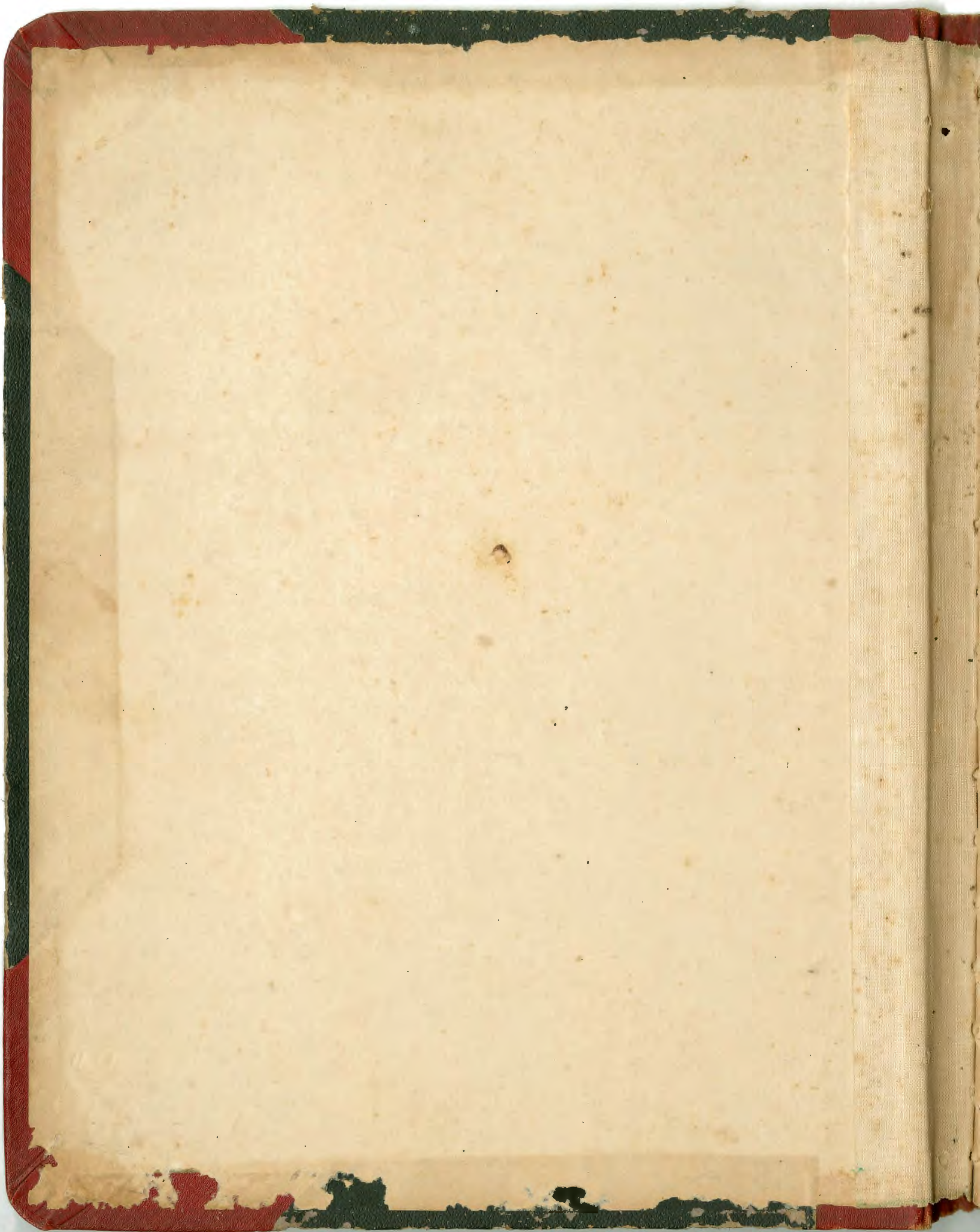


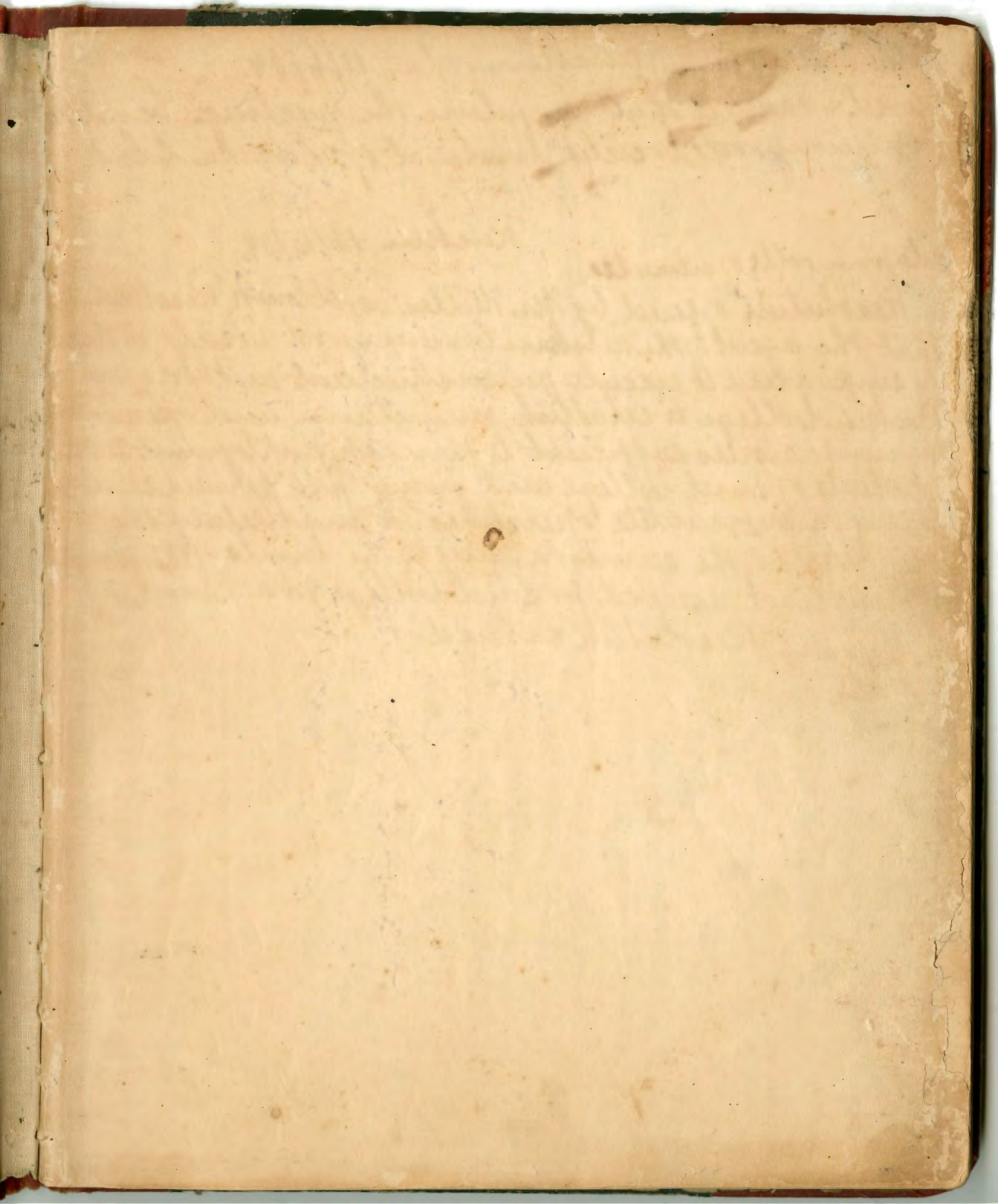
RUSKIN COMMONGOOD SOCIETY  
MINUTES BOOK# I.

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Note from rolls of minutes) Ruskin, Fla., 11/6/09.

Moved + carried that in future the meetings be called "Commongood Society" instead of Florida Club.

Ruskin, 12/6/09.

Note from rolls of minutes.)

Resolution offered by Mr. Miller as follows: Resolved that the agent of the Ruskin Commongood Society is hereby empowered to execute an instrument authorizing Ruskin College to establish, maintain, and operate manufactories sufficient to furnish employment to the students of said college and giving full permission to carry on mercantile operations for marketing the products of the same, on any of the lands of the Ruskin Colony tract reserved for said college for a period of 99 years. Resolution carried.



Dec. 11, 1909

Meeting called to order by Vice Pres.  
After song, minutes of last meeting  
read and approved, with instructions  
to Secretary to insert a motion which  
was omitted. This motion was as  
follows:

Moved by Mr. Miller, that the  
report received as the action of the  
C. S. agent, Mr. Hawk, in relation to  
the deeds covering the entire tract  
upon which the restrictions and  
reservations for C. S. Society were to  
be fixed, and the manner in  
which these restrictions and reserva-  
tions have been incorporated in the  
deeds, be approved. — Carried.

Business agents report called  
for.

Mr. Hawk, as agent, made report  
moved by Mr. Hawk, and carried  
that members should be supplied with  
as many copies of Pushkin News, as  
they would agree to mail, and accom-  
pany with letter or card, calling atten-  
tion to the paper.

Moved by Mr. Miller, that Mr. Hawk



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be allowed seventy-five (\$75<sup>00</sup>) dollars for his past months work, and his salary shall be at the rate of seventy-five (\$75<sup>00</sup>) dollars per month, estimated according to time put in. — Motion carried.

Moved, and carried, that Mr. Hawks report be accepted, and he be requested to file a written report with secretary.

Mr Hawk, as Chairman of Surveying Committee, reported that Mr. Bullett could not come before the first of next year, and suggested getting another surveyor. He also recommended that the town plat and farm plat be filed separately. The town plat to be styled "The City of Ruskin", and farm plat "Ruskin Colony Farms". Also that the town lots be numbered from one up, without regard to blocks, and the farm tracts be likewise numbered.

Moved that report be accepted, concerning, also, in his recommendations.

Moved, and carried, that Secretary be paid one dollar per meeting.

Moved, and carried, that Ruskin agent provide Secretary with suitable record book.



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Moved, and Carried, that we hold our next meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> instead of on regular date, on account of Xmas Holidays.

Moved that the C. G. Society bear one half the expense of the printing of the first two thousand copies of the Rushin News, and postage on what is necessary to mail to members of the C. H. Co. J — Motion Carried.

On motion, Society adjourned.  
Miss Foreitt, Vice Pres.  
J. Jones, Sec.

Read and approved Dec. 22, 1909.  
J. Jones, Sec.



Bushkin, Fla., Dec. 22, 1909.

Bushkin Commongood Society called to order by Vice President. After song, minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, and carried that we dispense with all of the regular routine of business until next meeting. - Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, and carried that a committee of three be elected to draft out a plan for shell road from Tampa to south line of County and consult and cooperate with the people of Bradentown.

The following gentlemen were elected to act on this committee:

Dr. Miller, Mr. L. L. Dickman, Mr. Carnes.

Moved by Mrs. Miller, that this same committee act also, in connection with the committee of the Timpana road.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, that lots 56, 56 1/2, 57 and 57 1/2, in section five, be platted in town plat, provided the Developer and Co. pays its proportion



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of the expense of recording same. - carried.

The Co-operative store proposition was taken up and discussed freely by the members.

Moved, by Mrs. Miller, and carried, that the committee on the store be advised to see if any one would take charge of the store for one year. Also, that the store building be put up at once. - Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, that this building be put up with two floors second floor for common good use - Motion carried.

Moved, and carried, that the store building be 16 ft. at the eaves. 9 ft. below and 6 ft. above.

Mr. Duckett resigned his position on the store committee, and Mr. Barnes elected to take his place on the committee.

The store committee was charged to build the store-house within the next ten days.

Our motion Society adjourned until Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1910. Miss Orant, Vice Pres. J. Jones, Sec.

Read & approved Jan. 1, 1910.



Puskin, Sta., Jan. 1, 1910.

Puskin Commonsense Society called to order by President. Minutes of last meeting read, corrected and approved.

Reports of Committees called for. Mr Hawk, as Commonsense Agent, made a detailed report of his actions during the past week, and also read a letter from Mr. H. M. Dapp. — On motion, report was accepted.

Mr. Miller, as chairman of Road Committee, reported progress of same.

Moved by Mr Hawk, that report be accepted and Committee be urged to get petition ready to send in as soon as possible. — Motion carried.

Unfinished business called for. There being no unfinished business, new business was called for.

Moved by Mr. Miller, that a Committee of five be elected to erect a temporary store building, to be used for mercantile purposes. — Motion carried.

The following gentlemen, were duly elected to compose the store-building Com.

Messrs. Hedge, Cabner, A. P. Dickman, Richey, & Gunther.



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moved, and carried, that we proceed to elect officers for the incoming year. Moved that the Secretary draft a ballot for the election of all the old officers, except the Trustees. — motion carried.

The officers, as they stand, are:

President, H. C. C. Kates

Vice Pres; Miss Harriett C. Orcutt.

Secretary; J. S. Jones.

C. S. agt. J. A. R. Hawk.

Road Supervisor; C. A. Hedges.

moved, and carried, that we elect a C. S. Treasurer. Mr. Carnes was duly elected to fill this office.

Moved, and carried, that Road Supervisor be paid twenty-five (25¢) cents per <sup>hour</sup> for time employed for streets & roads.

Moved that as far as practical, that Road Supervisor let road work out by the piece, or receive bids for certain portions of St. or road. — motion carried.

Moved that the election of Trustees be postponed, until the functions of the office be determined upon. Motion prevailed.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, that we extend to our President, a vote of thanks, for his services. — Unanimously carried.



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Moved, by Dr. Miller, and  
 carried, that a committee of three  
 be elected to draft a Constitution and  
 Bylaws, for the C. S. Society. - Dr.  
 Miller, Mr. Kates and Miss Orcutt,  
 were elected to compose this committee.  
 On motion Society adjourned.

W. E. Kates, Pres.

J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read and approved Jan. 11, '10.

J. S. Jones, Sec.



Ruskin, Fla., Jan. 11, 1910.

Ruskin Commongood Society  
called to order by President  
Minutes of last meeting read  
and approved.

This not being a regular meeting  
special business was called for.  
Dr. Miller read before the  
Society a proposition made by  
the Ruskin Homemakers to  
the Commongood Society, said  
proposition being to the effect  
that the C. S. Society would take  
over all of the first thousand acres  
of land, included in the Colony  
Tract, that is not yet sold, by  
paying said R. H. - all money due  
the C. S. Society, by said R. H. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>  
1910. Then, after June 1<sup>st</sup> 1910, that  
the C. S. Society pay said R. H. two  
thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) of the Commongood revenue  
received on all allotments, until the  
sum of twenty-five hundred (\$2,500.00)  
dollars, including first payment, as  
stated above, be paid. Notes to be  
given for balance, bearing 10% int. pay-  
able in five years.



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On motion the proposition was taken up for consideration.

After being explained in detail by Dr. Miller, and Mr. Hawk, it was discussed at some length by the members of the Society.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, the proposition of Rushin Home-makers be taken under advisement by a committee of three, to be elected with a view to being accepted, if on further consideration and advising with Mr. Whitaker, no objection is found. Provided that meantime the C. S. Agent, and Rushin Home-makers make settlement, as soon as possible, and selection be made of land, as per recent agreement for balance due Jan. 1, 1910, and such of said land as may be allotted, be allotted, and if the payment received thereon, be used by the Commongood Society, but no deed be given for said land for thirty days, and if within said thirty days, said proposition be carried out, then no deed be given but said credit be applied as stated



in said proposition. In either case, the Commongood funds accruing after Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1910, to be used to forward our Colony interest, as the members may deem best. Also that contracts be promptly issued to those entitled thereto, the Commongood Agent mailing said contracts as fast as ready ~~mail~~ Motion Carried.

Messrs. Carnes, Linder and Hedges, were elected as a committee to take under consideration, the proposition made by the B. K. Memorial as incorporated in above motion.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, that the next Commongood meeting be held next Saturday, P. M. Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> and it is advised, also, in the motion that the boat schedule be changed from Saturday, to Friday. Motion Carried.

Moved, and unanimously carried, that a vote of thanks, be extended to Dr. Miller for his cordial invitation to attend his lectures, to be given on Wednesday evenings.



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On motion, Society adjourned until next Saturday P.M., Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> at two o'clock, of  
Wm. C. C. Kates, Pres.  
J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read and approved Jan. 15, 1910.



Ruskin, Fla., Jan. 15, 1910

Commonwealth Society met in Assembly Hall, and called to order by President. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

On call for reports of committees, Mr. A. B. Hawk, C. S. Agt., made report of his actions during past week, which on motion, was accepted.

Mr. Hawk read report of committee elected to consider the proposition made by Ruskin Homemakers.

On motion report was accepted, ordered placed on file, and committee continued.

Mr. Hawk, as Chairman of Surveying Committee, reported progress of committee. — On motion report was accepted & committee continued.

Mr. Kates, as Chairman of committee to prepare a Constitution and By-laws, reported 'No Progress'.

Mr. Hedges reported progress of State Building Committee. — On motion report was accepted, and committee urged to complete building as soon as possible.



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The rental of the store building came up for discussion. Mr. Hawk ask for instructions in regard to prices to be charged for the use of the building.

On motion by Mr Hawk, it was agreed that we rent the store building to the Putkin Co-operative Merchandile Co. for one month, only, with the privilege of renting it for three months, at the rate of five (\$5.00) dollars per month.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that the Com. on good Society, in the interest of the community, advise that all the women folks of the colony advise the store manager or the store committee, in writing, of such household necessities as they feel will be most needed, in order that <sup>said</sup> manager, or committee may more intelligently make their orders for the stock of said store. Said lists to be handed in on, or before, Tuesday night, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Hawk read before the Society the agreement recently made by the C. C. Agt. and Putkin Home-makers



in regard to settlement. — Moved, and carried, that it be adapted, and spread upon the minutes.

Following is agreement:—

Pushkin, Fla., Jan. 3, 1910.

Mr. A. B. Hawk,

Agent, Commongood Society,  
Pushkin, Fla.

Dear Sir:

I am authorized by Pushkin Homeowners to modify the terms of the option contract between them and the C. H. Co., relating to the setting aside of land for the Commongood Society in accordance with unanimous action taken by them on the first instant, of which the following is a copy:

1. If Mr Hawk will release the northwest quarter of seven, we will release all of the remainder of the tract open to settlement without delay, except such as may be necessary to find John Jacob, and as to his interest, and agree not to encumber it again.

2. Mr. Hawk is to pay over all



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money he holds, that was due on ~~payments~~ before Jan. 1, 1910, and also, at least \$2000<sup>00</sup> additional, and Ruskin Home makers are to settle all Commongood expenses to said date. Said disbursements to be made out of the funds accumulated in their hands for said society, and the remainder of the funds due said society shall be settled by deeding said society land, as follows: - 1st The business blocks. 2nd. The unallotted part of the N.E. 1/4 of the S.E. 1/4 of section 8. 3rd. The reserved 20 acres in sec. 4. 4th. The remainder of said credit to be settled by such selection as H.L. Dickman shall select for said C.B. Society in sec. 4.

3<sup>rd</sup> In consideration of mutual covenants, Ruskin Home makers agree to make settlement with the Ruskin Commongood Society, on or before, the last day of each month, beginning Jan. 1, 1910, by paying to the C.B. agent in cash of said C.B. fund each month.



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and this agreement shall take the place of all previous ~~agreements~~ relating to the settlement of said funds.

Said C. S. Society is to defray all its expenses from and after Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> 1910.

Albert P. Dickman.

Geo. Mea Miller

L. L. Dickman

Mary C. Dickman

A. B. Hawk. agt.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Hawk and carried.

Resolved that it is the sense of this society that its members <sup>do</sup> not participate in any more new co-operative enterprises, at Rushin, until the financial condition of the society can be ascertained.

The idea of having a signal by which the C. S. Society may be called to-gether for special business was suggested.

Moved by Mr. Hawk that when it becomes necessary to have a special meeting on short notice,



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that the bell be rung a minute, stop a minute, ring a minute, stop a minute, and so on and then five minutes of grace. Then repeat the operation, and that that means a meeting within two hours. — Motion carried.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that we adopt a fire signal, which shall be the ringing of the bell on the Assembly Hall, continuously and vigorously, as distinct from the usual manner of ringing it, and that on this signal being given, all members of the Company equip themselves with buckets, etc. and respond at once for the purpose of protecting our property. — Motion carried.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that a Sanitary Committee be elected to devise ways and means for the adaptation of a uniform sanitary regulation, with a view to inaugurating correct sanitary conditions at the beginning of the Colony. — Carried.

— Mr. Miller, Mrs. Hawley, and Mrs. Kates were elected to compose this Com.



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In the midst of a discussion  
of the matter in regards to the  
making of Contracts and deeds,  
a motion to adjourn was  
made seconded, and carried.

H. E. Kates, Pres.

J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read and approved Jan. 22, 1910.

J. S. Jones, Sec.



Letter returned June 22.

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Harriet E. Johnson  
Marshfield, Oregon

Lot 570 @ \$20 -

Paid in Oct. 1910 - \$5

This family has Farm tract 529  
& town lots 567 + 570 and are  
paying on farm tract.

W. P. Gardan

Marion, Ohio

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Farm 456 Oct. 1910 \$20

Lot 449 Aug. 1910 - 5.

Declared Delinquent

Farm 456 = \$150

Lot 449 - 5th + Emerson corner lot \$75



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A special meeting of the Ruskin Commongood Society was held in the College Building at 7:30 P. M. Jan. 18, 1910, Mr. Kates presiding. The secretary being absent Admer D. Miller was duly elected to act in his stead. The chairman announced that the meeting was called for the special purpose of considering the surveying proposition.

Mr. Hawk, as chairman of the Surveying Committee, reported the arrival of Mr. Postalthwait of Tennessee, a surveyor of many years experience, and stated that the Committee wished to have him undertake the surveying necessary to the completion of the Ruskin Town Plat so that it may be filed. Mr. Postalthwait was introduced to the assembly making a few remarks after which a general discussion of the subject followed.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Miller, duly seconded and carried, the name of Mr. Doane, Sr. was added to the Surveying Committee.

Mr. Hawk moved that the Ruskin Commongood Society secure the services of Mr. Postalthwait to make such surveys and measurements as he finds necessary to enable us to complete and record our town plat as soon as possible. This was duly seconded and carried.

It was further moved by Mr. Hawk that Mr. Postalthwait's remuneration for such services shall be at the rate of \$75.00 per month and board for the time he may put in in working on the survey; such amount to be payable, \$50.00 in cash and \$25.00 credit toward an allotment which he is to select, or pro rata for the time put in. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Doane, Sr. moved that the Surveying Committee be authorized to subdivide the city blocks so that the work may be done expeditiously in regard to filing the town plat. This motion was seconded and duly carried.

Mrs. A. D. Miller inquired as to whether the large pine trees to be found in the streets could not be left standing instead of being removed when the streets are being opened. The matter was left for a regular meeting of the Society.

Mr. J. O. Duckert tendered his resignation as a member of the Surveying Committee. The Chairman ruled that same should be presented at a regular meeting to be held the following Saturday.

By common consent Mr. Hubbard and Mr. Barnes advised the assembly as to the use of certain plows which might make it possible to remove the palmetto roots from the streets without grubbing them out. This led to a general discussion upon the subject but no action was taken.

The Society adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

W. E. E. Kates, Chairman.  
Admer D. Miller, Temporary Sec.

Read and approved Jan. 22, 1910.

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A special meeting of the Ruskin Commemorative Society was held in the College Building at 7:30 P. M. Jan. 18, 1910. Mr. Bates presiding. The secretary being absent Adam D. Miller was duly elected to act in his stead. The chairman announced that the meeting was called for the special purpose of considering the surveying proposition.

Mr. Hawk, as chairman of the Surveying Committee, reported the arrival of Mr. Postelthwait of Tennessee, a surveyor of many years experience, and stated that the Committee wished to have him undertake the surveying necessary to the completion of the Ruskin Town Plat so that it may be filed. Mr. Postelthwait was introduced to the assembly where a few remarks after which a general discussion of the subject followed.

Upon motion made by Mrs. Miller, duly seconded and carried, the name of Mr. Doane, Sr. was added to the Surveying Committee.

Mr. Hawk moved that the Ruskin Commemorative Society secure the services of Mr. Postelthwait to make such surveys and measurements as he finds necessary to enable us to complete and record our town plat as soon as possible. This was duly seconded and carried.

It was further moved by Mr. Hawk that Mr. Postelthwait's remuneration for such services shall be at the rate of \$75.00 per month and board for the time he may put in working on the survey; such amount to be payable, \$20.00 in cash and \$55.00 credit toward an allotment which he is to select, or pro rata for the time put in. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Doane, Sr. moved that the Surveying Committee be authorized to subdivide the city blocks so that the work may be done expeditiously in regard to filing the town plat. This motion was seconded and duly carried.

Mr. D. Miller reported as to whether the large pine trees to be found on the streets could not be left standing instead of being removed when the streets are being opened. The matter was left for a regular meeting of the Society.

Mr. J. O. Ducker tendered his resignation as a member of the Surveying Committee. The Chairman replied that same should be presented at a regular meeting to be held the following Saturday.

By common consent Mr. Hubbard and Mr. Barnes advised the assembly as to the use of certain laws which might make it possible to remove the palmetto roots from the streets without grubbing them out. This led to a general discussion upon the subject but no action was taken.

The Society adjourned at 8:45 P. M.

W. E. Bates, Chairman.  
Adam D. Miller, Temporary Sec.

*Read and approved for 2.2.1910  
H. J. Jones*



Buskin, Fla., Jan. 22, 1910

Buskin Commongood Society met in Assembly Hall at 2.30 P.M. Society called to order by President. Minutes of last regular meeting read and approved.

Minutes of Call meeting was then read and approved.

Mr. Hawk, C. E. Agt. made report of agreement between himself, as Agent, and Buskin Homemakers. Report discussed, and on motion, accepted.

Following, which is a partial report of Agent shows financial condition of the C. E. Society:

Commongood receipts

to Jan 1st 1910 - - - - - \$2679.68

Expenses - - - - - 907.29

Net amount - - - - - \$1772.39

For the above amount, the following land was set aside:

Farmer Tracts 45, 44, 47, 71, 72, 73, 201, 202, 203, 204, 206, 207, 208, 212, 213, 214, 217, 218, 231, 232, 257, 258; and town blocks 6, 7, and 8, and lots 1 and 2 in block 5.



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Mr. Kates, Chairman of Com. on Constitution and Bylaws, reported progress.

Mr. Hawk, Chairman of Surveying Com. reported progress.

Mrs. Miller, Chairman of Sanitary Com. reported no progress.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, that any one who desires to become a beneficiary of an opening, occasioned by some member relinquishing some desirable allotment, must pay five (\$5.00) dollars <sup>as an advance payment</sup> in order to receive such benefit. — Motion carried.

Mr. J. O. Duckett's resignation, which was tendered to the Society at the call meeting, Jan. 16, 10, was on motion, accepted.

Mr. C. A. Hedges, tendered his resignation, as Road Supervisor, which was on motion accepted.

Mr. D. D. Ester was elected to take Mr. Hedges' place, as Road Supervisor.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, that we choose the American National Bank, into which



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all the funds of the C. S. Society be deposited, and that all money needed to defray expenses, be drawn by check, signed by the President, Treasurer and Common-good Agent. — Motion Carried.  
 Moved, by Mr. Carner, that not more than twenty-five (~~25~~) dollars be held on hand, by the treasurer at the time, and that all over and above that amount, be placed in the bank. — Motion Carried.

Suggested by Dr. Miller that the C. S. Treasurer, be bonded five hundred (~~500~~) dollars but on motion by Mr. Hawk, it was agreed that he be bonded one thousand (~~1000~~) dollars.  
 Moved by Mr. Hawk, that the C. S. Treasurer's salary be paid at one dollar per year, with such additional remuneration, as may be deemed equitable, from time to time, by the Society. — Motion Carried.  
 On motion, it was agreed that, so far as



practical, all of our common-  
 good work be done by the  
 piece, instead of by the hour.  
 Moved, by Mr Hawk, and  
 carried, that surveyors aids be  
 paid at the rate of twenty  
 cents per hour.

On motion, by Mr Hawk,  
 it was agreed that when there  
 is no superintendent, or per-  
 son in authority, to keep track  
 of their time, or work, persons  
 doing work for the C. S. Society  
 should report same to the  
 C. S. agent daily, if possible.

Moved by Mr. Miller that  
 we elect a committee of five to  
 outline a plan for the im-  
 provement of the streets.

Motion carried, and  
 the following parties were duly  
 elected: Mr. Richey, Mr. Estey,  
 Mr. Linden, Mrs. Carney, and  
 Miss Orunt.

Moved by Mrs. Miller that  
 a committee of three be elected  
 to consider the advisability of  
 dredging the Outlet so that



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boats may get up to the  
 store. — Motion carried,  
 and the following gentlemen  
 were nominated and duly  
 elected to compose this Com.  
 On motion by Mrs.  
 Miller, it was agreed that  
 so far as possible, all the  
 green trees now standing  
 in the streets, be left  
 moved and carried  
 that we adjourn to meet  
 next Saturday P.M. at 2.30.

Messrs. Miller, Smith & Clark

Wm. E. C. Kates, Pres.  
 J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read, corrected, and approved,  
 Jan. 29, 1910.  
 J. S. Jones, Sec.



Rushon, Fla., Jan. 29, 1910.

Rushon Common Good Society met in Assembly Hall and called to order by President.

Minutes of last meeting read corrected, and approved.

Mr. Hawk, C. S. Agent, made report of his actions during past week, which, on motion, was approved.

Mr. Ester, Road Supervisor, made report of progress being made on the streets. — Report accepted.

Mr. Hawk, made report of Surveying Com., and stated that surveyor thought that he would be ready to get a plat out within two weeks. — Report discussed, and on motion, accepted.

Dr. Miller, as Chairman of Dredging Com., reported progress, and recommended that we do some dredging on our own account, as an experiment. — On motion report was accepted.

Mr. Hates, as Chairman of



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Com. on Constitution and By-laws,  
reported no progress.

Mr. Hawk made report  
of Com. elected to consider prop-  
osition made by Rushin Home-  
makers to the Commongood Society.  
- Report was as follows:

Rushin, Fla. Jan. 29, '10.

Rushin Commongood Society.

We the undersigned Com-  
mittee, hereby respectfully report  
that after carefully considering same,  
we believe it will be unwise to  
take over the Colony Tract, as  
proposed, by Rushin Homemakers.

Signed - A. B. Hawk  
C. A. Hedges  
E. R. Carnes.

On motion, report was accepted.  
Mr. Luntzer, chairman of  
Store Com. reported progress. - On  
motion was accepted, and Committee  
requested to make a detailed rpt.  
at completion of building.

Dr. Miller, Chairman of Shell  
Road Com. reported progress, and  
also reported information concerning



Hinnama Road. He promised a definite report at next meeting.

On motion report was accepted and Committee continued.

Mrs. Miller, Chairman of Sanitary Com. made report, which was discussed and on motion, accepted.

Moved, by Mrs. Doane, that we make a holiday of a day most suitable for the dredging of the Inlet, and every body turn up to see what we can do, and the women folks also turn out to prepare dinner. — motion carried.

Moved, by Mr. Hedges, that the C. S. Society fix a rate, of salary, per hour for the C. S. Treasurer. — motion carried.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that the rate to be paid C. S. Treasurer, be thirty-five (35¢) cents per hour, for time employed. — motion carried.

Moved, by Mr. Orne, that the C. S. Society buy twelve grubbing bars and twelve shovels for the general public use, and anybody injuring same by misuse should pay for same.



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Moved by Mr. Hawk, that the surveyor be authorized to pay for his help, not to exceed twenty cents per hour on an average, or according to their value. — motion carried.

Dr. Emery, President of the Co-operative Homestead Co., was called upon to give a talk. He spoke for several minutes, and while he criticised our progress somewhat severely, yet he gave us many helpful suggestions, and considerable encouragement.

Moved by Mr. Schwank, that we extend to Dr. Emery a vote of thanks, and cordially forgive him for his "puns". — motion carried.

Our motion Society adjourned to meet again on Feb. 17th at 2.30 P.M.

Wm. E. Kates, Pres.

J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read and approved 2/12/10.

J. S. Jones



Ruskin, Fla., Feb. 12, 1910

Ruskin Commongood Society met in Assembly Hall, and called to order by President, at 2.30 P.M. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Hawk, C. S. Agent, made report of his progress, which was, on motion, accepted.

Mr. Carns, C. S. Treasure, made report of condition of treasury. Report discussed. — Moved by Dr. Miller, that report be accepted and Treasurer be requested to give a more detailed report to Secretary — Motion carried

Road Supervisor, Mr. Ester, made report of progress made on streets. He was highly commended for his excellent report, which was, on motion, adopted, and placed on file.

Mr. Hawk made report of Surveying Committee, which was on motion, accepted.

Mr. Kates, as Chairman of Committee on "Constitution & Bylaws"



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reported progress, and offered to read what had been prepared by part of Committee, but it was referred back for the Committee, as a whole, to act upon, before being presented for action by the Society.

Report of Store Committee called for, which was followed by considerable discussion.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, that the Store Committee be instructed to go down to the store and re-measure the lumber there, to see how it tallies with the bill, before payment be made. Ammended by Mr. A. D. Miller, that the bills for labor on this building be paid, and the lumber bill be referred to Committee. Motion, as ammended, carried.

Dr. Miller, Chairman of Shell road Committee, made report of progress — Moved by Dr. Emery, that the report be received, that the Committee be given further time, and that



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the C. B. Society Co-operate with the people of the Sweet Community in opening a settlement road from old church, in Sweet neighborhood, to Rushin, by instructing our Road Supervisor to secure five or six men, and assist on this road on Saturday, February 19th inst. — motion carried.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that Comptroller Agent be instructed to submit a report in writing at each meeting, covering all matters relating to contracts and agreements involving obligation to the Society, and as far as practical, the time spent in looking after the interest of the various departments of the Societies work designating time devoted to each, and as far as practical to give a written account of all time spent in the service of Society — motion carried.

Mr. Estes, Chairman of Road and Street Committee, reported



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progress.

Moved, by L. L. Dickson, that we reconsider the motion to number the lots consecutively from one up. — motion carried.

Moved, by Mr. Doane, Cr., that the Surveying Committee be instructed to preserve the original names of the streets and the original lot numbers, as near as practical, in the original blocks, as numbered. — motion carried.

Motion to adjourn, was ruled out.

Committee To Consider proposition of Ruskin Home-makers, made report by Mr. Hawk reading to the Society a modified proposition, by which the R. H. offer to deed over to the Ruskin Commonwealth Society all of the unallotted land in the Ruskin Colony Tract. —

This proposition was, on motion, accepted, provided Mr. Whitaker, City, will approve of it. — Proposition filed.



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Moved, by Dr. Emery, and carried, that individuals shall be permitted to grub on roads or streets next to their lots, and on out to road or street that has been opened.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, that any property owner who wishes to make a ditch by their property shall be allowed to do so, but remunerated by the C. S. Society, only when such work is done for actual saving to the Society.

Motion carried.

On motion Society adjourned.

Wm. E. & Kates, Pres.

J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read, corrected, and approved  
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Ruskin, Fla.,

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Meeting called to order at 2.30 P. M. by President, Mr. Kater.

Mr. Hawk C. S. Agt. made a detailed report of his Dept.

On motion, by Dr. Miller, report was accepted, and an amendment made to motion instructing agent to make a written report. That it is the sense of the Society that agent merely make a summary report of important matters attended to, and of the time spent with the different departments of the Societies<sup>ies</sup> both, and file same with secretary.

Treasurer's report called for but owing to its being a called meeting he did not have rpt. ready, so was excused.

Road Supervisor, Mr. Estes, made report of his progress on streets during past week, which was, on motion, accepted.

Secretary having come in late, the minutes of last meeting was now read, corrected, and, on motion, accepted, as corrected.



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Mr Hawk, as chairman of  
Surveying Committee, reported progress  
and showed copy of map, as being  
getting out. The subject of filing  
the plat by numbering lots consecutively  
and by blocks, discussed at  
some length. Mr Hawk read  
a petition which he had circulated  
in regard to the numbering of town  
lots.

Moved by Mr. A. P. Richman,  
that the motion and amendment  
as past at last meeting, regarding  
lot numbering, be done away  
with entirely. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, that  
we number the town lots  
consecutively, from one, up, and  
the Congregational Society pay  
all expense incident thereto, in-  
cluding paying Poston Horse-shoers  
for work, which they may have  
to do, in regard to this matter.  
Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Miller, that  
the surveyor, Mr. Postlethwaite, be  
requested to remain in the read-  
ing room for a while after the Society



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advising, to show and explain the plat, and to give members all chance to point out any errors that they may find therein. —  
motion carried.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, and carried, that enough land be set aside, such as may be decided upon by L. L. Diffman, and C. B. Agant, to cover the claims of the Co-operative Hamstead Co. to December 31st 1909.

Committee on By-laws, reported progress by Dr. Miller, reading before society, list of by-laws as drawn up by them. — On motion report was accepted and the matter left for further consideration, at next regular meeting.

On motion society adjourned to meet again next Saturday P. M., at 2.30.

H. C. O. Hater, Pres.

J. J. Grate, Sec.

read, corrected, and approved,

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J. J. Jones Sec.



Muskin, Fla., Feb. 26, 1910.

Muskin Commongood Society met in assembly Hall, and called to order at 2.30 P.M. by President, Mr. Kates. Minutes of last meeting read, corrected, and on motion, approved, as corrected.

Reports of Committees called for, Mr. Hacob, Commongood Agent, made written report, which was on motion by Dr. Miller, approved and filed.

Mr. Carnes, C. & Treasurer, made a general report, which was highly commended, and on motion, accepted and filed with secretary.

Mr. Estes, Road Supervisor, reported progress of work being done on streets. On motion, report was accepted, and filed.

Dr. Miller, Chairman of Road Committee, made two reports of Spinauma road. The Com. had prepared a petition to send in to the County Road Commissioner asking that a public road be opened from Muskin to Spinauma.



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twelve feet wide. Petitioners  
agreeing to do part of clearing on  
said road. — This report was  
on motion, adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Miller, that  
this clearing be done by our  
Road Supervisor, as our part of  
the work on the road. — Motion carried.

2nd. Report, Tampa Road; Com.  
had also prepared petition for road  
from south line of Hillsborough  
County, through by Buspen, on to  
Tampa. — This report also, was, on  
motion adopted.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that Mr.  
Arnold, be requested to represent  
our colony here, with the people  
of Manatee, to further the interest  
of this road. — Motion carried.

Moved, by Dr. Miller that  
the same action be taken with  
the Tampa Road, as was taken  
with Dymarra Road. Motion carried.

Mr. Hawk, Chairman of Sur-  
veying Com., made report of prog-  
ress, which was on motion, accepted.

Moved, by Mr. L. L. Drishman,  
that the Surveying Committee be



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instructed to push the surveying of the farm tracts as fast as practical, and that they establish town block corners, whenever urgent is needed, by some number withing to build. etc. — Motion carried & moved, by Mr. Hawk, that <sup>establish</sup> block corners by putting in lighter wood stakes or markers, two feet in ground, one foot above ground. On inside corners, stake not less than 2 by 2 be used, and on section corners, not less than 3 by 2 be used.

Amendment, by Mrs. Miller, that markers for guide stake be dipped in white paint before being put in. — Motion

and amendment carried. Mr. Hawk tendered his resignation as Chairman of Surveying Committee, which was on motion accepted.

Mr. D. D. Estes, was duly elected to succeed Mr. Hawk, on Surveying Com. Mr. C. A. Hedges Chairman of Store Committee made report, which was discussed. On



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motion, by Mr. H. B. Dunham, it was agreed that we go ahead and pay the lumber bill for the store, as presented.

Committee on Constitution and By-laws, made report, by Dr. Miller, again reading list of by-laws, as read at last meeting. Moved, by Mrs. Orne, that we vote upon the by-laws, by section, and that the votes be cast by written ballot. — Ammended that the written ballot be stricken out. — Ammendment to the ammendment that written ballots be cast when called for. — Last ammendment lost. — Motion, with first ammendment carried.

By-laws, by sections.

Sec. 1. Name: Unanimously adopted.

Sec. 2. Object: — Moved, by Mrs. Orne, that we act in conjunction with the Co-operative Homestead Co. for the purpose of true Co-operation. — Motion lost.

On motion by Mrs. Miller, society adjourned, to meet again this evening at 7 o'clock.

Mr. Bates resigned as president of C. S. Society.



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Mr. J. O. E. Kates having resigned as president of the society at the afternoon session, the meeting was called to order at 7.20 in the evening with Mrs. Harriet E. Orutt in the Chair.

Song, "America," sung by society, after which a talk was given by President on Rules and Regulations governing societies and such bodies.

Song, "Auld Lang Syne" by society. Moved, by Dr. Miller, that the vote on each section of the By-laws be recorded, and that along with the By-laws recommended by the society, when the same are published in Ruskin News for referendum vote, such amendments as may be offered by the minority of the society, not agreeing with the action of the majority, shall, also, be published. The vote of the society on each section be stated in connection therewith, and all matter submitted in this way be impersonal, without signature of the



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parties voting with the minority, or majority, provided such suggestions as may be offered for publication by the minority be presented to the meeting for consideration when the By-laws recommended, are considered by the Society — Motion Carried.

Miss Grant <sup>read</sup> before the Society, list of By-laws presented by Mr. Hawk.

Song by the Society  
 Moved by Mr. A. P. Dickman that Mr. ~~Carter~~ be elected to read the bylaws, suggested by Mr. Hawk, section by section, while Dr. Miller read corresponding sections, recommended by Committee.

— Motion Carried  
 Each set of bylaws were now presented to the Society, each section read and discussed and those presented by the Committee, adopted. The first two sections having previously been adopted, the result of vote on remaining sections was as follows: —



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Sec. 3. Membership:-	Favouring	40	Against:-	0
" 4. Requirements:-	"	38	"	0
" 5. Voting:-	"	40	"	0
" 6. Officers:-	"	34	"	2
" 7. Elections:-	"	36	"	0
" 8. Reports of Com.	"	40	"	0
" 9. Improvements;	"	39	"	0
" 10. Meetings	"	39	"	0
" 11. Reconsideration:	"	31	"	6
" 12. Ratification:	"	36	"	1

Total number of members present were fifty.

Moved by Mr. Lyman, that the bylaws recommended as a whole be accepted, and used as a working program, and also

motion carried, referred to the

Moved by Mr. L. L. Dickman that the Election Committee consist of three members. - Motion carried

Moved by Dr. Miller, and carried, that the election of the Election Com. be postponed until after the election of the Trustees.

Moved by Mrs. Deane, that we proceed with the election

motion carried



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of Trustees. - motion carried.  
 Moved, by Mr Duckett,  
 and carried, that we nomi-  
 nate, and elect the three women  
 Trustees first.

Miss Orcutt and Mrs  
 Linder elected on first ballot.

On motion, next three re-  
 ceiving highest number of votes,  
 were voted on, again. -

Mr Doane elected.

Messrs. J. O. Duckett, A. J.  
 Dickman, P. R. Herman and  
 E. L. Cole, were then duly elected  
 by a majority vote on first  
 ballot, as Trustees.

On motion, all the names  
 of the Trustees were then put  
 in nomination, from which  
 to elect three members to  
 act as an Executive Committee.

Miss Orcutt, and Messrs.  
 J. O. Duckett, & E. L. Cole were  
 selected to serve as an  
 Executive Committee.

Moved by Mr Pichey,  
 that the Committee elect their  
 own chairman. - motion carried.



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Moved and carried, that we proceed to elect an election committee.

Dr. Geo. McA. Miller, J. C. Linder and J. S. Jones, were declared duly elected by a majority vote on first ballot to serve as an election committee.

Moved, by Mr. Estes, that the C. S. Society charter the "Killed" to take as many as twenty members up to Tampa, on March 1<sup>st</sup> 1910, to meet and consult with the County Commissioners, in regard to the Tampa, and Oklawaha public roads. — Motion carried.

On motion, Mr. Estes was elected a committee of one, to see who would go to Tampa on this trip.

Moved, by Miss Aurora Miller, that the old Literary Committee be authorized to go ahead and get out the Pushin News, as speedily as possible. — Motion carried.



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On motion, Society  
adjourned, to meet  
again next Saturday  
P.M., at 2.30.  
Mrs Oggett, Vice Pres  
J. J. Jones, Sec.

Read before Society on  
March 5, 1910, corrected & approved.  
J. J. Jones, Sec.



Pruskin, Fla., March 5, 1910.

Pruskin Commongood Society  
called to order at 2.30 o'clock by  
Vice President, Miss Orentt.

Song by Society

After a short talk, Miss  
Orentt called upon the Miller  
family to sing "The Chariot of  
Truth," which they did.

Minutes of last meeting read,  
corrected, and, as motion, approved

Song, Battle Hymn of the  
Republic, by Society

Mr. J. P. Duskett, Chairman  
of the Executive Committee,  
made report, and made some  
recommendations, also.

Recommended by Ex. Com.  
that two names be enough on  
checks issued by Treasurer.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, that  
three names be required on the  
checks. Motion discussed, and  
amended to the effect that  
the Council in the recommendations  
of the Ex. Com. to have only



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two names on the checks, those of the Treasurer and Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Motion, as amended, carried.

Moved, by Mr. Riskey, that the secretary of Ex. Com. be authorized to get the signatures of the retiring officers, who formerly signed all C. S. checks, and arrange the matter with the Bank officials, so that the new officers may be able to check the money out, as directed by the C. S. Society.

Moved and carried, that the amount paid by Mr. Hawk to Mr. Swank, be paid, in accordance with action previously taken by the Society.

Moved, by Mr. Swank, that a Bureau of Information and Grievances, be established.

Motion carried.

Moved, by Mr. Postes, that we cover the porch of the store and make more shelves. - Carried.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, and carried, that as soon as



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practical, a bridge be built over  
College Inlet

Miss Ogilth, Secretary of  
the Board of Trustees, and also  
the Executive Committee, read  
the minutes of both Trustee  
and Executive Committee meetings  
which were, on motion <sup>by Mr. Hawk</sup>, accepted  
with the exception that in re-  
gard to "locating," that M. E. Dick-  
man do <sup>all</sup> ~~most~~ of work, and that  
L. Dickman be paid for only  
just such work as absolutely  
necessary.

Mr. Carnes, Commongood  
Treasurer, made report. ~~From~~ Moved  
by Mr. Hawk, that we adopt  
the report, and order his bill  
be paid. — motion carried.

Mr. Cestes, Road Supervisor,  
made report of progress of work  
on streets, which was, on motion,  
accepted.

Mr. Carnes tendered his  
resignation, as Commongood Treas-  
urer, — Moved by Mr. Hawk,  
that Mr. Carnes' resignation be  
accepted. — motion carried.



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Mr. Estes, Chairman of Surveying Com., made report - On motion by L. L. Dickman, report was accepted. Moved, by Mr. Hawk, that surveying Com. be instructed to try and secure Mr. Sullitt, to come and help survey the farm tract or get another surveyor, as cheap as possible. Motion carried.

Dr. Miller, Chairman of Literary Committee, made report of progress, which was on motion accepted.

Shell-Road Com. made report, through its Chairman, Dr. Miller, which was on motion, accepted.

Dr. Miller offered an amendment to section five of Bylaws passed upon at last meeting, by President members.

Amendment discussed by members.

On motion by Mr. Duckett, Society adjourned until 7.30 P.M.



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Society called to order by  
Vice President, Miss Orcutt.  
Song, My Old Kentucky  
Home, by Society.

The matter of the amend-  
ment of section five of By-laws  
again taken up and discuss-  
ed, at some length, by different  
members.

Impromptu adjournment on  
account of the burning of the home  
of Mr + Mrs H.B. Dignham.

After the fire the meeting  
was again called to order.  
The subject of amendment of  
Sec. five, taken up, and after con-  
siderable discussion, adopted,  
by a large majority. (Amendment  
incorporated in By-laws)

The following section, recom-  
mended by Dr. Miller, as Sec. 13  
of By-laws, was unanimously adopted.  
Sec. 13. Bonds. That all  
officers handling funds, or having  
power to make contracts, or parti-



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participate in any contracts, be bonded in appropriate amounts, not less than five hundred (\$500.00) dollars.

Moved, and carried, that the President, Vice President, and Secretary, be authorized to pass upon the bonds of such officers of the Society as are required to give bond, when said bonds are given.

Moved, by Mrs. Miller, that we elect a committee to organize a Mutual Fire Insurance Company. — Motion carried.

Following were elected as Committee:

Mrs. J. Miller

M. E. Dickman.

T. D. Ester

(A. B. Hawk)

J. C. Linder

W. B. Dunham.

Miss Orcutt tendered her resignation, as Vice President, which was on motion, accepted.

The following officers were elected to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of President,



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Vice President, and Treasurer: -

Mr. J. C. Linder, President

Mrs. A. B. Hawk, Vice President

Mr. A. B. Doane, Treasurer.

On motion, society adjourned un-  
til first Saturday in April, at 2:30  
P.M.

Miss Harriet C. Orent, Vice Pres.

J. S. Jones, Secretary



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Rushin Commongod Meeting called to Order by president Mr. J. C. Tinker

Music by Orchestra.

The regular Secretary being absent W. B. Dunham was appointed secretary protem

Song - My Country, sung by meeting  
Minutes of previous <sup>meeting</sup> read corrected & approved

Report of Mr. J. C. Dockett & Miss Orcutt  
Chairman & Secretary of Trustees & Executive  
Committee. Motion to accept report and  
take same under consideration, not voted on.

Moved as substitute to above <sup>motion</sup> that  
we consider the report by sections. Carried

Moved and carried to pay all Bills recom-  
-ended by the Executive Committee.

Moved by Mr. Hawk that the  
Town Lots now reserved be arraigned for  
settlement.

Moved by Mr. Miller  
that the question before us be divided  
and that we consider first the recomen-  
-dation of the executive Committee  
as to reservation of the block in which  
Mr. Dicklighters lot is located. Carried

Moved by Mr. Hawk that no allotment  
in above said block or other block not  
properly surveyed be made until plat  
be put in <sup>proper</sup> shape, but those so desiring  
may make initial payment and have



choice in order of same. Carried:

Moved by Mr. Hawk that all Town Lots be made so they can be selected from no action taken

Motion by Mrs Miller that we hold all water front Lots until within 6 months of expiration of Option. after discussion motion was withdrawn.

Moved by Mr. Miller as an amendment to above motion that a committee of 5 be elected to consider the reservation of Lots as reported by Executive committee and that such committee report to the next regular meeting of the Society a plan for putting all reserved lots on the market. No vote taken.

Moved and carried that above motion be laid on the table until after the consideration of the option

Moved to adjourn till 7:30. Carried.

7-45 P.M. B. G. Society convened

Moved and carried that we take up the consideration of the Option as proposed and recommended by the Trustees

Moved by Mr. Adner Miller that we accept the Option offered by Ruskin Home makers and recommended by Executive Committee.

Motion by Mrs Miller that the



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above Motion be laid on the table until we consider and vote on the reservations.

Withdrawn.

Motion to vote on previous Question.  
(Carried)

Motion by Mr. Hawk that we vote by signed Ballot. (Lost)

Moved by Mr. Ritchey that we use the rising vote. (Carried)

Motion to accept Option before mentioned carried by vote of 25 to 6

Motion by Mr. Duckett that Mr. Hawk be permitted to have his Objections recorded in the minutes and amended by Mr. Miller that all who wish may go on record as opposed to acceptance of Option.  
(Carried)

Protest against acceptance of proposed Option was made by Mr. A. B. Hawk on following grounds

1. Because of complications both apparent and possible.
2. Because its terms purport to oblige us to pay for all the land under Option before we can get deeds to reservations, parks and water acreage.
3. Because if adopted at all it ~~should~~ be of much longer duration.



4 Because of the Temptation to withhold land from allotment thereby making the C. G. Society a speculator and delaying development

5 Because the Co-operative Homestead Co. has an Option in force until July 1<sup>st</sup> and no change should be made except in accordance with a referendum vote first to be taken.

Mr. & Mrs. Carney wish to coin~~ide~~ with Mr. Hawk in his objections

Motion by Mr. Miller that we take<sup>up</sup> the question of a committee of 5 for the purpose of arranging for the settlement of reservations be taken from the table and acted on (carried)

Motion to Elect Committee. (carried)  
Committee Elected by Ballot:

Mr. Harrington

" Crowe

" Miller

" Estes

Dunham

Motion that the remaining recommendations of the trustees as to reservations be concurred in pending the report of the Committee just elected and further action of the Society. (Carried)

Moved by Mr Hawk that unless the



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Quit claim Deed to Sec. 9 can be secured within a reasonable time that the L. S. Society pay the \$5000 and secure same

Question ruled out of place  
 Motion by Admer Miller that the Report of the Executive Committee be accepted  
 (Carried)

Motion by Mr. Hawk to call up the getting of quit claim deed.

Motion to amend former motion by turning over the getting of quit claim deed to the Executive Committee (Carried)

Motion by Mr. Hawk that if an abstract be not furnished in the next 30 days to the Ireland so that the Common Good have one made so the Attorney can pass on same  
 (Carried)

Motion by Mr. A. E. Dickman that Mr. Estes our road supervisor be and hereby is given authority to purchase <sup>plow</sup> & necessary accoutrements and contract with Mr. Williams to do our ditching  
 (Carried)

Report of Dredging Committee accepted and Committee Continued and authorized to investigate the cost of Dam & Bridge  
 (Carried)



Motion to adjourn (carried)

Wilson B. Durham

Secretary pro tem

Read + approved 10/7/1910.



May 7. Wesleyan, Fla., 5/7/10. 2.30 P.M.

Commonwealth Society called to order by Mr. Duckett, as President was absent, and Vice President refused to serve.

Moved, by Mr. Ester, that the resignation of Mrs. Hawk, Vice President, be accepted. — Motion Carried.

Mr. Harrington was elected temporary vice president.

Minutes of last meeting read, and approved.

Chairman of Executive Committee called on for report. — Mr. Duckett responded, by giving report of Treasurer in two sections, and also his own report. (Regular Treasurer being absent) — Report discussed.

Miss Orcutt, secretary of the Executive Committee; also of Trustees, read minutes of the proceedings of both bodies.

Treasurer's report adopted, and minutes of both Trustees and Executive Committee accepted. That is, Miss Orcutt's report was accepted.

Mr. Duckett read report of Election Committee.

Moved, by A. D. Miller, that the report



of the committee be accepted, and the recommendations <sup>be</sup> concurred in.

22 votes cast in favor of report, and one, Mr. Hawk, voted negatively.

Mr. Harrington read report of Reso-  
vation Committee.

Moved that report be adopted, as read.

Moved, by L. L. Dickman, that an amendment be made to the report: That lots between 190 and 2nd street, be \$50<sup>00</sup> each. That lots 627-628 be stricken out of the report, as to being offered for sale. That land on West of 3<sup>rd</sup> 1/4 be added to it and priced at \$100<sup>00</sup>. That lot 655 be straightened. — Amendment carried. Report, as amended, adopted.

Moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the bills of making deeds and also of <sup>Executive Committee</sup> Reso-  
vation Committee. Carried.

Moved, by A. P. Dickman, and seconded, that the following clause be in the restrictions of the deeds, be stricken out: — "And it is further provided that the Ruskin Commonwealth Society, shall have the sole right to pass through, over or under said



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lands with underground pipes, and with wires, rafts and roads for the purpose of facilitating transportation, communication, and other public service. and, provided further, that no manufacturing, mercantile or banking business shall ever be conducted on said lands without the express consent of the Com-mongood Society."

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that this motion be laid on the table until some future time, as may be deemed wise and prudent. — Carried.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that the Executive Committee be instructed to make a thorough investigation of the matter, as to whether any violations of the restrictions in the deeds, to allotments have been, or are being committed. and especially as to the restriction against carrying on mercantile business, without the express permission of the Com-mongood Society, that they take legal counsel in the matter, and if they find sufficient grounds for such action, they take steps



at once to enforce the forfeiture penalty against those found guilty of such violation.

Amended by Mr. Hawk, that the charges made against himself be particularly looked into. Amendment and motion carried

On motion, the matter of those who have allotments and not memberships, shall be looked into, and they be advised to take out memberships - motion carried.

Mrs. Miller, Chairman of Insurance Committee, made report.

On motion report was accepted, and committee discharged

Mr. William Harrington was duly elected to fill the unexpired term of Vice Presidency.

On motion, Society adjourned

Wm. Harrington, Vice Pres.  
J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read and approved, June 4, 1910  
J. S. Jones, Sec.



Birskim, Fla., June 4, 1910

Commongood Society called to order at 2:40 P.M. by President, Mr Linder. after song, America, sung by Society, minutes of last meeting was read and approved.

Song "Auld Lang Syne," sung by Society.

Chairman of Executive Committee called upon for report. — Mr Dockett responded, by first reading report of the Treasurer, which was, on motion by A. P. Dickman, adopted, and the bills ordered paid.

Mr Dockett then proceeded with his report, by raising a previous question, that the Secretary be authorized to turn over the minutes of the Society, to the Executive Committee after one weeks time in which to transcribe same in. — Moved by A. P. Dickman that Secretary be authorized to leave minutes with Executive Committee after one weeks time in which to transcribe same in. — Motion carried.

Moved by Mrs. Miller, that we pass upon each item, as they are read. — Carried



Report regarding the addition to the store, was adopted.

It was further recommended that a Committee be elected to look out for a suitable location for a cemetery. Said Committee to thoroughly investigate the matter, and report. - On motion, this recommendation was adopted.

Also recommended that we get out another edition of the Puskin News in July. \* (See Page 71)

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that the matter of editing and publishing the next edition of the News, be put in the hands of the Executive Committee, and that the old committee be discharged. - Motion discussed, and passed.

Moved, that the paper be gotten out, if possible, by the first week in July, and that all matter going into the paper be subject to the approval of the Committee. - Motion discussed, and finally carried, with but one dissenting vote.

Further recommended that the proposition made by the Puskin Home-makers to the Commongood Society, whereby they agreed to put section six and



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and part of section five on the market as allotments, and to pay to the Common good Society 10% of the gross selling price with which to make improvements on said land in the way of roads, ditches, and etc. The Society to receive 10% of said fund payed to it for such clerical work as may be necessary. The proposition was discussed at great length and finally adopted by a majority vote of sixteen to five. ~~Existing~~ ~~at~~ ~~one~~ ~~made~~ ~~here~~ ~~not~~ ~~voting~~.

The report regarding the investigation to see whether or not any of the restrictions in the deeds relating to the carrying <sup>on</sup> of mercantile business and etc., was to the effect that they could not find grounds sufficient to take action against any member. I moved by Mr. Dunham that we do not have the opinion of Mr. Whitely read before the Society, on account of lack of time.

This closed the Chairman's report

Miss Orcutt, secretary of the Trustees and Executive Committee, made report, which was unanimously accepted



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Dr. Miller, Chairman of Tampa Road Committee, made report, which was, on motion, accepted unanimously.

Mr. Ester, Chairman of Hinshaw Road Com., made report, which was, on motion, accepted.

Dr. Miller, Chairman of Dredging Com., called upon Capt. A. P. Dickman to make report, who complied with request.

On motion, by Mr. Duckett, Capt. A. P. Dickman was elected to take Mr. Gunther's place on the Dredging Com.

Dr. Miller offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved by the Ruskin Commungood Society, that it is with deep sorrow that it hears that its faithful Treasurer, Mr. A. B. Doane, has passed into the Life Beyond.

That in this event it feels keenly the loss of an able officer, and a valuable co-worker in the development of Ruskin Colony.

That we hereby express our fraternal sympathy with the bereaved



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wife and parents of our deceased Brother.

That a copy of this resolution be published in the Pushkin News, and also sent to the bereaved relatives.

Mr Dockett read resignation of Mrs A. B. Doane, as member of the Board of Trustees. —  
Resignation accepted.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that we fill the vacancy caused by Mrs. Doane's resignation. — Carried.

Moved, by Mr. A. P. Dickman, that Mrs. Hazeltine be elected to take Mrs. Doane's place.

On motion, nominations closed. Moved that secretary cast ballots for Mrs Hazeltine. — Carried.

Mr. A. C. Sill was duly elected to fill the unexpired term of Treasurer.

Messrs. L. L. Dickman, C. E. Miller, and H. B. Dunham, were elected as



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a Cemetery Committee.

The following resolution was offered by Dr. Miller, and adopted.

Resolved that it is the sense of the Commongood Society that every allottee has the right to produce articles by his or her own labor, to sell articles produced by him, or her, or to buy or sell anything otherwise than from a store or distributing point.

Moved, by Mrs. L. L. Dickman, that the C. G. Society elect a Committee to look into the matter of finding a desirable place along Ruskin Inlet to erect a suitable bath-house for the benefit of the public.

Amended that Committee be authorized to see about building the house.

Amendment and motion carried. Mrs. L. L. Dickman, Mr. Harrington, and a D. Miller, were duly elected to compose this Committee.



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Moved, by Mr. Hawk, that if the Co-operative Homestead Company will make a better proposition than the Ruskin Home-makers, in the matter of disposing of the land remaining unsold <sup>in the colony</sup> after July 1st, that they be permitted to do so.

Moved, by A. P. Dickman, that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee to consider any proposition of the C. H. Co., or any other proposition, and if they see necessary to call a special meeting of the Commonwealth Society.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved, by L. L. Dickman, that we lease Mr. Hutchinson a lot on the business block, for the purpose of carrying on a mercantile business.

Moved that this matter be referred to the Executive Committee.

Motion lost.



Moved, by Mrs. Miller, that if  
 is the sense of this society that  
 we do not lease any of our prop-  
 erty for any other, than co-operative business  
 of motion carried.

On motion, society adjourned.

J. C. Linder, Pres.  
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(Paragraph 2, Page 65)

Provided we can make arrange-  
 ments with the college and other parties  
 to defray such portion of the expense as will leave  
 only about one third of the cost of <sup>the paper</sup> getting out the paper  
 to the C. S. Society



Special Meeting—

Ruskin, Fla. June 16, 1910.

Ruskin Commonwealth Society called to order, at 7.50 o'clock in the evening, by President Mr. Linder. Petition calling for special meeting, was read, by Secretary.

Mr. J. O. Duckett, Chairman of the Executive Committee, read a proposition made by Ruskin Home-makers, to Society, relative to the society's taking over the residue of Ruskin Colony Tract.

On motion by Mr Hawk, the proposition was taken up, read and discussed, section by section.

Moved by Mr Cole, that each person shall not be allowed to speak more than ten minutes at first speaking, and more than five minutes at second speaking, unless by permission of the Society.  
Motion Carried.

Moved by Mr. Cole, that



we accept this proposition, provided the Russian Home-makers, at once execute and acknowledge the proper instrument, and deposit same in American National Bank, of Tampa, in escrow, to be recorded July 1st, or before then if the C. H. Co. release their claims.

Motion Carried, unanimously

The petition, circulated by Mr. Hawk, and others, during the past week, taken up, and read by secretary.

Moved, by Dr. Miller, that this petition be considered, item by item. (With sec. 5, + 6. stricken out) — Motion carried.

Preamble taken up and discussed by Dr. Miller, Mr. Hawk, and A. D. Miller. Closed by Dr. Miller + Mr. Hawk.

Section 1st taken up and discussed by Dr. Miller Mr. Hawk, and



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A. D. Miller.

Motion to adjourn voted down.

Moved by Mr. Will Harrington, that there be an expression taken of this meeting, whether we are satisfied with our present conditions, outside of the fangling in the Common good meetings and private meetings, and with the By-laws and Administration. Twenty four voted affirmatively, one negatively.

On motion society adjourned  
J. C. Linder, Pres.  
J. S. Jones, Sec.



Ruskin, Fla., July 2, 1910.

Ruskin Commongood Society  
called to order at 7.40 P.M. By  
President, J. C. Linder

Song by Society, followed by a  
violin solo by Mr. Buckley.

Minutes of last regular meet-  
ing read corrected, and approved.  
Minutes of call meeting  
read and approved.

Chairman of Ex. Com. Mr.  
J. O. Dickett, read Treasurers  
Report of preceding month.

On motion, by Mr. Estes,  
the report was accepted ~~was ac-~~  
~~cepted~~, and the salary of the Ex.  
Committee and other bills ordered  
paid.

D. D. Estes, Chairman of Surveying  
Committee, made report.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, and carried,  
that the matter of placing stakes  
at the corners of farm tracks,



he left in the hands of the surveying Com.

H. R. Monroe was nominated and duly elected, to fill the vacancy of third man on the surveying Committee.

Chairman of Dredging Com., Dr. Miller, made report.

J. O. Duckett, made report of Bathhouse Com. — Report accepted, and Committee continued.

Mr. E. L. Cole, read a proposition to purchase a dredging outfit to dredge the Reservoir Outlet.

Moved, by A. D. Miller, that E. L. Cole, J. P. Dickman, and Will Harrington be elected as a committee to look into the matter of dredging.



On motion, the secretary was authorized to cast ballots, and the above named gentlemen was declared duly elected as a committee of three, to look into the dodging proposition.

Miss Orcutt, secretary of the Trustees, made report.

Report of Trustees discussed at great length by Mr. Hawk and others.

Miss Orcutt also read an essay, giving an outline of all the business transacted in the interest of the Colony since its beginning. This also was discussed at some length

moved, by Dr. Miller, that the report, proper, of Trustees, as read first, be accepted and concurred in. ———  
 appended by Mr. Hawk, that the Ex. Corp. be instructed



that in as high matters  
 as contracts and deeds, they  
 conform strictly to instructions  
 of the C. G. Society  
 Amendment of last  
 Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Harrington,  
 and carried, that a vote of  
 thanks be extended to the  
 Executive Committee.

On motion Society adjourned.

J. C. Linder, Pres.  
 J. S. Jones, Sec.



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regular meeting of Ruskin C. G. S. by  
called to order by president at 9.30 p.m.

Song by Miss Aurora Miller  
Minutes of last meeting read ~~corrected~~  
and approved.

Objections raised by Mr Hawk  
to the action of president in his  
undemocratic way of filling vacancy  
of secretary

Motion by Mr. A. P. Dickman  
that president's action requesting  
Mr. Durham to act as secretary ~~problem~~  
be concurred in and amended by  
Mr. Hawk that in future the appoint-  
-ment of secretary ~~problem~~ be more  
democratic (Carried)

Report of Chairman of Executive Com-  
-mittee <sup>read</sup> and accepted

Report of Secretary of C. G. Trustees.  
heard and on motion by Mr A. P. Dickman  
same was adapted.

Report of Cemetery Committee  
heard and motion by Mrs. A. B. Hawk  
that same be accepted as report of  
progress and committee be continued  
Carried



Report of Dredging Committee read and motion by Mr. Hawk that Committee communicate with parties who started the Bayboro dredge <sup>of St. Petersburg</sup> to succeed and report to common good before going farther. Amendment by Mr. L. L. Dickman that a special meeting be called at which Comm. shall report and further amended by Mr. J. C. Duckett that Dredging Committee be instructed to have the west 80 and the Kicklitter Block surveyed and put in shape for allotment and all other unsold lots put on market with same and Committee to be paid 25 cts per hour for time employed at same.

After Discussion Mr. Duckett's amendment was accepted as separate motion and carried

Original question called for voted on and lost.

Mr. L. L. Dickman's amendment brought in form of regular motion and Carried

Motion by Mr. J. C. Duckett that the common good society take out a full membership in the Russian



Colonization Co. and that said membership shall be held by the corresponding Secretary of the Executive Committee as Trustee (Carried)

Proposition by Mr. Hawk guaranteeing to pay the C. G. City the same land Commission as a full member of the C. H. Co. receives.

Communication from Mr. Hawk read and motion by Mr. Geo. H. Miller that same be filed with Secretary for reference (Carried)

Motion to Adjourn till special meeting at which unfinished new business is to be ~~continued~~  
Carried

Wilson B. Dunham Secy protem



## REGULAR MEETING \* \* \* \* \* SEPTEMBER 3, 1910.

The Society was called to order by Pres. J. C. Linder at 2:45 P. M. and after a violin solo by Mr. Buckley upon motion by Mr. Dunham, Admer D. Miller was elected Secretary pro tem in the absence of the regular Secretary.

The minutes of regular meeting of August 6th were read and approved.

Flute solo by Mr. H. R. Monroe.

Mr. J. O. Duckett, Chairman of the Executive Committee gave his report, which, after some consideration, was accepted as read upon motion made by Mr. A. P. Dickman, duly seconded and carried.

Miss Orcutt made the report of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees. By motion regularly seconded and carried the report was adopted as read.

The report of the Road Supervisor showed progress being made. The Chairman of the Executive Committee stated that the Committee would figure out the amount of improvements due on certain 40's and blocks.

Mr. Hawk made the motion that the action of the Road Supervisor be ratified in regard to securing bids for opening the County Road toward Wimauma through Sections 9 and 10, and that he be commended for having secured an advantageous price. Seconded by A. P. Dickman. Carried.

The contract was let to Mr. Wadsworth of Wimauma who agreed to open the road 16 1/2 ft. wide at \$80 per mile.

Upon motion made by A. P. Dickman, duly seconded and carried, Mr. A. C. Sill, Mr. D. D. Estes and Mr. Will Harrington were added to the Tampa Road Committee.

Mr. Sill reported that ~~the~~ County Commissioner Hackney stated that there would be a bridge across the Inlet at 4th Street within six weeks.

Mr. Hawk moved that the Tampa Road Committee be authorized to locate the 4th Street Bridge at one side or the other of 4th Street as occasion demands. Duly seconded and carried.



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Mr. Cole moved that the Road Supervisor be authorized to use his own jurisdiction and authority in letting out bids for the opening of what roads we need, but the bids must be less than the present cost of the work by the rod. Seconded; carried.

The report of the Cemetery Committee was made by L. L. Dickman.

Moved by Mr. Cole that we receive the Committee's report as a report of progress and the Committee be continued with authority to look farther into the matter. Seconded; carried. Mr. L. L. Dickman reported that the Committee was trying to secure the N. W. 1/4 of Section 20 which is two miles from town.

Mr. J. O. Duckett read the report of the Dredging Committee in regard to repricing the lots.

Mr. Hawk moved that the matter of repricing the lots be submitted by printed referendum to the entire membership in the next Ruskin News. Seconded by Mr. Brooks. On vote of the Society this motion was lost.

Mr. L. L. Dickman moved that the report of the Dredging Committee on repricing the lots be accepted. Duly seconded; and upon vote of the Society was carried unanimously.

Mr. E. L. Cole gave the report of the Dredging Committee on the dredge and dredging the Inlet.

Mr. Estes made the motion that the report of the Dredging Committee on dredge and dredging the Inlet be received and that the Committee be continued with full power and authority to proceed in the matter of providing dredging machinery, etc. for use in the dredging of Ruskin Inlet, and to carry on the work of dredging said Inlet in accordance with instructions received from this Society, and to sell the lots made. Seconded by Mr. Duckett. The ayes and nays being called for the motion was carried by a vote of 31 to 4, the vote being as follows:

FOR - Mrs. Linder	Mrs. Shanahan	Marion B. Miller
Alice Linder	Miss Orcutt	Georgadda Miller
Mrs. Hazeltine	Mrs. J. A. Sill	Mrs. L. L. Dickman
Mrs. A. C. Sill	Mr. Harrington	A. P. Dickman
Mrs. Harrington	Mr. Duckett	E. L. Cole
Mrs. A. P. Dickman	N. E. Dickman	L. L. Dickman
C. E. Miller	Aurora Miller	Chas. Thompson



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Mrs. Chas. Thompson	Albert McRoberts	D. D. Estes
Mrs. Adaline D. Miller	Harold Dilley	I. E. Webster
George Glegg	A. C. Sill	H. R. Monroe
	Admer D. Miller	

AGAINST -- Mrs. Hawk, Mr. Hawk, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Theophilus

An amendment to the above motion was made by A. B. Hawk, that we strike out all that follows the words: "Committee be continued." Seconded. The ayes and nays being called for the motion was lost by a vote of 6 to 32, the vote being as follows:

FOR.-- A. B. Hawk	D. Theophilus	M. Kihlberg
Mrs. Hawk	Mr. Brooks	I. E. Webster.

AGAINST.-- J. O. Duckett	Georgadda Miller
Mrs. Hazeltine	Lizzie Dickman
Mrs. Linder	E. L. Cole
Alice Linder	George Glegg
Mrs. A. C. Sill	A. P. Dickman
Mrs. Harrington	W. B. Dunham
Mr. Harrington	L. L. Dickman
Mrs. Rose Dickman	Chas. Thompson
Mrs. Shanahan	C. E. Miller
Mrs. Thompson	Everett Lyman
Mrs. J. A. Sill	Albert McRoberts
Aurora Miller	Harold Dilley
Mrs. A. D. Miller	A. C. Sill
Miss Orcutt	H. R. Monroe
Marion B. Miller	Admer D. Miller
N. E. Dickman	D. D. Estes.

Mr. Hawk moved that the Dredging Committee be authorized to secure a boat to open up the channel in Ruskin Inlet in a temporary way as soon as sufficient funds and help have been subscribed. Seconded; carried.

Mr. Sill moved that it be Resolved by this Society that in order to afford the Dredging Committee security for any monies which they may be able to obtain for the purpose of carrying on the work of providing machinery for and dredging Ruskin Inlet, 25% of the gross proceeds of the



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land in the 80 acres lying west of F. Street between College Avenue and the Section Line to the north, and all of the land which shall be acquired through the dredging of said Inlet, be reserved for such security; and the Secretary is hereby instructed to advise the Executive Committee of this Society and Albert P. Dickman, Trustee, of the action of this Society. Seconded; carried, by a vote of 25 to 2, the vote being as follows, the ayes and nays being called for:

FOR.-- Mrs. Linder	Georgadda Miller
Lizzie Dickman	L. L. Dickman
Rose Dickman	Mrs. Cole
Mrs. J. A. Sill	W. B. Dunham
Mrs. Shanahan	E. L. Cole
Mrs. Thompson	Chas. Thompson
Miss Orcutt	Albert McRoberts
J. O. Duckett	A. P. Dickman
Aurora Miller	Everett Lyman
N. E. Dickman	A. C. Sill
Mrs. A. D. Miller	H. R. Monroe
Marion B. Miller	Admer D. Miller
	M. Kihlberg.

AGAINST.-- Mr. Brooks, A. B. Hawk.

Upon motion made by Mr. Hawk, seconded by Mr. Duckett, Mr. Estes was authorized to build an addition to the present store building according to plans submitted at the meeting. Carried. Mr. Estes suggested that bids be let for building this addition.

Mr. L. L. Dickman moved that the Executive Committee have the store building insured. Seconded; carried. Mr. Hawk moved an amendment to the above motion that the Executive Committee confer with the Executive Committee of the Ruskin Cooperative Mercantile Co. regarding insurance and a new scale of rental in view of the addition to be built on the store building. Seconded; carried.

Mr. Sill as School Supervisor of this district stated that he had secured an option on 5 acres of land from the College

Mr. Sill moved that we ask the Officers of the



College to give the option right away and that the Common-good Society build a temporary school building on this land, the Society securing money for same by notes given without interest on two year's time. Seconded; carried.

L. L. Dickman moved that the committee elected by the School District be elected by the Commongood Society to act as its Committee in the school matter. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Hazeltine amended the above motion by adding "and that two women be added to this Committee". Seconded Carried.

Mrs. L. L. Dickman and Mrs. A. C. Sill were nominated as the two women to serve on this Committee and the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for them which he did.

Mrs. Hawk and Mrs. Hazeltine were also nominated for this Committee, but resigned, and upon motion by Mr. Hawk the society accepted the resignations and instructed the Secretary to cast the ballot for the two parties duly elected.

A. P. Dickman moved that the Executive Committee of this Society be authorized to sell to the Ruskin Co-operative Mercantile Company one of the lots reserved for business purposes on or near Fourth Street, at a price commensurate with the present land values in Ruskin, and that with the deed to said lot the Executive Committee shall give the said Ruskin Co-operative Mercantile Co. the right to carry on a general co-operative mercantile business, permission being hereby given by vote of this Society. Motion seconded.

Mr. Duckett moved that this matter be laid on the table until next meeting. Seconded; carried.

Adjournment at 5:50 P.M.

J. C. Linder, President,

Admer D. Miller, Sec'y pro tem.



## REGULAR MEETING \* \* \* \* OCTOBER 1, 1910.

The Society was called to order by Pres. J. C. Linder at 2:45 P. M.

Music was rendered by the Misses Linder and Lyman, and Messrs. Monroe and Buckley.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, Admer D. Miller was elected Secretary pro tem.

The minutes of the regular meeting of Sept. 3, 1910 were read. In the matter of securing funds for the building of a public school house (referred to on page 5 of said minutes) it was understood that these funds were to be raised by subscription and to be considered as a loan to the District for two years without interest.

Mr. Hawk suggested that there was a difference between a matter being decided unanimously, and one being decided without a dissenting vote. Aside from these suggestions the minutes were accepted as read.

Mrs. Hazeltine favored us with a Zither solo.

Mr. Duckett as Chairman of the Executive Committee gave his report. Moved by Mr. Buckley that the report be adopted as read. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Hazeltine read the minutes of meeting of the Board of Trustees. Moved by Mr. Monroe that the report be accepted as read; seconded by Mr. Dunham; carried.

The Cemetery Committee reported that the land they were trying to secure was not for sale, but that the 5 acres secured from Ruskin Homemakers, and now being used for cemetery, lies in Section 19 on the river bank, but the Committee had nothing to report at the present time regarding price of this acreage. Moved by A. P. Dickman that the report be accepted as a report of progress and the Committee continued. Seconded; carried.

Mr. Estes, Road Supervisor, gave a complete report of the work which has been done in his department; store building, opening of streets, ditching, bridge-building, etc. After a general discussion it was moved



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by L. L. Dickman that the report be accepted. Seconded and carried.

Tampa Road Committee had nothing to report. Upon motion by Mr. Duckett, amended by Admer D. Miller, L. L. Dickman was authorized to meet the County Commissioners on Tuesday, Oct. 4, 1910 and secure the services of the County Surveyor to lay out the Tampa road, and also to see about the 4th St. bridge. Carried.

Report of Wimauma Road Committee was read and upon motion by A. P. Dickman the report was accepted as read and Mr. Estes was instructed to report to the County Commissioners. Seconded; carried.

Chairman of Board of Trustees presented the recommendation of that Board that the rate of rent for the store building, when completed, be fixed at \$10 per month. General discussion on the subject. Mrs. A. D. Miller moved that the report of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees be received and the matter left in the hands of the Executive Committee as formerly agreed. Seconded; carried.

Mr. Hawk offered as an amendment to the above motion "that we caution the Committee not to make any agreement beyond Nov. 26th." Seconded. Lost.

Report by Chairman of Board of Trustees regarding selling or leasing a business lot to the Ruskin Cooperative Mercantile Co.

Moved by Admer D. Miller that the report be accepted and that the matter of giving a long time lease on a business lot to the Ruskin Cooperative Merc. Co. be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee.. Seconded, carried.

Adjournment at 4:30 P. M.

J. C. Linder, Pres.

Admer D. Miller,  
Sec'y pro tem.



Preston, Fla., Nov. 5, 1910.

Regular meeting - called to order  
by President, J. C. Linder, at 2.40 P.M.

Violin solo, by Mr Buckley.

Minutes of last meeting read  
and approved.

Violin solo by Mr Buckley.

Resolution of respect to the  
deceased one of Mrs. Marion  
B. Miller, offered by Miss. Harriett  
E. Orcutt, as follows:

Resolved:

That we feel deeply  
the loss from our number of  
Mrs. Marion B. Miller, who  
passed away Oct 24, and desire  
to testify that during her  
short sojourn of two months  
among us, she endeared her-  
self to us all, as a strong,  
helpful worker in all the gen-  
eral interest of the Colony, and



specially in its social life, where her sweet voice charmed us, and lifted us towards the gates of heaven.

Resolved further that we hereby tender our warmest sympathy to her bereaved husband and mother, and to the resident members of her purely made relatives, who were called upon so suddenly to sever the most tender relations that exist in this earth life.

Moved, and seconded, that the above resolution be adopted by the Society. - Carried.

Mr J. O. Docket, Chairman of Executive Committee, called on for report. He first made report of Treasurer, as Mr. Hill could not be present, on account of sickness.

On motion, Treasurers report was approved.



He then read report of Ex. Com., including report of the cost of the store building.

Moved and seconded, that this report be approved - carried.

Report of the Board of Trustees, read by their secretary, Miss Orest.

On motion, supported by a second, this report was adopted.

Road Supervisor, Mr. T. D. Estes, made report, which was, on motion, adopted.

L. L. Dickman, Chairman of Tampa Road Committee, made report. Additional information on Tampa Road, given by D. D. Estes, and Dr. Miller.

Moved, by H. R. Manrol, that report be accepted as report of progress. Seconded, and carried.

D. D. Estes made report on Oklawaha Road, which was, on motion, duly seconded, accepted as report of progress.



Surveying Committee had no report to make.

A. P. Dickman made report of progress for Dredging Committee.

Moved and seconded, that this report be accepted, carried.

J. C. Linder, Chairman of the School-house Committee made report, which was, on motion, duly seconded, accepted as report of progress.

New business called for,

Moved by Mr. Harrington, and seconded, that Mr. Pettis be secured to survey the cemetery.

Moved by Mr. Duckett, that this matter be postponed until next regular meeting. Seconded and carried.

Moved by D. D. Ester,



that the purchase of the land  
for the Cemetery be left with  
the Executive Committee.  
Seconded and Carried.

Moved by Admr D. Miller,  
that when the survey of the  
Cemetery is made, that the  
two plots already laid out,  
be not interfered with.  
Seconded; Carried

On motion Society adjourned  
at 3.40

J. C. Linder, Pres.  
J. S. Jones, Sec.

Read and approved at  
regular meeting 12/3/910  
J. S. Jones, Sec.



Call meeting

Kuonin, Sta., Nov. 26, 1911

Meeting called to order, at 10.15, a.m.  
with President, J. C. Linder in the  
corrected Chair, in Assembly Hall.  
by 70 members This meeting was called in ac-  
cordance with a petition signed by  
out of 84 more than 75% of all resident  
members of Kuonin Commongood  
Society, setting forth purposes of  
same. 70 out of 84 resident members signed petition

Mr. Hawk made an announce-  
ment of another meeting to meet at  
the same time, in Dr. C. S. Emery's  
tent, on North side of Depot.

Violin solo by Mr. Buckley.  
Music, by quartet.

Report of Road & Street Supervisor  
called for. — Mr. D. D. Carter respond-  
ed by giving a summary of work  
done by him, while in office  
from beginning, up to date.

Report discussed by Mr. Hawk.



who moved that report be accepted, subject to an auditing committee, to be elected later. Seconded, and amended by A. D. Miller, that report be ratified and Superintendent be commended for his efficient work. Seconded. Carried.

A. C. Sill, Ch. Treasurer, made a report of all business transacted through his department, since being in office.

Moved, by Mr. Hawk, that that part of report relating to the C. H. Co., be stricken out. Same having been withdrawn from report, by Mr. Sill, the motion was withdrawn.

J. O. Duckett, Chairman of C. G. Executive Committee, made a summarized report of business since he entered office.

Report discussed.  
 Moved, by Mr. Foster, that Mr. Duckett's report be ratified.  
 Seconded. Carried.



Miss Harriet C. Orent, as Secretary of Board of Trustees, called upon for report. She responded by reading a summary report of all Colonial affairs, from the beginning, pp to date.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, that report referred to on page one, of Miss Orent's report be read to Society. - Miss Orent complying with Mr. Hawk, wishes the motion was not put.  
 Rept. discussed.

Moved by Dr. Miller, that the matter of Miss Orent's report, be deferred until the afternoon session. Seconded; carried.

On motion, Society adjourned to meet again at 2.00 P.M.



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2.15, P.M.

and on presenting the report stated that he had asked for the opportunity of making the report as a matter of personal privilege in order to give the Society information to counteract misrepresentations that had been made concerning the college and as the Society had no authority over the college, he would read the report on condition that no action be taken upon it that would imply authority of the Society over the institution

Adjourned meeting called to order by President, Mr. Linder, and favored with a motion also, by Mr. Buckley.

Moved by Dr. Miller that the report of Secretary of Board of Trustees, be received and placed on file for information of the Society. Seconded, and carried without a dissenting vote.

Dr. Miller <sup>was</sup> called upon to make a report of the College.

Moved by Mr. Hawk, seconded by Dr. C. S. Emery, that if the report regarding Ruskin College, offered by Mr. Geo. W. Miller is to be entered on our minutes, but not subject to action by the meeting, that it be not read.

On a rising vote 28 favored Mr Hawk's motion, 84 against.



Moved by Mr. E. A. Doane,  
that thanks be tendered to  
Dr. Miller for the information  
regarding College. Sec. Carried.

Report of Election Committee  
called for. Dr. Geo. Mea Miller,  
chairman, responded by reading  
report contained in Rushin News.  
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Report discussed by Mr. Hawk,  
and others. — Mr. Hawk, read-  
ing portions in the Co-operative  
Colonist.

On motion, Society adjourned to  
to reconvene at 7.00 P. M.

7.05 P. M.

Adjourned meeting called to  
order by President.

Violin solo. — Mr Buckley.

On call for unfinished business,  
Mr. Hawk taken up the matter



of By-laws, where he left off at  
 previous session, following Dr.  
 Miller's report. - Discussion -

Moved by Miss Pope that  
 Mr Hawk, should be requested to give a  
 report of his actions, as Ch. Agent,  
 to be given as best as he could  
 now, and a written report to be  
 submitted to Society, later. - Sec. carried

and Mrs Miller made a talk, re-  
 viewing the plans and affairs  
 of Presham College and Colony, since  
 its beginning. - General Discussion.

Mr Hawk was now called upon  
 to make his report <sup>as best he could</sup> in accordance  
 motion previously passed.

Orders of the day moved by  
 A. D. Miller. Seconded by C. C. Allen.  
 General Discussion.

Set of resolutions offered by  
 C. C. Allen, to be printed and sent  
 out by the Society.



Dr. Miller offered an amendment to the resolutions. That in case within the next few days, an agreement may be reached between the majority and minority, the last clause of the resolution shall not go into effect.

Miss Pope offered an amendment to the amendment, that these resolutions be referred to a committee, to report at next meeting.

Mr. Allen,  
with consent  
of second,  
withdrew  
resolution  
for the present

Moved by Mrs. Miller, that we invite the members of the opposition to meet with us Mon. evening at 6.30 o'clock for the purpose of considering amendments to our By-laws, providing the votes of the so called referendum be brought before us, and provided further that such action shall be considered in no way a recognition of their being legal. Seconded; carried.

Moved by Mr. Estes, that three men be ~~appointed~~ <sup>nominated</sup> by the president as a committee to confer with a com.



of three to be nominated by Mr Hawk, to meet before 6.30 o'clock Monday evening (28<sup>th</sup> inst) to see if a settlement can be reached on the amendment to the By Laws. — Carried.

The Chair nominated Dr. Miller, J. O. Duckett, and A. C. Sill, on this Committee.

Mr. Hawk. nominated Mr Burke and Dr. C. A. Emery and himself on the Committee.

Moved by Dr. Emery that Mrs Miller be a member of this Committee. — seconded

Moved by A. C. Sill, that Mrs Hawk also be a member of this Committee. — seconded.

Moved by Admer D. Miller and seconded, that the Secretary cast the ballots of the house for the eight persons nominated to act on this Committee. — Carried.

On motion Society adjourned to meet again at 6.30 o'clock Monday evening, 28<sup>th</sup> inst.

Read and approved.)

12/13/1910.

J. C. Linder, Pres.  
J. S. Dore, Sec.



