

GENERAL COMMITTEE.

Minutes of meeting of the General Committee held at the Show Grounds, Ballintemple, Cork, on Friday, 14th. January, 1983, at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. T. N. Tanner, President, presided.

Also present were - Dr. R. Quill, Mrs. N. Folley, Comdt. J.W. Frost, Messrs. E. Wall, C. Donovan, Ml. A. O'Sullivan, J.H. Ellis, R. Good, Pat McGrath, J.R. Nicholson, Denis O'Connell, Daniel O'Leary, Wm. O'Mahony, John Jeffery, Wm. Walsh, S. Burke, Dominic J. Daly, R.W. Fell, J. Henchy, Denis O'Leary, M.E. Quirke, John O'Sullivan (Junior), Tim O'Sullivan, R. Burke, Ml. Downing, J.K. Kearney, Wm. Kingston, A. O'Keefe, J. Sheehy, H. Wall, R. Young, Professor T. Raftery, and the Secretary, W. P. Bennett. Apologies for non-attendance were received from - Judge T. N. Desmond, Messrs. J. Spillane, T. Barry, T.A. Kelly, Cal Healy, Ml. McCarthy, Thos. Lynch, and Mrs. M. Carroll.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 17th. December, 1982, having been read, were approved and signed on the proposal of Mr. D. Daly, seconded by Mr. J. Jeffery.

The minutes of the following meetings of the Show/Finance Committee were also read :-

17th. December, 1982.  
6th. January, 1983.

A long discussion took place on negotiations with Cork Corporation mentioned in latter meeting of 6th. January, during which it was pointed out that a deputation from the Society, selected by the Show/Finance Committee would be meeting the City Manager and Lord Mayor in that connection on Monday, 24th. January, 1983. It was further suggested that the Show/Finance Committee would consider adding Messrs. J. Sheehy and H. Wall to the delegation and that our Solicitor should also attend. Having queried the terms of the 1967 lease agreement by Dr. Quill, which was for 21 years only, many members felt that the Society should seek a long lease on this occasion. In regard to Corporation representation on the committee it was mentioned that an extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Society should be called to include a new rule to cover such representation. Both Mrs. Folley and Mr. Kearney were of opinion that Cork Corporation should facilitate us as we were giving a service to Cork. Mr. H. Wall expressed support for the Show/Finance Committee in going for a long lease and we should then consider a Millstreet typew development in our Show Grounds. Mr. Sheehy agreed with Mr. Wall's suggestion, but he was doubtful if the Society could afford a high rental. He too was of opinion that our Solicitor should be consulted. Mr. Henchy put forward three suggestions for the Society's involvement in the Show Grounds -

- (1) Use by the Society for shows only
- (2) Set up a Co-Operative Society or
- (3) Some sort of partnership with the Local Authority.

Dr. Quill agreed with these suggestions, and again emphasised the urgent necessity to bring our Solicitor into the further negotiations to protect our rights. Mr. Tanner assured the members that there was no question of Cork Corporation putting us out. Mr. Daly suggested that in our negotiations with Cork Corporation we should press for availability of the Car Park for our own shows, the Boat Show, the Motor Show, and Ideal Homes Exhibition.

On the proposal of Mrs. Folley, seconded by Dr. Quill, the following accounts, having been recommended by the Show/Finance Committee were passed for payment :-

Farmers Journal	£ 69.21
Clare Champion	" "
Waterford News/Star	" "
Kerryman	" "
Cork Examiner	" "
	and Tenders for Bars
D. O'Mahony & Sons	Stationery
E.S.B.	Account Nov/Dec.
G.T.S.	Zerox Copying Dec.
Jack Hegarty	Fitting Switches & Lights
Rank Zerox	Paper for Copying Machine
	203.55
	38.67
	714.19
	26.26
	80.34
	29.39