

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd February 2016 at the Village Club, Escrick, York.

PRESENT

Mr R E Britton
Mr J Hopwood
Mr K W Terry
Mr W A Jacques
Mr K Atkinson
Mr J R Bramley
Mr J Daniel
Mr R D Percy
Mr I Ellwood
Cllr B Marshall
Cllr Mrs K McSherry
Cllr J Deans
Cllr R W Bramley
Mr A Vevers

The Clerk – Mr W Symons
Engineering Assistant – Mr N Culpan

APOLOGIES FOR
ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Mr B Smith.

DECLARATION OF
INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest related to the items listed on the Agenda.

The Clerk further informed Members that the Register of Members Interests was available at the meeting for inspection and update as required.

ELECTION RESULT

The Clerk welcomed Members to the Board meeting and advised as the election returning officer that the new Board had come into place from 1st November. He further informed that an election had not been required as the number of nominations had not exceeded the number of positions on the Board. In view of this all the current Members were re-elected.

Election Advert

The Clerk informed the Board that the outcome of the Boards election has been advertised in the York Press as required. The Clerk noting the required content which includes the details of the elected Members names and addresses and subsequent high cost.

ELECTION OF
CHAIRMAN

The Clerk advised that Members were required to consider nominations and to appoint a Chairman and Vice Chairman for the Board. The positions are usually for a three year tenure.

Mr R Britton stated that he was prepared to continue as Chairman of the Board following the election if the Board wished. It was proposed by Mr W A Jacques, seconded by Cllr B Marshall and RESOLVED that Mr R Britton be elected as Chairman.

As there were no other nominations Mr R Britton was duly elected as Chairman.

The remainder of the meeting was then chaired by Mr R Britton.

ELECTION OF VICE
CHAIRMAN

Mr J Hopwood stated that he was prepared to continue as the Vice Chairman of the Board following the election if the Board wished.

It was proposed by Cllr J Deans, seconded by Cllr B Marshall and RESOLVED that Mr J Hopwood be elected as Vice-Chairman.

As there were no other nominations Mr J Hopwood was duly elected as Vice-Chairman.

MINUTES OF
MEETING

It was proposed by Cllr J Deans, seconded by Cllr B Marshall and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 20th October 2015, a copy of which had been sent to all Members, be taken as read and approved and that they be forthwith signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the Minutes that were not covered in the main agenda.

FINANCE SUB-
COMMITTEE
MINUTES

The Chairman presented the Minutes of the Meeting of the Sub-Committee held on the 19th January 2016, a copy of which had been sent to all Members.

The Chairman ran through the items included in the Minutes of the Meeting and asked if any items required clarification.

The Chairman proposed acceptance of the Minutes together with the acceptance of the recommendations contained within them. Mr W A Jacques seconded the proposal and Members UNANIMOUSLY VOTED in favour.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

The Clerk thanked the Sub Committee for making its recommendations on such a large number of items.

LAYING OF THE
RATE & SPECIAL
LEVIES

Members gave consideration to the budget and estimate for the Board's income and expenditure for financial year 2016/17 and the recommendation made by the Finance Sub-Committee. The Board APPROVED the recommendations contained in the Sub-Committee Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th January 2016, proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr W A Jacques, which set a drainage rate for the sum of 4.38p in the £.

The Board UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the proportion of their expenditure be raised by drainage rates in respect of agricultural land and buildings by Special Levies on local billing Authorities are 17.21% and 82.79% respectively.

THAT the Drainage Board do hereby make a Drainage Rate for the purposes chargeable thereon assessed on the Annual Value of agricultural land and buildings subject to the provisions of the Land Drainage Act 1991 as hereunder set out that is to say:

AN OCCUPIERS' rate assessed at 4.38p in the £ for the period ending on the 31st day of March 2017.

THAT the Drainage Board do hereby make a Special Levy assessed as hereunder, that is to say:
A Special Levy chargeable to **SELBY DISTRICT COUNCIL** in the sum of £261,506.30 for the period ending on the 31st day of March 2017.

AND a Special Levy chargeable to **CITY OF YORK COUNCIL** in the sum of £137,814.12 for the period ending on the 31st day of March 2017.

AND that the Special Levies shall be payable in two equal instalments on the 1st May 2016 and 1st November 2016.

THAT the purposes for which the said Rate
AND Special Levies are made and the amount in the £. for each of the purposes are as hereunder set out.

AND that the said Rate shall be payable on Demand.

AND that the seal of the Board be affixed on the said Rate and Special Levies accordingly.

AND that the Clerk be and is hereby authorised to take all necessary steps to demand and collect the said Rate.

PURPOSES under the Land Drainage Act 1991 for which the Rate mentioned is made.

AMOUNT of the Rate in the £. for the Occupiers' Rate.

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| a) | Expenses of Administration |) | |
| | under this Act. |) | |
| b) | Works of maintenance under |) | |
| | the said Act. |) | 4.38p |
| c) | Improvement of existing |) | |
| | works under the said Act. |) | |
| d) | New works under the said Act. |) | |
| e) | Precept of the Environment |) | |
| | Agency under the said Act. |) | 4.38p |

STAFF

Workforce Call Out System

The Clerk reported that the Boards new call out system has functioned well in providing cover over the Christmas period.

Planning Officer

The Clerk informed that the Consortium's Planning Officer Mr J Perkins had handed his notice in to leave. In view of this the Clerk reported he had advertised the position and had progressed some interviews. It was hoped an appointment to the position can be made shortly.

The Clerk was further asking Mr P Hey if he could assist in supporting the Boards whilst a replacement Planning Officer is recruited. This to sustain the Consortiums planning responses and to train the new recruit.

MAINTENANCE WORKS

The Engineering Assistant had circulated a report to Members at the meeting along with maps of the Boards maintenance works for reference at the meeting.

The Engineering Assistant reported on the floods over Christmas and how the Board had responded.

The Clerk raised concerns about the speed of discharge of retained water in Riccall Ings. The Boards Angram Pumping Station and Environment Agency Riccall Depot also becoming flooded. The concern being of repeat flooding when the Ings are holding retained flood water.

PUMPING STATIONS

The Clerk is further concerned about the similar issues on the Cawood side of the River Ouse (Lords Ings Selby IDB District). At this stage strategically it is a little uncertain how this matter can be progressed. In reality a gravity discharge is required to augment the current discharges of pumping and the discharge flap from Angram Pumping Station.

Members discussed planning applications and the importance of the Boards responses seeking to attenuate development run off.

The Engineer Assistant in summary reported the Boards pumping stations functioned well over the Christmas period with only Angram Pumping Station becoming flooded out.

Kelfield Pumping Station

The modified Kelfield Pumping Station was recovered more quickly following the floods. However as the Environment Agency Ings discharge flaps are still leaking this continues to cause back flow to the pumps.

Coal Authority/UK Coal Pumping Stations

The Clerk reported that the Board had been informed that the two UK Coal Pumping Stations (Riccall Ings and Southfields) were transferring to the Coal Authority. In view of this any future account payments would be dealt with by the Coal Authority.

Coal Authority Pumping Station Telemetry

The Clerk reported that the Coal Authority have decided to progress installing telemetry in the Coal Authority Pumping Stations. It is also likely they may wish to replace two of the pumping station electrical panels.

HEALTH & SAFETY

The Clerk advised that there have been no reportable incidents to the Health and Safety Executive (RIDDOR) since the last meeting.

PLANS

The Clerk referred to the list of Planning Applications commented upon since the last Meeting of the Board, which had been circulated to all Members with the Agenda.

Cllr B Marshall highlighted that a large planning application was due in shortly for 200 houses in Barlby.

(SEE APPENDIX TO MINUTES)

CONSENTS

The Clerk referred to the list of Consent Applications commented upon since the last Meeting of the Board, which had been circulated to all Members with the Agenda.

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BANK AND
BANKING
ARRANGEMENTS

The Clerk produced the Bank Statements for the Board's Current Account and Business Premium Account showing an aggregate credit balance in Barclays of £855,503.31 as at the 15th January 2016.

The Yorkshire Bank account has an additional credit balance of £83,960.00 in a twelve month deposit account which is achieving 1.3% gross per annum.

The Nationwide account has an additional credit balance of £85,000.00 in a twelve month deposit account which is achieving 1.4% gross per annum.

The total balance of the Boards funds held in these accounts is £1,024,463.31.

The Clerk noted that these funds include the UK Coal and Coal Authority balances and deposits for the on-going and rechargeable works, which are £58,886.50.

The Clerk also noting that Barclays Bank were likely to be charging for its banking in the future however they have informed that they will not be charging at least until 1st April 2016.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk advised Members that there had been no correspondence of significance received since the date of the last Meeting. However consent applications are being submitted for the Germany Beck development.

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DATE OF NEXT
MEETING

It was directed that the date of the next Meeting of the Board is to be at **The Escrick & Deighton Club** on **14th June 2016**. It was also asked if the Board could arrange a Members Inspection following the meeting.

FUTURE MEETINGS

It was also noted that a date for a future meeting will be on **Tuesday 18th October 2016**.

It was also noted that Finance Sub Committee Meetings are proposed on **31st May 2016** and **4th October 2016**.

ANY OTHER
BUSINESS

There was no other Business and the Meeting was
closed.