

VERWOOD BOWLING CLUB

Minutes of Meeting held via Zoom on Wednesday, 9th December 2020 at 10am

Present: Mike Daymond (President), Barry Chick, Phil Prince, Eileen Wood, Robert Wood, Mal Hancock, Ken Haxby-Thompson, Angela Daymond (Minutes)

Alice Bulley was unsuccessful logging on to the meeting and the President phoned her after the meeting.

Apologies: Pat & Mike Allington, Peter Coleman, Jim Scutt

Absent: Norman Pearce, Jane Roberts

1.	Purchase of Additional Mower	Action
	<p>The Secretary, Norman Pearce, had forwarded to the Committee an offer via the website of a second-hand 3 year old mower at a cost of £3,250. There was an alternative second-hand mower available, but much older, for £1,500.</p> <p>The Treasurer, Peter Coleman had recommended that this was an unnecessary purchase at this time.</p> <p>Robert Wood listed the costs involved with the new tool shed and expected costs of £1,600 to pave the patio. There were other incidentals in hand including a new heater for the clubhouse.</p> <p>Phil Prince felt it was important to have a 2nd mower in good working order. It was explained that the £3,250 mower was the same kind as the main existing mower and had been seen by Pat & Mike Allington. The Club's spare mower currently needed repair and a good second mower was more important than new paving.</p> <p>Proposed by Mal and 2nd by Phil that the £3,250 mower be purchased – agreed unanimously. Mike Daymond will ask Mike Allington to go ahead and purchase.</p>	MD
2.	Subscriptions	
	<p>Treasurer, Peter Coleman had proposed by email that subscriptions should remain the same in 2021 at £120.</p> <p>Phil reported that the Dorset, New Forest and Percy Baker Leagues were preparing to operate in 2021 but it would be some time before there was confirmation. A decision to be made early in 2021 taking into consideration the following suggestions :-</p> <p>Could subs be paid later than February? Could subs be £60 early in the year so that membership could be ascertained? If a full season is confirmed in the spring, then the balance of £60 would be requested. If there are some League matches, would a match fee be appropriate? Phil would calculate what funds match fees could produce.</p> <p>Refunded Membership fees for 2020 were £5,400 and at least £5,000 is spent annually on maintaining the green and equipment.</p> <p>Decision to be taken at a January meeting when all Committee members will have had the opportunity to consider these suggestions.</p>	Next mtg
3.	Additional Items	
a)	Barry reported that he now had the timber to cover the pump.	
b)	Robert said the next project was to remove the equipment shed and the adjacent laurels so that the whole area could be paved, but it was pointed out that the mower was now the priority before there is any other big expenditure – paving estimated at £1,600.	

Meeting closed at 10.40am NEXT MEETING: January 2021