

Meeting of the Court Farm Affirmation
Committee on Tuesday 15th October 1974.
held at the Marston British Legion
Club rooms commencing at 8.00 pm.

Apologies. NONE.

Those present:

Messrs. Nickman. Spicer.
Halsey. Perkins. Vaulder. Jones. Stone.
Howd. Bowen. Morris.

The Minutes of the last meeting were
read and Mr Bowen objected to the
entry ref expelling of Committee members
for non attendance at meetings. This
entry being struck from the Minutes
they were proposed as a true record
by Mr Spicer, seconded Mr Jones
and carried.

Matters arising:

Maskells Account / 11.32
Mr Bowen is pursuing Statement.

Mr Spicer voiced his objection to allow Mr Sheehan sitting in as an observer during part of the last meeting. Mr Van der said from the Chair that no objection was raised at the time and he could see no harm in observers.

Mr Bowen proposed that: In future no observers should be permitted to attend committee meetings.

This was seconded by Mr Halsey and carried by majority vote.

5. Bar Gate:

Mr Jones reported that the concrete post has been worn away by swinging; and recommended it be swung on the other post.

Mr Sgroad told the meeting that the other post had been broken off during the week by contractors building the Scout hut.

Mower.

Mr Stoud said an Allen Self the mower in very good condition he is told is for sale at Yarmton. The committee showed interest and asked Mr Vanlier to talk with the repairman during the next few days about our existing old machine. Yarmton Machine £40.00

Mr Perkins proposed that the Secretary and Treasurer purchase the second hand Yarmton machine subject to its good condition being proved, and the report on our existing machine being adverse. This was seconded by Mr Halsey and carried by committee after ascertaining that there is sufficient funds in the kitty.

Mr Stoud said that Mr Green will have Ballast dumped at top end of site.

Trees Blown down.

No contractors are available to clear them. A vote of Thanks was made to Mr Halsey for

cutting off boughs.

This was unanimous.

Mr Bowen warned the committee that no insurance exists and if all others get hurt they are not covered.

The new leases are to hand:

Old Rent: £104-13-6. + £10. for Shed.

New Rent: £103-97.

All Hedges and Ditches are our responsibility: Mr Shroud interpreted this to mean all that are currently shown as belonging to the association.

It was proposed Mr Halsey seconded Mr Hickman that the new lease be accepted.

Carried unanimous.

Mr Lowen agreed to write to the
City Council calling for a
suitable shed.

Mr Stroud proposed.
Mr Jones seconded.
Carried.

Correspondence. Federation Meeting is to
be held at the Town Hall Oxford
at 7.30pm. 25.10.1974.

The Delegates Messrs Vauter &
Perkins are to take a report
from committee as called for.

Drainage. Mr Lowen reported that the
culvert is blocked.

Letters from Dobbies & Maskells.

It was agreed that the Maskells
special prize of Fertilizer which
arrived too late for the flower

Show, be given to the Senior
Citizens Allotment Competition as
an additional prize.

Rent Account:

Rent Account: All Bills paid except Water Rate.

In Bank. 49-02.

To pay in 9-39.

Rent Outstanding: 5-50.

General Account. 67-76

Bills to pay. 16-50

Plus Masekells. 8-20

In Hill. 70.

Rent Increase.

MR Stroud spoke for an increase the money to be used for site amenity improvements standing with a J.C.B. to clear up the Pond area uncultivated ground. He said that money is required for hedge cutting on Northern Boundary from Style to corner.

MR Jones asked Mr Bowen "how many allotments are left".

MR Bowen replied that 173 are of which some are 5/10 and 20 pole.

MR Perkins proposed that it be recommended to the A. G. M. that rents be increased to £1-50 per annum per 10 pole plot. And that Old Age Pensioners pay £1-00 per annum per 10 pole plot. This being an increase of 20p per half year.

Seconded by Mr Stone:

Carried by ~~unanimous~~ Majority vote
of 6 for and 2 against.

It was proposed by Mr Halsey that
Mr Bowen & Mr Stone go along
and see Mr Busfield to deal
with Car Parking, Hedge gaps,
roadways etc.

Seconded by Mr Perkins
and carried unan.

A Committee member brought forward
a complaint from Mr Greenaway
an allottee saying that two persons
with shotguns were discharging
same on the allotments.

It was proposed Mr Bowen. Seconded.
D.K. Perkins. That No permission
is or will be given to shoot on
the allotments. Mr Stroud will
prepare a notice to that effect.

MR Stone complained that contrary to the agreed practice of displaying for the committee's attention forthcoming meetings this was not being done. Which made it difficult for a member missing one meeting to know when the next one is being held. MR Bowen agreed to display notices as applicable in future saying it is normally done but they are quickly disfigured by adverse weather.

There being no other business the meeting closed 9-25 pm. Next meeting 12th November. 1974. 8.00 pm. same place.

A. M. Jones



Minutes Secretary