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THE MINUTES OF THE 'ZOOM' MEETING OF SCAWBY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5th AUGUST 2020.

In the Chair : Cllr J Frost

Also present: Cllr Mrs T Powell, Cllr Mrs G Siddall, Cllr Mrs M Keyworth, Cllr M Russell, Cllr R Holmes, Cllr J Chamberlain, Cllr N Askew, Cllr D Gibson, Cllr S Kemp, Cllr R Johnson, Cllr T Barker.

In attendance : Cllr N Poole, Cllr T Foster, Mrs K Pickering – Clerk.
Two members of the public

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr R T Matthews , Cllr P Johnson, Cllr J England.

The meeting agreed to provide dispensation to Cllr's Matthews and P Johnson for 6 months due to ill health. This provides an authorised leave of absence from the council until January 2021.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – Cllr's J Frost and D Gibson – Item 5(i) – personal – reside in the vicinity of the application. Cllr J Chamberlain – Item 5(i) – personal – client of the applicant.

3. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 'ZOOM' PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8th JULY 2020**

IT WAS RESOLVED to adopt the minutes of the monthly parish council meeting held on 8th July 2020 and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes.

4. **CLERKS UPDATES OR REPORTS**

- i. Signs for Almshouses between Church Street and Chapel lane – T Nelthorpe giving this sign consideration – clerk to ask for update prior to next meeting.
- ii. Bus Shelter – Messingham lane – To report the insurance money has been received and a new shelter ordered – delivery October 2020.

5. **PLANNING** - Opportunity for one person from each side to state, within 3 minutes, objections/support of contested applications.

- i. Application PA/2020/913 – Planning permission for partial change of use of dwelling to chiropody clinic – 24 Meadow vale, Scawby.

Mr Hill – the applicant addressed the meeting to provide further information about this application.

MOTION: To report no objections or comments – proposed by Cllr Mrs Powell, seconded by Cllr Barker. 4 votes recorded in favour of this proposal, 4 votes recorded against this proposal and 1 abstention. The chairman had abstained from this agenda item therefore the vice-chairman provides the casting vote.

IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS** – 5 votes in favour, 4 against.

- ii. Application PA/2020/1009 – Planning permission to erect detached garage – 10 Gainsborough Lane, Scawby

IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS.**

- iii. Application PA/2020/1024 – Application for determination of the requirement for prior approval for a forestry storage and workshop building – Scawby Woodyard, Park lane, Scawby. (Not a planning application, only views required).

IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO COMMENTS.**

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- iv. Application PA/2020/996 – Application for determination of the requirement for prior approval of a household extension – 39 West Street, Scawby.
IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO COMMENTS**.
- v. Application PA/2020/1048 – Application for non material amendment to PA/2018/1884 namely to widen plots 9,10,11 and 12 to provide 4 additional parking spaces – Land rear of 19, 21 & 23 West Street, Scawby
IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS**.
- vi. Application PA/2020/882 – Application for non material amendment to PA/2016/805 namely to widen plots 15,16 and 17 to provide 3 additional parking spaces – Land rear of 19, 21 & 23 West Street, Scawby
IT WAS RESOLVED to report **NO OBJECTIONS OR COMMENTS**.

6. **REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS/CLERK** : Cllr Mrs Keyworth reported that she had watched the remote planning committee meeting when the planning application for St Martins was heard and found it very interesting.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- ERNLLCA newsletter
- CPRE – newsletter.
- OPUS Energy – electrical contract for war memorial.
- T Powell – explanation of work to planters at the village hall.
- J Frost – notes from meeting at churchyard.
- NALC – updates on parish council meetings – Face to Face/Zoom
- Heritage Open days promotion.

8. FINANCE

i) Accounts to pay and income received.

PAYEE	CHEQUE NO'	AMOUNT
Kirton Sectional Buildings	BACS	533.00
Brigg and Humberside Roofing	BACS	228.00
Clerk - Salary - July	BACS	592.80
Clerk - Expenses :		
Mileage – 19.50		
Stationery//photocopying – 17.44		
Stamps - 14.04		
TOTAL EXPENSES	BACS	50.98
Sissons Gardening Services	BACS	554.20
(July monthly payment)		
PKF Littlejohn – audit	BACS	360.00
Total Gas and Power	DD	42.17
Xero	DD	28.80

The accounts for payment were proposed by Cllr Powell and seconded by Cllr R Johnson and unanimously agreed.

INCOME RECEIVED : Sponsored Flower Beds : Starkie (B & B) - £250; Pepperells - £250
Aviva – Insurance claim - £319.17; HMRC – VAT rebate - £401.97, N.L.C – precept(50%) - £17,000.

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ii) The financial statement – The financial statement was circulated prior to the meeting and variances noted.

iii) To give consideration to the purchase of a dog waste bin to be situated at the 30mph sign as you enter the village on Vicarage Lane from Broughton crossroads. (Approximate cost £300 + vat).

It was agreed that this item should be put on the action list for review as recent inspections in this area have not shown a need for a dog bin.

iv) To give consideration to the refurbishment of the stone planters at the village hall – quotation approximately £1,000.00.

A discussion took place regarding the refurbishment/renewal of the planters. Cllr Holmes felt that it was perhaps unjustified to spend between £800-1200 on new flower planters at the village hall. He felt that they were perfectly adequate and complimented the other existing stone planters in the village. Cllr Holmes felt that the money would be better spent repairing the village signs and providing better planting beneath the village signs. He suggested that 8 planters could be purchased with this budget to go beneath the village signs which would improve the planting and would be easier to maintain. Cllr Holmes concluded that the Scawby Brook sign and planters are very poor and this money could make a more useful contribution to the signs and an increased number of planters within the whole parish. Cllr Frost advised the meeting that it had been recognised that the planting beneath the village signs is disappointing due to the poor soil quality and that it had been agreed to make raised beds beneath the signs to improve the quality of the displays beneath the signs. Cllr Frost also advised that planters beneath the village signs often result in damaged planters and this is why it was agreed that the raised beds would be preferable. Cllr Frost confirmed to the meeting that £6,200 is available within the village enhancement budget.

Cllr Powell advised the meeting that the village conservation statement indicated that the planters at the village hall are in need of improvement. Cllr Barker emphasised that the conservation report had highlighted the need for improvement to the front of the village hall and that it was important to keep making these improvements to remain competitive in the best kept village competition. Cllr R Johnson indicated that he supported the refurbishment of the planters. Cllr Mrs Kemp advised the meeting that she had previously indicated that she did not like the appearance of the West Street planter and felt this planter should be reviewed. The chairman advised that this had been considered previously and the meeting had voted to keep this planter.

Cllr Gibson advised that he was prepared to approach Techcrete to ask them if they would undertake the refurbishment of the village hall planters as a community project.

MOTION: To undertake the refurbishment of the planters at the village hall to within a budget of approximately £1000 – proposed by Cllr Frost, seconded by Cllr Barker.

3 votes recorded in favour of this motion, 8 votes recorded against, 1 abstention. Motion defeated.

It was agreed that Cllr Gibson would contact techcrete to ask if they are prepared to become involved in this project.

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9. POLICE MATTERS

- i) Community Speed Watch Initiative – The clerk has advised Wayne Goodwin that volunteers are available to commence training and has asked for 3 dates for volunteers to choose from and to ensure the village hall is available. When the dates are suggested the clerk will contact the volunteers directly to arrange the training.
- ii) New Police matters: Cllr R Johnsom advised the meeting that a number of car thefts have taken place in the area.

10. NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL HIGHWAYS MATTERS

- i) To receive reports from Ridge Ward Councillors: Cllr T Foster advised the meeting that N.L.C has not gone into recess. The Brigg horse fair was cancelled but travellers are still visiting the town.

Cllr Poole advised the meeting that he is in the process of setting up a Ridge ward transport meeting – which is likely to be a remote meeting and details will be sent through to the clerk shortly. Cllr Poole advised that a large number of planning applications are now being made to N.L.C and that the planning committee refused the planning application on Martins Road, however the applicant can go to appeal. Cllr Poole advised that he is working on the S106 funding related to this application to ensure it is in favour of Scawby should the decision by N.L.C be overturned on appeal.

- ii) Ridge ward Transport Meeting – See item 10(i)

- iii) Action List: The uneven road/pavement surface outside the school has been patched. There has been some attempt to repair the potholes on Oak Avenue and Cedar Close. There is no further information relating to the noise report at Scawby Brook.

- iv) New Highways matters: A loose curb stone outside Rathside has been reported to N.L.C. Cllr Barker reported an increase in HGV traffic along Church Street and Messingham lane. Cllr R Johnson suggested that the verges at the junction of Scawby Road and Brigg Road need mowing more frequently due to visibility problems. Cllr Mrs Kemp advised that the tree branches at The Grove property are overhanging and require attention. A suggestion was made about a cycle track from Scawby to Forest Pines – it was agreed this should be an agenda item next month. Cllr Frost advised of a pavement collapse at 55 West Street – this has been reported and a works order raised. It was suggested that Andy Sissons be asked to cut the verge from the 30mph sign to the park gates to tidy this area up.

11. PLAYING FIELD AND VILLAGE MATTERS

- i. Health and Safety incidents at the playing fields and pavilion – No matters to report.
- ii. MUGA Update – The heritage statement has been submitted to N.L.C and the planning application has now been validated. The grant application has been submitted.
- iii. Notice Board repairs – these repairs will be undertaken once suppliers re-open.
- iv. War memorial – The second tablet has arrived and will be fitted shortly.
- v. Pavilion – The roof and the electrics have been repaired, waiting for the soffit and guttering to be repaired.

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- vi. The Church Yard – A site meeting has been held at the churchyard and it was agreed that A Sissons could undertake some strimming to tidy up certain areas. There will be an article in the parish magazine explaining the wild flower garden ethos at the churchyard and the clerk has sent an explanation of what the PCC is trying to achieve at the churchyard to the best kept village judges. This explanation will also be placed in the parish magazine. Cllr barker suggested that the parish council purchase a professional looking sign (similar to the map of the village) which explains the different elements of the churchyard. It was agreed that the PCC would be approached and asked if they would consider the parish council providing such a sign. Cllr Kemp advised that the wild flower areas need cultivating and getting established before an information board is necessary. The meeting agreed that the churchyard is the project of the PCC but the parish council should offer to work alongside them and be supportive of this project. It was agreed that 2/3 councillors would try to meet again with members of the PCC to progress this project and an update would be provided at the next parish council meeting.
- vii. Daffodils – It was agreed unanimously to purchase daffodil bulbs to the value of approximately £300 and Cllr's Barker and Chamberlain would purchase the bulbs. Cllr Holmes kindly offered to arrange the planting of the bulbs in Scawby Brook.
- viii. Community Award – 3 nominations have been received. Cllr Frost to arrange a judge. It was agreed that a voucher from The Sutton Arms would be purchased for the winner.
- ix. Best Front Garden competition – The judging for this competition has been completed and the clerk will circulate the winners to the parish councillors for their information. Brigg garden centre vouchers will be purchased and will be delivered to the winners. Clerk to inform the winners of their success.
- x. Any new village matters: Cllr Mrs Keyworth advised that there is a small coffee morning being held in the Sutton Arms, unfortunately the coffee morning in the village hall will not re-open for some time. Cllr Mrs Keyworth extended her gratitude to all organisations who have helped a lot of people throughout the covid pandemic. Cllr Russell advised the meeting that the electricity cables though out the village are being surveyed as some appear to be too low. Cllr Holmes described a property in the village that appears neglected and an eyesore in the village. Cllr Poole suggested that photographs of the property should be taken and the full address provided to Cllr Poole who will make some investigations. Cllr Kemp raised the matter of the strip of land at the co-op which the primary school was meant to be taking ownership of. Nothing has been done with it and Cllr Kemp felt that a boules area would be well received. Cllr Gibson advised that the litter bin from the bus stop on Gainsborough lane is missing and the dog bin at Lidgett Close is on the floor – clerk to ask N.L.C to replace/repair. Cllr R Johnson suggested that the finger post on Old Manor Drive needs refurbishment – this will be an agenda item for next months meeting. Cllr R Johnson advised that he had sanded and painted 10 benches and most are in need of some repair. Cllr Frost advised that he had surveyed all the benches and repairs will be undertaken in due course. Cllr R Johnson suggested that the grass verge to the eastern side of Mill Lane should be cut more regularly – A Sissons to asked to quote for this extra verge mowing. Cllr Frost advised that the football goals are up and grass roots football can recommence. Mole hills are a problem and need attention.

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12. ITEMS FOR PARISH NEWSLETTER /WEBSITE – Winners of the front garden competition.

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MONTHS MEETING

- Consideration to the provision of wooden planters beneath the village signs and to upgrade/refurbish some of the village signs.
- Area of land at the co-op – discuss
- Refurbishment of finger post at Old Manor Drive.
- Churchyard – update
- Ridge Ward Transport meeting
- Cycle track – Scawby to Forest Pines
- Flower planters – village hall.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING : Wednesday 2nd September 2020– 7.00pm

There being no further business The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40 pm