

**MINUTES of a meeting of the Committee of Alford Squash Club
held at The Half Moon Hotel on 6th June 2017 at 8pm**

Present: Bob Karley (appointed Chairman of the meeting), John Hynes (Treasurer), Graham Hounslow (Secretary and keeping these notes), Jim Coulter, Ben Irving, Steve Brough and Chris Sykes.

Apologies: Geoff Allen and Jim Luck

1. Previous meeting

1.1 It was noted that the Minutes of the previous Committee meeting were emailed to all directly after the last meeting. It was agreed these were a true record of that meeting and approved.

1.2 There are no matters arising which would not be covered by the agenda for tonight's meeting.

2. Treasurer's report

2.1 The Treasurer reported that the Bank balances (as at the end of May) were £5,206.69 in the main account and £152.33 in the coaching account;

2.2 **JH** advised the Committee that weekly light meter income has significantly reduced from the normal £100 pw down to £25 pw largely down to the time of the year and few if no junior players at the moment.

2.3 **BI** handed the Treasurer £66 for sale of eye goggles. These were sold at cost.

3. Signage/Sponsorship

Adam Coffey (who has set up in business as a personal trainer) had previously indicated a desire to advertise on the tin on court 2, but due to a heavy workload, feels advertising is not in his best interests at the moment.

SB will contact Thompson & Smith to see if they would sponsor the tin.

4. Website

BK confirmed that the website is up to date and he will put these Minutes on the website when they are ready.

5. Junior Coaching/development

5.1 **BI** advised the Committee that the Wednesday coaching have ceased and there are currently no coaching sessions at all. He is looking to offer coaching during the summer holidays.

5.2 The Sunday morning sessions have ceased, but may start up again in the autumn.

6. Maintenance matters

6.1 **SB** has repaired the upstairs cupboard.

6.2 **SB** has repaired the outside security light by the door.

6.3 **SB** has purchased two new coin meters to take the new £1 coin. These were from a company in Torquay who he said provided a very good service. £300 for the two including delivery. They will in fact take the new pound and twenty pence pieces.

6.4 **JH** has contacted Simon Mapplethorpe who will fit these two meters and it is hoped it will be done as early as w/c 19th June 2017.

6.5 **CS** reminded the committee that the gas boiler is on “borrowed time”. He will continue to make repairs and is likely to fit a new pump this year.

6.6 **CS & SB** will investigate the problems with the current heaters. It was suggested that they purchase two new heaters to fix to the outside court walls and try to make two good heaters from the current four to be fixed to the inside court walls.

6.7* The committee have agreed that **CS / SB** can purchase whatever items are required to get the job done before our next meeting.

7. Leagues/competitions

7.1 The leagues have been poorly used in the last few months. **BI** will advertise a new single league with 12 to 14 of the regular players for June - August.

8. Other business

8.1 **JH** confirmed that the club have donated to the ‘Indian Summer’ project in Alford. (8.2 of last minutes)

8.2 ‘Active Places’ (8.3 of last minutes) has been dropped

8.3 **JH** to register the Club with the Information Commissioner’s Office (data protection) and until such time there will not be a copy of member’s details on the noticeboard.

8.4 Following more damage and litter by the juniors of the club, **JH** sent a letter to all members and **BI** says it had the desired effect.

8.5 **JH** has had an enquiry if people can play before 7am. **GH** to contact Nick

Wold at Safe & Sound who installed the security door, to alter the timer from 07:00 – 22:00 to 05:45 to 22:00.

- 8.6** **JC** was thanked for continuing to change the door code on a monthly basis.
- 8.7** Once the new meters are installed both courts will be by £5 for 40 minutes. **JH** will ask Reece Brant to circulate an email to members notifying them of this change.
- 8.8** It was agreed that the next Committee Meeting will take place on **Tuesday 5th September 2017 at 8 p.m. at The Half Moon.**

The meeting closed at 9.22 pm