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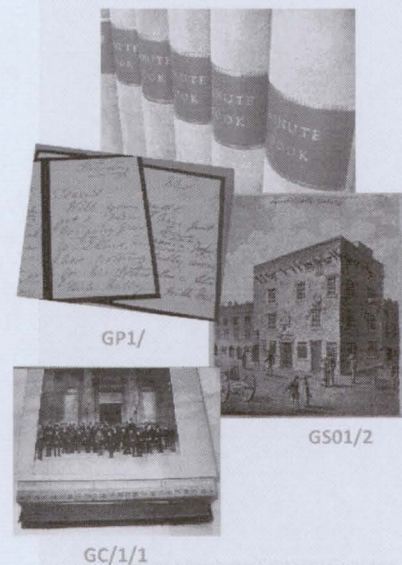
Scope and Content

Dáil Éireann file dealing with the County Council's recognition of Dáil Éireann (1919), and correspondence with Dáil Éireann, includes copies of resolutions passed by the Council relating to Dáil Éireann, such as recognising its authority (June 1920), and letters outlining various difficulties, financial and administrative, following the Council's recognition of Dáil Éireann.

Includes notice calling special meeting to consider Circular letter from Dáil Éireann (Sept 1919), a proposal to have national 'Arbour day' holiday / re-forestation of county (27 Aug 1919), letter from Galway City Sinn Féin Club (Thomas Ashe) regarding its members attending a County Council meeting (Sept 1919), copy of minute rescinding resolution of 3 May 1916 dealing with the 1916 Rising (Jun 1920), a letter from Dáil Éireann, on headed paper, signed by Diarmuid O'hEigceartaig? regarding the authority of Dáil Éireann stating '*...The necessary steps will be taken to have copies of this resolution transmitted to the Governments of Europe and to the President and Chairman of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of*

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Cartlann Chomhairle Contae na Gaillimhe '*...cuimhne dhoiciméadach Chontae na Gaillimhe a shealbú, a chaomhnú agus a dhéanamh inrochtana*'

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America' (30 Jun 1920), a letter from Secretary Galway County Council to Secretary Dáil Éireann, advising 'Minute no. 968 cuts off communication with the Local Government Board, but does not decide whether the regulations and orders of that Board under which the Council's business has hitherto been conducted are still to be observed. Under the Orders referred to many proceedings of the Council require the sanction of the Local Government Board. No instructions have been given to me as to whether such proceedings are to be carried through without any sanction in future, or, if sanction is to be sought, to whom I am to apply for it...

In view of Minute 996, which involves the whole financial work of the County Council, and of the other bodies financed by the County Council out of county Funds (Asylum, Board of Guardians, and Rural District Councils, County Hospital etc) the need for an immediate and clear decision as to future procedure is very urgent...

[The existing Security Bonds of the Collectors recite the condition of the Public Bodies Order relating to Rate Collection including the requirement as to fortnight lodgment by each collector of the County Council. The effect of [alternation in] these conditions without the consent of the sureties, on the validity of the Bonds deserves careful consideration].

But meantime the business of the Council has to be carried on, and it is understood that it is the desire of Dáil Éireann that local administrative services should be maintained as efficiently as possible. The County Council have three thousand miles of Roads on which there are from 700 to 1000 labourers employed under direct labour schemes. These men must be paid every fortnight. Paying Orders must also be issued to discharge remittances for the maintenance of the Asylum, Guardians, District Councils, payment for materials contracts, salaries etc. To discharge these liabilities the Council issue approximately 25,000 Paying Orders addressed to their Treasurer every half year

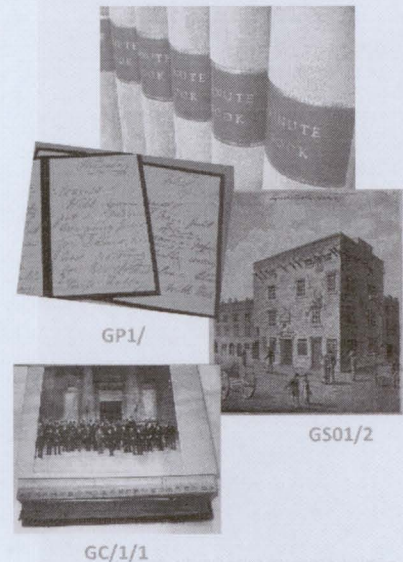
'The Council has now no Treasurer...'. (27 Aug 1920), includes some shorthand and other annotations, including 'Poor Rate is not to be lodged', and also a letter from the County Accountant '...the effect on the finances of the County of the stoppage of Government Grants...' (23 Aug 1920).

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Subject

Dail Eireann

~~Harbour Day~~

References

DATE	REFERRED TO	FOR
24/9/19	Council Special Meeting	Order

Drawer No. _____

GC/CSO/3/1 (32)

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

COURTHOUSE,

GALWAY.

October 6th, 1920.

SIR,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Special General Meeting of the County Council, to be held on Wednesday, the 13th October, 1920, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, at the Council Chamber, Galway.

By Order of the Chairman,

W. G. SEYMOUR,

Secretary.

BUSINESS.

To Consider the state of the County Finances.

To each Member of the County Council of Galway.

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GC/CSO/3/1 (31)

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

COURTHOUSE,

GALWAY.

17th. September, 1920.

Please quote
Number
.....
and Date in your reply.

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Sir,

In connection with minute no. 968, of the County Council of the 18th. August, 1920:-

"That in future no minutes of the transactions of the Galway County Council be sent to the British Local Government Board, and the Secretary is instructed that he is to have no further communication on any subject with the Local Government Board," and minute no. 996 of the 24th. August, 1920:-

"That the services of the National Bank as Treasurer be and are forthwith dispensed with, and that we request the National Bank to publish in the Press notification to the effect that their office of Treasurer has been determined",

I beg to refer to my letters of the 27th. and 28th. August, to Dail Eireann, to which I have not had a reply.

As these resolutions are not valid without the consent of some Local Government Board, and as the Council have pledged themselves to abide by the decisions of Dail Eireann and have ordered me not to communicate with the Local Government Board for Ireland (an order which I have obeyed), I now beg respectfully to call your attention to Article 100, of the Public Bodies Order and to point out that Collectors are not lodging the poor rate with the Treasurer, and that there is no security that the poor rate as at present administered will be properly brought to account, and there is no sanction for the procedure which the Council have adopted.

I enclose a return of the moneys collected by Poor Rate Collectors which have not been lodged with the Treasurer.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

W. J. ...
Secretary.

6.10

To,
The Chairman of County Council, &
The Chairman of Finance Committee,

[Handwritten signature]

17th. September, 1920.

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Secretary.

To
The Chairman of County Council, &
The Chairman of Finance Committee.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

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COURTHOUSE,

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17th. September, 1920.

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Number
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The Chairman of Finance Committee.

lodged to credit of any official County Council Account. The total amount included in the warrants of 35 Poor Rate Collectors in Co Galway for the current financial year is £ 219,647-19-5

The existing Security Bonds of the Collectors recite that full effect shall be given to all decrees duly promulgated by Dail Eireann and I therefore respectfully ask for such sanctions and instructions as Dail Eireann may consider necessary on these conditions, without the consent of the sureties, on the validity of the Bonds deserves careful consideration.

But meantime the business of the Council has to be carried on, and it is understood that it is the desire of Dail Eireann that local administrative services should be maintained as efficiently as possible. The County Council have three thousand miles of Roads on which there are from 700 to 1000 labourers employed under direct labour Schemes. These men must be paid every fortnight. Paying Orders must also be issued to discharge remittances for the maintenance of the Asylum, Guardians, District Councils, payment for materials contracts, salaries etc. To discharge these liabilities the Council issue approximately 25,000 Paying Orders addressed to their Treasurer every half year.

The Council have now no Treasurer, and no instruction has been given as to what Account the Council should operate on, or where the payees named in these 25,000 Paying Orders are to go for their money. Unless these points are settled at once local administration must break down.

The Council have by their Minute No 892 undertaken to give full effect to all decrees duly promulgated by Dail Eireann in so far as same effect the Council, and I therefore respectfully ask for such sanctions and instructions as Dail Eireann may consider necessary on the points mentioned.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

The Secretary, Dail Eireann.

Secretary.

GC/CSO/3/1 (27)

M 968/996/1920

August 27th 1920

Sir,

Referring to Minutes 968 and 996 of the Galway County Council copies of which have been forwarded to Dail Eireann, I beg respectfully to point out that the position created by these decisions is exceedingly difficult.

Minute No 968 cuts off communication with the Local Government Board, but does not decide whether the Regulations and Orders of that Board under which the Council's business has hitherto been conducted are still to be observed. Under the Orders referred to many proceedings of the Council require the sanction of the Local Government Board. No instructions have been given to me as to whether such proceedings are to be carried through without any sanction in future, or, if sanction is to be sought, to whom I am to apply for it.

The difficulty, shortly, is that hitherto I have had a definite Code to which I could refer in every official matter. I do not know whether this Code is now swept completely away, and, if it is, whether any code has been substituted to which I can go for official guidance.

In view of Minute 996, which involves the whole financial work of the County Council, and of the other Bodies financed by the County Council out of County Funds (Asylum, Boards of Guardians, and Rural District Councils, County Hospital etc) the need for an immediate and clear decision as to future procedure is very urgent.

The County Council have simply recorded a Minute terminating the appointment of the National Bank as their Treasurer; but in addition the Council have, I understand, instructed the Poor Rate Collectors, and made other arrangements under which the

Poor Rate is not to be lodged

◆ If wages do not further increase, and expenditure otherwise remains at the present figure it may be taken that the Rate for 1921/22 will be made up of

- A. The Deficits from 1920/21, plus
- B. Rates equal to those for 1920/21, plus
- C. Rates to cover similar deficits for year 1921/22, plus
- D. Provision for extra 5% to cover a full years increased Road Expenditure.

On this basis the Rates for 1921/22 would be

District	A Deficit 1920/21	B Rate for 1920/21 (as in 1920/21)	C Deficits 1921/22 (as in 1920/21)	Extra 5% Extra 5% for Wages	Approx. Rates for 1921/22
Ballinasloe	224½ 30½	94½	30½	½	156½d
Clifden	48½	122	48½	1½	220 d
Galway.	48½	150½	48½	1½	249 d
Glenamaddy	34½	101½	34½	1	171½ d
Gort.	33½	110	33½	1½	178½ d
Loughrea	32½	93½	32½	1	159½ d
Mountbellew	32½	100½	32½	1	167 d
Oughterard	48	143½	48	1½	241½
Portumna	32½	100½	32½	1½	167
Tuam	33	102½	33	1	169½

and accordingly the First Rate to be struck by the present Council would compare with the Rates now in course of collection as follows:

Ballinasloe District, an increase of 5/8½ in the £
 Clifden District, an increase of 8/2 d in the £
 Galway District, an increase of 8/2½ in the £
 Glenamaddy District, an increase of 5/10d in the £
 Gort District, an increase of 5/8½d in the £
 Loughrea District, an increase of 5/6d in the £
 Mountbellew District, an increase of 5/6½d in the £
 Oughterard District, an increase of 8/2½d in the £
 Portumna District, an increase of 5/6½ in the £
 Tuam District, an increase of 5/7d in the £. = 10½/135,800

The Rates in the Urban Districts of Ballinasloe and Galway would be correspondingly increased in respect of County-at-large and Union Charges.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. J. F. J. J. J.

County Accountant

The Secretary,

Galway County Council,
Galway

RURAL DISTRICT FUNDS.

These accounts are also affected by the increase in Road Expenditure, but as it is assumed that the increases will not date back to the first quarter of the current financial year only ¹⁸15% is here taken into Account. The Figures are:

District.	Loss Grants	Inc. Roads	Total	Equal to rate of
Ballinasloe	1,164	695	1,857	7½
Clifden	716	358	1,074	13
Galway.	1,540	1,030	2,570	15½
Glenamaddy	797	502	1,299	9½
Gort.	1,086	774	1,860	10½
Loughrea.	2,452	1,368	3,820	11½
Mountbellew	1,173	516 816	1,789	10½
Oughterard	631	364	995	14
Portumna	794	630	1,424	9½
Tuen	2,242	1,206	3,448	10½

The existing situation, therefore, indicates that at the close of the present Financial the deficits in terms of Rates in the various Districts will be :

District.	County	Union	District	Total.
Ballinasloe	11	12½	7½	30½
Clifden	11	24½	13	48½
Galway	11	15½ 22	15½	48½
Glenamaddy	11	14	9½	34½
Gort.	11	15½	10½	33½
Loughrea	11	9½	11½	32½
Mountbellew	11	11	10½	32½
Oughterard	11	23	14	48
Portumna	11	12	9½	32½
Tuam	11	12½	10½	33

This deficit must be raised in the Financial Year 1921/22 which will be Estimated for next February. It may be well to consider the result, assuming that the present conditions become no worse. It will then be necessary to make rates including

- A. The deficits from 1920/21
- B. The Expenditure proper to the year 1921/22
- C. The Deficits on Grants proper to the year.

Copy for information of
Chairman of Finance Comtee

GC/CSO/3/11 (24)

GALWAY,

August 23rd 1920

Sir,

In view of recent developments I think it is my duty to call attention to the effect upon the finances of the County of the the stoppage of Government Grants. The developments referred to have taken place since the County Estimates for the year 1920/21 were framed in February last, and it will therefore be convenient to take the Estimates as a basis for this report.

I am of opinion that, on the facts as they then stood, the Estimate of February was sound. The position is now altered by (a) The threatened stoppage of Government Grants, and (b) The recent increases authorized by the Council in wages of Road Staffs which will increase the cost of Public Works by approximately 20%.

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COUNTY-AT-LARGE FUND.

Assuming that the Government Grants do not become available the extra liability thrown upon this Fund in respect of the current Financial Year will be £17,766 and the increase in respect of Roads will be £ 2,60022 equal to, approximately, 11d in the £ on the County.

Total

£20,366

UNION FUNDS.

These are only affected by the stoppage of Grants. The figures are.

Union.	Amount of Grant Estimated for	Equal to Rate on the Union Pence
	£	
BALLINASLOE.	3,177	12½
CLIFDEN.	1,999	24½
GLYNNAMARRY		
GALWAY.	3,664	22
GIENAMADDY	1,914	14
GORT.	2,479	13½
LOUGHREA	3,132 3,132	9½
MOUNTBELLEW.	1,863	11
OUCHTERARD	1,657	23
PORTUMNA	1,784	12
TUAM.	4,089	12½

GC/CSO/3/1 (23)

8th. September, 1920.

Sir,

I beg to enclose return of poor rate collected in this County up to the 31st. August last.

With regard to the entries in column 14, I have written to the Collector in each case for an explanation.

With regard to answers in column 9, for the last half of the month of August collectors have not been lodging money ~~in~~ with the Treasurer, but to the D. E. account of County Councillors named by the County Council.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

The Secretary,

Dail Eireann,

(Local Government Department),

Per hands of the Chairman of the County Council.

GC/CSO/3/1(22)



Local Government Department

Dail Eireann.

31st. August 1920.

To The Clerk of each Local Authority.

A Chars,

I send herewith copy of resolution adopted by the General Council of County Councils in re the Belfast pogrom.

I desire to direct your attention to the importance of this decision. The prosperity of Belfast is as dear to Irishmen as that of any other city or district - but recent tests put to Industrialists cannot be tolerated in this or any age of civilisation. Political, civil, and religious liberty must be maintained all over Ireland and while the rest of the country is perfectly willing that Belfast should derive its financial accommodation from the South, East, and West, it will not permit Belfast to put any political or religious test which strikes at the foundations of liberty.

The attention and support of your Board is therefore requested to vindicate the rights of Irish citizenship.

Mine,

L. T. MacCosgair.

Minister for Local Government.

Copy of Resolution passed unanimously by the County Councils General Council at a special meeting held 12th. August, 1920.

As the imposition of religious and political tests as a condition of industrial employment in any part of Ireland has been decreed illegal, this Council calls upon all public bodies here represented, and upon Local Authorities everywhere throughout Ireland, to take immediate steps to cease trading with the city in which such an illegal test is now attempted to be enforced. This Council further recommends that business be discontinued throughout Ireland with the branches of the banks which finance firms who apply, or permit to be applied, such illegal tests, and firms which expel, or permit to be expelled, employes who refuse to submit to such illegal tests.

This cessation of trade and the withdrawal of support from the Banks indicated are to be maintained until such time as the victimised employes are unconditionally re-employed. On the receipt from the local Labour leaders and the authentic representatives of the persecuted people of a White List of firms which have refused to permit their employes to be illegally expelled from their work, the Council will recommend that business with such firms be resumed.

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of Treasurer. This will not interfere in any way with the arrangements made for the disposal of the Poor Rate.

The Committee have given very careful and anxious consideration to this matter; they believe that the course they suggest is absolutely necessary, and they hope that Dail Eireann will concur, and give the authority which is now respectfully asked for.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

The Secretary,

Dail Eireann

(Local Government Department)

Per hands of the Chairman of Galway County Council.

GC/CSO/3/1 (20)

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

COURTHOUSE,

GALWAY.

<i>Please quote</i>
Number
M 968/996/1920
and Date in your reply.

August 28th 1920

Sir,

Referring to my letter of the 27th inst. dealing with Minutes 968 and 996 of the Galway County Council I am to state that the Finance Committee of the Council, at their meeting today, had the matters referred to therein again under consideration.

They have come to the conclusion that if the resolution determining the Treasurership of the National Bank is not rescinded it will not be possible to carry on local administration, and at the same time effect the object desired by Dail Eireann. If the Bank is retained in the position of Treasurer business will be facilitated, with little if any risk of endangering the object referred to.

Some Government Departments (e.g. Road Board) are still making payments to the County Council. The drafts are payable to the Treasurer and crossed National Bank, and can only be cashed by the Bank to a County Council Account. If they are not cashed, the money simply goes back to the British Treasury.

If the Bank is continued as Treasurer they can, and it is believed will, continue to honour Paying Orders for the liabilities of the Council to the extent of any required overdraft, even though the Poor Rate is not lodged to credit of the County Council Account.

If the Bank is not continued as Treasurer numerous, and, so far as the Committee can see, insurmountable difficulties will immediately arise in connection with payments. The local manager, on his own responsibility, has agreed to honour the orders issued today. Half the labourers are paid every week and a further list of payments will have to be met on next Saturday.

The Committee therefore recommend that authority may be given for the rescision of Minute 996 (determining the office of

Gc/cso/3/1 (19)

DAIL ÉIREANN.

Seoltar Litracha cun Runaíde Dáil Éireann, c/o Uíge an Áro-Mhaoir, Át-Chiast.

Correspondence may be addressed to the Secretary, Dáil Éireann, c/o Mansion House, Dublin.

GENERAL SECRETARY

JUNE 30th 1920/

The Secretary
Galway County Council.

A Chara,

I have to acknowledge with thanks receipt of your letter of 21st inst.No. 892 M. enclosing thirty sealed copies of the Resolution acknowledging the Authority of Dail Eireann, which was adopted by the Galway County Council at their meeting on the 18th inst.

The necessary steps will be taken to have copies of this resolution transmitted to the Governments of Europe and to the President and Chairman of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America.

Mise le meas,

Diarmuid ÓhDigeartaigh

Runaíde na hAireachta.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Meeting held on FRI day, the 18th day of JUNE, 1920.

RESOLUTION

Proposed by COUNCILLOR T. WALSH,

Seconded by COUNCILLOR C. O'GAORA:-

"That as Irishmen we view with astonishment the imprisonment of James Larkin for advocating what he believed to be right:

That copy of this resolution be sent to the Ambassador of the Irish Republic in America with a request to draw the attention of the American Government to this and to ask for Mr. Larkin's release."

Result Passed.

(Signed) Chairman.

DAIL ÉIREANN.

Seoladh Litreacha don Runaidhe Dail Éireann, r/c Tige an Árd-Mhaoir, Át-Chiast.

Correspondence may be addressed to the Secretary, Dail Eireann, c/o Mansion House, Dublin.

GENERAL SECRETARIAT

JULY 12th 1920.

The Secretary,
Galway County Council,
Court-House, Galway.



A Chara,

With reference to your letter of the 21st ulto, addressed to the Ambassador of the Irish Republic in America, transmitting copy of a resolution adopted by the Galway County Council relative to the imprisonment of Mr. James Larkin, I am to acquaint you, for the information of your Council, that the Consul General of the Republic at New York, at the direction of the President, afforded Mr. Larkin all the assistance, during his trial, that a Consul is entitled to give a citizen of the country he represents.

The Minister for Foreign Affairs has called for a complete report upon the whole matter and pending the receipt of this report no further action can be taken by the Government.

Mise le meas

Diarmuid Ó'Digceatair

Runaidhe na hAireachta.

919. Mr James Larkin.

Read letter from Dail Eireann, and letter from Miss D Larkin. ORDER. Letter of Dail Eireann approved.

Gc/CSO/S/1 (16)

21st. June, 1920.

Dear Mr. Chairman,

I send you herewith, for transmission by hand, (a) letter to Secretary of Dail Eireann with thirty copies of resolution. Please sign the thirty copies before forwarding. (b) file re Weights and Measures at Woodford, for transmission to Commandant of the Volunteers, and (c) letter and resolution to be transmitted to Ambassador of the Irish Republic in America.

I take it to be your desire that these documents should not be forwarded by ordinary post.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

G. Nicolls, Esq.
Chairman, County Council,
University Road,
Galway.

GC/CSO/3/1 (15)

892.M.

21st. June, 1920.

Sir,

I am directed by the Galway County Council to forward to you the accompanying thirty copies of a resolution unanimously passed by the County Council at their meeting held on the 18th. inst., sealed with the seal of the Council and signed by the Chairman.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

The Secretary,

Dail Eireann,

(By hand)

GC/CSO/3/1 (14)

READ AT MEETING

18 JUN 1920

892 DAIL EIREANN Councillor O'GAORA proposed, Councillor KENNEDY seconded.

That this Council of the Elected representatives of the County of Galway, at a duly convened meeting hereby acknowledges the authority of Dail Eireann as the duly elected Government of the Irish People, and undertakes to give full effect to all decrees duly promulgated by the said Dail Eireann in so far as same affect this Council. That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Republican Minister for Foreign Affairs for transmission to the governments of Europe, and to the President and Chairmen of the Senate and House of Representatives of the U.S.A.

PASSED.

and.

Secretary is directed to prepare thirty copies of the foregoing resolution, authenticated by the Official Seal of the Council, to be forwarded by hand to the Secretary of Dail Eireann for submission to the various foreign governments.

30 copies sealed
sent Chairman 21⁶/20.

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READ AT MEETING
18 JUN 1920

893. Members of
Committees and Dail Eireann.

Councillor JORDAN proposed; Councillor FINNERTY ~~2nd~~
Seconded.

That all Members appointed by the Republican
County Council of Galway to act on the different
Committees be requested to pledge allegiance to Dail
Aireann the Government of the Irish Republic

PASSED.

Copy to be sent to every member appointed on a
County Council Committee, and to the Clerks of Old
Age Pension Committees

*Copy
Proof of resolution to printer
21/6/20*

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READ AT MEETING

18 JUN 1920

894 Resolution of
May 1916

The CHAIRMAN proposed; Councillor KENNEDY Seconded.

That the Resolution of the 3rd May 1916 dealing
with the Rising of 1916 be marked rescinded, but
preserved on the records as a document of historical
interest.

PASSED, and

The CHAIRMAN dealt with the Resolution of May
1916 dealing with the Rising in accordance with the
Order of the County Council

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Town Commissioners Office,

LOUGHREA.

24th NOV 1919.

The Secretary
Galway Co Council
The Court House
Galway.



Sir,

I am directed by the Arbor Committee
to ask you if the Co. Council would
give them financial assistance to the
Committee for the purpose of planting
certain streets in the town each year
with trees.

Thanking you in Anticipation
Your Obedient Servant,
Thomas Ryan
Town Clerk.

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GC/CSO/3/1 (10)

READ AT MEETING
5 - NOV. 1919

Forestry.
Arbor Day.
641.

Read letter from Dail Eireann relative to declaring
1st. November a general holiday for the purpose of
holding an Arbor Day.
Postponed till 29th. November.

No Order.

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Galway City Sinn Fein Club

(THOMAS ASHE).

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Galway, 23. 7. 191

Aca/A.

We beg to notify you that
Mr Walsh, Mr Nicolls and Mr C.
Cos Killoe have been deputed by this
club to await on your Council at
its meeting to day in connection
with the re-appointment of the
country. Trusting they may have
the favour of your Council
receiving them.

Yours Sincerely

John Hosley

John King Hon Secs

The Presiding Chairman

Galway County Council

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Council Area will deal
with walls today. Will
be brought up for
5th June
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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Please quote
Number _____
and Date in your reply

Secretary's Office,

COURTHOUSE,

September 17th 1919
GALWAY.

Sir,

In accordance with the attached Requisition you are hereby summoned to attend a Special Meeting of the County Council to be held at the Council Chamber Galway at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday the 24th September.

By Order of the Chairman
W. Gordon Seymour
Secretary

Copy of Requisition

We the undersigned members of the County Council request you to summon a special meeting of the Council to be held on the 24th September 1919 to consider the Circular letter of Dail Eireann re Arbour Day on the 1st November 1919.

(Signed) Thomas Ruane; E. A. Sweeney
P. D. Cauroy; M. Coen; Pats. Finerky

The Circular proposes a general holiday on 1st November for the purpose of holding an Arbour Day, and asks the County Council to co-operate

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30th. August, 1919.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th. instant, in connection with proposal for the holding of a general holiday on the 1st. November, and with reference thereto I beg to inform you that the next meeting of the County Council has been fixed since last June for the 5th. November, so that, I regret, under ordinary circumstances it will be impossible for the County Council to consider your letter before the 1st. November.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Secretary.

The Secretary,

Dail Eiream,

C/O Mansion House,

Dublin.

Galway County Council
Secretaries Office

Galway Sept 17th 1917

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend a Special Meeting of the Council to be held at the Council Chamber, at 12 o'clock noon, on Wednesday the 24th September 1917

By Order of the Chairman
W Gordon Lyngour,
Secretary

To Each Member of
The Galway County Council

Requestion

(Copy)

We the undersigned Members of the County Council request you to summon a special meeting of the Council to be held on the 24th September 1919 to consider the circular letter of Dail Eireann re Labour Day on the 1st November next

(Signed) Thomas Ryan; E. A. J. J. J.
D. Conroy; M. Coen; Patrick Finney

The circular referred to states that "under a recent decree of Dail Eireann, November 1st next has been declared a general holiday for the purpose of holding an Labour Day and asks the Council to co-operate"

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DAIL ÉIREANN.

ΔΙΡΕΑΔΤ ΤΑΛΑΜΗΟΥΘΕΑΔΤΑ

Agricultural Department

Seoladh litreacha cun Runaróe Dáil Éireann, p/c Tíge an Ápro-Mháistir, Át-Chiast.

Correspondence may be addressed to the Secretary, Dail Éireann, c/o Mansion House, Dublin.

Department of Agriculture
Forestry Committee.

*Autographed
& file for next agenda
WVS*

6 Harcourt Street,

DUBLIN.

27th August, 1919.

The Secretary,
to each County Council.



A chara,

I desire to bring to your notice that under a recent Decree of Dail Eireann, November 1st next has been declared a general holiday for the purpose of holding an Arbour Day.

The Forestry Committee feels there is no need to labour the point that re-afforestation has become an acute national problem. For years past the country has been steadily denuded of her woodlands without any serious effort being made to replace them. In these circumstances the duty of a council responsible and claiming to be responsive to the people's will is clear.

I have accordingly to ask whether your Council will co-operate with us in making Arbour Day a National festival. For

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the purposes of inspecting trees and giving instruction as to their planting, we should be specially glad to have the assistance of any forestry or other qualified officials your Council has in its service.

At the same time we would like to know whether your Council has already done or proposes to do anything for the furtherance of forestry in the coming planting season.

Kindly bring this letter before the next meeting of your Council and let me have a reply at the earliest moment possible. A letter in similar terms is being addressed to the County Committee of Agriculture.

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R. Barton

Robairé Bannín

AIRE NA TALMHAIR.

To

The Secretary
Galway County Council.

We the undersigned members of The
County Council request you to
Summon a Special Meeting of the
Council, to be held on the 24th
September 1919, to Consider The
Circular letter of Bail Eireann
re Arbor Day on the 1st November
next.

Signed.

Thomas Ruane

E. Sweeney

P. S. O'Leary

M. Coen

Patrick Finerty

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Day on ... November.

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19. 10. 1919
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18/9/19.

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Galway County Council Archives

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