

GLENMORISTON MILLENNIUM HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY, 22 JANUARY 2009

Present : Jo Adams, Agnes Bell, Alan Draper, Cherry Duncan, Carol Hunter, Errol Levings, Christine MacDonald, Heather Smart, Patrick Ungless and Barbara Withers

1. Apologies

Trish Archibald, David Gillies, Clare Levings, Kirsteen MacKenzie
and
Hugh Watt

2. Minutes of last Meeting held on Thursday, 25 September 2008

Proposed by Pat.
Seconded by Cherry.

3. Open Floor Music Evenings

In the absence of Mike Adams, his wife Jo attended the meeting. Following on from the very successful evening put on by Mike on 27 December last year, it was proposed, with Committee agreement, that further such events could take place on a regular basis in the Hall. In lieu of a 'Hall Hire Charge' and as with the 27 December event, a charge of a £2 per person entry fee would be implemented with the proceeds going straight to the Hall. Each event would be a BYO of both drink and food. After discussion it was agreed within the Committee that such evenings would be beneficial to the community and that Mike should give it a try. Jo said that they would aim for Saturday nights in the future and that they would see to the publicising, etc. Cherry confirmed that all Saturdays in February were free at present and Jo said that they would try and sort something out for February liaising with Cherry at all times on dates.

As the Hall is needing more willing people to join the Committee, it was put to Jo that she might like to join and help out. Jo agreed. Welcome to the Committee Jo.

4. Actions Arising from Previous Meeting

- a. *Public Toilets* – Not totally resolved. The key that Errol was given does not fit. He sought Committee approval to revert to the Master Key system for the future. This was agreed. He will liaise with the Council to get their approval to implement this system.
- b. *Landscaping* – Completion once weather improves.
- c. *Great Glen Way Information* – This has been discussed with the Great Glen Way people and all is in hand.
- d. *Kitchen Stock* – Cherry has bought and ‘red-taped’ new knives. The red tape is proof that items belong to the Hall. Clare is busy buying other items. She has also been looking at costings for water heaters. Between £300 and £400 plus installations costs appears to be the norm which is a possibility. It was decided that an industrial dishwasher would be too costly to purchase and install and it wasn’t worth purchasing a domestic one.

**Errol
Trish**

**Cherry/
Clare**

5. Senior Citizens’ Dinner

‘Record of Events’ circulated at meeting. Alan voiced his grievance over what ensued following the dinner. He wanted to make the point that he is the representative for the Senior Citizens and, as such, he should be the one approached with any dissatisfaction and not another Committee member.

Alan also pointed out that there was not enough hot water to wash the dishes satisfactorily. **Errol** said he would look into whether or

not

the thermostat had gone in the water tank. Errol also mentioned that the ‘booster’ should be switched on at the beginning of all functions. Alan said that he was not aware of a booster switch.

6. Secretary’s Report

It has been quiet since the last meeting.

Commercial Lets – 1 x NHS and 1 x Highland Council.

Local Lets – 2 x Ceilidh Dancing and 1 x Ballroom

Functions – 1 x Birthday Party and 1 x Christmas Party (Country Dancing)

Private – FAGBI and the Mike Adams gathering.

Free Lets – 2 x Kirk, Carol Service, Children’s Christmas Party, Hogmanay, Senior Citizens and Heritage Committee.

7. Treasurer’s Report

Report circulated at meeting. Note 9 : Current interest rate is now .55%. After some discussion it was agreed that **Pat** would look into the possibility of getting a better rate of interest by investing some money in a Bond. He will report back at the next meeting.

8. Caretaker's Report

- The front door now locks properly – the bolt at the bottom of the door has been secured.
- **Errol** is keeping an eye on the level of the oil tank. He wants to prolong filling up as fuel prices are coming down and he wants to take advantage of that fact.
- Hall ventilation – **Errol** and **Pat** to discuss possibilities.

9. Any Other Business

- Wednesday, 28 January – Community Company launch from 7.30 p.m. – 9 p.m. Cherry suggested that Pat should attend as we may need a grant. Cherry also asked for volunteers for the evening. Refreshments would be required for 35 attendees. At £5/head + £50 Hall Hire the total cost to the Hall would be £225.
- Saturday, 31 January – SOS RNLI fundraiser.
- Friday, 27 February – Fort Augustus Church ceilidh (fundraiser for church renovations).
- Val Ungless and Cherry attended a Food Hygiene course in Fort William. The Committee agreed, on receipt of invoice, to reimbursement at £20/each together with petrol costs.
- If asked, it was decided to loan out the stage to FEIS again this year.
- It was agreed that something should be done to celebrate the **Millennium Hall's 10th Anniversary**. Up for discussion at the next meeting. Meanwhile all ideas greatly received. Pat suggested that GLEN could perhaps reconvene solely for said event. Clare to be contacted.

5. Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday, 4 March at 7.30 p.m.