

1950, agus go bhfuil ar intinn aise rún a molaó maidir leis an ábhar so ag an gcéad cruinniú eile.

9105.—Seirbhís Coiteáin: Dubairt an Rúnai go bhfuil an Damisteoir ar intinn trécair freastail uisce le h-áirí na seirbhísi coiteáin a ceannac; iarrpar tairginte agus beir an costas roir £3,000 agus £3,500.

Mol Clr. Ua n-Uigin, curóir Clr. Faldám agus glacad le rún go bhfuil an Comairle sásta tairginte a iarrpar.

Dí M. Mac Cártaigh Uasal sa Cácaoir as so amac.

9106.—Scéim Scoláireachta i Meán-scola agus i nSairm-scola, 1954: Léigeat léir 16/53—R.O. (2) 85832 de 3/7/1953 o'n Roinn Oideachais agus mioncuairtisi cruinnithe an Coiste Oideachais a tionólad an 14ú Iúil, 1953.

Mol Clr. Ua n-Uigin, curóir Clr. O Coiteáin agus glac an Comairle o'aon gúe le rún go mbeir scéim scoláireachta i Meán-scola agus i nSairm-scola, 1954, oiread mar an scéim le h-áirí 1953, leasuithe mar seo:—

- (a) Alt IV (1) £400 agus £50 a méadú go £500 agus £60 fá seac.
(b) Alt V (1) Na focail seo a cuir leis an alt so: "The Council may in special circumstances approve a departure from the terms of this sub-clause so as to permit the tenure of a scholarship in a school outside the County of Galway."

9107.—Scoláireachta i Meán-scola agus i nSairm-scola: Mol Clr. Ua n-Uigin, curóir Clr. O Coiteáin agus o'aontuis an Comairle na scéimeanna scoláireachta i Meán-scola agus i nSairm-scola 1952 agus 1953 a leasú mar seo:—

Alt V (1) Na focail seo a cuir leis an alt so: "The Council may in special circumstances approve a departure from the terms of this sub-clause so as to permit the tenure of a scholarship in a school outside the County of Galway."

Tuis an Comairle ceat'oo na daoine seo leanas, go bhfuil scoláireachtaí acu, beir ag freastail ar scoileanna caob amuis go Conndae na Gaillimne:—

- Scéim 1953: Séamus O Deara, Mount St. Joseph's, Tullow. Walter Mac Conamara, Patrician College, Ballyfin. Ronán Sill, Franciscan College, Multyfarnham.

- Scéim 1952: Seán Mac Conamara, Patrician College, Ballyfin

9108.—Scéim Scoláireachta Iolscoite, 1954: Léigeat mioncuairtisi cruinnithe an Coiste Oideachais a tionólad an 14ú Iúil, 1953.

Mol Clr. Ua n-Uigin, curóir Clr. O Coiteáin agus glac an Comairle o'aon gúe le rún go mbeir scéim scoláireachta Iolscoite, 1954, oiread mar an scéim le h-áirí 1953, leasuithe mar seo:—

- (a) Alt IV (2) (1) £400 agus £50 a méadú go £500 agus £60 fá seac.
(b) Alt nua i.e. Alt XVI a cur istead, viz:— "XVI—If a candidate who qualifies for a State Scholarship and a County Council Scholarship avails of the State Scholarship and subsequently fails to retain it, he/she shall not then be granted the County Council Scholarship."

Cuiread siar go dté an céad cruinniú eile litreacha ó na daoine seo maidir le scoláireachtaí Iolscoite:—

- Maurice Henry. Michael J. Higgins. Robert Morrow. Patricia Hanniffy. Patrick Hanley.

9109.—Seadcomairtí Náisiúnta: Cuiread o's comair na Comairle ráiteas ag ceasbáint na daoine a bí i lácair ag cruinnithe de'n Coiste Comhairliteac na Seadcomairtí Náisiúnta.

Mol Clr. Mac Cártaigh, curóir Clr. O Coiteáin agus ceap an Comairle na daoine seo leanas a beir na coiste:—

- An Tighearna Cillanm. An t-Ollamh O Duibheannám. An Dr. T. O Coisdealba. An t-Ácair Mac Finn. An t-Ácair O n-Doobáin.

9110.—Céad Auguis Múir: Maidir le mioncuairtisi Uimh 8951:—

Mol Clr. O Donnaiil, curóir Clr. Mac Donnacáa agus o'aontuis an Comairle comroim £510 a íoc do'n obair seo in ionad an méir £410 a bí ceauite ceana.

9111.—Rois Nua i Scúil Conaill: Cuiread an compreasar-tas maidir leis an ábhar so ós comair na Comairle agus ar molaó Clr. O Ceit agus O Coiteáin, o'aontuis an Comairle Rois nua a solácair i Scúil Conaill má's rúe é go bhfuil gá leis.

9112.—Ceasais Sealadaca: Bí oiospóireac am ar pó-olite maidir le ceasais sealadaca o'úsáir, a déanamh, agus iarracás a déanamh cun alt 34 de'n Act Rialtais Áitiúil (Seirbhísi Sláinte), 1948, a cuir i bpeiróm sa ceannac sláinte so. O'aontuis an Comairle na Pó-olite a ullmú agus tuisgead go scuirfead ós a gcomair 140 ag cruinniú éigim eile.

9113.—CÓRAS SEARAC I SCARÁRAMA RUAD: Mol Clr. O Donnaiil, curóir Clr. Mac Eocagáin agus o'aontuis an Comairle dul ar áirí le córas searac i Scarárama Ruad a solácair.

9114.—Leas-Bailiteoir Nácaí-Ceannac 4: Léigeat-veimniúcan an doctóra go bhfuil Clr. N. Ní Laoir cinn pús agus nac mbeir sí i n-ann dul i mbun a dualgais roim 8/1/1954.

Mol Clr. O Donnaiil, curóir Clr. Mac Eocagáin agus cug an Comairle saoire breoiteacá oí ó 24/8/1953 go 7/1/1954, agus glac an Comairle leis an leas-bailiteoir, Mairead Ní Laoir beir ag gníomh ar fead na tréimse sin.

9115.—Príom-Ospidéal na Gaillimne: Léigeat ráiteas ag ceasbáint gur £33,211 4s. 3d. an teact istead ionlán i scóir na tréimse 1/4/1952 go dtí 31/3/1953.

9116.—Coiste Chaireoicá: Glac an Comairle le mioncuairtisi an Coiste Chaireoicá go dtí an dáta so agus socruigeat go mbeir an céad cruinniú eile de'n coiste seo i bPríom Ospidéal na Gaillimne ar 16ú Meán Fómair, 1953 ag 4 p.m. a cíos—in ionad an 9ú Meán Fómair, 1953.

9117.—Iasact Sealadac: Mol Clr. O Dubda, curóir Clr. Ua n-Uigin agus glac an Comairle leis an rún so leanas:— "Go bpaifear iasact sealadac, o'n mDannc Náisiúnta Teoranta, Gaillimh, ná rácair ear £270,000, ar an gCuntas Semearáca sa tréimse ó 1ú Deire Fómair, 1953, go 31ú Iúil, 1953."

9118.—Folúntas: O'aontuis an Comairle go noéanpar an gnáe-socrú maidir le líonad an folúntais ins an Comairle in áit S. S. Uí Cumneagáin Uasal, nac maiream. Sighis Clr. M. Mac Cártaigh, P. O Coiteáin agus S. Mac Eocagáin an foillsiú folúntais.

9119.—Ceac an Easpuis, Tuaim: Ar molaó Clr. O Ceit agus Mac Eocagáin, glac an Comairle le molaó an Damisteora go noíolpar ceac an Easpuis, Tuaim, agus curo de'n talamh atá ag dul leis, caob istis de 3 acraí, agus tuisad pé noeara go scuirfead an ábhar so ós comair na Comairle go foirmleac ar ball.

9120.—Ceauúnas Picciurlainne: Ar molaó Clr. Mac an Rios agus O Faldám, o'aontuis an Comairle ceauúnas a tabairt do Mr. S. Hudson le h-áirí a picciurlainne taisteil.

9121.—Caidéal Uisce i Scúlan-Coille agus i Scúil-Mór: Mol Clr. Mac an Rios agus Mac Eocagáin agus o'aontuis an Comairle an caidéal so a solácair.

9122.—Scéim Uisce i Scasta: Ag tabairt freagra do Clr. O Donnaiil agus Ua n-Uigin dubairt an Damisteora go raib an innealltóir ag obair ar scéim nua agus go raib siú aise go mbeir eolas cruinn na caob ag an gcéad cruinniú eile.

9123.—Scéim Uisce i mBaite Liam: Ceapad na Comairleoirí seo leanas agus an Cntae-Damisteoir mar pó-coiste cun ceist na moile sa scéim seo a pleide leis an Cntae Ulrgeadóir:— Clr. Mags Fíonn, P. O Soir agus M. O Ceit.

9124.—Míreanna Curca ar Ae-Ló: Cuiread na míreanna so siar go dtí an céad cruinniú eile: viz:— Uimh 19 (c), 19 (o) agus 19 (e).

9125.—Scéim Uisce i mBeanna: Ag tabairt freagra do Clr. Ua n-Uigin maidir leis an scéim seo dubairt an Damisteora go bhfuil na pleamanna beagnac réir act go scuirfead beartú a déanamh pé'n act Solácairí Uisce, 1942.

9126.—Uisce a Solácair do Cnoc an Sarrat: Mar freagra do Clr. Ua n-Uigin dubairt an Damisteora go bhfuil ganntas uisce sa cacair pús; agus nac féoir uisce a tabairt do'n áit seo; go bhfuil scéim roir lámair cun solácair uisce sa cacair a leasú agus go mbreacópáir an molaó so aitis nuair a béas an scéim sin críochnúe.

9127.—Compánac Leabarlanna na h-Éireann: Ceapad Clr. M. O. Cunn agus S. Mags Fíonn agus S. Mags Uíoir, Leabarlannai Conndae mar ceacairí go dtí an Comrao i Loc Sarman ó 21ú-25ú M. Fómair, 1953.

9128.—Árd Comairle na gConbaete: Comaircuigeat mioncuairtisi cruinnithe de'n Árd Comairle a tionólad ar 7ú Dealtaine, 1953—cuiread cóip oíob chis gac baili roim-re.

9129.—Saebúise: Léigeat litreacha ó Comrao na Saebúise, Baite Áca Cúac agus Gaillimh ag molaó na Comairle mar seall ar an gníomh a bí beanta aca ar son na Saebúise. Ar molaó Clr. Mac an Rios, Uí n-Uigin agus Uí Donnaiil, tairg an Comairle a mbuibeacas do na trécairí agus do na páipeirí nuaróeacá ar an méirí puiblíbeacá a tuis siad do'n cruinniú Saebéalac seo.

9130.—Cuarsacal Ciománuicé: Dubairt Clr. Mac an Rios go bhfuil sé ar intinn méadú cuarsacail oos na fearair seo a mola ag an gcéad cruinniú eile.

9131.—Comháireacás: Glac an Comairle le rún comháireacás le R. O Flaicim Uas. ar a tosaó mar...

Handwritten signatures and dates: M. O. Cunn. 17ú D. Fómair 1953

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

7adh Deire Fomhair, 1953.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the Housing Committee which will be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, on MONDAY, 12th OCTOBER, 1953, at 4.p.m.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh.

Runai.

To: Each Member of Housing Committee;

AGENDA.

TO CONSIDER Reports from the officers concerned in regard to:-

- (1) the housing needs in the County Health District and the progress made with acquisition of sites and erection of cottages;
- (2) the position in regard to issue of loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts;
- (3) Supplementary Housing Grants:
 - (a) for New Houses;
 - (b) for Reconstruction and for Sanitary facilities.
- (4) Other Business.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

9adh Deire Fomhair, 1953.

Chuir gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú Speisialta de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Feirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 17adh Deire Fomhair, 1953, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanaigh.

Runai.

GNO.

To consider the adoption of the provisions of Section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and to decide to do the following things or all or any of them in the town of Loughrea in the County Health District of Galway namely:-

- (1) to provide a Market place and construct a Market house and other conveniences for the purpose of holding markets in said town;
- (2) to provide houses and places for weighing carts;
- (3) to make convenient approaches to such markets;
- (4) to provide all such matters and things as may be necessary for the convenient use of such market;
- (5) to purchase or take on lease land or the right to use land and public or private rights in markets and tolls in the said town;
- (6) to take stallages, rents and tolls in respect of the use by any person of such market;
- (7) to approve of the draft Bye-laws prepared for the holding of markets in the said town;
- (8) to extinguish, if considered necessary, all existing fairs and markets therein, and to provide and establish instead such markets as the Council shall consider to be necessary and useful.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan,
GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.
9adh Deire Fomhair, 1953.

Chuid gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,
Tarrtar ort leis seo bheit l lathair ag Cruinniu de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 17adh Deire Fomhair, 1953, nuair a bheas deire leis an gCruinniu Speisialta.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanaigh.

Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Filling of Vacancy in the Galway County Council (Tuam Electoral Area) consequent upon the death of Mr. J.J. Cunningham.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deed for Loan of £8,150 for provision of a Dispensary Residente and Dispensary at Carna.
4. Transfer of Loughrea Pound to the County Galway Vocational Education Committee.
5. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 - Proposals for Year Ending 31/3/1954.
6. Appointment of an Inspector of Boarded-out Children.
7. Supplementary Reconstruction Grants under Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, - Clr. M. Carty's Notice of Motion (Minute No.9104).
8. Wages of Engine Drivers - Clr. T. King's Notice of intention to propose an increase (Minute No.9130).
9. Regional Water Supply Scheme for Carraroe/Costello district.
10. University Scholarships - Applications for special concessions not coming within the terms of scheme, viz:-
 - (a) Miss Patricia Hanniffy, Creagh, Ballinasloe.
 - (b) Mr. Robert Morrow, Hillside, Lr. Salthill.
 - (c) Mr. Patrick Hanley, 8, Shantalla Place.
 - (d) Mr. Maurice Henry, Tryhill, Ballinamore Bridge.
 - (e) Mr. Michael J. Higgins, Cregclare, Ardrahan.
11. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads:-
Roads in the Council's Housing Schemes at Athenry, Headford, Gort and Ballybrit.
12. Letter 2/10/1953 from the Town Clerk, Galway, enquiring if the County Council would be opposed to the seeking of County Borough status by Galway Borough Council.
13. Councillors' Notices of Motion:
 - (a) Deputy R. Lahiffe: "Please note that at next meeting of the Co. Council I will propose that no further moneys be provided for the maintenance of the footbridge leading to townland of Derreen, Gort, and that instead the Co. Council join with local ratepayers as one contributor towards having a permanent bridge erected to replace the old wooden footbridge. This work would be carried out by the Board of Works under Rural Improvements Scheme."
 - (b) Clr. J.J. Nestor: (1) "That a pump be sunk in the vicinity of Gortnaleam School, Dunmore, for the accommodation of between twenty and thirty families, and that in the meantime, the well which supplied those families in the past be cleaned and protected."
(ii) "That a supply of water be provided for the townland of Graigahillaire, Browns Grove, Tuam."
 - (c) Clr. J. O'Dowd: (1) "At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the County Manager if it is proposed to build a new dispensary at Laurencetown or take over one built there already but not finished. I will propose the taking over of the latter."
(2) "At the next meeting of the Council I will ask the Council to take over the pump at Redmount Hill, Eyrecourt, the property of the Irish Land Commission."

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- (3) "At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the County Engineer to have pump N.2. at Abbeylands, Eyrecourt, deepened as its not giving near the amount of water required."
 - (4) "At the next meeting of the County Council, I will propose that the Council continue Irish Land Commission road at Redmount Hill to Doon Cemetery."
 - 13.(d) Clr. L. O'Toole: (1) "Take notice that I or another Councillor on my behalf will propose at the next meeting of this Co. Council that the pumping plant purchased for above waterworks be installed without further delay."
(2) "Take notice that I or another Councillor on my behalf will propose at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the plans for the proposed sewerage schemes (which were agreed to) at Tullycross Renvyle, Tully Renvyle, Letterfrack and Cleggan, be proceeded with at once."
 - (e) Clr. J.P. Joyce: (1) "That the new water extension at Moycullen be continued to supply Glancy's and Feeney's houses."
(2) Please note that I or someone on my behalf will at next meeting of Co. Council ask the Secretary: (a) What area of ground has been compulsorily acquired from each landowner for road widening at Newtown, Moycullen. (b) What price, or other means of compensation, has been agreed on in each particular case. (c) Reason for delay in making payments."
 - (f) Clr. J. Flaherty: (1) "I will ask the Co. Manager at our next meeting the reason why the grants for bathrooms are not paid to applicants under Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950.
(2) I will also ask the Co. Manager if it is his intention to carry out the proposed extension to the piped water supply in Glenamaddy before March 1954."
 - (g) Clr. S. Glynn: "I will move that the County Surveyor be instructed to make provision in his Roads Estimate for 1954/55 for a sum of money (say £500) per member of Council to be spent in particular improvements on any type of road maintained by Co. Council as specified by a member of County Council."
 - (h) Clr. P. Furey: "That public lighting be provided in Corrandulla Village."
 - (i) Clr. M. Carty: (1) At next Co. Council meeting I will propose that secondary scholarship awarded to Miss Margaret Hurley, Gurteen, Ballinasloe, in 1950, be made tenable for remaining two years at Ursuline Convent, Sligo, to enable holder to pursue a course of study in Domestic Science.
(2) At the next meeting of the Co. Council I or some other member acting for me will propose that the Council raise a supplementary loan of £7,000 to complete the building programme of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for the erection of three new schools at New Inn, Dunmore and Loughrea."
 - (j) Pádraig P. Cawley: "That water and sewerage schemes for Craughwell Town be provided simultaneously."
14. County Councils General Council - Notice of matters for inclusion in Agenda for December meeting.
 15. Establishment of a force of Women Police - Letter from the Joint Committee of Womens' Societies and Social Workers.
 16. Resolutions.
 17. Other Business.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, on MONDAY, 12th OCTOBER, 1953.

IN THE CHAIR: Clr. M. Quinn.

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. M.A. Ashe, P. Collins, J. Geoghegan, Deputy M. Killilea, Ctrs. T. King, M. Kitt, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Deputy J. Mannion and Clr. J.J. Nestor.

1. LABOURERS ACTS: The Secretary submitted a statement giving particulars of the progress made with the provision of new cottages, viz:-

Sites Acquired for:	Urban	Rural	Total
(a) Houses built ...	44	139	183
(b) Houses in course of erection ...	-	5	5
(c) Houses for which tenders accepted and not commenced ...	22	7	29
(d) Houses for which plans being prepared	80	31	111
Further Sites to be acquired:			
(a) Sanction applied for ...	20	40	60
(b) Mapped and being inspected ...	-	9	9
(c) Further Sites required ...	39	114	153

Clr. Nestor was informed that the sites for cottages in Dunmore would be inspected by the Council's Engineer next week. Clr. Nestor requested that the provision of these cottages be expedited.

Clr. Geoghegan was informed that a tender for provision of cottages at Oughterard has been accepted and sanctioned and that the contract agreement for the work is being prepared by the County Solicitor.

Clr. Ashe stated that the cottage at Ballybrit should not have been let to the present tenant - Mr. Rice.

Clr. Geoghegan suggested that in letting cottages under the differential rent system, genuine agricultural labourers should get first preference. Deputy Mannion was informed that it is proposed to provide 10 cottages on the site near Clifden Town.

Clr. King stated that he is opposed to the provision of group schemes of cottages in rural areas where the tenants cannot always obtain employment and, consequently, cannot afford the rent demanded.

Clr. Ashe recommended that cottages be provided in the Barna vicinity for two applicants named Concannon and Grealish.

Clr. King was informed that sanction has been sought to the acquisition of a site at Currandulla for provision of a cottage for a Mr. Hannon.

It was recommended that the provision of cottages in the following cases be expedited:-

- for Mr. Patrick McDonagh, Esker, Castleblakeney - site available - Mr. Collins' recommendation;
- for Mr. Michael Kennelly, Forestry Worker - site available - Mr. Kitt's recommendation;

Deputy Lahiffe was informed that the Department of Local Government rejected the Council's proposal for provision of a rural scheme of cottages on a site near the church at Kinvara. Deputy Lahiffe stated that a site is being offered by Mr. Connolly, a Blacksmith, which would probably be suitable.

It was recommended by the following members that the Councillors for the area would be consulted by the Manager prior to the allocation of the tenancy of any cottage:

Ctrs. Collins, King and Ashe.

2. SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQUISITION) ACTS: The Secretary gave the following particulars in regard to applications for advances under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts:-

Total No. of Applications Received.....	274
Loan Allocated.....	242
The following is the position in regard to the allocated loans:-	
Paid in Full.....	87
Part-paid.....	68
No payment.....	67
Withdrawn.....	20
Total:	242.

The Chairman referred to the long delay in the registration of the Deeds in connection with housing loans which delays payment of the final instalment.

3. HOUSING GRANTS FOR ERECTION OF NEW HOUSES: The Secretary submitted the following particulars in regard to progress made with the issue of supplementary grants for erection of new houses:-

Total Number of Applications received to date.....	1394
Amounts Allocated:-	
(a) 1950 Act - persons who qualify for the Tenancy of Local Authority Houses.....	122.....£28,350. 0. 0.
(B) 1950 Act - persons who do not qualify For the tenancy of a Local Authority House....	514.....£94,377. 0. 0.
(c) 1952 Act ...	327.....£66,208. 0. 0.
TOTAL:	963 ...£188,935. 0. 0.

Total Amount of Grants paid to date.....£112,208.

Clr. King referred to the case of Mr. Newell of Claregalway, an applicant, whose brother is a road worker and stated that the latter's wages were taken into account and as a result the applicant was deprived of a 100% grant and he requested that this case would be reconsidered.

The following recommendations were made by members in regard to applications already on hands:-

- Clr. Ashe - reconsideration of application by a Mr. Curran, Spiddal.
- Deputy Mannion - reconsideration of application by Mr. Joyce, Oughterard, who got 50% grant only.
- Clr. King - reconsideration of application by Mr. Murphy, Kilgarriff, Headford, who was refused on the grounds of his means.

4. SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND FOR SANITARY FACILITIES: The Secretary gave the following particulars in regard to applications received under this scheme:-

Total No. of applications received.....	113
No. of applications refused.....	46
No. ready for allocation.....	23
No. of applications being investigated.....	44

Deputy Killilea suggested that notification of the date of allocation of the State Reconstruction Grant would be obtained direct from the Department of Local Government as in some cases the certificate of approval is not available by the applicant at the time he wishes to apply for the Council grant.

5. MISCELLANEOUS: A telephone message was received on behalf of Clr. Ruane apologising for his inability to be present at the meeting and, on his behalf, the following matters were raised:

- (a) acquisition of housing sites for white-collar workers. Further consideration of Clr. Ruane's recommendation that such sites should be acquired by the Council was deferred until such time as he would be present at either the next housing meeting or at Council meeting;
- (b) site for additional cottages at Athenry: Mr. Deyle, Staff Officer, stated that application had been made for sanction to the acquisition of the site for additional cottages at Athenry and that certain queries had been raised by the Department of Local Government which queries are receiving attention.

Deputy Killilea expressed doubt as to the advisability of providing further cottages in Athenry, as it is probable that there will not be sufficient employment in the town for the tenants of the existing and the proposed cottages. (c) derelict sites in Athenry: Mr. Cullinan, Chief A.C.E. stated that the survey of derelict sites in Athenry is in progress.

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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 17th OCTOBER, 1953.

IN THE CHAIR: Councillor M. Quinn.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Miss M.A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, M. Carty, Deputy P. Cawley, Clrs. P. Collins, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J.P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiff, Deputy J. Mannion, Clrs. J.J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. Ruane, V.P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

913. LOUGHREA FAIRGREEN & TOLLS: It was proposed by Clr. Michael Carty and seconded by Councillor John O'Dowd:-

"that the Council hereby adopt Section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and Resolve to do the following things or all or any of them in the Town of Loughrea in the County Health District of Galway, namely:-

1. To provide a Market place and construct a Market house and other conveniences for the purpose of holding markets in said town;
2. to provide houses and places for weighing carts;
3. to make convenient approaches to such markets;
4. to provide all such matters and things as may be necessary for the convenient use of such market;
5. to purchase or take on lease land or the right to use land and public or private rights in markets and tolls in the said town;
6. to take stallages, rents and tolls in respect of the use by any person or such market;
7. to approve of the draft Bye-laws prepared for the holding of markets in the said town;
8. to extinguish, if considered necessary, all existing fairs and markets therein, and to provide and establish instead such markets as the Council shall consider to be necessary and useful."

Clr. King stated he noted that the adoption of the resolution would not necessarily oblige the Council to do any of the things specified in Section 103 - that if at a later meeting it is proposed to do, in the Town of Loughrea, any of the things specified in Section 103, he, Councillor King, would vote against any such proposal. Clr. Collins proposed a direct negative to Clr. Carty's proposal. Clr. Collins' proposal was not seconded and the Chairman declared Clr. Carty's proposal carried - Clr. King dissenting.

COMHAIRLE CONRADAE NA SAILLIHÉ

OFFIS AN RÚNAIRE

NA FOIRNIGTE CONRADAE,

AN BÓCAR MÓR,

SAILLÍH,

21st DEIRE FOGHAI, 1953

A CARA,

Cuirim cugat, leis seo, cóip de mhion-tuairisc Cuinnighe

Comhairle Conradae (Uimhir 9133-9155) a tionólad ar an 17th

Deire Foghair, 1953.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUATHAIS,

Rúnaire.

Cum na n-ádhaim seo leanas :-

Sac Dairt de Chomhairle Conradae na SAILLIHÉ.
An t-Imeachtóir Conradae.
An Cisteoir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., SAILLIH.
An Ollseadóir Conradae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 17th OCTOBER, 1953.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Present: Clrs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, M. Carty, Deputy P. Cawley, Clrs. P. Collins, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiff, Deputy J. Mannion, Clrs. J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9133.—Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting to No. 9131 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of the Minutes, Deputy Mannion requested that consideration be given to the provision of a dayroom for the inmates of St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea.

9134.—Catholics in Poland: It was proposed by Clr. Quinn seconded by Clr. Carty and unanimously Resolved: "that the Galway County Council protests against the persecution of the Catholics of Poland and Eastern Europe and wish to convey to His Holiness, the Pope, the deep sympathy of the people of County Galway with the Catholics of these countries."

9135.—Vacancy: It was proposed by Clr. Ashe seconded by Clr. Nicholson and unanimously Resolved: "that Mr. Martin Mannion, Moylough, be co-opted a member of the Galway County Council to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. J. J. Cunningham."

Mr. Mannion, who was present at the meeting, signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Clrs. Sirr and Flaherty stated that they were not proposing any candidate in opposition to Mr. Mannion.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Seamus O'Cuinneagain, son of the late Clr. Cunningham, thanking the Council for their expression of sympathy on the death of his father.

9136.—Loan for Carna Dispensary Residence & Dispensary: It was proposed by Clr. J. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. M. O'Donnell and unanimously Resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of (£6,150) Six Thousand, One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, proposed

to be advanced by them to us under the Public Assistance Act, 1939."

9137.—Dispensaries (General) : Attention was drawn to the bad condition of the dispensaries at Aughrim, Glenamaddy and Tuam by Cirs. Quinn, Sirr and Killilea respectively.

9138.—Old Pound at Loughrea : Correspondence in connection with the proposed transfer of Loughrea Pound to the County Galway Vocational Educational Committee was submitted; a notice in accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, having been sent to each member of the Council on the 23rd September, 1953. It was proposed by Deputy Killilea seconded by Clr. Ruane and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the sale of a plot of land situated in the Town of Loughrea at Dolphin Street, in the townland of Loughrea and in the barony of Loughrea, area: 1 rood 35 perches or thereabouts statute measure, together with the buildings thereon and the right-of-way thereto, to the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for the sum of £465/15/8 on the understanding that the County Galway Vocational Educational Committee will also be responsible for the costs of conveyance of this property from the Galway County Council to the Committee."

9139.—Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 : List of schemes proposed for the current year was submitted—a copy of the list having already been sent to each member of the Council. On the proposition of Clr. Collins seconded by Clr. O'Dowd, the list of schemes, as submitted, was approved.

Clr. Galvin requested that attention would be given to the carrying out of the cleaning of roadside drains at Poolboy.

Clr. King suggested that there should be a limit on the amount to be spent on any individual scheme.

Deputy Cawley recommended that any drainage work should be started at the outlet rather than upstream.

Deputy Lahiff and the Chairman recommended that all drainage works should be carried out during the dry weather period.

9140.—Inspector of Boarded-out Children : Correspondence in connection with the proposal to appoint an Inspector of Boarded-out children was submitted.

The County Manager stated that the supervision of boarded out children is a very important aspect of the Council's work and that he is not satisfied that the present system is the best one for obtaining suitable homes and for ensuring that the children will receive good care in the homes selected.

the number of boarded-out children in Galway is larger than in most other single counties. The Manager recommended the proposal for the favourable consideration of the Council.

It was proposed by Clr. Collins and seconded by Clr. Sirr that the Council do not approve the proposal to appoint an Inspector of boarded-out children as there are already sufficient officials available to attend to this work.

Clr. Galvin suggested that supervision by the home assistance officers or by the nurses in the various districts would be more effective than supervision by one officer for the entire county.

The Chairman supported Clr. Collins' proposal. As an amendment, it was proposed by Clr. Ashe that consideration of the appointment of an Inspector of Boarded-out children be adjourned to next meeting and that, in the meantime, lists be circulated to each member of the Council showing the number of boarded-out children in each assistance officer's district.

Clr. King considered that it would not be possible for any single individual to supervise effectively all the boarded-out children in the county and the conditions would not be improved by the appointment of such an official.

Eventually Clr. Ashe's amendment was approved un-animously.

9141.—Supplementary Reconstruction Grants : At Councillor Carty's request, consideration of his Notice of Motion was adjourned until the next meeting.

9142.—Wages of Engine Drivers : Cirs. King and Ashe proposed that the County Manager be requested to again review the wages of the Council's Engine Drivers as the increases granted in Order No. 26726 of 19th September, 1953, are inadequate.

Cirs. Collins and Sirr proposed that consideration of this matter be left to the County Manager and to the County Engineer to decide.

Cirs. Flaherty and Nestor proposed that no further increase in the wages of engine drivers be considered until the next Estimates Meeting.

The Chairman requested a show of hands to decide whether the Council was or was not in favour of granting a further increase to engine drivers.

Clr. King expressed his disapproval of this and discussion of the matter then terminated.

9143.—Carraroe-Costello Regional Water Supply Scheme : The County Manager stated that the estimated cost of the alternative water supply scheme for the Carraroe-Costello

District is £44,921 which is considered much too costly and it has been suggested that the area might be served by a number of small local schemes.

Clr. O'Donnell stated that having regard to the area to be served and the fact that an improvement of the water supply scheme at Carraroe would have to be carried out in any case, the increase in the estimate as compared with the original scheme is not extraordinary; that the Council had approved the original scheme and, therefore, Clr. O'Donnell proposed and it was seconded by Clr. Geoghegan "that the Council approve proceeding with the alternative scheme as now proposed." Clr. O'Donnell's proposal was approved by the Council.

9144.—University Scholarships : Letters from Miss Patricia Hanniffy, Mr. Robert Morrow and Mr. Patrick Hanley requesting extension of scholarships were submitted, and the Secretary pointed out that the rate limit of 1d. in the £. had already been reached and if the Council was disposed to grant the concessions sought by the students above-mentioned, it would first be necessary to increase the rate limit and obtain the consent of the Minister for Local Government to such increase. It was proposed by Clr. Higgins seconded by Clr. Galvin: "that the Council approve an increase to 1½d. in the £. in the rate for university education subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government." As an amendment, it was proposed by Clr. Collins seconded by Clr. King: "that the Council do not approve any increase in the existing rate for university education." On a show of hands four members voted for the increase in the rate for university education and nine members voted against. The Chairman, therefore, declared the proposal lost and it was decided that the applications from Miss Hanniffy and Messrs. Morrow and Hanley be refused.

Mr. Michael Higgins, Cregclare, Ardrahan, who obtained a scholarship under the 1952 scheme was granted permission to avail of his scholarship in University College, Dublin, for the second and future years or until facilities become available in University College, Galway, as this student is pursuing a course in Electrical and Mechanical Engineering.

Mr. Maurcie Henry, who obtained a scholarship under the 1952 Scheme, requested that the Council would transfer his scholarship to University College, Dublin, as he wishes to study law at the Kings' Inns, Dublin, and he cannot afford the cost of travelling between Galway and Dublin for this purpose. Mr. Henry's application was approved provided that he submits evidence that he is pursuing the course in law in Dublin and that facilities for such courses are not available in University

College, Galway.

Correspondence was submitted from Mr. David McGann requesting that the scholarship to which he is entitled under the scheme for 1953 be postponed for two years so as to enable him to complete his training as a teacher in St. Patrick College, Drumcondra, Dublin. It was decided that Mr. McGann be informed that his application is refused and that unless he avails of the scholarship now, it must be awarded to the next student in order of merit.

9145.—Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads : At the County Manager's request, consideration of this item was deferred until the next meeting.

9146.—Borough Status For Galway : Letter 2/10/53 from the Town Clerk, Galway, was submitted asking if the County Council would be opposed to the seeking of County Borough status by the Galway Borough Council. It was decided that consideration of this matter be deferred until such time as the legislation proposed for amendment of urban contributions to county-at-large charges comes into operation.

9147.—Central Hospital Accounts : Clr. Higgins referred to the demands being sent out now for payment of accounts due to the Galway Central Hospital and asked if it is a fact that recommendations from Councillors would not be accepted in regard to reduction of the amount demanded where the circumstances of the patient warrant such reduction. Clr. King stated that the members of the local authority are well qualified to know the circumstances of the people in their areas. The County Manager stated that the recommendations of Councillors in regard to hospital accounts would receive consideration along with the reports from the assistance officers.

9148.—Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary & Vocational Schools, 1954 : Letter RO (2) 86083 of the 10th September, 1953 from the Department of Education was submitted. It was proposed by Clr. Ashe seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and Resolved: "that the scheme for scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for the years 1954, as formulated at meeting on the 5th September, 1953, be amended as follows, and that the scheme as so amended be adopted by the Council:—
Clause IV (1) the figure £60 in this Clause to be reduced to £50.
Clause IV (2) the figure £8 in this Clause to be increased to £10.

9149.—University Scholarship Scheme, 1954: It was proposed by Clr. Ashe seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and Resolved: "that university scholarship schemes for 1954 be amended so as to provide that the means limits and the ratio of poor law valuation to annual income shall be the same as those set out in the scheme for scholarships in Secondary & Vocational Schools 1954, and that the scheme as so amended be adopted."

9150.—Loan for Connemara Bridges: It was proposed by Deputy Mannion seconded by Clr. Ashe and Resolved: "that our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Twenty-one Thousand, Four Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government Acts 1925 to 1946."

9151.—Galway Harbour Commissioners—Overdraft: It was proposed by Clr. Higgins seconded by Clr. Furey and Resolved: "Whereas at a Meeting of the Council held on the 25th day of April, 1953, It was resolved to assist the Galway Harbour Commissioners by guaranteeing the repayment of overdraft accommodation to the extent of £5,000 from time to time by the said Commissioners from the National Bank Limited, Galway, with interest thereon but so that the Council's liability on such guarantee should be limited to the sum of £5,000 in respect of Principal together with interest on that sum at the rate therein mentioned And Whereas the said Resolution was duly confirmed by Resolution passed at a Meeting of the Council held on the 27th day of June 1953 And Whereas the Minister for Local Government has by letter dated the 14th day of August, 1953, confirmed the said Resolution And Whereas it is intended that the said overdraft accommodation shall be obtained on a special account to be known as 'The Galway Harbour Commissioners No. 2 Account' NOW IT IS RESOLVED that in pursuance of the aforesaid Resolution the form of Guarantee submitted to this Meeting and expressed to be addressed to The National Bank Limited be approved and that accordingly the Seal of the Council be affixed hereto."

9152.—Loan £4,600 for Portumna Fairgreen, Etc.: It was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell seconded by Clr. Ruane and Resolved: "That pursuant to the Letter of Sanction of the Local Government Minister dated the 22nd day of September, 1953, the sum of £4,600 be borrowed from The National Bank Limited, Galway, for the purpose of defraying expendi-

ture on the provision of a new Fairgreen at Portumna and the purchase of the old Fairgreen and tolls the said sum to be repaid within ten years with interest at the usual rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such advance at present 4½% per annum as in said Letter of Sanction provided the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates AND that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the said Mortgage to The National Bank Limited."

9153.—Craughwell Water & Sewerage Schemes: In reply to Deputy Cawley's Notice of Motion, the County Manager stated that water and sewerage pipes could not be laid in the one drain owing to the danger of pollution and that therefore, no saving could be effected by having water and sewerage schemes carried out in Craughwell simultaneously.

9154.—Sympathy: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:—

Mr. Patrick Dooley, Cross Street, Athenry, on the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. Martin Farrell, Athenry;
Mr. P. McQuinn, Eighterard, Oughterard, on the death of his mother.

9155.—Items Adjourned: Consideration of items Nos. 13 to 17 inclusive Excluding 13 (j) was adjourned until next meeting.

Signed, approved & confirmed, —

M. Mannion O'Connell CHAIRMAN.

Date: 5th Nov 1953

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Rúnai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

26adh Samhain, 1953.

Chuig gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Comndae na Gaillimhe a tiomólfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Comndae, Día Sathairn, 5adh Nodlag, 1953, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanagh.

Rúnai,

GNO:

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Raising of Supplementary Loan for Clifden Hospital Extension.
3. Raising of supplementary loan for Portumna Fairgreen.
4. Overdraft arrangements:—
(a) Revenue Account;
(b) Capital Account.
5. Inishturk Pier Improvements - Letter 28/9/53 from the Director, Special Employments Schemes Office.
6. Appointment of an Inspector of Bearded-out children.
7. Supplementary Reconstruction Grants under Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950 - Clr. M. Carty's Notice of Motion (Minute No.9104).
8. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads - Roads in the Council's Housing Schemes at Athenry, Headford, Gort and Ballybrit.
9. Appointment of a Deputy Rate Collector for No.24. District during the absence of the permanent Collector owing to illness.
10. Continuation of the employment of the Deputy Rate Collector for No.27. District during the absence of the permanent Collector owing to illness.
11. Schemes for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools 1950 and 1951 - Letter 6/11/53 from Department of Education.
12. Provision of a Sewerage Scheme for Eyrecourt.
13. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 - Supplementary list of schemes for current year.
14. Visiting Committee Minutes.
15. Continuation of temporary appointment of Clerk to the County Galway Old Age Pension Committee.
16. Travelling Expenses of Members - Letter G.10/53 of 2/11/53 from Department of Local Government.
17. Housing Committee - Minutes of Meeting 12/10/53.

18. Councillors' Notices of Motion:

- (a) Deputy R. Lahiffe: "Please note that at next meeting of the Co. Council I will propose that no further moneys be provided for the maintenance of the footbridge leading to townland of Derreen, Gort, and that instead the Co. Council join with local ratepayers as one contributor towards having a permanent bridge erected to replace the old wooden footbridge. This work would be carried out by the Board of Works under Rural Improvements Scheme."
- (b) Clr. J.J. Nestor: (1) "That a pump be sunk in the vicinity of Gortnaleam School, Dunmore, for the accommodation of between twenty and thirty families, and that in the meantime, the well which supplied those families in the past be cleaned and protected."
(1) "That a supply of water be provided for the townland of Graigahillaire, Brownsgrrove, Tuam."
- (c) Clr. J. O'Dowd: (1) "At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the County Manager if it is proposed to build a new dispensary at Laurencetown or take over one built there already but not finished. I will propose the taking over of the latter."
(2) "At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the Council to take over the pump at Redmount Hill, Eyrecourt, the property of the Irish Land Commission."
(3) "At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the County Engineer to have pump N.2. at Abbeylands, Eyrecourt, deepened as its not giving near the amount of water required."
(4) "At the next meeting of the County Council, I will propose that the Council continue Irish Land Commission road at Redmount Hill to Doon Cemetery."
- (d) Clr. L. O'Toole: (1) "Take notice that I or another Councillor on my behalf will propose at the next meeting of this Co. Council that the pumping plant purchased for above waterworks be installed without further delay."
(2) "Take notice that I or another Councillor on my behalf will propose at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the plans for the proposed sewerage schemes (which were agreed to) at Tullycross Renvyle, Tully Renvyle, Letterfrack and Cleggan, be proceeded with at once."
- (e) Clr. J.P. Joyce: (1) "That the new water extension at Moycullen be continued to supply Clancy's and Feeney's houses."
(2) Please note that I or someone on my behalf will at next meeting of Co. Council ask the Secretary: (a) What area of ground has been compulsorily acquired from each landowner for road widening at Newtown, Moycullen. (b) What price, or other means of compensation, has been agreed on in each particular case. (c) Reason for delay in making payments."
- (f) Clr. J. Flaherty: (1) "I will ask the Co. Manager at our next meeting the reason why the grants for bathrooms are not paid to applicants under Section 7 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950."
(2) I will also ask the Co. Manager if it is his intention to carry out the proposed extension to the piped water supply in Glenamaddy before March 1954."
- (g) Clr. S. Glynn: "I will move that the County Surveyor be instructed to make provision in his Roads Estimate for 1954/55 for a sum of money (say £500) per member of Council to be spent in particular improvements on any type of road maintained by Co. Council as specified by a member of County Council."
- (h) Clr. P. Furey: "That public lighting be provided in Corrandulla Village."
- (i) Clr. M. Carty: (1) At next Co. Council meeting I will propose that secondary scholarship awarded to Miss Margaret Hurley, Gurteen, Ballinasloe, in 1950, be made tenable for remaining two years at Ursuline Convent, Sligo, to enable holder to pursue a course of study in Domestic Science."
(2) At the next meeting of the Co. Council I or some other member acting for me will propose that the Council raise a supplementary loan of £7,000 to complete the building programme of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for the erection of three new schools at New Inn, Dunmore and Loughrea."
- (j) Deputy M. Killilea: "I will move at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the river Shevin from the outlet at Cloonabrioka through Kilyan, Newbridge and Toomard to Cloonshilva be included in the Local Authorities (Works) Scheme the coming year."
- (k) Clr. M. Nicholson: "I will move at the next meeting of the Council that a fountain be erected in Mountbellew to supply eight families and two mills on the Moylough entrance to Mountbellew."

18. (l) Clr. M. Ashe: "That the road leading from County Road No. 111 to Corboley Lynch be declared a public road."
(m) Clr. M. Carty: (1) At next meeting of the Co. Council, I or some other member acting for me shall ask the Co. Manager to state the reasons for the delay in providing a water supply system for Killimore (Ballinasloe).
(2) At next meeting of the Co. Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall ask the Co. Surveyor to give details of his scheme for recruiting labour from Loughrea town to work in Cregg Quarry."
(n) Clr. P. Sirr: (1) "What is the cause of the delay in provision of a Dispensary at Glenamaddy?"
(2) "I or somebody on my behalf will propose that danger signals be erected immediately near Rafferty's Corner at Glenamaddy."
(3) What is causing delay in the provision of pumps at Knocknaskehill, Ballyhard, Mountkelly and Barna?"
(o) Clr. M. Nicholson: Please note that I will ask at next meeting if the Council intends to build any cottages at Annagh, Ballyglunin and, if so, what progress has been made.
19. Letter 13/10/53 from the Secretary, Galway Harbour Commissioners, relating to the establishment of an Aerodrome Committee.
20. Establishment of a force of Women Police - Letter from the Joint Committee of Womens' Societies and Social Workers.
21. Resolutions.
22. Other Business.

COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifis an Rúnair, Na Foinsigíte Conndae,

An Bócar Mór, Gaillimh.

17th Nolláig, 1953

A CÁRA,

Cuirim cuḡat, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Chairseí Crummigíte Comhairle Conndae (Uimír 9156-9260) a tionsóláir ar an 5th Nolláig, 1953

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIG,

Rúnair.

Cun na ndáome seo leanas :-

FAC DALL DE COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE.
An Contae Innealltoir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., Gaillimh.
An Uilgeadóir Conndae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialaig.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 5th DECEMBER, 1953, at 12.30 p.m.

In the Chair : 1. Clr. M. Quinn,
2. Clr. M. Carty.

Present : Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, R. Lahiff, J. Mannion, J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. Ruane, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9156.—Minutes : The Minutes of the meeting to No. 9155 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman, subject to a correction of Minute No. 9139 by deletion of the reference to cleaning of roadside drains at Poolboy and the substitution thereof of "repair 800 yds. of road and make 700 yds. of new road at Poolboy".

9157.—Loan for Clifden Hospital Extension : It was proposed by Clr. J. Geoghegan seconded by Deputy J. Mannion and unanimously Resolved "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £6,200 from the Commissioners of Public Works to meet the balance of the cost of providing an extension to Clifden District Hospital, this loan to be repayable by instalment over the unexpired portion of the 25-year period approved for the original loan of £17,000 for this purpose, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of this supplementary loan to the Council.

9158.—Loan for Portumna Fairgreen, Etc. : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty seconded by Clr. J. Houlihan and unanimously Resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £1,940 from the National Bank, Limited, to meet the balance of the cost of providing a new Fairgreen at Portumna and the purchase of the old Fairgreen and Tolls ; this loan to be repayable by instalments over the unexpired portion of the period of 10 years approved for the original loan of £4,600 raised for this purpose, with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such advances.

9159.—Overdraft—Revenue Account : It was proposed by Clr. M. Higgins seconded by Clr. M. Carty and Resolved :

"that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation, not exceeding £250,000, on the Council's General Account for the quarter ending 31st March, 1954.

9160.—Overdraft—Capital Account : The Secretary stated that the Capital Account is overdrawn due to the fact that there is rather considerable expenditure on certain new water and sewerage schemes in excess of the amount provided for these works, and that it will be necessary to raise supplementary loans to meet this excess cost ; that, in the meantime, the approval of the Council is requested to the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on Capital Account for this purpose. It was proposed by Clr. M. Higgins seconded by Clr. J. Geoghegan and Resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on Capital Account to the amount of £21,900 pending the obtaining of supplementary loans to meet the excess expenditure on certain water and sewerage schemes as set out hereunder :-

Eyrecount Waterworks	.....	£428
Loughrea Waterworks	.....	£1,188
Mountbellew Waterworks	.....	£1,223
Tuam Waterworks	.....	£5,302
Oughterard Sewerage Scheme	.....	£5,981
Portumna Sewerage Scheme	.....	£6,381
Headford Sewerage Scheme	.....	£1,378
TOTAL	.....	£21,881

9161.—Inishturk Pier Improvements : It was proposed by Deputy J. Mannion seconded by Clr. J. Geoghegan and Resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the making of a contribution of £157/10/0 to the Commissioners of Public Works towards the cost of improving the Pier at Inishturk Island as set out in letter S.W.1/10/78 of 28th September, 1953, from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office ; and that the Council hereby undertake to accept responsibility for the future maintenance of this work when completed.

9162.—Inspector of Boarded-Out Children : It was proposed by Clr. Collins and seconded by Clr. Nestor that an appointment of an Inspector of Boarded-out Children be not made. This proposal was supported by Clrs. Carty, Sirr, Nicholson, Ashe and Houlihan. Clr. Glynn stated that he considered that an Inspector should be appointed as, in his opinion, the children are not being inspected properly at present. The County Manager pointed out that an Inspector

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would endeavour to suit the homes to the children and vice versa ; that he is not satisfied that the present system of inspection is a good one. After some discussion, the Chairman declared Clr. Collins' proposal carried as there was no counter-proposal.

9163.—Portumna Housing Scheme : In reply to Clr. Carty, the County Manager stated that a site for the cottages to be provided at Portumna has been acquired from the Forestry Department and that a lay-out plan was submitted by the Architect a week ago ; that he was not satisfied with the lay-out plan and had requested the County Engineer to have it revised. Clr. Carty expressed his hope that a rear entrance will be provided for these cottages and Clr. King recommended that the cottages should not be in terraces and that at the most they should be in pairs. Clr. Houlihan requested that the scheme would be expedited.

9164.—Supplementary Reconstruction Grants : Clr. Carty explained that at present supplementary reconstruction grants which are available to persons in rural areas are not available to a town dweller—i.e., a person who is not an agricultural labourer or a farmer. The County Manager pointed out that the Council has already incurred considerable expenditure in assisting persons erecting or reconstructing houses and that regard should be had to the high rate and the improbability that it will be reduced in the coming year. Clr. Carty stated that he had in mind that the scheme which he is recommending should be adopted for the issue of supplementary reconstruction grants to town dwellers in accordance with Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, would apply for a period of one year only, viz., the period from 1/4/53 to 31/3/1954 inclusive and that he would be satisfied to defer consideration of the matter until the next meeting, at which the Council's officials would submit a scheme giving effect to this suggestion in regard to confining the supplementary grants to a period of one year. Further consideration of the matter was, therefore, adjourned until the next meeting.

9165.—Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads : Consideration of this matter (item No. 8 on the Agenda) was adjourned pending receipt of the County Solicitor's reply to Secretary's letter of the 5th October, 1953.

9166.—Deputy Rate Collector No. 24 District : It was proposed by Clr. Ashe seconded by Clr. Geoghegan and Resolved : "that the Council hereby grant Mr. James Walsh, Killeenadema, Loughrea, Rate Collector for No. 24 District,

sick leave for the period from 18th November, 1953, to 18th March, 1954, and approve the appointment of his son—Mr. John Walsh, Killeenadeema, Loughrea, as Deputy Rate Collector, for No. 24 District during that period.

9167.—Deputy Rate Collector No. 27 District: It was proposed by Clr. Ashe seconded by Clr. Geoghegan and Resolved: "that the Council hereby grant Mr. Michael Kyne, Rate Collector for No. 27 District, extended sick leave for the period from 1st November, 1953, to 30 April, 1954, inclusive, and approve the appointment of Miss Mary Kyne, Clonbur, as Deputy Rate Collector for No. 27 District during that period.

9168.—Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary & Vocational Schools, 1950 and 1951: It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty seconded by Clr. M. Quinn and unanimously Resolved: "that the schemes for scholarships in secondary and vocational schools for the years 1950 and 1951 be amended by the addition of the following words to Clause V (1) of each of those schemes—"the Council may in special circumstances approve a departure from the terms of this Sub-Clause so as to permit the tenure of a scholarship in a school outside the County of Galway."

9169.—Eyrecourt Sewerage Scheme: It was proposed by Clr. Quinn seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the provision of a sewerage scheme for Eyrecourt which it is noted is estimated to cost £12,400."

9170.—Kilkerrin & Moylough Water Supply Schemes: In reply to his inquiry, Clr. M. Mannion was informed that the Minister for Local Government had approved the proposal to provide a joint water supply scheme for Kilkerrin and Moylough and that the Consulting Engineer has been requested to prepare the plans for such a scheme.

9171.—Clarenbridge & Kilcolgan Water Supplies: The Council was informed by the Secretary that the estimated cost of a water supply scheme for Clarenbridge, omitting Kilcolgan and the Weir Village, is £11,655. The proposal to provide such a water supply scheme was approved on the proposal of Clr. Ruane and Ashe.

9172.—Craughwell Water Supply Scheme: It was proposed by Clr. Quinn seconded by Clr. Ruane and Resolved: "that the Council approve the provision of a water supply

scheme for Craughwell and note that the estimated cost of such a scheme is £11,500."

9173.—Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949: On the proposal of Deputy Lahiff seconded by Clr. Carty, the Council approved the supplementary list of schemes under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, as received along with the County Engineer's letter of 27th October, 1953.

9174.—Visiting Committee—Institutions: The Minutes of meeting of the Visiting Committee were submitted, viz:—

Tuam Home	.....	.....	31/10/1953
County Home	.....	.....	27/8/1953
Clifden Hospital	.....	.....	13/8/1953

In regard to the County Home Minutes, Clr. Carty recommended and Clr. King supported the recommendation that the inmate, Patrick Mannion, who assists the Porter should be paid 16/7d, a week for such assistance and that this amount should be withheld as a contribution towards his maintenance; thus the Council would not be deducting any part of his Military Service Pension. The County Manager stated that he could not accept this recommendation and pointed out that if Mr. Mannion were living outside the Home he would be obliged to spend his pension in maintaining himself. The County Manager stated that the new scheme of improvements in the County Home will include the provision of a Day-Room.

Clr. Ashe drew attention to the item in the Minutes of the Meeting at the Children's Home in regard to provision of a proper hot water supply system for the Nursery and requested that something would be done immediately to obviate the necessity for hauling quantities of hot water from other places to the Nursery. Clr. Ashe was assured that this matter would receive special attention.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. Geoghegan, Deputy Mannion and Clr. O'Toole each recommended that a new ambulance be provided for Clifden Hospital.

9175.—County Old Age Pensions Committee: It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins seconded by Clr. P. Sirr and Resolved: "that the employment of Mr. David Egan as temporary Clerk to the County Galway Local Old Age Pensions Committee be continued for a further six months from 1st December, 1953 to 31/5/1954 inclusive with salary at the rate of £19/2/0 a year subject to sanction by the Minister for Social Welfare.

9176.—Travelling Expenses of Members: The Department of Local Government's letter G.10/53 of the 2/11/1953 regarding the mileage rates payable to members travelling to Conferences having been circulated to the members was submitted and noted.

9177.—Housing Committee: The Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Committee held on the 12/10/1953 having been circulated to the members were submitted. Dissatisfaction at the lack of progress with the provision of cottages was expressed by Clrs. Carty and Sirr. The County Manager explained the tedious procedure existing in connection with the acquisition of cottage sites and stated that he had asked the Department of Local Government to dispense with the requirement that the sanction of the Minister be obtained to sites which have already been certified as suitable by both the County Medical Officer and the County Engineer. This suggestion by the County Manager was, on the proposition of Clr. Ruane seconded by Clr. O'Dowd, approved by the Council.

Clr. Nestor stated that a cottage is required at Dunmore and that although the landowner was prepared to give a site for £80 an acre several years ago, no progress has been made and that in this case the parents with their seven children are living in one room.

Clr. Geoghegan stated that corrugated asbestos sheeting is not suitable roofing material for cottages.

9178.—Cinema Licence: On the proposition of Clr. Ashe seconded by Clr. Collins the Council approved the issue of a cinema licence to Mr. F. Hudson for his travelling cinema.

9179.—Menlough Public Lighting: Letter 16/10/1953 from the Electricity Supply Board and letter 27/11/53 from the County Engineer were submitted and the provision of Public Lighting in Menlough was, on the proposition of Clr. Collins seconded by Clr. Sirr, approved.

9180.—Auditor's Report: The Auditor's Report on the accounts of the Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee for the year ending 31/3/1953 was submitted and noted.

9181.—Extern Institutions: Clr. Ashe requested that a child from Connemara who was at present being treated in the Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, be transferred to some suitable extern institution and that a hearing-aid be provided for a patient in Castlerea for whom Clr. Ashe has been seeking this appliance for a long while.

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9182.—Bridge at Derreen: In accordance with his Notice of Motion, Deputy Lahiff requested that the Council would join with other persons concerned in the area in contributing 25% of the cost of providing a permanent bridge to replace the existing old wooden bridge at Derreen, Gort, and it was agreed that this matter would be taken up with the Office of Public Works.

9183.—Pumps at Gortnaleam and Graigahillaire: In connection with Clr. Nestor's Notice of Motion in regard to providing a pump and improving a well near Gortnaleam School, Dunmore, the Council approved the improvement to the well at a cost of approximately £80 as recommended by the County Engineer.

On the proposition of Clr. Nestor seconded by Deputy Killilea, the Council requested that the provision of the new pump in the town of Graigahillaire, Brownsgrrove, be expedited.

9184.—Laurecetown Dispensary: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion the Secretary stated that it is proposed to build a new dispensary in the grounds of the Laurecetown dispensary residence and that this proposal has been sanctioned by the Department of Health.

9185.—Pumps at Redmount Hill and Abbeylands, Eyrecourt: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion regarding the Land Commission Pump at Redmount Hill, the Secretary submitted the County Medical Officer's report stating that he would not recommend the taking over of this pump until the water has been proved to be in constant supply and fit for human use; that the pump runs dry at times and its water has an objectionable taste.

The County Engineer's report of 13/8/1953 recommending that the Abbeylands pump be deepened was submitted and noted.

9186.—Road to Dean Cemetery: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that £300 provided in his Estimate for the current year for this purpose was struck out at the Estimates Meeting; that he will make similar provision in his Estimate for the coming year subject to the Council's approval.

9187.—Tullycross & Derryinver Waterworks: The County Engineer stated that there had been considerable difficulty about acquiring a site for the Fumphouse and consequently it had not been possible to instal the pumping plant for this water supply; that he hopes to make some progress now with the acquisition of the site.

9188.—Sewerage Scheme for Tullycross-Renvyle, Tully-Renvyle, Letterfrack & Cleggan : In reply to Clr. O'Toole's Notice of Motion the County Engineer stated that these sewerage schemes are not on the priority list prepared by the County Medical Officer; that, however, he (the County Engineer) recommends that Letterfrack should receive special consideration as soon as the more urgent towns in other parts of the County would have been provided with sewerage schemes.

9189.—Supplementary Reconstruction Grants : In reply to Clr. Flaherty's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that the number of applications for reconstruction grants received was not very considerable and that so far the Department had issued certificates of allocation for 32 of the cases concerned; that only 10 applications have been received up to the present for sanitary facility grants.

9190.—Glenamaddy Water Supply Extension : In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion, the Secretary explained the position in regard to this extension indicating that it is unlikely that the work can be undertaken before the next financial year at the earliest.

9191.—Estimates, 1954/55 : Clr. Glynn proposed that the County Engineer be instructed to provide in his Estimate for 1954/55 a sum of money, say, £500, per member of the Council to be spent on particular improvements on any type of road maintained by the County Council as specified by a member of the Council. The Chairman suggested that consideration of this matter be deferred until the Roads Estimate for the coming year would be considered and Clr. Carty recommended that the Roads Estimate should be considered on the same day as the General Estimate would be considered by the Estimates Committee Meeting of the Council.

9192.—Currandulla Public Lighting : Correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted including the County Engineer's reports of 16/10/53 and 19/11/53 and the E.S.B. letter of the 14/11/53. On the proposition of Clr. Furey seconded by Clr. Sirr the Council approved the provision of public lighting in Currandulla and, if necessary, the additional funds needed to meet this expenditure in the current year.

Deputy Killilea and Clr. Nicholson stated that now that rural electrification is being extended there will be scores of

applications for public lighting and that it would be advisable that the Council should make a survey of the matter so as to consider what total cost will be involved.

9193.—New Vocational Schools : It was proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Clr. Quinn and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £7,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works to complete the building programme of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for the erection of three schools at New Inn, Dunmore and Loughrea; the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period equivalent to the unexpired portion of the period approved for the original loans for these works together with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the supplementary loan to the Council.

9194.—Local Authorities (Works) Scheme—River Shevin : Deputy Killilea stated that the work mentioned in his Notice of Motion is already in progress.

9195.—Mountbellew Water Supply : On the proposition of Clr. Nicholson seconded by Clr. Quinn the Council approved the erection of a fountain at the Moylough side of Mountbellew at an estimated cost of £26.

Clr. Nicholson also requested that the water main at Mountbellew would be extended on the other side of the town beyond the Technical School.

9196.—Road at Corboley-Lynch : As Clr. Ashe had left the meeting, consideration of her Notice of Motion in regard to this matter was adjourned until next meeting.

9197.—Killimor Water Supply : In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that trial holes had been sunk on the water-tower site at Killimor and that the contract documents could now be prepared; that it will also be necessary to acquire the right to take water from the Killimor River for this scheme.

9198.—Recruitment of Labour in Loughrea Area : Clr. Carty stated that while a grant scheme was in progress in Loughrea on which only three men from the town were employed twenty men were being taken from Loughrea town a distance of twelve miles to Cregg Quarry. He considered that townsmen should be employed on schemes in progress in the town and that men from rural areas should not be brought into those schemes while at the same time men from the town were being transported to works in the rural area; that,

furthermore, the men were being conveyed to Cregg Quarry in winter weather in an open lorry without seats until he made a complaint in regard to this matter; that the men in Cregg Quarry are required to push heavy barrow loads of material uphill.

Clr. Houlihan stated that material was being delivered from Cregg Quarry to the work on the Gort-Portumna Road and to his knowledge the quarry is working most efficiently.

The County Engineer and Mr. Dalton, Assistant County Engineer, explained that sufficient workers could not be obtained in the local rural area for the output required from Cregg Quarry and that, therefore, he was obliged to arrange for the transfer of workers to the quarry from other areas. These workers were collected in Loughrea and before being taken on the lorry some of them would have cycled in four or five miles to Loughrea from areas outside the town. The men were conveyed in a C.I.E. lorry and immediately the Assistant County Engineer's attention was drawn to the fact that there was no cover or seating accommodation on the lorry he took steps to have such cover, etc. provided; that the usual arrangements in regard to payment for a half-day, etc. during wet weather apply to the workers in Cregg Quarry; that a shelter and turf are provided in the quarry.

Clr. Carty stated that he would ask for an independent inquiry by the Department into this matter.

The Chairman stated that he would rule out further discussion on the matter and that it was his experience that the Engineering staff was always well disposed to hear and rectify any complaints of this nature.

Clr. Carty proposed that there be an independent inquiry into these matters.

Mr. Dalton, Assistant County Engineer, gave a lengthy statement explaining the difficulty in obtaining sufficient workers in Loughrea town, e.g., on making application to the Exchange for men for Earlsparck quarry which is two miles from Loughrea, fourteen men were notified to attend for work and only three turned up.

Clr. Wall stated that it appeared that the complaints made by Mr. Carty were exaggerated and the County Manager suggested that Mr. Carty may have been misinformed in regard to the alleged grievance of the workers.

Clr. Carty stated that he will himself ask for an independent inquiry by an Inspector of the Department of Local Government into the matters above-mentioned.

The discussion then closed.

9199.—Glenamaddy Dispensary : Clr. Sirr was informed that the proposal to acquire a site for a new dispensary at

Glenamaddy had been sent to the Department of Health for sanction.

9200.—Danger Signs at Glenamaddy : In reply to Clr. Sirr's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that danger signs had been obtained for Rafferty's Corner at Glenamaddy.

9201.—Pumps : Clr. Sirr recommended that the provision of pumps at Knockmaskehill, Ballyhard, Mountkelly and Barna be expedited.

9202.—Cottages at Annagh, Ballyghunin : In reply to Clr. Nicholson's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer stated that tenders had been obtained for the erection of three cottages at Annagh and County Medical Officer reported that three cottages at least are required in the area.

9203.—Athenry Dumping Ground : Clr. Ruane proposed, Clr. Carty seconded that the Council request that the fencing of Athenry dumping ground be carried out with all possible speed and authorised the provision of additional funds for this purpose.

9204.—Speed Limit : Consideration of Clr. Sirr's proposal in regard to the introduction of a speed limit was deferred until next meeting.

9205.—Sympathy : Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:—

Relatives of the late Dr. T. O'Higgins, T.D. ;
Mrs. Giblin, Prospect Hill, on the death of her daughter ;
Fr. Abberton, Kilrickle, on the death of his sister ;
Mrs. Griffin, Curteen, on the death of her husband, Mr. Laurence Griffin.

9206.—Miscellaneous : On the proposition of Clr. Carty seconded by Clr. Wall, the Council congratulated the Connacht Rugby Team on their recent victory over Munster.

The Chairman wished the members and staff a Happy Christmas.

Consideration of items No. 19 to 21 inclusive was adjourned until next meeting.

Signed, approved & confirmed:—
MURRAY J. QUINN, CHAIRMAN.

DAR: 23rd Jan. 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

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GAILLIMH 55.Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH.

14adh Eanáir, 1954.

Chuíg gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Chomhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionólfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, Dia Sathairn, 25adh Eanáir, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanáigh.

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Filling of two vacancies on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan of £32,500 for Galway Fire Station.
4. Raising of loan of £18,500 for provision and equipment of a new Vocational School at Loughrea.
5. Raising of supplementary loans to meet the balance of the cost of certain water supply schemes and sewerage schemes, in excess of the amounts already provided, viz:-

Eyrecoort Water Supply Scheme.....	£430
Loughrea " " "	1,190
Mountbellew " " "	1,225
Tuam " " "	5,300
Headford Sewerage Scheme.....	1,380
Oughterard " "	5,980
Portumna " "	6,380
6. Reduction in rate of interest on loans from the Local Loans Fund - Letter H.10/53 of 11th December, 1953, from the Department of Local Government.
7. Increased grants in the current year for -
 - (a) Road Works;
 - (b) Schemes under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.
8. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads, viz:-
 - (a) Road from Cuppenagh Bridge to Derrybrien North Three Roads, length 1200 perches. Road No.448 on the Roads Schedule will be amended to read "between Earls Park Junction and Derrybrien North Three Roads - length 2727 perches."
 - (b) Roads in the Council's Housing Schemes at Athenry, Headford, Gort and Ballybrit.
9. Supplementary Reconstruction Grants under Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950 - Clr. M. Carty's Notice of Motion (Minute No.9104).
10. Granting of extended sick leave from 8/1/54 to 7/4/54 to the Rate Collector for No.4. District and continuation of arrangements for performance of her duties.
11. Portumna Fairgreen and Tolls - arrangements to be made in regard to the Fairgreen and Tolls.
12. Proposed purchase of Roundstone Courthouse.
13. Extension of Roundstone Sewerage Scheme.
14. Visiting Committee Minutes.

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15. Application by County Galway Committee of Agriculture for an increase equivalent to 1d. in £. for the year ending 31/3/1955, i.e., a total of 6½d. in £.
16. Fixing of day for the holding of an Estimates Committee Meeting.
17. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Clr. J.P. Joyce: (1) That I or someone on my behalf will move "that the new water extension at Moycullen be continued to supply Clancy's and Feeney's houses." (2) (a) What area of ground has been compulsorily acquired from each landowner for road widening at Newtown, Moycullen? (b) What price, or other means of compensation, has been agreed on in each particular case? (c) Reason for delay in making payments.
 - (b) Clr. M.A. Ashe: "That the road leading from County Road No.111 to Corboley Lynch be declared a public road."
 - (c) Clr. P. Sirr: "In view of the alarming number of road accidents occurring recently we ask the Government to take immediate steps to try and solve the problem by (i) first of all introducing a speed limit of, say, 30 or 35 miles per hour, and (ii) compelling each holder of a driver's licence with less than 10 years experience of driving to attend at least two lectures in road safety for motorists each year."
 - (d) Clr. M. Mannion: (1) "That the road leading from County Road Menlough to Mountbellew to Main Road Moylough - Mountbellew through Mountbellew Demesne be scheduled as a County Road." (2) "At the next meeting of Galway County Council I will move that the footpath from the Bridge at Mountbellew to gate at Priests field be put in proper repair as in its present state it is a grave danger to the general public." (3) "That the wall at end of Mountbellew Bridge be lowered." (4) "That the footpath from the Church to the priests house at Moylough be laid in concrete, as portion of it has already been done, the remainder is in a bad state."
 - (e) Clr. L. O'Toole: Take notice that I or another Councillor on my behalf will propose at the next Co. Council meeting that the following roads be put in a proper state of repair; Clifden-Cleggan area: (1) Road - Streamstown Bridge to Claddaghduff and Aughris Road; Clifden Cleggan R.J. to Cleggan. (2) Road Moyard Bridge to Cleggan; (3) Road Letterfrack to Renvyle; (4) Road - Tullycross to Leenane Road Junction Via Lettergesh - that if sufficient money cannot be provided by the Council for this purpose, that money be diverted from the Tourist Roads Scheme."
 - (f) Clr. M. Nicholson: I wish to move at next meeting that public lighting be provided for Abbeyknockmoy and Barnadarg.
 - (g) Clr. J.J. Ruane: Please note that at the next meeting of the County Council I or some other member on my behalf will move the following resolution, viz:- "That the Council adopt Section 35 (1) of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952, enabling them to acquire Land either by agreement with the consent of the Minister or compulsorily under the powers conferred by those Acts for all or any of the following purposes:-
 - (a) the laying out and construction of public streets or roads and open spaces on the land and the carrying out of such other works as may be necessary for or incidental to the development of the land for building purposes;
 - (b) the erection of houses and the sale or lease thereof to persons irrespective of whether they are or are not agricultural labourers;
 - (c) the sale or lease of the land or part thereof to public utility Societies and to such persons for the purpose and on the condition that such Societies and persons shall erect and maintain thereon such number of houses as may be fixed by the housing authority and in accordance with plans approved by the authority.
 - (h) Clr. P. Sirr: (1) Please take notice that I will ask why pumps in Turla, Ussey, Creggs and Glenamaddy districts which have been complained about on several occasions are not being repaired. (2) I will move that public lighting be provided in Ballymoor.
 - (i) Clr. M. Quinn: "That water and sewerage services be provided for Kilconnell and Aughrim Villages."
 - (j) Clr. M. Ua h-Uigín: To extend present water supply in Spiddal to embrace Bechoona, Knockglass, Cregduff and new Co. Council cottages.

- (k) Clr. J. O'Dowd: (1) Please note that at our next meeting I will propose that 4 lights be erected at the village of Kiltormer.
(2) Please note I will propose at our next meeting that a new pump be erected at Kiltormer.
- (l) Clr. M. Carty: At next meeting of Co. Council, Councillor R. Lahiffe and I or some other member acting for us shall propose:
(1) that this Co. Council will grant a 2/3rds remission of rates to each and every industrial project established in Co. Galway .1. the functional area of Galway Co. Council, under the auspices of the Undeveloped Areas Act, and that this remission will be operative for the maximum period of years allowed by the Act.
(ii) That with regard to the proposed cotton spinning mill in Loughrea approval be given by Galway Co. Council to the siting of the building and that the extensions of mains, sewage system, laying of storm water drain, and improving of road surface as requested in letter from Chief Architect, Irish Estates Ltd. to Secretary, County Council, dated 22/12/53 be carried out by the Council free of cost to the promoters and if possible by way of grant from the National Development Fund.
- (m) Clr. M.F. Kitt: (1) ~~that~~ provision of a sewerage scheme for Ahasoragh;
(2) ~~that~~ an office in the locality be set up for Mountbellew Engineering District.
18. Letter 13/10/53 from the Secretary, Galway Harbour Commissioners, relating to the establishment of an Aerodrome Committee.
19. Auditor's report on accounts of the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for year ended 31/3/1953.
20. Minutes of Meeting of County Councils' General Council held on 6/8/1953.
21. Letter from the Joint Committee of Women's Societies and Social Workers recommending the establishment of a force of Women Police.
22. Termination of all Council's housing grants schemes at 31/3/1954.
23. Resolutions.
24. Other Business.

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA GAILLIMHE

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NA FOIRNISTE CONDAE,

AN BÓCAR MÓR, GAILLIMH.

26ao Eanáir, 1954

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COMAIRLE CONDAE (Uimhir 9207-9247) A tionsóláid ar an 23ao

Eanáir 1954

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAÍD.

Rúnáir.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas :-

SAC Ball de Chomairle Condae na Gaillimhe.

An Contae Innealltóir.

An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Gaillimh.

An Uligeadóir Condae.

An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Soisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 23rd JANUARY,
1954.In the Chair : Clr. M. Quinn.
Clr. M. Carty.

Present : Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiff, Deputy J. Mannion, Clrs. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9207.—Minutes : The Minutes of previous meeting to No. 9206 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

9208.—County Galway Vocational Education Committee : On the proposition of Deputy Killilea seconded by Clr. Kitt the Council adjourned until next meeting consideration of the filling of two vacancies on the Vocational Education Committee.

9209.—Papal Nuncio : It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Geoghegan and Resolved : "that the Galway County Council present an address of welcome to His Excellency, Most Rev. Dr. Gerald O'Hara, Papal Nuncio, on his visiting Galway on 1st proximo.

It was proposed by Clr. Houlihan seconded by Clr. Quinn and Resolved : "that the Council congratulate His Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. Philbin, and welcome him to the Diocese of Clonfert."

9210.—Loan £32,500—Galway Fire Station : It was proposed by Clr. J. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. M. Mannion and Resolved : "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £32,500, proposed to be advanced by them to us under The Fire Brigades Act, 1940."

9211.—Loan £18,500—Loughrea Vocational School : It was proposed by Clr. J. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. M. Mannion and Resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £18,500 from the Commissioners of

Public Works so as to enable the Council to advance this amount to the County Galway Vocational Education Committee to meet the cost of providing and equipping a new Vocational School at Loughrea—the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 30 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Galway County Council."

9212.—Supplementary Loan for Water and Sewerage Schemes : It was proposed by Clr. M. Kitt seconded by Clr. J. Nestor and Resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £23,300 from the Commissioners of Public Works to meet the balance of the costs of certain new water supply and sewerage schemes in excess of the amount already provided, viz :—

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1. Eyrecourt Water Supply Scheme	430
2. Loughrea Water Supply Scheme	1190
3. Mountbellew Water Supply Scheme	1230
4. Tuam Water Supply Scheme	5690
5. Headford Sewerage Scheme	1380
6. Oughterard Sewerage Scheme	6410
7. Portumna Sewerage Scheme	6970

that this supplementary loan be repayable by instalments over such period as may be fixed by the Minister for Local Government with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council.

9213.—Loan for New Dispensaries : It was proposed by Clr. J. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. P. Sirr and Resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £28,400 from the Commissioners for Public Works to meet the balance of the cost of providing 38 new dispensaries in the County Galway ; this loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 35 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council.

Clr. O'Dowd stated that it is still his opinion that the existing building in Laurecetown could be converted into a suitable dispensary and that it would not be necessary to erect a new dispensary there.

Clr. Sirr stressed the urgency for provision of a new dispensary in Glenamaddy.

Clr. Glynn requested that an early start would be made with provision of the new dispensaries in any case in which a site is already available on the Council's land.

Deputy Killilea asked that a priority list showing the order

of urgency of the dispensaries to be provided would be placed before the Council.

9214.—Local Loans—Interest Rate : Department of Local Government Circ. H.10/53 of 11/12/53 stating that the rate of interest for advances from the Local Loans Fund has been fixed at 4½% per annum in respect of issues from the funds to be made on or after 1st January, 1954, was submitted. The Council noted the contents of this letter.

9215.—Road Works Grants : Letter RGM/201/53/54 of 4th December, 1953, from the Department of Local Government in regard to intention to allot extra grants for road works in the coming year was submitted and noted together with the list of proposals for such extra grants as submitted by the County Engineer and approved by the County Manager, viz :—

MAIN ROADS	£30,050
COUNTY ROADS	£54,290
FOOTPATHS	£14,520
TOTAL	£98,860

The provision of the funds necessary to meet this extra expenditure was, on the proposition of Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty, approved by the Council.

Clr. Houlihan drew attention to the bad condition of roads in the Killimor area particularly the road from Tynagh to Portumna, and requested that steps would be taken to improve these roads.

9216.—Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949—Extra Grants : Letter RW201/1/5 of 9th December, 1953, from the Department of Local Government in regard to an extra grant for the coming year and requesting the submission of proposals to the extent of £5,000 was submitted and noted.

On the proposition of Clr. King seconded by Clr. Sirr, the Council approved the provision of the extra funds necessary to meet the cost of works being carried out under this additional grant.

Clr. King stated that the stipulation that the money allotted under grants should be expended by the end of the financial year is undesirable ; that it may not be possible to carry out a scheme because of a scarcity of labour and it is not fair that on that account the grant for that area should be forfeited.

9217.—Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads : It was proposed by Clr. Houlihan seconded by Deputy Lahiff and Resolved : "that the Council hereby declare that the under-mentioned road shall be a public road :

Road from Coppengh Bridge to Derrybrien North Three Roads, length 1200 perches.

Road No. 448 on the Roads Schedules will be amended to read "between Earlsparck Junction and Derrybrien North Three Roads—length 2727 perches."

Consideration of item 8 (b) on the Agenda, i.e., roads in Council's Housing Schemes, was deferred until next meeting, and it was requested that the roads in Garribeg Scheme and in the scheme at Mellowes' Terrace, Loughrea, would also be included in the proposed resolution by Clrs. Lahiff and Carty respectively.

Clr. King pointed out that a road at Shanbally, Currandulla, connecting two existing public roads has not yet been declared a public road, although the County Manager's report in regard to that road was favourable.

9218.—National Development Fund : The County Manager informed the Council that in response to Department of Local Government letter H.9/53 of the 19/11/53 in connection with the proposed establishment of a National Development Fund a list of schemes for water supplies, sewerage, fire stations, courthouses, etc., at a total estimated cost of £652,500 had been submitted to the Department of Local Government. It was arranged that a copy of the list would be circulated to each member of the Council.

9219.—Supplementary Reconstruction Grants. Under Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950 : It was proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Deputy Killilea and Resolved : "that the Council approve the adoption of a scheme for the making of grants under and in accordance with Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, as amended, to persons reconstructing houses for their own occupation and that this scheme shall be restricted to cases in which the application for the grant or payment of the grant by the Department of Local Government will have been made within the period from 1/4/1953 to 31/3/1954 inclusive.

Clr. Carty complained of the delay in dealing with some applications for reconstruction grants and cited, as an example, an application which had been made in April 1953 and in respect of which the Council's Engineer had not yet inspected the house.

9220.—Housing Grant Schemes : In connection with item 22 on the Agenda, Clr. Kitt proposed that all existing

schemes for the issue of housing grants by the Council be continued to 31st March, 1955. The County Manager stated that the Council should have regard to the financial position and pointed out that the amount of the Council's commitments in respect of housing grants is already £300,000 approximately. Clr. Nestor considered that the cost of continuing the schemes for a further year would involve an excessive increase in the county rate. It was proposed by Clr. Houlihan seconded by Clr. Carty that the Council's housing grants schemes be not extended beyond the 31/3/1954. It was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Wall that all existing schemes for issue of housing grants by the Council be continued on their present terms to 30/9/1954 and that the amounts to be allotted be then reduced by 50% for half-year commencing 1/10/1954 and that the schemes be terminated entirely at 31/3/1955. Deputy Lahiff suggested that a special meeting should be held to consider the curtailment of all schemes for issue of grants whether for housing or otherwise. This suggestion was supported by Clr. Sirr. Eventually, Clr. Kitt and Houlihan withdrew their proposals and Clr. King's proposal was adopted ; Deputy Lahiff and Clr. Nestor dissenting.

9221.—Rate Collector No. 4 District : On the proposition of Deputy Mannion seconded by Clr. Quinn, the Council approved the granting of extended sick leave to Miss Nora Lee, Rate Collector No. 4 district, for the period from 8/1/1954 to 7/4/1954 inclusive and approved the appointment of her sister, Miss Margaret Lee, as Deputy Rate Collector for No. 4 district during that period.

9222.—Portumna Fairgreen & Tolls : Clr. Houlihan stated that, in his opinion, the Tolls at Portumna should be put up for tender. Clr. Quinn stated that there is a complaint in the area that the new Fairgreen will not hold one-third of the sheep at the September fair and that it is undesirable that the cattle and sheep fairs should be held on different days. Eventually, it was decided that a discussion between the County Manager, the Councillors for the Loughrea Electoral area and the local young farmers clubs, would be arranged to be held in Portumna at some early date.

9223.—Roundstone Courthouse : On the proposition of Clr. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. King the Council unanimously approved the proposal to purchase the Courthouse at Roundstone from the Franciscan Brothers for £1,000 plus costs of conveyance and it was noted that it will be necessary to expend £350 in alterations, etc. to the building subsequent to its acquisition.

Clr. Higgins recommended that if a branch library is being established at Roundstone or in any other place in the Gaeltacht, at least 50% of the book stock should be Irish books. This recommendation was supported by Clr. Geoghegan.

9224.—Roundstone Sewerage : A proposal to extend the sewerage scheme at Roundstone so as to serve a further 15 houses and the school at a total estimated cost of £2,035 was, on the proposition of Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Higgins, approved by the Council.

9225.—Visiting Committee : The Minutes of the Visiting Committee meeting held at St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea, on 19/12/1953 was submitted and the Secretary stated that a report had been received from the County Engineer stating that he will include in his Estimate for the coming financial year the work of improvement of the inmates dayroom at a total estimated cost of £1800.

9226.—Estimate 1954/55 : A letter 7/12/1953 from the Secretary, County Galway Committee of Agriculture, was submitted stating that the Committee is seeking an increase of 1d. on the rate for the coming year, i.e., a total contribution equivalent to 6½d. in the £ or £12935. On the proposition of Clr. Quinn seconded by Clr. Ruane it was decided that the Committee's request be noted and that further consideration thereof be deferred until the Estimates Committee Meeting.

It was unanimously decided to hold an Estimates Committee Meeting (the Committee to be composed of the entire Council) at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday—30th instant—at 11.30 a.m. with an adjournment for Lunch from 1.0 to 2 p.m. The Chairman pointed out that this meeting will be a Committee Meeting at which the Press will not be present; that the Press will be present at the formal Estimates Meeting which will be held on Saturday, 27th February, 1954.

9227.—Moycullen Water Supply : On behalf of Clr. Joyce, Clr. Ashe proposed and Deputy Mannion seconded that the new water extension at Moycullen be extended to supply Acton's and Feeney's houses. The Secretary reported that the length of the extension sought is 250 yards and that the estimated cost is £320. The proposal was opposed by Clrs. O'Dowd and Sirr in view of the high cost of the work for two families only, and after further discussion Clr. Ashe's proposal was approved by the Council.

Consideration of Item No. 17 (a) (ii) was adjourned until next meeting.

9228.—Road to Corbolelynych : In connection with Clr. Ashe's Notice of Motion that the road leading from county road No. 111 to Corbolelynych be declared a public road, the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that the road is a stop-end road which serves 4 houses; that its length is 1540 yds. and that the estimated cost of putting it in order as a county road would be £3,840. Clr. Ashe stated that the road is not a stop-end road and it was ordered that this matter be referred back to the County Engineer.

9229.—Road Safety : In connection with Clr. Sirr's Notice of Motion it was decided to draw the attention of the authorities to the necessity for requiring applicants for driving licences to undergo a driving test to decide whether driving licences should be issued to them.

9230.—Roads Etc. in Mounbellew Area : In connection with Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that the estimated cost of putting the road at Mounbellew Demesne in order as a county road would be £753. The Chairman pointed out that the taking over of a road, such as this, would depend on whether or not money would be made available for this purpose in the Estimate for the coming year; that if such money is made available Clr. Mannion could raise this matter again at a subsequent meeting.

The County Engineer's report was submitted stating that the footpath at Mounbellew would be put into proper repair in the course of work at present proceeding under the Main Roads Supplementary Grant (Footpaths).

The County Engineer's report stated that he did not recommend that the wall at the end of Mounbellew Bridge be lowered as it would then constitute a danger to traffic passing over the bridge owing to the difference in level between the surface of the road and the passageway immediately inside the wall. Clr. Mannion requested that something be done to prevent dumping at this place—such as, provision of a wire mesh fence.

The County Engineer reported that provision for the footpath from the Church to the Priest's house at Moylough is being made in his estimate for Main Road Improvements.

9231.—Roads in Clifden-Cleggan Area : In reply to Clr. O'Toole's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report of 22/1/54 was read by the Secretary. Clr. O'Toole stated that the County Engineer's report is not satisfactory and again requested that further monies be made available for the maintenance of the roads mentioned in his Notice of Motion.

9232.—Public Lighting—Abbeyknockmoy, Barnadorg, Ballymoe & Killtormer : In connection with Notices of Motion submitted by Clrs. Nicholson, Sirr and O'Dowd, the Chairman pointed out that it had already been decided that the question of providing public lighting in any particular town or village should be left to the County Manager to decide and that it is unnecessary for any councillor to raise such a matter at a meeting unless in any particular case the County Manager has refused to provide public lighting.

9233.—Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952 : Section 35 (1) : At Clr. Ruane's request consideration of this item was adjourned until next Ordinary Meeting.

9234.—Maintenance of Pumps : Turia, Etc. : In reply to Clr. Sirr's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report of the 22/1/54 was submitted stating that despite repeated requests the maintenance contractor had failed to put the pumps in question in order. The County Engineer recommended that the contractor's sureties be notified and that the work be carried out at the contractor's expense. Clr. Sirr stated that contractor Fitzmaurice is in a position to carry out this work satisfactorily and that it is a matter of urgency to put the pumps in order.

9235.—Water Supplies for Kilconnell & Aughrim : On the proposal of Clr. Quinn, the Council recommended that the water supplies be provided for Kilconnell and Aughrim villages, and it was suggested that both of these schemes be placed in the National Development Fund list.

9236.—Costello Water Supply : Clr. O'Donnell again requested that the provision of the Regional Water Supply Scheme at Costello be hastened.

9237.—Spiddal Water Supply Extension : Clr. Ua h-Uigin recommended that the water supply at Spiddal be extended to embrace Bohoona, Knockglass, Cregduff and the new Council cottages. The County Engineer's report was submitted stating that it is necessary to determine whether this area could be served by the existing reservoir and levels are being taken to ascertain the position.

9238.—Kiltormer Pump : In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that it is intended to replace the existing defective pump at Kiltormer with a new pump.

9239.—New Cotton Spinning Factory at Loughrea : It was proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Deputy Lahiff that the Council grant a remission of rates in respect of the new Cotton-Spinning Factory which is being established at Loughrea in accordance with Section 9 of the Undeveloped Areas Act, 1952. Clr. Higgins considered that the Proprietors of this Factory are already being assisted adequately. Clr. King pointed out that the persons establishing the Factory are getting a State grant and will be competing with other industries not receiving any such grant. Clr. Houlihan also supported this view.

There was no counter-proposal and eventually Clr. Carty's proposal was approved by the Council.

In reference to the second portion of Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report of 7/1/1954 was submitted. The Council approved the provision of £144 to meet the cost of extension of the water main and extension of the town sewer for foul sewage use; it was noted that the County Manager has directed the County Engineer to provide for the improvement of the main road, and that the Council will not accept any responsibility for the disposal of storm-water from the factory.

9240.—Ahascragh Sewerage Scheme : In reply to Clr. Kitt's Notice of Motion the Secretary reported that the provision of a sewerage scheme at Ahascragh is at present No. 9 on the priority list.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9241.—Engineer's Office, Mounbellew : Clr. Kitt was informed that accommodation for an Engineer's Office will be available in the new Courthouse to be erected at Mounbellew.

9242.—Aerodrome Committee : Letter of 13/10/1953 from the Galway Harbour Commissioners was submitted recommending the re-establishment of the Aerodrome Committee. The County Manager informed the Council that the Department of Defence is refusing to renew the lease of the Oranmore Aerodrome to the Galway Corporation. On the proposition of Clr. Ruane seconded by Clr. Sirr, the Council unanimously decided to make a protest to the Department of Defence against their refusal to renew the lease of the Oranmore Aerodrome to the Galway Corporation.

9243.—Auditor's Report : The Auditor's report on the accounts of the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for the year ended 31/3/1953 was submitted and noted.

9244. County Council's General Council : Minutes of meeting of above held on the 6th August, 1953, having been circulated to the members were submitted and noted.

9245.—Women Police : No order was made on letter of October 1953 from the Joint Committee of the Women's Societies and Social Workers recommending the establishment of a force of women police.

9246.—Liam Kelly : It was proposed by Clr. Flaherty seconded by Clr. Carty and Resolved : that the Galway Council protest against the arrest and detention of Mr. Liam Kelly, M.P. for Mid-Tyrone.

9247.—Sympathy : Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the relatives of the late Miss Mary Canavan, Loughrea, and Senator Liam O'Buachalla, on the death of his mother.

Submitted, approved and Confirmed

Mairéad O'Curra Chairman.

Date: 27th February, 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH.

25adh Eanáir, 1954.

Guthan:
GAILLIMH 55.

Chuíg gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe - Meastachan.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Estimates Committee which will be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on SATURDAY, 30th January, 1954, commencing at 11.30 a.m., to consider the County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1955.

There will be an adjournment for lunch from 1.p.m. to 2.p.m.

A copy of the Estimate will be supplied to you later.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Lunaigh.

RUNAI.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runaí, na Poirtíníste Conndae,

An Dócair Mór, Gaillimh.

3ad Feabhra, 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim cuspár, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairiscí Crumníste Meastachán a tionsóláid ar an 30ad Eanáir 1954

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH,

Runaí.

Cun na n-aoime seo leanas :—

Fáil Dall de Chomhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., Gaillimh.
An Ulligeadóir Conndae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Soisialaí.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE ESTIMATES COMMITTEE OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 30th JANUARY, 1954.

In the Chair : 1. Clr. M. Quinn.
2. Clr. M. Carty.

Present : Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, Deputy P. Cawley, Clrs. P. Collins, J. Flaherty, P. J. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Ua h-Uigin, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

Housing Grants : Clr. King requested that the Committee would appeal to the County Manager to reconsider his decision in regard to the refusal of a supplementary housing grant in the case of a certain applicant in Headford area whose means are low. On the suggestion of the Chairman the Committee requested the County Manager to reconsider his decision in this case.

General Estimate—Roads : Clr. Nicholson and Deputy Killilea requested that the road to Cloonkeen Village would be taken over for maintenance by the County Council ; that this road, though not on the schedule of County roads, was maintained by the Council several years ago, but that nothing has been done to the road in recent times.

Clr. Nestor made a similar appeal in regard to the road between Upper and Lower Dalgin which has been neglected for 30 years past.

The Estimate of Expenses was now submitted showing for County Charges a total expenditure of £2,044,691 and total estimated Receipts £906,031 which would be equivalent to a rate of 520.6d. in the £ i.e., an increase of 4/6 in the £ as compared with the current year.

The County Manager stated that an application had been received for an increase in road workers wages and he gave particulars of the present rates obtaining in adjoining counties.

Clr. King stated that, in his opinion, there has not been any increase in the cost of living during the past twelve months which would justify an increase in wages now, although he did consider that the remuneration paid to road workers is inadequate in relation to the rate of remuneration paid to other grades of the Council's employees.

Clr. Carty recommended that an increase of 6/- per week be given to road workers.

The County Manager stressed the desirability of keeping

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE ESTIMATES COMMITTEE OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1954.

on a par with the agricultural wages rate.
 Clr. Flaherty suggested that an increase be given to road workers who have no other means and that the increase be restricted to such class of workers; that this might be effected by granting a reduction in rent to those workers occupying labourers cottages.

It was generally considered that Clr. Flaherty's proposal would be very difficult to operate.

It was proposed by Clr. Sirr seconded by Clr. Nicholson that an increase of 4/- a week be given making the revised rate for labourers 14/- a day.

Clr. Galvin suggested that an increase of 5/- a week be granted making the revised rate of wages for labourers 14/2d. a day.

The County Manager stated that he considered that any increase given should be met out of the Estimates submitted on the understanding that the amount of the Roads Estimate shall not be less than the amount expended in the year ended 31st March, 1953.

Eventually, it was agreed to recommend to the Council that an increase of 5/- a week be granted to all grades of road workers making the revised rate for labourers 14/2d. a day and that this increase shall apply with effect from 1st April, 1954, or the start of the first pay period in April whichever will be more convenient.

Clr. Sirr recommended that if there is any laying off of workers due to curtailment of funds, genuine labourers would be retained as far as possible.

Clr. Glynn considered that the 5/- increase being granted to labourers should not be given to that extent to Gangers, Foremen or Overseers. It was, however, agreed by the Committee that the 5/- a week increase would be given to all grades.

Clr. Collins, who arrived at this time, stated that he saw no justification for granting any increase in wages as there has been no corresponding increase in the cost of living.

Finally, on the proposition of Clr. Carty, the Committee approved the Estimate for Main Roads as submitted and reduced the Estimate for County Roads by £4,855 making the revised Estimate for County Roads £275,400.

Clr. Nestor dissented.

The Meeting was then adjourned until 2.30 p.m.

Public Assistance: On the resumption of the meeting, the Committee considered the Estimate for Public Assistance.

Clr. Carty asked why the Estimate for the Galway Central Hospital is increasing in every year and why extra staff is being sought when there is no corresponding increase in the

number of patients.

Clr. Galvin asked why the utilization of Portiuncula Hospital has not effected a reduction in expenditure at the Central Hospital.

Clr. King considered that, with the Health Act, 1953, in operation, the number of beds in the Central Hospital could be reduced thereby obviating the necessity for additional staff.

Clr. Carty proposed that salaries and wages for the Central Hospital be reduced to £94,300.

Clr. Glynn proposed that this item be reduced to £95,000 only and, eventually, the Chairman having stressed the folly of adopting an inadequate Estimate, this figure was reduced by £2,000 to £98,000.

Structural Repairs was reduced by £2,000 to £8,600 making the revised figures for St. Brendan's Home and the Central Hospital £4,300 and £3,500 respectively.

Health Services: The Estimate submitted was approved by the Committee.

Sanitary Services: Clr. Collins complained of the bad maintenance service for pumps in the Ballinasloe area and in other areas.

Clr. Kitt stated that nothing has been done towards the protection of wells in rural areas and requested that this most desirable work would receive prompt attention.

Clr. King suggested that a definite sum would be provided for improvement of wells and that an advertisement would be issued inviting applications for such improvement.

Clr. Carty mentioned as a desirable case Wade's Well at Benmore.

The provision of sanitary conveniences at Headford and Ballygar was recommended by Clrs. King and Wall respectively.

On Clr. Carty's proposal, it was decided to proceed with the provision of sanitary conveniences in the places where sites are available and to delete the remainder thus effecting a reduction of £1,950 in the Estimate for that purpose. The reduced figure £2,650 for sanitary conveniences was approved.

After further discussion the following further amendments in the Estimate for sanitary services were approved.

Domestic Scavenging reduced by £850 to £1,400.

Burial Grounds reduced by £8,590 to £7,000.

Clr. Kitt again requested that Public Lighting would be provided at Castleblakeney and Caltra, viz: 3 lights in Castleblakeney and 4 in Caltra.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Housing: It was decided to reduce the Estimate for cottage repairs by £1,000 to £6,000.

General Purposes: Reductions of £1,000 each were made in the headings 'Cost of Rate Collection' and 'Drainage of Land' making the revised figures for these charges—£23,000 and £12,600 respectively.

Receipts: The Estimate for Receipts for the various accounts, as submitted, was approved by the Committee.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Máireamh Ó'Cuinn Chairman.

Date 24th February, 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runai,
 Bothar Mór,
 GAILLIMH.

10adh Feabhra, 1954.

Guthan;
 Gaillimh 55.

Chuig gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe - Cruinniú Meastachan.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the Estimates Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on SATURDAY, 27th February, 1954, at 12.30 p.m. when the County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1955, will be considered.

The Council will be required to adopt, with or without amendment, the Estimate of Rates for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges and to make the statutory demands on the Borough Council of Galway and on the Urban District Council of Ballinasloe.

A copy of the Estimate of Expenses is enclosed.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanagh.

Runai.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan;

GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

18adh Feabhra, 1954.

Chuíg gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,
Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Chomhairle
Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionscailfear i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe
Comndae, Dia Sathairn, 27adh Feabhra, 1954, nuair a bheas deire leis an
gCruinniú Meastachan.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanaigh.

Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

- (1) Minutes.
- (2) Filling of two vacancies on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee.
- (3) Raising of loan of £1,400 for purchase of and alterations to Roundstone Courthouse.
- (4) Excess in actual over estimated expenditure for the year ending 31/3/1954.
- (5) County Engineer's report on road at Shanbally, Currandulla (Minute No.9217).
- (6) Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Clr. J.P. Joyce: (1) What area of ground has been compulsorily acquired from each landowner for road widening at Newtown, Moycullen?
(2) What price, or other means of compensation, has been agreed on in each particular case?
(3) Reason for delay in making payments.
 - (b) Clr. J.J. Ruane: Please note that at the next meeting of the County Council I or some other member on my behalf will move the following resolution, viz:-
"That the Council adopt Section 35 (1) of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952, enabling them to acquire land either by agreement with the consent of the Minister or compulsorily under the powers conferred by those Acts for all or any of the following purposes:-
 - (a) the laying out and construction of public streets or roads and open spaces on the land and the carrying out of such other works as may be necessary for or incidental to the development of the land for building purposes;
 - (b) the erection of houses and the sale or lease thereof to persons irrespective of whether they are or are not agricultural labourers;
 - (c) the sale or lease of the land or part thereof to public utility Societies and to such persons for the purpose and on the condition that such Societies and persons shall erect and maintain thereon such number of houses as may be fixed by the housing authority and in accordance with plans approved by the authority.
 - (c) Clr. V.P. Shields: Take notice that at the next meeting of the Council I shall move that the Council take over and maintain the extension from road No.448 to road No.319 known as the Black Road which said road has recently been repaired under the Roads Rural Scheme.
 - (d) Deputy M. Killilea: I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the road one mile W. of Lackagh Church through Kiltrogue .v. Cregmore to Costla be rolled and tarred, and that the Co. Surveyor be instructed to proceed immediately.

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COMAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILLIHÉ

Oifis an Rúnaróid,

na Forasnighe Condae,

An Dochar Mór, SAILLIHÉ.

27th MARCH, 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim cuṡar, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairiscí Cruinnighe Meastacáin (Uimhir 9248) a bhíodáir ar an 27th Eanáir 1954.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIS,

Rúnaróid.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas :—

Sáe Dall de Chomairle Condae na SAILLIHÉ.
An Condae Imbealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúna Teó., SAILLIHÉ.
An Uilgeadóir Condae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Soisialais.

MINUTES OF ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1954.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Clrs. M. A. Ashe, M. Carty, Deputy P. Cawley, Clrs. P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiff, Clr. J. McDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. Ruane, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9248.—Estimate of Expenses: The County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1955, as amended by the Estimates Committee was submitted.

It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Clr. Collins and unanimously Resolved: "that the meeting be adjourned for a half-an-hour as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Eugene Hickey who was for many years a member of the staff of the Galway County Council. The Chairman paid tribute to the loyalty and efficiency of Mr. Hickey and the County Manager and Secretary joined in the expressions of sympathy.

The meeting was then adjourned until 1 p.m.

On resumption of the meeting the Chairman stated that he was acceding to the request of the members of Macra na Feirme that they be permitted to attend the Estimates Meeting and that two or three of them be permitted to address the Council.

The Chairman stated that he resent the contents of a letter which was addressed to him and to every member of the Council by Macra na Feirme; that the Council has a responsibility to all sections of the community as well as to those represented by Macra na Feirme.

Mr. John Devine, a member of the National Executive of the National Ratepayers Association, then appealed to the Council to keep the rate down and stated that there is unnecessary waste of money in some County Council works, e.g. on conveyance of men for 12 miles to works in Loughrea area and the carrying out of work on the Promenade in Loughrea at an unsuitable time of the year. Mr. Devine referred to the amount of interest on loans being paid by the County Council and suggested that no further loans should be obtained, but that the Council should seek grants instead.

Mr. J. Leonard, Hon. Sec., Macra na Feirme, explained that their meeting was held on Sunday, 21st February, 1954, and that, therefore, there was not sufficient time to request

the permission of the Chairman to their attendance at the Estimates Meeting, but that he was directed to inform the Chairman that the members of Macra na Feirme would attend. Feirme would attend.

Mr. J. Casey, another member of Macra na Feirme, stated that at their meetings which were attended by representatives from various parts of the County, instances were given of extravagance in the carrying out of Council works in the members' areas. Mr. Carty considered that the demolition of an existing kitchen at Ballinasloe Mental Hospital and its replacement by a new concrete building is wasteful expenditure.

Mr. Casey also referred to drainage of a site for cottages near the Golf Course at Ballinasloe and the carrying out of work in the Suck Drainage system at an unsuitable time of the year.

Mr. Flannery, another member of Macra na Feirme, stated that there is no improvement in the standard of county roads as compared with several years ago and referred to the condition of the road to Killimordaly Church. He requested that the emphasis would be on the improvement of county roads rather than on the carrying out of elaborate improvement schemes on main roads.

Mr. Flannery asked why the sum of £12,923 only was being provided for the County Committee of Agriculture while the cost of Rate Collection is shown as being £23,000.

Mr. Flannery stated that the income of the farming community is shrinking and that, therefore, it is not reasonable to think that farmers can afford to pay a higher rate. He requested that the Council will not be coaxed or intimidated by Government Departments into adopting an estimate for services which the Council do not believe to be necessary.

Clr. Galvin stated that he welcomed the members of Macra na Feirme to the meeting, but that he was disappointed by their representations; that in the Urban area of Ballinasloe the rate is 50/- in the £ and that no rebate of any sort will be forthcoming to the ratepayers there; that the Estimate had been examined very thoroughly already by the Council and that the members of Macra na Feirme had not shown how it could be reduced further.

It was proposed by Clr. Flaherty and seconded by Clr. Collins that there be no increase in the rate for 1954/55 as compared with the rate for 1953/54.

Clr. Collins stated that he disagrees with the extent of the middle income group in the proposed health services, i.e., the long range from the ticket case to £50 P.L.V., that the health proposals will create more officials and a lessening of the number of people engaged on productive employment.

Deputy Killilea stated that he was disappointed by the representations of Macra na Feirme and surprised by Clr.

Collins' statements. Deputy Killilea asked if it was suggested that the increase of 5/- a week proposed for road workers should not be given or that the estimate for public assistance should be reduced; that the existing kitchen at the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital was entirely unsuitable and that even if as much money were spent on it as a provision of the new building it still would not suit the requirement of the Mental Hospital; that Loughrea area benefited more than any other as a result of the activities of the Council and that the Health Grant for County Galway is one of the largest for any county in the State; that the condition of the county roads is due to the change in the nature of the traffic which these roads bear and that the only solution of the problem is the steam-rolling of these roads—which work is being done by the Council to the full extent of its resources; that the Agricultural Committee is being supplied with the full amount sought.

Clr. Flaherty stated that when seven Rate Collectors were appointed recently he had recommended that these collectors be not appointed but that the rates be collected direct by the office staff.

Clr. Sirr stated that it is not clear to him why the services which were being carried out satisfactorily during the current year should cost so much more for the coming year.

Clr. Nestor stated that Roads Account is, in his opinion, the only heading in which a reduction might be made and suggested that the increase in wages be confined to genuine labourers; that this county has the best steam-rolled roads and the worst county roads in Ireland. The County Manager pointed out that in order to obtain the Road grants it is necessary for the Council to provide the amount set out in the Estimate which is equivalent to the amount provided for the year ended 31st March, 1953.

Clr. King stated that general statements will not effect any reduction in the Estimate; that an increase in the staff of the Central Hospital is being sought while there is not sufficient bed accommodation available there. Clr. King suggested that patients be accommodated in Extern Hospitals instead of the Central Hospital. The County Manager pointed out that compliance with this suggestion would result in an increase in the average daily cost for the remaining patients in the Central Hospital.

Clr. Kitt stated that the Council had already made any reduction possible in the Estimate; that he will put in a Notice of Motion to have more county roads scheduled as main roads with a view to making such roads eligible for the maintenance grant; that no ratepayer would grudge the provision for health services which enables any person to get specialist treatment, when needed, without being deterred by consideration of the cost.

Clr. Carty stated that the great majority of the farmers in the county occupy holdings of less than £20 Poor Law Valuation—that while the rate proposed for the coming year is 43/7d. in the £ the amount of rates payable on a holding of land of £20 P.L.V. will be £18 only—while a person in an urban area with a similar valuation will pay approximately £44.

Clr. Wall stated that it appeared to him that the case being made by Macra na Feirme is that a fair return has not been obtained for the amount of money spent; that he can see no reason for an increase in the clerical staff at Galway Central Hospital and agrees that the emphasis should be on improving county roads rather than on carrying out costly improvements of main roads.

The Chairman stated that there are good grounds for a hope that there will be a reduction next year in the amount of the demands for the Western Health Institutions Board and for the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital.

Clr. Houlihan asked if it is the opinion of the Chairman or of the Manager that any further reduction in the Estimate can be effected.

The County Manager stated that it is necessary for the Council to provide as much money for main and county roads respectively as was provided for the year 1952/53—otherwise the Government grants will not be forthcoming; that at the Committee Meeting it was decided that the increase of 5/- a week to road workers be granted and that the necessary money for that increase be provided out of the amount shown in the Estimate as now submitted; that, in the meantime, a demand had been received for an increase of 20/- a week and that the Union had been informed of the Committee's decision that not more than 5/- a week increase be granted; that at an inspection of the Central Hospital by members of the American Medical Association it was pointed out that the medical staff is inadequate and that an improvement in medical records is necessary which involves an increase in clerical staff; that in regard to treatment of tuberculosis there are at present redundant male beds but an insufficient number of female beds; that so far as land up to £20 P.L.V. is concerned the net increase for the coming year will be 1/5d. in the £; that the motor-tax collection for county Galway is approximately £150,000 per annum while road grants amount to £300,000; that the proposal by Clr. Flaherty that the rate be restricted to the current year's figure is not legal.

Mr. Flannery of Macra na Feirme, stated that an individual must confine his expenditure to the amount of money which he possesses and he suggested that the Council should allow a certain amount of money to the County Manager and that

obligation should be on the latter to operate the services within that amount.

It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. O'Donnell that the Estimate, as submitted, be adopted.

Clr. King stated that if it was feasible he would favour a transfer of money from main to county roads so as to increase the provision for county road improvements. The County Manager pointed out that this is not feasible.

Clr. King referred to the County Management (Amendment) Bill and suggested that it would be more to the point if the Government transferred to the local authority some more of the powers which they reserve to themselves.

Clr. O'Dowd stated that services cannot be provided without involving an increase in expenditure; that he supported Clr. Geoghegan's proposal.

Clr. McDonough was informed by the County Manager that the proposed increase of 5/- per week in road workers wages from the 1st April, 1954, will not apply to workers in the Galway Urban area whose wages have been revised already.

Clr. Ruane stated that he considered that farmers' sons working on the roads are as well entitled to receive the increase in wages as are other labourers.

The Chairman stated that he could not accept Clr. Flaherty's proposal; that if Clr. Flaherty wishes to propose a reduction in the Estimate he should specify definite items.

Clr. Flaherty stated that he appreciated the position, but that at the Estimates Committee Meeting he had already intimated that he was opposed to the increase in the rate.

Clr. Geoghegan's proposal was then put to and approved by the Council, viz., "that the Estimate of Expenses, as submitted, as set forth in Tables A, B, C, D and E, be adopted and that the rates set forth in Tables, C, D and E be the rates in the £ to be levied for the several purposes specified in the said Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1955."

It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and Resolved:—"that the demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the Ballinasloe Urban District Council be signed by the Chairman and Secretary and sealed with the Seal of the Council."

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifis an Rúnairde,

Na Foinsisteachtóirí Condae,

An Bóthar Mór, Gaillimh.

3ao Márta, 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim cugat, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairiscí Crumhístice

Comhairle Condae (Uimhir 9249-9261) a cionólad ar an 27ao Feabhra 1954.

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUANAIŞ.

Rúnairde.

Cun na ndaoime seo leanas:—

- Şac Ball de Chomhairle Condae na Gaillimhe.
- An Contae Innealltóir.
- An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., Gaillimh.
- An Ulíseadóir Condae.
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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE ESTIMATES MEETING AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1954.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.
Clr. M. Carty.

Also Present: Clr. M. A. Ashe, Deputy P. Cawley, Clrs. P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiff, Clr. J. McDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. Ruane, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9249.—Minutes: The Minutes of the previous meeting to No. 9247 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

9250.—County Galway Vocational Education Committee: It was proposed by Deputy Lahiff, seconded by Clr. Ruane and Resolved: "that Mr. Michael Gohery, N.T., Mullagh, Kilrickle, Loughrea, be appointed to fill one of the vacancies on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee."

It was proposed by Clr. M. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Nicholson and Resolved: "that Mr. Patrick Treacy, Kiltulla, Glenamaddy, be appointed to fill the second vacancy on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee."

9251.—Roundstone Courthouse: It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. McDonagh and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £1,400 from the Treasurer for purchase of and alterations to Roundstone Courthouse; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 10 years with interest at the rate approved by the National Bank, Ltd., from time to time."

9252.—Excess Expenditure: Clr. Galvin proposed, Clr. Joyce seconded and it was Resolved: "that the Council approve the following additional expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1954, in excess of the amounts already authorised:

Government Grants	.....	.....	.....	.....	£5,000
Public Assistance:					
District Institutions	£16,700
Home Assistance	850
Other Expenses	4,100
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Housing:					£21,650
Labourers Acts	£1,390
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					£28,040

It was noted that there would be estimated savings on other headings amounting to £39,370.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9253.—Road at Shanbally, Currandulla : County Engineer's report of 3/2/54 was submitted stating that the cost of providing a road at Shanbally from Grange Junction to Currandulla Junction—length 1,340 yds.—would be £1,600 for a road 25' between the fences with a 16' carriageway. The County Manager suggested that since this is a short road a 14' carriageway should be sufficient and it was decided to obtain from the County Engineer an estimate of the cost of providing a road with 14' carriageway at this place.

9254.—Roads—Miscellaneous : Clr. Mannion asked if something could be done at small cost to improve the road at Mountbellew Demesne and it was directed that a further report be obtained from the County Engineer. Clr. Kitt suggested that a grant be obtained from the National Development Fund for improvement of Roads of this type.

9255.—Overdraft : It was proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Deputy Killilea and Resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £250,000 on General Account for the quarter ending 30th June, 1954."

9256.—Road Widening at Newtown, Moycullen : In reply to Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report of 15th October, 1953, was submitted giving the information required.

9257.—Flannery Bridge : It was proposed by Clr. Ruane seconded by Clr. Carty and Resolved : "that the Council approve the County Manager's suggestion that the Minister for Local Government be invited to attend the opening of Flannery Bridge." It was noted that the contractor for the work is prepared to defray any expenses involved.

9258.—Cargin Burial Ground : Clr. King stated that Very Rev. Canon Curley is prepared to give the old school and a plot of ground adjoining Cargin Cemetery as an entrance to the cemetery and that it is desirable that this place be improved as it is the burial place of Commdt. Hugh Darcy.

9259.—Anterior Poliomyelitis : Clr. Carty drew attention to a complaint by the Press that information could not be obtained from the Central Hospital regarding alleged poliomyelitis cases and Deputy Lahiff stated that no steps were taken to isolate a case of this disease which occurred in his area. The Secretary stated that on seeing Press reports he made inquiries from the County Medical Officer who stated that there was no case of poliomyelitis in the hospital.

9260.—Sympathy : Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:—

Mr. Michael Savage, Dentist, on the death of his father ;
Clainn Uí Mhaille, Sraid Dominic, ar bhais a mathair ;
Mrs. John Burke, Galway Road, Tuam, on the death of her husband ;

Mr. Michael Connolly, Roo, Craughwell, on the death of his wife ;

Mrs. Stack, Athenry, on the death of her uncle.

9261.—Adjournment : Consideration of the remaining items on the Agenda from 6(b) to 9 inclusive was adjourned until next meeting.

*Submitted, approved and
confirmed.*

Mairéad O'Connell, Chairman.

Date 3rd April, 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthán,
GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

26adh Márta, 1954.

Chuir gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 3adh Aibreain, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanagh.

Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Completion of Mortgage Deeds for Loans:—
 - (a) £6,200 for Clifden Hospital Extension;
 - (b) £5,940 for Loughrea Town Commissioners' Housing;
 - (c) £1,340 for Loughrea Town Commissioners' Housing.
3. Raising of Loan of £600 to enable the Council to advance this amount to the Tuam Town Commissioners for provision of ranges in houses owned by that authority.
4. The desirability of raising a further loan for making advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts - the funds available being exhausted.
5. Letter 27/2/54 from the Secretary, Department of Education relating to the extension of a secondary school scholarship.
6. Landing facilities at Inishmaan - Letter of 11/3/1954 from the Office of Public Works.
7. Letters from the County Councils General Council regarding:—
 - (a) notice of matters for inclusion in Agenda for next meeting;
 - (b) proposal that machinery be set up representing local authorities and Trade Unions, for fixing of road-workers' wages.
8. Councillors' Notices of Motion:
 - (a) Clr. J.J. Ruane: Please note that at the next meeting of the County Council I or some other member on my behalf will move the following resolution, viz:—
"That the Council adopt Section 35 (1) of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952, enabling them to acquire land either by agreement with the consent of the Minister or compulsorily under the powers conferred by those Acts for all or any of the following purposes:
 - (a) the laying out and construction of public streets or roads and open spaces on the land and the carrying out of such other works as may be necessary for or incidental to the development of the land for building purposes;
 - (b) the erection of houses and the sale or lease thereof to persons irrespective of whether they are or are not agricultural labourers;
 - (c) the sale or lease of the land or part thereof to public utility Societies and to such persons for the purpose and on the condition that such Societies and persons shall erect and maintain thereon such number of houses as may be fixed by the housing authority and in accordance with plans approved by the authority.
 - (b) Clr. V.P. Shields: Take notice that at the next meeting of the Council I shall move that the Council take over and maintain the extension from road No.448 to road No.319 known as the Black Road which said road has recently been repaired under the Roads Rural Scheme.

- (o) Deputy M. Killilea: I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the road one mile W. of Lackagh Church through Kiltroque .v. Cregmore to Costla be rolled and tarred, and that the Co. Surveyor be instructed to proceed immediately.
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(2) "That the road from Staunton's Cross to Clonfert Cathedral be tarred and a sign-post be erected at four roads."
- (j) Clr. M. Ua h-Uigin: "That the scheme of Reconstruction Grants under Sections 9, 10 and 11 of the Housing Act, 1952, be amended to permit payment of a Supplementary Grant to persons who are paid State grants on or after the first of April, 1953."
- (k) Clr. S. Glynn: (1) I will move that Minister for Local Government be requested to hold an inquiry into delay in providing pumps and engine plant to the Williamstown Waterworks.
(2) "That the Secretary provide Year Books to Councillors."
- (l) Clr. M. Mannion: (1) At the next meeting of the Galway County Council I will move that the part of the river Shevin between Gunnode Bridge and Fiddane be cleaned.
(2) That the road leading from County road Menlough to Mountbellew, to main Road Moylough - Mountbellew through Mountbellew demesne be scheduled as a county road.
- (m) Clr. M.F. Kitt: (1) That in view of the increased traffic on existing county roads a road survey of the county be made with a view to have a greater number of roads scheduled as main roads thereby qualifying for a higher State grant.
(2) That this Council agree to the principle that when a big State grant has been expended on a road linking two county roads that on completion of the work the Council take over such road and maintain it.
(3) That the list of pumps on the priority list be circulated to each Councillor and that the wells to be sunk and pumps erected for year ending 31/3/1955 be indicated thereon.
(4) That an immediate survey be made of the good spring wells in the county; that the money provided in the Estimate for 1954/55 be allocated for the cleaning and protection of such wells and that the work be commenced at the earliest possible opportunity.
(5) That the County Surveyor state if sanction was obtained for a drain at Lismoyle and Doonwood (Mountbellew area) and if not that this work be put on the Local Authorities (Works) Scheme for the coming financial year.
- (n) Clr. M.F. Kitt & Deputy R. Lahiff: "That the road from Bshan's house on the Ahasragh-Caltra main road through the village of Castlegar and leading on to English county road on which a big state grant was expended be taken over and maintained by the County Council."
- (o) Clr. M. O'Donnell: "That the County Council direct the County Manager to prepare a scheme for a piped water supply for the residents of Casla districts; that the supply be obtained in Casla Ower, and that in view of a former objection to the proposed use of this source of supply, the scheme be formulated in accordance with the appropriate compulsory powers enabling Local Authorities in such matters."

9. Appointment of Nominee to the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.
10. Auditor's Report on accounts of the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee for y.e. 31/3/1953.
11. Resolutions.
12. Other Business.
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COMHAIRLE CONRADAE NA SAILLIME

OIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIR,

NA FOIRNISTE CONRADAE,

AN BÓCAR MÓR, SAILLIM.

10ú Aibreán, 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim éisic, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairisc Crúinnigte
Comhairle Conradae (Uimhir 9262-9289) a tionsklaob ar an 3ú
Aibreán 1954.

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUANÁIS,

Rúnaí.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

Sac Dall de Chomhairle Conradae na SAILLIME.
An Contae Inbhear Éire.
An Cisteoir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., SAILLIM.
An Uligeadóir Conradae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 3rd APRIL,
1954, at 12.30 p.m.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Present: Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, M. Carty, Deputy
P. Cawley, Clrs. P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Fury,
P. J. Galvin, J. Geoghegan, J. Glynn, M. J. Higgins, J.
Houlihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. M. F. Kitt, L. O'Toole,
Deputy J. Mannion, Clrs. M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nichol-
son, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M.
Newell.

9262:—Adjournment: It was proposed by the Chairman
seconded by Clr. Higgins and unanimously Resolved "that the
Council extend their deep sympathy to Clr. J. J. Ruane on the
death of his mother and that as a mark of respect, the meeting
be adjourned until 1.30 p.m.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following:
the relatives of the late Colm O'Gaora, Uas., Rosmuc; Mr.
Joseph King, Wood Quay, Galway, on the death of his wife
and first cousin; Mr. Patrick Lowry, The Cross, Glenamaddy,
on the death of his brother.

The meeting was then adjourned until 1.30 p.m.

9263:—On the resumption of the meeting the Minutes
of the previous meeting to No. 9261 having been circulated
to the members were taken as read and were signed by the
Chairman.

Clr. Ruane thanked the Council for their expression of sym-
pathy with him.

9264: Loan £6,200 for Clifden Hospital: It was proposed
by Deputy Killilea seconded by Clr. M. Carty and Resolved:
"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage
of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Com-
missioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the
sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Pounds, proposed to be
advanced by them to us under the Public Assistance Act,
1939."

9265: Housing Loans—Loughrea Town Commissioners:
It was proposed by Deputy Killilea seconded by Clr. M. Carty
and Resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the
Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is
given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the
repayment of the sum of Five Thousand, Nine Hundred and
Forty Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under
the Local Government Act, 1946."

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea seconded by Clr. M.

Carty and Resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to
the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security
is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for
the repayment of the sum of One Thousand, Three Hundred
and Forty Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us
under the Local Government Act, 1946."

9266: Housing Loan—Tuam Town Commissioners: It was
proposed by Deputy M. Killilea seconded by Clr. J. J. Nestor
and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising
of a loan of £600 from the National Bank, Limited, so that
this amount may be advanced to the Tuam Town Commis-
sioners to defray the cost of provision of ranges in houses owned
by that authority; this loan to be repayable by instalment
over a period of five years with interest at the rate approved
by the Bank from time to time."

9267: Loan for Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts: The
Secretary reported that the sum of £150,000 which has already
been borrowed by the Council for the issue of loans under the
Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts is absorbed by loans
allocated and that applications are still being received. It was
proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Clr. J. Ruane
that a further loan of £50,00 be raised by the Council for this
purpose.

It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty and seconded by Clr. P.
Sirr that the Council approve the raising of a further loan of
£100,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the
issue of advances under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition)
Acts: this loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of
35 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue
of the loan to the Council. After a discussion, Deputy Killilea
withdrew his proposal and Clr. Carty's proposal was adopted
unanimously by the Council.

9268: Scholarship Scheme: Letter RO(2).74841 of 27th
February, 1954, from the Secretary Department of Education,
Primary Branch, was submitted. It was proposed by Clr. M.
Carty seconded by Clr. P. Collins and Resolved: "that the
Council's scheme for scholarships in secondary and vocational
schools for the year 1949 be amended by the addition of the
following words at the end of Clause XII(3) "except in special
circumstances and with the approval of the Minister for Educa-
tion" and that a similar amendment be made in the Council's
scheme for Scholarships in secondary and vocational schools
for the year 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953 and 1954.

The Minutes of proceedings at a meeting of the Education
Committee held on 27th January, 1954, were submitted and
were on the proposition of Clr. Carty seconded by Clr. Quinn

approved unanimously.

9269: Landing Facilities at Cora Point, Inishmaan, Aran:—
Letter F.87: 272/1/53 of 11th March, 1954, from the Sec-
retary, Office of Public Works was submitted stating that a
grant of £4,500 being the full estimated cost of improvements
to the landing place at Cora Point is being allocated provided
that the Galway County Council will agree to take over the
works, when completed, and to accept responsibility for their
future maintenance. The County Engineer's report of 31st
ultimo was also submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan seconded by Deputy
Mannion and Resolved: "that the Council approve the taking
over of the improvements to the landing facilities at Cora,
Point, Inishmaan, Aran, when completed, and will accept
responsibility for the future maintenance of these works when
completed."

9270: Inishturbot Landing Place: Letter SW.1/10/4 of
15/2/1954 from the Director, Special Employment Schemes
Office was submitted requesting a further contribution of £62
10.0., from the Galway County Council towards the cost of
the improvement of the landing place at Inishturbot Island.
On the proposition of Clr. Geoghegan seconded by Clr.
O'Toole, the Council approved the making of the further con-
tribution of £62.10.0 towards the cost of the work.

9271: County Councils General Council: Letter 5/3/54
requesting notice of any matters to be included on the Agenda
for the next meeting of the General Council was submitted and
noted.

Letter 16/3/54 from the General Council was submitted
requesting the views of the Council on the proposal at a
meeting of the General Council that machinery be set up re-
presenting local authorities and Trade Unions, for fixing of
road workers' wages. After a discussion it was decided unan-
imously that the Council consider that it is more satisfactory to
retain the present arrangements for the fixing of road workers'
wages.

**9272: Section 35 (1) on Housing (Amendment) Act,
1952:** Clr. Ruane made a proposal in accordance with the
terms of his Notice of Motion No. 8(a). This proposal was
seconded by Clr. Kitt and supported by Clr. Carty. The desira-
bility of proceeding in accordance with the terms of Section 35
(1) was questioned by Clrs. Houlihan, Higgins, Galvin, and
Deputy Mannion. Clr. Ashe stated that if there was a body of
citizens ready to erect their own homes, the Council should assist
them in obtaining a suitable site for their houses. Clrs. Nicholson
and Houlihan stated that they were opposed to compulsory

acquisition of land for such a purpose. It was proposed by Clr. Houlihan and seconded by Deputy Mannion that consideration of this matter be adjourned for six months. It was proposed by Clr. Collins seconded by Clr. Sarr "that the Council do not approve Clr. Ruane's proposal".

At this stage, the County Manager suggested that since the matter would come up for consideration by the Council when definite proposals would be under consideration, it should not be necessary to pursue it further now. The discussion then terminated.

9273 : Roads—Miscellaneous : Clr. Shields stated that the matter mentioned in his Notice of Motion No.8(b) had received attention already.

Deputy Killilea stated that he had already received an explanation in regard to the matter mentioned in his Notice of Motion No.8(c).

In connection with Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion : f(1) : the County Engineer stated that the road to the church and Post Office at Cappatagle will be tarred out of the monies available under the grant scheme ; f(2) : the County Engineer stated that the cost of tarring the road to the church at Clon-tuskert which is 180 yds. long would be £300 ; that he will keep the proposal in mind for next year's programme.

f(3) : The County Engineer stated that the tarring of the road to Burnhouse's Factory has been arranged.

Clr. King proposed that consideration of roads improvement proposals should be deferred entirely until the next annual roads meeting.

Deputy Killilea proposed that the Secretary should not include in the Agenda proposals for new works for which financial provision has not been made in the current year's estimate.

Neither Clr. King's nor Deputy Killilea's proposal was seconded.

In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer stated that out of the monies available for maintenance he would during this year fill some of the hollows on the Brierfield public road, and suggested that consideration of the improvement of the corners be deferred until the Council will be considering next year's estimate.

On the suggestion of Clr. O'Dowd, the County Engineer stated that efforts would be made to obtain a grant for improvement of the bridge at Clonfert ; the estimated cost of the work being £500.

Clr. O'Dowd's requested that provision for the tarring of the road from Staunton's Cross to Clonfert Cathedral and for the erection of a sign post at the Four Roads be made in next year's estimate or, alternatively, that a grant from An Bord

Failte be sought for this work.

Consideration of Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion No.L. (2) regarding the road through Mountbellew Demesne was adjourned until the next annual Roads Meeting.

It was proposed by Clr. Kitt seconded by Clr. Higgins and Resolved : "that the Council agree to the principle that when a large State grant has been expended on a road linking two existing public roads the Council should, on the completion of the work, take over such link road and maintain it provided that the reconstruction work has been carried out to the satisfaction of the County Engineer and provided the road concerned is one of general public utility."

9274 : Harewood Estate : It was proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Clr. Quinn and Resolved : "That this Council calls upon the present agents for the Harewood Estate to allow any unpurchased tenant in Loughrea the same terms of purchase as allowed to those who purchased in the general scheme 10 to 12 years ago. And that the Council deplores the attempt of the present agents to compel tenants who were unable to avail of the general scheme to purchase at an exorbitant price to-day."

It was directed that a copy of this resolution be sent to Messrs. Orpen & Sweeney, the Solicitors for the Harewood Estate.

9275 : Road at Cloonkeen, Abbert : It was proposed by Clr. Nicholson and seconded by Clr. Collins that the road leading to the village of Cloonkeen, Abbert, which was previously maintained by the Galway County Council be again maintained as in the past. The County Engineer stated that he would examine the road works schemes back to 1924 to ascertain if this road was included and if not that appropriate steps would be taken to declare it a public road now.

9276 : Moycullen Waterworks Extension : Clr. Ashe requested that the contribution demanded from the householders concerned with the proposed extension of the water supply at Moycullen be waived or reduced considerably. The County Manager stated that he was not prepared to reduce the contribution demanded and Clr. Ashe said that she would raise the matter again at the next meeting.

9277 : Supplementary Housing Grant : Mol Clr. O h-Uigin, cuidhigh Clr. O'Domhnaill agus glach an Comhairle uilig leis an run seo leanas : "go leanfar le Sceim deontas tithe ina iomlan go 31/3/1935 do dhaoine ata ag faghail deontaisi fa sceim na Fíor-Gaeltachta."

9278 : Supplementary Housing Reconstruction Grants : It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. Kitt and Resolved :—"That the scheme of Reconstruction Grants under Sections 9, 10 and 11 of the Housing Act, 1952, be amended

to permit payment of a Supplementary Grant to persons who are paid State grants on or after the first of April, 1953."

9279 : Williamstown Waterworks : In the absence of Clr. Glynn, consideration of his Notice of Motion in regard to the Williamstown Waterworks Machinery and the provision of year books was adjourned.

9280 : Tullycross Waterworks : Clr. O'Toole stated that he had again to complain about the long delay in provision of the pump for Tullycross Waterworks.

9281 : Mountbellew Drainage District : In reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer stated that he hopes to complete the cleaning on the section of the River Shevin between Gunnode Bridge and Fiddane during the current financial year ; that the work will be carried out mainly by excavator.

9282 : Road Grants : It was proposed by Clr. Kitt seconded by Clr. Higgins and Resolved : "that the Council recommend that the Minister for Local Government be requested to agree in principle to an extension of the Main road mileage for Galway county so that a greater mileage of roads maintainable by the County Council would be scheduled as main roads and would, therefore, qualify for the maintenance grant."

9283 : Wells & Pumps : As proposed by Clr. Kitt per his Notice of Motion M(3), the Council agreed that a list of pumps on the priority list be circulated to each Councillor and that the wells to be sunk and the pumps to be erected in the current financial year be indicated thereon.

The Council unanimously approved Clr. Kitt's proposal that a survey be made of good spring wells in the county ; that the money provided in the Estimate for 1954/55 be allocated for the cleaning and protection of such wells and that the work be commenced at the earliest possible opportunity.

9284 : Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 : In reply to Clr. Kitt's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer reported that sanction has not been obtained for work on the drain at Lismoyle and Doonwood in the Mountbellew area and that this scheme is being included again on next year's list of L.A. W. schemes.

9285 : Road at Castlegar Village (Ahascragh) : In connection with Notice of Motion by Clr. Kitt and Deputy Lahiff the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that the estimated cost of bringing this road up to county road standard is £1510. The Chairman stated that, in his opinion, this road should be made and on the proposition of Clr. Kitt seconded by the Chairman, it was decided that it be included in next year's road works estimate.

9286 : Costello Water Supply Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell seconded by Clr. Ashe and Resolved :

"that the Council do not consider that the alternative proposals for a water supply scheme for the Costello area are satisfactory and recommended that steps be taken again to proceed with all possible speed with the preparation of a water supply scheme for this area using the Cashla River as a source of supply."

9287 : Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited : On the proposition of Clr. Flaherty seconded by Clr. Nicholson, the Council appointed Mr. Martin Quinn, Chairman, as its nominee on the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited.

9288 : Auditor's Report : The Auditor's report and Statement of Accounts on the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1953, were submitted and noted.

9289 : Cinema Licence : It was proposed by Clr. Quinn seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and Resolved "that the Council approve the issue of a Cinema Licence to Mr. Augustus McCormick for his travelling cinema. The Meeting then terminated."

*Submitted, approved and Confirmed.
Mairín O'Connell Chairman.*

Date: 22nd Bealtaine 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan,
GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bethar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

14adh Bealtaine, 1954.

Chuid gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,
Iarrtar ort leis seo bheit i lathair ag Cruinniu de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 22adh Bealtaine, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a ohlog.

Mise, le meas,
Liam O'Luanaiigh.
Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Completion of Mortgage Deed for supplemental loan of £1,940 for Portumna Fairgreen.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deed for Loan of £600 for advance to Tuam Town Commissioners (Ranges).
4. Raising of a third loan for purchase of machinery. (Previous loans £32,650 in 1947 and £60,000 in 1951. Loan now sought £50,000).
5. Appointment of a Consultative Health Committee under Section 48 of the Health Act, 1953. (Total number of members; 10 - including the County Medical Officer and the County Surgeon (or equivalent) and two other medical practitioners residing in the county. Not less than 4 members shall be County Councillors).
6. Public lighting in the towns of Loughrea and Tuam - taking responsibility for cost.
7. Rates Arrears Lists for y.e. 31/3/1954.
8. Provision of a Water Supply Scheme for Cornamona - estimated cost £8,325 - population 80.
9. Improvement and extension of Lettercallow Water Supply Scheme at a cost of £2,413 - and raising of a short-term loan to meet the cost.
10. Extension of appointment of Temporary Clerk to the County Galway Local Old Age Pensions Committee for six months to 30/11/1954.
11. Councillors' Notices of Motion:
 - (a) Clr. M. Ua. h-Uigin: "That the Council provide the necessary money to extend the water system to the ten houses situated beyond Knaeknacarra Cross."
 - (b) Clr. J. Flaherty: (i) I will ask the County Manager what is the position of the piped water supply scheme for Milltown.
(ii) I will ask the County Engineer when does he intend to erect a pump at Ballinlass, Dunmore.
(iii) What steps has been taken in connection with the taking over of the Windfield pump from the Land Commission on the Fallon Estate, Newbridge, Ballinasloe?
 - (c) Clr. P. Sirr: "Take notice that I or somebody on my behalf will propose at next meeting of County Council "that a district midwife be appointed in Glink-Kilbegnet-Ballymoe district where such an appointment has existed for the past forty years."
(2) That Nurse Margaret Raftery resident in the area be appointed to same.
 - (d) Clr. J. O'Dowd: (1) I will ask what progress has been made since 1949 in the provision of pumps, and the clearing of the list of districts for which list has been approved.
(2) Please note that at our next meeting I will ask why the unreasonable delay arises in the provision of additional rooms as allowed by the Housing (Extra Rooms) Order, 1948.
(3) Please note that at our next meeting I will bring to the notice of this Council "that a signpost at Esker, part of which points to Laurencetown, be altered as the Irish for Laurencetown is incorrect."

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- (e) Clr. M. Quinn: "Take notice that I or somebody on my behalf will move that any official who is obliged to retire under the Superannuation Act should be given the option of serving an additional term of employment in lieu of any term he was engaged on active service or in jail during the War of Independence."
12. County Councils' General Council - Minutes of Meetings 10/12/1953 and 4/3/1954.
13. Overdraft Arrangements for quarter ending 30th September, 1954.
14. Resolutions.
15. Other Business.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runaioir,
na Foirgnithe Connadae,
An Bóthar Mór, Gaillimh.
Bealtaine 1954

A CHARA,

Cuirim cuisac, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairisc Cruinnithe Comhairle Connadae (Uimhir 9290-9319) a tionólaod ar an 22ad Bealtaine 1954.

Mise, le meas,
L. O'LUANAIIGH,
Runaioir.

Cun na ndaoime seo leanas :-

Sac Dall de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteoir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Gaillimh.
An Uileadóir Connadae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialaigh.

Cun.....

Lei Mion-Tuairisc Uimhir a..... d'faisic.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 22nd MAY,
1954.

In the Chair : Clr. M. Quinn.
Clr. M. Carty.

Present : Clrs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Collins,
M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, Deputy
J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan,
Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy
R. Lahiffe, Clrs. J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M.
Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9290.—**Sympathy** : It was proposed by the Chairman
seconded by Deputy Killilea and Resolved : "that the Council
convey their deep sympathy to Councillor Ml. Nicholson on
the death of his wife and that as a mark of respect the
meeting be adjourned until 2 p.m."

A vote of sympathy was also adopted with Dr. P. Feeney,
Central Hospital, and Joseph Feeney, Loughaubeg, Inverin,
on the death of their mother.

The meeting was then adjourned until 2 p.m.

On the resumption of the meeting Clr. Nicholson thanked
the Chairman and members for their expression of sympathy.

9291.—**Dail Elections** : The Chairman congratulated the
members of the Council who were elected Deputies at the
recent elections. Deputies Killilea and Geoghegan thanked
the Chairman.

The Chairman drew the County Manager's attention to a
Press report of a statement made by Deputy Donnellan to
the effect that the names of 3,000 electors in North Galway
were omitted from the register, and requested that this
allegation would be investigated. Councillors Flaherty and
Nestor stated that while the number of names alleged to have
been omitted was exaggerated, it is a fact that about 13
names were omitted from the list for Lerhin Polling Station
and about 100 names were omitted in the Dunmore area.

Deputy Killilea stated that names appeared in the draft
register which did not appear on the final one, e.g., Mr.
Michael Higgins, Belclare, Tuam, and Mr. Patrick Murphy,
Caherhugh, Belclare.

9292.—**Minutes** : The Minutes of the previous meeting
to No. 9289 having been circulated to the members were
taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

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9293.—**Loan £1,940—Portumna Fairgreen** : It was pro-
posed by Clr. James J. Nestor seconded by Clr. P. T. Galvin
and Resolved :

"That pursuant to the Letter of Sanction of the Local
Government Minister dated 25th February, 1954, the sum
of £1,940 as supplemental loan be borrowed from The
National Bank Limited, Galway, for the purpose of defraying
expenditure on the provision of a new Fair Green at Portumna
and the purchase of the old Fair Green and Tolls to be
repaid with interest at the appropriate rate charged by the
Bank from time to time for such advances with the parent
loan of £4,600 secured by Mortgage dated 17th October 1953
as in said Letter of Sanction provided the said supplemental
loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a further
Mortgage over the Rates AND that the Seal of the Council be
affixed to the said Mortgage to The National Bank Limited."

9294.—**Loan £600—Tuam Town Commissioners** : It was
proposed by Clr. James J. Nestor seconded by Clr. P. T.
Galvin and Resolved :—

"That pursuant to the Letter of Sanction of the Local
Government Minister dated the 27th day of April 1954, the
sum of £600 be borrowed from The National Bank Limited,
Galway, for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the
installation of ranges in the houses owned by the Tuam Town
Commissioners to be repaid within Five Years with interest
at the appropriate rate charged by the Bank from time to
time for such advances as in said Letter of Sanction provided,
the said loan and interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage
over the Rates, and that the Seal of the Council be affixed
to the said Mortgage to The National Bank Limited."

9295.—**Loan for New Machinery** : Letters of 3rd and 21st
April, 1954, from the County Engineer were submitted to-
gether with the County Manager's recommendation that the
approval of the Council be given to the raising of a loan
of £50,000 for purchase of new machinery.

Clr. O'Dowd stated that if the same value for money
could be got he would prefer that manual labour would be
utilized instead of machinery.

Clr. Nestor considered that £142,650 is an enormous
amount of money to spend on machinery within a period of
seven years.

The County Engineer stated that the amount is not ex-
cessive in relation to the amount of expenditure on road
works ; that at the end of the emergency the machinery on
hands was worn out and obsolete and required almost com-
plete renewal.

The County Manager pointed out that at present a con-
siderable sum is spent on hiring plant which would not be
required if the new machinery for which the loan is being
sought was available.

Clrs. J. Mannion and Houlihan referred to the high cost
of hiring lorries from C.I.E. and stated that the Council
should secure sufficient lorries to render the hiring of C.I.E.
lorries unnecessary.

Clr. King stated that he did not agree with the proposal to
purchase extra machinery as a time must come when the
expenditure on road works must be curtailed ; that it should
be possible to obtain hired lorries at a cost lower than for
which Council lorries can be made available.

Clr. Ashe stated she would support the recommendation
to purchase new machinery if it would result in an improve-
ment of the bye-roads.

Clr. Carty stated that when previous machinery loans
were sought the Council was assured that the machinery
would enable the Council to do more work with less labour ;
that, in fact, there has been an increase in the number of
men employed at present as compared with 1946. The County
Engineer explained that the amount of road work done has
increased out of all proportion to the number of men employed.

Clr. Galvin objected to the arrangement whereby a higher
daily rate is paid for hire of a C.I.E. lorry than for hire of a
private lorry.

Clr. Nestor considered that it is the wrong time to borrow
large sums of money when the County rate is so high and
stated that more attention should be given to County Roads.

Eventually it was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe seconded by
Clr. O'Dowd and Resolved : "that the Council approve the
raising of a loan of £50,000 from the Commissioners of Public
Works or from such other source as may be sanctioned for
purchase of new machinery ; the loan to be repayable by
instalment over a period of 10 years with interest at the
appropriate rate."

9296.—**Consultative Health Committee** : It was proposed
by Clr. Ruane and seconded by Clr. O'Dowd that the follow-
ing members of the Council be appointed members of the
Consultative Health Committee under Section 48 of the
Health Act, 1953 ; Clrs. Quinn, O'Donnell, King, Carty,
Cawley and J. Mannion. Clr. Sirr objected as the proposal
did not include any member from North Galway.

It was proposed by Clr. Collins and seconded by Clr. Sirr
that one member from each Electoral area be appointed a
member of the Committee.

Clrs. Galvin and Flaherty suggested that Clr. Sirr be

appointed a member of the Committee in lieu of Clr. Cawley.

Deputy Killilea stated that if there is to be an alteration
in the proposal he would propose that Clr. Nestor be
appointed a member of the Committee to represent North
Galway. Clr. Nestor stated that he would not be prepared
to act on the Committee. Deputy Killilea then stated that he
still supported Clr. Ruane's proposal.

Clr. Carty stated that he considered it would be a gesture to
offer two places on the Committee to Clrs. Cawley and J.
Mannion.

Clr. Wall suggested that representation for North Galway
could be had by substituting Deputy Killilea for Clr. Carty.

The Chairman suggested that if the proposal submitted was
not acceptable the majority party on the Council should
nominate four members and the minority should nominate
the remaining two. Clr. Carty stated that if Clrs. J. Mannion
and Wall were nominated (in lieu of Clrs. Cawley and J.
Mannion) he would support it.

Clr. Collins objected to the exclusion of Clr. Sirr.

Eventually, it was proposed by Clr. Galvin seconded by
Clr. Ruane and Resolved : "that the following be appointed
members of the Consultative Health Committee under Section
48 of the Health Act, 1953 :

Clrs. M. Quinn, M. O'Donnell, T. King, M. Carty,
J. Mannion and M. Wall ; Dr. C. F. MacCon,
Surgeon M. G. O'Malley, Dr. P. F. Brennan,
Athenry, and Dr. D. T. O'Driscoll, Sea Road,
Galway.

Clr. Kitt stated that he dissented from this resolution as he
considered that the Committee should include one representa-
tive from each Electoral area.

9297.—**Public Lighting—Loughrea & Tuam Towns** : The
County Manager explained that public lighting generally,
being a County Health District charge, the ratepayers in the
towns of Tuam and Loughrea contribute to the cost of public
lighting throughout the entire County Health District and in
addition pay the entire cost of the public lighting for their own
towns. The County Manager requested that the Council would
consider taking over responsibility for public lighting in the
towns of Tuam and Loughrea ; the estimated cost for the year
1954/55 being £500 and £300 respectively.

The Chairman referred to a report in the Connacht Tribune
to the effect that the County Manager stated at a meeting of
the Loughrea Town Commissioners that he would ask the
Council to take over public lighting for Loughrea town and
considered that the Loughrea Town Commissioners should
themselves make the request for this concession.

Clr. Carty gave particulars of the rate in the £ for public lighting in the town of Loughrea as compared with the rate if spread over the County Health District and proposed that the Council would take over public lighting for the towns of Loughrea and Tuam with effect from 1st April, 1955.

The County Manager explained that he undertook to put this matter before the Council on behalf of the Loughrea Town Commissioners with a view to saving time as if the Council insist the Loughrea Town Commissioners will, undoubtedly, make the request.

Clr. Higgins stated that it would be inequitable not to accede to the request that the public lighting of Loughrea and Tuam be taken over by the Council; that he considered that the County Manager had acted properly in drawing attention to this inequity.

Deputy Killilea stated that if this concession is granted to Loughrea a similar arrangement should be made for Tuam.

Deputy Killilea seconded Clr. Carty's proposal which was approved by the Council.

9298.—Knocknacarra Water Supply Extension: It was proposed by Clr. Higgins and seconded by Clr. Ashe: "that the Council provide the necessary money to extend the water system to the 10 houses situated beyond Knocknacarra Cross, Galway."

The County Manager explained that as there are 10 houses concerned and the extension required is a little over 200 yds. the owners could be required to contribute the full cost. Clr. King suggested that a nominal charge be made in respect of the existing houses and a higher charge for any houses built in future and seeking a connection with the water main.

Eventually, Clr. Higgins' proposal was approved by the Council.

9299.—Headford Water Supply: Clr. King stated that the tenants of the new cottages at Headford (10) have now signified their intention of connecting with the water main and requested that the main be extended to supply these cottages.

9300.—Rate Arrears 1953/54: The Rate Arrears Lists for the year ended 31/3/1954 were submitted together with a statement giving the following particulars:

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1953/54.

	£	s.	d.	
Lodged to 31/3/1954	553,875	11	7	96.6994%
Cash on hands	6,238	18	2	1.0892%
Discount	594	18	0	.1039%
Arrears Struck off	5,906	11	6	1.0312%
Arrears Carried Fwd.	6,164	15	5	1.0763%
				100.000%

The arrears lists were noted by the Council.

9301.—Cornamona Water Supply: A statement was submitted that the estimated cost of providing a water supply scheme for Cornamona was £8,325 representing a cost of £104 per head on the present population of 80 persons. The County Manager stated that he could not recommend that the Council proceed with this scheme owing to its high cost and considered that a pump should be provided instead.

Clr. O'Toole stated that apart from the permanent population a large number of people come in from the country to do their shopping in Cornamona as there is a fair number of business premises in the village; that outbreaks of typhoid have occurred in Cornamona in recent times. It was proposed by Clr. O'Toole and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan that the water supply scheme for Cornamona be provided.

Clr. O'Donnell stated that wells are not a success in Connemara.

Deputy Lahiffe stated that he was not supporting a proposal for a water supply scheme in Cornamona instead of a pump.

Eventually, on the suggestion of the County Manager, it was agreed that consideration of this matter be adjourned until the next meeting so that a report may be obtained on the possibility of finding a suitable water supply for a pump at Cornamona.

9302.—Tullycross Water Supply: Clr. O'Toole pointed out that on several occasions he had asked an explanation of the delay in installing the pump for Tullycross Waterworks and that he objected strongly to the long delay in installing this pump.

Clr. Collins stated that the same could be said of many pumps in the country which had been provided at considerable expense and have been out of order for a long time.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

9303.—Letter Callow Water Supply Extension: It was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and Resolved: "that the water main at Lettercallow be extended for approximately 528 yds. at an estimated cost of £2,413. It was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,410 from the National Bank, Limited, to defray the cost of extending the water main at Lettercallow; this loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of five years with interest at the appropriate rate."

9304.—Old Age Pensions Committee: It was proposed by Clr. Collins seconded by Clr. Sirr and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the continued employment of Mr. David Egan, Clerical Officer, as temporary Clerk to the County Galway Old Age Pensions Committee for a period of six months from 1st June to 30th November, 1954, inclusive, with remuneration at the rate already approved."

9305.—Milltown Water Supply: In reply to his Notice of Motion Clr. Carty was informed by the Secretary that as the proposal to provide a piped water supply for Milltown is No. 26 on the priority list it is unlikely that anything whatever will be done in regard to this scheme within the next two years.

9306.—Ballinlass Pump: In reply to his Notice of Motion, Clr. Flaherty was informed by the Secretary that the pump for Ballinlass is No. 34 on the priority list; that the maximum number of pumps which can be done within the present financial year is 26 and, therefore, Ballinlass pump will not be undertaken before year ending 31/3/1956.

9307.—Windfield Pump, Newbridge, Ballinassloe: In reply to his Notice of Motion Clr. Flaherty was informed that the question of the taking over of the Windfield Pump has been taken up with the Land Commission officials.

9308.—Kilkerrin & Moylough Water Supply: Clr. Flaherty requested that steps be taken to expedite the completion of this water supply scheme.

9309.—Midwife for Glynsk-Kilbegnet-Ballymoe: It was proposed by Clr. Sirr seconded by Clr. Nestor and Resolved: "that the Council recommend that a midwife be again appointed to serve the Glynsk-Kilbegnet-Ballymoe district as

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the existing midwives in the Glenamaddy and Williamstown districts reside too far away from patients in this area.

9310.—Pumps: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion the Secretary submitted a report from the County Engineer that since 1949, 35 pumps have been completed and 4 further pumps are at present in progress.

9311.—Housing (Extra Rooms) Order, 1946: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion the Secretary explained that the extra rooms have to be provided by the applicants themselves and the function of the Council is to pay a grant towards the cost of providing the room; that before the proposal would be sanctioned the Department of Local Government required that a suitable plan and specification would be submitted; that any delay arising is due to the fact that the applicants have not submitted the required plans and specifications.

9312.—Sign Post at Esker: In connection with Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report of the 21st May, 1954, was submitted stating that he had ordered a new sign for erection at Esker.

9313.—Age Limit Order: It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins seconded by Clr. J. Ruane and Resolved: "That the Council recommend that any official who is obliged to retire under the Age Limit Order should be given the option of serving an additional term of employment in lieu of any term he was engaged on active service or in jail during the War of Independence."

9314.—County Councils' General Council: The Minutes of Meetings of the General Council held on 10/12/53 and 4/3/1954 having been circulated to the members were submitted and noted.

9315.—Overdraft Accommodation: It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins seconded by Clr. J. Ruane and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £150,000 on General Account for the quarter ending 30th September, 1954."

9316.—Auditor's Reports: The Auditor's report on the Accounts of the County Galway Vocational Committee for the year ending 31/3/1953 was submitted and noted.

9317.—Shruffaun Pier: Letter S.W.1/10/137 of 28/4/54

from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office was submitted. It was proposed by Clr. Mannion seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and Resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the making of a further contribution of £450 towards the cost of improvement works at Shruffaun Pier as set out in letter of 28/4/1954 from the Special Employment Schemes Office and the Council undertake to accept responsibility for the future maintenance of this work when completed."

9318.—Inishturk Landing Place: Letter S.W.1/10/78 of 19/5/1954 from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office, was submitted requesting that the Council would contribute a further £25 towards the cost of this work in addition to the contribution of £157/10/0 already approved. On the proposal of Clr. Mannion seconded by Clr. O'Donnell the Council approved the making of the additional contribution of £25.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Máireín O'Cuinn Chairwoman 24. 11. 54 Date:
COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan;
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
Gaillimh.
18adh Meitheamh, 1954.

Chuíg gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheit i lathair ag Cruinniu Bliantuil de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Feirgnithe Conndae, Dia Sathairn, 26adh Meitheamh, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,
Liam O'Luanaigh.
Runai.

GNO.

1. Election of Chairman for Year 1954/55.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for Year 1954/55.
3. Appointment of representatives on:-
 - (a) Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board;
 - (b) Western Health Institutions Board;
 - (c) County Councils General Council;
 - (d) Irish Tourist Association.

4. Appointment of Committees, viz:-

- (a) County Libraries Committee;
- (b) National Monuments Advisory Committee;
- (c) Visiting Committee for District Institutions;
- (d) Education Committee;
- (e) Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan;
GAILLIMH 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
Gaillimh.

18adh Meitheamh, 1954.

Chuíg gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,
Iarrtar ort leis seo bheit i lathair ag Cruinniu Speisialta de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Feirgnithe Conndae, Dia Sathairn, 26adh Meitheamh, 1954, ag 1.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanaigh.

Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER the adoption of the provisions of Section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and to decide to do the following things or all or any of them in the town of Portumna in the County Health District of Galway, namely:-

- (1) To provide a Market place and construct a Market house and other conveniences for the purpose of holding markets in said town.
- (2) To provide houses and places for weighing carts.
- (3) To make convenient approaches to such markets.
- (4) To provide all such matters and things as may be necessary for the convenient use of such market.
- (5) To purchase or take on lease land or the right to use land and public or private rights in markets and tolls in the said town.
- (6) To take stallages, rents and tolls in respect of the use by any person of such market.
- (7) To approve of the draft Bye-laws prepared for the holding of markets in the said town.
- (8) To extinguish, if considered necessary, all existing fairs and markets therein, and to provide and establish instead such markets as the Council shall consider to be necessary and useful.

Signed: L. O'Luanaigh.

Runai.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mór,
Gaillimh.
18 Meitheamh, 1954.

Chuir gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,
Iarrtar ort leis seo bheig i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 26adh Meitheamh, 1954, ag 1.30.p.m. a ohlog.

Mise, le meas,
Liam O'Luanigh,
Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. To make the Rates and to sign and seal the Rate Books for the financial year ending 31st March, 1954.
3. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads, viz:-
 - (1) Road from Coppengh Bridge to Derrybrien North Three Roads, length 1,200 perches. (The description of road No.448 will be amended to read "between Earlsparc Junction and Derrybrien North Three Roads, length 2727 perches.")
 - (2) Road at Athenry Housing Scheme - 251 lin. yds. (63.81 lin.pers.) to be linked with County Road No.376.
 - (3) Road at Headford Housing Scheme - 170 lin.yds. (30.9 lin.pers.) to be linked with County Road No.125.
 - (4) Road at Ballybrit Housing Scheme - 175 lin.yds. (31.81 lin.pers.) to be linked with County Road No.142.
 - (5) Road at Garrabeg Housing Scheme, Gort - 64 pers., to be included in County Road No.373.
 - (6) Road at Ballyhugh Housing Scheme, Gort - 22 pers. - to be included in County Road No.373.
 - (7) Road at Liam Mellowes Terrace Housing Scheme, Loughrea - 35 pers. - to be included in County Road No.406.
4. Cornamona Water Supply - County Engineer's report on the possibility of finding a suitable water supply for a pump.
5. Central Hospital Maintenance Accounts - legal proceedings - Clr. Carty's letter of 6th June, 1954.
6. Minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions.
7. Letter 4/6/54 from the County Councils General Council requesting notice of matters to be placed on the Agenda for next meeting.
8. Auditor's report on accounts of:-

River Suck Joint Drainage Committee.....y.e. 31/3/1953.
Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committeey.e. 31/3/1954.
Shrule Joint Drainage Committee.....y.e. 31/3/1954.

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9. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-

(a) Clr. J.J. Nestor:

(1) "That three dangerous corners in the vicinity of Dunmore be removed - one at Prospect on the Dunmore - Milltown Road; one near Burke's at Bawnogues on the Dunmore - Glenamaddy Road and the third leading from Currabell on to the same road near the old school yard."

(2) To ascertain from the County Manager if the Council is in a position to deal with itinerants who hang around towns, live on the roadside, and constitute a menace to the public, particularly young children and aged people.

(b) Clr. J.P. Joyce:

(1) That the tourist road leading from Donnellan's Cross at Newtown, Moycullen, to Lough Corrib be tarred and rolled.

(2) That pump be fitted over well at Ross.

(c) Clr. J. O'Dewd:

(1) That at the next meeting of the Council I will propose that labourers cottages be provided at Laurencetown, Clonfert and Eyreocourt.

(2) That at the next meeting of the Council I will propose that a pump be provided for the people at Coolcarty and Blacksticks.

(3) That at our next meeting I will ask the County Engineer to have the well in Holloway's land protected and brought by pipe out to the road about 25 yds. to accommodate the people of Clontuskert and the adjoining villages - Crossconnell, Garryduff and Chapelperk.

10. Resolutions.

11. Other Business.

COMAIRLE CONRADAE NA GALWAY

OIFIS AN RÚNARÓI,

NA POIRNISTE CONRADAE,

AN BÓCAR MÓR, GALWAY.

26ú Meitheamh 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim cùsac, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairisc Crúinnithe

Dlíantúil na Comhairle Conradae (Uimhir 9319-9330) a tionsóláir

ar an 26ú Meitheamh 1954.

Mise, Le meas,

L. Ó LUANÁIS,

Rúnaróe.

Cum na ndaoime seo leanas :-

Fac Dail de Chomhairle Conradae na Galway.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Galway.
An Uileadóir Conradae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 26th
JUNE, 1954.

Present : Cirs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Cirs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Cirs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, J. Mannion, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, M. Quinn, J. J. Ruane, P. Sirr.

9319.—Chairman : It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and Resolved : "that Clr. Martin Quinn, Cloonacallis, Killaan, Woodlawn, be elected Chairman of the Galway County Council for the year 1954/55."
The Chairman thanked the members of the Council for their co-operation with him during the past year.

9320.—Vice-Chairman : It was proposed by Clr. Higgins seconded by Clr. Ashe and Resolved : "that Clr. M. Carty, Abbey Street, Loughrea, be elected Vice-Chairman of the Galway County Council for the year 1954/55."

9321.—Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board : Letter 21/6/54 from the Chief Clerk of the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital was submitted stating that the number of members to be elected by the Galway County Council on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board for the coming year is 16. It was proposed by Clr. Higgins seconded by Clr. Collins and Resolved : "that the existing representatives of the Galway County Council on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board be appointed for the year 1954/55."

9322.—Western Health Institutions Board : It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan seconded by Clr. Glynn and Resolved : "that the existing representatives of the Galway County Council on the Western Health Institutions Board be re-appointed for the year 1954/55."

9323.—County Councils' General Council : It was proposed by Clr. Glynn seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and Resolved : "that the present representatives of the Galway County Council on the County Councils' General Council be re-appointed for the coming year, viz :— Cirs. Quinn, Killilea and Kitt."

9324.—Irish Tourist Association : It was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell seconded by Clr. Collins and Resolved : "that Clr.

Sean Glynn, Corralough, Williamstown, be re-appointed to represent the Council on the Irish Tourist Association for the year 1954/55."

9325.—County Libraries Committee : It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and Resolved : "that the existing members of the County Libraries Committee be re-appointed for the year 1954/55." It was proposed by Clr. Flaherty seconded by Clr. Collins and Resolved : "that Clr. P. Sirr, Ballincurry, Ballymoe, be appointed an additional member of the County Libraries Committee."

9326.—National Monuments Advisory Committee : It was proposed by Clr. Galvin seconded by Clr. Cawley and Resolved : "that the following members of the National Monuments Advisory Committee be re-appointed to form the committee proper for the year 1954/55, viz :— Lord Killanin, Professor M. Duignan, Dr. T. Costello, An t-Athair E. Mac Fhinn, and Rev. K. Egan, and that the remaining existing members of the Committee be re-appointed for the year 1954/55 on the same terms as applied to their appointment during the year 1953/54."

9327.—Visiting Committee for District Institutions : It was proposed by Clr. Glynn seconded by Clr. Kitt and Resolved : "that Mr. Martin Mannion, Co.C., Moylough be appointed a member of the Visiting Committee for district institutions and that the existing members of the Visiting Committee be re-appointed for the year 1954/55."

9328.—Education Committee : It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan seconded by Clr. Higgins and Resolved : "that the existing members of the Education Committee be re-appointed for the year 1954/55."

9329.—Old Age Pension Sub-Committee :

LOUGHREA : It was proposed by Clr. Ruane seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and Resolved : "that the following existing members of the Loughrea O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for the year 1954/55, viz :— Messrs. D. Cronin, M. Downey, P. Riordan, M. Smyth, P. Mannion, J. J. Kennedy, H. Melvin, M. Dolphin, M. Cooney, M. O'Regan, P. Moylan, C. Sweeney and J. J. Ruane, and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee, viz :—

Mr. Stanley Burke, Eagle Hill, Abbey, Loughrea ;
Mr. Tom Doyle, Kiltulla, Athenry ;
Mr. Edward Keogh, Tiaquin, Colmanstown.

GLENAMADDY : It was proposed by Clr. Flaherty, seconded by Clr. Sirr and Resolved : "that Mr. Joseph Tyrell, Kilkerrin, be appointed a member of the Glenamaddy O.A.P. Sub-Committee."

ORANMORE : It was proposed by Clr. King seconded by Clr. Glynn and Resolved : "that Miss M. A. Ashe be appointed a member of the Oranmore O.A.P. Sub-committee."

BALLINASLOE : It was proposed by Clr. Galvin seconded by Clr. Flaherty and Resolved : "that Mr. William Callanan, Kilconnell, be appointed a member of the Ballinasloe O.A.P. Sub-committee."

OUGHTERARD : It was proposed by Clr. J. Mannion seconded by Clr. J. Joyce and Resolved : "that Mr. John McDonagh, Glann, Oughterad, be appointed a member of the Oughterad O.A.P. Sub-committee."

GENERAL : It was proposed by Clr. King seconded by Clr. Ashe and Resolved : "that subject to the additions, etc., approved above, the existing members of the various O.A.P. Sub-committees (with the exception of the Loughrea Committee) be re-appointed for the year 1954/55."

The suggestion by Clr. Ashe that the clerks to the committees be notified of the names and addresses of the councillors residing in the district of each pension committee who are ex officio members of the committee concerned was approved by the Council.

Clr. King stated that the district of the committee serving Tuam—Headford—Abbey is too large and suggested that it be divided.

9330.—Gaedhilde : It was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Higgins that two meetings of the Council be conducted through the medium of the Irish Language during the coming year. Clr. Flaherty suggested that the proposal should be restricted to one meeting as he did not consider it fair to members who are not fluent in the Irish Language that the business of the Council should be transacted through Irish.

Clr. King's proposal was supported by Clr. Ashe. Clr. Houlihan asked if it is a fact that the majority of the members understand the Irish Language sufficiently to enable them to conduct the business of the Council through Irish. Clr. Nicholson suggested that the Agenda for these meetings should not include important business.

Eventually, the Council approved Clr. King's proposal and it was agreed that the Agenda for each of the two meetings would be issued in both Irish and English.

Submitted, approved, + confirmed

Mairéad Ó'Connell

Date 26 July, 1954

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILLÍNE

OIPIS AN RÚNARÓE,

NA FOIRNISTE CONDAE,

AN DÓCAR MÓR, SAILLÍM.

26th Meitheamh 1954

A CARA,

CURIM CUŠAR, LEIS SEO, CÓIP DE MION-TUAIRSCÍ CRUINNISTE

COMAIRLE CONDAE (UIMIR 9332-9348) A TIONÓLAD AR AN

26th Meitheamh 1954.

Mise, Le meas,

L. Ó LUANÁIS,

Rúnaróe.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

Sáe Dall de Chomairle Condae na SAILLÍNE.
 An Contae Innealltóir.
 An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., SAILLÍM.
 An Ulríséadóir Condae.
 An t-Aire, An Romm Leasa Sóisialait.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ORDINARY MEETING
 OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE
 COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 26th
 JUNE, 1954.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Present: Clrs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, J. Mannion, M. Mylote, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane and P. Sirr.

9332.—Minutes: The Minutes of previous meeting to No. 9318 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

9333.—Fairgreens—General: Clr. King stated that he considered that where any financial liability is being incurred in connection with the provision of fairgreens, the expense should be a separate charge on the area concerned.

Clr. Joyce stated that sometimes on fair days it is impossible to get into the new fairgreen at Galway as the entrance is jammed with cattle and lorries. Clr. Furey stated that some of the pens are too far away from the entrance gate and that buyers do not go to these pens; that some confusion is also being caused by changing the fair days to the last Tuesday and Wednesday of each month. Clr. King stated that the pens should be more concentrated and that two additional loading banks should be provided at the fairgreen.

9334.—Moycullen Waterworks Extension: Clr. Ashe requested that she be informed by the Secretary of the action taken in connection with the Council's recommendation that the water main at Moycullen be extended.

9335.—Rates for Financial year ending 31st March, 1955: It was proposed by Clr. Kitt seconded by Deputy Killilea and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council do hereby allow and make the rate for the financial year ending 31st March, 1955, as assessed in the Rate Books."

It was proposed by Clr. Kitt seconded by Deputy Killilea and unanimously Resolved: "that the Rate Books for the year ending 31st March, 1955 be signed and sealed with the seal of the Council."

The Rate books were then signed and sealed.

9336.—Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads: It was proposed by Clr. J. Houlihan seconded by Clr. M. A. Ashe and Resolved: "that the Council hereby declare the following road to be a public road, viz:—

Road from Coppenagh to Derrybrien North Three Roads, length 1,200 perches. The description of road No. 488 will be amended to read "between Earlsparck Junction and Derrybrien North Three Roads, length 2,727 perches."

It was proposed by Clr. J. Houlihan seconded by Clr. M. A. Ashe and Resolved: "that subject to confirmation by the County Solicitor that the Council is legally entitled to declare the following roads to be public roads, the Council declares the following roads to be public roads, viz:—

- (1) Road at Athenry Housing Scheme—351 lin. yds. (63.81 lin. pers.) to be linked with County Road No. 376.
- (2) Road at Headford Housing Scheme—170 lin. yds. (30.9 lin. pers.) to be linked with County Road No. 125.
- (3) Road at Ballybrit Housing Scheme—175 lin. yds. (31.81 lin. pers.) to be linked with County Road No. 142.
- (4) Road at Garrabeg Housing Scheme, Gort.—64 pers., to be included in County Road No. 373.
- (5) Road at Ballyhugh Housing Scheme, Gort.—22 pers., to be included in County Road No. 373.
- (6) Road at Liam Mellowe's Terrace Housing Scheme, Loughrea—35 pers., to be included in County Road No. 406.

9337.—Cornamona Water Supply: The County Engineer's report of the 26th June, 1954, was submitted stating that the estimated cost of sinking a bore hole for a well at Cornamona would be £200.

The County Engineer stated that if an adequate supply of water could be obtained from the well it would be possible to use it as a source for a piped supply and that the cost of providing a piped supply would thereby be reduced by £3,000 to £4,000; that, however, it would be necessary to instal pumping plant to pump the water from the well to a tank. It was proposed by Clr. O'Toole seconded by Clr. Higgins that a piped water supply scheme using the lake as source, as originally proposed, be provided at Cornamona—it being noted that this would be a gravity supply scheme.

After a long discussion Clr. O'Toole's proposal that the piped water supply scheme, using the lake as source, be provided at Cornamona was approved by the Council.

9338.—Ahascragh Water Supply Scheme: Deputy Killilea requested that he be informed as to what is being done with regard to the extension of Ahascragh Water Supply Scheme to Kilglass.

9339.—Central Hospital Maintenance Accounts: In the absence of Clr. Carty, consideration of item 5 on the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting.

9340.—Visiting Committee for Institutions: The Minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee which were held at—

Tuam Home	29/5/1954
Clifden Hospital	6/6/1954
St. Brendan's Home	15/6/1954

were submitted together with particulars of the action taken on the Committee's recommendations, and noted.

9341.—County Councils' General Council: Letter 4/6/54 from County Councils' General Council requesting notice of matters to be included in the next Agenda was submitted and noted.

9342.—Auditor's Reports: The Auditor's reports on the following accounts were submitted and noted:
 Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee year ending 31/3/1954.

Shrule Joint Drainage Committee year ending 31/3/1954.

9343.—Dangerous Corners at Dunmore: In connection with Clr. Nestor's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that it would be possible to do a small job on the Currabell bye-road during the current year so as to make the entrance to the Williamstown—Ballymoe road less dangerous; that no money has been allocated for the carrying out of the other works mentioned in Councillor Nestor's Notice of Motion.

9344.—Itinerants: In reply to Clr. Nestor's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that while action could be taken under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1948, in connection with the control of temporary dwellings, it would be possible to take this action only for a small area at any time and the purpose of the action could be evaded by itinerants by moving outside the area concerned.

9345.—Road at Newtown, Moycullen: In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report of the 23rd June, 1954, was submitted stating that the estimated cost of reconstructing the road from Donnellan's Cross at Newtown to Lough Corrib is £12,750 and that funds are not available for this work. Clr. Joyce's proposal in connection with this road was supported by Clrs. Higgins and Ashe and it was decided that application be made to An Bord Failte for a special grant for the carrying out of the reconstruction of this road and that the matter be placed on the Agenda again when a reply will be received from An Bord Failte.

9346.—Pump at Ross: Clr. Joyce stated that the matter mentioned in his Notice of Motion 9b (2) has received attention already.

9347.—Sympathy: A vote of sympathy was unanimously adopted with Dr. Joseph MacHale, The Crescent, Galway, on the death of his sister—Miss Ina MacHale—an official of the Galway County Council.

9348.—Miscellaneous: On the proposal of Clr. Galvin the Council unanimously congratulated Clr. Wall on his recent marriage.

Consideration of item No. 9(c) was adjourned until the next meeting of the Council which it was arranged would be held at 1.30 p.m. on Saturday, 10th July, 1954.

Submitted, approved and confirmed

MARTIN O'LEARY, Chairman.

Date: 26 July, 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Rúnair.

NA FOIRGNITHE CONNDAE.

AN BÓCAR MÓR, GAILLIMH.

26th Meitheamh 1954

A CHARA,

Cuirim cugat, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Chairseí Cruinnithe Speisialta na Comhairle Conndae (Uimhir 9331) a tionsóladh ar an 26th Meitheamh 1954.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH,

Rúnair.

Cun na ndaoime seo leanas :-

Sac Dall de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteoir, An Banc Náisiúna Teo., Gaillimh.
An Uliseadóir Conndae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Soisialait.

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 26th JUNE, 1954.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Also present: Clrs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, J. Mannion, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane and P. Sarr.

9331.—**Portumna Fairgreen, Tolls and Market:** It was proposed by Clr. J. Houlihan seconded by Clr. P. Collins and unanimously Resolved: "that the Council hereby adopt the provisions of Section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and resolve to do the following things or all or any of them in the town of Portumna in the County Health District of Galway, namely:—

- (1) to provide a market place and construct a market house and other conveniences for the purpose of holding markets in said town;
- (2) to provide houses and places for weighing carts;
- (3) to make convenient approaches to such markets;
- (4) to provide all such matters and things as may be necessary for the convenient use of such market;
- (5) to purchase or take on lease land of the right to use land and public or private rights in markets and tolls in the said town;
- (6) to take stallages, rents and tolls in respect of the use by any person of such market;
- (7) to approve of the draft bye-laws prepared for the holding of markets in the said town;
- (8) to extinguish, if considered necessary, all existing fairs and markets therein, and to provide and establish instead such markets as the Council shall consider to be necessary and useful.

Submitted, approved & confirmed.

Máire O'Quinn Chairman.

Date: 26 July, 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gaillimh 55.Oifig an Rúnair,
Bothar Mor,
Gaillimh.

2adh Iul, 1954.

Chuíg gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionsolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, Dia Sathairn, 10adh Iul, 1954, ag 1.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanaigh,
Rúnair.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Provision of a Sewerage Scheme at Woodford.
3. Raising of a loan of £3,000 for provision of offices for Assistant County Engineers at Loughrea, Milltown and Mountbellew.
4. Central Hospital Maintenance Accounts - legal proceedings - Clr. Carty's letter of 6/6/1954.
5. Councillors' Notices of Motion:
 - (a) Clr. J. O'Dowd: (1) That at the next meeting of the Council I will propose that labourers cottages be provided at Laurencetown, Clonfert and Eyrecourt. (2) That at the next meeting of the Council I will propose that a pump be provided for the people at Coolcarty and Blacksticks. (3) That at our next meeting I will ask the County Engineer to have the well in Holloway's land protected and brought by pipe out to the road about 25 yds. to accommodate the people of Clontuskert and the adjoining villages - Crossconnell, Garryduff and Chapelark.
 - (b) Deputy J. Geoghegan: Take notice that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask County Manager to state (1) why proposed extension of Rosmuck Waterworks is not being carried out; (2) why new engine has not been supplied for Derryrush Waterworks; (3) why work has not started on erection of new Reservoir at Oughterard; (4) what is the reason for delay in providing a sewerage scheme at Clonbur?
 - (c) Clr. J. Flaherty: (1) I will ask the Co. Engineer what is the position of the Kilmurry Pump, Dunmore. Has a site been obtained? (2) Also the pump at Curraghmeigh, Toomard, Ballinasloe, also the pump at Eskermullagh, Glenamaddy; also the pump at Lerhin, Clonbern. (3) Kilkerrin and Moylough Water scheme - I will ask the Co. Manager ~~are~~ the contract documents been prepared and when work will likely start.
 - (d) Clr. J. Mannion: At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the Co. Manager to state what progress has been made with the provision of cottages in Clifden.
 - (e) Clr. P. Sarr: I will ask at next meeting of Co. Council what steps have been taken to acquire sites for to erect cottages near Ballymoe.
 - (f) Clr. J.J. Ruane: At the next meeting of the Council, I will propose that the Council shall arrange for weekly collection of domestic refuse in Athenry - dust bins to be provided by the householders.
6. Resolutions.
7. Other Business.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runaí,

na Foirgnithe Connadae,

An Bócar Mór, Gaillimh.

12ú 16ú 1954

A CHARA,

Chuirim cuíac, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairiscí Crúinnithe
Comhairle Connadae (Uimhir 9349) a tionsklaíod ar an
10ú 16ú 1954.

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUANAIGH,

Runaí.

Cum na ndaoine seo leanas :-

Seán Dall de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Gaillimh.
An Uilseadóir Connadae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDING AT MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 10th JULY, 1954.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Present: Clrs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, M. Carty, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. S. Glynn, M. J. Higgins, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, R. Lahiffe, J. Mannion, J. McDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields and P. Sirr.

9349.—Sympathy: The Chairman proposed that a vote of sincere sympathy be adopted with Councillor J. J. Nestor on the death of his son and that, as a mark of respect, the meeting be adjourned until Saturday, 24th July, 1954, at 12.30 p.m. This proposal was seconded by Clr. Ruane and adopted unanimously. All the councillors present and the Secretary joined in the expression of sympathy.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following :-

The Beatty family, Loughrea, on the death of Mr. Joseph Beatty;
Mr. David Egan, Clerical Officer, on the death of his brother;
Mr. Michael Flynn, Vice-Consul, Boston, on the death of his mother;
The Cottingham family, Derrygimla, Ballyconneely, on the death of Mr. Martin Cottingham.

Clr. Nestor thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy and the meeting was then adjourned until Saturday, 24th July, 1954.

Submitted, approved & confirmed.
Máireamh Ó Cúinn, Chairman.
Date: 26 July, 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runaí,
Bothar Mór,
GAILLIMH.

2adh Iul, 1954.

Guthan;
Gaillimh 55.

Chuir gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionsklaíod i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 24adh Iul, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a ohlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O'Luanaigh.
Runaí.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

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 - (f) Clr. J. J. Ruane: At the next meeting of the Council, I will propose that the Council shall arrange for weekly collection of domestic refuse in Athénry - dust bins to be provided by the householders.
 - (g) Clr. M. Mannion: (1) At the next meeting of Co. Council I will ask the Co. Manager when work on the sinking of the pumps at Ballinlass, Mountbellew and Cullmore-Clonkell, Moylough is expected to start. (2) At the next meeting of the Council I will propose that the county road leading from Kilkerrin to the Scregg, Cloonkeen County Road by cemetery be widened and dangerous bends removed. (3) At our next meeting I will propose that sewer pipes be laid in drain leading from town sewerage to canal through Mahony's land at Moylough.

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- (h) Deputy R. Lahiffe: (1) What is the position in the order of priority of the pumps at Rathbane, Ardrahan and Moy, Kinvara? (2) How many pumps have been sunk for year ended 1st June, 1954? (3) When is it proposed to begin building cottages at Kinvara? (4) That the County Road outside Parish Church at Kilnadeema, Loughrea, be widened and corner there eased. (5) That county road outside Kilmeen Church, Loughrea, be widened.
6. Completion of Mortgage Deed for Loan £100,000 for Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.
7. Portumna Fairgreen and Tolls and Markets - Arrangements to be made and County Manager's report on result of his discussions with local interests.
8. Minutes of meeting of the Education Committee held on 14th July, 1954.
9. Resolutions.
10. Other Business.
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COMAIRLE CONDAE NA GALWAY

Oifis an Rúnair, Na Forghníúte Condae,

An Bócar Mór, Gaillimh.

26ú Iúil 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim tuairisc leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairisc Crumhúste

Comhairle Condae (Uimhir 9350) a tionscail ar an

24ú Iúil 1954.

Mise, Le meas,

L. Ó LUANAIÚ,

Rúnair.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

Seán Dall de Chomhairle Condae na Gaillimhe,
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Gaillimh.
An Uileasúir Condae.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialaí.

Cun.....

Le Mion-Tuairisc Uimhir 4..... d'faiscne.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDING AT MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL WHICH WAS HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILD-
INGS, GALWAY, on SATURDAY, 24th JULY, 1954.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Present: Clrs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, J. Holohan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. P. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, P. Serr and M. Wall.

9350.—Sympathy: It was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Clr. King and unanimously resolved: "that the Council adopt a vote of deep sympathy with Clr. John McDonagh on the death of his father and that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until 12.30 p.m. on Monday—26th July, 1954.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with Mr. Michael Turley, Laurencetown, on the death of his son; with Rev. Fr. Garvey, Corrandulla, on the death of his brother; with the Carroll family, Ballinasloe, on the death of their brother; with Joseph Keeley, Ard West, Carna, on the death of his father.

The meeting then adjourned.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

M. Carr Chairman

Date: 11/9/54

COMAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE

OIFIS AN RÚNÁDÓIR,

NA FOIRNISTE CONNDÁE,

-AN BÓCAR MÓR, GAILLIMH.

26ú IÚL 1954

A CÁRA,

Cuirim cugat, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Chairseí Crúinnithe
Comhairle Conndáe (Uimhir 9351-9382) a tionsóláid ar an
26ú Iúil 1954.

Mise. Le meas,

L. O LUANAÍD,

Rúnáid.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

SAC DALL DE CHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE.
AN CONDÁE INNEALLTÓIR.
AN CISTÉOR, AN DANC NAISIÚNTA TEO., GAILLIMH.
AN ULIGEADÓIR CONNDÁE.
AN E-ÁIRE, AN ROINN LEASA SOISIALAÍD.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING HELD AT
THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, on MONDAY,
26th JULY, 1954, at 12.30 p.m.

In the Chair: 1. Clr. M. Quinn.
2. Clr. M. Carty.

Present: Clrs. Miss M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Fury, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. S. Glynn, J. Holohan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. P. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. J. McDonagh, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, P. Sarr and M. Wall.

9351.—Minutes: Clr. Ashe referred to Minute No. 9334 and pointed out that the extension of the water supply at Moycullen without contribution by the householders concerned had already been approved by the Council and that it was the Council's wish that the work be carried out.

Clr. Fury referred to the letter which he received in reply to the Council's representations regarding the Galway Fairgreen and stated that he was invited to attend a meeting which was to be held at 12 o'clock; that having remained for 15 to 20 mins. without seeing anybody he had left the Fairgreen on the date stated.

Clr. Fury stated further that the changing of the days for the holding of fairs has caused considerable confusion.

Clr. Ashe stated that the meeting to which Clr. Fury referred was held at Dominick Street.

The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 9349 having been circulated to the members were then taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

Clr. McDonagh thanked the Chairman and members and the Secretary and staff of the Council for their expression of sympathy with him in his bereavement and he also thanked the staff of the Central Hospital for their kindness to his late father during his last illness.

9352.—Woodford Sewerage Scheme: The Secretary reported that the estimated total cost of providing a sewerage scheme at Woodford is £9,000 and that the population to be served is approximately 185 persons, i.e., 50 houses, 2 schools and one convent. On the proposition of Clr. Houlihan seconded by Clr. Carty the provision of a sewerage scheme for Woodford was approved.

9353.—Engineer's Offices: The Secretary submitted the County Engineer's request that offices be provided for the Assistant County Engineers at Loughrea, Milltown and Mountbellew at a cost of £1,000 each—a total cost of £3,000. After a long discussion in which Clr. King suggested that one office should serve two or more districts it was proposed by Clr. Ruane seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved: "that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £3,000 from the National Bank, Ltd., Galway, for provision of offices for the district engineers at Loughrea, Milltown and Mountbellew—this loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 10 years with interest at the rate prevailing.

9354.—Galway Central Hospital—Maintenance Accounts: In reply to Clr. Carty's inquiry the County Manager explained that in the case of the three patients concerned the Home Assistance Officer's original report indicated that the patients could afford to pay the amounts demanded; that as a result of Clr. Carty's representations the Assistance Officer was directed to re-investigate and subsequent reports received from that officer show that the patients could not afford to pay and that the original reports submitted were incorrect; that the legal proceedings in one case were withdrawn but that in the other two cases legal proceedings had already gone ahead. The County Manager stated that in these latter two cases he will require the home assistance officer to reimburse the Council for the amount of the costs incurred and that the amounts due by all three patients concerned will be struck off.

Clr. Carty stated that he accepted the County Manager's explanation in regard to the three cases concerned and that he trusted that in future the assistance officers will be required to investigate all such cases fairly.

Several members expressed dissatisfaction at the fact that representations made by them in regard to reduction or striking out of hospital maintenance accounts had not received the prompt attention which might reasonably be expected.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9355.—Health Services: Deputy Killilea asked to be informed of the reason why the representatives from this county on the Health Council stated that the Galway County Council was not ready to go ahead with the new health services which were due to come into operation on 1st August, 1954. The County Manager stated that the Minutes of the Health Council which were discussed in the Dail were the unconfirmed Minutes of the last meeting of the

Council; that at the meeting of the Health Council it was made clear that sufficient beds were not available in Dublin and Cork and that an agreement for operation of the services had not been completed with the doctors or the nurses; that the Health Act, 1953, did not permit the putting of the services into operation in a part of the State while they would not be in operation in the entire State; that before Dr. Ryan had ceased to be Minister for Health the Health Council had recommended the revocation of the date of commencement order for the Health Act, 1953, as the Council believed that the services could not be put into operation at 1st August, 1954.

Clr. Carty stated that it appeared from the information available that the services could be put into operation in Co. Galway.

The County Manager stated that an embarrassing situation could arise if a person entitled to services under the Health Act took legal action against the Council to provide such services even though facilities were not available.

It was proposed by Clr. Kitt seconded by Clr. King and Resolved: "that the Council request the Minister for Health to put the new health services into operation in County Galway as soon as possible as the Council consider that sufficient facilities for this purpose are available in the County of Galway.

Clrs. Galvin, Sarr, Collins and Cawley dissented from this motion.

It was decided that a meeting of the Health Committee for County Galway be summoned in the near future.

9356.—Cottages at Laurencetown, Clonfert and Eyrecourt: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion, the Secretary gave particulars of the position in regard to provision of cottages at Laurencetown, Clonfert and Eyrecourt. Clr. O'Dowd stated that he is dissatisfied with the lack of progress in provision of the cottages required for these areas.

9357.—Pump at Coolcarty and Blacksticks: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's inquiry the Secretary stated that the proposal to erect a pump at above place is listed as No. 32 on the priority list.

9358.—Well at Clontuskert: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that the cost of protecting the well on Holloway's land at Clontuskert and of piping it to the roadside and erecting a pump would be £110. It was decided that provision for the carrying out of this

9359.—Pumps—General : Clr. King requested that a copy of the pumps priority list be sent to each member of the Council. The County Engineer informed Clr. King that once in each quarter a report is received from each Assistance County Engineer on the condition of pumps in his districts

9360.—Rosmuck Water Supply : In reply to Deputy Geoghegan, the Secretary stated that the plans for the improvement of the Rosmuck Water Supply have been approved by the Department of Local Government and the engine required is on hands; that the improvement includes the laying of 950 yds. of water main and that this work is included in the loan for which sanction has been sought from the Department of Local Government on 18th June, 1954; that when the money is made available the work will be put on hands.

9361.—Derryrush Waterworks : In reply to Deputy Geoghegan, the Secretary stated that the engine for this scheme is on hands, but that the work involves the laying of 550 yds. of water main for which funds will be provided from the loan for which sanction was sought on 18th June, 1954.

9362.—Oughterard Waterworks Improvement : The Secretary, in reply to Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion, stated that the contract documents for this scheme were sent to the Department of Local Government for approval on 14/6/54; that pending receipt of approval the County Solicitor is arranging for the acquisition of the necessary land and wayleaves.

9363.—Clonbur Sewerage Scheme : In reply to his Notice of Motion Deputy Geoghegan was informed that a tender has been accepted for the provision of a sewerage scheme at Clonbur.

9364.—Pumps—Tuam & Glenamaddy R.D. : In reply to Clr. Flaherty's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated:
(a) Kilmurray Pump, Dunmore: that this pump is not on the last priority list and that, therefore, it is unlikely that it will be undertaken within the next two years;
(b) Curraghmeigh Pump, Toomard, Ballinasloe: that this pump was No. 40 on the priority list prepared by the County Medical Officer on which the Council is at present working. As, however, 14 pumps previously recommended by the County Medical Officer had to take priority over the 40 abovementioned, Curraghmeigh Pump will be No. 14 on the second priority list;

(c) Eskermullagh Pump, Glenamaddy: that this pump is not at present on our priority list and consequently it will not be done within the next two years;
(d) Lerhin Pump: that the County Medical Officer had recommended the provision of a pump at Lerhin on the land of Mr. Ward, but as the pump is not on our priority list it will not be undertaken within the next two years.

9365.—Killkerrin—Moylough Water Supply Scheme : In reply to Clr. Flaherty's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that the contract documents for this scheme are still being awaited from the Consulting Engineer.

Clr. Carty requested that the Consultant be informed that the Council deplored the Consultant's delay in furnishing the documents for this scheme.

9366.—Housing Committee : On the recommendation of Deputy Killilea it was decided that a meeting of the Housing Committee be called as soon as possible to consider grants, cottages and any other business arising.

9367.—Cottages at Clifden : In reply to his Notice of Motion, Senator Mannion was informed that a lay-out scheme for the cottages at Clifden was sent sometime ago to the Department of Local Government for approval and that certain alterations had been suggested by that Department. A revised lay-out plan was received from the Architect in May 1954 together with house plans. The County Manager, after discussion with the County Engineer, decided to alter these proposals; that the last revised plans have since been received from the Architect and have been sent to the Department of Local Government for approval.

9368.—Cottages at Ballymoe : It was decided to adjourn to the Housing Committee Meeting consideration of Clr. Serr's Notice of Motion in regard to the erection of cottages near Ballymoe.

9369.—Refuse Collection at Athenry : Clr. Ruane requested that arrangement would be made for weekly collection of domestic refuse in Athenry—dustbins to be provided by the householders—and that notice of the arrangements to be put into operation be published in the local newspaper. The County Manager agreed that this will be done.

9370.—Pumps—Mountbellew District : In reply to Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion:
(a) Ballinlass (Mountbellew) Pump: It was recommended

that the provision of a pump for this area be investigated as there is no proposal on the priority list for such pump.

(b) Pump at Coilmore-Clonkeel (Moylough): The Secretary reported that a pump for this townland was approved by the County Medical Officer in September 1953 but that it has not so far been put on any priority list.

9371.—Road from Killkerrin to Scregg, Clonkeen County Road : In reply to Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that the road leading from Killkerrin to the Scregg-Clonkeen County Road by the cemetery is a county road, branch of road No. 257; that the widening of the road and removal of corners is estimated to cost £1,025. It was ordered that this item be included in the list of proposals to be considered at the next Roads Estimate meeting.

9372.—Sewer Drain at Moylough : In reply to Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the Secretary explained that the cleaning of the drain at Moylough cannot be carried out due to the fact that Mr. Mahoney through whose land the drain passes refused to allow the Council to do this work; that it is not feasible to provide a piped drain there until such time as the water supply scheme will be completed. Clr. Mannion stated that Mr. Mahoney's objection is reasonable as the drain is deep and dangerous and the filth removed from it causes a nuisance on this man's land. He requested that something would be done to remedy conditions which are very bad. The County Engineer explained that in the absence of an adequate water supply for flushing, it is not possible to provide a piped drain.

CLR. QUINN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9373.—Pumps—Gort District : In reply to Deputy Lahiffe's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated:

(1) Pump for Rathbane, Ardrahan: that this pump will be No. 21 on the second priority list which will be undertaken when the current list of 40 pumps will be completed;

(2) Pump for Moy, Kinvara: that although a pump for this area has been approved by the County Medical Officer, the proposal has not yet been put on any priority list.

The County Engineer informed Deputy Lahiffe that 17 pumps have been sunk by the Council during the year ended 1954.

9374.—Cottages at Kinvara : In reply to Deputy Lahiffe's Notice of Motion, the Secretary reported that the owners of 14 sites in Kinvara have been asked during the past week to state the terms on which they would be prepared to sell the sites.

9375.—Road at Kilnadeema, etc. : In reply to Deputy Lahiffe's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that the widening and improvement of the county road outside the parish church at Kilnadeema will be placed on his list of proposals for next year.

Deputy Lahiffe explained that the county road to which he referred in his Notice of Motion No. 5 (h) (5) is that outside Ballydugan Church, Loughrea. The County Engineer stated that he will reply to Deputy Lahiffe's letter in regard to this Notice of Motion.

9376.—Loan £100,000 Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts : It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin and Resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £100,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899 to 1954."

9377.—Portumna Fairgreen, Tolls and Markets : The report on the County Manager's discussions with local interests in regard to the Portumna Fairgreen, Tolls and Markets was submitted and on the suggestion of Clr. Houlihan it was decided that the Council recommend that tolls and pennage fees be charged for the present, and that the Council otherwise approve the proposals set out in the report.

9378.—Derrywee Bridge : It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe seconded by Clr. Houlihan and Resolved: "that the Council recommend that an application be made to the Minister for Local Government for a grant towards the cost of providing a new bridge at Derrywee—the balance to be defrayed by the Galway and Clare County Councils in the proportions already agreed."

9379.—Scholarship Schemes : The Minutes of a meeting of the Galway Education Committee held on 14/7/54, having been circulated to the members, were submitted and approved.

9380.—Cinema Licence : On the proposition of Clr. Quinn seconded by Deputy Lahiffe, the Council approved the issue

of a cinema licence to Mr. Henry O'Shaughnessy, Gort, for his cinema at Gort.

9381.—**Auditor's Report:** The Auditor's report on the accounts of the Fergus Joint Drainage Committee for the year ended 31/3/1953 was submitted and noted.

9382.—**Miscellaneous:** Votes of sympathy were un-animously adopted with the following: with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Forde, Eagle Bar, William St. West, Galway, on the death of Mrs. Fallon; with the relatives of the late James Glynn, Ballygurrane, Athenry.

On the proposition of Deputy Lahiffe, the Council un-animously congratulated the 50th Battalion, Galway, and the Loughrea Battalion, F.C.A. on their fine performance at the Curragh.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

SUBMITTED, APPROVED + CONFIRMED.

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CHAIRMAN.

DATE: 11/9/54

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY
21st AUGUST, 1954.

IN THE CHAIR: 1. Clr. M. Kitt
2. Clr. M. Quinn.

ALSO PRESENT: Clr. P. Collins, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clr. T. King, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clr. J.J. Nestor and Clr. J.J. Ruane.

1. **LABOURERS ACTS:** The Acting County Secretary submitted a statement giving particulars of the progress made with the provision of new cottages viz:-

	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL
Sites Acquired:			
(a) Houses built	44	141	185
(b) In course of erection	22	6	28
(c) Tenders accepted and not commenced	-	10	10
(d) Advertised for tender	22	22	44
(e) Sanction to tenders applied for	-	3	3
(f) Plans being prepared	40	10	50
Further Sites to be acquired:			
(a) Sanction received for (Title being transferred)	20	36	56
(b) Sanction to purchase of sites requested	10	40	50
(c) Sites inspected by County Engineer.	-	15	15
(d) Negotiations proceeding with owners	34	-	34
(e) Further sites required	21	69	90
	<u>213</u>	<u>352</u>	<u>565</u>

Clr. Quinn Now Took the Chair.

Clr. Kitt was advised that the statement submitted referred to progress made since 1947. He enquired about the application of Mr. Hennelly for whom Mr. Ward was prepared to give a site.

Clr. Collins was informed that sanction had been requested to the purchase of two sites from the Land Commission in Cloon, Castleblakeney.

Clr. King criticised the delay in acquiring sites and he said that where the County Council had received an application for a cottage and knew a person prepared to sell a site, the site should be acquired immediately. The County Manager replied that every site had to be visited by a Department of Local Government Inspector before its purchase would be sanctioned and considerations such as suitability, price, location and frontage had to be examined.

Deputy Geoghegan proposed and Clr. Collins seconded that the Minister for Local Government be asked to authorise the County Council to purchase, without reference to him, such rural sites for Labourers cottages as had been recommended jointly by the County Engineer and the County Medical Officer. The resolution was passed unanimously.

Senator Mannion stressed the difficulty of obtaining suitable sites in the Connemara area and he said that there were fifty applicants in Clifden.

The Chairman suggested that the most urgent objective was the acquisition of adequate sites and he considered £100 per acre a reasonable price. He criticised the Killareeny cottage sites.

On the recommendation of Deputy Geoghegan it was unanimously resolved that the Land Commission be requested to have subdivision done locally in the Galway office so that the acquisition of sites for Labourers Cottages could be expedited. He recommended that a list of those persons for whom sites could not be obtained be circulated to the County Councillors for the respective areas so that they might assist the County Engineer in his negotiations.

Deputies Geoghegan & Killilea, Clrs. Kitt and King complained about the smoke nuisance in newly built cottages and the chimneys built in these houses were criticised. Deputy Geoghegan recommended that ranges be installed and that the weekly rent be increased by a small amount to cover recoupment of the cost over a period of years. The County Manager warned that such a scheme would burden the

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Council with replacement costs and he added that it might not be generally welcomed because of the customary method of cooking on an open fire. When it was suggested that the Scheme be limited to vested cottages, the County Manager said that it should be their aim to vest all new cottages and that arrangements would be made to prepare a new purchase scheme when the pressure of work due to Housing Grant Schemes had eased.

Deputy Lahiffe was informed that Sanction had been requested for the acquisition of sites for 10 houses at Crow Street, Gort, and that negotiations were in progress with Messrs. Lally's, the owners of sites for a proposed further 8 houses.

Clr. Nestor enquired regarding the acquisition of a site from the Land Commission at Dummore and he asked that the names of those who had applied for the last vacant cottage in Dummore be supplied to him.

Clr. Ruane was advised that the owner of 4 sites in Oranmore which it was desired to acquire could not be located.

Deputy Killilea was informed that tenders had been invited for the erection of 22 houses in Tuam.

Senator Marnion asked if 2 cottages could be built on a site at Athry, Recess and he was told that the frontage was not considered adequate.

The following report was submitted regarding Clr. J. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion regarding Labourers Cottages:-

- (a) **LAURENCETOWN:** A site has been sanctioned at Laurencetown for the erection of a cottage for Mrs. Mollaghan, and the Co. Solicitor is arranging for transfer. A further site for 4 cottages is available from the Land Commission at Kylemore, which is near Laurencetown. This plot has been inspected and approved by the Co. Medical Officer and the Co. Engineer, and application has been made to the Dept. for sanction to purchase it. This should be sufficient to meet the needs of Laurencetown.
- (b) **CLONFERT:** Two Cottages have been built and occupied under present scheme. Sites have been selected by the Co. Engineer for 2 further cottages and the documents have been referred to the Co. Medical Officer for his report. Application for sanction to purchase those sites has been sent to the Department of Local Government.
- (c) **EYRECOURT:** 1 Cottage has been erected under our present scheme. Sites for 3 further cottages have been selected by the Co. Engineer and sanction to purchase them has been requested from the Department of Local Government. A site for the erection of a cottage for a further applicant has been referred to the Co. Engineer for a report.

2. **SMALL DWELLINGS (ACQUISITION) ACTS:** The following particulars in regard to applications for advances under the Small Dwellings (Acquisition) Acts was submitted:-

Total number of applications received	366
Loans allocated	306

The position as regards the allocated loans was:-

Paid in full	136
Part-paid	56
No payment made	95
Withdrawn	19

TOTAL 306

It was stated that the total amount of Loans raised was £250,000, that the amount allocated was £158,326, and that £105,125 had been paid.

The County Manager referred to the long delay in the receipt of final documents from the Co. Solicitor. The Co. Solicitor explained that this was due to the delay in (i) discharging equities and (ii) submission of title and he added that the applicant's Solicitor was at fault in several cases.

Deputy Killilea recommended and the other members agreed that if the Co. Solicitor failed to get a reply from a loan applicant's Solicitor within a reasonable time and of not more than three months, that he would notify the Co. Secretary who would advise the applicant accordingly.

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3. SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS FOR ERECTION OF NEW HOUSES.

It was reported as follows:-

Total Number of Applications received to date		1982
Amounts Allocated:-		
(a) 1950 Act - Labourers etc.	135	£30,975
(b) 1950 Act - Non-Labourers	569	£106,648
(c) 1952 Act	606	£126,606
(d) Refused	108	---
TOTAL	1418	£264,229

Total Amount of Grants paid to date ---- £165,800

LOANS SANCTIONED.

(a) 1950 Act - Labourers etc.	£ 30,000
(b) 1950 Act - Non-Labourers	£100,000
(c) 1952 Act	£120,000
TOTAL	£250,000

Estimated further amount required to meet Applications on hands	£110,000
Estimated extra required for applications to be received up to 30/9/1954	£ 35,000
Estimated extra required for applications to be received up to 31/3/1955 (Grants reduced to 50% of present scale)	£ 80,000

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST £475,000

4. SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS FOR RECONSTRUCTION.

It was reported as follows:-

(A) Grants under Housing Act 1950, Section 8.

(i) No. of applications received	101
(ii) Grants allocated	33
(iii) Applicants not qualified	24
(iv) Applications being investigated	44
	101

Total amount allocated to date	£2,415
Amount paid to date	Nil
Estimated Cost of Scheme.	

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| (i) For applications on hands | £ 5,400 |
| (ii) For applications in half year to 31/3/1955 - based on 50% of present scale | £ 3,600 |
| (iii) For applications to be received to 30/9/1954 | £ 1,000 |

Total Estimated Cost £10,000

No money has yet been provided for this Scheme.

(B) Grants under Housing Act 1952, Sections 9, 10 and 11.

(a) Total No. of applications received	514
(b) Amount allocated to date	£5,847
(c) Amount paid to date	£2,919

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Estimated Cost of Scheme.

(a) For applications on hands	£30,000
(b) For further applications to 30/9/1954	£ 4,000
(c) For applications in half year to 31/3/1955 - based on 50% of present scale	£ 9,000
Total Estimated Cost	£43,000

No money has yet been provided for this Scheme.

5. Supplementary Grants for Private Water Supply & Sewerage Facilities.

The following details were submitted:-

(a) No. of applications received	35
(b) Grants allocated	5 (£158)
(c) Grants paid	£17.

Estimated cost of Scheme.

(a) For applications on hands	£1,000
(b) For further applications to 30/9/1954 (60)	£1,800
(c) For applications in half year to 31/9/1955 - 50% of present scale	£3,200
Total Estimated cost.	£6,000

No money has yet been provided for these Grants.

Several members considered that the Scale of Grants in force up to 30/9/1954 should be continued without reduction up to 31/3/1955.

Senator Mannion was assured that the 50% reduction in Grants would not affect Gaeltacht Grant cases.

Clr. King asked that applications be accepted up to 30/9/1954 without the certificate of approval to a State Grant.

Deputy Killilea recommended that where there was a delay in the division of holdings by the Land Commission, whereby applicants were excluded from getting Certificates of Approval for State Grants, that such persons be granted an extension of time to apply for County Council Grants in accordance with the Scale in force up to 30/9/1954.

Minutes of Meeting of the Consultative Health Committee of the Galway County Council held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 28th August, 1954.

Present: Clrs. M. Carty, T. King, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. M. O'Donnell, M. Quinn and M. Wall, Surgeon M.G. O'Malley, Dr. P.F. Brennan, Athenry and Dr. D.T. O'Driscoll, Sea Road, Galway. Apology for non-attendance owing to T.B. Dispensary Clinic work was received from Dr. J.J. O'Sullivan, Acting Co.M.O.H.

Chairman: Clr. King proposed and Clr. O'Donnell seconded that Clr. Quinn be appointed Chairman. The proposal was agreed to and Clr. Quinn then took the chair.

Constitution: The County Manager explained the provisions of Section 48 of the Health Act, 1953, under which the Committee was appointed.

Membership: Department of Health Circular Reference 53/54, of the 21st August, 1954, was read. It intimated that the Attorney-General had advised the Minister for Health that Section 70 of the Local Government Act, 1925, did not operate as respects membership of a Consultative Health Committee and that acceptance of such membership did not accordingly disqualify a person from holding office under a local authority. This removed any doubts as to the eligibility for membership of Dr. P.F. Brennan, Athenry.

Health Act, 1954: The County Manager read the explanatory memorandum attached to circular 36/54 of the 3rd July, 1954 re the Health Bill, 1954, amending certain sections of the Health Act, 1953. He stated that it limited the availability of free institutional and specialist treatment to (a) persons hitherto entitled to medical assistance under the Public Assistance Act, 1939 (b) persons insured and entitled to benefit under the Social Welfare Act, 1952 and (c) Pupils of national schools in respect of defects discovered at school health examinations and children (being dependents of persons specified in subsection (2) of Section 15 of the Health Act 1953) in respect of defects discovered at child welfare clinics. It was feared that the financial savings anticipated consequent on the postponement of the operation of the Health Act 1953, until 1st August, 1954, would be diminished rather than increased as a result of these amendments.

Regulations: It was decided that copies of the relevant regulations made by the Minister for Health, under the Health Acts, 1953/54, be circulated to the members of the Committee and to all District Medical Officers.

General Medical Services Register: The Acting County Secretary reported that application forms and instructions, for persons desiring to have their names entered in the General Medical Services Register were available at the County Buildings, Galway, at Dispensaries and from Home Assistance Officers. An advertisement inviting applications from eligible persons had been published in the local press. Specimen application forms and medical cards were circulated amongst the committee members and the procedure necessary to qualify for registration was outlined.

Maternity and Infant Services: Dr. Brennan asked what was the position of the Maternity and Infant Services as from 1st August, 1954, as a result of the operation of the Health Acts, 1953/54. He was advised that services, free of charge, were available only to those previously entitled to Medical Assistance under the Public Assistance Act, 1939, but that a person had now, however, a choice of doctor from those medical practitioners registered under the scheme; the doctor, unless he was a District Medical Officer, had the right to refuse acceptance of a person as a patient.

Institutional & Specialist Services: Application procedure for these services under the new and amended regulations was discussed. Dr. O'Driscoll enquired about eligible persons, more especially maternity cases, who were referred to approved hospitals and other institutions and he was acquainted with the position. The Chairman considered that the necessary facilities were available for the implementation of the services proscribed in the Health Act, 1953, more especially the Maternity and Infant Services, and he instanced the bed accommodation available in the Galway Central Hospital, Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden, Calvary Hospital, Galway, Bon Secour Nursing Home, Tuam and Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe - he wished it to be known that the Galway County Council were not holding up the operation of that Act in its entirety. Mr. King said it was wrong to defer the availability of these very necessary services. Dr. Brennan stated that it was primarily a question of the facilities being available and he did not think that they were. The County Manager hoped that the Children's Unit of the Galway Regional Hospital would be ready shortly to receive patients but he regretted that the Main Building would not be available

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for about nine months owing to a delay in the completion of the drainage system. He impressed on the members of the Committee that their function was solely in an advisory capacity.

Recommendations: Copy of recommendation sent by the Meath Consultative Health Committee to the Minister for Health regarding the amount to be allowed to persons who are receiving institutional treatment at the County Home and who are in receipt of an income such as the old age pension was submitted. After a short discussion it was decided to refer it to the next meeting of the Galway County Council for consideration.

Next Meeting: It was agreed to hold the next meeting on the last Saturday in September, viz., the 25th, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.
3adh Mean Fomhair, 1954.

Chuir gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, Dia Sathairn, 11adh Meadhon Fhómhair, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

LIAM O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

GNO.

To CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Raising of Loans for issue of Housing Grants - total required £226,000.
3. Raising of loan for purchase of Loughrea Fairgreen, Tolls and Customs and for development of Fairgreen.
4. Transfer of plot at Kilcornan to the Trustees of the G.A.A. Sportsfield.
5. Provision of a bridge at Derrywee, Gort.
6. Minutes of Meeting of the Housing Committee.
7. Minutes of Meeting of the Consultative Health Committee.
8. Minutes of Meetings of Visiting Committee:
 - (a) Central Hospital - 7/8/54.
 - (b) Our Lady of Fatima Hospital - 12/8/54.
9. Correspondence in connection with Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools.
10. Authorisation of additional expenditure, not included in estimate for current year.
11. Attendance of County Librarian at Library Conference.
12. Moycullen Water Supply Extension.
13. Cornamona Water Supply.
14. Deputation re Clonfert Bridge and Road from Staunton's Cross to Clonfert Cathedral.
15. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Deputy R. Lahiffe:
 - (1) Please note that next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a Pump at Ballingery, Kilchréest, Loughrea.
 - (2) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a pump or water supply at Drim, Kylebrack, Loughrea.
 - (3) I will also propose that consideration be given to the erection of a pump convenient to new school at Ballyturn, Gort.
 - (4) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will propose that consideration be given to the erection of a pump on site of good well at Ballyvullane, Drumacoo and that approach road to it be put into repair.

Deputy R. Lahiffe:

15. (5) I will also ask what the position is regarding erection of a pump at Keamsella, Killoolgan to serve 40 people there."
- (6) "Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of pumps at Killinny, Kinvara, Northampton, Kinvara, Barratoor - Kylebrack, Loughrea.
- (b) Deputy J. Geoghegan: "Take Notice that at next meeting of County Council I will ask the County Manager to state reason for delay in erection of Labourer's Cottage at Rosduggan, Kilkerrin, Carna and fencing of cottages at Loughconeera and Rosduggan".
- (c) Clr. J.F. Joyce:
- (1) "Please note that I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of Council that road leading through village of Killagoola, Moycullen, to Heggerty's House, Loughwell be surface dressed.
- (2) That road leading to village of Garrynagry, Rosscahill be surface dressed".
- (d) Clr. M. Carty: "At next meeting of Galway Co. Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall move:
- (1) That the Co. Surveyor be directed to repair, widen and reconstruct Main Road leading from Moyvilla Cross west for a distance of about 700 yards.
- (2) That suitable signs be placed at West Bridge Loughrea to point out Dublin road.
- (3) That Co. Manager report on progress of housing schemes for Loughrea & Portumna.
- (4) That road at Sports' Field, Loughrea and road at Coorheen, Loughrea, be repaired and stamrolled without further delay.
- (5) That Co. Manager explain reason for delay in starting Waterworks Scheme at Killimor, Ballinasloe.
- (6) That Co. Council consider extending for another year as from 1st October, 1954, the Supplementary Housing New and Reconstruction Grants".
- (e) Clr. J. O'Dowd:
- (1) "At our next meeting I will ask the County Engineer if any steps have been taken to drain a cottage plot at Kiltormer tenanted by Thomas Markham.
- (2) At our next meeting I will ask the County Manager what is the position now regarding the Eyrecourt Sewerage Scheme.
- (3) Please note that at our next meeting I will ask the County Engineer what progress has been made between the Offaly County Council and the Galway County Council in having a new bridge provided at Banagher."
- (f) Clr. M. Mannion:
- (1) (a) "At the next Co. Council I will ask the Co. Manager what is the delay in having pump erected at Carrowkeel (Moylough).
- (b) Repairs carried out at Brierfield Pump.
- (2) (a) I will ask the Co. Engineer to have dangerous portion of main Kilkerrin Moylough Co. road at Tomree bog repaired.
- (b) To have drain leading from Tomree to Annaghmore lake cleaned."
- (g) Clr. M.F. Kitt:
- (1) "At next meeting of Galway Co. Council I will move that the resolution passed by the Co. Council to reduce the Housing Grants by 50% after 30th September 1954, be rescinded and that instead the Co. Council grants for new houses, for reconstruction and for water and sewerage be continued at the full rate to 31st March, 1955.
- (2) I will propose that public lighting be provided for the village of Monivea.
- (3) I will ask the Co. Manager to state the progress to date to supply piped water supplies to (a) Menlough (b) Monivea (c) Caltra (d) Castleblakeney".
- (h) Clr. M. Nicholson: " I will move at next meeting of County Council that the road leading from main road to Church at Abbeyknockmoy about 100 yds. be widened, and a sidewalk provided".
- (i) Deputy M. Killilea: "Take Notice that I will move at the next meeting of the Galway Co. C. that the resolution to reduce Housing Grants as from Sept. 30th by 50% be rescinded".
- (j) Clr. M.F. Kitt: "I will move at the next meeting of Galway Co. Council that the open drain leading from Caltra graveyard through Mr. Sweeney's lands which is most dangerous to stock in its present state should be properly shored and covered in."

- (k) Clr. M. Quinn: "Take notice that I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the County Council at Galway:
- (1) That the Minister of the Local Government Department be again requested to extend Mr. Martyn's term of office for three years in lieu of his service during the War of Independence from 1919 to 1922.
- (2) That the Minister be requested not to worsen his position by reducing his salary by Fifty Pounds a year.
- (3) That the Road Fund Bonus paid to all the other Engineers in the past be also paid to him."
16. County Councils' General Council - Minutes of 6/5/54.
17. Auditor's Report on Accounts of the Galway County Committee of Agriculture - Y.E. 31/3/54.
18. Resolutions.
19. Other business.

Minutes of Meeting of the Consultative
Health Committee of the Galway County
Council held at the County Buildings,
Galway, on Saturday, 18th September, 1954.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Also present: Ctrs. M. Carty, M. O'Donnell, J. Mannion, T. King,
Dr. C. F. MacCon and Dr. P. F. Brennan, together
with the County Manager and County Secretary.

1. Minister's Visit on 23/9/54: The Chairman directed that the members of the County Council who are members of the Consultative Health Committee, together with Clr. Ashe will represent the Galway County Council at the Minister's visit to the County Buildings, Galway, at 4 p.m. on Thursday 23rd September, 1954. The County Manager stated that the Minister would probably be concerned with the bed accommodation and the specialist service available in this County, as these matters would have a bearing on the possibility of extending the new Health Service to the middle-income group. Clr. Carty suggested that in that case it would be advisable to have Drs. White and Cussen present at the discussions. The County Manager agreed.

2. Dispensaries. Clr. King stated that he was ^{not} in agreement with the proposal to amalgamate other dispensaries and the new dispensary to be directed at Currandulla. The County Medical Officer stated that very few patients attended the old dispensary at Cahirmorris, and he was satisfied that a new dispensary in Currandulla would servethe needs of the area.

Clr. King stated that a deputation from Febragh and Cumber had called on him objecting to the proposal.

3. School Medical Service: Clr. Carty stated that at present 3 or 4 years elapsed between each visit of the dentist to national schools. The County Manager stated that a request has been sent to the Local Appointments Commission to nominate a second dentist for appointment in this County.

4. Galway Regional Hospital: In reply to Senator Mannion, the County Manager stated that the question is now being considered by the Department of Health, that a new 80 bed unit should replace the old General Hospital at Galway.

5. Special Services: In reply to Clr. Carty, the County Medical Officer stated that specialists are available for all existing services, with the exception of venereal diseases, but that new services will arise under the Health Act for which specialists are not available e.g. pediatrics. The County Manager added that in regard to X-ray therapy, it is ~~maintained~~ that small local units will be provided in outlying centres, but that it will still be necessary to send to Dublin cases requiring treatment by the heavy Unit.

6. Dispensary Nurses: Dr. Brennan stated that since the District Midwife in Athenry is at present not required to do any duties others than midwifery, she would if required do extra duties, and would be entitled to receive extra remuneration.

7. St. Brendan's Home: The Chairman stated that the new regulation that inmates of the County Home be permitted to retain 10/- a week of their pensions, would involve a loss of up to £70 a week to the Galway County Council.

8. New Health Services: Clr. King asked if the representatives of the Council would recommend to the Minister for Health (on 23rd September, 1954) an extension of the new Health Services. The County Manager stated that any arrangements for extension of the Services should be so framed as to provide that the Council would make the services available as far as possible withoutover

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incurring any legal liability, if unable to provide the service in any particular case.

9. Medical Register: The Chairman suggested that there should be more publicity in regard to the Medical Register, so that it may be brought to the notice of people who are entitled to apply for entrance of their names in the Register.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

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16adh Mean Fomhair, 1954.

Chuig gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,
Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniu Speisialta de Comhairle
Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae,
Dia Sathairn, 25adh Mean Fomhair, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

LIAM O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

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To Consider:

HOUSING.

1. Labourers' Acts - General.

2. Labourers Acts - Councillors' Notices of Motion:-

(a) Deputy J. Geoghegan: "Take Notice that at next meeting of County Council I will ask the County Manager to state reason for delay in erection of Labourer's cottage at Rosduggan, Kilkerrin, Carna and fencing of cottages at Loughconneera and Rosduggan".

(b) Clr. P. Sirr: "I will ask at the next meeting of the County Council what steps have been taken to acquire sites for and to erect cottages near Ballymoe".

3. Athenry (No:2) Housing Scheme - Legal Proceedings.

4. Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts - General.

5. Housing Grants - General.

PUMPS.

6. Pumps - General.

7. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-

(a) Deputy R. Lahiffe:

- (1) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a Pump at Ballingery, Kilchræst, Loughrea".
- (2) "Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a pump or water supply at Drim, Kylebrack, Loughrea.
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- (6) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of pumps at Killinny, Kinvara, Northampton, Kinvara, Barratoor-Kylebrack, Loughrea".

(b) Clr. M. Mannion:

- (a) "At the next meeting of Co. Council I will ask the Co. Manager what is the
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delay in having pump erected at Carrowkeel (Moylough).

(b) Repairs carried out at Brierfield Pump.

NOTE: Representatives of the Press will not be present at the meeting.

COMAIRLE CONROAE NA SAILLIME

OIFIS AN RÚNARÓI,

NA FOIRNISTE CONROAE,

AN DÓCAR MÓR, SAILLIM.

26ú LUGHNASA 1954

A CÁRA,

CURRIM CUSAC, LEIS SEO, CÓIP DE MION-TUAIRSÍ CRUINNISTE

COMAIRLE CONROAE (UIMHIR 9383-9418) A TIONÓLAÓ AR AN

MISE, LE MEAS,

L. Ó LUANNAIS,

RÚNARÓI.

CUN NA NDOIME SEO LEANAS :-

SAC DALL DE COMAIRLE CONROAE NA SAILLIME.
 AN CONROE INNEALLÓIR.
 AN CISTEÓIR, AN BANC NAISÍONCA TEO., SAILLIM.
 AN OIRGEADÓIR CONROAE.
 AN T-AIRE, AN ROINN LEASA SOISIALAIS.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE
 GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
 BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 11th SEPT.,
 1954.

In the Chair : (i) Clr. M. Quinn.
 (ii) Clr. M. Carty.

Also Present : Clrs. J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins,
 M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, J. Glynn,
 J. Houlihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. F. Kitt,
 L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs.
 J. J. Nestor, Michael Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane,
 V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9383.—Sympathy : It was proposed by Clr. Carty,
 seconded by Clr. Nestor and resolved : "That the Council
 convey their deep sympathy with Deputy Patrick Beegan on
 the death of his mother, and that as a mark of respect the
 meeting be adjourned until 1.30 p.m."

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the relatives
 of the late Mr. L. Smith, Earlsparck, Loughrea, and the late
 Mr. Ignatius Harney, Tynagh, Loughrea.

The meeting was then adjourned until 1.30 p.m.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9384.—Minutes : On resumption of the meeting the minutes
 of previous meeting to No. 9382, having been circulated
 to the members, were taken as read and were signed by
 the Chairman.

9385.—Housing Loans : It was proposed by Clr. M. Wall,
 seconded by Clr. T. King and resolved : "That the Council
 hereby approve the raising of a loan of £226,000 from the
 Commissioners of Public Works for issue of Housing Grants
 as set out hereunder : loan to be repayable by annuity over
 a period of 25 years or such period as may be sanctioned by
 the Minister for Local Government, with interest at the rate
 prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council :-

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| (a) Grants for New Houses—Sections 9, 10
and 11 of Housing (Amendment) Act,
1952 : | £175,000 |
| (b) Reconstruction Grants—Sections 9, 10 and
11 of Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952 : | £40,000 |
| (c) Reconstruction Grants—Section 8 of
Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950 : | £7,000 |

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(d) Grants for Private Water Supply and Sewerage Facilities—Sections 9, 10 and 11 of Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952 :	£4,000
	£226,000

9386.—Loughrea Fairgreen, Etc. : The Secretary informed
 the meeting that sanction had been received to the purchase
 of the Loughrea Fairgreen, Market and Fair Rights and
 relative properties, at a cost of £4,250, and that a report
 had been received from the County Engineer stating that
 the estimated cost of developing the Fairgreen will be between
 £15,000 and £16,000. The Secretary stated that pending
 further consideration of the estimate for development of the
 Fairgreen, funds will be required to defray the cost of purchas-
 ing these properties.

It was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr.
 Shields and resolved : "That the Council approve the
 obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £4,500
 on Capital Account, for the purchase of the Fairgreen, Market
 and Fair Rights and relative properties in the town of
 Loughrea."

CLR. QUINN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR, and informed
 the Council that he had received from the County Manager
 an apology for his inability to attend the meeting, due to the
 fact that he was absent on business in Dublin.

9387.—Clonbur Sewerage Scheme : It was proposed by
 Clr. J. J. Ruane, seconded by Deputy R. Lahiffe and resolved :
 "That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of
 £9,300 from the Commissioners of Public Works, for provision
 of a Sewerage Scheme at Clonbur ; this loan to be repayable
 by instalments over a period of twenty-five years with interest
 at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the
 Council."

9388.—Overdraft : It was proposed by Clr. O'Dowd,
 seconded by Clr. P. Sirr and resolved : "That the Council
 hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not
 exceeding £150,000 on General Account, for Quarter Ending
 31st December, 1954."

It was proposed by Clr. O'Dowd, seconded by Clr. P.
 Sirr and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve the
 obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £21,900
 on Capital Account, for Quarter Ending 31st December, 1954,
 pending the obtaining of supplemental loans for Water and
 Sewerage Schemes as set out in Department of Local Govern-
 ment Letter L.7/3 of the 2nd July, 1954."

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9389.—Plot at Kilcornan : It was proposed by Clr. P.
 Collins, seconded by Deputy R. Lahiffe and resolved : "That
 the Council hereby approve the transfer to the Trustees of the
 Gaelic Athletic Association sportsfield at Kilcornan, Claren-
 bridge, of the plot of land at Kilcornan, area 3 acres and
 30 perches or thereabouts, statute measure, in exchange for
 a plot of land, area 1 acre, 1 rood, 30 perches, in the same
 townland, which is to be utilised as a site for a new Burial
 Ground."

9390.—Derrywee Bridge : Letter R.7/1/4 of the 30/8/54
 from the Department of Local Government was submitted,
 stating that a special Road Fund Grant could not be made
 available for this work, and suggesting that the Council should
 consider inclusion of the work in the five-year County Road
 Improvement Plan, or alternatively, that a loan should be
 raised to defray the cost involved. Deputy Lahiffe and Clr.
 Shields stressed the urgency of proceeding with the work,
 lest Clare County Council should withdraw their offer to
 contribute one-third of the cost.

It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe, seconded by Clr.
 Carty and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve
 the raising of a loan of £2,670 from the National Bank Ltd.,
 Galway, to defray this Council's portion of the cost of pro-
 viding a new bridge at Derrywee, the loan to be repayable by
 instalments over a period of ten years, with interest at the
 rate approved by the National Bank for such loans."

The Council also recommended that the Minister for
 Local Government be again pressed to provide a grant
 towards the cost of this work.

9391.—Housing Committee : The Minutes of the meeting
 of the Housing Committee, which was held on the 21st
 August, 1954, having been circulated to the members, were
 submitted. Clr. Carty drew attention to the small number
 of cottages completed since 1947, and stated that the lack
 of progress in provision of cottages for this County is dis-
 graceful. Clr. Kitt and other members considered that when
 a site has been approved by the Council's Engineer and by
 the County Medical Officer, it should not be necessary to have
 this site examined subsequently by an inspector from the
 Department of Local Government.

Clr. Kitt expressed dissatisfaction at the small number of
 cottages built in North Galway in recent years. Clr. Houlihan
 stated that an applicant in his district, named Murphy, is in
 very urgent need of a cottage and has been waiting for one
 for a long time.

It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Sirr and

resolved: "That a special committee meeting of the entire Council will be held on Saturday, 25th September, 1954, at 12.30 p.m. to deal with housing matters, and pumps."

Clr. Flaherty recommended that the Housing Act, 1952, should be amended so that the income of the applicant only should be taken into account and so that there shall not be included the income of any relative of the applicant who, although residing in the house, may leave it at any time. Eventually, Clr. Flaherty requested that further consideration of this matter be deferred until the special meeting on the 25th instant.

Senator Mannion asked if sufficient staff is available in the Housing Section of the Galway County Council.

Athenry No. 2 Housing Scheme: Clr. Shields referred to the delay in providing an ejector for the Sewerage Scheme at Athenry, which would permit the provision of proper sanitary arrangements for the cottages in the No. 2 Housing Scheme, and recommended that the Council should request the County Manager to accept a rent of 6/- a week for these cottages, until such time as proper sanitary services will be available, and to express their disapproval at the taking of ejectment proceedings against the tenants. After discussion, it was decided that the Council request the County Manager to withhold proceedings pending further discussion of this matter at the special meeting which will be held on the 25th instant.

9392.—Housing Grants Scheme: It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved: "That the Council approve continuing to the 31st March, 1955, the various schemes for the issue of Housing Grants at the full rate, i.e., that the reduction of 50% as set out in Minute No. 9220 of the 23rd January, 1954, shall not apply, and that the matter shall be reviewed shortly before the 31st March, 1955."

Clr. Nestor dissented from this resolution.

9393.—Consultative Health Committee: The Minutes of Meeting of the Consultative Health Committee which was held on the 28th August, 1954, were submitted and approved.

It was decided that since a Committee Meeting of the entire Council will be held on Saturday, 25th September, 1954, the next meeting of the Consultative Health Committee will be held on Saturday, 18th instant.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9394.—Visiting Committee for Institutions: The minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee held at the Central Hospital, Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, and the Children's Home, Tuam, of the 7th August, 12th August and 2nd September, 1954, respectively, were submitted and approved. Clr. Carty requested that the Council be informed of the County Manager's decision on the Visiting Committee's recommendation that before any legal action be taken in connection with accounts due for maintenance and treatment in the Central Hospital, list of the parties concerned, with the Home Assistance Officer's reports, be sent to the Councillors representing the area.

9395.—Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools: It was proposed by Clr. Sirr, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved: "That in the special circumstances applicable, the Council approve the tenure of scholarships awarded under the Scheme for scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1954, in schools outside the County in the following two cases, viz:—

Mr. John Joseph Lee, Sarsfield Road, Ballinasloe—scholarship to be tenable in the Franciscan College, Gormanstown, Co. Meath.

Mr. Michael M. Cooke, 4, McDara Road, Shantalla, Galway—scholarship to be tenable in Mount St. Joseph's, Tullow, Co. Carlow.

9396.—Excess Expenditure, 1954/55: On the proposition of Clr. King, seconded by Clr. O'Toole, the Council approved the provision of funds to meet the cost of certain salary revisions for which financial provision was not made in the estimate for the current year, viz:—

County Medical Officers and Assistants	£679
Resident Medical Staff at Central Hospital	£1,699
Lady Dudley Nurses	£850
Midwives	£1,100
Library Staff	£385
Veterinary Inspectors	£125
Permanent Engineering Staff	£3,150
District Medical Officers	£4,600
Pathologist, Central Hospital	£633
Physiotherapists	£30
	£13,251

It was noted that there will be a recoupment of £4,795 from Health Grant in respect of above excess, and that the net amount to be borne by the rates will be £8,456.

Clr. Collins expressed dissatisfaction in the manner in which this excess expenditure was incurred.

9397.—Library Conference: The Council unanimously approved the attendance of Clrs. M. F. Kitt and J. J. Ruane, and the County Librarian at the annual conference of the Library Association to be held in Bray from 13th to 17th September, 1954, inclusive.

9398.—Moycullen Water Supply Extension: In the absence of Clrs. Ashe and Higgins, consideration of this item was adjourned until next meeting.

9399.—Cornamona Water Supply: The Secretary stated that the County Manager desired that the Council would again consider the County Engineer's recommendation that a Bore Hole be sunk at Cornamona at an estimated cost of £200. Clr. O'Toole stated that the possibility of obtaining an adequate supply of water from this bore hole is doubtful, and that even if such a supply could be obtained, the cost of operation of a scheme using this bore hole well as source would be more expensive than that of a gravity scheme using the lake as source.

The County Engineer agreed that no guarantee could be given that an adequate supply could be obtained from the bore hole.

It was proposed by Clr. O'Toole, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved: "That the Council approve their previous decision that a pipe water supply scheme using the lake as source, be provided at Cornamona."

9400.—Mr. Michael A. Martin, Chief Assistant County Engineer: It was proposed by Clr. Quinn, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved:

(1) That the Minister of the Local Government Department be again requested to extend Mr. Martin's term of office for three years in lieu of his service during the War of Independence from 1919 to 1922.

(2) That the Minister be requested not to worsen his position by reducing his salary by fifty pounds a year.

(3) That the Road Fund Bonus paid to all the other Engineers in the past be also paid to him.

Several members of the Council spoke in support of this resolution and it was also decided that a deputation be sent to the Minister for Local Government in connection with

this matter, the deputation to consist of the Chairman of the Galway County Council and the members of the Council who are also members of the Oireachtas.

9401.—Clonfert Bridge, Etc.: The Secretary apologised for the fact that notification of the date and time of the Council meeting had not been sent to the members of the deputation, and it was decided that the matter be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting, and that the deputation be so informed.

9402.—Kilkerrin—Moylough Water Supply: Clr. Flaherty requested that provision be made in this scheme for extension of the watermain to the village of Derreen.

9403.—Councillors' Notices of Motion: On the suggestion of Clr. King it was agreed that consideration of all notices of motion on the Agenda relating to pumps would be adjourned until the special meeting on the 25th instant.

Consequently consideration of the following notices of motion was adjourned to the special meeting, viz: 15 (a), 15 (b), 15 (f) (1) (a) and (b).

9404.—Roads at Kilgoola, Moycullen and Garrynagry: In the absence of Clr. Joyce, consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 15 (c) was adjourned.

9405.—Roads in Loughrea Area: In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer reported that:

(1) The widening and reconstruction of the main road in the vicinity of Moyvilla Cross will be put in hands within the next two months.

(2) That suitable signs which are being obtained from An Bord Failte will be erected at the West Bridge, Loughrea.

(3) That the work on the road at the Sportsfield at Loughrea is in progress, and that the surfacing of the road at Coorheen will be completed later this year. Clr. Carty stated that there are short sections of these roads in a very bad condition, and that danger signs should be erected at those bad sections.

9406.—Housing Schemes at Loughrea and Portumna: In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion, the Secretary reported that the negotiations for purchase of a site for a Housing Scheme at Loughrea had broken down, and that the County Engineer has been requested to seek an alternative site. Clr. Carty stated that the original site would be only sufficient for 6 houses, while 40 houses would be required, and that he had

shown a suitable site to Mr. Cullinane, Engineer. Mr. Cullinane stated that it would be necessary to have a Compulsory Purchase Order made in respect of the alternative site to which Mr. Carty referred. The Secretary stated that the plans for the Portumna Housing Scheme were sent to the Department of Local Government, for approval on the 20th August, 1954; that the County Manager considered that there should be some variation in the plan, so as to relieve the monotonous appearance of the terrace, and that he had made suggestions to this effect to the Department.

9407.—Killimor Water Supply: In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that the contract documents for this scheme have been approved by the Department of Local Government, but that it would be necessary to make a proposal under the Water Supplies Act, 1942, to acquire the right to take water from the river; that this proposal is being prepared.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9408.—Cottage Plot at Kiltormer—Tenant Thomas Markham: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that he considers it necessary that this plot be drained at an estimated cost of £20.

9409.—Eyrecourt Sewerage Scheme: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion, the Secretary reported that the contract documents for this scheme have been received from the Consulting Engineer and are ready for submission to the Department of Local Government; that the County Manager requests the approval of the Council to the provision of the scheme which is estimated to cost £13,078 and which will serve 35 houses.

On the proposition of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd, the Council approved the provision of a Sewerage Scheme at Eyrecourt at an estimated cost of £13,078.

9410.—Banagher Bridge: On the recommendation of Clr. O'Dowd, the Council directed that Offaly County Council be requested to expedite the formalities for provision of the new bridge to replace the swing bridge at Banagher.

9411.—Road at Tomree Bog, Kilkerrin: In reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report of the 10/9/54 was submitted, stating that there is a sum of £500 available for surface-dressing of this road and that

it is proposed to fill up the depressions before the surface-dressing work will be put in hands. The County Engineer's further report was submitted stating that forms will be sent to Councillors shortly, for submission of their proposals under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, and that Clr. Mannion may include as one of his proposals the cleaning of the drain from Tomree to Annaghmore lake.

9412.—Monivea Public Lighting: It was proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. Sirr that the Council hereby approve the provision of public lighting in Monivea village.

9413.—Water Supplies—Menlough, Monivea, and Caltra and Castleblakeney: In connection with Clr. Kitt's Notice of Motion, a report was submitted stating that the estimated cost of providing a water supply for Menlough is £9,200; that the number of houses which would be served is 42, of which nineteen householders have already agreed to connect with the watermain.

On the proposition of Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty, the Council approved the provision of a water supply at Menlough at a cost of £9,200.

Clr. Kitt recommended that provision be made in the scheme for supply of water to Derryliassane village, the residents of which would be prepared to connect with the main and would also be prepared to make a contribution.

The Secretary reported that in April, 1951, the estimated cost of providing a water supply scheme for Monivea was £10,000; that the population of the village was 120, and that the Scheme is No. 15 on the priority list prepared on the 20th June, 1950.

On the proposition of Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty, the Council approved the appointment of a Consulting Engineer for this scheme.

The Secretary reported that the water supply scheme for Caltra is No. 17 on the priority list of June, 1950; that the inclusion of Castleblakeney in this scheme was decided subsequently, and that on the 25th March, 1953, the County Engineer's estimate of the cost of each section of the joint scheme, using Cloon Well as a source, was:

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| (a) Caltra Section | £9,445. |
| (b) Castleblakeney Section | £3,245. |

that no steps were taken to prepare plans for this scheme until areas high up on the priority list would be provided for. Clr. Kitt recommended that Ashford and Lehenagh be included in this scheme.

9414.—Caltra Graveyard—Drain: In reply to Clr. Kitt's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report was submitted, recommending that a pipe be laid at the bottom of this drain at an estimated cost of £40—in lieu of the expenditure of £25 already approved in Manager's Order No. H.S. 1091. The Council recommended this estimate for approval.

9415.—Road at Abbeyknockmoy Church: In connection with Clr. Nicholson's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that the road in question is part of County Road No. 197, and that the estimated cost of widening the road etc. is £300. On the recommendation of Clr. Nicholson, the Council directed that this item be included by the County Engineer in his estimate for the coming year for consideration by the Council at the Estimates Meeting.

9416.—County Councils' General Council: Minutes of Meeting of the County Councils' General Council which was held on the 6th May, 1954, having been circulated to the members, were submitted and noted.

9417.—Auditor's Reports: Auditor's Report on the accounts of the Galway County Committee of Agriculture, for two years ended 31st March, 1954, was submitted and noted.

9418.—Miscellaneous: On the proposition of Clr. Furey, seconded by Clr. Ruane, the Council unanimously congratulated Mr. Joseph King of the Connacht Tribune staff on his appointment to the editorial staff of the Irish Independent.

On the proposition of Clr. M. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Kitt, a resolution was adopted protesting against the fact that the Galway Corporation had failed to receive the competitors in the N.A.A.C.A. Cycle Race, while the competitors in the the C.R.E. Cycle Race early in the year had been received formally by the Galway Corporation.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Máirín Ó'Cuinn, Chairman.

Date: 23rd of November, 1954

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
Gaillimh.

15adh Deire Fomhair, 1954.

Chuir gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae Dia Sathairn, 23adh Deire Fomhair, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a chEog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O Luanaigh.

Runai.

GNO.

1. Minutes
2. Letter from Minister for Local Government regarding conference on Management system.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deed for Loan £10,800 for Water Supply extensions.
4. Completion of Mortgage Deed for Loan £10,000 for New Machinery.
5. Clonfert Bridge and Road from Staunton's Cross to Clonfert Cathedral - deputation.

and
NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR J. O'DOWD:- "That I or someone on my behalf, will propose that the Council make money available by loan or otherwise for the purpose of lowering three dangerous bridges over the Canal namely, Clonfert, Kylemore and Lismaney".

6. Patients accounts, Central Hospital - Legal Proceedings; County Manager's letter of 20/9/1954.
7. Moycullen Water Supply Extension.
8. Cornamona Water Supply.
9. Provision of Water and Sewerage services for Cottages in Loughrea and Gort.
10. Councillor's Notices of Motion:-

10(a) Deputy R. Lahiffe:

- (1) "Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a Pump at Ballingery, Kilohreest, Loughrea".
- (2) "Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a pump or water supply at Drim, Kylebrack, Loughrea".
- (3) "I will also propose that consideration be given to the erection of a pump convenient to the new school at Ballyturn, Gort".
- (4) "Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will propose that consideration be given to the erection of a pump on site of good well at Ballyvullane, Drumacoo and that approach road to it be put into repair".
- (5) "I will also ask what the position is regarding erection of a pump at Keemsella, Kilcolgan to serve 40 people there.
- (6) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of pumps at Killinny, Kinvara, Northampton, Kinvara Barratoor-Kylebrack, Loughrea".

10(b) Clr. M. Mannion:

- (1) (a) "At the next Co. Council I will ask the Co. Manager what is the delay in having pump erected at Carrowkeel (Moylough)".
- (b) "Repairs carried out at Brierfield Pump".

10(c) Clr. J. P. Joyce:

- (1) "Please note that I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of Council that road leading through village of Killagoola, Moycullen, to Heggerty's house, Loughwell be surface dressed.
- (2) "That road leading to village of Garrynagry, Rosscahill be surface dressed".

10(d) Clr. J. Flaherty:

- (1) I will move at next meeting of the Co. Council that housing grants be paid to Applicants whose family income has deprived them of the Co. Council housing grants".
- (2) "I will also ask why Bath room grants are withheld from some applicants, although paid Government grants in full".

10.(e) Clr. L. O'Toole:

"Please take notice that I will propose at next meeting of Co. Council that the following roads be put in a proper state of repair dressed with broken stone, tarred and rolled:-

- (1) "Road Letterfrack to Renvyle - sections from Letterfrack to Derryinver and section from Tully village to Renvyle gate. (approx. 2½ miles)".
- (2) "Road from Tullycross to junction Leenane Kylemore road via, Letterfesh starting at Tullycross end which is in worst state of repair. That money be allocated for said roads which in addition to serving a thickly populated area are very important Tourist roads".

10.(f) Clr. J. J. Nestor:

"That I or some member on my behalf will move at next meeting of the Co. Council that (1) the road leading to Corcoran's mill at Adragoole, Dunmore be put into proper repair".

- (2) The road leading from lower Dalgin to Upper Dalgin be put into reasonable repair.

10.(g) CLR. J. FLAHERTY:

- (1) "I will ask that public sanitary convenience be provided for in the town of Glenamaddy".
- (2) "I will ask the reason for the delay in providing sanitary convenience for the town of Dunmore".

10.(h) Clr. T. King:

"I will move at the next Co. Council meeting that:-

- (1) The Water Main and sewerage at Headford be extended into the Labourers Cottages at Pollacullaire".
- (2) "An additional light be erected or the present lights be rearranged so as to have a light at the bus stop in the centre of the town".
- (3) I will ask the Co. Manager to inform the Council when the road at Shanbally (already inspected and approved by him) will be declared a public road".
- (4) "Public Lighting be provided at Claregalway".

10.(i) Clr. P. Furey:

"At the next meeting I will propose that a piped water supply be provided for Currandulla village".

10.(j) Clr. M. Mannion:

- (1)(a) At the next meeting of the Co. Council "I will ask the Co. Engineer to have covered shore or gullet cleaned leading along by the Clooncullagh County Road or road leading from Moylough, Menlough County Road to Moylough-Mountbellew road".
- (b) "To have flooded hollows on same filled".
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- (b) "Will the piped water supply be laid to Kilkerrin Monastery and Derreen village".

11. Pumps - general

12. Minutes of Consultative Health Committee Meeting. 18/9/54.

13. County Councils General Council - matters for inclusion on agenda for December meeting.

14. Auditors reports on accounts for Y.E. 31/3/1954:-

- (a) Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees
- (b) Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee.

15. Other business.

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COMAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GALWAY

Oifis an Rúnair,

na Foinsíochtaí Conndáe,

An Dócar Mór, Galway.

30ú Meán-Fómhair, 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim éúisat, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Cuairtí Crumhíste

Comairle Conndáe (Uimhir 9419-9427) a tionsóló ar an

25ú Meán-Fómhair, 1954

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUANÁIS,

Rúnair.

Cun na n-ádhine seo leanas:—

Seán Dall de Chomairle Conndáe na Galway.
 An Contae Innealltóir.
 An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Galway.
 An Uilígeadóir Conndáe.
 An t-Áire, An Romh Leasa Sóisialais.

Cun.....

Leit Mion-Cuairtí Uimhir a.....o'feiscme.

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL (IN COMMITTEE) HELD AT COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1954.

In the Chair: (1) Clr. M. Quinn.
 (2) Clr. M. Carty.
 (3) Clr. M. Higgins.

Also Present: Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. S. Glynn, J. Holihan, T. King, M. F. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr, and M. Wall.

9419.—Press: It was proposed by Clr. Flaherty and seconded by Clr. Carty, that representatives of the Press be admitted to the meeting.

The Chairman drew attention to the decision of the Council on the 11th September, 1954, that the representatives of the Press would not be admitted to this special meeting. Clrs. Wall and Galvin stated that they should adhere to the decision already made, and Clr. Carty stated that since this appeared to be the feeling of the meeting, he would withdraw his support to Clr. Flaherty's proposal.

It was then decided that the Council would adhere to its previous decision that representatives of the Press be not admitted to this special meeting.

9420.—Labourers' Acts: The Secretary submitted the minutes of the Housing Committee Meeting which was held on the 21st August, 1954, giving particulars of the progress made with the provision of new cottages.

In reply to Clr. Carty, Mr. Doyle, Staff Officer, stated that nine applications had been received for cottages in Oranmore district; that a site was stated to be available, but on investigation it was found that the price required was at the rate of £875 an acre; that an alternative site is being sought.

Clr. Ashe stated it takes too long a period from the first date of application to the time when the cottages provided in each case.

The Chairman pointed out that the Council has made good provision for persons wishing to erect houses for themselves with the aid of loans and grants.

Deputy Geoghegan stated that applicants from Connemara find it impossible to get material from merchants, unless they can obtain from the Council an undertaking that the grant will be paid over to the merchant.

Clr. Carty suggested that the Department of Local Government be asked to give general approval to sites in any case in which the site is approved by the Council's Engineers and

by the County Medical Officer, so as to avoid the delay occasioned by the present practice of having sites inspected by the Department's Engineering Inspector before such approval is given. Clr. Nestor supported this suggestion.

Clr. Higgins considered that much of the delay is due to the type of title on which Council's solicitor insists; that there is a delay due to the procedure necessary, and also due to the manner in which the procedure is operated by the Council.

Clr. Shields stated that it has been his experience that the Council's solicitor will accept an undertaking from any reputable solicitor that the latter will go ahead with the discharge of equities.

Clr. King suggested that if insistence on obtaining a site within the areas served by the watermain and sewer is likely to result in a delay of three years or more, then it would be more desirable to obtain a site more speedily outside the area served by the watermain and sewer; that the Council should at the start of each financial year lay out a programme of cottages to be erected during that year.

Clr. Higgins considered that cottages should be erected in the vicinity of towns, so that the tenants would have an opportunity of securing regular employment, and that sites should invariably be taken from the owners with a large area of land.

Clr. Galvin stated that in 1942, it was decided to erect four cottages in Kellysgrove; that the cottages were finally completed in 1952 and at that time none of the original applicants was available.

Clr. Holihan stated that a cottage is required at Coose, Woodford, and that a site is offered by Mr. Michael Touhy.

Clr. O'Dowd stated that sites should not be selected on swampy land where further expenditure is necessary to drain the sites.

The Chairman and County Engineer stated that once a site is available, there is no extraordinary delay in provision of the cottage.

Clr. Carty stated that there is an applicant in Kylebrack requiring a cottage and a site is available, but there is a difference of £5 between the price required and the price offered and suggested that this site should be purchased at the price required.

Clr. Ruane stated that even when a site is available there is sometimes a long delay in getting agreement on the plans and designs of the houses, and he recommended that the Architects employed by the Council should do their work speedily.

Clr. Geoghegan asked how long it would take to provide a cottage in a case where the applicant owns the site and offers

it for the purpose. The County Manager explained the procedure involved, and the Chairman stated that he knows of one such case in which the applicant is waiting five years for the cottage.

In connection with a case mentioned by Clr. O'Dowd, the Chairman expressed the opinion that the Council was correct in refusing to provide a cottage for an applicant who is employed in another county but who resides in the County Galway in an unfit house.

The County Manager informed Senator Mannion that an advertisement is about to be issued for erection of cottages in Clifden.

CLR. HIGGINS NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. Nicholson referred to a cottage in Danganbeg, which is occupied by the widow of the former tenant, and requested that the Council would put the fences of this cottage in good order, as the tenant was an invalid for many years and eventually died of T.B. and was not fit physically or financially to keep the fences in repair; that the widow has nine young children and could not possibly afford to repair the fences.

Clr. Higgins recommended that the County Manager would consider this case sympathetically. The County Manager asked if the Council would face any surcharge which might arise as a result of the repair of the fences and Clr. Nicholson replied in the affirmative.

Clr. Sirr asked why there is such a delay in preparing a vesting scheme for new cottages and for old cottages which are not now subject to the existing vesting scheme. The County Manager explained that there is much detailed work involved in the preparation of a vesting scheme, hence it would be desirable to await the completion of the erection of all new cottages, so that all outstanding cottages might be included in one further vesting scheme.

Mr. Cullinane, Engineer, stated that he will inspect the fencing provided for cottages in Ballygar to which Clr. Galvin referred, stating that the concrete posts are sunk only 6" in the soil and do not provide an effective fence. Clr. Flaherty asked why a sod fence is not provided in these cases in the same manner as such fences are provided by the Land Commission.

Clr. Higgins, in summing up the discussion, stated that:

- The Council is dissatisfied with the long delay which occurs between the date of application and date of provision of cottages,
- that the procedure should be expedited in the Council's Offices, as well as in the offices of the Department of Local Government.

(c) That the Minister for Local Government should be asked to simplify the procedure, e.g., by accepting the certificate of the Council's Engineer and the County Medical Officer that a site is suitable.

CLR. QUINN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9421—Cottages at Rosduggan, Kilkerrin and Loughconneera : In reply to Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion, Mr. Doyle, Staff Officer, stated that the original contractor for these cottages was Mr. McGlory; that it was found necessary to terminate Mr. McGlory's contract and to make an arrangement with a Mr. Delappe for the completion of the work outstanding; that Delappe had made very little progress and had left the area entirely. Consequently it was decided to terminate Mr. Delappe's contract also; that the County Solicitor had advised that a notice should be served on Delappe and that since the latter cannot be located, it was found impossible to serve the notice.

Deputy Geoghegan considered that the Council should complete the work by direct labour.

9422—Cottages at Ballymoe : In reply to Clr. Sirr's Notice of Motion, Mr. Doyle, Staff Officer, stated that five applications for cottages in the Ballymoe area had been received. Of these three were farmers who would not be eligible for cottages; the fourth was a single man and cottages are not at present being provided by the Council for unmarried applicants; that a site has been selected and sanction to its purchase has been sought with a view to providing a cottage for the fifth applicant, who is regarded as eligible for tenancy. Clr. Sirr stated that the information given does not include an applicant named Noone.

9423—Athenry No. 2. Housing Scheme : Clr. Shields again explained the position in regard to the rents on the cottages in Athenry No. 2 Housing Scheme, and pointed out that the tenants of these cottages have been left without sanitary services for a much longer period than was anticipated originally; that they are willing to pay a rent equivalent to that paid by tenants of cottages in rural areas. Clr. Shields stated that he hoped that a compromise could be effected.

It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved:

"That the Council recommend to the County Manager that sanction be sought from the Minister for Local Government to reducing the rents of the cottages in Athenry No. 2 Housing Scheme by 33 1/3% (subject to a minimum rent of 9/- per week) until such time as water and sewerage services will be made available for these cottages.

9424—Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts : Minutes of the Housing Committee meeting of the 21/8/54 giving particulars

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in regard to loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts were submitted and noted.

9425—Housing Grants : Clr. Wall referred to an application for a grant under the Housing Amendment Act, 1950, made on 12/12/51, by Martin Tierney, Esker Castleblakeney, whose P.L.V. is £21, and whose additional income is £5 a week. Clr. Wall stated that in his opinion this applicant was entitled to receive the grant and that there was nothing in the Council's Scheme to deprive him of it.

The Chairman pointed out that the Council left it to the County Manager to deal with each individual case and to decide whether the applicant could or could not provide the house from his own resources. It was also pointed out that the word "may" in the Council's Scheme gave the Council the right to refuse a grant in any particular case.

The County Manager stated that in this case he refused the grant, as he considered that the applicant was able to provide a house without aid from the Council; that the applicant has appealed to the Minister for Local Government who had refused the appeal.

It was proposed by Clr. Wall, seconded by Clr. Collins, "that the Council recommend that this applicant be given the grant of 80% of the amount of the Government Grant, which he received".

The County Manager stated that if the Council is unanimous in this matter that he will accept the recommendation, but that it was creating a very bad precedent.

Clr. Wall's and Collins' proposal was approved unanimously by the Council.

Clr. Sirr referred to the application made by Mr. Michael Clarke, Clough, Toomard, and the Chairman explained that while some discretion is left to the Council under the 1950 Act, in a case such as this where the application is made under the 1952 Act, the Council is obliged to adhere strictly to the provisions of the Act.

Clr. Flaherty requested that sympathetic consideration be given to an application made by Mr. Patrick Smith (1289).

Clr. Carty stated that the income of an unmarried brother who is living in a house should not be taken into account, as such a man would be saving money and only waiting an opportunity of departing from the house.

Clr. Galvin stated that the Housing Section in the Galway County Council Offices is not satisfactory; that replies are not being sent to letters, and that in one case he has written to the Council seven times without receiving a reply. Clr. Galvin considered that when the Department grant is paid, there is no reason why the Council's Supplementary Grant should not be paid promptly; that the position in regard to

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Reconstruction Grants is still worse and he suggested that a list of the grants for reconstruction, about to be approved by the County Manager, should be issued in the same manner as lists of grants for new houses.

Senator Mannion stated that it appears to him that Mr. Doyle has more work than it is possible for him to handle.

Clr. Carty stated that he has not found matters as stated by Clr. Galvin, and that in many cases the fault lies with the applicant who does not furnish the information which is necessary; that his only complaint is in connection with Reconstruction Grants under Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950; that several applications for these grants have been made from his area and apparently nothing whatever has been done with them by the Council's officials; that the Council's Engineers are requiring different and more difficult procedure than that which is required by the Department's Housing Inspector, and that this should not be so. Clr. Carty suggested that if the Council cannot deal with this work expeditiously, they should ask the Department of Local Government to take it over, and cited as an example an application made by Mr. Connaughton, Loughrea, which is awaiting attention for one-and-half years.

Deputy Geoghegan recommended that the Department be requested to notify individually each payment of a Gaeltacht Grant, instead of notifying such payments in lists which are supplied at infrequent intervals. This proposal was seconded by Clr. Carty supported by Clr. O'Donnell and approved by the Council.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. M. Mannion suggested that the present Housing Section of the Council's Offices should be divided, into two sections, i.e., Housing and Sanitary Services.

Clr. Wall stated that he considered that much of the delay is due to the fact that the Staff Officer has not the power to make the final decision on applications; that in cases where several members of a family reside in a house, he considers that not more than one, e.g. the eldest son, could reasonably be expected to continue to reside in the new house.

In reply to complaints made by members, the County Manager stated that he agreed that Mr. Doyle is over-worked, but stated he was also quite satisfied that there is no department in the Council which is not fully employed, and that therefore it is not possible to transfer officers from some other departments to the Housing Section; that the recruitment of junior officials for that department will not solve the problem, as the work involved requires the attention of experienced

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officials, who can do it correctly. The County Manager stated that the Council's programme is ambitious and that new schemes are constantly being undertaken; that while this policy continues and the number of senior officers remains unchanged, delay in dealing with the work must be expected; that the only solution apparent would be to separate housing from sanitary services work, and to appoint one additional Staff Officer, involving further expense. The County Manager stated that the Council, in his opinion, have not sufficient regard for the capacities of the ratepayer or the capacities of their senior officials.

9426—Pumps : As it was now late in the evening, it was decided that consideration of items Nos. 6 and 7 on the Agenda would be adjourned until the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

Clr. Carty stated that there are many new schools about to be provided in the county which will have water taps and water closets, and asked if the Council would give priority to provision of pumps in places where new schools are being erected or about to be erected.

Clr. King stated he considered that in such cases the Department of Education should contribute 50% of the cost of providing the pump; that he is aware also that the Land Commission sometimes hand over to the Council pumps which they have provided and which are not in good condition; that cattle troughs should not be provided beside pumps.

The County Manager stated that he had already suggested to the Department of Education that in seeking a site for a new school, they should have regard to the availability of a water supply.

9427—Cornamona Water Supply : The County Manager referred to a previous decision of the Council approving Clr. O'Toole's proposal that a pipe water supply scheme be provided at Cornamona. The Manager pointed out that the cost of a piped water supply scheme for this place would be not less than £8,000 and he again requested that the Council would approve the proposal to sink a bore hole with a view to erecting a pump (at an estimated cost of £200) in lieu of providing a piped water supply scheme.

Clr. O'Toole and Deputy Geoghegan stated that they were satisfied that the piped water supply should be provided at Cornamona, and as some members had now left the meeting, it was agreed to adjourn consideration of the matter until the next ordinary meeting.

MEETING THEN TERMINATED

Submitted, approved + confirmed

Michael Carty Chairman

Date: 27-11-54

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan,
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
Gaillimh.

19adh Samhain, 1954.

Chuir gao Bhail de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Chomhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae Dia Sathairn, 27adh Samhain, 1954, ag 12.30, p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O Lunaigh.

Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.

2. Clonfert Bridge and Road from Staunton's Cross to Clonfert Cathedral - deputation, and

NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR O'DOWD:- "That I or someone on my behalf, will propose that the Council make money available by loan or otherwise for the purpose of lowering three dangerous bridges over the Canal namely, Clonfert, Kylemore and Lismaney".

3. Sale of Plot at Coololla, Aghrim, area $4\frac{1}{2}$ sq. perches.

4. Raising of Loan for provision of new bridges over the Eglinton Canal, Galway.

5. County Roads Improvement - 5year Plan: County Engineer's letter of the 11. 11. 54.

6. Costello Regional Water Supply Scheme - County Medical Officer's recommendation that wells and pumps be provided in lieu of a piped supply.

7. Visiting Committee Minutes.

8. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-

(a) Deputy R. Lahiffe:

- (1) "Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a Pump at Ballingery, Kilohrest, Loughrea.
- (2) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of a pump or water supply at Drim, Kylebrack, Loughrea.
- (3) I will also propose that consideration be given to the erection of a pump convenient to the new school at Ballyturn, Gort.
- (4) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will propose that consideration be given to the erection of a pump on site of good well at Ballyvullane, Drumacoo and that approach road to it be put into repair.
- (5) I will also ask what the position is regarding erection of a pump at Keemsella, Kilcolgan to serve 40 people there.
- (6) Please note that at next meeting of Co. Council I will ask what the position is regarding the erection of pumps at Killinny, Kinvara, Northampton, Kinvara, Barratoor-Kylebrack, Loughrea".

(b) Clr. M. Mannion:

- (a) "At the next Co. Council I will ask the Co. Manager what is the delay in having pump erected at Carrowkeel (Moylough).
- (b) Repairs carried out at Brierfield Pump".

8. (c) Clr. J.P. Joyce:

- (1) "Please note that I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of Council that road leading through village of Killagoola, Moycullen, to Heggerty's house, Loughwell be surface-dressed.
- (2) That road leading to village of Garrynagry, Rosscahill be surface-dressed".

(d) Clr. J. Flaherty:

- (1) "I will move at next meeting of the Co. Council that housing grants be paid to applicants whose family income has deprived them of the Co. Council housing grants".
- (2) I will also ask why bath-room grants are withheld from some applicants, although paid Government grants in full".

(e) Clr. L. 6'Toole:

"Please take notice that I will propose at next meeting of the Co. Council that the following roads be put into a proper state of repair dressed with broken stone, tarred and rolled:-

- (1) Road Letterfrack to Renvyle - sections from Letterfrack to Derryinver and section from Tully village to Renvyle gate (approx. $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles).
- (2) Road from Tullycross to junction Leenane-Kylemore road, via Lettergesh starting from Tullycross end which is in worst state of repair. That money be allocated for said roads which in addition to serving a thickly populated area are very important tourist roads".

(f) Clr. J.J. Nestor:

"That I or some member on my behalf will move at next meeting of the Co. Council that

- (1) road leading to Corcoran's mill at Adrigoole, Dunmore, be put into proper repair.
- (2) the road leading from lower Dalgin to Upper Dalgin be put into reasonable repair."

(g) Clr. J. Flaherty:

- (1) "I will ask that public sanitary convenience be provided for in the town of Glenamaddy.
- (2) I will ask the reason for the delay in providing sanitary convenience for the town of Dunmore".

(h) Clr. P. Furey:

"At next meeting I will propose that a piped water supply be provided for Currandulla village".

(i) Clr. M. Mannion:

- (1) (a) "At the next meeting of the Co. Council I will ask the County Engineer to have covered shore or gullet cleaned leading along by the Clooncallagh County road or road leading from Moylough, Menlough County Road to Moylough-Mountbelaw road.
- (b) To have flooded hollows on same filled.
- (2) I will ask the Co. Engineer when the flooded hollow on Brierfield County Road are expected to be carried out.
- (3) (a) I will ask the County Manager what progress has been made with Kilkerrin, Moylough Waterworks.
- (b) Will the piped water supply be laid to Kilkerrin Monastery and Dereen village".

(j) Deputy J. Geoghegan:

"I want to place on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Galway Co. Council a proposal for the erection of a public toilet in the village of Clonbur. As there is a public sewerage work being carried out presently there I think the two should go together".

(k) Clr. P. Sarr:

"That where the amount of a housing loan is not more than £200, and where title is otherwise in order, the Council should not insist on discharge of equities".

(1) Deputy J. Geoghegan:

"Please place on the next agenda of the Galway Co. Council that I will propose street lighting for Carna, Rosmuck and Kilkerrin villages".

8. (m) Deputy J. Geoghegan: "Take notice that I will propose at the next meeting of the Co. Council, that all roads leading to Churches and Graveyards be put into proper repair by the Council".
- (n) Clr. M. Carty: "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall propose that Galway Co. Council recommend the Co. Manager to declare a public road the road linking county roads No.539 and 537 at Rannamacken".
- (o) Clr. T. King: "I will move at the next Co. Council meeting that Co. Council workers annual holidays be so arranged that they receive payment for Church Holidays".
- (p) Clr. M. Newell:
- (1) "that the well at Breañloughaun be covered in and a pump head placed thereon.
 - (2) That the dangerous junction apposite Canon Mitchell's house at Castlegar be made safe".
- (q) Clr. P. Furey:
- (1) "That the dangerous corners between the Guards Barracks at Currandulla and Headford be widened and made safe for traffic.
 - (2) That the dangerous corner at Kelly's Public House near Cregg be sign-posted and made safe for traffic.
 - (3) That the dangerous corner at Caherlistrane known as Judges Corner be widened and made safe for traffic.
 - (4) That the road leading to Clogh Cummer be reconstructed and declared a public road."
- (r) Clr. M. Carty: "At the next meeting of the Co. Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall ask the Co. Manager to state:-
- (1) If any progress has been made in acquiring a building site for the current housing requirements of Loughrea town.
 - (2) When the Portumna Housing Scheme will be put to tender.
 - (3) When the Killimor Water Scheme will be put to tender."
- (s) Clr. M. Carty: "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I or some other member acting for me shall seek information on the following:
- (1) The total number of applications at present with the Council for Housing Reconstruction Grants appropriate to Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, as amended by the 1954 Act.
 - (2) The total number of applicants whose premises were visited, inspected and reported upon by the Engineer deputed by the Council to deal with these grants.
 - (3) The total number of approval certificates and estimates issued to applicants for grants under the Section (as amended).
 - (4) The total number of grants under Section 8 (as amended) paid, in part or in full, and not including supplementary grants, to applicants other than farmers and agricultural labourers since Galway Co. Council was appointed the Housing Authority for the purpose of administering this type of grant.
 - (5) The reason for the interminable delays in dealing with grants under Section 8 (as amended) in comparison with reconstruction grants paid directly by the L.G.D."
- (t) Clr. L. O'Toole: "Please take notice that I will ask the Co. Manager to clarify the position as regards free hospital treatment, by stating up to what salary or earnings a man and his family are entitled to free hospitalization:
- (1) in the case of an employed person.
 - (2) in the case of a self-employed person."
- (u) Clr. J. Flaherty: "I will propose at the next meeting of the Co. Council that Ref. Fr. Dooley, Kilkerrin be appointed to the Glanamaddy Ola Age Pension sub-committee."
- (v) Clr. J. O'Dowd: "Please note that at the next meeting of the Council I will propose that the Council erect four lights at Laurencetown; that at our next meeting I will propose that the Council take over the Bellvue Road to link Laurencetown with Kiltormer".

- (w) Clr. J. P. Joyce: "Please note that I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the County Council

- (1) That the Streets in Oughterard be cleaned monthly, each fair evening.
- (2) That a "Bumping" Ground be provided in Oughterard.
- (3) That Rate demand notes be printed in English as well as Irish"

- (x) Clr. M. F. Kitt: "I will propose at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the county road leading from Athenry via Newcastle Church to Tiaquin and on to Killaclogher be put on the five year plan for steamrolling. Ref. No. of Co roads 376, 432 and 431."

9. Minutes of Consultative Health Committee Meeting 18/9/54.
10. County Councils General Council - matters for inclusion on agenda for December meeting.
11. Auditors reports on accounts for Y.E.31/3/54:-
 - (a) Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees
 - (b) Lough Corrib, Maak and Carra Joint Drainage Committee.
12. Supplementary Grant for Main and County Road Improvements, 1954/55 - County Engineer's list of proposals.
13. Other business.

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COMAIRLE CONROAE NA SAILLIME

Oifis an Rúnaróid,

na Foinsnígte Conroae,

An Dochar Mór, SAILLIM.

28^{ao} Deire-Fómhair, 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim éúsat, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairiscí Crúinnígte
Comhairle Conroae (Uimhir 9428-9447) a tionsólao ar an
28^{ao} Deire-Fómhair, 1954

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUANÁIḂ,

Rúnaróid.

Cun na nDoime seo leanas :-

Ḃac Dall de Chóhairle Conroae na SAILLIME.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., SAILLIM.
An Ollgeadóir Conroae.
An t-Aire, An Roim Leasa SóisialaíḂ.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 23rd OCTOBER,
1954.

In the Chair: (i) Clr. M. Quinn.
(ii) Clr. M. Carty.

Also present: Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Holihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clr. M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9428.—**Sympathy**: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Glynn and resolved: "That the Council express sincere sympathy with Clr. M. Newell on the death of his two brothers, and that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned for one hour.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following:—
The relatives of the late Mr. T. V. Honan, Ennis.
The relatives of the late Mr. James Ward, Woodquay.
The Rev. Mother, Presentation Convent and Miss Hynes, Salthill, on the death of Rev. Sister Joseph.
Bean Mhic Donnchadha agus a clann, An Fhaithe, Ceathru Rua, ar bas a fir ceile.

The meeting was then adjourned until 1.45 p.m.

9429.—**MINUTES**: The minutes of previous meetings to No. 9418, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

9430.—**CONFERENCE REGARDING COUNTY MANAGEMENT**: Letter from the Minister for Local Government was submitted, thanking the Council for their cooperation with the Minister in arranging the conference on County Management and in placing before him their views.

Clr. Collins asked why the Council as a body was not asked to meet the Minister.

The Chairman explained that other Local Authorities in the county were represented at the Conference, and in the time available it would not be feasible for the Minister to meet all the members of all the bodies concerned.

In reply to Clr. King, the Chairman and Clr. Carty stated that the Minister requested the views of the Council in regard to Section 29 of the County Management Act, 1940, asked if the Council had appointed a Contracts Committee and discussed the provision of housing, particularly in the Urban Districts and in the Town Commissioners' Districts.

9431.—**GALWAY CORPORATION**: Clr. Carty referred to press reports of a meeting of the Galway Corporation, in which it was stated that a member of the Corporation accused the County

Council of squandermania and incompetence, and another member stated that he pays annually as much in rates as is paid by all the members of the County Council; that later one of these members protested against the proposal to close the road in connection with the erection of a bridge at Dominick Street.

Clr. Carty stated that he wished to refute these charges and explained that in regard to the demand made by the County Council on the Galway Corporation, the latter is required to pay to the County Council in proportion to valuation, part of the cost of county-at-large services which are carried out by the County Council for the entire county, including the Galway Corporation area; that he, Clr. Carty, is quite satisfied that the Galway Corporation is getting very good service from the Galway County Council, that the roads in the Borough Area are kept in excellent condition, and since the principal hospitals are located in the city of Galway, the services provided by the County Council are worth several thousand pounds annually to the city of Galway; that in regard to public assistance, it is a fact that more money is spent under this heading in the city of Galway than is contributed towards that account by the Galway Corporation. Clr. Carty stated that the total amount of rates being paid in the current year by members of the County Council is £1,500, which is an average of approximately £50 each, and that this does not take into account rates paid by relatives of members of the Council.

In regard to Dominick Street Bridge, Clr. Carty pointed out that the Council was merely complying with its statutory duty in obtaining an Order authorising the closing of the road while the bridge at Dominick Street was being replaced. Clr. Carty stated that members of the Corporation would do well to attend to matters which require attention in their own district, e.g., public lighting, which is very unsatisfactory, that furthermore, the Galway Corporation had not made available supplementary grants for erection or purchase of new houses, nor had they proposed that the Agricultural Institution be established at Mervue; that such towns as Ballinasloe, Portumna, Loughrea, and Gort have secured new industries, while Galway Corporation has not succeeded in obtaining any industries for Galway. Clr. Carty stated that after eighteen months, the Galway Corporation cannot still make up its mind in regard to the question of seeking County Borough status; that any development carried out at Salthill was done by the Galway County Council and by the Salthill Citizens' Association; that the proposal for the amendment of the Traffic Bye-Laws came from the Galway County Council; that if any member of the Galway Corporation wishes to seek membership of the Galway County Council, he may do so at the next local election.

The Chairman stated that for every pound received by the Galway County Council from the Galway Corporation, at least £3 is paid in wages and salaries to employees of the Galway County Council residing in Galway city: that Galway University and

Galway County Council have made the city of Galway as it is present; that he considered that if the members of the Galway Corporation knew the facts, they would not have made these allegations against the Galway County Council.

Clr. M. Mannion regretted that his proposal in regard to the reception of the competitors of An Ras Tailtean had been the cause of so much trouble to and undeserved criticism of this Council, but that he could not make any apology for protesting against the Corporation's failure to receive these competitors, while they had received the C.R.E. competitors in a race which was sponsored by a body responsible for the partition of athletics in this country.

Clr. Kitt stated that it was purely a question of courtesy; that there was much ado recently about the failure of An Board Failte to send publicity delegates to the west, yet the Corporation did not receive the Ras Tailtean competitors.

Clr. King stated that the increase in the valuation of the Galway Borough is due to the action taken by the Galway Corporation themselves, and suggested that it would be well to call a special meeting to which members of the Corporation would be invited, to discuss with the Council these allegations of incompetence, as the charges made seem to have been irresponsible.

Clr. Nestor did not agree with the suggestion that a special meeting be called, and stated that those interested will have an opportunity at the next election of offering themselves for election to membership of the Council.

Clr. Ashe stated that the members of the Corporation said that they did not know that the cyclists were coming to Galway, and that the Mayor said that if he had known so he would have met them; that on any occasion on which she had raised at a Council meeting any proposal for the benefit of Galway city, she had got full cooperation from the members of the County Council.

Clr. Shields considered that the Council should make a dignified protest against the accusations and that it is not necessary to show how much the accusers are at fault.

The County Manager regretted that this dissention between the Council and the Galway Corporation should have arisen, and trusted that this would end the matter and that there would be a resumption of the cordial relations, which have in fact always existed, between the two Bodies.

9432.—**VISITOR**: The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mr. Dudley Clifford of the Malayan Civil Service who is studying Local Government in this country, and had requested permission to attend a meeting of the Galway County Council.

Mr. Clifford thanked the Chairman and members for permitting him to be present at the meeting.

9433.—**LOAN £10,800 FOR WATER SUPPLY EXTENSIONS**: It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Deputy R. Lahiffe and resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby

security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Ten Thousand Eight Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9434.—LOAN £50,000 FOR NEW MACHINERY: It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Deputy R. Lahiffe and resolved:

"That pursuant to the Letter of Sanction of the Local Government Minister dated the 2nd day of September, 1954, the sum of £50,000 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited, Galway, for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the purchase of Road Machinery to be repaid within seven years, with interest at the usual rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such advances as in said Letter of Sanction provided, the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates AND that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the said Mortgage to The National Bank Limited."

9435.—CLONFERT BRIDGE, Etc.: Consideration of this item was deferred until next meeting.

9436.—LORRY DRIVERS: Senator J. Mannion referred to the advertisement inviting applications for lorry drivers, and requested that local men get preference for appointments in their area.

The County Engineer pointed out that rollers, excavators, bulldozers, etc., are moveable plants which are not allocated specially to any area, but that lorries are normally allocated to a particular area, and in fact the drivers of lorries always belong to the area in which the lorry is used.

9437.—CENTRAL HOSPITAL, PATIENTS' Accounts: The County Manager's letter of the 20th September, 1954, was read, stating that it was not feasible to comply with the request of the Visiting Committee that before the institution of legal proceedings for collection of hospital debts a list of the parties concerned, together with the H.A.O.'s reports, be sent to the Councillors representing the area. The letter pointed out that before legal proceedings are taken, a number of demands are issued to the patient, who therefore has the opportunity of requesting the Councillors to intercede for him, if it is a fact that the patient concerned is unable to pay the bill.

After a discussion in which a number of members pointed out that in many cases the member of the Local Authority would be better qualified than the Home Assistance Officer to decide on the ability of the person concerned to pay the account, Clr. Carty proposed and Clr. Wall seconded:

"that a copy of the Order relating to the institution of legal proceedings for recovery of debts due by patients to Galway Central Hospital be circulated to each member of the County Council."

The County Manager agreed that this would be done in future. Clr. King recommended that an expression of the Council's apprecia-

tion be conveyed to the nurse, whose prompt action recently saved a patient from serious injury.

Clr. Carty objected to the unfavourable publicity given by the Press to this incident.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9438.—MOYCULLEN WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION: Correspondence in connection with this matter was again submitted, and the County Manager stated that having regard to the high rates and the principle involved, it was his opinion that the persons concerned should be required to contribute, and pointed out that any person whose residence is situated within 100 ft. of a watermain or sewer may be required to connect with the main at his own expense.

Mr. Cullinane, Chief Assistant Co. Engineer, stated that the estimated cost of 100 ft. of $\frac{1}{2}$ " water pipe would be from £5 to £7.

Eventually, the Council agreed that each of the persons concerned would be required to contribute an amount equivalent to the cost of providing 100 ft. of $\frac{1}{2}$ " watermain, and on this understanding approved the provision of funds for the extension of the watermain at Moycullen, at an estimated cost of £276.

9439.—CORNAMONA WATER SUPPLY: The correspondence in connection with this matter was again submitted, and the County Manager drew attention to the high estimated cost of the scheme (£8,325) for the small number of families concerned, and again requested that the Council would approve the proposal to sink a bore-hole at a cost of £200, with a view to providing a pump for the village of Cornamona.

It was again proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, and seconded by Clr. O'Toole, that a piped water supply at a cost of £8,325 be provided at Cornamona.

It was proposed by Clr. Holihan and seconded by Clr. Wall that the piped water supply be not provided, but that in lieu the well be sunk at an estimated cost of £200, with a view of providing a pump thereon.

Clr. Higgins, Ashe and Ruane spoke in support of the proposal to provide a piped water supply.

Clr. Nicholson said he knows of several villages with a population of over 100 persons, who cannot get even a pump.

Deputy Killilea stated that it is not sensible to provide a water supply to a village where there are only sixteen families, and proposed that consideration of the provision of piped water supplies in villages where the population is less than 200 be adjourned for twelve months. This proposal was seconded by Clr. Wall.

Clr. Collins said that he had previously proposed and still considered that there should be a survey for provision of piped water supplies for the entire county as pumps are continually going out of order.

Senator J. Mannion stated that frequently a pump in east Galway is as expensive to provide and maintain as a piped water supply would be in Connemara.

Clr. King reiterated a recommendation which he had made at an earlier meeting that the survey for piped water supplies should be for the entire county and not for individual towns or villages.

Clr. Nestor recommended that good surface wells should be protected, which would often obviate the necessity for provision of pumps.

Eventually a vote was taken on Deputy Killilea's proposal, resulting as follows:

For: Clrs. O'Dowd, Carty, Collins, M. Mannion, Holihan, Killilea, King, Lahiffe, Nestor, Nicholson, Sirr and Wall (12).

Against: Clrs. Ashe, Flaherty, Furey, Geoghegan, Higgins, O'Toole, J. Mannion, O'Donnell and Ruane (9).

The Chairman declared Deputy Killilea's proposal carried, and consequently consideration of the proposal to provide a piped water supply at Cornamona was adjourned for twelve months in accordance with Deputy Killilea's proposal.

9440.—SANITARY SERVICES FOR COTTAGES: The Secretary submitted the County Engineer's estimate for provision of Water and Sewerage Services for cottages at Loughrea, Gort, and Headford, at a total cost of £15,530, the number of cottages which would be served being 96 non-vested and 17 other houses and vested cottages.

It was proposed by Senator Mannion and seconded by Clr. Ruane that consideration of this matter be adjourned for twelve months.

Deputy Killilea recommended that consideration be adjourned until the estimate for the entire county will be available.

It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe and seconded by Clr. King that the matter be considered on its merits now.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Clr. Wall that an estimate be prepared for provision of sanitary services for cottages in all towns in the county where water and sewerage services are available, and that consideration of the present estimate be deferred until then.

Deputy Lahiffe then withdrew his proposal.

It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, and seconded by Clr. Sirr that the matter be left over until a scheme for the entire county be available.

Eventually, on a show of hands, it was decided that consideration of the estimate for provision of sanitary services for cottages in Loughrea, Gort and Headford at a cost of £15,530 be deferred until an estimate would be available for the cost of providing these services to cottages in all towns in the county in which water and sewerage services are available.

9441.—HEADFORD PUBLIC LIGHTING: It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and resolved:

"that the Council recommend that an additional light be erected, or that the present lights be re-arranged, so as to have a light at the bus-stop in the centre of the town of Headford."

9442.—ROAD AT SHANBALLY: In reply to Clr. King's Notice of Motion (10. (h) (i)), the Secretary explained that it is necessary to publish thirty days notice of intention to declare a road to be a public road, and the notice has to state the date and time of the meeting at which such declaration will be made.

It was decided that a date in December be fixed for a meeting of the Council and that notice of the intention to declare public the road at Shanbally at that meeting be published.

9443.—PUBLIC LIGHTING: It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Higgins, and resolved:

"that the Council recommend that public lighting be provided at Claregalway village."

9444.—NATIONAL PLOUGHING ASSOCIATION: It was proposed by Clr. Ruane, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved:

"that the Council compliment the National Ploughing Association on the action taken by them to prevent the recognition of partition in relation to ploughing competitions."

9445.—SCHEMES FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS: It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved:

"that the Council grant the request of Miss Ethna C. O'Gorman, Salthill, that her secondary scholarship under the Scheme for 1954 be made available to her in the Convent of Mercy School, Tuam, at the non-residential rate, as she has succeeded in obtaining another scholarship which is tenable in that school."

9446.—SALARY OF STOREKEEPER: The Council unanimously approved the provision of an additional sum of £17 to meet the cost of revision of the salary of the Storekeeper in the County Engineer's Stores, with effect from 1st January, 1953.

9447.—MISCELLANEOUS: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ashe and resolved:

"That the Council congratulate Mr. Patrick J. Sheahan, Architect, on the honour conferred on him by The Vatican by appointing him a Knight of Saint Sylvester."

Consideration of the following items were adjourned until next meeting:

- 10. (a) to (g) inclusive.
- 10. (i).
- 10. (j).
- 11 to 15 inclusive.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and certified

Michael Carty Chairman

Date 27-11-54

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

3adh Nollaig, 1954.

Chuir gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Gruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae Dia Sathairn, lladh Nollaig, 1954, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

LIAM O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

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TO CONSIDER:

- Minutes.
- Raising of Loan of £3,200 for purchase and improvement of a Dispensary Residence at Spiddal.
- Overdraft arrangements for quarter ending 31st March, 1955.
- Authorisation of excess expenditure in the current year due to the revision of salaries of certain officers and the employment of a Staff Officer for the Orthopaedic and other Regional Services.
- Declaration of a road to be a public road, viz:-
Road at Shanbally, from Grange Junction to Currandulla Junction - length 1340 lin. yards.
- Sale of premises at Tuam to the Archbishop of Tuam in accordance with Notice dated 29/11/54.
- Minutes of Meeting of Consultative Health Committee held on 18. 9. 1954.
- County Councils' General Council - matters for inclusion on Agenda for next meeting.
- Auditor's Reports on accounts for Y.E. 31/3/54:-
(a) Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees.
(b) Lough Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee.
(c) River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee.
- Other business.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Suídh:
Gaillimh 55

OIFIS AN RUNAI,
BÓCHAR MÓR,
GAILLIMH.

3ad Nollaig, 1954.

Cuir gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A CHARA,

TARRTAR ORT LEIS SEO BÉIT I LATHAIR AG GRUINNIÚ DE COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE A TIONOLFAR I SEOMRA NA COMHAIRLE INS NA FOIRGNITHE CONNDAE, ÚLA SATHAIRN, 11AD NOLLAI, 1954, AG 12.30.P.M. A CHLOG.

Mise, le meas,

LIAM Ó LUANAIGH.

Runai.

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NA h-ADDBAIR SEO LEANAS A BREACNÚ:-

- Miontuairisgí.
- Lasádt £3,200 a fáigáil le ceacht sa Spidéal a ceannac agus a beisiú mar aic comhaidé bo' h Doéguir.
- Lasádt seiladac i zcoir na Ráite go 31ad Márca, 1955.
- Dreis-coscáisi sa bliana go 31ad Márca, 1955 ó árdú tuarascáil ri pizeac agus priom-Oipeagac nua a ceapad do Seirbísí Sláinte.
- Bóchar a fáisnéis mar bóchar poiblí, viz:-
Bóchar i Sean-Báile ó Cros-Bóchar Óor-an-Dolagó deí. ~~Cros-Bóchar~~
- Paisce eilíth i bCuan, agus foirgnithe acá suidce air, a bfoi le h-árb-éaspoz tuama - de réir an fógra de 29.11.1954, a cuiread éis zac báil.
- Miontuairisgí Gruinniúe Coiste Comhairliúig Sláinte de 18. 9. 1954.
- Árb-Comhairle na z-Condae - adbair le cur ar an zclár.
- Tuarascáil an infúctóra ar cunneaisí i zcoir na bliana go 31ad Márca, 1954.
- Shó eile.

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COMAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILLÍNE

Oifis an Rúnair, Na Forgnithe Condae,

An Bócar Mór, SAILLÍM.

17ú Nollaig, 1954

A CARA,

Cuirim éugac, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairseí Cruinnithe Comhairle Condae (Uimhir 9480-9490) a tionsóláid ar an 11ú Nollaig, 1954

Mise, Le meas,

L. Ó LUANAÍ, Rúnair.

Cum na ndaoine seo leanas :-

Sac Dall de Chomhairle Condae na Saillíne. An Contae Inneallcór. An Cisteóir, An Danc Náisiúnta Teó., Saillím. An Uilgeadóir Condae. An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Soisialaigh.

MIONCHUIRISÍ CRUINNITHE COMAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILLÍNE A TIONSÓLAID INS NA FORGNITHE CONDAE, SAILLÍM, AR AN 11ú NOLLAI, 1954.

Caiaoirleac: M. Ó Cunn, Uas.

Bí na Comairleoirí seo leanas i láthair freisin: Clr. Ó Dubra, Mac Cártaigh, Ó Coileáin, M. Ó Maimín, Ó Flacartaigh, Ó Fealbáin, Mac Eochagáin, Mag Fíoinn, Ua n-Uigín, Mac Siollaléit, Mac an Ríog, Ó Ceit, Ó Tuacail, S. Ó Maimín, Mac an Aostair, Mac Mocoil, Ó Soir, agus de Báill.

9480.—IASACHT £3,200—TEAC AN DOCTÚRA, SPIOÉAL: Mol an Clr. M. Ua n-Uigín, cuirigh Clr. S. Mac Eochagáin, T.O., agus glac an Comhairle leis an rún so leanas o'aon gúit: "So bfuaisfear £3,200 ar iasacht ó Coimisinéirí na n-Oibreaca Poiblí le teac a ceannac agus a cur in-ordú mar áit comairte do'n Doctúir Oifigiúil sa Spioéal, agus go n-aisiofpar an méid sin i dtreimse 25 bliana le h-ús as an ráta a béas i bpeirí nuair a geofar an t-airgead."

9481.—IASACHT SEALADAC: Mol an Clr. M. Mac Cártaigh, cuirigh Clr. S. Mac Eochagáin, T.O., agus glac an Comhairle leis an rún so leanas, o'aon gúit: "So bfuaisfear iasacht sealadac, ó'n mDanc Náisiúnta Teoranta, Saillím, ná nacatú car £150,000, ar an gCuntas Feimearúta sa treimse ó 1ú Eanáir 1955 go 31ú Márta, 1955."

9482.—BREIS-CAITEACAS: Ar molaó Clr. S. Mac Eochagáin, Clr. Mac Cártaigh as cuirid leis, éinn an Comhairle £1,030 breis airgead a solácar sa blian go 31ú Márta, 1955, le h-áirid árdú tuarastail Oifigeac áirithe agus i gcóir tuarastail Prím-Oifigis nua a ceapad sa bPríomh Oisbróal.

9483.—TALAM ASUS FORGNITHE I DCUAIM A DÍOL: Cuirid ós comair na Comhairle an fógra a cuirid leis sa cúl ar 29/II/1954. Mol Clr. S. Mac an Aostair, cuirigh Clr. M. Mac Siollaléit, T.O., agus glac an Comhairle leis an rún so leanas: "So noiolpar le h-árd-Caspos Cuama, paisce talman i mBaile Fearaim Demesne, Cuaim, o'ácar I ccr. 2 pr. 3 sl. cr. agus na forgnithe acá suíde air, agus ceart pasáitce 42' x 30', ar £1,000 agus costas uligto."

9484.—COISTE COMAIRLITIS SLAINTE: Ar molaó Clr. M. Mac Cártaigh, Clr. P. Ó Coileáin as cuirid leis, glac an Comhairle le mionchuirisí cruinnithe Coiste Comairlitis Slaince de 18/6/54, agus 4/12/54 agus molaó don Damisceoir foclam nua i gcóir ceanncair foclaime Dúlláin a cur ar fáil i mBaile Locha Riad, i tteac an Doctúra.

Mol Clr. Mac Eochagáin, T.O., cuirigh Clr. P. Ó Coileáin leis, agus cinnead iarraid ar na h-ádarásáí beifir a cur leis an scéim teagaisc do páistí in Oisbróal Coill Cuan.

Dubairt Clr. M. Mac Cártaigh go bfuil máinteoir ó Léigán Muire as teagasc in áisce ann agus gur ceart buíocas a cabairt oi agus don Léigán.

9485.—ÁRD-COMAIRLE NA SCONDAETE: Ni raib don molaó maíoir le h-árbair a cur ar clár cruinnithe Árd-Comairle na Scondaete.

9486.—TUARASCÁLA AN INFÍÚCÓRA: Ar molaó Clr. Uí n-Uigín, Clr. Ó Coileáin as cuirid leis, glac an Comhairle le tuarascála an infíúcóra ar cunntaisí i gcóir na bliana go 31/3/54, fé mar a taisbeánad ar clár na cruinnithe.

Dubairt an Rúnáil go gcuirfear ar ball cuig sac Comairleoir cóip de tuarascáil an infíúcóra ar cunntaisí Comairle Condae na Saillíne i gcóir na treimse go 31/3/52, agus freisin go gcuirfear ós comair na Comhairle as cruinnid i.

9486.—BÓCAR I SEAN-XAILE: Mol Clr. T. Mac an Ríog, cuirigh Clr. M. Ua n-Uigín, agus glac an Comhairle leis an rún so leanas: "So n'árbairuinn mairne, Comairle Condae na Saillíne an Bócar i Seanbaile ó Cros-bócar na Sráinigh go dtí Cros-bócar Carn-Dola, 1,340 sl. ar fáil, a beir na bócar poiblí."

9488.—COIMISINÉIRÍ AR BAILE CUAMA: Mol Clr. M. Mac Cártaigh, cuirigh Clr. S. Mac Eochagáin agus glac an Comhairle leis an rún so leanas: "So bfuaisfear £200 ar iasacht ó'n mDanc Náisiúnta Teoranta, Saillím, agus go t'árbair an méid seo do Coimisinéirí ar Baile Cuama le suir a cur i dtreimse acá faoi curam na gCoimisinéirí; go n-aisiofpar an méid sin i cuig bliana le h-ús as an ráta a béas socruite as an mDanc ó am go h-am."

9489.—MÁINTEOIRÍ NÁISIÚNTA: Mol Clr. M. Ó Cunn, cuirigh Clr. P. Ó Coileáin agus glac an Comhairle leis an rún so, vi: "Iarraimid ar an Aire Oideacais na máinteoirí náisiúnta a cur ar aon tuarastal leis na meán-máinteoirí agus leis na máinteoirí Saírm-Oideacais. 'Sé ar t'cuairm gur ceart do'n Rialtas

na máinteoirí is fearr o'páil do na scoileanna náisiúnta mar bíonn an curd is mó de páistí na tíre seo as brac ar na scoileanna-aid sin."

9490.—NOLLAI: Suid an Caiaoirleac Nollai faoi máise agus faoi sonas do na Comairleoirí uilig, do'n Damisceoir, do'n Rúnáil agus do na h-Oifigis go léir. Cúg an Damisceoir agus an Rúnáil a mbuíocas do'n Caiaoirleac agus suide siad an bail céadna air.

Cuiread deire leis an gcrúinnid annsin.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Martin O'Connell Chairman

Date: 22nd Dec 1954

COMHAIRLE CON'DAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan;
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
Gaillimh.

14adh Eanáir, 1955.

Chuíg gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins the Foirgnithe Conndae Dia Sathairn, 22adh Eanáir, 1955, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

Liam O Luanaigh.

Runai.

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To Consider:

1. Minutes.
2. Completion of Mortgage Deed for Loan of £1400 for Roundstone Courthouse.
3. Overdraft arrangements on Capital Account.
4. Declaration of Housing Scheme Roads to be Public Roads, viz:-
Roads serving housing schemes at Ballybrit, Headford, Athenry, Cloon, Gort and Liam Mellows Terrace, Loughrea.
5. Improvement of Gort Public Lighting.
6. Letter 23/11/54 from the Department of Health regarding use of buildings for development of County Home Scheme.
7. Arrears of temporary allowance or temporary bonus for officers for period 1st November, 1952 to 31st March, 1953.
8. Cinema Licence Applications.
9. Letter 13/12/54 from the Irish Tourist Association re contribution for coming year.
10. Minutes of meeting of County Councils General Council.
11. Councillors' Notices of Motion:
 - (a) Clr. M. Carty: "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall propose that Galway Co. Council recommend the Co. Manager to declare a public road the road linking county roads No. 539 and 537 at Rannamacken".
 - (b) Cr. M. Newell:
 - (1) "That the well at Breanloughaun be covered in and a pump head placed thereon.
 - (2) That the dangerous junction opposite C on Mitchell's house at Castlegar be made safe".
 - (c) Clr. P. Furey:
 - (1) "That the dangerous corners between the Guards Barracks at Currandulla and Headford be widened and made safe for traffic.
 - (2) That the dangerous corner at Celly's Public House near Cregg be sign-posted and made safe for traffic.
 - (3) That the dangerous corner at Caherlistrane known as Judges Corner be widened and made safe for traffic.
 - (4) That the road leading to Clogh Cummer be reconstructed and declared a public road".

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- (d) Clr. M. Carty: "At the next meeting of the Co. Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall as the Co. Manager to state:-
 - (1) If any progress has been made in acquiring a building site for the current housing requirements of Loughrea town.
 - (2) When the Portumna Housing Scheme will be put to tender.
 - (3) When the Killimor Water Scheme will be put to tender."
- (e) Clr. M. Carty: "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I or some other member acting for me shall seek information on the following:
 - (1) The total number of applications at present with the Council for Housing reconstruction grants appropriate to Section 8 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, as amended by the 1954 Act.
 - (2) The total number of applicants whose premises were visited, inspected and reported upon by the Engineer deputed by the Council to deal with these grants.
 - (3) The total number of approval certificates and estimates issued to applicants for grants under the Section (as amended).
 - (4) The total number of grants under Section 8 (as amended) paid, in part or in full, and not including supplementary grants, to applicants other than farmers and agricultural labourers since Galway Co. Council was appointed the Housing Authority for the purpose of administering this type of grant.
 - (5) The reason for the interminable delays in dealing with grants under Section 8 (as amended) in comparison with reconstruction grants paid directly by the L.G.D."
- (f) Clr. L. O'Toole: "Please take notice that I will ask the Co. Manager to clarify the position as regards free hospital treatment, by stating up to what salary or earnings a man and his family are entitled to free hospitalization:
 - (1) in the case of an employed person.
 - (2) in the case of a self-employed person."
- (g) Clr. J. O'Dowd: "Please note that at the next meeting of the Council I will propose that the Council erect four lights at Laurencetown; that at our next meeting I will propose that the Council take over the Bellvue Road to link Laurencetown with Kiltormer."
- (h) Clr. J.P. Joyce: "Please note that I or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the County Council:
 - (1) That the streets in Oughterard be cleaned monthly, each fair evening.
 - (2) That a "Dumping" ground be provided in Oughterard.
 - (3) That Rate demand notes be printed in English as well as Irish".
- (i) Clr. M.F. Kitt: "I will propose at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the county road leading from Athenry via Newcastle Church to Tiaquin and on to Killaclogher be put on the five year plan for steamrolling. Ref. No. of County Roads - 376, 432 and 432."
- (j) Clrs. Killilea and Nicholson: "We will move at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the Co. Engineer undertake the immediate repair and maintenance of the Cloonkeen Abbert village road and further ask the County Secretary to explain why they cannot trace the last contract given to Mr. Peter Conroy, Cloonkeen Abbert, for the three years ending approx. in 1936 at £4. 10. p.a."
- (k) Clr. M. Mannion: "I propose to have public lighting given to the village of Kilkerrin"

and

Clr. J. Flaherty: "I will move at the next meeting that the Co. Council provide five public lights for Kilkerrin".
- (l) Clr. J.J. Nestor: "I or some member on my behalf will move at next meeting of the Co. Council that the spring well on Bernard Flaherty's land at Cloonaghgarve be protected."
- (m) Clr. M. Nicholson: "I will propose at next meeting of Co. Council:
 - (1) that the Council recommend that public lighting be provided at Demesne, Tuam, for 31 families with a population of 176 excluding small children.
 - (2) to provide a footpath along those houses."
- (n) Senator J. Mannion: "That in view of the low amount of income of applicants, the minimum rent for new cottages in the Oughterard Scheme be fixed at 6/- a week."

- (o) Clr. M. Carty and Deputy R. Lahiffe: "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council we or some other member acting on our behalf shall propose:
- (1) That the resolution adopted at the November meeting deferring extension of water and sewerage schemes for one year be rescinded.
 - (2) That approval be given to the schemes prepared by the Co. Surveyor for the extension of sewerage and water schemes in Loughrea, Gort and Headford."
- (p) Clr. V.P. Shields: Take Notice that I shall move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the road leading from Cooleeny Three Roads to Hollyhill Cross Roads be declared a Public Road."
- (q) Clr. J. Houlihan:
- (1) Please note that I or somebody on my behalf will move at next meeting of Co. Council that 335 perches of a road be put into repair at Ranamackin Loughrea. This road will link the Loughrea ynagh road No: 537 with the Loughrea Duniry Road No: 539. This road was formerly made by C.D. Board and I.L.C. owners of adjoining land consent to allow fences to be moved if necessary at any point without compensation. Road is necessary to accommodate five villages to give access to their farms and to at least 30 farmers to get in their turf supplies, as well as to enable the residents of these villages to attend fairs, markets, churches and schools.
 - (2) Please note that I will move a resolution at next meeting of Co. Council to have public lighting extended to village of Abbey where there are situated church, schools, four shops and 16 private houses. I will also move that wherever a church is situated even a few yards from public road that one light at least will be provided in districts where E.S.B. is available."
- (r) Clr. M. Carty: "At next meeting of the Co. Council I will ask that immediate action be taken to relieve serious and extensive flooding of good farmland at Kylecrow (Killimor) from Rushonny to Kylecrow Bridge and that the Co. Surveyor be requested to furnish a report on flooding in this area."
- (s) Clr. J. Flaherty: "That I or someone on my behalf will propose at the next meeting of the Co. Council that a remission of the last moiety of the rates be granted to flood victims who lost their tillage crops in the recent floods, any rates already paid to be refunded."
- (t) Clr. M. Mannion:
- (1) At the next Council meeting I will propose to have changed Townland of Annaghmore West, Mountbellew, E.D. Polling District F.45. which votes in Haverty's house, Springlawn, Mountbellew, to vote in Moylough N.S. for future local and dail elections.
 - (2) (a) I will ask the Co. Engineer to put in proper repair pump at Brierfield.
(b) To repair pump at Cloonoran or Gatestown.
 - (3) I will ask the Co. Engineer to have roadside drain and covered shore which is causing flooding to Usser's and Gorgaghty's houses at Killascobe Menlough cleaned.
 - (4) I will ask the Co. Engineer to declare road leading from Menlough, Mountbellew to Moylough-Mountbellew Main road and through Mountbellew demesne a Co. Road and that it will be included in this year's road estimates.
 - (5) I will ask the Co. Engineer to include on estimates road from Kilkerrin go Scragg and leading along by Cemetery. (He has already promised this in answer to a previous notice of motion by me)."
- (u) Clr. M.F. Kitt: I will propose:
- (1) That Mr. Joseph Greaney, Fohonagh, Ahascragh, Ballinasloe be appointed on the Mountbellew Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee to the place vacated by Thomas Devine.
 - (2) (a) That a gullet be constructed across the road opposite Corgary pump to relieve flooding from John Lally's and Martin McDonnell's dwelling houses.
(b) That a bullet be constructed at entrance to Corgary N.S. to remedy the present dangerous situation.
 - (3) That provision be made to complete the footpaths at Ahascragh, Caltra and Castleblakoney."
- (v) Deputy M. Killilea: "I or somebody on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the road recently repaired by the Co. Council from Cave to Ballinteva be maintained."
- (w) Clr. M. Nicholson: "Please note that I will propose at next meeting of Galway Co. Council that the blind corner at Horseleap Cross on the Galway-Moylough road be rectified for traffic safety."

11. (x) Deputy J. Geoghegan:
- (1) "Take Notice that I will propose at the next meeting of the Council that the road leading to the labourers' cottages at Emonfield, Oughterard, be taken over and maintained by the Council.
 - (2) That a street lamp be provided and erected at Ardvarna, Oughterard."
- (y) Clr. J. Flaherty: "That I or some-one on my behalf will propose at the next meeting of the County Council that a remission of the last moiety of the Rates be granted to flood victims who lost their tillage crops in the recent floods, any rates already paid to be refunded."
- (z) Clr. P. Sirr: "That I or some member on my behalf will move at next meeting of the Co. Council -
- (1) That a midwife be appointed to the Glinsk-Kilbagnet-Ballymoe area.
 - (2) That Nurse S. Raftery be appointed to this position.
 - (3) That the Government be requested to supplement immediately the Local Authorities (Works) Grant, in order that a greater amount of drainage be carried out by this (Galway) and the various other Co. Councils concerned."
12. Resolutions.
13. Other business.
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 27th NOVEM-
BER, 1954.

In the Chair : (i) Clr. M. Carty.
(ii) Clr. M. Quinn.

Also Present : Clrs. M. A. Ashe, O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. S. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Holihan, J. P. Joyce, T. King, Deputy Killilea, Clrs. M. F. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Clrs. M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. O'Donnell, M. Nicholson, J. J. Ruane, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9448.—Sympathy : It was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan that the Council express their deep sympathy with Mr. M. Moroney, County Accountant, on the death of his mother, and with Mr. K. Doyle, Staff Officer, on the death of his father, and that as a mark of respect, the meeting be adjourned until 1.45 p.m.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following :
Mr. and Mrs. McHale, Carraroe, and with Mr. M. Walsh, Salthill, Galway, on the death of his sister.
Mr. J. W. Moran, Beechill, Woodlawn, on the death of his wife.
The Meagher family, Tuam, on the death of their mother.
The Finnegan family, Clonberne, on the death of their mother.
Mr. Charles Whyte, Caherogan, Athenry, on the death of his wife.

The meeting was then adjourned until 1.45 p.m.

9449.—Minutes : On resumption of the meeting the minutes of previous meetings to 9447, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman (Clr. Carty).

9450.—Clonfert Bridge, Etc. : Mr. Frank Rourke, on behalf of a Deputation from the Clonfert area, stated that much hardship is caused to the people of the locality by the steep bridge over the canal at Clonfert, and requested that the Council would lower this bridge, so as to make it more suitable for traffic.

The Secretary stated that the County Engineer's estimate for improving the Clonfert Bridge is £800, and that his estimate for the improvement of the road from Staunton's Cross to Clonfert Cathedral is £17,334; that the Department of Local Government in letter R.7/633 of the 5th November, 1954, stated that a special grant cannot be made available for the Clonfert Bridge, and consequently funds are not available for either the bridge or the road. Mr. Rourke stated that his Deputation would be satisfied with the improvement of the bridge without the improvement of the road.

Clr. O'Dowd stated that the lowering of the bridge is the only way in which an improvement could be effected, and that canal bridges in other counties have been lowered in this manner already.

The County Engineer stated that the road on which this bridge is situated is not sufficiently important to warrant its inclusion in the Five-Year Plan.

Clr. O'Dowd stated that the Council should press for a grant for improvement of the three bridges mentioned in his Notice of Motion, viz., Clonfert, Kylemore and Lismany.

Eventually, on the suggestion of Clr. Carty, it was decided that Deputies Lahiffe, Beegan and Glynn be requested to approach the Minister for Local Government before the next meeting of the Council, with a view to stressing the need for the improvement of these three bridges, and pressing the Council's claim for a grant towards the cost of the work—particularly towards the cost of the improvement of Clonfert Bridge—the necessary information to be supplied to these Deputies by Clr. O'Dowd, The County Engineer and the County Secretary.

9451.—Sale of Land at Aughrim : The Notice dated 15th November, 1954, which was sent to each member in accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve the sale of a plot at Coolalla, Aughrim, area 4½ perches, to Mr. P. J. Dolphin, Aughrim, Ballinasloe, for £5 plus cost of conveyance; the purchaser to erect at his own expense and to the satisfaction of the County Engineer, a concrete wall 4 ft. high above the level to which he raises the site.

9452.—Eglinton Canal Bridges : The County Engineer's report of the 27th October, 1954, was submitted, stating that the total cost of providing three new bridges over the Eglinton Canal will be £14,000. The Secretary stated that in Department of Local Government letter SGZ/11 of the 6th March, 1954, a grant of 75% of the cost of the work, subject to a maximum of £11,700 had been allocated. Consequently the grant payable would be £10,500 and the amount of the loan to be raised by the Council, £3,500.

It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. Carty, and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £3,500 from the National Bank Ltd., Galway, to meet the balance of the cost of providing three new bridges over the Eglinton Canal at Dominick Street, New Road and Presentation Road, Galway; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of ten years with interest at the

rate chargeable from time to time by the Bank for such loan."

9453.—County Roads Improvement—5-Year Plan : The County Engineer's report of the 11th November, 1954, was submitted, recommending the inclusion of eleven additional roads in the five-year plan for improvement of county roads.

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Deputy Geoghegan stated that several roads in west Galway which were recently trucked are now full of potholes, e.g., the road from Ardmore to Carna.

Clr. Wall asked why the Ballyforan-Ballygar road has not been done. County Engineer stated that this road is on the original list for the five-year plan; that it will be done within the next two years; that he could not give an assurance that that it will be done within the next year.

Clr. Cawley objected to the stopping of work on the Craughwell-Killeeneen road.

On the proposition of Clr. Ruane, seconded by Clr. Carty, the County Engineer's list of additional roads as set out in his letter of the 11th November, 1954, was approved—Clr. Wall dissenting.

CLR. QUINN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9454.—Costelloe Water Supply : The County Manager explained that a piped water supply for Costelloe District was recommended by the late Dr. O'Beirne, County Medical Officer. A proposal for acquisition of water rights was not confirmed by the Minister for Local Government, and this necessitated the preparation of a new proposal; that new objections had arisen in the meantime and the possibility of using the lake at Carraroe as source was considered. The estimated cost of the scheme would still be very high, viz., £45,000 and Dr. MacCon, the present County Medical Officer, stated that he did not recommend a piped supply for this area, which could be served adequately by six or seven pumps at a much lower cost. The County Manager requested that the Council would defer consideration of the piped water supply scheme, and, as an experiment, approve the sinking of two wells and the erection of pumps thereon, at a cost of approximately £1,000; that if these pumps were not a success the piped water supply scheme could again be considered.

Clrs. O'Donnell and Higgins objected to any postponement of the provision of a piped water supply scheme.

Clrs. Collins and Holihan stated that they would not be in favour of provision of a water supply scheme at a cost of £45,000.

Deputy Geoghegan and Clrs. King and Ashe spoke in favour of provision of a piped water supply scheme.

The County Manager stated that in view of the County Medical Officer's recommendation that pumps would serve the area adequately, he would not be prepared to incur the expense involved by provision of a piped water supply in this area, unless compelled to do so in accordance with Section 29 of the County Management Act, 1940.

It was proposed by Clr. Nicholson, seconded by Clr. Collins, that two pumps be provided as recommended by the County Manager.

It was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, that consideration of the County Manager's recommendation be deferred until the January meeting, and that the County Medical Officer be present at that meeting. Eventually this proposal was approved by the Council, and consideration of this item was deferred until the meeting of the Council which will be held in January, 1955.

9455.—Trainee Engineers : Clr. Ashe was informed by the County Engineer that Trainee Engineers are appointed on the recommendation of the County Engineer.

9456.—Visiting Committee : Minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee were submitted, viz., St. Brendan's Home, 30/9/54 ; Central Hospital, 6/10/54 and Central Hospital, 21/10/54.

The Council approved the County Engineer's recommendation that wider footpaths be provided at the entrance to Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden, and that if possible, the wall on each side of the road be set back and that danger signs be erected.

The Secretary reported that funds are not available in the current year for improvement of the entrance road and the road to the mortuary at the County Home, but that the County Engineer is carrying out minor repairs to these roads as far as funds will permit.

The Secretary also reported that the Nursing Council require a special application and full information in regard to the re-admission for training of a probationer nurse who has been absent owing to illness for a period in excess of eighteen months ; that a report on the matter has been requested from the R.M.S.

Clr. Carty requested that favourable consideration be given to the re-admission of a probationer named Miss Corcoran,

who has been absent for a year owing to illness, and is now fit to resume training.

9457.—Congratulations : On the proposition of Clr. Carty, the Council congratulated the Connacht Rugby Football team on their recent victory over Ulster.

On the proposition of Clr. Cawley, the Council congratulated Mr. C. Kerins, Oranmore, on winning the Irish Coursing Cup at Cloonanna.

9458.—Pumps—Gort and Loughrea Areas :

- (1) Pump at Ballinagarry, Kilchreest : Deputy Lahiffe was informed that the County Medical Officer's report shows that there is already a pump at Ballynacurragh and another at Kilchreest, and that an additional pump has been approved for Raheen ; thus no part of the Ballinagarry area will be more than half a mile from a potable water supply.
- (2) Pump at Drim, Kylebrack : The County Engineer's report stated that guagings which are being carried out show that the wells on Mr. Duane's land would not provide adequate supply of water, and that the only solution is to sink a pump, but that the applicants have not agreed on the location of the pump.
- (3) Pump for Ballyturn, Gort : The Secretary reported that a form of petition for a pump at this place had been sent to Mr. P. Corrigan, Ballyturn, Gort, on 13th March, 1954, for completion by himself and other interested persons ; that this form has not been returned.
- (4) Pump at Ballyvullane, Drumacoo : The County Engineer reported that preliminary protection work on the well at Killeenaran, which would serve this area, has been completed.
- (5) Pump at Keamsella : Deputy Lahiffe was informed that this pump is on the list of forty pumps which are being provided out of loan, and that it is expected that work will commence within the next twelve months.
- (6) Pump at Killina, Kinvara : Deputy Lahiffe was informed that this pump is not on any priority list and that therefore it is not likely that it will be provided within the few years.
- (7) Pump at Nothampton, Kinvara : Deputy Lahiffe was informed that the County Medical Officer's report in this case indicated that there is already a pump at Caheravoneen, a quarter of a mile away ; that apparently the pump is being sought primarily for Northampton school.
- (8) Pump at Barratoor, Gort : Deputy Lahiffe was informed that this pump is not at present on the priority list of

pumps, but that it will be on No. 3 of the second priority list according to the County Medical Officer's recommendation.

- (9) Pump at Carrowkeel and Brierfield : In reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer reported that the pump at Carrowkeel has been completed, and that the Brierfield pump is in good working order.

9459.—Roads in Moycullen and Rosscahill Areas : In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion, the Chairman stated that these items should be adjourned until the roads estimate meeting in January, and it was accordingly decided that they be referred to the County Engineer for consideration when preparing his estimate for the coming year.

Clr. Joyce, however, stated that he was not seeking the carrying out of an expensive scheme of works on these roads, and that a few loads of gravel would suffice for the present.

The County Engineer stated that he would do whatever possible with the roads with the funds provided for maintenance.

9460.—Housing Grants : Clr. Flaherty stated that Item No. 8 (d) (1) had been disposed of already and he requested that No. 2 of his Notice of Motion be deferred.

9461.—Roads in Letterfrack Area : Clr. O'Toole stated that he was satisfied with the information supplied to him in regard to roads mentioned in his Notice of Motion, 8 (e) Nos. 1 and 2.

9462.—Roads in Dunmore Area : County Engineer's report was submitted in regard to Clr. Nestor's Notice of Motion regarding road from Corcoran's Mill to Addrigoole, and road from Lower Dalgin to Upper Dalgin, stating that these roads are not scheduled county roads.

Clr. Nestor stated that he knows two men who had the contract for maintenance of the road from Corcoran's Mill to Addrigoole, and that he will send in further particulars.

9463.—Sanitary Conveniences : In connection with Clr. Flaherty's Notice of Motion, County Engineer's report was submitted stating that there is neither support or enthusiasm from most of the people in Glenmaddy for provision of a site for sanitary convenience in that town ; that the estimated cost of providing a sanitary convenience in Dunmore is £700, and that the County Engineer is prepared to go ahead as soon as transfer of the site has been completed.

9464.—Ballygar Sewerage Scheme : Deputy Killilea requested that the provision of a sewerage scheme at Ballygar be expedited.

9465.—Currandulla Water Supply : The County Engineer's report of 21/1/54 was submitted, stating that the approximate cost of providing a piped water supply at Currandulla would be £5,000 if it were possible to provide it from the existing pump ; or £12,000 for a supply using the Kilroe river as source.

The County Manager stated that he would not be prepared to recommend provision of a piped water supply for this village at the cost stated.

Eventually, on the suggestion of Clr. King, it was decided that the Council communicate with the Commissioners of Public Works to ask if the pump at the Garda Barracks could be made available for public use, if the Council would undertake the maintenance of it, and that the possibility of improving the existing pump at Currandulla be investigated.

9466.—Gulleets in Moylough Area : The County Engineer stated in reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, that he would make provision in his road works estimate for the coming year for the gulleets at the Clooncallagh county road, and the filling of the flooded hollows on this road and on the Brierfield county road.

Deputy Killilea also requested that a gullet at Steeds, Lenapotia, be put in order.

9467.—Kilkerrin-Moylough Water Supply : Clr. Mannion was informed that approval has been given to the proposal to extend the Kilkerrin Water Supply to the monastery schools, but that no separate extension is being provided for Derreen ; that it is necessary to get the sanction of the Minister for Local Government to the monastery schools extension before preparing contract documents, and that this sanction has been requested.

9468.—Sanitary Convenience at Clonbur : The County Engineer's estimate for the provision of this convenience was £600 and it was directed that it be put on the estimate for next year for consideration.

9469.—Loans—Equities : In connection with Clr. Sirr's Notice of Motion, it was decided on the proposition of Clr. Sirr, seconded by Clr. Flaherty, that it be left to the County Solicitor's discretion in any individual case to decide as to whether he should dispense with the discharge of equities—this decision to apply to any loan not exceeding £500.

Clr. Flaherty was informed that a housing grant is payable

to the person to whom it has been allocated, and that if that person dies before receiving payment, the grant is payable to his Legal Personal Representative—hence the necessity for production of Grant of Probate or Letters of Administration.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9470.—Public Lighting : Carna, Rosmuck and Kilkerrin, etc. : In connection with Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion, it was directed that the application for provision of public lighting at Carna, Rosmuck and Kilkerrin villages be referred to the County Manager for consideration.

Clr. Carty stated that the lights at Craughwell are frequently on at all hours of the day and night.

9471.—Roads to Churches and Graveyards : Deputy Geoghegan requested that provision be made in next year's estimate for putting into proper repair all roads to churches and graveyards.

Clr. Carty stated that Mr. Geoghegan should specify the roads to which he referred, and Deputy Geoghegan undertook to supply a list of the roads in which he was interested.

9472.—Road at Ranamacken : Clr. Carty requested that consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 8 (m) be adjourned until next meeting.

9473.—Glenamaddy O.A.P. Sub-Committee : It was proposed by Clr. Flaherty, seconded by Clr. King and resolved : "That the Rev. Fr. Dooley, Kilkerrin, be appointed a member of the Glenamaddy O.A.P. Committee."

9474.—Road Workers : Clr. King proposed that County Council workers' annual holidays be so arranged that they will receive payment for Church Holidays.

The County Manager recommended that the following arrangement, viz., the the Council's workers be given :

- (1) Bank Holidays as at present.
- (2) that the workers be granted a holiday with pay on each Church Holiday, provided a worker has been employed for 300 hours or more in the two months immediately preceding the Church Holiday concerned.
- (3) that in addition to above, each worker be granted one week's holidays with pay in a year, provided he has worked 1,800 hours in the preceding twelve months.

Clr. King stated that the he was in agreement with the County Manager's suggestion, which was approved by the Council provisionally on the understanding that the County

Engineer will consult with the men concerned.

9475.—Supplementary Grant for Main and County Road Improvement : County Engineer's list of proposals for expenditure of the Supplementary Grant of £48,000 for Main and County Roads Improvement for year 1954/55 was submitted, and was approved on the proposal of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd.

9476.—Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 : County Engineer's report of the 26th November, 1954, and his list of proposals for schemes to be carried out under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, in the year 1954/55, was approved on the proposition of Clr. Cawley, seconded by Clr. Nicholson.

9477.—Cinema Licence : On the proposition of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Nicholson, the Council approved the issue of a cinema licence to Mr. George McFadden for his travelling cinema.

9478.—Galway O.A.P. Committee : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd, and resolved : "that the Council hereby approve the extension of the employment of Mr. David Egan as temporary clerk to the County Galway O.A.P. Committee from 1st December, 1954, to 31st May, 1955, inclusive, with remuneration at the rate already approved.

9479.—Miscellaneous : Consideration of Item Nos. 8 (p) to 8 (t) inclusive, and 8 (v) to 8 (x) inclusive, 9 and 10 was adjourned until next English meeting, the meeting on the 11th December, 1954, to be conducted through the medium of the Irish language.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

SUBMITTED, APPROVED AND CONFIRMED.

Muirín O'Cuinn
Chairman.

Date: 22nd January, 1955.

CO CHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Offic an Runai,
Na Foirgnithe Connadae,
GAILLIMH.

Guthan;
Gaillirh 55.

24adh Eanair, 1955.

To:
Each Member of the Council.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 29th January, 1955, at 12.30.p.m., to consider the items on the Agenda for the last meeting which the Council did not reach on Saturday last.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAICH.

Runai.

COMAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMH

OIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIR,

NA FOIRGNÍOIRTE CONNDÁE,

AN DÓCAR MÓR, GAILLIMH.

26th Eanáir, 1955

A CARA,

Cuirim cuṡac, leis seo, cóip de mion-tuairiscí úrinnigṡte
Comhairle Conndáe (Uimhir 9491-9522) a tionsóláṡ ar an
22nd Eanáir, 1955

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAÍṡ,

Rúnaíṡ.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas :-

ṡac Ball de Chomhairle Conndáe na Gaillimh.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., Gaillimh.
An Ulligeadóir Conndáe.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasá Soisialaíṡ.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 22nd JANUARY,
1955.

In the Chair : (1) Clr. M. Carty.
(2) Clr. M. Quinn.

Also Present : Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, J. Geoghegan, M. Glynn, J. Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, R. Lahiffe, J. Mannion, J. MacDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields and P. Sirr.

9491.—Adjournment : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and unanimously resolved : "That the Council express their deep sympathy with Clr. V. P. Shields on the death of his mother, and that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until 1.45 p.m."
The meeting was then adjourned.

ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING CLR. QUINN TOOK THE CHAIR, and Clr. Shields thanked the Chairman and members for their expression of sympathy.

9492.—Minutes : The Minutes of previous Meetings to Number 9490, having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

9493.—Church Holidays for Road Workers : Clr. King referred to Minutes No. 9474 and asked why the arrangement approved therein by the Council was not put into operation. The County Engineer stated that he had consulted the men concerned, and that the great majority of them did not desire any change in the holiday arrangement at present in operation.

Clr. Kitt stated that several men to whom he had spoken, informed him that they were not consulted about this matter at all.

After further discussion, it was decided on the proposition of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Sirr, that no change be made in the existing arrangements in regards to holidays for road workers.

9494.—Loan for Roundstone Courthouse : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. O'Dowd and resolved : "That pursuant to the letter of Sanction of the Local Government Minister dated the 14th day of August 1954, the sum of £1,400 be borrowed from The National Bank Limited Galway for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the purchase of and carrying out of alterations to the Roundstone Courthouse to be repaid within ten years with interest at the

usual rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such advances as in said Letter of Sanction provided, the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates AND that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the said Mortgage to The National Bank Limited."

9495.—Road at Ranamakin, Loughrea : Clr. Houlihan proposed in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 11 (g) that 335 perches of road at Ranamakin be put into repair by the Council, and requested that the Council would hear Rev. Fr. O'Reilly, P.P., in connection with the necessity for repair of this road.

Rev. Fr. O'Reilly then addressed the meeting, pointing out that the road was made originally to facilitate fifteen or sixteen families, but that it is now in general use, and that the original users could not be expected to meet the cost of keeping this road in repair.

It was decided that further consideration of the taking over of this road be deferred to the Estimates Committee Meeting which will be held on Saturday, 5th February, 1955.

9496.—Road from Cooleeny to Hollyhill : Clr. Shields proposed, in accordance with his Notice of Motion 11 (p) that the road leading from Cooleeny Three Roads to Hollyhill Cross Roads be declared a public road, and stated that at present the eighteen families who live along that road are trying to keep it in repair, but since the road is in general use, it is impossible for these families to maintain it.

Mr. Dolphin, on behalf of a Deputation, addressed the meeting in connection with this proposal and pointed out that the road links two important roads, and is approximately two miles in length.

The Chairman stated that this road was made by the County Council and in his opinion it should have been maintained by the Council.

It was decided that further consideration of this Notice of Motion be deferred to the Estimates Committee Meeting.

9497.—Road at Cloonkeen-Abbert Village : Clr. Nicholson proposed, in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 11 (j) that the Council repair and take over the maintenance of the Cloonkeen-Abbert Village road and had in attendance at the meeting the Contractor who stated that he had the contract for maintenance of this road at one time.

Clrs. Collins, Sirr and Flaherty recommended that this road be declared a public road and its maintenance taken over by the Council.

It was decided that further consideration of this Notice of Motion be deferred to the Estimates Committee Meeting.

9498.—Bridge at Russelltown, Milltown : Deputy Killilea stated that owing to the collapse of the bridge the road at Russelltown is closed down, and asked what steps can be taken by the County Engineer to speed up the repair of this bridge, so that the road may be re-opened to traffic.

Mr. Farragher on behalf of a deputation representing the people concerned, referred to the hardship involved by using the alternative road.

The County Engineer stated that this is an important bridge of 41 ft. span ; that it has been damaged extensively by the recent floods, but that steps will be taken to put it in good repair again with all possible speed ; that in the meantime the bridge is safe for pedestrians.

9499.—Road Grants : It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved : "That the Minister for Local Government be requested to divert portion of the grants from Main Roads to County Roads for at least a couple of years.

9500.—Road through Mountbellew Demesne : Clr. M. Mannion proposed, in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 11 (t) (4) that the road leading from Moylough-Mountbellew to Menlough-Mountbellew Main Road and through Mountbellew Demesne be declared a public road.

It was decided that further consideration of this Notice of Motion be deferred until the Estimates Committee Meeting.

9501.—Costelloe Water Supply : As directed in Minute No. 9454, the County Medical Officer attended the meeting and referred to the high cost of providing a piped water supply for the Costelloe District. The County Medical Officer stated that he had to take into account the water needs of the entire county, and that he was satisfied that pumps would provide a proper potable water supply for the Costelloe District ; that he had visited the area with Mr. Cullinane, Chief Assistant County Engineer, and had selected six sites for pumps, and recommended that in the first instance pumps should be provided on two of these sites ; that the water supply which would be made available from these pumps would be better than water supply from a doubtful lake.

Deputy Geoghegan asked why the Council should go back on its decision to provide a piped water supply.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. King stated that he considered that the Council should provide a piped water supply in this fíor-gaeltacht area if a suitable source can be found.

It was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell and seconded by Deputy

Geoghegan that the Council proceed with the provision of a piped water supply for the Costelloe District, using the Costelloe River as a source.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Clr. Houlihan, and seconded by Clr. Sirr, that two pumps be provided in the Costelloe District as recommended by the County Medical Officer, as a trial, and that in the meantime consideration of provision of a piped water supply be deferred.

A vote taken on the amendment proposed by Clr. Houlihan resulted as follows:

FOR: Cirs. O'Dowd, Carty, Collins, M. Mannion, Flaherty, Glynn, Houlihan, Joyce, Mylotte, Nicholson, Ruane, Shields, and Sirr. (13).

AGAINST: Cirs. Ashe, Geoghegan, King, Kitt, O'Toole, Lahiffe, McDonagh and O'Donnell (8).

Deputy Killilea did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. Houlihan's amendment carried, and accordingly the decision of the Council was that two pumps be sunk as a trial as recommended by the County Medical Officer.

9502.—Overdraft—Capital Account: It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Deputy R. Lahiffe and resolved: "That the Council approve the continuation for the quarter ending 31st March, 1955, of the Capital Account overdrafts sanctioned by the Minister for Local Government for the period to 31st December, 1954 as set out hereunder:

£21,900 for Waterworks and Sewerage Schemes sanctioned in letter L.7/3 of 6th October, 1954.

£4,500 for Loughrea Fair Green and Market and Fair Rights, sanctioned in letter L.7/3 of the 27th September, 1954.

9503.—Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads: It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Lahiffe and resolved: "That the Galway County Council is satisfied that the Housing Scheme Roads mentioned in Minute No. 9336 are roads of general public utility and hereby confirm the resolution adopted in Minute No. 9336, declaring these roads to be public roads, viz:

- (1) Road at Athenry Housing Scheme—351 lin. yds. (63.81 lin. pers) to be linked with County Road No. 376.
- (2) Road at Headford Housing Scheme—170 lin. yds. (30.9 lin. pers) to be linked with County Road No. 125.
- (3) Road at Ballybrit Housing Scheme—175 lin. yds. (31.81 lin. pers) to be linked with County Road to No. 142.
- (4) Road at Garrabeg Housing Scheme, Gort—64 pers., to be included in County Road No. 373.
- (5) Road at Ballyhugh Housing Scheme, Gort—22 pers., to be included in County Road No. 373.
- (6) Road at Liam Mellowe's Terrace Housing Scheme, Loughrea—35 pers., to be included in County Road No. 406."

9504.—Gort Public Lighting: On the proposition of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ruane, the Council approved the County Manager's recommendation that the quotation of the E.S.B. for provision of improved public lighting for Gort town for an installation charge of £70 12s. 6d. plus an annual charge of £293 10s. 0d. be accepted.

9505.—Headford Public Lighting: Clr. King requested that an extension of the Headford Public Lighting be made to the cottages—that three or four lamps would be sufficient—and that a report on the matter be made available for the next meeting of the Council.

9506.—Athenry Public Lighting: Clr. Ruane requested that provision of the additional lights at Athenry be expedited.

9507.—County Home Scheme: Letter H.11/51/1 of the 23/11/54 from the Secretary, Department of Health, was submitted, suggesting that the Council might consider the utilisation of the Bishop's Palace at Tuam and Dunsandle House, Loughrea for the development of their County Home Scheme.

The County Manager explained that he had been informed by the Department of Health that since other arrangements had already been made, it would not be feasible to use either of these properties for accommodation for mental defectives.

Clr. Carty stated, and the Council agreed, that since there is ample accommodation in the County Home at Loughrea, there is no need for such additional accommodation.

9508.—Temporary Allowance and Temporary Bonus: The County Manager stated that originally the Council had approved payment of the revised temporary allowance and temporary bonus with effect from 1st November, 1952, but since sanction to payment of this bonus was given with effect from the 1st April, 1953, only, it was paid from the latter date. In the meantime, the Government had granted the arrears of this bonus to Civil Servants for the period from 1st November, 1952, to 31st March, 1953, inclusive, and the County Manager now requested that the Council would approve payment of the arrears of the temporary allowance and temporary bonus to officers in the employment of the Council for the same period, viz., 1st November, 1952 to 31st March, 1953, inclusive.

The Secretary submitted the County Accountant's report stating that the total cost involved would be £7,100, of which £2,375 would be recouped from Health Grant, leaving £4,725 to be borne by the rates.

On the proposition of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt, the Council approved the provision of the necessary funds and the proposal to pay the arrears of temporary allowance and temporary bonus for the period from 1st November, 1952 to 31st March, 1953, inclusive, at a total cost of £7,100.

9509.—Excess Expenditure: On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Carty, the Council approved the provision of the following additional funds required to meet excesses over the amounts provided in the Estimates for the current year:—

Home Assistance : £1206.
Blind Welfare : £46.

9510.—Cinema Licence: On the proposition of Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd, the Council approved provision of a Cinema Licence to Mr. Francis Hudson for his travelling cinema.

9511.—Irish Tourist Association: Letter of December, 1954, from the Irish Tourist Association in connection with contribution for the coming year was submitted and on the proposition of Clr. Ruane, seconded by Clr. Carty, the Council approved the provision in the Estimates of £1,500 for Tourist Development being the same amount as is provided in the current year.

9512.—County Councils General Council: Minutes of meeting of the County Councils' General Council on 5th August, 1954, having been circulated to the members, were noted.

9513.—Well at Breanloughaun: In accordance with Clr. Newell's Notice of Motion, No. 11 (b) (1), the Council approved the proposal that the well on the lands of Mrs. Patrick Boyle, Breanloughaun, near the new school at Briarhill be cleaned up, protected and provided with a pump-head at a cost of £68.

9514.—Road Junction at Canon Mitchell's House, Castlegar: In accordance with Clr. Newell's Notice of Motion 11 (b) (2), The County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that the estimated cost of this work is £550, which, if money were made available, could be carried out as road improvement work.

It was decided that consideration of this matter be deferred until the Roads Estimates Committee Meeting.

9515.—Housing Schemes—Loughrea and Potrumna: In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion, the County Secretary stated that a site has not yet been obtained for the Loughrea Housing Scheme, and that in regard to Potrumna Housing Scheme a revised plan prepared by the Council's Architect and approved by the Department's Inspector, has been submitted to the Minister for Local Government for approval.

9516.—Killimor Water Supply: It was proposed by Clr. J. Houlihan, seconded by Clr. Michael Carty and resolved: "That this Council as Sanitary Authority for the County Health District of Galway being desirous to take a supply of water from Kilcrow River at Magheramore, Killimor, situate in said County Health District for the purpose of providing a supply of water for the inhabitants of the town of Killimor and the townlands of Garryad and Garryduff, Killimor and Boleybog, Garrynasillagh, Rusheeney, and Magheramore, under the Public Health Acts, 1878 to 1953 under a Scheme to be called and known as "The Killimor Water Supply Scheme" hereby make this proposal under and by virtue of Section 2 of the Water Supplies Act, 1942, for so taking such supply of water from the said Kilcrow River sufficient for the requirements of the said inhabitants of said town of Killimor and of the aforesaid Townlands. The said supply is to be taken from the said Kilcrow River at a point marked "A" on the map prepared for the purpose of the said Scheme by Patrick J. Sheahan, Esq., which point is not more than one hundred yards upstream of the Bridge at Maheramore.

Only part of the water in the said river is to be taken. The maximum rate of water to be taken shall not exceed 10,000 gallons per day and the estimated minimum quantity of water flowing past the said point "A" as shown on said map during the summer months during a period not exceeding one day varied from 564,000 gallons to 1,462,000 gallons.

The only ancillary operation to be carried out for the purpose of the said scheme is the construction and erection of an Intake Chamber at the aforesaid point of intake."

9517.—Housing Reconstruction Grants: In reply to Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion No. 11 (e), the Secretary reported that 184 applications for Housing Reconstruction Grants under Section A of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1950, had been received; that 89 applicants were visited by the Engineer, 80 approval certificates issued and 30 grants paid by the Department of Local Government; that a further 78 applications were referred to the County Engineer, and that the balance of 17 applications are being checked.

9518.—Entitlement to Hospital Treatment: On the suggestion of Clr. King, consideration of Clr. O'Toole's Notice

of Motion No. 11 (f) was adjourned until next meeting.

9519.—Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949: On the proposition of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt, the Council approved the proposal that four Schemes for repair of bridges damaged by floods, as set out in the County Engineer's report of the 17/1/55 be carried out under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, viz:

- Bridge on Road No. 209, Castlemoyle : £150.
- Bridge on Road No. 268, Kilsallagh : £100.
- Bridge on Road No. 229, Strawberry Hill : £300.
- Bridge on Road No. 259, Cloonconore : £600.

9520.—Oughterard Cottages: The Council approved the recommendation of Deputy Geoghegan that the newly erected cottages at Oughterard be known as Seamus O'Maille Terrace.

9521.—Sympathy: Votes of Sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:

The widow and relatives of the late Mr. Christy Kerin, Oranmore.

Mr. John Feehan, Leenane, on the death of his wife, Mrs. John Rabbitte, Killeeneen, Craughwell, on the death of her husband.

The relatives of the late Mr. John McKeigue, Merchant's Road, Galway.

9522.—Adjournment: It was decided that consideration of the remaining items on the Agenda would be adjourned to a meeting to be held on Saturday, 29th January, 1955, at 12.30 p.m. viz:

- Nos. 11 (g) to 11 (i) inclusive.
- Nos. 11 (k) to 11 (o) inclusive.
- Nos. 11 (q) (2) to 11 (t), excluding (t) (4).
- Nos. 11 (u) to 11 (z) inclusive.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

M. Carb *Chairman*

Date: 5-3-'55

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE ESTIMATES COMMITTEE OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 5th FEBRUARY, 1955.

Oírfis an Rúnaíoe,

Na Poinníste Comhóae,

An Dócar Mór, Sallim.

The following members were also present: Clr. M. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. S. MacDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Serr, M. Wall.

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ROADS: The County Manager pointed out that the Estimate submitted was based on the existing rates of wages for road workers and the Committee should first decide whether an increase in road workers wages will or will not be given; that if an increase is allowed while the estimated figures as submitted are retained, it will be necessary to reduce the amount of work done; that so far an application for an increase had not been received from any Trades Union, but that an application for an increase had been received from a small number of men.
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CLR. M. QUINN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. Nestor suggested that the amount £30,415 provided for Councillors' Notices of Motion should be deleted, having regard to the high rate.

This suggestion was supported by Senator Mannion, Clr. Sarr and Clr. Flaherty, and was opposed by Clrs. Kitt and O'Dowd.

It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Nestor and resolved: "That the amount of £23,000 provided in the County Engineer's Estimate for improvement of main roads be deleted, it being noted that this would involve a reduction of £9,200 in the grant.

It was proposed by Clr. Higgins and seconded by Clr. Sarr: "that the amount of £30,415 provided in the County Engineer's Estimate for county roads for Councillors' Notices of Motion be deleted."

A direct negative to this proposal was proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. O'Dowd.

It was proposed by Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. Nicholson, "That the amount £30,415 be left in the estimate for Councillors' Notices of Motion, but that this sum be allocated equally for proposals submitted by each of the thirty-one Councillors.

Clr. King suggested that the amount £30,415 be reduced to £15,000 and that this figure be left in the Estimate with a view to utilising it for contributions to Rural Improvement Schemes. The County Manager stated that there would not be any legal authority for doing this.

A vote taken on the proposal that the amount £30,415 for Councillors' Notices of Motion be deleted resulted as follows:

For Deletion of this Amount: Clrs. Ashe, Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Furey, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Killilea, O'Toole, Lahiffe, J. Mannion, MacDonagh, Mylotte, Nestor, O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane, Sarr and Wall. (20).

Against: Clrs. O'Dowd, M. Mannion, Galvin, Houlihan, Kitt, Nicholson and Shields. (7).

Clr. King did not vote, and Clrs. Carty, Joyce and Newell were absent.

The Chairman declared the proposal for deletion of the amount £30,415 for Councillors' Notices of Motion carried.

On the suggestion of the County Manager a reduction of £700 was made under the heading of "Salaries," representing the amount provided for the salary of one temporary Engineer. The provision for Salaries—County-at-Large, was therefore reduced to £5,000.

The Chairman suggested that the amount £12,000 provided for county roads improvement in the County Engineer's Estimate should be struck out. After further discussion, the Committee agreed to the County Manager's suggestion that any works included in the list for county roads improvement (£12,000) and costing over £1,000 should be deleted. This was agreed and consequently the estimate for county roads improvement was reduced from £12,00 by £6,200, making

the revised figure £5,800.

CLR. M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

HEALTH: On the suggestion of the County Manager, the Committee agreed to reduce the Estimate for "Salaries—General Medical Services" by £1,000 making the revised figure £44,000. It was noted that this will involve a reduction of £500 in the grant.

Clr. Ashe expressed dissatisfaction at the fact that it is now necessary to make in the coming year provision for charging £21,000 to Revenue Account in respect of the cost of medical and surgical appliances used at the Central Hospital from reserve stocks during the past couple of years.

Clr. Carty stated that while the average cost for the Central Hospital compared favourably with other institutions, there is a widespread belief that considerable economies could be effected in that institution by increased vigilance on the part of the officers in charge there.

As four hours had elapsed by this time, further consideration of the Estimate was adjourned to a meeting to be held on Saturday, 12th February, 1955, at 11.30 a.m.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Michael Carty Chairman

Date: 5-3-1955

COMHAIRLE CONDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

Guthan,
Gaillimh 55.

28adh Eanáir, 1955.

Estimate for Y.E. 31. 3. 1956.

A Chara,

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L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

COMAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE

OIFIS AN RÚNARÓI,

NA FOIRNIGHTE CONNDÁE,

AN BÓCAR MÓR, GAILLIMH.

24th Feabhra, 1955

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Comhairle Conndáe (Uimhir 9523-9559) a Eionólaó ar an

29th Eanáir, 1955

Mise, Le meas,

L. Ó LUANÁIS,

Rúnaróí.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

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- An Contae Innealltóir.
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- An Ollseáadóir Conndáe.
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9523.—Roads in Currandulla Area: Consideration of Clr. Furey's Notice of Motion, No. 11 (c) was deferred until the Estimates Committee Meeting which will be held on the 5th February, 1955.

9524.—Hospital Treatment: In reply to Clr. O'Toole's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that there is no limit of salary or earnings laid down so as to entitle a person to free hospital treatment, as it is essential that each case should be considered on its merits for this purpose. Clr. King considered that it would be advisable that limits should be set out in the advertisement inviting applications for entry of names in the General Medical Services Register.

It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. King and resolved: "That the Council recommend to the County Manager that in the case of an applicant with land of £10 P.L.V. or under and no other means, there should be no question of his eligibility for entry of his name and those of his dependents in the General Medical Services Register."

9525.—Laurecetown Public Lighting: In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion, No. 11 (g), the Secretary stated that according to the County Engineer's report there are thirty-four houses in Laurecetown village, with a population of approximately 170, and that at least four lights would be required to light the village, but that the Electricity Supply Board are not yet in a position to furnish a map showing the pole positions—that the matter is being pursued and will in due course be submitted to the County Manager for consideration.

9526.—Oughterard Dumping Ground, Etc.: In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion, County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that three men commence the cleaning of Oughterard streets at 1.30 p.m. on the day of each fair, and that they continue working until the cleaning is completed.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 29th JANUARY, 1955.

The Secretary stated that efforts to obtain a site for a dumping ground had so far been unsuccessful, but that a report had now been received from the County Engineer giving particulars of a suitable site, but stating that the Engineer had not yet had an opportunity of interviewing the owners in regard to their willingness to sell the site to the Council.

Clr. Joyce stated that he does not agree that the particulars given by the County Engineer in regard to street cleaning are correct, and he requested that in future the cleaning of the streets will be completed on the evening of the fair day. Clr. Joyce also stated that if a member of the County Engineer's staff will call on him, he will point out several sites in Oughterard which would be suitable for a dumping ground.

9527.—Rate Demand Notes: In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion the Secretary stated the English translations of Rate Demand Notes issued in West Galway are sought only very rarely; that an English version of the Demand Note is and will be supplied to anyone who requests it. Clr. Joyce agreed that this is sufficient.

9528.—County Roads—Five-Year Plan: It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Quinn and resolved: "That the County Road leading from Athenry to Newcastle Church to Tiaquin and on to Killaclogher be put on the five-year plan for steamrolling of county roads."

9529.—Housing Grants: Clr. Kitt stated that recently a new house plan (Land Commission No. 2 Plan) has been adopted by the Department of Local Government, and that persons seeking housing grants are now being required to erect their houses in accordance with this new plan, which involves an extra cost of £130 approximately, and which involves the placing of the kitchen in the rear of the house instead of in the middle.

Clr. Kitt stated that this plan, apart from the additional cost involved, is not suitable for the majority of rural houses in which the kitchen is the principal living room of the house, and that the plan previously in use was much more suitable.

It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and resolved: "That the Minister for Local Government be requested to withdraw the requirement that houses for which grants are sought be built in accordance with the new plan."

9530.—Kilkerrin Public Lighting: In reply to Clr. Mannion's and Clr. Flaherty's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that a letter had been received from the E.S.B. stating that construction work has just commenced in Kilkerrin Rural Area,

and that a map showing the proposed location of the poles in the village will be furnished when the design of the scheme has been completed; that the proposal to instal public lighting in Kilkerrin village will be submitted to the County Manager for consideration as soon as all information will be available.

9531.—Rural Electrification: It was proposed by Clr. Higgins, seconded by Clr. Flaherty and resolved: "That the Council ask the E.S.B. not to insist on applications from 60% of the residents before extending their supply to an area, and suggests that in certain areas if the rate of charge would be reduced, sufficient applications would be received to warrant the extension of the supply to those areas."

9532.—Monivea Public Lighting: Clr. Kitt requested that the provision of public lighting in Monivea be expedited.

9533.—Spiddal Public Lighting: Deputy Geoghegan requested that the extra lights previously authorised for Spiddal be provided as quickly as possible.

9534.—Well at Cloonaghgarve: In reply to Clr. Nestor's Notice of Motion the County Medical Officer's and the County Engineer's reports were submitted stating that the well on Mr. B. Flaherty's land serves approximately thirty families, and that it is desirable that it be improved, the estimated cost of the work being £95.

It was proposed by Clr. Nestor, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved: "That the Council approve the proposal that the well on Mr. B. Flaherty's land at Cloonaghgarve be cleaned and protected at a cost of £95, and that provision for this work be made in the Estimates for Year Ending 31/3/56."

Deputy Killilea stated that there are several cases of wells for which application for improvement was made a long time ago and which have not yet been done.

Clr. King asked why the improvement work had not been carried out to a well at Mossrevagh, Headford, and Mr. Cullinane, C.A.C.E. stated that he would write to Mr. King in regard to this well.

9535.—Public Lighting at Demesne, Tuam: In reply to Clr. Nicholson's Notice of Motion County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that eight additional lamps would be required to light the road at Demesne, Tuam, which would involve the erection of two new poles and the re-arrangement of others; that the extension of the lighting to this area would be desirable. It was directed that the County Manager be requested to give this proposal his favourable consideration.

9536.—Footpath at Demesne, Tuam: In reply to Clr.

Nicholson's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's estimate for this work, viz., £540, was submitted, and it was directed that the proposal be referred to the County Engineer for consideration at the Estimates Committee Meeting on the 5th February, 1955.

9537.—Cottages—Differential Rents : Senator Mannion stated that the income of some of the applicants for the cottages in the Oughterard Scheme is as low as £3 a week, and that a minimum rent of 10/- a week is much too high for tenants with such a low income.

It was proposed by Senator Mannion and seconded by Clr. Joyce that the Council recommend that the minimum rent for differential rent schemes for cottages in the area west of the Corrib be 6/- per week.

After further discussion, in which it was stated by members that one arrangement should be made for the entire county, Senator Manion withdrew his proposal, and it was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Galvin, and resolved : " That the Council recommend that where the income of the tenant for the purpose of the differential rent scheme is £5 a week or less, that minimum rent shall be 7/6d. a week, and that this arrangement shall apply to differential rent schemes in any part of the Galway County Health District."

9538.—Sanitary Services for Cottages : It was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Deputy Lahiffe that the resolution adopted in Minute No. 9440 of the 23rd October, 1954, deferring consideration of the provision of sanitary services for cottages in Loughrea, Gort and Headford, be rescinded.

It was proposed by Clr. Higgins and seconded by Clr. Ashe that the resolution adopted in Minute No. 9440 of the 23rd October, 1954, be not rescinded.

A vote taken resulted as follows :

For Rescinding Resolution in Minute No. 9440 : Clrs. O'Dowd, Carty, Cawley, M. Mannion, Flaherty, Furey, Galvin, Houlihan, Joyce, King, Kitt, Lahiffe, Moylotte, Nicholson, Quinn, Ruane and Shields. (17).

Against : Clrs. Collins, Killilea, O'Toole, J. Mannion, Nestor and Sirr. (6).

The following Councillors did not vote :

Clrs. Ashe, Geoghegan, Higgins, O'Donnell and Wall.

The Chairman declared Clr. Carty's proposal carried, viz., that the resolution adopted in Minute No. 9440 of the 23rd October, 1954, be rescinded.

9539.—Loan for Sanitary Services for Cottages : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Deputy Lahiffe and re-

solved : " That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £15,530 for provision of water and sewerage services for cottages in Loughrea, Gort and Headford ; the loan to be obtained from the Commissioners of Public Works and to be repayable by instalment over a period of twenty-five years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council.

9540.—Abbey Public Lighting : It was proposed by Clr. Houlihan, seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved : " That the Council recommend the provision of public lighting at Abbey having regard to the terms of the County Engineer's report of the 22nd January, 1955."

9541.—Public Lighting Outside Churches : Clr. Houlihan recommended that in places where the electricity supply is available and where a church is situated some distance in from the public road a light should be provided at the point where the entrance to the church joins the public road.

9542.—Kylecrow Drainage : In connection with Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion No. 11 (r) County Engineer's report of the 20/1/55 was submitted, in which it was stated that to effect any further improvement in the Kylecrow area, it would be necessary to carry out a major scheme ; that so far as maintenance is concerned everything possible has been done.

Clr. Carty stated that Mr. Duffy in Killimor informed him that his lands and crops were flooded for up to four months—that this it at variance with the information given in County Engineer's report.

Clr. Houlihan stated that he understood from the County Engineer that the work was retarded due to the fact that access could not be obtained to the land at one side of the river.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9543.—Rates : Clr. Flaherty proposed that a remission of the second moiety of rates for the current year be granted to flood victims who lost their tillage crops in the recent floods, or second moiety rates already paid by such persons to be refunded. The Secretary explained that while the County Manager appreciated the hardship caused to such persons by flooding, he would not have any legal authority to accede to Clr. Flaherty's request ; that rates cannot be remitted in an case in which there is an ability to pay, but that if there is any case of exceptional hardship caused by flooding as a result of which the person concerned is actually unable to pay his rates, the County Manager will consider such a case sympathetically. Deputy Killilea stated that what is really needed is the

carrying out of work which will prevent flooding permanently.

9544.—Polling Scheme : In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's proposal for amendment of the Polling Scheme, the Secretary explained that it usually takes a very long period to give effect to an amendment of the Polling Scheme and suggested that any further alteration of the scheme be carried out in some year in which a local election will not be held.

In view of this the Council decided that consideration of the amendment of the scheme be deferred until some time subsequent to the next local elections.

9545.—Pump at Brierfield and Cloonoran : Clr. M. Mannion stated that he was satisfied that these matters had received attention.

9546.—Drain at Killascope : In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that the estimated cost of improving this drain was £160.

It was decided that the work be included in the current year's list of L.A.W. Schemes if possible, and that if it cannot be carried out in the current year that it be included in next year's list of schemes.

9547.—Road through Mountbellew Demesne and Road from Kilkerrin to Soregg : In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion 11 (t) (4) and (5), it was directed that these proposals be deferred to the Estimates Committee Meeting on the 5th February, 1955, for consideration.

9548.—Mountbellew Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee : It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved : " That Joseph Greaney, Fohenagh, Ahascragh, be appointed to Mountbellew O.A.P. Sub-Committee to fill the place vacated by Thomas Devine."

9549.—Gullets at Corgary : It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Collins, and resolved : " That the Council approve the carrying out of the following works in accordance with the County Engineer's Estimate, viz.,

Construction of gullet opposite Corgary Pump £110.
Construction of gullet at entrance to Corgary School £50.
and approved the provision of the necessary funds for this purpose in the current year."

9550.—Road from Cave to Ballinteva : Consideration of Deputy Killilea's Notice of Motion No. 11 (v) was deferred until the Estimates Committee meeting.

9551.—Corner at Horseleap Cross : In connection with Clr. Nicholson's Notice of Motion, County Engineer's report of the 20/1/55 was submitted, stating that the estimated cost of this improvement work was £2,000.

Clr. Nicholson stated that all he was requesting was a small improvement which it should be possible to carry out at a very low cost.

It was eventually decided that Mr. Martin, C.A.C.E. will meet Mr. Nicholson at the corner in question to go into the matter further.

9552.—Road at Lemonfield Cottages, Oughterard : Consideration of Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion 11 (x) (1) was deferred until the Estimates Committee Meeting.

9553.—Oughterard Public Lighting : It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Joyce and resolved : " That the Council recommend provision of a street lamp at Ardvarna, Oughterard."

9554.—Midwife for Glynsk-Kilbegnet-Ballymoe Area : In connection with Clr. Sirr's Notice of Motion, the Secretary explained that this matter had been raised by the Council on previous occasions and that the County Manager and the Minister for Health were not prepared to make any alteration in the existing arrangements which, it was found, had not caused any hardship.

The Secretary submitted to the County Council the County Medical Officer's report of the 5th July, 1954.

Clr. Wall stated that at present Glynsk is nine miles from the nearest midwife, and that he considered that this is too great a distance.

It was decided that the County Manager be again requested to reconsider the appointment of a midwife in the Glynsk area.

9555.—Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949 : It was proposed by Clr. Sirr, seconded by Clr. Wall and resolved : " That the Government be requested to supplement immediately the Local Authorities (Works) Act grant in order that a greater amount of drainage work may be carried out by this County."

9556.—County Librarian : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved : " That the Council approve the attendance of the County Librarian at the Annual Meeting of the Library Association of Ireland in Dublin on 25th February, 1955."

9557.—Excess Expenditure : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved : " That the

Council approve the provision of £1,600 in the current year, being additional funds to meet the cost of revision of remuneration of Registrars of Births, Deaths and Marriages."

9558.—Inishark Landing Place Improvement : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved : "That the proposed works at Inishark Island as set out in Plan No. 541/1 and in addition, the provision of a guiding light and winch, having been completed to the satisfaction of the Office of Public Works, we the Galway County Council hereby undertake to maintain the said works in future."

9559.—Train Services : It was proposed by Clr. Ruane, seconded by Clr. Mannion and resolved : "That the Council request Coras Iompair Eireann to arrange that in future the train from Dublin to Galway, which leaves Dublin at 6.50 p.m. will stop at Athenry."

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Michael Carty Chairman.

Date: 5-3-55

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

Guthan:
GAILLIMH 55.

7adh Feabhra, 1955.

Chúig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe - Meastachan.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the adjourned meeting of the Estimates Committee of the entire Council which will be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 12th February, 1955, commencing at 11.30 a.m. to consider the County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1956.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan;
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

17adh Feabhra, 1955.

Chuir gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe - Cruinniu Meastachan.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the Estimates Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 26th February, 1955, at 12.30 p.m., when the County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1956, will be considered.

The Council will be required to adopt, with or without amendment, the Estimate of Rates for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges and to make the statutory demands on the Borough Council of Galway and on the Urban District Council of Ballinasloe.

A copy of the Estimate of expenses is enclosed.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan;
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

17adh Feabhra, 1955.

Chuir gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, Dia Sathairn, 26adh Feabhra, 1955, nuair a bheas deire leis an gCruinniu Meastachan.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

GNO

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Overdraft arrangements for quarter ending 30th June, 1955:-
 - (a) Revenue Account.
 - (b) Capital Account.
3. Rate Collector for No: 16 District. (Mr. M. Geraghty) retiring on Age Limit at 6th June, 1955.
4. Deputy Rate Collector for No: 1 District (Mr. P. Larkin ill and Mrs. Mary C. Darcy nominated as Deputy).
5. Road Improvement Grants - Letter 2/2/55 from Department of Local Government.
6. Tuam Swimming Pool:-

Total estimated cost:	£20,000.
Local Contribution:	£1,000.

and Minister for Local Government will consider an application for a contribution towards loan charges not exceeding 50% thereof.
7. Supplementary Housing Grants - termination of existing schemes at 31st March, 1955.
8. Auditor's Report on Accounts of the Galway County Council for the two years ended on 31st March, 1952.
9. Headford Public Lighting (Minute No: 9505 of 22/1/1955).
10. Killimor Water Supply Scheme - making of a proposal under The Water Supplies Act, 1962.
11. Visiting Committee Minutes.

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12. Councillors' Notices of Motion:

- (a) Clr. P.T. Galvin: "That the county road leading from Ahascragh Bridge via Killure Church to the main Ballinasloe-Kilconnell road at Deerpark be included in the five year plan for steamrolling".
- (b) Clr. J.J. Ruane:
- (1) That the road at Bridge Street, Athenry, from Court Lane Corner be widened, and ran straight to Madden's Corner, to be run in line with present premises of Miss McDonogh, at site recently purchased for new P.O.
 - (2) That Bridge be reconstructed and widened.
 - (3) That Court Lane be widened from Corner at Bridge Street to the corner at Northgate Street at Keating's Garden.
13. Completion of Mortgage Deeds for Water Supplies and Sewerage Schemes.
14. Resolutions.
15. Other business.

DIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIS,

NA FOIRNÍOIS CONDAE,

AN BÓCAR MÓR, GAILLIMH.

15ú FEABRA, 1955

A CARA,

CURIM CUSAC, LEIS SEO, CÓIP DE MION-TUAIRSÍ CRUINNÍGE

MEASTACÁN A TIONÓLAÓ AR 12ú FEABRA, 1955

Mise, Le meas,

L. Ó LUANAÍG,

Rúnaité.

Cun na ndaoime seo leanas:—

Šac Ball de Chomairle Condae na Gaillimhe.
 An Contae Imhealltóir.
 An Cisteoir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., Gaillimh.
 An Uilíseadóir Condae.
 An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Soisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF ESTI-
 MATES COMMITTEE OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL
 HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON
 SATURDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, 1955.

In the Chair : Clr. M. Quinn.

The following Members were also present : Clrs. M. Ashe, J. O Dowd, M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. S. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. S. MacDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, and P. Sirr.

Health : The County Manager gave particulars of the proposed revision of medical staff at Galway Central Hospital, which will involve the making of full-time appointments in lieu of some existing part-time appointments, and also the making of some additional appointments. The County Manager stated that the estimated amount which will be required to meet this additional expenditure in the coming year is £10,000, of which £4,000 had already been provided in the estimate.

On the proposition of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Higgins, the Committee agreed to provide in the estimate for Health Account under the heading "Central Hospital—Salaries", an additional £6,000, 50% of which will be recouped from Health Grant.

The County Manager also gave particulars of the proposals for improvement of dental services and the Committee approved provision of an additional £5,000 for this purpose under the heading "Dental Salaries", 50% of which will be recouped from Health Grant.

It was decided to make the following reductions in the estimated expenditure in Health Account :

Tuberculosis—Domiciliary Welfare Services :	£300
B.C.G. Service :	£500
Specialist Services—Salaries :	£450
Specialist Services—X-Ray :	£150
Rehabilitation :	£5,000

It was noted that the above reductions will involve a reduction in the Health Grant equivalent to 50% of the above reductions in expenditure.

Clr. Carty requested that the following particulars be available at the Estimates Meeting in respect of Disablement Allowances, viz:—

- (a) Number of applications received.

- (b) Number of applications granted.
- (c) Number of applications refused.
- (d) Number of applications not yet dealt with.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 2.45 p.m.

Public Assistance: On resumption of the meeting it was decided to reduce the estimate for Home Assistance by £1,200.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, and seconded by Clr. Higin's that the amount provided for salaries of Assistance Officers be reduced by £600, which reduction would still leave an increase of £1,000 on the amount provided under this heading for the current year.

The County Manager pointed out that originally the salaries of Assistance Officers were very low, and that their duties have increased very considerably during recent years; that he considers these officers are entitled to the revision proposed.

Clr. Carty recommended that the estimate of £9,600 for salaries of Home Assistance Officers be allowed to stand until the Estimates Meeting.

A vote taken on the question of whether the amount £9,600 be allowed to stand resulted as follows:

FOR: Clrs. Carty, M. Mannion, Galvin, Geoghegan, Houlihan, Kitt, J. Mannion, MacDonagh, Mylotte, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Sirr (13).

AGAINST: Clrs. Collins, Flaherty, Glynn, Higgins, Killilea, King, Nestor and Ruane (8).

It was therefore decided that the amount £9,600 for salaries of Home Assistance Officers be not amended.

Deputy Killilea pointed out that he was not opposing an increase in the salaries of Home Assistance Officers, but that his proposal was to the effect that the increase of £1,600 in this heading should be reduced by £600.

Sanitary: It was decided to reduce by £3,740 the amount provided for burial grounds.

It was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Galvin that provision for water supplies be reduced by £720.

After further discussion, Clr. King withdrew his proposal and it was decided to leave this amount unchanged.

Deputy Geoghegan stated that the salaries of some burial ground caretakers are very much in arrear, and that some

increase in remuneration should be given to all burial ground caretakers.

Housing: It was decided to make the following amendments in the estimate for housing services:

Maintenance and repair of cottages to be reduced by £1,000.

Receipts for Labourers' Acts—State Contribution to be increased by £500.

Receipts—Small Dwellings—Acts—repayments to be increased by £500.

General Purposes: It was decided to make the following reductions in the estimated expenditure for general purposes:

School Meals £500

Cost of Rate Collection £1,000

Coroners and Inquests £300

County Buildings £200

County Buildings: The County Manager pointed out that the salaries of Clr. Cawley stated that some expenses in connection with Weights and Measures for conveyance of the inspectors are being paid by the traders, and it should be ensured that the same expenses are not being paid by the Council.

The amendments made by the Committee in the estimates at meetings on the 5th and 12th February, 1955 were as follows:

Expenditure Receipts

Account	£60,315	£9,200
Roads	£3,600	£1,800
Health	£1,200	
Public Assistance	£1,000	
Sanitary	£3,740	
Housing	£1,000	£1,000
General Purposes	£2,000	
	£64,655	£6,400

It was therefore decided that the amount £9,200 for salaries of Home Assistance Officers be not amended.

The proposed reduction in the estimate for the Department of Public Works was therefore £3,740.

Sympathy: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with Messrs. John and James Killen, Loughrea, on the death of their mother; with Mrs. Hubert Gordon, Moate, Killimor, on the death of her husband; and with the widow of Michael Stephens, Slieverua, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe.

Miscellaneous: On the proposal of Clr. Higgins, the Committee thanked the Officials who attended at the Estimates Meetings on the 12th instant.

After further discussion, it was decided to leave this amount unchanged.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Deputy Geoghegan stated that the salaries of some burial

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1955.

In the Chair: Mr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Clrs. J. O'Dowd, M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. Galvin, Deputy G. Geoghegan, Clrs. S. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Houlihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M.F. Kitt, L. O'Toole, R. Lahiffe, J. Mannion, J. MacDonagh, M. Mylotte, J.J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, M. Quinn, J.J. Ruane, V.P. Shields, P. Sirr, M. Wall.

It was proposed by the Chairman that the Council extend their deep sympathy with the widow and relatives of the late Mr. Louis B. O'Dea, County Solicitor, and that as a mark of respect to his memory, the meeting be adjourned until 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, 5th March, 1955.

This proposal was seconded by Clr. J. Glynn and unanimously approved.

The County Manager and County Engineer on behalf of the officials joined in the tribute paid to the late Mr. O'Dea, and the meeting was then adjourned until Saturday, 5th March, 1955.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

28adh Feabhra, 1955.

Chuig Gach Bail de'n Comhairle:

Estimates Meeting.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the adjourned Estimates Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 5th March, 1955, commencing at 12.30 p.m.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GALWAY

OIRIS AN RÚNÁDÓIR,

NA FOIRNÍGEAÍ CONNDÁE,

AN DÓCAR MÓR, GALWAY,

9^{AO} MÁRTA, 1955

A CARA,

Cuirim cugat, leis seo, cóip de Mhon-Tuairisci Crumnígeaí Meastacáin (Uimhir 9560) a tionsóláid ar an 5^{AO} MÁRTA, 1955

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUAMHAÍ,

Rúnáidóir.

Cúin na ndaoine seo leanas:—

SAC BAILL DE CHOMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GALWAY.

AN CONTAE IMNEALLTÓIR.

AN CISTEÓIR, AN DÁN NAISIÚNTA TEO., GALWAY.

AN OIGSEADÓIR CONNDÁE.

AN T-ÁIRE, AN RÓINN LEASA SOISIALAÍ.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 5th MARCH, 1955.

In the Chair: Clr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, M. Carty, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, J. Holihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. J. McDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, M. Quinn, J. J. Ruane, P. Sarr and M. Wall.

9560.—Estimate, 1955/56: The Estimate of Expenses as revised by the Estimates Committee was submitted, showing a total expenditure of £2,143,543, and total receipts £943,413, for County Charges.

The Chairman referred to an application received from the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, for an increase in the wages of road workers, and stated that in consultation with the County Manager, he had authorised the amendment of the Estimate so as to provide for an increase of 5/- a week in the wages of all grades of road workers in the Galway County Health District, with effect from 4th April, 1955, inclusive.

The Chairman now proposed that provision be made in the estimate for the granting of this increase, and this proposal was seconded by Clr. J. McDonagh.

The County Manager stated that with a view to providing for the increase of 5/- a week as proposed by the Chairman, certain adjustments had been made in other items in the Estimate, and as a result the net amount to be levied off the County Health District, which originally stood at £1,033,838, is now increased to £1,033,877, i.e., an increase of only £39.

Clrs. McDonagh and King stated that they considered that the increase of 5/- per week should apply to all road workers—Urban as well as Rural.

Clr. Carty suggested that a higher rate of wages should be paid to the Council's road workers in non-Urban towns than in rural areas.

Clr. McDonagh stated that when he seconded Mr. Quinn's proposal, he did so on the understanding that the increase would apply to the Council's workers in urban areas as well as in rural areas; that he now proposed that the increase of 5/- be given to road workers in the urban areas also.

Clr. Nestor proposed a direct negative to this latter proposal

by Clr. McDonagh.

Clr. Joyce proposed that the fixing of the rates of wages be left to the County Manager.

It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and unanimously resolved:

"That all the Council's existing schemes for issue of Housing Grants be continued on the existing terms up to the 30th June, 1955, inclusive."

The County Manager stated that an increase in the wages of the Council's workers in the Galway Urban Area will not be given until such time as an increase in wages will be granted by employers generally in the Urban Area; that if eventually it were decided to give an increase to the workers in the Urban Area, it will be possible to do so by adjustment of the amount already made available in the Estimate.

Clr. King and other Councillors interested expressed themselves as satisfied with this arrangement.

Particulars were given to Clr. Carty of the position in regard to the total of 1,345 applications for Disablement Allowances received at 17th February, 1955, and after discussion it was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Nestor and resolved:

"That the provision for Disablement Allowances be reduced from £40,000 to £30,000."

It was then proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Nestor and resolved:

"That the Estimate of Expenses as submitted and as amended to-day, as set forth in Tables A, B, C, D and E be adopted, and that the rates set forth in Tables C, D and E be the rates in the £. to be levied for the several purposes specified in the said Estimates for the Year Ending 31st March, 1956."

It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Nestor and resolved:

"That the demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the Ballinasloe Urban District Council be signed by the Chairman and Secretary and sealed with the Seal of the Council."

The Chairman pointed out that the demand from the Western Health Institutions Board shows a reduction, and for this desirable state of affairs, the Council's congratulations are due to the former Galway Board of Health which, under the Chairmanship of Deputy Beegan and of Mr. Martin Finnerty, always advocated a progressive policy in relation to the treatment of tuberculosis.

It was decided that the Council would then adjourn until 3 p.m. when the Ordinary Meeting would commence.

COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE

OIFIS AN RÚNARÓI,

NA FOIRNISTE CONNDÁE,

AN BÓCAR MÓR, GAILLIMH.

9ú MÁRTA, 1955

A CARRA,

CURSIM CÚSAT, LEIS SEO, CÓIP DE MION-TUAIRSÍ CRUINNIGE

COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE (UIMHIR 9561-9586) A TIONÓLAÓ AR AN 5ú

MÁRTA, 1955

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUANAI, S.

RÚNARÓI

Cun na ndaoime seo leanas:—

SAC BAIL DE COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GAILLIMHE.

AN CONDAE INNEALLTÓIR.

AN CISTEÓIR, AN DANC NAISÍONTA TEO., GAILLIMH.

AN ULISEADÓIR CONNDÁE.

AN T-AIRE, AN ROINN LEASA SOISIALAIS.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 5th
MARCH, 1955.In the Chair: (1) Clr. M. Carty.
(2) Clr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Clrs. M. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clr. S. Glynn, J. Holihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. J. McDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9561.—Minutes: Minutes of previous meetings to Minute No. 9559, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

9562.—Overdraft: It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved: "That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on General Account not exceeding £150,000 for the Quarter Ending 30th June, 1955."

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved: "That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £41,400 on Capital Account for the Quarter Ending 30th June, 1955, pending the obtaining of loans, viz:

- (1) £21,900 in respect of Water Supply and Sewerage Schemes for which overdraft sanction for the current quarter was given in Department of Local Government Letter L.7/3 of the 8/2/55.
- (2) £4,500 in respect of Loughrea Fair Green and Market and Fair rights.
- (3) £15,000 in respect of provision of new Dispensaries for which a loan of £28,400 has been sought.

9563.—Rate Collector No. 16 District: The Secretary reported that Mr. Michael Geraghty, Rate Collector for No. 16 District will reach the retiring age of 65 years on the 6th June, 1955.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. Ashe and resolved: "That the Council recommend to the County Manager that the employment of Collector Michael Geraghty be continued in a temporary capacity until the closing of the warrant for the Year Ending 31st March, 1956, i.e., until 1st May, 1956, approximately.

9564.—Rate Collector No. 1 District: The Secretary reported that Mr. Parnell Larkin, Kiltormer, Rate Collector for No. 1 District, was ill during period from the 5th February, 1955, to 5th March, 1955, inclusive, and had nominated as his deputy Mrs. Mary C. D'Arcy, Kiltormer. The appointment of Mrs. Mary C. D'Arcy as Deputy Rate Collector for No. 1 District was approved by the Council on the proposal of Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Galvin.

9565.—Road Grants: In reply to a resolution adopted by the Council, letter of the 2nd February, 1955, from the Secretary, Department of Local Government was submitted, stating that as already indicated by the Minister in the Dail and elsewhere, a review of the basis of Road Fund allocations with a greater differential in favour of County Roads, is being made before the grants for the coming year are notified.

The Secretary stated that in the meantime notification of the grants for 1955/56 had arrived, viz:

Main Road Improvement Grant:	£91,000.
County Road Improvement Grant:	£128,000.

9566.—Tuam Swimming Pool: The Secretary reported that the total estimated cost of providing a swimming pool at Tuam, including the site, architect's fees, and resident engineer, etc. is £20,000. A local contribution of £1,000 will be made available, and the Minister for Local Government has stated that he will be prepared to examine the merits of an application for loan charge contributions at a rate not exceeding 50%.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. Nicholson and resolved: "That the Council approve the proposal to provide a swimming pool at Tuam at a total estimated cost of £20,000, on the understanding that a contribution of £1,000 will be made locally towards this work, and that the Minister for Local Government will make a contribution of 50% towards the loan charges on the remaining £19,000."

Clr. Collins considered that the local contribution should be for a higher amount.

Clr. Galvin considered that the estimated cost is very high, and on his suggestion, it was decided that every effort be made to restrict the expenditure to a lower figure.

9567.—Housing Grants: The extension of the Council's existing schemes for issue of housing grants for period to 30th June, 1955, was already approved in the course of the Estimates Meeting on the proposition of Clr. Kitt.

It was proposed by Clr. Mannion, seconded by Clr. Kitt

and resolved: "That the Council recommend that steps be taken to rectify the system of assessing means in cases where the applicant is employed for the greater portion of the year and has also a small holding of land, and as a result is rendered ineligible for a 100% supplementary grant."

9568.—Auditor's Report: The Auditor's report on the accounts of the Galway County Council for two years ended 31st March, 1952, was submitted, and on the proposal of Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Collins, it was decided that further consideration of the report be deferred until the report will have been considered by the Visiting Committee at a meeting which is arranged to be held at the Galway Central Hospital, at which the County Manager and both Superintendents and the Matron will be present.

The Auditor's reports for the year ended 31st March, 1954, on the accounts of the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee and the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board were submitted and noted.

9569.—Headford Public Lighting: The Secretary reported that the estimate for the extension of the public lighting to the cottages at Headford was not yet available.

It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved: "That the Council recommend to the County Manager that this extension be provided."

9570.—Killimor Water Supply Scheme: It was proposed by Clr. Michael Carty, seconded by Deputy Robert Lahiffe and resolved: "That this Council as Sanitary Authority for the County Health District of Galway being desirous to take a supply of water from Kilcrow River at Magheramore, Killimor, situate in said County Health District for the purpose of providing a supply of water for the inhabitants of the town of Killimor and the townlands of Garryad and Garryduff, Killimor and Boleybeg, Gerynasillagh, Rusheeny, and Maheramore, under the Local Government Sanitary Services Acts, 1878 to 1948, under a Scheme to be called and known as "The Killimor Water Supply Scheme" hereby make this proposal under and by virtue of Section 2 of the Water Supplies Act, 1942, for so taking such supply of water from the said Kilcrow River sufficient for the requirement of the said inhabitants of said town of Killimor and of the aforesaid Townlands. The said supply is to be taken from the said Kilcrow River at a point marked "A" on the map prepared for the purpose of the said Scheme by Patrick J. Sheahan Esq., which point is not more than one hundred yards upstream of the Bridge at Magheramore.

Only part of the water in the said river is to be taken. The maximum rate of water to be taken shall not exceed 10,000 gallons per day and the estimated minimum quantity of water flowing past the said point "A" as shown on said map during the summer months during a period not exceeding one day varied from 564,000 gallons to 1,462,000 gallons.

The only ancillary operation to be carried out for the purpose of the said scheme is the construction and erection of an Intake Chamber at the aforesaid point of intake."

CLR. QUINN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9571.—Visiting Committee : Minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee were submitted viz.,

Children's Home, Tuam	.....	26/1/55.
Galway Central Hospital	.....	3/2/55.
St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea	.....	11/2/55.

Clr. Carty referred to the minute in regard to disciplinary matters at the Galway Central Hospital and it was decided that further consideration of this matter be deferred to the meeting of the Visiting Committee (at which it is intended that the County Manager, the two Superintendents and the Matron will be present) and which was fixed for 4 p.m. on Friday, 11th March, 1955.

9572.—Derrywee Bridge : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Deputy Lahiffe and resolved: "That the Council recommend that steps be taken immediately to provide the funds for provision of the new bridge at Derrywee by obtaining the loan to which the Council's approval was given in Minute No. 9390.

9573.—Trachta Beg Bridge : Clr. O'Donnell stated that the new bridge at Trachta Beg, with a span of 24 ft. in lieu of the previous span of 30 ft. is too narrow to permit the passage of boats laden with seaweed.

This statement was supported by Senator Mannion and Deputy Geoghegan, who stated that he had witnessed the attempts to pass boats through this passage on the 4th instant.

It was proposed by Senator Mannion, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved: "That the Council recommend to the County Manager that steps be taken to stop work on this bridge and to ascertain the extra cost of acceding to the request that the span be left at 30 ft."

9574.—Local Elections : It was proposed by Clr. Quinn, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved: "That the Council hereby fix Thursday, 23rd June, 1955, as the date for the holding of the local elections.

9575.—Ballygar Sewerage Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. Wall, seconded by Deputy Killilea and resolved: "That the Council approve the proposal to provide a sewerage scheme at Ballygar at an estimated cost of £10,035, in accordance with the plans submitted.

9576.—Ahascragh Sewerage Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Deputy Killilea and resolved: "That the Council hereby approve the proposal to provide a sewerage scheme at Ahascragh, at an estimated cost of £10,600."

9577.—Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. : It was proposed by Clr. Ruane, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved: "That the Council hereby appoint Mr. Martin Quinn, Chairman, as their nominee to attend and vote at general meetings of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.

9578.—Road Works, 1954/55 : On the proposition of Clr. Quinn, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council approved the proposal in County Engineer's report of the 23/2/55 to transfer from Main Road Scheme No. 16 to Tourist Grant Work No. 4 (Maam-Cong Road) £1,000.

9579.—County Councils General Council : Letter 1/3/55 from the Secretary, County Councils' General Council requesting notice of matters to be included in the Agenda for the May meeting, was submitted and noted.

9580.—Excess Expenditure : On the proposition of Clr. Quinn, seconded by Clr. Ruaune, the Council approved the making of provision for the following excess expenditure in the year ending 31st March, 1955 :

Road Works—Supplementary Government Grant	£40,800.
Public Assistance—Other Expenses	£2,120.
Total	£42,920.

9581.—Galway Harbour Commissioners : Letter 2/3/55 from the Secretary, Galway Harbour Commissioners, was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. Quinn, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved: "That the Council hereby guarantee an overdraft of £9,500 on the Galway Harbour Commissioners' Account for the repair of the Dun Aengus Dock Gates—this guarantee to be in addition to the guarantee of £5,000 given in Minute No. 9012 of 25th April, 1953."

9582.—County Roads—Five-Year Plan : It was proposed by Clr. Galvin, seconded by Clr. Quinn and resolved: "That the county road leading from Ahascragh Bridge via Killure church to the main Ballinasloe-Kilconnell road at Deerpark be included in the five-year plan for steamrolling."

9583.—Roads at Athenry : Clr. Ruane proposed, in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 12 (b) (1) and (2), and pointed out that this is not a new work, but that it had in fact been started at one time, and had been abandoned. It was directed that the matter be referred to the County Engineer for consideration.

Clr. Ruane withdrew his Notice of Motion No. 12 (b) (3).

9584.—Sanitary Loans : Loughrea Water Supply Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Collins and resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Eleven Hundred and Ninety Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9585.—Mountbellow Water Supply Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Clr. Paddy Collins and resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9586.—Clonbur Sewerage Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Collins and resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9587.—Headford Sewerage Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Collins and resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government

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(Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9588.—Oughterard Sewerage Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Collins and resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Six Thousand Four Hundred and Ten Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9589.—Pottanna Sewerage Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Collins, and resolved: "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9585.—Miscellaneous : Senator Mannion requested to be informed of the reason for the delay in the provision of the cottages at Clifden.

Clr. Ruane was informed of the reply from C.I.E. in regard to the stopping of the 6.50 p.m. train from Dublin at Athenry, and on his recommendation it was decided that C.I.E. be requested to reconsider this decision as the case of a stop at Athenry would be exceptional.

9586.—Sympathy : A vote of sympathy was unanimously adopted with John Joyce, Gurrane, Oranmore, on the death of his daughter.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and contained.
Michael Cos Chairman.

Date: 9th April, 1955

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan,
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

1adh Aibreain, 1955.

Chiuig gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 9adh Aibreain, 1955, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Raising of Loan £15,000 for provision of a Fire Station at Tuam.
3. Raising of Loan £8,000 for making an advance to the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for provision and equipment of an extension to Tuam Vocational School.
4. Sale of Derelict Site No. 81, Tuam.
5. Auditor's Report on Accounts of the Galway County Council for the two years ended 31st March, 1952.
6. Councillors' Notices of Motion:
 - (a) Clr. M. Carty: "At the next meeting of Galway County Council I or some other member acting on my behalf shall ask the Co. Council to recommend a revision of the contract prices for supplies of potatoes to District Institutions during the six months ended 31/3/1955."
 - (b) Clr. O'Dowd: (1) "If it is the intention of the Council to build two cottages in all unvested cottage plots, and if so, when did this scheme come into operation, and was it approved by the Housing Committee."
(2) "I will also ask the County Manager to state what is the approved fence to all new cottage plots."
 - (c) Clrs. R. Lahiffe and M. Carty: "That this Council hereby direct the Co. Manager to refrain forthwith from subdividing plots of one statute acre or less in rural areas and attached to existing or occupied cottages for the purpose of providing sites for additional cottages. That any decision taken or order made by the Co. Manager to so do be revoked immediately. That in the event of the Co. Manager's failure to accept a directive from the Co. Council on this matter, a special meeting in accordance with Section 29 of the Co. Management Act be requisitioned, requisition for same to be made on the date of this meeting."
 - (d) Clr. M. Mannion:
 - (1) "At the next Co. Council Meeting I will ask the Co. Manager what progress has been made with the Waterworks for Kilkerrin-Moylough."
 - (2) "I will propose to have Mountbellew Waterworks extended to the village of Newtown."
 - (3) "I will ask the Co. Manager if he has considered altering system of allocation of housing grants."

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(d) Clr. M. Mannion,

- (4) "I will ask the Co. Engineer to have pump at Windfield-Moylough closed up."
- (5) "To have pump at BeherBannagh Newbridge examined as water is not fit for consumption."
- (6) "To have pump at Windfield Newbridge taken over and maintained by the Co. Council."
- (7) "I will ask the Co. Engineer to have concrete bridge at Gunode Tomard examined and put in repair."

(e) Deputy R. Lahiffe: "Please note that at next meeting of the Co. Council I or someone on my behalf will ask the Co. Manager what the position is regarding the building of new cottages at Portumna."

(f) Clr. P. Cawley: "That at the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I or some member on my behalf will ask the County Manager to explain why surfacemen and other permanent workers were dispensed with on 26th March, 1955."

7. Resolutions.

8. Other Business.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

4adh Aibreain, 1955.

Chiuig gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

Meeting of Galway County Council,
9th April, 1955.

A Chara,

I give hereunder an addition to the Agenda for the above meeting which has already been sent to you:-

6. (g) Notice of Motion by Mr. M. Quinn, Chairman: "At the next meeting of the Galway County Council I will propose that a pump be provided near Bullaun School."

Mise le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH.

Runai.

COMAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GALWAY

Oifis an Rúnairde,

na Forasnaíochtaí Conndáe,

An Bóthar Mór, Gaillimh.

13ú Aibreán, 1955

A CARA,

Cuirim cuntas, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairisc Crúinníge Comairle Conndáe (Uimhir 9587-9606) a tionscailt ar an 9ú Aibreán, 1955

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUANAIŠ,

Rúnairte

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

Sao Dall de Chomairle Conndáe na Gaillimhe.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Gaillimh.
An Uilgeadóir Conndáe.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, on SATURDAY, 9th APRIL, 1955.

In the Chair: (1) Clr. M. Quinn.
(2) Clr. M. Carty.
(3) Clr. M. F. Kitt.

Also Present: Clrs. J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Holihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9587.—Sympathy: Mr. M. Quinn, Chairman, proposed that the sympathy of the Council be extended to the widow and family of Mr. Samuel J. Maguire, late County Librarian, and that as a mark of respect to his memory, the meeting be adjourned for one hour.

This proposal was seconded by Clr. J. Glynn and unanimously approved.

A vote of sympathy was also adopted unanimously with Miss G. O'Grady, Staff Officer, on the death of her sister. The meeting was then adjourned until 1.30 p.m.

CLR. M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9588.—Minutes: On resumption of the meeting, the minutes of previous meetings to 9586, having been circulated to the members, were taken as approved and were signed by the Chairman.

9589.—Tuam Fire Station: It was proposed by Clr. J. Glynn, seconded by Clr. M. Wall and unanimously resolved: "That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £15,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision of a Fire Station at Tuam; the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of twenty-five years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council.

9590.—Tuam Vocational School: It was proposed by Clr. P. T. Galvin, seconded by Clr. M. Carty and resolved: "That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £8,000, so that an advance of this amount may be made to the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for provision and equipment of an extension to Tuam Vocational

School; this loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of 30 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council.

9591.—Derelict Site No. 81: It was proposed by Clr. P. F. Galvin, seconded by Clr. M. Carty and resolved: "That subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government, the Council hereby approve the sale of a plot of ground, area 19 perches, situate at Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, and known as Derelict Site No. 81, to Mr. James Farragher, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, for £85 plus costs of conveyance.

CLR. QUINN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9592.—Contracts for Supplies to Institutions: In connection with Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion No. 6 (a), the Secretary explained that the County Solicitor had advised that the County Manager has no legal authority to grant an increase in the contract price for potatoes supplied to District Institutions during the six months ended 31st March, 1955, since the accepted tender did not make any provision for a revision of price consequent on increased costs or otherwise.

Clr. Carty pointed out that 1954 was an exceptionally bad year for potatoes and that prices rose to a higher figure than that which the contractor for supplies of potatoes to the Council's institutions is seeking; that the contract price was £10/10/0 a ton, and that the contractor's request is that the Council would pay him £16/16/0 a ton for potatoes supplied for half-year ending 31st March, 1955. Clr. Carty requested that the Manager would submit the matter to the Minister for Health for his consideration.

Clr. King considered that a bad precedent would be created by granting the increase proposed. The Secretary stated that the Minister would most likely state that the Council should be guided by the advice of their Solicitor.

Eventually Clr. Carty's proposal was seconded by Clr. O'Dowd and approved by the Council.

9593.—Cottages: In reply to Notice of Motion by Clr. O'Dowd, No. 6 (b) (1), and by Deputy R. Lahiffe and Mr. Carty, 6 (c), the Secretary stated that since the number of plots concerned was small, the County Manager has now agreed that he will not proceed with the proposal for the erection of more than one cottage on a single plot.

Clr. O'Dowd stated that oak stakes and plain wire does not form an adequate fence for cottage plots, and asked that the Council would now decide on providing a type of fence which will be lasting.

Mr. Silke, Engineer, stated that the life of a post and

wire fence would be about 20 years; that concrete posts would last indefinitely, but they are broken more easily by cattle; that the difference in cost between a wooden post fence and a concrete post fence would be up to £60.

It was proposed by Clr. O'Dowd and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan that a fence made of reinforced concrete posts and mesh wire be provided for cottages.

After a long discussion, it was decided that the Council recommend that in every case a substantial fence should be provided, but that the type of fence (whether wooden post and wire, concrete post and wire, or sod fence with quicks) would depend on the locality in which the plot would be situated.

Clr. Sirr requested that a purchase scheme would be prepared for all existing cottages which are not already included in a purchase scheme.

Clr. King requested that early arrangements be made to appoint a tenant to a vacant cottage in the new cottage scheme at Headford.

Deputy Geoghegan requested that ranges which have been sought by cottage tenants who are prepared to contribute to their cost, would be provided.

9594.—Auditor's Report: The Auditor's report on the Account of the Galway County Council for two years to 31st March, 1952, was submitted together with the County Manager's statement thereon.

The County Manager informed the meeting that of the large amount shown as outstanding in respect of patients' accounts at Galway Central Hospital at 31st March, 1952, he considered that not more than 5% to 10% would be collectable as the remainder of this figure represented the amounts charged against persons who, though unable to afford payment of their hospital treatment, had come into hospital without proof of their entitlement to free treatment; that with the exception of a few special items, the Manager proposed writing off the amount still outstanding in respect of accounts outstanding to 31st March, 1952, and suggested that it is more advisable that the staff should now concentrate on the collection of the current accounts.

The County Manager stated that of a large number of accounts referred to the County Solicitor the amount collected by him up to the present has been very little; that there were special difficulties in the collection of the hospital accounts during the audit period due to the absence of both superintendents on sick leave and the disturbance in office accommodation owing to the provision of the new Regional Hospital.

Clr. Carty stated that the Council is well aware of the

great amount of good work done in the Central Hospital and that it has not been alleged by anybody that the primary purpose is not being fulfilled, i.e., in the adequate and proper treatment of patients.

Clr. Nestor stated that while he agreed with Clr. Carty in regard to the work done at the hospital, he did not agree that the system of obtaining information on ability to pay is a good one.

Senator Mannion suggested that the Assistance Officers' report should be obtained before a patient would be definitely entered in the records as a paying patient.

Clr. King stated that the Members of the Council had long ago suggested the striking out of the accounts which the County Manager now proposes writing off.

Clr. Collins stated that the Auditor dealt with the figures placed before him, and stated further that if there was a proper method of collection of accounts in the Galway Central Hospital, the adverse report by the Auditor would not have been necessary.

Clr. Wall agreed with the statement made by Clr. Collins. Clr. Flaherty stated that when part payment is offered and its acceptance is recommended by a County Councillor, it should be accepted.

Clr. Higgins suggested that a valuation figure should be fixed as entitling a person who had no other means to free hospital treatment. Clr. Higgins suggested a figure of £10 P.L.V. for this purpose.

Clr. Shields stated that if the Auditor had examined all the relevant documents he should have before him thousands of recommendations from County Councillors that several of these accounts should be struck off.

The Chairman stated that the primary function of the Central Hospital is to provide good treatment for patients and this is being done well.

Clr. Cawley stated that he was now repeating a suggestion that he made previously that an Almoner be appointed at the hospital.

Clr. Kitt pointed out that the hospital is not provided for paying patients; that the most important thing in relation to the hospital is the provision of proper treatment and that it is recognised that such treatment is being provided there.

The County Manager stated that although Mr. J. Glynn did his utmost to collect the patients' accounts (for which he was receiving a commission) a very large amount of arrears was outstanding when Mr. Glynn's employment terminated in August, 1950; that the collection of the accounts was then transferred to Mr. Hogan, who pointed out that he had not sufficient staff to enable him to collect these accounts in addition to his then existing duties; that sanction to additional

staff was sought and the additional staff was eventually provided; that, however, the delay in providing additional staff resulted in a delay in submission of the hospital accounts for a final ruling by the County Manager, and consequently the amounts were still shown as outstanding at the 31st March, 1952.

The County Manager referred to the total amounts collected from paying patients in each of the years 1949 to 1954 inclusive, and stated that it was possible that by a more efficient collection system, £1,500 to £2,000 more might have been collected in each of the years 1951 and 1952. It was, however, a fact that the greater portion of the amount shown as outstanding at the 31st March, 1952, was definitely uncollectible; that the amount which was collectible and which was not collected in 1951 and 1952 was eventually collected subsequent to October, 1953 on the issue of demands by the County Secretary; that the publicity given to the new Health Services had given the public the impression that hospital treatment was to be provided free in future, and consequently it rendered the collection of accounts more difficult.

The County Manager stated that to sum up the position, he considered that the loss sustained was not large and in his opinion, having regard to all the circumstances, that loss was unavoidable; that he proposed striking out all the amounts outstanding at 31st March, 1952, except a few special cases on which the Auditor had commented specially, and that the staff would concentrate on the collection of the current accounts.

Senator Mannion recommended to the County Manager that a person with not more than £10 P.L.V. of land and no other means, should be accepted as entitled to hospital treatment free of charge.

9595.—Kilkerrin-Moylough Water Supply: In reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the Secretary stated that on 4th February, 1955, the Consulting Engineer was informed of the Council's approval to the extension of the Water Supply to the schools at Derreen, and he was requested to submit contract documents without further delay; that the documents had not been received up to the present.

Clr. Mannion and other Councillors considered that there is an undue delay in the submission of these documents, and that the Consulting Engineer should be directed to furnish an explanation.

Clr. Flaherty stated that the extension at Derreen was rejected on the grounds that Lissycarra pump was adjacent, while in fact Lissycarra pump is a very long distance from Derreen.

9596.—Mountbellew Water Supply: In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, 6 (d) (2), the County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that the extension sought would cost £500, while a fountain could be provided at the end of the main at the Vocational School gate at a cost of £28.

The Council recommended that the fountain be provided as suggested by the County Engineer.

9597.—Housing Grants: In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion 6 (d) (3), it was explained that the County Manager has no option but to deal with applications in the manner which is the cause of complaint by Clr. Mannion.

The County Manager requested that Clr. Mannion would give particulars of the cases of hardship to which he referred.

CLR. M. F. KITT NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9598.—Pump at Windfield, Moylough: In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer reported that he now proposes sealing up the manhole at Windfield, Moylough, with a concrete slab.

9599.—Pump at Boherbannagh: In connection with Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that a sample of this water should be taken for analysis by the County Medical Officer, and it was arranged that this will be done.

9600.—Pump at Windfield, Newbridge: In reply to Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer's report of the 9th instant was submitted, stating that the estimated cost of improvement of this pump is £55.

Clr. Mannion recommended that the pump be taken over by the County Council and that the improvement work be carried out.

9601.—Mountbellew Drainage District: In reply to Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer stated that the estimated cost of the repairs at the bridge at Gunnod, Toomard, is £150, and that this work will be carried out as part of the maintenance of the Mountbellew Drainage District.

9602.—Pumps at Carrowkeel and Brierfield: Clr. Nicholson stated that above pumps are out of order and requested that they be attended to.

9603.—Portumna Housing Scheme: In reply to Notice of Motion by Deputy Lahiffe, the County Manager stated that in the original scheme the number of houses required at Portumna was stated to be twelve. Subsequently the Development Company stated that thirty houses would be required and a scheme was prepared for 30 houses. It now appears doubtful that such a large number of houses will be required, and it is intended that initially fourteen or sixteen cottages will be provided.

9604.—Road Workers: In reply to Clr. Cawley's Notice of Motion, the County Engineer stated that owing to the exhaustion of the amounts provided for the various road works it has always been necessary to dispense with some men towards the end of the financial year.

Clr. Cawley requested that sufficient funds should be retained to avoid the breaking of the employment of men who have been employed regularly by the Council over a long number of years.

9605.—Pump at Bullaun School: Clr. Kitt proposed, on behalf of Clr. Quinn, that a pump be provided at Bullaun school.

The County Engineer's report was submitted, stating that a good well is available at Benbeg, approximately 300 yds. from the school, and that there is a pump in the village of Ballyara North, about one mile distant. The County Engineer stated that Dr. MacCon's report has been sought in regard to the necessity for a pump at Bullaun School.

9606.—County Librarian: On the proposition of Clr. Kitt, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council approved the provision of the funds for payment of a salary scale of £450 x £25 to £650 a year, plus temporary allowance at the rate approved by the Minister for Local Government for the position of County Librarian in County Galway.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Máire M. O'Curran Chairman.

Date: 14th Dec 1955

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan:
Gailimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

6adh Bealtaine, 1955.

Chuig gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair a' Cruinniu de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 14 Bealtaine, 1955, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Galway Harbour Commissioners' Overdraft £9,500 - confirmation of resolution adopted in Minute No: 9581 of 5. 3. 1955.
3. Raising of Loan of £2,600 for provision of offices for Assistant County Engineers at Loughrea and Milltown (in lieu of a loan of £3,000 previously approved for 3 offices).
4. Raising of Loan of £1,000 for improvement of wells in Inishmaan and Inishere.
5. Rate Collector No: 16 District - filling of vacancy in view of Minister's refusal to extend the employment of the existing collector beyond the 6th June, 1955.
6. Differential Rents Scheme - Minute No: 9537 of 29th January, 1955.
7. Estimate for Y.E. 31/3/1956 - authorisation of additional expenditure for second temporary Engineer - £328.
8. Consultative Health Committee - Minutes of Meeting 14. 4. 1955.
9. Visiting Committee - Minutes.
10. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Clr. J.P. Joyce: "That this Council appoint a special Committee on Finances with full authority to examine County Council accounts."
 - (b) Clr. P. Furey: "That Public Lighting be provided at:
 - (1) Corafin
 - (2) Caherlistrane."
 - (c) Deputy J. Geoghegan: (1) That I will propose that a piped water supply be provided for Kilkerrin, Carna.
(2) That the Co. Council take over and maintain the road leading to the church at Rosmuok.

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- (c) Deputy J. Geoghegan:
(3) That the Co. Council take over and maintain the road leading through the villages of Camus Uachtair and Camus Iochtar.
 - (d) Clr. L. O'Toole: "Please take notice that I or another Councillor on my behalf will propose at next meeting of the Co. Council that steel or other rat proof presses be provided in national schools for mugs and other utensils used for school meals."
 - (e) Clr. J.P. Joyce: "That C.I.E. be requested to provide proper accommodation at Galway Station for road freight."
 - (f) Clr. J. O'Dowd: "I will propose that money be made available for a light rolling of one mile of the Dooras-Eyreecourt road and also to relieve flooding on the Boheen-Kyle Road."
11. Councillors' Questions.
 12. Auditor's Report Y.E. 31/3/54 - County Galway Vocational Education Committee.
 13. Other business.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GALWAY

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18^ú DEALÁINE, 1955

A CARA,

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Dealáine, 1955

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L. Ó LUAINNÍ,

Rúnáid.

Cúin na ndaoime seo leanas :-

Sáclúall de Chomhairle Conndáe na Galway.
An Contae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teó., Galway.
An Uilseadóir Conndáe.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasá Soisialaí.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 14th MAY,
1955.

In the Chair : (1) Clr. M. Carty.
(2) Clr. M. Quinn.

Also Present : Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley,
P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. J. Galvin,
Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Ua hUigin, J.
Houlihan, J. P. Joyce, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King,
M. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. M. Mylotte,
J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P.
Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9607.—**Comh-Bhron** : Mhol Clr. M. O Domhnaill, cuidigh
Clr. M. Mac Carthaigh, agus ghlac an Comhairle uilig le run
comh-bhron le Bean Uí Duigneain, Gaillimh, ar bhás a fhir-
cheile, Peadar O Duigneain, agus mar comhartha omois
cuireadh an crúinnú ar ath-lo go dtí 2 a clog.

ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING CLR. QUINN TOOK
THE CHAIR.

9608.—**Minutes** : The minutes of previous meeting, to No.
9606, having been circulated to the Councillors, were sub-
mitted.

Clr. Galvin referred to Minute No. 9594 and pointed out
that he has stated that the primary duty of the Central
Hospital is to provide treatment for non-paying patients, and
stressed that the purpose of the hospital is to deal with
human beings rather than with figures. Subject to inclusion
of Clr. Galvin's statement, the minutes were approved.

9609.—**Galway Harbour Commissioners—Overdraft** : It
was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. M.
Higgins and unanimously resolved : "That the Galway
County Council hereby confirm the resolution adopted by the
Council as set out in Minute No. 9581 of meeting of the
Council held on the 5th March, 1955, guaranteeing an over-
draft of £9,500 on the Galway Harbour Commissioners'
Account for the repair of the Dun Aengus Dock Gates—this
guarantee to be in addition to the guarantee of £5,000 given
in Minute No. 9012 of 25th April, 1953,

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9610.—**Engineers' Offices** : It was proposed by Clr.
Galvin, seconded by Clr. M. Mannion and resolved : "That
the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,600
from the National Bank Ltd., for provision of offices for the
Assistant County Engineers at Loughrea and Milltown ; the
loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of five years
with interest at the rate fixed by the bank from time to time
for such loans.

This loan shall be in substitution for the loan of £3,000
which was approved by the Council in Minute No. 9353 of
26th July, 1954.

9611.—**Wells—Inishmaan and Inisheer** : It was proposed
by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Ashe and resolved :
"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of
£1,000 from the National Bank Ltd., for improvement of
wells in Inishmaan and Inisheer ; the loan to be repayable
by instalments over a period of five years with interest at
the rate approved by the bank from time to time for such
loans.

9612.—**Rate Collector, No. 16 District** : Letter 3/5/55
from the Department of Local Government was submitted,
refusing sanction to the proposal adopted by the Council
in Minute No. 9563 and directing that early steps be taken
to fill the vacancy which will arise on the retirement of
Mr. Geraghty under the Age Limit Order, on the 6th June,
1955.

Deputy Killilea asked if a temporary collector could be
appointed to collect the current year's warrant, and in reply,
the Secretary stated that the resolution in Minute No. 9563
was to the effect that if approved, it would mean that Mr.
Geraghty would be continued in a temporary capacity from
the 6th June, 1955 to the 30th April, 1956.

It was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr.
Carty, that the usual arrangement be made for the filling of
the vacancy.

It was proposed by Clr. Flaherty and seconded by Clr.
Sirr, that the vacancy be not filled, and that the rates for No.
16 District be collected direct from the Council's Offices.

Clr. Higgins pointed out that the Rate Collector is in
touch with the individuals who have to pay the rates, and
under the present system the percentage of rates collected is
excellent.

The Chairman stated that office collection of rates is in
operation in only one County, and that this system of collection
has been found to be most unsatisfactory.

A vote taken on the question that the usual arrangements
be made for the filling of the vacancy resulted as follows :

FOR : Clrs. Ashe, O'Dowd, Carty, M. Mannion, Furey,
Galvin, Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Houlihan, Joyce, King,
O'Toole, J. Mannion, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane
and Wall (19).

AGAINST : Clrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Killilea, Kitt,
Mylotte, Nestor, Shields and Sirr (9).

The Chairman declared Clr. Galvin's proposal carried, and
accordingly it was directed that the usual arrangement be
made for the filling of the vacancy.

In regard to the remuneration for the position of Rate
Collector in No. 16 District, the County Manager stated that
he considered that the remuneration should be stabilised by
fixing a salary of £550 a year plus commission of 2½% on
that portion of the warrant in excess of 95% which would
be collected and lodged by the Collector, and subject to the
usual penalty of 2d. in the £ on the warrant for failure to
comply with the conditions of the Poundage Scheme in regard
to lodgment of a specified percentage of the warrant within
the period specified in the Poundage Scheme.

After a discussion, it was proposed by Clr. King and
seconded by Clr. Carty, that the Council recommend to the
County Manager that the remuneration for the collector to be
appointed to No. 16 District shall be 8d. in the £ with the
usual penalty of 2d. in the £ for failure to comply with the
conditions of the Poundage Scheme in regard to lodgment of
the specified percentage of the warrant.

Clr. Wall proposed that this matter be left to the incoming
Council.

This proposal was not seconded.

It was proposed by Clr. Collins and seconded by Clr.
Sirr that Council approve the County Manager's recommenda-
tion in regard to the fixing of remuneration for this position.

A vote taken on the question of retention of the present
system of remuneration, viz., 8d. in the £ with penalty of 2d.
in the £ resulted as follows :

FOR : Clrs. Ashe, O'Dowd, Carty, M. Mannion, Furey, Galvin,
Geoghegan, Glynn, Higgins, Joyce, Killilea, King, Kitt, J.
Mannion, Mylotte, Nicholson, O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane
(19).

AGAINST : Clrs. Cawley, Collins, Flaherty, Houlihan, Nestor,
Shields and Sirr (7).

Clr. Wall did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. King's proposal carried, and
it was accordingly decided that the Council recommend to the
County Manager that the remuneration for the position of Rate

Collector in No. 16 District shall be 8d. in the £ with the usual penalty of 2d.

Clr. Carty stated that he was expressing the regret of all the members at the fact that Clr. Higgins is not seeking re-election, and stated that Clr. Higgins' contribution to any debate was well worth hearing.

9613.—Differential Rents : In connection with Minute No. 9537 of the 29th January, 1955, the letter sent to Senator J. Mannion of the 3rd March, 1955, was submitted.

Senator Mannion stated that the minimum rent on the Oughterard Scheme is much too high for any tenant with an income of £4 10s. 0d. a week or less.

Clr. Joyce stated that the effect of the high rent will be that the cottages will be unoccupied due to the fact that the people for whom they were intended cannot afford to enter them, and eventually they will become tenanted by a class of tenant for whom cottages should not have been provided.

Clr. King considered that the resolution in Minute No. 9537 was reasonable and Clr. Carty recommended that it be re-considered by the County Manager.

The County Manager stated that the acceptance of a lower rent for a serviced cottage than for an unserviced one could not be justified.

Clr. Ruane proposed that the Council re-affirm the resolution adopted in Minute No. 9537.

Eventually the County Manager suggested that where the income of the tenant is less than £5 a week, the minimum rent of any cottage in a differential rent scheme shall be 6/- per week plus rates or 10/- per week, whichever may be the less.

The Council approved this suggestion.

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9614.—Estimate, 1955/56 : The Secretary stated that the provision for the salary of a second temporary Engineer which was originally included in the Estimate for the current year was deleted by the Council, while in fact a second temporary Engineer is employed ; that the cost involved is £328 for the half-year to the 30th September, 1955, or £656 for the full year.

The County Manager suggested that the County Engineer should meet this expenditure by savings on the amounts allowed for road works generally, and the County Engineer agreed that he would do that.

9615.—Consultative Health Committee : The Minutes of Meeting of the Consultative Health Committee held on the 14th April, 1955, which were circulated to the members, were submitted and noted.

9616.—Visiting Committee : The minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee held at the Central Hospital on the 2nd April and at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden on 23rd April, 1955, were submitted and noted.

9617.—Financial Committee & Road Freight Accommodation : In the absence of Clr. Joyce, who had left the meeting at this stage, consideration of his Notice of Motion, No. 10 (a) and 10 (f), was adjourned.

9618.—Public Lighting : On the proposition of Clr. Furey, seconded by Clr. Ashe, the Council recommended to the County Manager that public lighting be provided at Corofin and Caherlistrane.

Clr. Houlihan requested that he be informed as to the action taken on his recommendation that one light be provided outside each church.

Clr. Nicholson requested that he be informed of the progress made with provision of public lighting at Abbeyknockmoy.

In reply to Clr. King, the County Manager stated that he does not consider that the provision of public lighting in Clareglaway is justifiable.

9619.—Kilkerrin Water Supply : In reply to Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion, County Engineer stated that a report is being obtained from the Geological Survey Office of the possibility of finding water by boring in this district, and that this report will probably be available for the next meeting of the Council.

9620.—Roads : In connection with Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion 10 (c), (2) and (3), the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that :

- (a) the road leading to Rosmuck Church off county road No. 57, is a short length of stop-end road, and that the surfaceman in that district will do a little work on this road to improve its condition.
- (b) that it was not possible for him to have an estimate prepared in time for this meeting, but that it is expected the estimate will be available at the next meeting, for the cost of taking over and maintaining the road leading to Camus Oughter and Camus Eigher.

In connection with Clr. O'Dowd's Notice of Motion 10 (f), the County Engineer's estimate was submitted, stating that the cost of light rolling one mile of road between Eyrecourt and Lisnacody, county road No. 584, is £840, and that the cost of relieving flooding on the Boreen-Kyle branch road would be £151 5s. 0d.

It was decided that no action can be taken in regard to the rolling of the Eyrecourt-Lisnacody road, but that the scheme for relief of the flooding on the Boreen-Kyle branch road will be included in the next list of the Local Authorities (Works) Act Schemes.

In reply to Clr. Nestor, the Secretary stated that the declaration which he received from Clr. Nestor in connection with a road from Corcoran's Mill to Addrigoole had been sent to the County Engineer.

9621.—Tuam Water Rents : Deputy Killilea asked why four years' rents are now being demanded together in Tuam, and stated that the payment of four years' rent together in this manner is a hardship on the people concerned.

The County Manager stated that already a sum equivalent to three years' rent has been paid ; that he would be prepared to accept payment in instalments in any case where payment in one sum would cause hardship, but that the Council is entitled to expect co-operation from the people of Tuam in this matter, in view of the large amount of work which the County Council does for the town of Tuam. The County Manager suggested that if the opposition to payment of water rents in Tuam is continued, the Council should abandon the scheme for a swimming pool in that town until such time as the water rents will be paid up-to-date.

9622.—Cottages : Clr. Ruane requested that certain cottages at Caheroyan, Athenry, as set out in a list supplied by him to the Secretary, be connected to the water and sewerage services which are already available in that vicinity.

The County Engineer stated that he will prepare an estimate of the cost of this work.

In reply to Senator Mannion, the County Manager stated that the Department's approval to the acceptance of a tender for the erection of cottages at Clifden is awaited.

9623.—Councillors' Questions : It was decided that the replies to the questions asked by Councillors, viz., 11 (a) to (f), inclusive, will be sent direct to each Councillor concerned.

9624.—Water Supply at Rosmuck : Deputy Geoghegan drew attention to a request made by him previously that

three fountains be provided on the E.S.B. watermain at Rosmuck, and it was decided that this matter would be taken up with the County Engineer.

9625.—Auditor's Reports : The Auditor's reports on the accounts of the following Bodies for the year ended 31st March, 1955, were submitted and noted :

Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.
Shrute Joint Drainage Committee.
as well as the report on the accounts of the Galway County Vocational Education Committee for Year Ended 31st March, 1954.

9626.—Kilkerrin-Moylough Water Supply : In reply to Clr. M. Mannion, the County Manager stated that the Consulting Engineer had on three occasions endeavoured to obtain the sites required in connection with this scheme.

9627.—Derrywee Bridge : Clr. Carty was informed by the County Engineer that the improvement of the road to Derrywee on the Galway side will not be included in the five-year plan, as the road is in reasonably good condition, and would have a very low priority so far as the five-year plan is concerned ; that its inclusion in the next five-year plan would receive consideration.

9628.—School Meals : In response to Clr. O'Toole's Notice of Motion, the County Manager stated that where an application is made by the teacher, and where the Manager considers the necessity exists, arrangements will be made for supply of suitable containers for the school meals utensils.

9629.—Miscellaneous : The Council unanimously congratulated Mr. J. McMahon, Editor of the Galway Observer, on his recent marriage.

Sympathy : Votes of sympathy were unanimously passed with the following :

Mrs. Michael Cunniffe, Caheroyan, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

Mrs. Brendan Higgins, Davis Street, Athenry on the death of her mother.

Mrs. Rita Fahy and family, Gloves Street, Athenry, on their recent bereavement.

Mrs. McCabe, Carraroe, on the death of her father.

Mrs. James Fahy, Bohermore, Galway, on the death of her husband.

The relatives of T. Cunningham, P.C., Bridge House, Mountbellew.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED
Submitted, approved and confirmed.

M. S. O'Connell, Chairman. 11th June, 1955.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

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Chuir gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Domhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seonra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, lladh Meitheamh, 1955, ag 12. 30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. To make the Rates and to sign and seal the Rate Books for the financial year ending 31st March, 1956.
3. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads, viz., roads in the new Housing Scheme at Oughterard.
4. Completion of Mortgage Deed for supplementary loan of £5,440 for improvement of Tuam Water Supply Scheme.
5. Overdraft for quarter ending 30th September, 1955.
6. Provision of a Fire Station at Clifden at an estimated cost of £3,670.
7. Road works proposed to be carried out under the Tourist Road Grant for the current year.
8. University College, Galway - request for an increase in the amount of the annual subsidy paid by the Galway County Council (present figure is £500).
9. Extension of appointment of temporary clerk to the Galway County Old Age Pension Committee.
10. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-

Clr. M. Carty:

- (a) "At next meeting of Galway Co. Council I or some member acting for me shall move that the Co. Manager be directed to pay the appropriate supplementary housing grant to Mr. Patrick Murphy, Headford, Co. Galway or show cause why same may not be paid."
- (b) (1) At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I or some other member acting for me shall move that the Council request the Minister for Local Government to direct one of his Engineering Inspectors to inquire into (a) the circumstances surrounding the dismissal of Patrick J. Corcoran, Benmore, Bullaun, Loughrea, who had been employed for a number of years as a Ganger by the Galway Co. Council (b) the failure of the Council to give Mr. Corcoran

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specific reasons for his dismissal from its Service, (c) the reasons why superannuation has not been fixed and paid to Mr. Corcoran.

- (2) At next meeting of the Co. Council I shall move that this Council recommend the inclusion of the approach-road to Derrywee Bridge, Gort, be included in the County Engineer's Five Years' Road Reconstruction Scheme."

Clr. J.P. Joyce:

- (c) "That this Council appoint a special Committee on Finances with full authority to examine County Council Accounts.
- (d) That C.I.E. be requested to provide proper accommodation at Galway Station for road freight."

Deputy M. Killilea:

- (e) "I or somebody on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the Co. Council that water and sewerage be laid on in all the Labourers' Cottages in Tuam.
- (f) I or somebody on my behalf will ask the Co. Manager at the next meeting of the Co. Council if he will consider extra pay for Co. Council workers on concrete work to provide against extra wear and tear on clothing on such work."

Clr. P. Furey:

- (g) "I will propose that the Council request C.I.E. to provide a half-hourly bus service to the Galway Central Hospital."

Clr. J. Flaherty:

- (h) "I will propose at the next meeting of the Council that water and sewerage mains at Dunmore be extended to serve the houses of Martin Greaney, William O'Dwyer, Bartley O'Malley, Conor Finnegan, James Reddington, without any contribution from them."

Clr. M. Carty:

- (i) "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I shall move that the road leading from the Eyrecourt (old) road through the village of Neal, Killimor, to the Killimore-Kiltormer road be declared a public road. Distance approx. 1 mile."

Clr. J.J. Ruane:

- (j) "Please note that I or some one on my behalf, will move at the next meeting of the County Council, that the Council provides a Swimming Pool for Athenry, the monies to be made available partly by loan, partly by grant from the National Development Fund, and by a certain percentage from the people of Athenry."

Clr. M. Kitt:

- (k) (1) "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I will propose that a fountain be erected near the water tower on Ballinahattina hill to serve those in the Co. Council cottages and in the surrounding districts.
- (2) I will propose that the following link roads be taken over and maintained by Galway Co. Council:
 - (a) the road from Bohan's house on Ahascragh to Caltra Main road by St. Cuan's well, through Castlegar and on to Lissyegan as its of public utility and was repaired by Land Commission and a rural improvement scheme grant.
 - (b) the link road leading from Kingston pump on the Ahascragh-Ballinamore Bridge main road through the townlands of Eskermore, Gowla, Etc. and on to John Ryan's house on the Castlefrench-Ballyforan main road, as its of public utility and is at present being improved under the Rural Improvement Scheme - Ref. Galway No: 785."

Clr. J.J. Nestor:

- (1) "I or some member on my behalf will move at next meeting of the County Council

that an extension of water and sewerage be extended from the Technical School to the newly built houses on Dunmore Demesne."

Clr. M. Mannion:

- (m) "(1) At the next meeting of the Galway Co. Council I will ask the Co. Engineer to have:
- (a) Closed shore or gullet at Lower Killasulan cleaned up.
 - (b) Closed shore at Fahy's gate Coolowen, Cooloo, cleaned.
- (2) (a) To have road from Moylough four roads to Carnacregg three roads put on the five-year plan for steamrolling.
 (b) To have road leading from Rushes Cross to Horseleap Cross put on the five-years plan.
- (3) I will ask the Co. Manager to have sewerage extended to new houses on Tuam road at Dunmore."

Deputy M. Killilea:

- (n) "I or somebody on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the water main in Dunmore be extended out the Tuam Road so as to make a supply available for the new houses in the Demesne."

11. Other business.

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA GALWAY

OIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIR,

na Foinsiste Condae,

An Bócar Mór, Gaillimh.

14ú Meitheamh, 1955

A CARA,

Cuirim cùisac, leis seo, cóip de Mion-Tuairisci Cruinnige

Comairle Condae (Uimhir 9630-9660) a tionscail ar an 11ú

Meitheamh, 1955

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUAINNÍ,

Rúnaí.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas :-

Sac Dall de Comairle Condae na Gaillimh.

An Cisteoir, An Banc Náisiúna Teo., Gaillimh.

An Olligeadóir Condae.

An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialais.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY
BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 11th JUNE,
1955.

In the Chair : (1) Clr. M. Quinn.

(2) Clr. M. Carty.

Also Present : Clrs. M. A. Ashe, J. O'Dowd, P. Cawley, P. Collins, M. Mannion, J. Flaherty, P. Furey, P. T. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clrs. J. Glynn, M. Higgins, J. Holihan, Deputy M. Killilea, Clrs. T. King, M. F. Kitt, L. O'Toole, Deputy R. Lahiffe, Senator J. Mannion, Clrs. J. McDonagh, M. Mylotte, J. J. Nestor, M. Nicholson, M. O'Donnell, J. J. Ruane, V. P. Shields, P. Sirr and M. Wall.

9630.—Minutes : Minutes of previous meeting to 9629, having been circulated to the members, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

9631.—Rates : It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. P. T. Galvin, and unanimously resolved : "That the Council hereby allow and make the rate for the financial year ending 31st March, 1956, as assessed in the Rate Books. It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. P. T. Galvin and unanimously resolved : "That the Rate Books for Year Ending 31st March, 1956, be signed and sealed with the seal of the Council." The Rate Books were then signed and sealed.

The Rate Arrears List of the Year Ended 31st March, 1955, were submitted and noted. The Secretary gave the following particulars of the rate collection for the Year Ended 31st March, 1955 :—

Lodged to 31/3/1955	£587,368	11	9	96.0805%
Cash on hands	£8,799	9	4	1.4394%
Discount	£649	11	8	.1063%
Arrears Struck Off	£6,112	18	9	1.0010%
Arrears Carried Forward	£8,399	4	8	1.3728%
	£611,329	16	2	100%

9632.—Declaration of Roads : It was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and resolved : "That the Council hereby declare the following roads to be public roads, viz.,

Roads in the new Housing Scheme at Oughterard—length 66 perches, to be linked with Road No. 82 from Oughterard to Glann, making the total length of road No. 82, 2,278 perches."

9633.—Loan for Tuam Water Supply Scheme : It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins, seconded by Deputy Killilea and resolved : "That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Five thousand four hundred and forty Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

9634.—Overdraft : It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on General Account not exceeding £100,000 for Quarter Ending 30th September, 1955."

It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. Flaherty and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on Capital Account not exceeding £41,400 for Quarter Ending 30th September, 1955, pending the obtaining of loan, viz :

- (1) £21,900 in respect of Water Supply and Sewerage Schemes for which overdraft sanction for the current quarter was given in Department of Local Government Letter L.7/3 of the 22/3/1955.
- (2) £4,500 in respect of Loughrea Fair Green and Market and Fair Rights.
- (3) £15,000 in respect of provision of new Dispensaries for which a loan of £28,400 has been sought."

9635.—Clifden Fire Station : The Secretary reported that subject to the Council's approval it was proposed to issue an advertisement inviting tenders for the erection of a Fire station at Clifden on the Courthouse grounds at an estimated cost of £3,670 which would include the provision of an office for the Assistant County Engineer and his clerk.

It was proposed by Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved : "That the Council approved the proposal to provide a Fire Station at Clifden at an estimated cost of £3,670."

9636.—Tourist Roads Grant : On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator J. Mannion, the Council approved the list of proposals for work to be carried out under the Tourist Roads Grant of £55,000 for the year 1955/56, viz :

Route No.	Section No.	Description of Section	Estimate £
1	170	Screebe Carna	8,750 0 0
2	160	Ballinahinch Roundstone Clifden	11,250 0 0
3	10	Clifden Leenane	13,437 10 0
4	140	Cong Maam Cross	
	290	Screebe	11,875 0 0
	150		
5	170	Recess Carna	4,687 10 0
6	180	Barna Spiddal	5,000 0 0
TOTAL :			£55,000 0 0

9637.—University College, Galway : Letter dated 24th May, 1955, from the Registrar, University College, Galway, was submitted, requesting an increase in the amount of the subsidy paid to the College by the Galway County Council which has been £500 a year since 1913.

Mr. M. Quinn, Chairman, proposed that provision be made in the Council's estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1957, for a contribution to University College, Galway, of an amount equivalent to 1d. in the £ on the valuation of the County-at-large in lieu of the present contribution of £500 a year. This proposal was seconded by Clr. Higgins.

Clr. Ruane stated that he would support this proposal provided that the Governing Body of the College would press for the establishment there of a faculty of Agriculture.

Clr. Houlihan considered it unfair to commit the incoming Council to any increased expenditure.

Clr. King suggested that any proposal on the Agenda for this meeting which would involve increased expenditure, should be deferred to the next meeting.

Clr. Sirr suggested an addendum to the resolution requesting the Government to provide a faculty of Agriculture, at University College Galway.

Clr. Galvin and Clr. Ashe supported the Chairman's proposal, which was then approved unanimously.

9638.—Bridges at Kylemore, Clonfert and Lismany : In reply to Clr. O'Dowd's enquiry, the Secretary stated that no communication had been received from the Department of Local Government in regard to the above bridges. Deputy Lahiffe stated that the Minister had received the Deputation and had promised to communicate with the Council.

9639.—Galway Old Age Pensions Committee : It was proposed by Clr. Collins, seconded by Clr. Sirr and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve the extension of the employment of Mr. David Egan as temporary clerk to the County Galway Old Age Pensions Committee from 1st June to 30th November, 1955, inclusive, with remuneration at the rate already approved."

9640.—Road at Annaghdown : It was proposed by Clr. Furey, seconded by Clr. King and resolved : "That the Council request An Bord Failte to allocate a grant for improvement of the road from Annaghdown Church to Annaghdown Abbey."

9641.—Local Elections : It was proposed by Clr. Quinn and seconded by Clr. Nicholson that all County Council road work be closed down on Election day, Thursday, 23rd June, 1955.

Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Sirr, proposed a direct negative.

Clr. Shields and Deputy Killilea considered that it was not necessary to make any special arrangement for County Council workers as compared with other workers.

Clr. Ruane proposed that the road workers be given leave of absence with pay for a half-day on 23rd June, 1955.

Clr. Galvin suggested that the road workers would be let off at a reasonable time in the afternoon, say 5 p.m., which would give them sufficient time to record their votes.

Clr. Collins said he would support a proposal that the workers be given two hours leave on the 23rd June, 1955, without any deduction from their pay.

Clr. Higgins stated that since the occasion arises only once in five years, it would be no hardship on the workers to declare the day a non-working day.

At this stage it was agreed unanimously that the County Manager be requested to approve the closing down of all road works on Election Day, 23rd June, 1955.

9642.—Knocknacarra Water Supply Extension : Clr. Ashe, supported by Clr. McDonagh, requested that provision of the Water Supply to Knocknacarra village be expedited.

9643.—Former Road Ganger P. Corcoran : Clr. Carty proposed, in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 10 (b) (1) that a Local Government Engineering Inspector enquire into the circumstances surrounding the dismissal etc. of Mr. Patrick J. Corcoran, Benmore, Bullaun, Loughrea.

The County Manager stated that he had already investigated this matter ; that in fact Mr. Corcoran had not been dismissed but had left the Council's employment on his own accord ; that if the Council decides on requesting the enquiry by an Engineering Inspector as proposed by Clr. Carty, he (the County Manager) will not raise any objection, although he did not consider that such an enquiry is necessary.

Clr. Carty's proposal was seconded by Clr. Quinn and approved by the Council.

9644.—Derrywee Bridge —Approach Roads : In connection with Notice of Motion No. 10 (b) (2), Clr. Carty pointed out that this matter had been disposed of at the previous meeting.

9645.—Finance Committee and Road Freight Accommodation : In the absence of Clr. Joyce, consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 10 (c) and (d) was adjourned.

9646.—Tuam Cottages—Water and Sewerage : In connection with Deputy Killilea's Notice of Motion No. 10 (e), Mr. Cullinane, C.A.C.E. stated that a rough estimate of the cost of the work is £3,000. Deputy Killilea requested that this work be carried out as soon as possible, and the County Manager intimated that a scheme would be prepared.

9647.—Concrete Works : Deputy Killilea proposed, in accordance with his Notice of Motion 10 (f), that the County Manager be requested to grant extra pay to County Council workers engaged on concrete work, to provide against extra wear and tear of their clothing on such work, and it was decided to refer this matter to the County Manager for his consideration.

9648.—Omnibus Service : It was proposed by Clr. Furey, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved : "That the Council request Coras Iompair Eireann, to provide a half-hourly bus service on the route serving the Galway Central Hospital."

9649.—Dunmore Water and Sewerage Extension : In connection with Notices of Motion, Nos. 10 (h), 10 (i), 10 (m), (3), and 10 (n), it was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. Flaherty and resolved : "That the Council request the County Manager to reconsider the

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provision of the water and sewerage extensions to the new houses on the Tuam road at Dunmore, without requiring the householders to contribute, or, at least, to reduce considerably the contribution already demanded from these people."

CLR. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9650.—Taking over of Roads : It was decided to defer to a Roads Meeting which will be held in December, 1955, consideration of Notices of Motion on this agenda relating to the taking over of roads, viz :

Road at Neal, Killimor—Clr. Carty's Notice of Motion No. 10 (i).

Road from Beehan's House on the Ahascragh-Caltra main road—Clr. Kitt's Notice of Motion No. 10 (k) (2) (a).

Road from Kingston on Ahascragh-Ballinamore Bridge road—Clr. Kitt's Notice of Motion No. 10 (k) (2) (b).

It was decided that all other Councillors should be given an opportunity to submit proposals for consideration at the Roads Meeting which will be held in December, 1955.

9651.—Athenry Swimming Pool : It was proposed by Clr. Ruane in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 10 (j) that a swimming pool be provided at Athenry. Clr. Ruane stated that a local Engineer had given an estimate of £10,000 for this work.

Clr. Carty seconded this proposal on the understanding that the arrangements for the financing of the pool would be left to the incoming Council.

It was proposed by Clr. Sirr, and seconded by Clr. O'Dowd that the swimming pool at Athenry be not provided.

Clr. Ruane stated that a local contribution of £350 approx. would be available.

Clr. Galvin pointed out that a local contribution of £3,000 is available in Ballinasloe, for some years as well as a site for a swimming pool, yet no progress has been made with the provision of a swimming pool there.

It was eventually decided that the matter be investigated and a report be placed before the Council eventually in regard to the cost and the grants, etc. available.

9652.—Fountain at Ballinahattina Hill : In connection with Clr. Kitt's proposal No. 10 (k) (1) the County Engineer's report of the 10th June, 1955, was submitted, giving an estimate of £30 for provision of the fountain at Ballinahattina Hill. This work was approved by the Council.

9653.—Gulleys in Lower Killasolan and Coolowen : In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion 10 (m) (1), the County Engineer reported that he had already made arrangements for the cleaning of both these shores or gulleys. The County Engineer pointed out further that the drains to and from these gulleys which are on private property, should be cleaned or the trouble will recur.

9654.—County Roads—Five-Year Plan : In reply to Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion No. 10 (m) (2) (a), the County Engineer stated that consideration would be given by him to the inclusion of the Moylough Four Roads to Carnacregg Three Roads road on the five-year plan on the next occasion on which the plan would be revised ; that the number of roads proposed for inclusion in this plan is very large.

The County Engineer stated that the road mentioned in Notice of Motion No. 10 (m) (2) (a), viz., from Rushe's Cross to Horseleap Cross is a main road, which, therefore, does not come within the scope of the five-year plan.

9655.—Ancient Monument—Beach Chluain Castle : The County Engineer's report of the 3rd March, 1955, giving an estimate of £150 for repair of Beach Chluain Castle Ancient Monument was submitted and approved, on the proposal of Clr. Quinn, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell.

9656.—Kinvara Dumping Ground : On the proposition of Deputy Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. Kitt, the Council approved the provision of funds in the current year, viz., £140, for the provision of a dumping ground at Kinvara.

Clr. Collins complained of the unsightly condition of the Athenry Dump which is plainly visible from the public road.

9657.—County Councils General Council : Letter, 3rd June, 1955, from the County Councils' General Council requesting notice of matters for the Agenda for next meeting of the General Council was submitted and noted.

9658.—Clerical Staff : On the proposition of Clr. Ruane, seconded by Clr. King, the Council unanimously approved the creation of the following additional offices under the Galway County Council to deal with the work arising from the new Health Services and such other duties as may be assigned to the officers concerned :

- | Additional Clerical Officer.
- | Additional Clerk-Typist.

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9659.—Sympathy : Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following :

The relatives of the late Mrs. Kathleen McCarthy, Matron, Woodlands Sanatorium.

The relatives of the late Right Rev. Dean Crowe, Athlone.

Mr. Brendan Higgins and the Higgins family, Athenry, on the death of Mrs. M. J. Higgins.

Mr. George Glynn, Lydican, Claregalway, on the death of his son.

The relatives of the late Mr. Patrick McDonnell, Fr. Griffin Road, Galway.

The wife and family of the late Mr. Kieran Ridge, Mynish, Carna.

9660.—Miscellaneous : The Chairman thanked the members and the staff for their co-operation with him during the past five years, and expressed his regret that some of the existing Councillors are not seeking re-election, and wished success to those who are seeking re-election.

The following members expressed their thanks to the Chairman and to the officials :

Clrs. O'Donnell, Geoghegan, Furey, Nicholson, Cawley, Nestor, McDonagh, Collins, King, J. Mannion, Glynn, Ruane, O'Dowd, Ashe, and Galvin.

On behalf of the staff, the County Manager thanked the Chairman and Members.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Michael Carr, Chairman.

Date: 6th August, 1955

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Guthan;
Gaillimh 55.

Oifig an Runai,
Bothar Mor,
GAILLIMH.

30adh Meitheamh, 1955.

Chuig gac Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú Bliantuil de
Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na
xithe Connadae, Dáardaoin, 7adh Iul, 1955, ag 12. a chloc, meadhon lae.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Runai.

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1. Election of Chairman for the Year 1955/56. ✓
2. Election of Vice Chairman for the year 1955/56. ✓
3. Appointment of Representatives on:-
 - (a) Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board. ✓
 - (b) Western Health Institutions Board. ✓
 - (c) Galway Harbour Authority. ✓
 - (d) County Councils General Council. ✓
 - (e) Irish Tourist Association. ✓
 - (f) Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees. ✓
4. Appointment of Committees:
 - (a) County Galway Vocational Education Committee. ✓
 - (b) County Committee of Agriculture. ✓
 - (c) Consultative Health Committee. ✓
 - (d) Housing Committee. ✓
 - (e) Visiting Committee for District Institutions ✓
 - (f) County Libraries Committee. ✓
 - (g) National Monuments Advisory Committee. ✓
 - (h) Education (Scholarships) Committee. ✓
5. Appointment of Representatives on Joint Drainage Committees:
 - (a) Shrule Joint Drainage Committee. ✓
 - (b) Lough Mask & River Robe Joint Drainage Committee. ✓
 - (c) Fergus River Joint Drainage Committee. ✓
 - (d) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee. ✓
6. Appointment of Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees. ✓
7. Reconstruction of Galway Fever Hospital - Letter H.11/2/31 of 14/6/55 from the Secretary, Department of Health.

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8. The taking over of Breach Chluain Castle Ancient Monument in accordance with National Monuments Act, 1930.
9. University Scholarships - letter 7/6/55 from the Secretary, Dublin County Council.
10. Galway Regional Hospital Main Block - consideration of Official Opening.
11. Other business.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE NA GALWAY

OIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIR,

NA FOIRNÍOIRTE CONNDÁE,

AN DOGAR MÓR, GALWAY.

12ú Iúil, 1955

A CARRA,

CUIRIM CUZAC, LEIS SEO, CÓIP DE MION-CUAIRSÍ CRUINNÍGE

COMHAIRLE CONNDÁE (UIMHÍR 9661-9682) A CIONÓLÁD AR AN 7ú Iúil, 1955

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó LUATHAÍ,

Rúnaí.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas:—

Seán Dall de Chomhairle Conndáe na Galway.
An Condae Innealltóir.
An Cisteóir, An Banc Náisiúnta Teo., Galway.
An Uilgeadóir Conndáe.
An t-Aire, An Roinn Leasa Sóisialaí.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE
COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON THURSDAY, 7th
JULY, 1955.

Present: Cirs. Ashe, Burke, Canning, Carty, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cirs. Donnellan (James), Donnellan (John), Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cirs. Glynn, Greene, Hanley, J. Joyce, Kelly, Deputy Killilea, Cirs. King, Kitt, Deputy Lahiff, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannion, J., Cirs. Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., SIRR and Wall.

Clr. M. Quinn took the chair pending the election of a Chairman for the coming year and welcomed the new Councillors to the meeting.

Clr. Quinn proposed that when the statutory business of the meeting would be completed all other business would be adjourned to the next meeting of the Council as a mark of respect to Clr. P. Collins on the loss of his brother and that the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Collins. This proposal was seconded by Clr. Carty and approved unanimously.

Clr. Collins thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy.

9661.—ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE: Each of the 31 elected members signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office which was witnessed by the Secretary.

9662.—CHAIRMAN FOR YEAR, 1955/56: It was proposed by Clr. Greene, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and resolved: "that Clr. M. Quinn be elected Chairman of the Council for the year 1955/56."

Clr. Quinn then took the chair and thanked the Council for electing him unanimously to the position of Chairman.

Senator Mannion paid tribute to the manner in which the Chairman had performed his duties in the past and stated that he had given fair play to all parties.

9663.—VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE YEAR, 1955/56: It was proposed by Clr. Ashe and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan that Clr. Michael Carty be elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1955/56.

The appointment of Clr. Patrick Collins to the position of Vice Chairman of the Council for the year 1955/56 was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr. SIRR. A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Clr. Michael Carty: Cirs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. Patrick Collins: Cirs. Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, Ridge, SIRR and Wall.—(12).

Cirs. Burke and Ruane P. did not vote.
The Chairman declared Clr. Michael Carty elected to the position of Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1955/56. Clr. Carty thanked the members for electing him.

9664.—BALLINASLOE MENTAL HOSPITAL BOARD —17 REPRESENTATIVES: The Secretary stated that the number of Representatives to be elected by the Council on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board for the coming year was 17.

It was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. Kitt that the filling of each of the 17 vacancies be taken in turn.

Clr. Collins proposed that the Council come to agreement on a number from each party rather than that the Committees should be dominated by one party. Clr. Galvin suggested that the Fianna Fail members should nominate Representatives for the first six vacancies which would be filled without division and that if necessary the remaining vacancies would be contested.

It was proposed by Senator Mannion and seconded by Clr. Kelly that Fianna Fail members be appointed to fill 12 of the vacancies and that the remaining five be filled from other parties.

Senator Mannion proposed and Clr. Kelly seconded that the Council do not proceed with the filling of each vacancy individually.

The Chairman pointed out that until members were proposed it was not possible to say to what extent the vacancies would be contested and that the clearest method would be to deal with each individual vacancy. It was therefore decided to fill each vacancy in turn.

1st Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. Wm. Burke was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

2nd Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. Quinn was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and approved.

3rd Vacancy: The appointment of Deputy M. Killilea was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Ashe and approved.

4th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. T. King was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

5th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. J. Ruane was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Glynn and approved.

6th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. J. Glynn was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell, seconded by Clr. King and approved.

7th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. O'Donnell was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

8th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. P. Collins was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr. Killilea.

The appointment of Clr. M. Mannion to this vacancy was proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. Carty.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Clr. P. Collins: Cirs. Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, SIRR and Wall.—(11).

For Clr. M. Mannion: Cirs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(17).

Cirs. Burke, Ruane P. and Ridge did not vote.
The Chairman declared Clr. M. Mannion appointed to fill the 8th Vacancy.

9th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. T. Hanley was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

The appointment of Clr. M. Wall was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr. Flaherty.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Clr. T. Hanley: Cirs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn, and Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. M. Wall: Cirs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, SIRR and Wall.—(12).

Cirs. Ruane P. and Ridge did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. T. Hanley appointed to fill the 9th Vacancy.

10th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. Kitt was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. Ashe.

The appointment of Clr. P. SIRR was proposed by Senator Mannion and seconded by Clr. Collins.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Clr. M. Kitt: Cirs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. P. SIRR: Cirs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, SIRR and Wall.—(12).

Cirs. Ruane P. and Ridge did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. Kitt appointed to fill the 10th Vacancy.

11th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. Ashe was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

The appointment of Clr. P. Kelly was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr. Canning.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Clr. M. Ashe: Cirs. Ashe, Burke, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(18).

For Clr. P. Kelly: Cirs. Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, SIRR and Wall.—(11).

Cirs. Ruane P. and Ridge did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. Ashe appointed to fill the 11th Vacancy.

12th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. P. Greene was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. King.

The appointment of Clr. J. Lambert was proposed by Clr. Canning and seconded by Clr. Kelly.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Clr. P. Greene: Clr. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn, Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. J. Lambert: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, Sirr and Wall.—(12).

Clrs. Ruane P. and Ridge did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. P. Greene appointed to fill the 12th Vacancy.

13th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. P. Collins, was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

14th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. J. Dowd (Jnr.) was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and approved.

15th Vacancy: The appointment of Deputy R. Lahiff was proposed by Clr. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Ashe and approved.

16th and 17th Vacancies: The appointments of Deputy J. Geoghegan and Clr. M. Wall to fill the 16th and 17th Vacancies were proposed by Clrs. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and approved.

9665.—WESTERN HEALTH INSTITUTIONS BOARD—2 REPRESENTATIVES: The appointment of Clr. M. Quinn to fill the first vacancy was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

The appointment of Clr. M. A. Ashe to fill the second vacancy was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

The appointment of Deputy F. Coogan to fill this vacancy was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr. Canning.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Clr. M. Ashe: Clrs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn, and Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. F. Coogan: Clrs. Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, Ridge, Sirr and Wall.—(12).

Clrs. Burke and Ruane P. did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. Ashe appointed to fill the second Vacancy.

9666.—GALWAY HARBOUR AUTHORITY—3 REPRESENTATIVES:

1st Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. Quinn was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

2nd Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. King was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. O'Donnell.

The appointment of Deputy Coogan was proposed by Senator

Mannion and seconded by Clr. Kelly.

A vote taken resulted as follows:

For Clr. T. King: Clrs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. F. Coogan: Clrs. Canning, Collins, Coogan, Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion J., Kelly, Lambert, Ridge, Sirr and Wall.—(12).

Clrs. Burke and Ruane P. did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. King appointed to fill the 2nd vacancy.

3rd Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. A. Ashe was proposed by Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

The appointment of Clr. P. Kelly was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr. Flaherty.

The result of a vote taken was similar to that for the second vacancy, viz:—

17 for Clr. Ashe.

12 for Clr. Kelly and 2 members not voting.

The Chairman declared Clr. Ashe appointed to fill the 3rd Vacancy.

9667.—COUNTY COUNCILS GENERAL COUNCIL—3 REPRESENTATIVES:

1st Vacancy: The appointment of Deputy M. Killilea to fill the first vacancy was proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

2nd Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. Kitt to fill the second vacancy was proposed by Clr. Ashe, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

3rd Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. M. Quinn to fill the 3rd Vacancy was proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Carty.

The appointment of Senator J. Mannion to this vacancy was proposed by Clr. Flaherty and seconded by Clr. Coogan.

Senator Mannion requested that his name be withdrawn and Clr. Quinn was therefore appointed to fill the 3rd vacancy.

9668.—IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION—1 REPRESENTATIVE: The appointment of Clr. J. Glynn to represent the Council on the Irish Tourist Association was proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. Ashe.

The appointment of Senator J. Mannion to fill this vacancy was proposed by Clr. Flaherty and seconded by Clr. Kelly.

Senator Mannion stated that he considered that the Council's Representative on the Irish Tourist Association should be from Connemara and that he would support a proposal to appoint a member from Connemara irrespective of the party to which that member belonged.

Clr. King stated that the Council is given representation on the Irish Tourist Association as a result of contribution which the Council makes to the funds of the Association—not because Galway is a tourist region.

The result of a vote taken was similar to that for the filling of the 2nd and 3rd vacancies on the Galway Harbour Authority, viz:—

17 for Clr. J. Glynn.

12 for Senator Mannion and 2 members not voting.

The Chairman declared Clr. J. Glynn appointed to represent the Council on the Irish Tourist Association.

9669.—LOUGH CORRIB NAVIGATION TRUSTEES—2 REPRESENTATIVES:

1st Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. John Donnellan to fill the first vacancy was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and approved.

2nd Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. T. King to fill the second vacancy was proposed by Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

The appointment of Clr. P. Kelly to fill this vacancy was proposed by Clr. Coogan and seconded by Clr. Flaherty.

The result of a vote taken was similar to that for the appointment of a Representative on the Irish Tourist Association viz:—

17 for Clr. King.

12 for Clr. Kelly and 2 members not voting.

The Chairman declared Clr. T. King appointed to fill the second vacancy.

9670.—COUNTY GALWAY VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE—14 MEMBERS:

1st Six Vacancies: The appointments of the following six members were approved unanimously.

1st Vacancy: Very Rev. M. Canon Brennan, P.P., Ahascragh, proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. Carty.

2nd Vacancy: Prof. Liam O Buachalla, Taylor's Hill, Galway—proposed by Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. Carty.

3rd Vacancy: Clr. M. Quinn, Cloonaallis, Woodlawn—proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. Ashe.

4th Vacancy: Clr. M. Kitt, Lehanagh, Castleblakeney—proposed by Deputy Lahiff and seconded by Clr. King.

5th Vacancy: Clr. M. Carty, Abbey Street, Loughrea—proposed by Clr. O'Donnell, and seconded by Clr. King.

6th Vacancy: Clr. J. Ruane, Northgate Street, Athenry—proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Carty.

7th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. P. Galvin was proposed by Clr. Flaherty and seconded by Clr. Kelly.

The appointment of Mr. M. J. Higgins, Gurtyloughlin, Moycullen was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

17 for Mr. Higgins.

12 for Clr. P. Galvin and two members not voting, the members voting and those abstaining being the same as those in

the case of the vote for the filling of the 3rd vacancy on the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees.

The Chairman declared Mr. Higgins appointed to fill the 7th vacancy.

8th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. T. King was proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. Carty.

The appointment of Clr. Sirr was proposed by Clr. Galvin and seconded by Clr. Flaherty.

The result of vote taken was similar to that for the 7th vacancy, viz:—

17 for Clr. King.

12 for Clr. Sirr and two members not voting.

The Chairman declared Clr. King appointed to fill the 8th vacancy.

9th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. O'Donnell was proposed by Clr. Glynn seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

Clr. P. Kelly stated that all the vacancies filled so far with the exception of two had been filled by Fianna Fail members and Clr. Kelly then left the meeting.

10th, 11th and 12th Vacancies: The 10th, 11th and 12th vacancies were filled as follows:—

10th Vacancy: Clr. P. D. Joyce, Main Street, Clifden—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

11th Vacancy: Mr. Denis J. Murphy, Tuam—proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

12th Vacancy: Mr. M. Gohery, Mullagh, Kilrickle, Loughrea—proposed by Clr. Lahiff, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

At this stage Senator Mannion stated that it would be futile for the opposition to contest any further vacancies and that therefore he would withdraw from the remainder of the proceedings.

13th Vacancy: The appointment of Mr. Mark Lohan, N.T., Mountbellew was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ashe and approved.

14th Vacancy: The appointment of Mr. Patrick Treacy, Kiltula, Glenamaddy was proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

The appointment of Mr. Colm MacDoncadha, Lettermore was proposed by Clr. Ridge and seconded by Clr. Galvin.

Clr. Collins protested strongly against the treatment of the minority party of the Council in the appointment of members of Committees, etc.

Clr. Galvin stated that he would take no further part in the proceedings of the meeting.

Clr. James Donnellan expressed his disappointment and stated that he also would withdraw.

At this stage Clrs. Flaherty, Donnellan James, Galvin, Mannion John and Sirr withdrew from the Council Chamber.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Treacy: Clrs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanley, Lahiff,

Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(17).
For Mr. MacDoncatha: Crs. Ridge and Wall.—(2).
 The following members did not vote viz:—
 Crs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Lambert and Ruane P.
 The Chairman declared Mr. Treacy appointed to fill the 14th vacancy.

9671.—COUNTY GALWAY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE—20 MEMBERS:

1st to 9th Vacancies: The appointments of the following to fill the first nine vacancies were approved:—

1st Vacancy: Clr. M. Quinn, proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

2nd Vacancy: Clr. J. Ruane, proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Ashe.

3rd Vacancy: Clr. T. King, proposed by Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. Carty.

4th Vacancy: Deputy M. Killilea, proposed by Deputy Lahiff and seconded by Clr. Ashe.

5th Vacancy: Clr. P. D. Joyce, proposed by Clr. O'Donnell and seconded by Clr. Carty.

6th Vacancy: Clr. J. Dowd, proposed by Clr. Carty and seconded by Clr. King.

7th Vacancy: Deputy R. Lahiff, proposed by Clr. Kitt and seconded by Clr. Carty.

8th Vacancy: Clr. T. Hanley, proposed by Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. Carty.

9th Vacancy: Clr. M. A. Ashe, proposed by Clr. King and seconded by Clr. Kitt.

10th Vacancy: The appointment of Mr. Thomas Feeney, Corbally, Cummer, was proposed by Deputy Lahiff and seconded by Clr. Carty.

The appointment of Clr. Pat Ruane was proposed by Clr. Burke and seconded by Clr. Wall.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Thos. Feeney: Crs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan, John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanly, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. P. Ruane: Crs. Burke, Collins, Ruane P., Ridge and Wall.—(5). Crs. Canning, Coogan and Lambert did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Feeney appointed to fill the 10th vacancy.

11th Vacancy: The appointment of Clr. J. Glynn was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and approved.

12th Vacancy: The appointment of Mr. Laurence O'Toole, Derryherbert, Tullycross, Renvyle, was proposed by Clr. O'Donnell and seconded by Clr. Carty.

The appointment of Clr. W. Burke was proposed by Clr. Wall and seconded by Clr. Ruane.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. L. O'Toole: Crs. Ashe, Carty, Geoghegan, Glynn, Donnellan, John, Dowd, Greene, Killilea, King, Kitt, Hanly, Lahiff, Joyce, Mannion M., O'Donnell, Quinn and Ruane J.—(17).

For Clr. Burke: Crs. Burke, Collins, Ruane P., and Wall.—(4). Crs. Canning, Coogan and Lambert did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. O'Toole appointed to fill the 12th vacancy.

13th to 20th Vacancies: The remaining vacancies were filled as follows:—

13th Vacancy: Clr. P. Collins, proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

14th Vacancy: Clr. J. Flaherty proposed by Deputy Lahiff, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

15th Vacancy: Mr. M. Smith, Killaspic, Kilchreest, Loughrea, proposed by Clr. Carty seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

16th Vacancy: Mr. Martin Connolly, Gurtaboy, Kinvara proposed by Deputy Lahiff, seconded by Clr. Ashe and approved.

17th Vacancy: Mr. M. Nicholson, Danganbeg, Derreen, Ballyglunin proposed by Clr. Glynn seconded by Clr. King and approved.

18th Vacancy: Mr. Pat Colleran, Ballygar proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

19th Vacancy: Rev. Bro. Murdock, Principal, Agricultural College, Mountbellew or the Principal of the College for the time being—proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and approved.

20th Vacancy: Mr. Eugene Curley, Clontuskert proposed by Clr. Dowd, seconded by Clr. Quinn and approved.

9672.—CONSULTATIVE HEALTH COMMITTEE—10 MEMBERS: Letters from the Dental Association, the Pharmaceutical Society and the Nurses Organisation were submitted requesting representation on the committee. It was proposed by Deputy Lahiff, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved "that the following be appointed members of the Consultative Health Committee for the County Galway:—

Crs. M. Quinn, M. O'Donnell, T. King, M. Carty, M. Wall, and Senator J. Mannion, Doctor C. F. MacConn, County Medical Officer, Surgeon M. G. O'Malley, Galway Central Hospital and two Doctors to be nominated by the Galway Branch of the Irish Medical Association.

9673.—HOUSING COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved "that the Housing Committee shall consist of all the members of the County Council sitting in Committee when necessary."

9674.—VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS: The appointment of Crs. M. Quinn, M. Kitt and J. Dowd as members of the Visiting Committee for District Institu-

tions was proposed by Deputy Lahiff, seconded by Clr. Kitt and approved.

The appointment of Crs. M. A. Ashe, John Donnellan and T. King together with the Mayor of Galway for the time being was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Deputy Lahiff and approved.

The appointment of Crs. M. Carty, J. Ruane and Deputy Lahiff was proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Ashe and approved.

The appointment of Senator J. Mannion, Clr. O'Donnell and Deputy Geoghegan was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. King and approved.

The appointment of Deputy Killilea, Clr. M. Mannion and Clr. J. Glynn was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ashe and approved.

9675.—COUNTY LIBRARY COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Deputy Lahiff seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved "that the County Library Committee shall consist of 22 members."

The appointment of the following to fill the vacancies was approved:—

1st Vacancy: Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn, Galway, proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Dowd.

2nd Vacancy: Rev. Fr. M. McDonagh, President, St. Mary's College, Galway, proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

3rd Vacancy: Clr. J. Ruane proposed by Deputy Lahiff, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell.

4th Vacancy: Clr. M. Carty proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

5th Vacancy: Mr. Frank Mullin, N. T., Woodford—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Hanley.

6th Vacancy: Mr. Seamus Layng, Abbey Street, Portumna—proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Dowd.

7th Vacancy: Clr. John Glynn—proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

8th Vacancy: Clr. M. Mannion—proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty.

9th Vacancy: Mr. J. A. O'Connell, Solicitor, Tuam—proposed by Clr. O'Donnell seconded by Clr. Ashe.

10th Vacancy: Mr. James J. Nestor, Dunmore—proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

(Deputy Killilea was proposed for this vacancy but requested that his name be withdrawn in favour of that of Mr. Nestor).

11th Vacancy: Clr. M. Kitt—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

12th Vacancy: Clr. J. Dowd—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell.

13th Vacancy: Clr. P. T. Galvin—proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Kitt.

14th Vacancy: Mr. Tadhg O'Shea, N.T., Rossaveel—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell.

15th Vacancy: Clr. M. Quinn—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt.

16th Vacancy: Mr. Thomas Clarke, Carraroe—proposed by Clr. O'Donnell, seconded by Clr. Carty.

(Miss Bridget Kennedy, N.T., Creggs, was proposed for this vacancy by Clr. P. Ruane, seconded by Clr. Burke. Mr. Ruane withdrew the proposal stating that there was no use in contesting it.)

17th Vacancy: Clr. T. King—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

18th Vacancy: Mr. Michael Higgins, Gurtyloughlin, Moycullen—proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

19th Vacancy: Mr. Sean Moroney, N.T., Barna—proposed by Clr. O'Donnell, seconded by Clr. Donnellan.

20th Vacancy: Mairtin Breathnach, N.T., San Antonio Terrace, Salthill, Galway—proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ashe.

21st Vacancy: Mr. Richard Joyce, Clifden—proposed by Clr. Glynn and seconded by Clr. King.

22nd Vacancy: Mr. L. O'Toole, Derryherbert, Tullycross, Renvyle—proposed by Clr. O'Donnell, seconded by Clr. Carty.

9676.—NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved "that the following be appointed to form the National Monuments Advisory Committee proper for the year, 1955/56:—

Lord Killanin, Dr. T. B. Costello, Tuam, Prof. M. Duignan Galway, An t-Athair Eric Mac Fhinn, Galway, Rev. Fr. Egan, C.C., Ballinasloe" and that the following be appointed Honorary members of the Committee on the understanding that they will not be entitled to vote at meetings or to payment of travelling expenses for attendance at meetings:—

Rev. Fr. Crehan, P.P., Mr. P. Fahy, Tulyra, Ardahan, Mr. H. McGlory, Fr. Griffin Road, Galway, Mr. J. M. G. Sweeney, Solicitor, Athenry, Prof. Liam O Buachaille, Galway, Mr. J. A. O'Connell, Solicitor, Tuam.

9677.—EDUCATION (SCHOLARSHIPS) COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Deputy Lahiff, seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved "that the following be appointed members of the Education (Scholarships) Committee for the year 1955/56:—

Crs. M. Quinn, M. Kitt, M. Carty, John Donnellan, T. King and M. A. Ashe; Prof. P. Larkin, University College, Galway; Rev. Fr. M. McDonagh, President, St. Mary's College, Galway; Rev. President of St. Joseph's College, Garbally, Ballinasloe; The Rector, St. Ignatius College, Galway; Rev. President, St. Jarlath's College, Tuam; Rev. Bro. Superior, St. Joseph's Seminary, Galway; Head Master, De-La-Salle School, Loughrea; Head Master, St. Francis' Secondary School, Clifden; Mr. T. Murphy, N.T., Corgory, Mountbellew; Mr. M. Hogan, N.T., Carr; Ballinasloe; Mr. Thomas

Fitzgerald, N.T., Castlefrench, Ballinamore Bridge, Ballinasloe; Head Master, Christian Brothers Secondary School, Tuam; Head Master, Secondary School, Ballygar; Mr. Hans, ex-N.T., Moylough.

9678.—RIVER SHRULE JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved "that the following be appointed to represent the Council on the Shrule Joint Drainage Committee, viz:—
Clrs. T. King, M. Killilea and J. Glynn. Mr. Patrick Furey, Currandulla and a fifth member to be appointed at a subsequent meeting in place of Mr. Patrick Kyne deceased.

9679.—LOUGHS MASK & RIVER ROBE DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved "that the following be appointed to represent the Council on the Lough Mask & River Robe Joint Drainage Committee:—
Clr. J. Glynn, Williamstown, Mr. J. J. Nestor, Dunmore.

9679A.—FERGUS RIVER JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty and resolved "that Deputy R. Lahiff and Clr. T. Hanley be appointed to represent the Council on the Fergus River Joint Drainage Committee.

9680.—RIVER SUCK JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Kitt and resolved "that Clrs. M. Kitt, J. Glynn, P. Sirr, M. Wall, M. Mannion, and Mr. Patrick Colleran, Ballygar, be appointed to represent the County Council on the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee.

9681.—SEALING OF DOCUMENTS: It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Deputy Killilea and resolved "that the Council hereby nominate Clrs. M. A. Ashe, or Fintan Coogan, or John Donnellan, or Peter Greene, or Peter Kelly, or Thomas King, or Patrick Ruane, to witness the fixing of the Official Seal of the Council to documents, in accordance with Section 17 (5) of the County Management Act, 1940.

9682.—SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were adopted un-
animously with the relatives of the late Mr. Patrick Cahill, Loughrea, and with Mr. Michael Higgins, Gurtyloughlin on the death of his Mother in law. On the suggestion of Deputy Killilea it was decided to put on the agenda for consideration at next Meeting the question of restricting the adjournment of Meetings as a token of sympathy.

In accordance with the terms of the resolution of sympathy with Mr. Patrick Collins consideration of all other business on the Agenda was adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Michael Carty
Chairman

Date: 6th August, 1955

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

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29adh Iul, 1955.

Chuig gao Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, Dia Sathairn, 6adh Lughnasa, ag 12.30.p.m., a ohlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Appointment of members of Old Age Pension Sub-Committees.
3. River Shrule Joint Drainage Committee - appointment of fifth representative.
4. Consultative Health Committee - Letter 19. 7. 1955 from the Irish Nurses' Organisation.
5. Request from Galway Corporation for representation on a roads Sub-Committee to deal with Urban Roads.
6. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan of £200 for Tuam Town Commissioners.
7. Main Road Improvement Grant - Schemes proposed for 1955/56.
8. Revision of Fishing Amenities at Oughterard under Bord Failte Grant, £1160.
9. Raising of loan of £3,500 for provision of a Water Feeder for Fire Service.
10. Appointment of a deputy rate collector during the absence of the Rate Collector for No: 21 district on sick leave.
11. Reconstruction of Galway Fever Hospital - Letter H.11/2/31 of 15. 6. 55 from the Secretary, Department of Health.
12. Galway Regional Hospital, Main Block - official opening.
13. The taking over of Breach Chluain Castle ancient monument in accordance with National Monuments Act, 1930.
14. University Scholarships - Letter 7. 6. 55 from the Secretary, Dublin County Council.
15. The City and County Management Amendment Act, 1955.
16. Councillors' Notices of Motion:

(a) Clr. M. O Domhnaill: "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I will request the Co. Engineer to carry out repairs already sanctioned to Lettercallow

over/

Waterworks immediately".

- (b) Clr. M. Kitt: "At the next meeting of Galway Co. Council I will propose that the County Council Supplementary Grants for the building of new houses, for reconstruction and for the provision of water and sewerage facilities be continued by this Council to the 31st March, 1956, for rural and urban areas", and
Clr. J. Flaherty: "I or someone on my behalf will propose that the Housing Grants given by the Co. Council be continued until the 31/3/56."
- (c) Clr. P. Kelly: (1) "I or someone on behalf, will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the Secretary supply to the Press and the members of the Council the amount of expenses paid to each Councillor from 1st March, 1954 to 31st March, 1955 together with particulars how same were incurred.
(2) I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the Secretary supply to the Press and the members of the Council the amount of poundage paid to each Rate Collector from 1st March 1954 to 31st March 1955.
(3) I, or someone on my behalf, will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the next appointment of rate collector be made on a salary basis by competitive examinations with leaving certificate standard.
(4) I, or someone on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that the said Council take immediate steps to support Galway University College in its request to have a chair of Agriculture established there."
- (d) Senator J. Mannion: (1) "I will move that Public Lighting be provided for the town of Roundstone.
(2) That a public latrine be erected in Roundstone."
- (e) Deputy R. Lahiff:
(1) "That the possibility of erecting a pump at Ballyturn, Gort be examined.
(2) That the road from Maree Cross Roads to Tawin be rolled.
(3) That the road from main trunk road at Ballyturn leading to Gort-Scarriff trunk road at Inchaboy be considered for five year plan for rolling."
- (f) Clr. J. Dowd: (1) I will ask the Council to approve the taking over of the Lismany and Kylemore Bridges.
(2) I will ask the Council to take over all derelict sites at Eyrecourt and Laurencetown."

- 17. Members' Questions.
- 18. Other business.

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILLIME

OIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIR,
NA FOIRNISIÚCE CONDAE,
AN DÓGAR MÓR, SAILLIM.
6AO MEÁN FOMHAR, 1955

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LUGHNASA, 1955

Mise, Le meas,
L. O'LUANAR,
RÚNAÍOIR.

Cun na ndaoine seo leanas :-

SAC DALL DE COMAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILLIME.
AN CONDAE INNEALTOIR.
AN CISEOIR, AN DANC NAISÍONCA TEO., SAILLIM.
AN OLISEAOIR CONDAE.
AN U-ÁIRE, AN ROINN LEABA SOISIALAIS.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, on SATURDAY, 6th AUGUST, 1955.

IN THE CHAIR : (1) Clr. M. Carty.
(2) Clr. M. Quinn.

PRESENT : Clrs. Ashe, Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Donnellan (James) Donnellan (John), Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Green, Hanley, Joyce, Kelly, Deputy Killilea, Clrs. King, Kitt, Deputy Lahiff, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannion, J., Clrs. Mannion, M., O'Donnell, Ridge, Ruane, J., Ruane, P., Sirr and Wall.

9683.—MINUTES : The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 9682 having been circulated to the members were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

CLR. QUIN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

9684.—OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES :

Ardrahan : It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. Lambert and resolved : "That the following existing members of the Ardrahan O.A.P. Sub-Committee be reappointed for 1955/56, viz :— Messrs. M. Dolan, N.T., J. J. Whiriskey, T. Tarpey, P. Hawley, J. Higgins, T. Lahiffe, M. Manto, R. Taylor, D. Monaghan and C. Bradley and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee, viz :— Dr. P. D. O'Beirne, Messrs. M. Fallon, P. Nilan, J. McInerney, Jr., and J. Geoghegan.

Clifden : It was proposed by Senator Mannion, seconded by Clr. Joyce and resolved : "That the following existing members of the Clifden O.A.P. Sub-Committee be reappointed for 1955/56, viz :— Messrs. J. J. Casey, P. McInerney, R. Joyce, H. Sullivan and Senator J. Mannion and the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee, viz :— Messrs. B. Ludden, E. Guy, E. Sullivan, T. Moran, P. D. Joyce and P. Stanley."

Gort : It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. Lambert and resolved : "That the following existing members of the Gort O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56, viz., Messrs. J. O'Connor, P. Fahy, N.T., P. O'Connor, J. Stanford, E. Roche, P. Lally, P. Loughrey, J. Cahill, J. Moylan, J. Forde, M. Reilly, T. Burke and P. Burke, and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee viz :— Messrs. J. Rochford, T. Considine, T. Lambert and J. Keane."

Kinvara : It was proposed by Deputy Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. Lambert and resolved : "That the following existing members of the Kinvara O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56 viz :— Messrs. T. Donlon, N.T., T. Reidy, M. Connolly, S. Keane, M. Regan, M. Hynes, P. Fahy, P. Curtin, B. Hanlon and P. O'Loughlin, and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee, viz :— Very Rev. Canon Garaghy, P.P., Rev. B. Mulkerrins, C.C., and Messrs. T. Johnson, M. Tully, R. Johnson, J. J. O'Shaughnessy, J. Quinn, M. Corless, P. J. O'Loughlin, B. Murphy and K. Moylan, N.T."

Loughrea : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. Ruane and resolved : "That the following existing members of the Loughrea O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56 viz :— Messrs. Cronin, Morrissey, Downey, Mannion, Smyth, Kennedy, Melvin, Dolphin, Copney, O'Regan, Moylan, J. J. Ruane, Burke and Doyle and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee viz :— Messrs. M. Newell, J. Clarke, T. L. O'Brien, M. Hynes, P. Coy, W. Glynn and M. Carty."

Mountbellew : It was proposed by Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Collins and resolved : "That the following be appointed members of the Mountbellew O.A.P. Sub-Committee for 1955/56 viz :— Messrs. J. Greaney, T. Fleming, M. Cunningham, T. Kitt, J. Lawless, T. Glynn, J. Hogan, J. Fitzmaurice, P. Hennelly, T. O'Neill, J. Gormally, J. Martin, J. Donnellan, P. Collieran, J. Hogan, E. Gilmore, J. McGuire, J. Connolly and Clrs. Collins, Kitt, M. Mannion and Wall."

Portumna : It was proposed by Clr. Canning, seconded by Clr. Hanley and resolved : "That the following be appointed members of the Portumna O.A.P. Sub-Committee for 1955/56 viz :— Very Rev. Fr. Bowes, P.P., Very Rev. Fr. Jennings, P.P., Messrs. J. Layng, T. Horan, P. Nevin, T. Treacy, P. P. Burke, W. Keighery, P. Smyth, W. Lynch, J. Nevin, P. Felle and M. Kelly."

Spiddal : It was proposed by Clr. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and resolved : "That the following be appointed members of the Spiddal O.A.P. Sub-Committee for 1955/56, viz :— Sean O Domhnallain, Mairtin O tUirisc, Padraic O Cosdeala, Eamonn Breathnach, Tadhg O Cualann, Tomas Mac an tSaoir, Tomas O Coisdeala, Tadhg O Flaitheartaigh and Erwin O'Toole."

Roundstone No. 1 : It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and resolved : "That the existing members of the Roundstone No. 1 O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56 and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee viz :— Rev. Fr. Diskin, C.C., Roundstone, Rev. Fr. Keane, C.C., Cashel and Rev. Fr. McDermott, C.C., Ballinafad."

Roundstone No. 2 : It was proposed by Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and resolved : "That the existing members, except Messrs. Martin Moran and the late Martin Cloherty, of the Roundstone No. 2 O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56 and the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee viz : Very Rev. Fr. O'Donoghue, P.P., Carna, Rev. Fr. Carter, C.C., Rev. Fr. McLoughlin and Messrs. M. Moran, Jr., Carna and Val Geary (Val), Letterdeskert, Carna."

Tuam : It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. King and resolved : "That the existing members, except the following deceased viz :— Messrs. P. Kelly, J. Moran and J. McHugh, of the Tuam O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56 and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee viz :— Messrs. J. McDonagh, P. Murphy, M. J. McHugh and Clr. T. King."

Dunmore : It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Clr. Flaherty and resolved, "That the existing members, except Messrs. K. Kilgariff and T. Flaherty, of the Dunmore O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56 and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee viz :— Messrs. J. Greaney, M. J. Brennan, T. Lally and J. Connelly."

Glenamaddy : It was proposed by Clr. Sirr, seconded by Clr. Flaherty and resolved, "That the existing members of the Glenamaddy O.A.P. Sub-Committee be re-appointed for 1955/56 and that the following new members be appointed on the sub-committee viz :— Messrs. J. Gibbons and M. Keaveney."

General : It was proposed by Clr. Carty, seconded by Clr. O'Donnell and resolved : "That subject to the additions etc. approved above, the existing members of the various O.A.P. Sub-Committees be re-appointed for the year 1955/56."

Deputy Geoghegan stated that the district of the Committee serving Lettermore was too large and that it should be divided.

9685.—**RIVER SHRULE JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE** : It was proposed by Clr. King, seconded by Clr. Ashe and resolved : "That Mr. Edmund Kyne, Rusheen West, Clonbur, be appointed a member of the Shrule Joint Drainage Committee to represent the Galway County Council in addition to the four members already appointed."

9686.—**CONSULTATIVE HEALTH COMMITTEE** : Letter dated the 19th July, 1955, from the Irish Nurses' Organization was submitted, again requesting representation on the Committee and asking what objection the County Council had to such representation. It was decided to make no change in the membership as already approved.

9687.—**REQUEST FROM GALWAY CORPORATION FOR REPRESENTATION ON A ROADS SUB-COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH URBAN ROADS** : Copy of resolution dated 25th July, 1955, from Galway Corporation was submitted. It was agreed to allow two members of the Galway Corporation together with the Town Clerk and Borough Surveyor to attend the annual roads meeting.

9688.—**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS—LOAN OF £200** : It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Wall and resolved : "That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated the 31st of May, 1955, of the Minister for Local Government the sum of £200 be borrowed from the National Bank Ltd., Galway, for the purpose of installing ranges in houses owned by the Tuam Town Commissioners to be repaid within five years with interest at the usual rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such advances as in said Letter of Sanction provided, the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates and that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the said Mortgage to the National Bank Limited."

9689.—**MAIN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT—SCHEMES PROPOSED FOR 1955/56** : It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Kelly and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve of the Main Road Improvement Grant Schemes submitted by the County Engineer for 1955/56."

9690.—**PROVISION OF FISHING AMENITIES AT OUGHTERARD UNDER BORD FAILTE GRANT OF £1,160** : Letters dated 11th and 19th July, 1955, from Bord Failte were submitted, notifying grant of £1,160 for the provision of the following amenities at Oughterard :— Road and Car Park £410; Septic Tank £60, Toilets and Shelter £600, Seating along riverside £90. The proposals were approved.

9691.—**PROVISION OF WATER TENDER FOR FIRE SERVICE : LOAN £3,500** : It was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Galvin and resolved : "That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £3,500 from the Commissioners of Public Works or from such other source as may be approved by the Minister for Local Government for purchase of a Water Tender for the Galway County Fire Service, the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of ten years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

9692.—**RATE COLLECTOR, No. 21 DISTRICT** : On the proposition of Clr. Kitt, seconded by Clr. Carty, the Council approved the granting of sick leave to Mr. Martin Finnerty, Rate Collector, No. 21 District, for a period of six months from 19th May, 1955, and approved the appointment of Mr. Michael Cahill, Canal Road, Galway, as Deputy Rate Collector, No. 21 District, during that period.

9693.—**RATE COLLECTOR, No. 27 DISTRICT** : On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Ashe, the Council approved the granting of sick leave to Mr. Michael J. Kyne, Rate Collector No. 27 District for a period of six months from the 25th July, 1955, and approved the appointment of Mr. Patrick O'Malley, Maam, Co. Galway, as Deputy Rate Collector No. 27 District during that period.

9694.—**RECONSTRUCTION OF GALWAY FEVER HOSPITAL** : Letter H.11/2/31 of the 14th June, 1955, from the Secretary, Department of Health, was submitted suggesting that the scheme proposed for the Fever Unit, Galway Central Hospital, should be modified so as to reduce the estimated cost from £47,000 to about £38,000 and stating that no grant would be available for the work. The abridged scheme costing £38,000 was approved by the Council on the proposal of Clr. Kelly, seconded by Deputy Coogan.

9695.—**GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL, MAIN BLOCK—OFFICIAL OPENING** : Letter dated 8th June, 1955, was submitted from the County Manager advising the Council that the Galway Regional General Hospital would be substantially completed by September and suggesting that the official opening be arranged for that month. The Council, on the proposal of the Chairman and seconded by Senator Mannion invited the Minister for Health and the Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of each County Council in Connacht to attend for the official opening on a date to be agreed upon during the month of September, 1955.

9696.—**NATIONAL MONUMENTS ACT, 1930—TAKING OVER OF BREACH CHLUAIN CASTLE** : The Council on the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. O'Dowd approved the taking over of Breach Chluain Castle.

9697.—**SCHOLARSHIPS** : Letter dated 7th June, 1955, from the Secretary, Dublin County Council, was submitted regarding the residence qualifications in the University, Secondary and Vocational Scholarships Schemes. It was decided to refer the letter to the Education (Scholarships) Committee.

9698.—**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE** : Section 7 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955, was considered regarding the appointment of an Estimates Committee. As it was noted that the Minister for Local Government had promised to prepare a memorandum setting out briefly the powers and duties of members of local authorities under the City and County Management Acts, and to circulate it to the individual members in the very near future, it was decided to postpone consideration of the appointment of an Estimates Committee until after receipt of the memorandum.