

# **Provincial Grand Lodge of Valencia Assembly**

**Held at the Grand Bali Hotel Benidorm on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

## **Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting**

**The Provincial Director of Ceremonies W. Bro. D Greatrex formed an escort party to receive, Grand Lodge Representatives, Distinguished Visitors and Brethren into the Lodge at 11.00am.**

**The Provincial Grand Master R. W. Bro Norman Leslie Wheatley accompanied by the Deputy Provincial Grand Master V. W. Bro William Russell, the Assistant Provincial Grand Master W. Bro. Rodney Charles Bignell, were escorted into the lodge in due form.**

**The individual Lodge Banners were then paraded into the Provincial Grand Lodge.**

**The opening hymn was song by the Brethren present.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master requested all Entered Apprentices and Fellow Craft to retire from the temple for a short while.**

**The Provincial Grand Lodge was opened in due form and solemn prayer by the Provincial Grand Master R. W. Bro. Norman Leslie Wheatley.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master then resumed the Lodge into the first degree.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master requested all Entered Apprentices and Fellow Craft to be re-admitted.**

**Salutations with seven were given to the Provincial Grand Master R. W. Bro. Norman Leslie Wheatley who suitable replied.**

**The Assistant Grand Masters of Spain Right Worshipful Brother Lawrence Howard and Barrie Roy Mansell were admitted into the lodge in due and Solomon form.**

**Salutations with nine were given to the Assistant Grand Masters of Spain Right Worshipful Brother Lawrence Howard who suitably replied.**

**The Grand Master of Spain Most Worshipful Brother Oscar De Alfonso Ortega was escorted into the Lodge in due and Solomon form.**

**Salutations with eleven were given to the Grand Master of Spain Most Worshipful Brother Oscar De Alfonso Ortega who suitably replied.**

**The R. W. Provincial Grand Master then welcomed the visitor and distinguished guests.**

**The PGM asked the secretary, to read out the roll call for all the lodges in the Province, all the lodges were present and all suitably replied, with the exception of one lodges, the Provincial Grand Master ask the secretary to write to the lodge secretaries. and inform him that they were not asked but summoned to attend the assembly, and to give the reason why they had not attended.**

**The PGM asked the secretary to read a roll call of all active Provincial officers, the secretary informed the PGM that all Provincial officers were present with the exception of five who had all given their apologies.**

**The Provincial Grand Chaplin read out the names of all the Brethren who had past to the Grand Lodge above, those worthy Brethren were honored:- See Appendix A.**

**The Provincial Secretary informed the PGM the minutes of the meeting held on Saturday 27th February 2016, are included in the Provincial Reports also they are on the Provincial Web Site for the past year, W. Bro. R Hales, proposed and W. Bro. R Knight seconded the acceptance of those minutes, the minutes were approved, confirmed and signed by the Provincial Grand Master.**

**There were no matters arising from those minutes.**

**The Provincial Grand Secretary W. Bro. David Watts, gave the Secretary's report, which is on the website, they are also included in the Provincial Report booklet.**

**The Provincial Grand Treasurer W. Bro. Fredrick Miller, gave the Treasures report, which is on the website, they are also included in the Provincial Report booklet.**

**W. Bro. R Hales and W. Bro. D Wait the Auditors for the year, both confirmed that they had examined the 2016 accounts, and found them to be an accurate record and had signed them as such, they recommended that the accounts be accepted. Proposed by W. Bro R. Hales and seconded by W. Bro. R Knight to adopt the accounts for the year 2016. The proposition was carried unanimously.**

**To appoint and invest a new Provincial Grand Master Michael Anthony Shilan for a period of three years, the ceremony was carried out by the Right Worshipful Past Provincial Grand Master Norman Leslie Wheatley.**

**To appoint and invest the Deputy Provincial Grand Master W. Bro. Rodney Charles Bignell, the ceremony was carried out by the Provincial Grand Master Michael Anthony Shilan.**

**To appoint the Assistant Provincial Grand Masters, W. Bro. Roy Alan Mitchell and W. Bro. Eladio Gonzalez Jover, the ceremony was carried out by the Provincial Grand Master Michael Anthony Shilan.**

**The Provincial Grand Treasurer W. Bro. F Miller presented the Budget for 2017. Proposed by W. Bro. R Hales and seconded by W. Bro. D Wait that those account should be adopted, a vote was taken to adopt the budget, which proved in favor.**

**To elect an Orador for the ensuing three years, as there was only one candidate W. Bro. Alberto Moreno Moreno for this position of Orador W. Bro. R Hales proposed and W. Bro. R Knight seconded W. Bro. Alberto Moreno Moreno as Orador. A vote was taken which proved in favor.**

**To elect a Treasurer for the ensuing three years, as there was only one candidate W. Bro. Fred Miller for the position, W. Bro. R. Hales proposed and W. Bro. R Knight seconded. A vote was taken which proved in favor.**

**To elect a Tyler for the ensuing year, as there was only one candidate W. Bro. T Bagnall for this position of Tyler W. Bro. R Hales proposed and W. Bro. R Knight seconded W. Bro. T Bagnall as Tyler for the ensuing year a vote was taken which proved in favor of W. Bro T Bagnall as Tyler for the ensuing year.**

**To elect two Auditors for the ensuing year, as there was only two candidates for this position, W. Bro. W Russell and W. Bro. D Wait, W. Bro. R Hales proposed and W. Bro R Knight seconded that W. Bro. Russell and Wait to be auditors for the ensuing year, the vote was taken which proved in favor.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, Obligate Appoint and invest the Senior and Junior Wardens.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, appointed and invested the Provincial Grand Officers for the ensuing year:- See Appendix C.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, appointed and invested the Provincial Stewards for the ensuing year:- See Appendix D.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, appointed and invested the Past Provincial Officers for the ensuing year:- See Appendix E.**

**The Initiates for the year who were presented and were greeted by the Provincial Grand Master.**

**To appoint members to the various Provincial committees, the Provincial Secretary read out the names of all the members for the committees:- See Appendix F.**

**The Provincial Grand Master, then presented certificates for long and distinguished service to masonry: - V.W. Bro. Alonso Whitehead of Old Tower Lodge No.49 for 40 years, service, W.Bro. Mike Botten of Oliva La Safor Lodge No. 112 for 40 years service.**

**The Provincial Grand Master then presented the certificate of Merit to Brother Rob Wood.**

**The Provincial Grand Master R. W. Bro Michael Anthony Shilan then gave his address to the Assembly:- see Appendix H.**

**The Alms were then collected in the cause of charity.**

**The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Spain then retired from the Provincial Grand Lodge.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master requested all Entered Apprentices and Fellow Craft to retire from the temple.**

**The R.W. Provincial Grand Master then closed the Provincial Lodge in due form and solemn prayer at 13.30hrs**

**The Provincial Grand Master R. W. Bro. Michael Anthony Shilan accompanied by other Grand Lodge Officers and Distinguished Brethren retired from the Provincial Grand Lodge.**

**Secretary W. Bro. D.C.Watts.**

**Provincial Grand Master \_\_\_\_\_**

**Date \_\_\_\_\_**