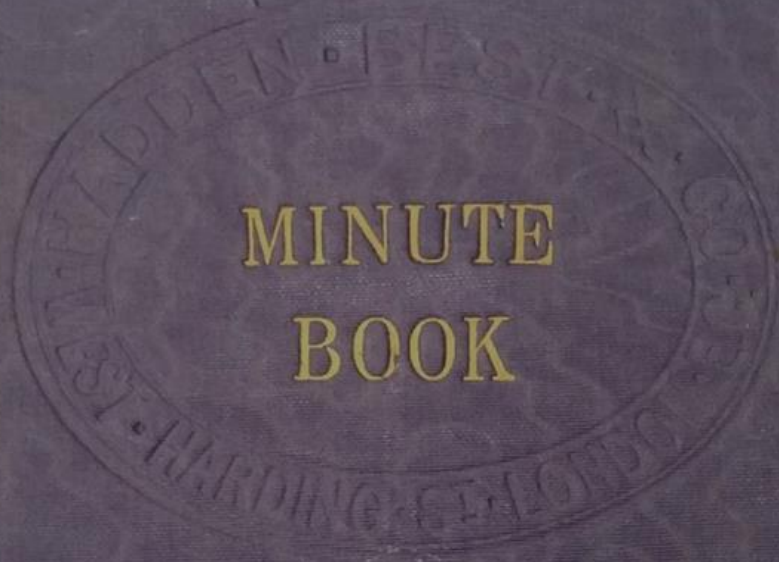


UPWOOD PARISH 1959



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Minutes from meetings dated:

3rd February

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Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

The Quarterly meeting of the Parish Council was held in Upwood School on **Tuesday February 3rd 1959** when then following were present.

Present: Mr. Spofforth in the Chair, Mr. W. G. Colbert, W. Barham, J. Coward, R. A. Murfin and the Clerk.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Arisings.

Arising from the minutes, it was reported that Mr. Jakes had not taken any further action about the hedges etc.

Way Posts.

A letter had been received from the County Surveyor stating that he was looking into the matter re way posts to Great Raveley.

Electricity.

The Electricity Authority gave the new yearly rate as from April 1st 1959 as £90-13-0 per annum.

Burial Ground.

A further letter from the Clerk of the Huntingdon R. D. C. was read stating that if an extension to the burial ground was required, it would have to be brought up at a Parish Meeting, so it was resolved that the matter should be brought up at the Annual Parish Meeting. The Annual Parish Meeting was then fixed for Tuesday March 3rd 1959 at 7.30pm in Upwood School.

Charity Allotments.

It was agreed that the Clerk should fix the date of letting the Great Raveley Charity Allotments when he had seen the Trustees.

Payments.

The following cheques were drawn for payment of accounts:-

Eastern Electricity Board £38-3-1 for Street Lighting.

Commissioners of Inland Revenue £2-13-1 for Income Tax.

A precept for £90 on the R. D. C. was signed. This was for £16-0-0 for General expenses and £74-0-0 for Street Lighting.

Signed: I. L. Spofforth



Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

The Annual meeting of the Parish Council was held in Upwood on **Thursday May 21st 1959** when a full Council was present, this also being the first meeting of the newly elected Council, the following being present.

Present: Mrs Agger, Miss Butler, Mrs Slote, Messrs. W. Barham, J. Coward, W. G. Colbert, G. Cordell, R. A. Murfin, I. L. Spofforth, E. Edwards, F. Townsend and the Clerk.

Mr. Spofforth was again elected Chairman for the year being proposed by Mr. Cordell and seconded by Mr. Coward. Mr. Spofforth thanked the meeting for his election and for the support he had received during the past year. He also welcomed the new lady members to the Council.

All Councillors then signed their acceptance of office.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Arisings.

Arising from the minutes, it was agreed that Mr. Jakes should received notice to quit at time due if he had not replied to the last letter from the Clerk satisfactorily but before the next meeting. The Clerk and Chairman should inspect the Parish Award, to find out if any help could be obtained from it.

Cemetery.

A letter was also read from the Ministry of Housing and Local Government, when permission was given to proceed with the purchase of land for the extension of the cemetery, so it was resolved to ask the owners adjoining the present cemetery if they would be willing to sell a plot of land, if so it was resolved that the R. D. C. should be asked to help in the purchase.

Accounts.

The accounts were then presented which showed a balance at the bank of £154-14-6 being made up as follows: Allotments £88-15-4, General £16-19-9, Street Lighting £57-18-8, Charities £4-18-0.

Street Lighting.

The Chairman then signed the new Street Lighting agreement, and a precept was also signed for Street Lighting, this being £80-0-0.

Payments.

The following cheques were drawn and signed:-

Eastern Electricity Board £38-3-1

W. J. Villar, Tithes £2-17-2

Hunts Parish Council Association £3-10-0

Correspondence.

A letter was read from the Parish Council Association about the Annual Meeting on Friday July 3rd, and Mrs Agger, Mr. Spofforth and Mr. Cordell agreed to attend.

Other Business.

Several other matters of interest were brought up and discussed for the improvement of the village. It was also agreed to write to all retiring members thanking them for their past services.

Signed: I. L. Spofforth



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The Quarterly meeting of the Parish Council was held in Upwood School on **Thursday September 3rd 1959** when then following were present.

Present: Mr. Spofforth, Chairman, Mrs Agger, Miss Butler, Mrs Slote, Mr. R. A. Murfin, Mr. W. G. Colbert and the Clerk.

Apologies of absence were received from Mr. W. Barham, Mr. E. Edwards and Mr. Townsend.

Minutes

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

Arisings.

Arising from the minutes, it was resolved that the Clerk should see Messrs. Hunnybun and Son of Huntingdon and ask him to communicate with Mr. Jakes, and give him notice to quit if no satisfactory reply is given in respect of the hedges and ditches.

Cemetery.

The Clerk reported that he had seen Mr. Butler about a plot for the extension to the cemetery, but he had written to say that he was reluctant to sell. It was resolved that the Clerk should again communicate with the R. D. C. and get their advice.

Correspondence.

A letter was read from Mr. F. Barham, a retiring member thanking the Council for their letter to him.

Payments.

A cheque for £41-6-1 for the quarterly payment of street lighting.

Annual Dinner.

The Clerk brought to the notice of the Council of the Parish Councils Association Annual Dinner to be held at The Town Hall Huntingdon on Friday 16th October 1959. It was agreed to let the Clerk know if anyone wanted to attend.

Cancer Campaign.

After some discussion, it was agreed that the Council would support the British Empire Cancer Campaign, and at the moment would leave the letter from the National Society for Cancer Relief on the table.

Path.

It was noted that the County Council had repaired the path at the south end of the village, and it was agreed to write a letter of thanks to the County Council.

Complaint.

A complaint was received from residents near the premises adjoining Mr. Walter's property saying that his fowl houses created a smell. It was agreed to write to the Public Health Inspector of Huntingdon R. D. C. asking him for a report and find out if this smell could be avoided.

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Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed.

Arisings.

Arising from the minutes, the Clerk reported that Messrs. Hunnybun had written to Mr. Jakes, but so far had had no reply. It was agreed to again write to Messrs. Hunnybun asking them to give immediate notice to Mr. Jakes, if a satisfactory reply was not received at once.

The Clerk reported that all rents for allotments had been received.

Cemetery.

The Clerk reported that he had been in communication with the R. D. C. about the extension to the Cemetery, and it was found that the Parish Council must acquire the land. So in the meantime the Clerk had written to Mr. Parsons of Broughton as he had land adjoining the Cemetery. Mr. Parsons had replied verbally that he did not want to sell. After some discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk should again communicate with Mr. Parsons and ask him for some land as it was felt that it was not fair to ask Mr. Butler again.

Mr. Walkers Property.

It was reported that the smell from Mr. Walkers property had now abated, so it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Mr. Walker and thank him for his co-operation in the matter.

Accounts.

The following cheques were drawn for payment:-

Eastern Electricity Board £41-6-1 for Street Lighting, L. W. Scarr £7-14-0 Salary and Insurances, Commissioners of Inland Revenue £2-8-4 for Income Tax. A precept for £90-0-0 was also signed.

Council Houses.

Mr. Coward complained of the unsatisfactory way that some of the Council Houses had been painted and the Clerk agreed to pass on the complaint to the R. D. C.

Fire Hydrant.

Mr. Murfin also mentioned that a fire hydrant near the north end of the village was leaking. The Clerk stated he had reported this once, but would make a further report.

Unsafe Wall.

Mrs Agger brought to the notice of the Council of the condition of the wall near the Church and adjoining the road, as at the moment it was very unsafe. The Chairman stated that he would make enquiries about this wall to find out if Upwood Estates had any responsibility for its upkeep.

Clerk's Salary.

The Clerk asked the Council if his salary could be increased to £12-0-0 per year as from 1st April 1959, and the Council agreed to this increase.

Correspondence.

Letters were read from the Parish Council Association about adequate bus services, this was left to the Clerk to answer, also another letter was read about preserving trees.

Signed: I. L Spofforth