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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Spilsby Town Council held on 26th May 2016 at 7pm in the Council Chamber, Franklin Hall, Halton Road, Spilsby.

Present: Cllr G Rymer (Chairman)

Cllr Argy Cllr Grant Cllr Gale Cllr Haddock Cllr Iremonger
Cllr Pears (J) Cllr Wright

Also Present: Mrs Smith (Town Clerk) Cllr V Ayling (LCC) Christina Redford (Press), 2 members of the public.

66. Election of Chairman/Town Mayor

Cllr Grant Proposed that Cllr Rymer be Chairman/Mayor for the forthcoming year.
Seconded Cllr Iremonger. **RESOLVED**
The Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman was then signed by Cllr Rymer.

67. Election of Vice-Chairman/Deputy Chairman

For the position Vice-Chairman/Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming year-
Cllr Grant Proposed Cllr Gale Seconded Cllr Pears.
Cllr Wright Proposed Cllr Argy Seconded Cllr Haddock.
Following a vote, Cllr Gale 4 votes, Cllr Argy 3 votes
RESOLVED that Cllr Gale take the position.
The Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman was then signed by Cllr Gale.

Proposed, Seconded and RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders for the Public Session.

Public Session

Proposed, Seconded and RESOLVED to re-instate Standing Orders

68. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received and accepted from Cllrs Mangion, Pears (L) and Taylor.
A letter of resignation had been received from Cllr Odling.
ACTION- Clerk to write to Cllr Odling to thank him for his support over the years and to send good wishes.

69. Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011

Cllr Wright declared an interest in item 19 as an ELDC Officer.

70. Appointments to Committees of the Council

Allotments Committee-Cllrs Gale/Grant/Pears/Rymer

Employment Committee-Cllrs Grant/Mangion/Taylor

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71. Appointments to Working Groups

Policy-Cllrs Argy/Rymer CCTV- Cllrs Rymer/Wright

72. Extra Duties for Members

Appointed as per circulated list.

73. Appointment of Representatives on Outside Bodies

Spilsby Recreation Ground	Cllr Grant
Poorlands	Cllr Grant
East Lindsey Area Forum	Cllr Pears
Spilsby & District Twinning	Cllr Mangion/Cllr Gale
Good Neighbourhood Scheme	Cllr Argy

74. Appointment of Chairman of Amenities, Planning and Finance Committees

Amenities-	Cllr Pears Proposed Cllr Haddock,	Seconded Cllr Gale
RESOLVED		
Planning-	Cllr Pears Proposed herself	Seconded Cllr Gale
RESOLVED		
Finance-	Cllr Pears Proposed Cllr Wright	Seconded Cllr Haddock
RESOLVED		

75. Notes of the meeting held 28th April

Proposed Cllr Pears Seconded Cllr Haddock
It was **RESOLVED** to adopt the minutes as a true record.

76. To receive reports from Town Mayor, Town council's working groups, representatives on outside bodies and the Town Clerk.

Volunteer Support Service-Cllr Argy reported that the name had been changed back to Spilsby Good Neighbourhood Scheme. Grant applications are being applied for. Most services will be free.

Spilsby Recreation Ground- Cllr Grant reported that funding had been secured for the meeting room heating. Quite a few things need doing in the Pavilion especially the heating.

Twining-Cllr Pears reported that there had been a good visit with the French. Spilsby had won the football match on penalties. The Spilsby Host Families make it possible and that it continues to be successful.

Town Clerk- tabled a report of her activities and updates. She reported that Canon Peter Coates had requested a meeting regarding the collapse of the church wall. Cllr Pears Proposed that the Chairman and Clerk have a meeting and report back. Seconded Cllr Wright

LCC Heating Fund-Cllr Pears Proposed this is advertised on the notice boards, internet and website and offered to leaflet drop in the town. Seconded and **RESOLVED**

77. Insurance

The Clerk reported that she had two quotes, however one did not have certain items covered and had asked for a revised quote.

Cllr Wright Proposed that the Clerk be given the authority to make the decision when the second quote was received as long as it was within a 5% tolerance.

Seconded Cllr Argy. **RESOLVED**

78. Mayor's Allowance for 2016/2017

Cllr Grant Proposed that the allowance be £850 as previously resolved in the 2016/2017 budget. Seconded Cllr Argy. **RESOLVED.**

79. End of Year Accounts 2015/2016

Proposed Cllr Grant Seconded Cllr Argy

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the accounts 2015/2016

80. Youth Initiative Donation

Proposed by Cllr Grant to make a donation of £200 Seconded Cllr Pears

RESOLVED

81. ELDC Transformation Programme-Footway Lighting

Cllr Wright left the room at this point

Cllr Rymer declared an interest as she lives near a footway light.

Cllr Grant Proposed to go ahead with the plan and keep the footway lighting.

Seconded Cllr Pears. **RESOLVED**

82. Identity Badges for Councillors

Cllr Wright said that he thought it would be a good idea to wear badges, especially at events. Cllr Grant Proposed that the Council invest in identity badges for Councillors. Seconded Cllr Pears. **RESOLVED**

83. Highways issues

Peasgate Lane-The Clerk had received notification from Highways to say that they were not going to maintain the lane at the A16 end. Cllr Pears said that, personally, she felt that the Angling Club had been let down- children and anglers use the road. Cllr Pears Proposed that a letter be sent to Highways stating that the Town Council want the road repairing. Seconded Cllr Haddock. **RESOLVED**

Standing Orders suspended to allow Mr Bugg to speak.

Mr Bugg suggested asking the site manager of the Vale Housing Estate for some tarmac to fill the hole. Cllr Gale volunteered to do this.

Standing Orders re-instated.

Post Office Lane-The Clerk had reported the broken bollard 29/4/16

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Age UK Pavement-The Clerk had previously reported the poor condition of the pavement along the High Street. Highways had written to say that the restoration work would commence w/c 16th May 2016

84. Allotments

Following an inspection by Anglian Water, the water taps at the allotments need to be changed to non-return. Cllr Pears suggested that the old taps be used for something else.

Cllr Grant Proposed that new taps be purchased. Seconded Cllr Pears
RESOLVED.

85. Orders for Payment

Proposed Cllr Argy Seconded Cllr Gale
It was **RESOLVED** to accept the orders

86. Exclusion of Public and Press

Proposed by Cllr Gale Seconded Cllr Grant
It was **RESOLVED** to move to closed session to consider agenda item 24.

The Clerk left the meeting at this point in order to allow staff management discussion to take place.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk receive the non-consolidated pay award outlined in the 2014-2016 National Joint Council Pay Award (pro rata payment)

Meeting Closed at 9.30pm