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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BUDGET GENERAL MEETING OF THE COONOOR CLUB HELD ON THURSDAY, 28TH MARCH, 2019 AT 6.30 P.M., AT THE COONOOR CLUB, COONOOR.

Members Present

In Person : 19

In Proxy : Nil

President Mr. Ullas Menon called the meeting to order @ 6.30 p.m.

Item No 1 : To read the notice calling the meeting

The notice for the meeting dated 5th March 2019 as circulated, was taken as read with the consent of the members present.

Item No.1 (i): President's Address

The President, Mr.Ullas Menon addressed briefly about the Club functioning. He regretted for the sad demise of Mr.S.Raj Kumar, Committee Member and informed the Floor about the co-option of Mrs.Deepa Jacob's for his seat.

The President informed that during the current year 13 new members were elected and equal members had left, the total membership remained at 967. He gave a detailed description about the Club functions (Diwali, Christmas, New- year etc..) and also the weekly events.

The President informed that the Clubs financial position which is not in a comfortable position and to develop the facilities for the benefit of the club members. He also mentioned that the work for the residence of the Chief Administrative Officer which will be completed by the end of April. The work on new kitchen is started. Refurbishing of one of the billiards tables was undertaken and the second one also need to refurbish. Tennis players have been requesting for relaying the synthetic surface as cracks have developed and providing flood light facility to play in the evenings. It is likely to cost around Rs 10 lakh. The Gym is dismantled after the room was converted as guest room. The Club need to go in for a new Gym room. The current residence of the CAO will be converted to guest rooms once the construction of new residence is over.

The Club is getting a good response about the quality of the food served but the rework on the costing and menu has to be done. The patronage is not up to the expectation, and the club need more and more members utilising the facilities.

A group of satisfied and well looked after employees is the most important segment in the effective and well functioning social organisation like a club. Committees in the past have done their best within the limited resources available with them. All these require money. Also he mentioned that he has been pointing out in the past at many General body

meetings, the subscription should be able to take care of the fixed over heads. Look at the figures provided in the budget. Salary & allowances alone is more than 60% of the subscriptions received. The Club has to increase the subscription or more members and larger patronisation on a regular basis. The Committee is striving for it but they looking forward to the valuable suggestions from the members.

General body during the year 2012 suggested a credit limit of Rs 10,000 for a member. Though it was not implemented strictly earlier, the Committee attempted implementing it and many members are not happy about it. He requested the members to co-operate with the Committee in their efforts to adhere to norms and there by improve the functioning of the club. The Committee is not in a position today to block large amounts of money. The credit limit is in place in large number of clubs and many others have started taking money in advance. Considering the large number of requests received, the Committee propose to increase the credit limit to Rs 20,000 per member.

Item No 2: To approve and adopt the Revised Estimate for the year 2018 - 2019 and Budget Estimate for the year 2019 - 2020.

The President informed that the revenue portion the of the budget proposals circulated is with a cash deficit of Rs 4.78 lakhs in Revised Estimate 2018-19 and with a small surplus of Rs 2,302 in Budget Estimate 2019-20. Budgeted amounting for Rs 1,10,39,600 for Capital expenditure as indicated in Page No 17. An expenditure of approximately Rs 10 lakhs has to be made immediately for relaying the tennis court and for providing flood light Facility. He proposed that while approving the budget proposal Rs 10 lakhs be added to the Capital Expenditure of Rs 1.10 crore proposed in the papers circulated.

He thanked Mr Thomas Oommen for the efforts taken in preparing the budget proposals and systematically evaluating and briefing the Committee every month. The Committee are not having Internal auditors for some time now. The Committee are doing honorary work and it is not possible to verify 100% of the transactions and accuracy of the accounting systems. It is not prudent to cut down Internal audit to save money. It is penny wise pound foolish. Committee has taken a decision to appoint internal auditors from 1.4.2019.

After the general discussions the Revised Estimate for the year 2018 - 2019 and the Budget for the year 2019 - 2020 as circulated after adding Rs. 10 lakhs to the Capital Expenditure was unanimously approved and adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting closed with a vote of thanks at 7.30 p.m.

G. SUDHEENDRAN
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ULLAS MENON
President