

18th September '13

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at the School on the above date

Members Present

Messrs T Brown (Pres. Chm.) & Duddy J. Ward, A Smith, Dr W.D. Hoffman, W.R. Ringer, A Hitchcock & the Clerk. Jas Lett.

Election of Chairman

To fill the now vacant post of chairman Mr Hitchcock proposed the election of Mr J. Ward. This was seconded by Mr Duddy.

Mr Ward expressed his regret that he was unable to accept the position

After some discussion it was proposed by Mr Duddy, seconded by Mr Hitchcock that the election of a chairman be adjourned.

The Vice-Chairman expressed the opinion that with a full Council present this ought not to be necessary

Ultimately, Mr Duddy proposed & Mr Hitchcock seconded that the Revd G.H. Marten be invited back as Chairman

5 for
1 against
no vote

The Clerk was directed to write the Revd Marten asking him to accept the position

to respond

bespoke
8 Mrs R

A letter from the R Dist Council was read stating that the matter of the alleged

improvement

Misance in 6 mil. Road had been referred to the Sanitary Committee for consideration & report

The District Council wrote stating that the Councils request for 3 mgs. posts had been referred to the surveyor for Report.

The District Council further wrote to the effect that the State of Ray Hill complained of was receiving the Surveyors attention

Another letter from the Dist Council reported that the Parish Councils request for the provision of Cottages had been referred to the Sanitary Committee for Report.

Only one Tender for lighting the street lamps was received namely that of Mr G. Tepping at £1 per week This was unanimously accepted on the proposal of Mr Duddy seconded by Mr Ward.

Proposed by Mr Hitchcock seconded by Mr Smith.

That a precept for £20 be drawn on the Overseers for the lighting of the lamps for the current year.

Carried unanimously

The Vice-Chairman reported that a great improvement had now been effected

by the removal of a dangerous
corner opposite the Tatefield entrance
to White Lane.

Thomas H. Brown

Vice Chairman

Oct. 24th 1913

21st October 1913

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting
held at the Schools on the above date.

Members
Present

Mr J Brown (in the chair), Dr
Hoffman & Messrs A Smith, & A Hitchcock
with the Clerk Mr Jas Scott.

Housing

Letter was read from the District
Council asking for evidence with
reference to insanitary condition of
certain cottages in Tatefield, and
stating that the Parish Council's
letter regarding the Housing question
had been referred to the Housing
Committee of the Dist. Council.

Mr Brown said he was in favour
of the Housing question, but would
like to see six other insanitary
houses closed first.

After discussion Mr Hitchcock
proposed seconded by Dr Hoffman
that the Clerk write to the Dist
Council pointing out that the
Parish Council had already
called attention to the insanitary

condition of Red House Cottages, & in reply the Dist Council had stated the question had been referred to the Sanitary Inspector, but no report had been received by the Parish Council. Also to point out that the Parish Council had no authority to make inspections of houses & relied on the District Council.

Carried

Cesspool
Nuisance

Letter was read from the Dist Council regarding a nuisance in respect of a drain from stable & manure pit of Mr C Field's premises, stating that the condition of the cesspool & premises were not such as to justify the Medical Officer of Health at the time of his recent visit to condemn them.

D Hoffman proposed, seconded by Mr Hitchcock that the Clerk write to the Dist Council stating that the nuisance complained of, still existed and that the recent illness of an employe in the Blacksmith's Shop adjoining Mr Field's premises was attributable to the cesspool nuisance. Also that the Parish Council was not satisfied with the District Council's report & that the Clerk was to write to the Home Office on the matter.

Carried

Cornes
Tatsfield
Schools.
Proposed
roads.
of the
cornes
near
Tatsfield
Schools.

Mr CL Gower wrote that he had instructed Mr Stenning to meet representatives of the Council with reference to the proposed cutting off of the cornes near Tatsfield Schools.

In connection with this Mr Stenning wrote making an appointment with Messrs Brown & Hitchcock, and after discussing matters on the spot, he, on behalf of Mr CL Gower gave his consent for sufficient land to be cut off for the necessary improvement. At the same time he undertook to give land necessary for a road at Rylands near the Schools to come out at Ship Hill, & also for another road from Beagley's farm to Ship Hill.

After discussion it was decided to take advantage of the Squire's offer with reference to the Cornes near the Schools, but to wait for a full Council to discuss the two proposed new roads.

Proposed by Mr Hitchcock,
seconded by Mr Smith that the Clerk write to Mr CL Gower thanking him for his generosity, & to Mr Stenning conveying Council's decision

Cornes

Chairman

It was unanimously resolved, that the Clerk write to Mr. S. Joyce Thomas asking him, ^{if he would} kindly take over the Chairmanship of the Council.

Wm H. Brown
Nov 13th 1913

13th November '13

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Members Present

Messrs T. H. Brown (Vice-Chairman) & Hitchcock, B. Duddy, Dr. Stoppman & the Clerk J. L. G. H.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed & signed.

Election of Chairman

The Vice-Chairman reminded the Council that they had asked Mr. S. Joyce Thomas to resume the Chairmanship. Mr. Thomas had in reply expressed his willingness to meet the Parish Council & place before them his views.

Mr. Thomas was now present & would make his statement.

Mr. Thomas said he was prepared to ~~resume~~ serve again as Chairman if the Council were prepared to support his

policy in three essential particulars
 1st That the improvement of Ray Hill
 be proceeded with, with the under-
 standing that the cost to the parish
 should not exceed £750. To be spent in
 a period of 60 years, a loan for which at 4%
 would mean a yearly payment of about £40
 which it was then explained by the
 clerk would mean a rate of about 2
 in the £ p. annum. The carrying out
 of this scheme would involve a grant
 from the Road Board of the remainder
 i.e. 75% of the total cost of some £3,000

2. He felt that the clerk to the Parish
 Council was not sufficiently paid for
 his services.

3. He was of the opinion that Mr
 T. Vincent should be invited to fill an
 impending vacancy on the Parish Council
 After discussion it was agreed to
 leave the matter open for the present
 owing to the absence of several members of
 the Council.

Lamp light
 wages
 £5-

Proposed by Mr Skeehan seconded
 by Mr Duddy that a cheque for £5
 in payment of the lamp lighters wages,
 from 19th Oct to 28th November should be
 drawn in favour of the clerk to the P.C.

Carried Unanimously
 It was then agreed to adjourn the meeting
 till 8 P.M. the 2nd December for the consideration

Mr King's resignation
 P.C.

of the election of Chairman

9th December 15

Minutes of an adjourned Parish Council Meeting held at the School on the above date

Members Present

Mr. T. H. Brown (Vice-Chairman) E. Duddy
A. Smith, A. Hitchcock, J. Ward, D. Hooper
& the clerk J. A. Lee.

Election of Chairman

The matter of the election of Chairman was discussed & the General was expressed that no Chairman should be elected conditionally upon the Council supporting any particular policy of his.

Mr. Smith proposed that Mr. T. H. Brown be elected Chairman, Mr. Ward seconded.

Mr. Brown thanked the gentlemen for their confidence but declined to accept the position.

Ultimately, Mr. Ward proposed seconded by Mr. Hitchcock.

"That the clerk write Mr. J. Joyce Thomas stating that the parish Council would be glad to avail themselves of his services as Chairman if he would accept the position unconditionally."

J. J. J.

1. Not Note

Resignation
H. R. Reiger
P.C.

Mr. H. R. Reiger was to tender his resignation as a member of the Parish Council.

by Mr Hitchcock. It was agreed to
accept Mr. Ruess's resignation with
regret & thanks for his past services.
Carried over
Dec 19th 1913
T. H. Brown

19th December 1913

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meeting held at the School on
the above date

Present

Mrs J. T. H. Brown (Sec. - Chair)
J. Ward, A. Hitchcock, A. Smith,
B. Duddy & the clerk J. Lott

Minutes

The minutes of the previous
meeting were read confirmed & signed

Election
of
Chairman.

A letter from Mr S. Joyce Thomas
was read accepting the position of
Chairman. He stated that the
members were prepared to support him
generally.

Mr Ward said he thought Mr
Thomas had replied in a very fair
manner & he proposed - that

That Mr S. Joyce Thomas be elected
Chairman. This was seconded by Mr
A. Hitchcock

Carried unanimously

In the motion of Mr Duddy seconded
by Mr Hitchcock. It was agreed to
accept Mr Ringe's resignation with
regret & thanks for his past services.

Carried Unanimously
Dec 19th 1913
Thos H. Brown

19th December 1913

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Mrs J. T. H. Brown (Sec. - Church)
J. Ward, A. Hitchcock, A. Smith,
G. Duddy & the clerk J. Lott

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That Mr S. Joyce Thomas be elected
Chairman. This was seconded by Mr
A. Hitchcock

Carried Unanimously

Election
of
Parish Council
Mrs H. R. Ringe
Resigned

Proposed
by Mrs A. Hitchcock
That Mr
Members of the

Appointment
of
Overseer
Mrs J. Ward
resigned

Proposed
by Mr J. Ward
That
Overseer.

Richard
Hill

Mr Duddy
of attention
Woodman
Mr Duddy
& brother

Mr Files
resigned

Mr Duddy
of Mr Files
the district
had given a
that part of
covering the

Lauplight
Wages

Proposed
seconded by
That a ch.
the clerk of
the Lauplight
San

Creation
of
Parish Council
Miss H.R. King
Resigned

Proposed by Mr G Duddy. Seconded by
Mrs A. Hitchcock -
That Mr F.H. Keeble be elected a
member of the Parish Council

Carried
3 for. G. Duddy, A. Hitchcock, J. Ward
2 against, Ward. Mason
1 no vote. Dr. Hoopman

Appointment
of
Overseer
Miss J. Mann
Resigned

The Church
Proposed by Mrs A. Hitchcock, Seconded
by Mr J. Ward.
That Mr A. Smith be appointed
Overseer.

Carried Unanimously

Richard
Hill

Mr Smith complained of the want
of attention given to Richard Hill by the
Woodman

Mr Duddy said he would see Mr
G. Browne on the matter.

Mr Field
Cesspool

Mr Duddy explained that the matter
of Mr Field's Cesspool had been before
the District Council & that Mr Field
had given an undertaking to remove
that part of the blacksmith's shop
covering the cesspool

Lamp light
Wages

Proposed by Mr A. Hitchcock
Seconded by Mr A. Smith -

That a cheque be drawn in favour of
the clerk J. Scott, for £7. for payment of
the lamp light wages

Sam Joyce, Chairman
Carried Unanimously
7 May 1914.