

British Tunnelling Society

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the British Tunnelling Society which was held in the Institution of Civil Engineers, Gt. George St., London on Thursday 21st May 2009.

The Chairman of the Meeting was Mr Paul Hoyland.

1. James Clark Medal

The James Clark medal was awarded to Donald Lamont in recognition of his contribution to health and safety within the industry and his contribution to the Society and ITA over many years. The Chairman briefly described Donald's career.

2. Minutes of the AGM held on 15th May 2008.

The notice convening the 2009 AGM had been circulated in advance of the AGM, along with the Minutes of the 2008 Annual General Meeting.

There were no comments from the floor on the Minutes and the motion that they should be accepted as a true record of the 2008 AGM was proposed by Anthony Umney and seconded by Martin Knights. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman's Report had been circulated to members before the AGM. The Chairman reported that he felt it was a comprehensive account of the Society's activities during 2008. Members were asked for comments on the report, but none were forthcoming.

The motion for acceptance of the Chairman's Report was proposed by Steve Parker, seconded by Chris Bambridge, and carried unanimously.

4. Accounts for period ending 31st December 2008

Copies of the accounts had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Chairman indicated that the Society's Treasurer, Bob Ibell, was available and willing to take comments or questions on the accounts. However no member chose to speak.

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Laurence Halls, seconded by Colin Eddie, and was carried unanimously.

5. Election to BTS Committee

The committee had two vacancies to be filled this year. The Chairman advised the meeting that Messrs Bridge and Woodrow had been elected to the committee.

6. Auditors

Grant Thornton were proposed as auditors of the Society's accounts for a further year by Bob Ibell, seconded by Miles O'Reilly, and the motion was carried unanimously.

7. Constitution

No changes to the constitution had been proposed this year.

8. Any Other Business

As there was no other business raised, the Chairman declared the meeting closed.