

Morton on Swale Parish Council

Provisional Minutes of Meeting held 30 November 2011

Present

O Poulter, J Sanderson, M Grover in the Chair, A Moore, P Ridley,
District Councillor B Phillips, County Councillor A Barker and D Fawcett clerk

1. Apologies

There were none.

2. Minutes

The minutes of meeting held 28 September were read and proposed a true record by A Moore, seconded by O Poulter. They were subject to a minor amendment regarding date of refuse collection.

3. Matters Arising

There were none

4. Correspondence

- a. Letter read out regarding Speed Matrix results prepared by Hambleton and Richmond Safety Partnership. After open discussion P Ridley proposed we ask for additional data, seconded by J Sanderson.
- b. Letter of thanks from Village Hall Committee for Parish Council gift of £500.
- c. NYCC wrote regarding replacement of manhole covers and surrounds. A Barker will pursue.
- d. HDC wrote regarding wheelie bin placement when Swaledale Arms works take place. Left as continued minute for 25 January 2012.
- e. Queen's Jubilee Beacons correspondence received. It was suggested that the literature be forwarded to Ainderby Steeple Church administrators.
- f. HDC wishes to know our precept requirement for next financial year. P Ridley proposed that it remain the same, seconded J Sanderson. (Currently £3,200)
- g. Boundary Commission and HDC re proposed reductions in number of Ward Members to 22 were considered. No action taken.
- h. Request for £100 from HDC re electoral costs for 11 May election. Proposed paid A Moore, seconded P Ridley.
- i. HDC Forum takes place on 18 January in Northallerton.

5. Planning Matters

- a. Application for agricultural building by B Stanway, Manor House Farm. No observations.
- b. Swaledale Arms application to demolish and provide twelve new homes. Strongly support. NB there appears to be some confusion as to what determination the planning authority has reached on this matter.

6 Grass Cutting

Two invoices numbered 383 and 325 for total of £122.40 received. Proposed paid J Sanderson, seconded O Poulter.

7. Playing Field Update

J Sanderson has enquired into costs of bench/tables etc dependent on quality and size they range over approximately £100, £170 and £ 250. He suggested that Councillors visit and view the above. The clerk has received one quote and awaits another. He also informed that nets for the goal posts will cost approximately £25 each plus VAT. A Moore stated that she continued to pursue community work project and we are "well up on the list".

8 State of Village

The clerk reported that he has received complaints regarding some very untidy garden areas which front the A684. Matter to be highlighted in press release. NYCC to be approached regarding rapid encroachment by grass on tarmac paths leading towards the bridge and remedial work of footway outside school. A suggestion to organise a party to collect roadside litter within village was proposed by J Sanderson, seconded O Poulter.

The clerk mentioned that pupils from the Dales School had previously undertaken rubbish clearance on Station Lane. He will pursue the above.

9. AOB

- a. Quiz to be held in village hall on 3 December.
- b. The Chairman complimented the Village Hall Committee on the recent refurbishment.
- c. The clerk stated that he has enjoyed his three years in his post but work away from the area means he must reluctantly vacate the position. Agreed vacancy will be advertised as previously.

10 Date of next meeting

25 January 2012

The meeting closed at 9.18 pm