# The Sunshine Law Part 2

Hawaii's Open Meetings Law Part I of Chapter 92, HRS



#### Sunshine Law requires:

- Discussions, deliberations and decisions must be conducted at a meeting
- Every meeting must be open unless executive meeting is allowed
- Boards must accept testimony
- Boards must provide notice
- Boards must keep minutes



#### Minutes

■ Written or recorded format



- Posted online within 40 calendar days
- Executive meeting minutes may be withheld for so long as publication would defeat lawful purpose of meeting

#### **Recorded Minutes**

- Recorded minutes must include:
  - Recording of full meeting
  - Date, time and place
  - Members present/absent
  - Record, by member, of votes and motions
  - Time stamp or other reference for when board began each agenda item and when motions and votes happened



Written Minutes

- Written minutes must include:
  - Date, time and place
  - Members present/absent
  - Substance of all matters proposed, discussed or decided
  - True reflection of matters discussed and views of participants
  - Record, by member, of votes
  - Other information that a member requests be included

#### Remote Meetings



- Platform allows audio-visual interaction between members and public
- Members and public access from anywhere via internet or phone
- Must offer at least one physical public meeting location
- Record meeting 'when practicable'



#### Remote Meetings: Notice



- Notice gives link to join remote meeting
- Notice also gives link and/or number to testify, if separate
- Notice lists physical location
- Notice may list "additional locations" not guaranteed to stay connected



#### Remote Meetings: Quorum



- Quorum of members generally must be visible
- Announce who's there
- Roll call votes unless unanimous
- In executive meeting, audible-only ok, but confirm no unauthorized person connected



# Remote Meetings: Dropped Connection



- Dropped connection: recess to restore
- Applies to
  - Hosting platform
  - Public broadcast (if separate)
  - Quorum of members visible
  - Public physical site
  - NOT additional sites (if notice says so)



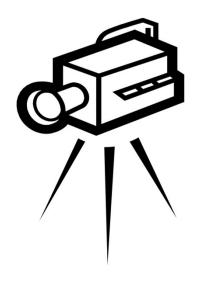
#### Remote Meetings: Restore Connection



- 30 minute time limit to restore
- If cannot restore audio-video, can continue audio-only with conditions
- Notify public how to rejoin or how meeting will be continued
- If no restoration after 30 minutes, terminate



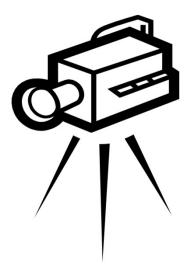
#### Multi-site Meetings



- Audio interaction at all locations
- Notice lists all locations where nondisabled board members will be
- Can also list "additional" locations no board members, could lose connection
- Public can attend at any listed location



## **Multi-site Meetings: Restore Connection**



- Meeting recessed to restore connection if audio interaction not maintained at all official locations
- As with remote meetings, 30 minute time limit to restore
- If no restoration, terminate (or continue at another time if notice given)



#### Limited Meetings

- Dangerous location OR public attendance impracticable
- OIP concurrence
- 2/3 Vote
- Show video next time
- No decisions made
- Other type:
  - 'guest meeting'



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#### **Emergency Meetings**

- imminent peril to public health, safety and welfare, or
- unanticipated event
- requires meeting in less than 6 calendar days

# A Meeting in the Life of the Shrimp Board

#### Meet the Shrimp Board

&Giovanni Brine, Chair

**Goby Maguire** 

**S** Tiger Shrimp

**S** Prawn Travolta

**GS. Scampi** 

#### 20 days out

**⊘Annual shrimp parade: not board business** 

#### 13-14 days out: E-mail

- Request to include something on agenda
- E-mail attaching factual material about an item
- **⊘Communication about merits**of an agenda item

## 10 days out: Teleconference meeting?

- Can S. Scampi attend by phone?
- What kind of equipment is needed?



#### 8 days out: Agenda

#### Malama 'Opae STATE BOARD OF SHRIMP AFFAIRS Pier 38 Makai Side AGENDA FOR SEVENTH MEETING Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 FRIDAY, JUNE 31, 2019 Chair: Giovanni Brine 4:30 P.M. Goby Maguire Tiger Shrimp Prawn Travolta LARGE FISHTANK, TAMASHIRO MARKET S. Scampi Fax: 808-588-8889 1. Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum E-mail: shrimp@havaii.gov Web: www.shrimp.hawaii.gov 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes 3. Shrimp Administrator's Report 4. Approval of Aquaculture License Applications, if any 5. Amendment to Rules of the State Board of Shrimp Affairs 6. Proposed Legislation 7. Executive Session: Shrimp Administrator- Strategic Planning 8. Executive Session: Pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. § § 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), the purpose of this executive session is to request approval to retain special counsel to represent the Board in Heinz Cocktail Sauce v. State Board of Shrimp Affairs. 9. Executive session: Pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. §§ 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4), the purpose of this executive session is discussion/recommendation for Board action on revocation of coconutcrusted shrimp pupu license for Pilau Bar & Grille. 10. Executive session: Pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. §§ 92-4 and 92-5(a)(2), the purpose of this executive session is to consider the hire, evaluation, dismissal, or discipline or an officer or employee where consideration of matters affecting privacy will be involved. 11. Gifts, Grants, and Contracts 12. Correspondence 13. Unfinished Business 14. Scope 15. Report 16. New Business 17. Announcements 18. Open Forum 19. Adjournment

## 7 days out: Agenda ok?

**Problems discovered!** 

#### 6 days out: New Agenda

#### STATE BOARD OF SHRIMP AFFAIRS

#### AGENDA FOR SEVENTH MEETING FRIDAY, JUNE 31, 2019 4:30 P.M. LARGE FISHTANK, TAMASHIRO MARKET 1234 North King Street Honolulu, Hawaii

- 1. Call to Order, Public Notice, Quorum
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes of April 1, 2019
- Shrimp Administrator's Report:
   Illegal prawn fighting
   Staff recruitment efforts
   Projected shrimp economic activity in 2029
   Strategic Planning for 2029
- Aquaculture License Applications:

  Description of the Wind Chains Description

Prawn with the Wind Shrimp Pond, South Point
'Opae in the Sky Hydroponic Farm, Maunaloa
Shrimp My Ride Mobile Aquafarm, Kahuku to
Honolulu

- Amendment to Rules of the State Board of Shrimp Affairs:
   Hawaii Fake Administrative Rule (HFAR) 12: Shrimp Size Designations—to prohibit use of the term "jumbo" HFAR 17: "Salt-and-Pepper Shrimp" to allow restau rants to use low sodium salt in preparation
- 6. Proposed Legislation:

House Bill 3015, Relating to Crustaceans: Appropriates funding for treatment programs for incarcerated crabs, lobsters, and shrimp

Senate Bill 4129, Relating to Education: Requires public schools to teach zoology with a focus on shrimp

- Approval to retain special counsel to represent the Board in Heinz Cocktail Sauce v. State Board of Shrimp Affairs.
- Revocation of coconut-crusted shrimp pupu license for Pilau Bar & Grille.

Malama 'Opae

Chair: Giovanni Brine Members: Goby Maguire Tiger Shrimp Prawn Travolta

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written testimony can be mailed, emailed, faxed, or delivered in person to the board at the appropriate address listed shove. Hiring of Secretary/Fry Cook II position. The board anticipates convening an executive meeting to interview candidates for the position pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. §§ 92-4 and 92-5(a)(2).

10. Gifts, Grants, and Contracts:

Grant to tour and compare shrimp trucks of Oahu
Grant to film documentary, "The Natural Life of Shrimp"
Contract with Crustacean Consultants to study feasibility of
aquatourism industry on Kauai
Contract with Columbia Studios for Hawaii shrimp place-

ment in "From Here to Eternity" remake Bequest of \$25,000 from estate of Crevette Etouffee.

- Correspondence from Kahoolawe County Council: Seeking
   Board's comments on a proposed shrimp-themed resort hotel
- 12. Proposals to increase population of aquarium shrimp
- Proposals to deal with giant mantis shrimp in the Ala Wai Canal
- 14. Report by designated investigators:

New slurp gun

Crustaceans Galore Wholesalers: financial position

15. Announcements:

New board website

Winner of student Shrimp Bee

Next meeting date and time

- 16. Open Forum: Public comment on issues not on the agenda, for consideration for Board's agenda at the next meeting
- 17. Adjournment

If you require an auxiliary aid or accommodation due to a disability, please contact (808) 588-8888 (voice/tty) or email Giovanni Brine at shrimp@hawaii.gov by June 29, 2019.



#### 5 days out: News stories

- E-mail attaching factual material about an item
- Secondary Editorials, position statements, and other communication about merits of an agenda item

#### 4 days out

## Can Chair Brine file an amended agenda to add an item?

#### 3 days out: Investigation

2 members carry out an investigation set up at the last meeting

#### 2 days out

2 members discuss an issue that's on the agenda for the meeting: OK?

#### 1 day out: Testimony

**Anonymous testimony** 

**Sign-up sheets** 

State of Timing of testimony

#### At the meeting: Items raised in Open Forum

For items not on the agenda, the choice is:

Do not discuss the substance, or

Add it to the agenda upon 2/3 vote of all board members, if not of major importance or affecting a significant number of people Sunshine Law Part 2

#### After the meeting: Retreat

Team-building, dining together, finding common ground on divisive issues:

Is it a meeting?
Must it be public?



## Need Help?

■ AOD -- 586-1400



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