

Masonic Hall, Uddingston, Monday 30th. November 2009.

A meeting of Lodge Adelphi Bluebell No.4 of Free Gardeners took place here on the above date, Bro. Ronald McCarney, Worthy Master in the Chair.

Opening. The Lodge was opened by the Worthy Master.

1. Apologies. Apologies were read on behalf of Bros. Raymond Dow, George Martin, Walter Houston, Alasdiar MacGregor, James Weir, Robert Kennedy, Alex Hamilton, Norman Telfer, Charles Richmond, John MacLeod, Andrew McAlpine, Andrew Jack, Pat Clarke, Stuart Jack (No. 8)

2. Sick Report. Bro. Ronnie McCarney, W.M. reported that Bro. James McClair was unwell and was unable to attend the Meeting. Bro. William Orr was also unwell and in a care home, his wife had recently undergone major surgery and was recovering.

3. Visitors welcomed. W.M. Bro. Ronnie McCarney, welcomed Bro. Archie Hoey into the Lodge.

4. Degrees. The Lodge was adjourned and thereafter 6 candidates, Reginald Sutherland, Patrick Brice, Russell Steele, Bernard Sweeney, Mark Henderson and Charles Curle were admitted into the Order.

5. Diplomas. Bro. Ronnie McCarney W.M. presented the Diplomas and the Aprons to the new Members.

6. Minutes. Minutes of the meeting of 3rd. June 2009 were read and approved.

7. Annual Report. Bro. James L. Jack, W. Secretary gave a comprehensive report on the workings of the Lodge over the past twelve months. He highlighted the Donations that the Lodge had made to other organisations and two items which had been donated to the Lodge. A letter from Hawthorn Lodge in Bothwell dated 1864 (copy attached) and an Apron.

8. Balance Sheet. Bro. James L. Jack, W. Secretary presented the Annual Accounts which were unanimously adopted by the Brethren. The balance in the Bank of Scotland account was a very healthy £1938.

9. Collection. The collection amounted to £71.57p

10. Election of Worthy Master. Bro. Ronald McCarney, Worthy Master intimated that he did not wish re-election and recommended to the Brethren that Bro. Douglas Welsh be the new Worthy Master. This recommendation was unanimously accepted by the Brethren. The Brethren also Elected Bro. Alasdair Dunlop as Depute and recommended that the Worthy Master choose the remaining Office-bearers. The Brethren warmly thanked the Worthy Master for his Chairmanship of the Lodge.

The next meeting would be called by the W.M. and all Brethren would be notified.

A.O.C.B. 1) It was suggested by Bro. William Perry that at the next meeting of the Lodge an exhibition of the paraphernalia that the Lodge had collected since its formation be put on display.

This was agreed by the members. It was also agreed that the next meeting be in March or April 2010.

2) The Worthy Master proposed that a donation of £160 be made to the Provincial Grand Lodge New Caravan Appeal.

Closing. The Lodge was closed in due form.

The attendance at this meeting was 42.

