

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, JUNE 3RD., 1936.

A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING was held in the Parish Room on Wed., JUNE 3RD., 1936.

PRESENT: Messrs. J.W.Baxter, D.H.Easy, J.Halls, W.Wilkin; Dr.R.M.Woodman, & the Clerk, Mr.H.F.Sutton. Mr. F.M.Garner was stated to be in hospital.

On the proposition of Mr. Wilkin seconded by Mr.Halls, Dr. R.M.Woodman, the retiring Chairman, was unanimously RE-ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN for the coming year. Dr.Woodman thanked the Council & took the Chair.

The MINUTES of the previous Meeting were read, confirmed by the Council, & signed by the Chairman.

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES, it was reported that Mr.J.W. Bradnam had been elected PARISH CONSTABLE for 1936-7; that a PLAN OF THE ALLOTMENTS had been prepared (Minute Book, pp.255-6); that a statement of the LET OF THE COUNCIL ALLOTMENTS, BANKS, & PARISH LANDS at Lady Day, 1936, had been made (Minute Book, pp.253-4); & that the new ASSESSMENT FOR GRAVEL PIT PASTURE & CORRECTED DETAILS OF OTHER ASSESSMENTS had been received (Minute Book, p.252); that in accordance with the Council's instructions the revised INCOME TAX, £1-4-8, HAD NOW BEEN PAID; & that Mr. D.H.Easy had inspected MR.SIMEON EASY'S BANK FENCE, & thought that a new one was required. On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr.Wilkin, it was resolved to accept the £2-10-0 paid (Entry Book, Mar.23rd.,1936) by Mr.S.Easy for arrears due on the Banks at Mich.1934, & to make an allowance of the remainder subject to Mr.S.Easy's erecting a new fence satisfactory to the Council. It was pointed out by the Chairman that a firm would charge much more than the allowance, & that to have this necessary work done was one way of recovering the amount owing.

On the proposition of Mr.Easy seconded by Mr.Wilkin, CONFIRMATION OF PAYMENTS of:-  
 £1-12-6 due to Lack & Son of Cottenham (cheque No.6737) for PARISH PUMP REPAIRS,  
 £7-17-0 due to the County Agric. Officer (cheque No.6738) for ALLOTMENTS at Lady Day,1936, &  
 £4--0-0 due to Mr.G.H.Pearson (cheque No.6740) dated for the next day, June 4th.,1936) as ANNUAL RENT OF THE PARISH ROOM,

was given; & AUTHORISATION was simultaneously given by the same resolution TO PAY THE FOLLOWING BILLS AS THEY FELL DUE:-  
 £2--5-0 as CLERK'S SALARY, due June 24th.,1936.  
 £0-19-6 as WATERMAN'S WAGES, due June 24th.,1936.  
 A bill (amount unknown at present) which would be due to Mr. Abraham of Landbeach for urgent repairs to the PARISH SLACKER above Baitsbite Lock.

The Council also confirmed the actions of the Chairman IN LETTING THE FEED OF THE RECREATION GROUND till Michaelmas,1936, to Mr.Wilkin, for £1-15--0, & IN LETTING THE 2 ROODS OF VACANT ALLOTMENT to Mr.W.Tyrell rent free for two years from Lady Day, 1936, to Lady Day,1938, subject to the land's then being in clean condition & in good heart.

THE STATEMENT OF MONIES RECEIVED was as follows:-

£	s.	d.	
x	2-12--6		from B.C.H.Electricity Co. for HIRE OF RECREATION GROUND FOR DEMONSTRATIONS, 7 weeks at 7/6.p.week.
x	2-10--0		for BANKS. ARREARS DUE MICHAELMAS,1934, from Mr. Sim. Easy; rest allowed for new fence(see previously).
	1-17--8		for BANKS. DUE MICH. 1935, from Mr. A.G.Halls.
	6--8		..... G.W. Chapman.
	1--0--0		for GRAVEL PIT PASTURE. DUE MICH.,1935, from Mrs.Cox.

£	s.	d.	
15	--	6	ALLOTMENTS, DUE LADY DAY, 1936. Mr. P.E. Butler.
1	--	3--3	.....Ed. Butler.
15	--	6	.....Geo. Johnson.
2	--	1--3	.....W.J. Constable.
15	--	6	.....J. Smith.
14	--	9	.....Geo. Froment.
7	--	9	.....Jas. Todd.
3	--	10	.....Reg. Buck.
3	--	10	.....A.I. Butcher.
7	--	9	.....H. Tyrell.
3	--	10	.....W. Tyrell.
3	--	10	.....W. Woolard.
3	--	10	.....W. Carlton.
3	--	10	.....I. Coulson.
3	--	10	.....W. Rose.
3	--	10	.....Leonard Wilkin.

The Clerk reported that Mr. Geo. Unwin had paid a further 10s. as ARREARS FOR ALLOTMENTS, & that Mr. B. Pearson & Mr. Sim. Easy still OWED RENT FOR THE BANKS for the year ending Mich., 1935. It was resolved to write again to these two.

On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Easy, it was resolved "that Mr. J.W. Baxter be appointed one of the four PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON THE CHARITY TRUSTEES in place of Mr. Winckworth, resigned."

# The Chairman reported that the NOTICE TO QUIT THE PARISH ROOM expired the next day, June 4th., 1936. Certain incidents had occurred during the present Council's term of office which had made the tenancy anything but pleasant at times &, in one way, the notice was too good a chance to be missed, though it was legally insufficient. Thus the Agreement drawn up & signed between the Landlord on the one hand & a former Council of which the Landlord was the Clerk, stated that a full year was necessary. The only matter for regret was the deprivation of the villagers of a free meeting-place: the Council themselves used the room some six hours a year only, & paid the £4 annual rent merely to give the village a room for small meetings. The Chairman proposed, & Mr. Easy seconded, "THAT THE NOTICE TO QUIT BE ACCEPTED UNDER PROTEST as being legally insufficient, & that the Council leave the room on the next day." This motion was then debated, & all present expressed views similar to those of the Chairman. Mr. Baxter said that he would, however, oppose the motion solely on the grounds that he thought that the Council should not give in to the Landlord, but should force him to hold to the Agreement whatever the legal costs to the Council.

On names being asked for, there voted for the motion: the Chairman, Messrs. Easy, Halls & Wilkin. Against: Mr. Baxter. The Chairman declared the motion carried by 4 votes to one. It was also resolved, "That a notice be posted on the Parish Board acquainting the village with the fact," as it was generally held that the Landlord's action might be calculated to put the Council out of countenance with the village. It was also decided that the notice should tell villagers that in future they would have to make private arrangements about a room. It was also resolved, still by the same movers, "that the Landlord of the Parish Room be informed that the Council will not in future be responsible for firing for, cleaning of, or hire of, the room."

The Chairman reported that the Bursar of Caius refused to name a price for Pound Piece as a Recreation Ground, unless they were successful in getting Cherry Close zoned for the College at 12 houses per acre (it is now zoned as permanent open space). The Chairman had given the College to understand that it was no part of the Council's duty to do the College's dirty work, & that personally he resented the suggestion of 12 houses as savouring of a future "country slum." The Chairman then declared the Meeting, which lasted 40 minutes, closed.

*R.M. Woodman.*  
Chairman  
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