of us hope that out hotels have high occupancy rates and most of us wants the economy to be more vibrant and that will mean more tonnage going into the land filed. There's a whole bunch of factors that impact that and I think we're coming into an era where hopefully our economy is going to be more vibrant and it's just logical that there is 10 thousand more tourists here then there was last year. Each person creates some disposals in their life and hopefully we can offset that with all of our efforts to divert from the land filed with composting and other things. I thought about that too about the burning, that's going to impact the land filed, people are going to take more to our transfer stations even though not all of that goes to the land field but anyway that's a big picture.

I want to go back to something Donald said something awhile ago and maybe I can give him another shot at it. It's not my impression at all that any slowdown from the implementation from solid waste came because of the union, I don't think the union has been an obstacle and if they have been correct me and this just goes back from memory of all of the meetings we've had here in the past. There was this kind of and this probably goes back 5 years or more but it was like union (inaudible) we haven't been contacted. Well we can't blame them if there not engaged in the process and I was surprised to hear that that some slow down was caused and had become because of the union and so if someone could explain that to me.

Mr. Fujimoto: I would like to clarify that. We are a unique Island, Kaua'i is 65 thousand, Maui is 300 thousand or closer to four. Honolulu is a million and those 2 Islands already have these programs these automated collection programs and the union looked at those agreements to establish our contract. We are looking for ways of being much more efficient than those islands because of our size and because of those differences it took a long time in trying to finalize these contracts.

Mr. Bynum: So that's kind of different Donald saying we want to have a contract that's works for Kaua'i and a negotiation took longer, that's different then saying the union caused the delay. So I like the (inaudible) better now it feels more comfortable to me than saying we want to make our contract and our union agreements fir for what works on Kaua'i with our population. I wanted to give you an opportunity to clarify that and you did so thank you.

Mr. Bynum: Mr. Rapozo.

Mr. Rapozo: Thank you, page 238 overtime for sanitation employees, 209 thousand dollars. Is that because of vacancies, shortages; is that because of holiday pay? What's... that's a substantial amount and I'm thinking if it's because of manpower then you could put probably 5 employees. What is the overtime for?

Chair Furfaro: Can I add one more piece or could it also be related to shared equipment between various departments?

Mr. Tanigawa: That line item regular overtime 209, 273 that is combined overtime account for both solid waste admin staff and the land field. Overtime at the facility the land field is just based on call outs primarily to fill our daily manpower requirements. There are some special projects once in awhile especially after times like when we have heavy rain we have a lot of erosion and repairs that need to be made so additional staff come on for those special projects throughout the year. We are currently in discussions to see how we can modify our facility schedule and our employee scheduling related to that to cut down on overtime and still accomplish our goals for maintaining operations according to regulations.

Mr. Rapozo: Last year you guys provided us a breakdown of all the overtime and it was pretty harsh some guys were getting more overtime then they were with their annual salary. It was actually public works in general but is this an issue we need to be concerned about as far as staffing, manning, is it because of sick leave, is it because people are being and I heard earlier someone said that people from roads get sent to solid waste and gets sent to the other divisions between public works. Is that a problem? Is that something we should be concerned about? I still think that's quite high I mean we may have 1 or 2 storms a year and I don't think that's a lot of money so is it a concern?

Mr. Tanigawa: Well the special projects are intermit and it's based on the need but we have increasing expectations, increasing I should say regulatory oversight from the Department of Health and their standards are increasing compared to several years ago. It involves things like small things like addressing windblown litter and when it happens at the land filed and it happens on a daily basis and it gets more severe because of stronger winds the staff time needs to be devoted. We need to call in staff sufficient to address all of the litter, erosion doesn't have to be a big storm it can be a smaller squall but when we have flagging we need to bring in employees and additional cover material.

Mr. Rapozo: Let me ask you this question. Do you have someone on overtime every day?

Mr. Tanigawa: I guess on a daily basis I believe.

Mr. Rapozo: Then wouldn't that justify a new position?

Mr. Dill: Councilmember Rapozo that's a good question and we are looking and from a big picture prospective how to address some of these issues through the way we

schedule our employees. As Troy mentioned we are in discussions with the union about how we could adjust the scheduling so it could be done more efficiently and wouldn't automatically create a need for overtime on a regular basis.

Mr. Rapozo: Larry if you hired a new position, let's say you created a new Land Field Operation Assistant Position at I don't know what the entry level is, you wouldn't need union approval.

Mr. Dill: That's true.

Mr. Rapozo: You wouldn't be altering a schedule.

Mr. Dill: That's true but if we alter a schedule having to add cost by adding a new person than I think we should look at that first.

Mr. Rapozo: Well okay if you can get that done but this is year after year that the overtime is quite high and I see all these positions being created and I'm wow we're paying 209 thousand and we have someone on overtime everyday and probably more than one I would guess. To me that justification for a new 36 thousand dollar a year position and that's just my basic Kaua'i High School math. I'm like okay the union going get upset I don't know, I don't know if the union will get upset if we created another position or 2 even. That's I think the troubling part going through this budget because we see all these new positions and the line people not getting the help and maybe they like the overtime I don't know. I think we as the councilmember's need to figure out a way how to make this budget more efficient and that to me stands out that it's justification for another position I think a line level position.

Mr. Fujimoto: Councilmember Rapozo, I guess it's not a secret but 2 years ago the Mayor in his message to the county said that he was moving towards a 5 day work week from a 4 day and that we felt would address this overtime issue. We are still in negotiations with the union on trying to move towards that schedule and I believe we are very close at this point. That's really the way that we feel we can address this without adding additional manpower.

Mr. Rapozo: I guess I'm not making myself clear Donald. Adding additional manpower is cheaper than paying that kind of overtime.

Mr. Fujimoto: Yes and we felt that we could get that by adding another day.

Mr. Rapozo: And how close are you to negotiations?

Mr. Fujimoto: We actually started negotiations.

Mr. Rapozo: So when do you anticipate?

Mr. Fujimoto: Well this month we're suppose to start meeting with the union.

Mr. Rapozo: So you don't need the 209 thousand?

Mr. Fujimoto: Well again we're not sure how long it will take. It is a very...

Mr. Rapozo: You said we were real close, close is...

Mr. Fujimoto: We are closer now then we were 2 years ago, we are actually talking now.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay one more Mr. Chair and this is for Alison. You know with the item that composting things. Where and how do we advertise these programs? What have we used because I have to say I don't know much about it and if I wasn't on the council I would never know about it. So what media or what do we use because there's a lot of people like me that don't read the Garden Island and there's a lot of people that don't listen to certain radio stations so how do we get the information?

Ms. Fraley: That particular program we have in our recycling guide which we pass out at all the transfer stations at the redemption centers at the libraries.

Mr. Rapozo: Okay I don't go to any of those places.

Ms. Fraley: How can we reach you?

Mr. Rapozo: I don't and I'm serious because we have wonderful service now.

Ms. Fraley: I'm definitely opened to suggestions foe how and we have it on our website as well. We found that word of mouth with this particular program because people see their neighbors with the bins has worked as well. We have a pretty good distribution rate but I'm definitely opened to suggestions on more ways to get the word out.

Mr. Rapozo: I don't know I just was wondering what I think if you have to use the radio and you have to use the newspaper and I think maybe even taking an ad out in the Star Advertiser, because I think a lot of people buy that versus the Garden Island.

Ms. Fraley: Okay.

Mr. Rapozo: We have to get the word out somehow; I want one I want to get one.

Ms. Fraley: Okay we'll make sure you get one. Thank you.

Mr. Rapozo: Well even not I mean this show I mean millions and millions of people watch but depending on the topic I mean like today I'm sure they all changed the station already. Anyway thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay I want to summarize Mr. Rapozo's question to make sure you folks understand it. You know we're very direct with you folks about this process in budget and this is our responsibility. Let's make sure we understand, the financial picture of the county is the responsibility of the council. Number 2 we want to be very direct about our questions but be objective about the questions. We don't want really subjective responses. I would say you need to know and nobody knows better about you folks about what happens with your operating budget, so don't take this questioning in the wrong way. We are asking this question on the need to know basis but 207 thousand dollars of overtime Donald and we have manpower straight time that's 36 thousand a year for a position plus their benefits that run about 67 percent or whatever. That's equivalent to having 2 regular additional fulltime people. You follow me Larry? How much more work can we do? How much more raking of paper can we do? How much more regular addressing can we do with emergencies? And that's what we have to weigh out to save that overtime. It's better to

have more objective manpower needs. So do you follow that question a little bit more now, please I mean just understand we're asking direct questions because we're on a need to know basis. Mr. Chang than Vice Chair Yukimura.

Mr. Chang: Just to follow up are we piggy backing or is zero waste piggy backing with us to get information out?

Ms. Fraley: You mean to advertise our programs for us?

Mr. Chang: Well their websites or their following and their people I mean Pat Gegan was here for most of the day and I don't know if he was here to testify on any item but zero waste is actually leading the charge on... Have we communicated with them to get the message out or tag team on their website or...

Ms. Fraley: I haven't talked about web links with them but I attend their meetings and we definitely work together towards that goal of zero waste.

Mr. Chang: It just reminds me when we started the road side recycling you folks went with those door hangers on the doors and I think it was a onetime deal and weren't we suppose to follow up with putting tape over and inspect the rubbish cans and talk to the people and I don't know if we ever followed up on those?

Ms. Fraley: Yes we did you mean for the curbside recycling pilot?

Mr. Chang: Yes.

Ms. Fraley: Yes we did do the inspection of the carts and gave feed back to the customers all be it was later in the program that it should have been. So when we embark on an island wide program we'd like to do a very beginning by that feedback.

Mr. Chang: Okay thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Vice Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: I have a suggestion that might work, if you did a really tight funny or attractive ad and put it on Hoike in between the council meetings during a boring point do a break and just have some of this county information. I don't know how it would work or just a running program on Hoike and if you already have one forgive me for not knowing, I don't watch TV too often, anyway just a thought as a possible way to get the word out.

Ms. Fraley: Thank you.

Mr. Furfaro: I will nominate that as the idea of the year Mr. KipuKai before I address you I just want to say am I right, when I add up your entire payroll in your budget for the land field and it comes to 734 thousand dollars and 388 dollars? Does that sound right? I mean the biggest operating cost here is payroll. Now I can tell you doing that very quickly and then I have 207 thousand dollars of overtime. Twenty eight percent of our payroll in the land filed is overtime.

Mr. Dill: Council Chair the salaries I see is 1.4 million.

Chair Furfaro: I'm not talking about the administrative side I'm talking about the guys that qualified for overtime. But you're making my point Larry if we in fact would just simply add up the man power payroll, not benefits just payroll, even at a million its now 20 percent of your payroll.

Mr. Dill: The 1.4 million all those folks qualify for overtime and so actually we just gave you those numbers a little while ago at 14 percent.

Chair Furfaro: Okay 14 percent, could I accept 14 percent in the budget? Could you accept 14 percent in the budget? And if I went over 5% in a operating budget overtime in a operating hotel a sizeable one, I tell the ownership would be telling me... I think you need to hire more straight time people. That's my point and I only took land field operators class 3, land filed operating assistants and land field laborers 4, that's all I took so whatever percentage of that overtime... maybe what you're telling me is the 207 is everyone their but I didn't break it down other than the 4 descriptions that I just gave you. Have you ever looked and how much overtime is just being generated by that group?

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Okay how much of the 207 is just that group?

Mr. Tanigawa: Sorry chair I was just looking at some figures this morning and I think I have it here. I just have it hours, I don't have it in dollar amounts

Chair Furfaro: Well I would suggest you guys go back figure it out with dollars because like the hotel I don't take occupancy to the bank, I take dollars. We want to know about cost and this is an exercise Troy I think is very important for you folks to do and I tell you I think you'll be able to let the administration know you can probably get a couple more people if you make a commitment to reduce the overtime. At least I would hope you look at it that way, so just take that exercise for yourself please.

Mr. Tanigawa: Thank you Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Thank you, Mr. KipuKai.

Mr. Kualii: Thank you Mr. Chair. So as Vice Chair was talking about earlier and to add to her commercial and for you Alison. Actually several years ago and I'm not sure if it was you or someone before you when you started but I learned about it at a workshop probably with zero waste at a community meeting. I went in and you show a short film strip and you can get this for free and it's pretty easy and I've had it in my yard for several years now and I would just say if I can do it anyone can do it. I don't have any time but I just throw it in there and its basically I think by saying it's a compose bin it sounds like it's for farmers and gardeners and people who are serious about actually creating a compose their going to use. I just throw my stuff in there and I call it the incredible disappearing machine because my cuttings from fruits and vegetables and the coffee grinds and the egg shells. I just throw it in there and it disappears overtime and I hardly pay any attention to it but I diverting it and I think eventually people who care about the environment and the land field they know that we need to divert. Eventually when it's a matter of cost when you're limited to one trash can and it fills up with the trash that you have to send to the land file then you're going to stop putting in the stuff that you can just throw in this bin in your back yard and it will just disappear overtime. I leave the cover off so the rain gets in there so I don't have to water it and once in awhile maybe once a month or two I remember to go turn it around a little bit but it just disappears by itself. Its diversion and anyone can do it.

Ms. Fraley: Thank you.

Chair Furfaro: I want to give councilmember Nakamura a chance for any new questions or discussions because we have an excuse letter for her to leave at 4:00p.m.

Ms. Nakamura: I wanted to just say that I had a chance to go on the road to recycling tour one of them, the one that went to the different private sector sites to look at recycling efforts. I really want to commend your office for organizing the tours and doing a really good job in educating residents on the island and I look forward to the next tour to look at the other land field sites and other facilities. Thank you for doing that because I think the education really helps one person at a time and that's one good way to get the word out.

Ms. Fraley: Thank you I just want to point out that that was actually a benefit from our hi-five funding that we talked about in the beginning of our discussion. It's our staff person who's funded through that program organized that tour.

Ms. Nakamura: Is that the one we may not have funding for next year?

Ms. Fraley: Yes correct.

Ms. Nakamura: The second thing I wanted to point out is I wanted to pass out to all of you the Kaua'i County Council Goals and I wanted to ask has any of you seen this before?

Chair Furfaro: I do want to say that that was a document that was only delivered to the administration and we are hoping that it got down to you folks?

Mr. Dill: I have seen this before.

Mr. Furfaro: You have seen it before okay.

Ms. Nakamura: Well what we wanted to do just to share with you and your staff that the county council met earlier this year to prioritize what we thought were the county wide goals and fortunate for your department 2 high goals to the top 3 goals are related to your department implementing the integrated solid waste management plan was number 1. Number 2 was a well managed capital improvement project program and just to let you know that the work that you're doing in these 2 areas it's so and I think collectively we thought that very high as the list of priorities county wide and thank you for the work you've done so far and look forward to the work ahead.

Chair Furfaro: So Larry since you guys made the top 8 twice that's only means that we're thinking about you. So maybe we can send some of these copies around today. Okay Vice Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Just on this issue of overtime on the land field I just wanted to give my 2 cents. What's been said about adding bodies is true if the cause of overtime is really bodies and I'm not sure that it is. I can see adding more bodies and still having overtime so I think you're looking at scheduling that might address it. I think the quality of supervision and clear rules, good agreements with the union are part of it but I'm not sure that just putting bodies there is going to solve the problem. I would support a very clear analysis of what's going on in terms of causes and I think we need to do that in a lot of places in the county not just solid waste.

Chair Furfaro: I think Mr. Dill understood where I was coming from right? This wasn't about keeping the overtime plus you get a couple of people, right? I mean that wasn't on the table right? What's on the table is your productivity, I mean if we keeping guys overtime to go rake the paper against the screen then why couldn't they do that the following morning because it's not going further then the screen. This is like I said our opportunity to get to more accountability, objectively I said and you guys need to go through that exercise. That's why I did a quick 8 minute exercise here to say that's a substantial amount of overtime to the point in the private practice no one would operate that in their operating budget without reducing overtime to 6 or 8 percent of the budget if I can offset 112 thousand dollars of payroll on straight time. Remember the only thing we're concerned about is not the over time, we're only concerned about the premium part of the overtime... the halftime because if you've got 180 thousand dollars worth of payroll that's on the premium side then you probably need to re-evaluate accountability here. Mr. Rapozo you have the floor.

Mr. Rapozo: I was just going to say the reason for my suggestion is the description I was given was because of the special projects had the need that in fact every day someone is on over time. That's why I asked if it was a problem with people being relocated or re-assigned for the day, if we had a sick leave issue, we had an injury issue. Obviously the recommendation wasn't go create another position and continue to pay the over time so that's analysis you guys have to do.

Chair Furfaro: I think they got my message after your questions and what I put down as a quick summary. So members we're coming up close to 4:00. If there are a few more questions we'll go ahead and take them. I want to get to a point where we leave room for public testimony and we finish the day at 4:30. Mr. Bynum you have the floor.

Mr. Bynum: Thank you for being here today and for answering all of these questions. I just want to remind you that's it's the nature of our relationship that we're going to discuss areas where we have concerns and I don't want to lose sight of all the great work that you guys are doing. We don't just get to talk here once a year I talk to all of you throughout the course of the year and I'm very happy with a lot of the initiatives that the administration has taken.

Chair Furfaro: He's a softy.

Mr. Bynum: Well I'm going to say this I know I'm always redundant but it's not the nature of our relationship that we're going to talk about the areas where we have concerns or even disagreements. We're not going to have that much discussion on all the good things we're happy about and I just want to acknowledge that I know those are out there. The farm fair is coming up and the solid waste division always has a great presence at the farm fair which is great because that really educates people a lot. I'm sure we'll see the composting bins and see what they look like and so thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so we all know that you folks have a budget that's presented with ideas from the administrative side and of course you have questions that come up in the areas that need attention. If I would say anything to you folks is sometimes you're in a tough spot but you have to understand that the budget gets approved here, the budget gets approved here. We are a group that really wants to know... can we measure accomplishments. Obviously we can. Can we point out things objectively so that it can be done better and probably gets on your priority list? That's why we had our retreat and put together our goals so we could communicate that. On that note are there any more questions directed at Mr. Dill and his team? Mr. Dill tomorrow we have a new section and I want to know if you're going to be present because we've never had this section in the budget reviews before. We're going over all revenues and not just the cost items because

budgeting is making sure we understand if we can support the revenues that are supporting those programs. So we'll be touching a little on solid waste revenues again and this waste water piece I think I mentioned it on Friday we're going to go through those, this is not just a piece about property taxes. We have all kinds of other revenues that we're going to set 2 hours aside to talk about tomorrow. So if you can be available or someone from your office can answer questions about revenues for public works in all those segments, it would be very much appreciated. Although I don't see Mr. Barreira I assume Mr. Rezentes will be present tomorrow too but that's in the morning, 8:30-10:30 so, Vice Chair Yukimura.

Ms. Yukimura: Yes I'm going to not ask and talk about the questions I have further today. Well I guess what I want maybe next year is a clearer picture of our diversion goals and efforts and like a five year plan or something tied to our integrated solid waste plan. If its 2 years delayed then tell us, but tell us what the next target date is and when are you going to do pay as you throw, when are you going to like what is the plan for green waste composting and pick-ups. I know that might be part of your negotiations I don't know. Just so that we have kind of a long range idea of where you're going, you have targets and you can say this year we're going to do this. Then you can come in like you did this year you said we've completed automated refuse collection and we've completed the residential refuse collection assessment so we can congratulate you and you can congratulate yourselves because those are major accomplishments. That would just give us a sense as to where we are and how we're moving ahead.

Chair Furfaro: Let's make it very clear I don't like other councilmember's sending over questions on their own during budget time.

Ms. Yukimura: Oh no this will be...

Chair Furfaro: I just want to make sure we have a clear and what they interpreted what you said because you implied you'd be sending over questions later. We have very specific objectives to get responses here. If you can do it in 48 hours we would like it 48 hours, if you can do it by the end of the week then fine. Now let me ask this question, if we sent the questions over that was very well framed by Vice Chair Yukimura, when could we be expecting to talk about goals for next year? Would we be talking about that in 60 days? Can we be talking about that when? I don't want it to fall off the radar screen. 90 days?

Mr. Dill: I think 90 days is reasonable.

Chair Furfaro: I will give you a 120, will you accept that?

Mr. Dill: Okay thank you.

Chair Furfaro: Vice Chair Yukimura does that sound...

Ms. Yukimura: That's 6 months into the New Year, that's good if you can do that.

Chair Furfaro: So we're going to have a pre-review of some of the solid waste programs in 120 days and I will charge Vice Chair Yukimura to frame what kind of information we're looking for if you can do that.

Ms. Yukimura: I will give it a try.

Chair Furfaro: Okay so we can live with that commitment from you guys 120
days?

Mr. Dill: Yes.

Chair Furfaro: Sounds like a plan we're all in agreement.

Ms. Yukimura: Thank you Chair.

Chair Furfaro: Larry anything you want to add? Okay Troy?

Mr. Tanigawa: Thank you Chair that's all for me.

Chair Furfaro: Okay Alison? Donald? Again please I think Mr. Bynum put it
the best way he could but you know we're on a need to know basis Larry and this is the time to
probe. Okay if you can stay around and I'm going to ask if anyone from the public wants to ask any
questions. There is no one from the public wanting to come up? Okay I would like to say again thank
you, you folks are still able to get up stretch in a little bit so that's a good sign. We are in recess until
tomorrow morning thank you.

The budget reviewed recessed at 3:54 p.m.