

Jan 2025 Minutes

Wednesday, April 29, 2020 10:57 PM

Hartwood Council Minutes

Jan 14, 2025

Zoom Meeting |

Present

Officers:

Seneschal – Baroness Letitia Talbott
Deputy Seneschal – HL Scarlet O'Tamalty
Chatelaine - Lady Giovanna de Solarrio
Deputy Chatelaine - Guencenedl ben Madudain
Exchequer – Mu'allima Halima al-Rakkasa
Chronicler – Lady Beatris inghean Ghiolla Mhuire
Deputy Herald - Theodora van Zeeland
TUTR Minister – Alicia le Wilfulle, OL
Chief Archer, Chief Chucker - Master John Macandrew

Populace:

Aspasia
 Aristophanes
 Duncan
 Zia
 Thyra Svendsdottir

Absent:

Minister of Stables – Armiger Maurus Ioinur
Deputy Exchequer - Cunegonda van der Bossche
Minister of Arts and Sciences – Baron Conall MacLagymán

Vacant Offices:

Herald
Family Activities
Chief Scribe
Chamberlain
Webminister

Call to Order at: 7:36 p.m.

1. Ratifying of Previous Minutes

Motion to Accept: Scarlet
 Seconded: Duncan
 Minutes ratified

2. Officer Reports

A. Seneschal

Good evening everyone,
 the current vacant offices are:

Webminister
 Family Activities
 Chief Scribe
 Herald

We have new deputies and upcoming applications for officers of the shire!

There has been a change in the An Tir kingdom arts and sciences competition. They have extended the intent to enter date due to online delays.

If you'd intended to enter the cut-off date is 11:59pm January 19th.

All research papers and documentation needs to be in by 11:59pm Feb 16th.

The annual Town Hall meeting will be held on January 19th at 3pm. You can join via ZOOM or head over to Hartwood Historic Arts to attend there.

I am adding a new deputy to my position in the firm of the Honorable Lady Anasztaszia Sabo. So I currently gave two excellent deputies to help with duties in the near future when I may be indisposed.

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season!
Cheers!
Letitia

B. Chatelaine

C. Chronicler

Lady Beatris inghean Ghiolla Mhuire Feb 2025

I am stepping down from this position as of next meeting. Aristophanes has graciously agreed to take over the position.

I would like to let everyone on Council and in the Populace how much I appreciate the support I have received in my meagre attempts to fulfil this position. I deeply regret that due to life circumstances I was unable to fulfill it adequately. I was only able to produce one newsletter during my term; I completely failed in recording the awards given out to the populace; and I never managed to get the minutes out more than a couple of days before the next meeting. It is my sincere hope that my successor will do a much better job at fulfilling the duties of the Chronicler.

I am willing to stay on as Deputy if he wishes; if not, I am happy to be a backup as necessary.

It has been my honour to serve in this position and I only wish I could have performed better.

D. Exchequer

Mu'allima Halima al-Rakkasa – [expired]

Deputy: Joncvrouwe Cunegonda van den Bossche [2025-2027]

We have money in the bank, with growth over this quarter. Details at the AGM.

We anticipate that Cunegonda will be taking over this position at the AGM.

o *Financial Committee business:*

- Year-End Financial Committee Meeting
 - Attendees: Halima, Cunegonda, Letitia, Maurus, Scarlet, Aspasia.
 - Convened: 7:00 p.m.
 - Discussion on Financial Policy: covered line by line; ask about additional account sponsor with CCCU.
 - Discussion on Shire Budget: adjusted budget items; adding previous year data to main page for reference.
 - Adjourned: 9:00 p.m.
- Reminders:
 - Deputies are included in FC meetings.
 - Event stewards and/or their designates are invited for the purpose of presenting their events to the Financial Committee.
 - Meetings are generally open to Shire members as observers; most meetings are held on need.

E. Chamberlain

Hello!

I know my single biggest failing as an officer has been to submit quarterly reports, I do hope this helps at least get the records up to date.

Things accomplished in my term:

New lock that fits our storage container with 5 new keys, all have numbered tags corresponding to the person holding it.

Current keyholders are our Senchal, our exchequer, chamberlain, MoS and a member 5 min from storage who runs a regular A&S Sunday very close by.

We have purchased some solar lights to make old torch stands useful again in light of fire bans. These have been useful on a couple of occasions to provide evening lighting. We had our portable holes repaired and upgraded by a member with the appropriate tools for no charge. The old set from False Isle has been added to our collection as well. Our largest shelter has a good sized tarp after finding the one intended for it was, in fact, too small. A large donation to the Shire by a retiring member was largely sold by auction and a yard sale, proceeds to the Shire. This yard sale included some of the vast collection of donated Gold Key garb with the intent of making space and cash for the Shire. We still have bins of the stuff and some other remaining donations from the sale.

Early summer 2024 a medium sized team tackled the chaos in the locker with the aim to do an inventory, this was only partially successful due to the scale of the problem, too much

stuff to sort in detail. Much general organizing was achieved with some division of indoor and outdoor activities being done and some delicate art panels lashed to the ceiling. As a result of this, the old torch fuel cans and some broken items were properly disposed of. Unfortunately since then the locker has been refilled with various new items for our big annual Fall Faire and we have a congested space again. My suggestions for possible ways to make space include another yard sale of old Gold Key, removing the least difficult to replace and under used indoor decor, removal of obsolete heavy and craft supplies that are also occupying valuable space and shelves.

For all Chamberlains there needs to be a standing order that folks MUST ask for use of space before donating, making or transferring items to or for the Shire. This would prevent some of the precarious stacking and sliding piles of this year.

It has been a great learning experience for me, thank you.

Lady Thyra Svendsdottir

F. Herald

Greetings!

No notifications from the College of Heralds this month. I have mentioned the lack of emails to Silver Yale, so hopefully we will see the backlog soon.

Duncan has submitted his application to be Herald in Hartwood! Woohooo! I will stay on as deputy as long as is necessary for him to be comfortable.

In service,
HL Theodora van Zeeland
Acting (Deputy) Herald in Hartwood

G. Minister of Arts and Sciences

Historic Arts continues to meet on most Sundays. South Hartwood also meets most Mondays. A group is organizing a North Hartwood A&S meet up. A small group is organizing the creating of some new Tags for the Shire.

Many books were auctioned off at Yule.

Belt favours are being woven as an alternative regalia for the Defenders.

Planning has started on painting decorative walls for events.

More Devices are being painted to add to the collection.

A Bread making Challenge was taken up by 3 members at the recent Yule.

The potluck at Yule had many attendees creating medieval dishes.

Submitted by Maestra Aspasia Bevilacqua for Master Connall MacLagmayn

TUTR MINISTER

Hartwood's Spring TUTR 2025 is coming together. We have a mostly full schedule (a couple 1 hour times slots I still hope to fill).

Beatris has sent the event copy to the Crier and is currently updating the calendar page and Facebook event. More information will be posted soon once I get final confirmation from all the instructors that the tentative schedule works for them.

Currently there are 18 instructors teaching 36 classes with the usual wide range of topics. Three of the classes are multipart classes which we're able to run due to the extra day of classes.

There will be the usual potluck Saturday evening and there are four classes cooking food that will possibly be used for a feast Sunday evening.

We plan to have registration up and running by the end of the month (hopefully sooner). Beatris' son Devon is working to modify the system Cunegonda set up in October as she is unable to continue helping with this.

Current goal is to get it functional for this TUTR...longterm goal is to make so that can continue updating ourselves.

Giovanna has set up a Facebook group for those wishing to billet since we can't stay onsite at the new location. Anyone who can offer crash space (can be just floor space for a cot), needs billeting, or get more info can post to the group or contact Giovanna.

Alicia le Wilfulle,
Hartwood TUTR Minister

H. Minister of Stables

Nothing to report.
Maurus

Chief Archer/Chief Chucker

Archery

Closed for the season. Nothing to report.

TW

Closed for the season. Nothing to report however look for throwing to begin soon in North Hartwood.

Master John Macandrew, OP, OGGs

Minister of Blades - Vacant

I. Webminister

Going to put in a proper application to be Webminister. Much appreciation to Devon for doing a little bit of programming for us. No other issues that I am aware.

Letitia will follow

3. Past Events

Hartwood Revel 2024

For your Records,

Hartwood Revel 2024 was definitely different.

Health played a role in having several of our members unable to attend which was sad for everyone. That being said, thanks to Alicia, our lovely seneschal, Bobbi, was able to be a part of court via zoom.

Set up crew got the place spiffed up. We kept it a bit more simple this year and it still looked lovely.

All the attendees brought amazing food with special thanks to Don, Nathan and Bobbi, and William and Rita for preparing the main meats. Our potluck team, Tatiana (Tanya), Gwynafel (Wendy) and Kjartan (Jamie), not only set up the great spread but had it completely ready to start serving within 2 minutes of the scheduled time!

We had a very successful auction and garage sale fundraiser with very happy customers and a good amount of money. It really helped to have the use of Square. Scarlet, Alicia and Thyra organized that.

A big thank you to our Princess Athelina, who stepped in to run the ball when our good gentle Nicholas was home feeling poorly.

The Bread challenge; 5 entries (with 3 more forgetting them at home).

The Craftsman challenge had 3 entries with Anasztasia becoming our new Defender.

The Bardic challenge had 2 entries with Mhairi becoming our new Defender.

Beatris was asked and accepted to continue to be our Researcher.

Maurus was entered into the Order of the Exemplars.

Our Yule chest was won by Tristan's daughter.

We were all packed up and out of the building by 8:03. The tear down crew made me sigh with relief at how sparkling neat the building looked.

I learned a lesson, too. Do not wear period shoes when you are an event steward!

Yours in service,

Maestra Aspasia Bevilacqua

Event Steward

4. Future Events

a. SPRING TUTR 2025

It's all coming together Basically have all classes...still looking for a 1 hr class

Monday morning. Devon is hoping to have the db pretty much done this weekend but hopefully within a week we can start taking reservations.

Tristan would like to send in the reservation cheque requisition once the contract is signed.

5. Demos

a. Insula Magna Fall Faire

We had a meeting yesterday and everything is just going amazing. Still missing some leaders but my heart is singing. We have amazing ideas and will be meeting monthly. There will be 2

media types – Halima will work on official SCA sites and the merchant crew (YRSA) is working on a public FB site. Tristan is taking over the martial organization. Aristophanes is working with food trucks. Getting really good advice from others about the merchanting end of things. Will be meeting with Halima to do the EIF submission. Seagirt has really stepped up this year and we are pretty even as to who is doing what. Bradley centre is being asked to run the concession stand to get funds for the centre. Make sure the funnel cake truck is asked. The Arrowsmith Hall is designated to become a museum. We are putting up an incredible display with music, heraldry, fashion display, photo booth. Alicia has offered with PARMA to do pewter casting for the demo and is also making the tokens. Daughter Loren is working on doing the graphics for us. We have 15 possible food trucks to choose from. St Johns Ambulance has approached us. We don't know what is happening with Kingdom but they may want to do a partial Bardic Championship during the Faire.

6. Projects

- a. **Defender Sashes**
They have been woven and passed onto Giovanna for designing the emblems.

7. Change in Officers

- a. Zia has agreed to step up as 2nd Deputy Seneschal. Looking at possibility of her taking over as Seneschal later in the year. Very grateful to her.

8. Old Business

- a. **Projector**
Alicia still holding off until we know exactly what we need. Will be using Giovanna's at the spring TUTR
- b. **Device Painting** – going really well. Alicia and Giovanna traced them all and they are being painted at HA
- c. **New Tokens** – will be bringing them to the AGM on Jan 19 for the populace to vote on

9. New Business

- a. **Officer applications**
 - i. Duncan – Herald Officer
Held many offices, Ramsgard old home
Letitia has resume.

Round Table:

Discussion re HA – how popular, number of people attending, difficulty with others using the spaces. Kudos to Aspasia

Aspasia has a 10 yd warp of handspun linen on the loom and has about 2 yds woven.

Thyra – will swing by HA on the 19th but will not be attending the AGM

Upcoming Meeting Dates: Jan 19 AGM

Adjourn at: 8:46 pm

Motioned: Eleni
Seconded: Thyra
All in favour

