

Minutes of the next Place Storm Abatement
Association Committee meeting held at Sherburne
Hall on Tuesday March 2nd at 8-00 PM
1976

Members present Mr. Ringold, Mr. C. Smith,
Mr. Shuban, Mr. Strand, Mr. Adams, Mr. G. Smith
Mr. R. Stone, Mr. Webb, Mr. Bradbury,
Mr. Hall, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Michaels, Mr. D. Perkins
Apologies for absence

Mr. D'Arcy, Mr. James.

Minutes of the last meeting

Read, and proposed

as a true record by Mr. Perkins with
a vote of thanks to Mr. Shuban. Seconded
by Mr. A. Smith. vote unanimous.

Matters arising

Damage by storm.

A letter had not been
written to Mr. Collier re-compensation,
as Mr. Green of the Estates Committee was
the person who would be dealing with
this

Cheques

A number of signatures was
required by the bank of Officers able
to sign this would include Mrs. C. Hall
our present treasurer.

Memo

We have had no estimate for
repair. The present value was about \$40 each
Mr. Strand said that according to his own
the savings are gone and they would be

to expense to repair.

Secretarys Report

Some progress had been made. The tile access road was at last complete. Also the water tank in the lower field had been installed and 25 yds of pipe.

Subsidy type a request had been put in for one.

Failets

The one we have no use need of repair and complaints had been received from some of our lady members a failet was needed by the shed and we may have to have an Elen type. Car park.

This needs clearing. Mr. Delano said when the service this will now have to go in different position due to the car park.

Allotment Shed

Paint had been received and workmen were needed to paint the roof. Also the walls needed wallpaper applied.

The shed had been very busy the notes were working alright the committee were finding it late of. fun and trouble and were also meeting lots of allottees. \$375 had been taken so far also \$395 on potatoes giving \$73 profit \$185 profit had been made so far profits were about 20% we were making 33 1/3% turkey, seeds and Alumin Omeo etc at 35p per pound had sold well and there was no need to

drop price, we had paid 22p per pound.

June this was undersold at 80p per bag as some associations where charging 95p per bag but our cheap price would encourage people to put June down. Cabbage was being charged on the June and our subsidy was still to come. We must wait for our for strangers buying from the shed.

October 1940 have 14 pounds of slacks main sets in the shed at 60p in the pound and some people seem to prefer these even though the price is high.

Mr Denton said the price of our main sets seemed high and we were providing a service to all those Mr Webb said our price was determined by our initial purchase.

Route

£1.50 had been taken so far thanks to Mrs Hall who had been taking rents 4 weeks on the first. Also lots of addresses had been corrected Mr Denton said that a complaint had been received by him from a Mrs L. Davis that for the first time in 15 years a sparrow would not be taken. Mr Denton said why not.

Mr Webb said he had explained things to Mr Davis and he was happy.

Mr Strand said there were problems in taking one sparrow sent i.e. they have to be charged you can have trouble on a plot and also there was administrative

problems.

Mr. Fairfield said Mr. Lewis' complaint to Mr. Perkins was legitimate and it was to committee means justifying complaints to committee.

at this point Mr. Perkins objected to Mr. Howard's attitude over the way he had presented Mr. Lewis' complaint. Mr. Howard said Mr. Lewis should have come to secretary first.

Mr. Perkins said he objected to the abrupt manner, in which the complaint and what he was saying, was being taken by the secretary.

Treasurer Report.

Mr. Stone said she hoped by the next committee meeting the new Treasurer would be giving the report.

General Account this was \$134 we had \$185 in cash stock which was our profit so far and this was admirable for June and July.

Cash account this was \$160 there was a payment to the estate of \$57 for rent. The rent account had been used for buying goods but this had been cleared up (nearly).

Mr. Wyatt said what had been the cost of the water? Mr. Stone said \$33-80.

Mr. A. Smith said when would water be turned on Mr. Howard said water supply to new tank needed connecting first.

Mr. Jackson said committee room needed paying as we were 5 months in arrears.

we would not get a bill so it was left to us. Mr Stone noted this.

Future purchases.

Algonic 1 1/2 ton coming and 1 1/2 at Kidlington. We expect to get 50 ^{Acres + 1000} bundles of each but we had no price yet Mr Howard said he expected it to be reasonable. 1 cur of grassmow was coming we had sold 2 tons of muckworm compost and made £10 profit and 2 more tons were coming and we should encourage the use of organic.

Mr Adams. said you want to educate people not to use chemical fertilizers etc were alright for time at the moment also Alvin. same would also be required.

Mr Howard said anything else reqd. fish at £7?

Mr Webb. said we will leave it to the buying committee seeds were selling well but more generally was required. the profits of mixed herbs would be not slack.

Any other business.

Site improvements

Mr Adams. Mr Bradbury said we should get a Stephens type mower and try it to allow to do their paths.

Mr Webb said that the Allen says that we had were to large and that were no good so we should sell them and get something else.

Mr Perkins stated that Stephens were unable Mr Michals disagreed and said

that he found them very good.

Mr Howard said that a new mower would cost in the region of £100 and we should sell old ones by advertising in the Oxford mail.

Mr Perkins said we should be able to get these old mowers repaired by someone and what is wrong with our old machines.

Mr Webb said that the old machines were obsolete.

Mr Howard said that would be expensive to repair so the cleanings were 4/5.

Mr A Smith said why not trade our machines in against ~~new~~ new rotary mowers.

Mr Howard said we could get about £70 on our old machines.

Mr Perkins said again that in his opinion a Styria was not suitable but a type similar to a Water was a better proposition as this was a four stroke.

Proposed by Mr Jackson that we sell about machine and renew the situation at the next committee meeting according to Mr J. Hall the minimum asking price to be £25 - carried
Proposed by Mr Sheehan that an estimate be obtained from a proper mower repairer to put our Newest mower in working order seconded by Mr Perkins - Carried.

Whilst the toilet needed repair and

our plumber would be approached.
water tank

There was 25 yards further to go Mr King had requested open top with top and not a ballcock type.

In discussion it was suggested that if there was to be a top then it should be operated by a key and put a ballcock by the ~~first~~ tank near the toilet and the tank in new position

Mr Broadway said such type taps were better. Mr Stone said if we didn't have ballvalves then the lower feed would not get any water and a top would be no good.

Mr Perkins said that they should all be ballcock type. It was generally felt that this was a difficult problem. Mr Stroud also said Ballcock type was better as this gave warning of water and taps with keys were no good as nobody would be responsible for the key.

Mr Broadway said that pressure release type tap was better for all.

Proposed by Mr Broadway that all open taps be converted to pressure release and that the lower feed should have ballcock also. This was ~~not~~ recommended.

Mr Nicholls said could path be put through near main entrance to the main path behind the shed
Mr Perkins said attention should be given to safety and we should not create hind

pat.

Sunday work.

The path continues and plate would be unpainted.

Mr. Fowler again Mr. Perkins requested that a brochure be obtained on what Mr. Strand intends to buy.

Leeds and Plate

Had plate Mr. Brown who has two plates had been asked to give up plate 68 one of his plates. The secretary had received a letter from him requesting the committee to discuss his case as he felt he was being unfairly treated. He had also written to him Will.

Mr. Perkins said that he given up the plate answer Mr. C. has he made efforts to dig his plate answer Mr. C. Mr. Wells said that he was apropos of his efforts

Mr. Strand said that his father plate is satisfactory. He has been an allate for 15 years and plate 68 is never very well done. Mr. Strand would on the day that we should meet let this man get away with it or others would also.

Approved by Mr. Wells that a quorum approach Mr. Brown with a letter to ask him his intentions with plate 68 sounded by Mr. Smith - Unanimous

Mr. Brown had been presented with his gifts and was very pleased with them.

Waiting List

This had 24 names on it.

Notes

We will continue to take these until March 25th and then review the situation. Mr Smith said Stoughton really was that all-around are in demand. It was generally felt it would be difficult to make final date when next was due Mr Smith said that over the past three years we had tried to keep up all work we should be more strict.

As there was no other business the meeting closed at 10-20 PM The next meeting to be at 8-00 PM on Tuesday April 6th in Montmore Hall.

J. Buckton (Mr Secretary)

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