The AGM of Margaretting Parish Council took place at The Village Hall on Thursday 12th May 2016 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: H Blurton, L Edwards (Chairman), C Quilter, P Savill, P Slade, A Smith and A Wallace. In attendance Cllr I Grundy and two members of the public.

151. Apologies for absence were received from T Paoli-Burke

152. Election of Officers

Chairman – L Edwards was elected chairman following the proposal by P Savill which was seconded by H Blurton.

Vice Chairman – H Blurton was elected following the proposal by C Quilter which was seconded by L Edwards.

Allotments – K Young and T Nixon to be asked if they would like to carry on with this role.

Community Health – T Paoli-Burke Emergency Planning – H Blurton

EALC – P Slade

Maldon Road Recreation Field – C Quilter Finance – P Savill

Planning – H Blurton Press – A Wallace

Pond Management – P Slade & T Boem

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Rights of Way – M Scott to be asked if he would carry on in the role

Transport – L Edwards

Tree Warden – P Slade and T Boem VHMC – P Slade

Village Furniture – H Blurton and A Wallace

The AGM closed at 7.42p.m. The Parish Council meeting commenced at 7.44pm.

1. Declarations of Interest

2. Democratic Time

There were no Declarations of Interest.

Mr & Mrs Albon attended the meeting and explained events at Tyelands.

It was agreed that L Edwards was to draw up a list of complaints that had been received from parishioners and pass onto ClIr I Grundy.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting dated Thursday 12th April 2016 were agreed and signed as a true and correct record.

4. Matters Arising

- a. Telephone Box at The Tye It was agreed that the clerk begin the procedure of purchasing the telephone box.
- b. Open Reach L Edwards reported on the reply from Open Reach following John Whittingdale's email to them on behalf of the Parish Council. L Edwards to respond going through all the points raised, copying J Whittingdale in. A Wallace suggested putting something in the newsletter urging residents to contact Open Reach directly with any problems.

5. Accounts P Savill outlined the accounts. H Blurton to get an updated quote for the village sign. He also suggested having railings installed around the play equipment at the Maldon Road playing field. P Savill to look into the Initiative Fund which has just been launched.

Authority was given for payment of the following;

Tom Green	£1110.00
M D Landscapes	£ 439.20
AON Insurance	£1371.59
Bell Brush	£ 52.44
Glasdon UK	£579.59
P Savill (Hog Roast)	£ 100.00

6. Community Matters

- a. Orton Close Following complaints about skateboarders in Orton Close L Edwards to re contact CHP about a sign.
- b. Maldon Road Playing Field C Quilter reported that there were no problems. The grass had been cut.
- c. Parish Council Office H Blurton reported that all works had been completed except for some caps to go over the bolts on hand rail. It was noticed that the hand rail was slightly bowed this was to be mentioned when the caps were being fitted. There was a problem with the Wi-Fi and printer and permission was given for H Blurton to buy a new cable.

7. Village Sites

- a. Bus Shelter opposite The Red Lion H Blurton to obtain quotes.
- b. Pond and Trees P Slade reported he was meeting with Conservation Volunteers to discuss the weed in the pond.
- c. Clerk to report that footpath 35 by the church needed a new post for the indication sign which had rotted. Clerk also to report a fallen tree on bridleway 43. Clerk to write to Ingatestone Parish Council informing them of what looks like the start of a new entrance into the site opposite Church Lane.

8. Queens Celebration

P Savill outlined the arrangements; contributions were still coming in. The event is to run from 3pm-8pm. There had been a lack of interest in the scarecrow competition but it was still going ahead.

9. Planning

16/00701/FUL Beech Lorne, Wantz Road No Objections

Single and two storey side extension

16/00655/FUL Barr House, Writtle Road No Objections

Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a two storey detached dwelling with detached garage.

Decisions

16/00239/FUL Eweland Hall Cottage, Main Road Granted

10. Correspondence

- i. Essex Heritage News Clerk to file.
- ii. Notification of speed restrictions on three mile hill while events take place in Hylands Park.

11. Any Other Business

Clerk to request that the shed on the corner of three mile hill be cleared.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m.