

Minutes of the Autumn Moot S.R. 1

Free Shire of Sûza

Date: 17th Foreyule, S.R. 1 (6th December 2025)

Time Convened: 15:20 SST

Location: Zoom Meeting

Presiding: Thain Wilcome Greenhand

1. ROLL CALL OF CITIZENS

Present:

- Wilcome Greenhand (Thain)
- Ithil Starfoot (Warden of Westmarch)
- Gaffer Daggins (Master of Buckland)

Apologies:

No apologies were made.

Total Citizens Present: 3

2. OPENING REMARKS

The Thain noted that as no Mayor has yet been elected and no Watch established, Items 2 and 3 of the standard agenda (Review of Mayoral Decrees and Reports of Shirriffs and Bounders) would be postponed until such offices are established.

3. MOTIONS AND RULES PROPOSED BY CITIZENS

The Reckoning of the Seasons Act

Proposed by: **Wilcome Greenhand**

Text of Motion:

Whereas the Sûzan year shall have four seasons.

These being Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn.

Winter shall be set from the 1st of Yule to the 30th of Rethe each year.

Spring shall be set from the 1st of Astron to Midyear's Day each year.

Summer shall be set from the 2nd Lithe to the 30th of Halimath each year.

Autumn shall be set from the 1st of Winterfilth to the 30th of Foreyule each year.

Debate: No meaningful objections were raised.

Vote:

- In Favour: **Wilcome Greenhand, Ithil Starfoot, Gaffer Daggins**
- Against: **None**

- Abstentions: **None**

Result: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The National Sport Act

Proposed by: **Wilcome Greenhand**

Text of Motion:

Whereas the National Sport of the Free Shire shall be Croquet, as it reflects the gentle pastoral charm of the rural areas of England that so inspired the creation of our great nation.

The Sûzan Croquet rules shall be drawn up over the Winter months and brought before the citizenry at the Winter Moot.

Debate: No meaningful objections were raised.

Vote:

- In Favour: **Wilcome Greenhand, Ithil Starfoot, Gaffer Daggins**
- Against: **None**
- Abstentions: **None**

Result: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

Action Required: Sûzan Croquet rules to be drafted and presented at the Winter Moot.

Folklands Declaration Act

Proposed by: **Wilcome Greenhand**

Text of Motion:

Whereas each citizen must declare the name of their Folkland, as per our Constitution.

Folklands shall consist of groups of citizens related by blood and may be split across Farthings, but each Folkland must have their Hearth set in a particular Farthing.

The Hearth is the ceremonial centre of the Folkland, where all ceremonies are conducted.

Debate: No meaningful objections were raised.

Vote:

- In Favour: **Wilcome Greenhand, Ithil Starfoot, Gaffer Daggins**
- Against: **None**
- Abstentions: **None**

Result: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

The Treasury and Budget Act

Proposed by: **Wilcome Greenhand**

Text of Motion:

Whereas the Moot must approve budgets and treasury measures:

- 1. The Shire Treasury shall commence with a balance of £0*
- 2. No taxes or mandatory contributions shall be levied upon citizens*
- 3. Citizens may make voluntary contributions to the Treasury for community projects*
- 4. All Treasury transactions must be recorded and reported at each Moot*

Debate: No meaningful objections were raised.

Vote:

- In Favour: **Wilcome Greenhand, Ithil Starfoot, Gaffer Daggins**
- Against: **None**
- Abstentions: **None**

Result: **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

4. REVIEW OF PETITIONS

No petitions were submitted prior to this Moot.-

5. APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS TO THE WATCH

There were no appointments to be confirmed.

6. GRANTS OF MERIT

No Grants of Merit were awarded at this session, being the first Moot with no prior civic service to recognize.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

At the opening of the Moot, the Thain led a review of the Constitution to ensure all citizens present were familiar with its provisions and understood the governance structure of the Shire. Various articles were discussed, including the rights of citizens, the powers of the Moot, and the processes for elections and appointments.

No amendments were proposed. Citizens expressed satisfaction with the Constitution as written.

The citizens named their Folklands.

Gaffer Daggins selected Zingham, in Buckland.

Ithil Starfoot selected Belerion, in the Westmarch.

Wilcome Greenhand selected Cantium, in the Eastfarthing.

Gaffer Daggins found a 10p coin in his room, and so with a £5 note contribution from the Thain, the Autumn Budget was set at £5.10

8. CLOSING WORDS OF THE THAIN

The Thain noted that four foundational Rules had been enacted: The Reckoning of the Seasons Act, The National Sport Act, The Folklands Declaration Act, and The Treasury and Budget Act. The Thain noted the establishment of the three named Folklands: Zingham, Belerion and Cantium; as well as the establishment of the Autumn Budget at £5.10

Next Moot Scheduled:

It will be scheduled at a later date, when citizens know their availability more fully.

Time Adjourned: 15:56 SST

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

Rules Enacted:

1. **The Reckoning of the Seasons Act** - establishing the four seasons of the Sûzan calendar
2. **The National Sport Act** - designating Croquet as the national sport; Sûzan Croquet rules to be drafted for Winter Moot
3. **The Folklands Declaration Act** - establishing Folklands as family units with designated Hearths
4. **The Treasury and Budget Act** - establishing the Shire Treasury with no mandatory taxation

Actions Required:

- Draft Sûzan Croquet rules for presentation at Winter Moot
- Treasury to be established with £5.10 balance

These minutes recorded by Thain Wilcome Greenhand

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Signed: Wilcome Greenhand, Thain of the Free Shire of Sûza