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**2. - VESTING SCHEME FOR COTTAGES:** The Assistant County Manager stated that a vesting scheme for cottages not covered by the existing scheme, is being prepared and that it is proposed that the annuity will be 75% of the basic rent except in the case of cottages subject to differential rent, in which case the annuity would be 50% of the maximum differential rent; that the new scheme will include all additional cottages which were not included in the previous schemes and will also include all cottages in the old schemes for which the rents have changed or which were vested and recovered later by the Council by court order.

DEPUTY CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

**3. - SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS:** A statement was submitted showing that the total number of applications received, was 8,342; that of those grants had been approved for 7,022 cases, refused for 1,039 and that the number of cases not yet disposed of is 281.

The statement showed that the total amount involved in meeting the 7,022 grant sanctioned is £934,787; that the amount already paid in respect of supplementary grants is £734,566; that the total amount of loans sanctioned already in respect of this scheme is £673,000, and that application for the sanction to the raising of a further loan of £50,000, has been made.

The Chairman expressed satisfaction at the progress made with the Council's Grants Scheme and stated that he recommended that the scheme be altered to provide for issue of grants up to the limit £1,040. for section 11 cases.

The Chairman stated that he would submit his Notice of Motion for next meeting to cover the type of case to which Clr. G. Kelly referred above.

**4. - RECONSTRUCTION LOANS:** A statement showing that the number of applications received under this scheme, was 8, 4 of which were sanctioned involving an amount of £1,260. was submitted.

**5. - SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS:** The Committee noted that the income limit under above scheme has been raised to £1,040.

A statement was submitted showing that the total amount borrowed for the purpose by the Council, was £325,000, and that the number of loans allocated to date is 609 involving an amount of £315,490.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Secretary*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*M. Carib Chairman.*

*Date: 5/8/61*

*M.C.*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthah:  
Gaillimh 2055.

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

14 Tuil, 1961.

Chuibh Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae an Luan, 24adh la Tuil, 1961, ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanagh,

Runai.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims.
3. Filling of vacancies on Old Age Pension Sub-Committees.  
(List of vacancies attached)
4. Sale of former derelict sites Nos. 2 - 7 inclusive at Clifden --  
Notices of 1st and 12th July, 1961.
5. Swimming Pools - Letter 6/6/1961 (L.11/61) from Department of Local Government.
6. Fixing of tolls and weighing charges for Athenry.
7. Loan for new roads - Notice of Motion by Deputy Michael Carty viz:-  
"At the next meeting of the Galway County Council, I will propose that the resolution of the Council approving the raising of a loan of £50,000. for improvement of cul-de-sac and link roads, in Minute No.1824 of 6/2/1960, be rescinded."
8. County Development Programme - Minute No. 2491 of 24/6/1961.
9. Civil Defence Services Organisation -- Letter 13/1961 of 8/6/1961 from Department of Defence.
10. Auditor's reports on accounts of the following, for period to 31/3/61:  
Lough Mask & River Robe Joint Drainage Committee ----- 1 Year.  
Shrule Joint Drainage Committee ----- 1 Year.  
River Suck Joint Drainage Committee ----- 2 Years.
11. Formal appointment of Mr. Patrick Darcy, Staff Officer as Temporary Rate Collector for No. 35 District for the year ending 30th June, 1962.
12. Collection of rates by instalments -- County Manager's reply to Department of Local Government.
13. Letter from the County Councils' General Council requesting the Council's views on the following motions:-

- (a) "That the advisability of asking the General Council of County Councils to recommend to the Government de-rating or partial de-rating of Agricultural Land be discussed".
- (b) "That legislation be introduced to permit local authorities to provide that ratepayers who pay moieties of their full rate within 23 days from the date each moiety falls due be allowed 2½% discount on total rate at the time of final payment, or should the full rate be paid within 28 days from the date rate is made that 2½% discount be then allowed".

14. Members' Notices of Motion:-(a) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:

1. That the footpath outside Miss McNamara's premises at Ballygar be taken over by the County Council.
2. That objectionable literature be removed from the Councils Libraries.
3. That the efficiency experts report be made available for publication.

(b) Deputy T. Millar: That it is the opinion of the Council that a meal allowance, which has been discontinued, be restored as soon as possible to local authority employees such as lorry drivers and plant operators.

(c) Deputy M. Killilea: I will ask the County Engineer at the next meeting of the Council to arrange for the removal of overgrown hedges on both sides of the road leading from West of Kilyan School on the Newbridge, Ballinamore Bridge main road, to the bridge across the river leading to Carrownafreeney which is in a dangerous condition at the moment.

(d) Clr. Joseph Lambert: That public lighting in Gort town be extended for all fair days.

(e) Clr. P.D. Joyce & Clr. J. Mannion: That the Galway County Council acquire the fairs and markets rights in Clifden and provide a fairgreen.

(f) Clr. F. Mullins: That watermain at Portumna be extended to serve about eighteen houses in the Woodford Road, Portumna.

(g) Clr. M. Mannion:

1. To have the following County roads put on the 5 years plan.
  - (a) Road from Derrinlough to Castletown Cross, Kilkerrin.
  - (b) Road from Slieverue Cross, Kilkerrin to 5 roads.
  - (c) Road from Windfield Toomard to Milltown, Kilkerrin.
  - (d) Road from Kiltullagh cross, Glanamaddy to 5 roads.
  - (e) Road from Sharkey's Cross, Annaghmore through Springlawn to junction at Moylough, Mountbellew main road.
  - (f) Road from Abbeyknockmoy Church to Ryehill Church.

2. To have the village of Carrantubber, Kilkerrin connected to the Kilkerrin, Moylough scheme.

2A. To have scheme extended to the village of Cappagh, Toomard.

3. To have entrance to Moyne College, Derreen, sheeted with chips and rolled.

3A. To have signs erected each side of entrance such as are in other missionary Colleges.

(h) Clr. P. Ruane: That patients who are likely to die or are suffering from incurable and painful diseases etc. should be

segregated from other patients.

(i) Clr. J. Flaherty:

1. "I will ask the Council to consider of providing a refuse dumping ground for Glanamaddy."
2. "I will ask the County Engineer to move back Danger Road Sign at Kilavoher Bridge on the Dunmore, Clonbern Road, about 50 yards east, also erect another on the west side."

(j) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:

1. That a scheme be devised whereby the County Council would give advice etc. to ratepayers who wish to build houses with the aid of grants etc.
2. That trees at Town Hall, Ballygar be removed.
3. That the rebate on rates for Agricultural holdings be paid in respect of female as well as male workers.
4. That tenants who pay rent and rates for County Council houses should get reconstruction grants.
5. That the practice of supplying Councillors with lists of people who owe maintenance charges to Regional Hospital etc. be discontinued.
6. That open ground outside Bartley Synnotts, Abbeyknockmoy be "taken over" by the County Council.
7. That warning signs be erected at Beechlawn - Killasolan Junction.
8. That roadside drain at Newtown, Abbeyknockmoy, be cleaned etc.
9. That cause of flooding at Windfield Bridge, Newbridge be remedied (Piping to river Shiven).
10. That this Council recommends to the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board, that a separate unit, or its equivalent be set aside for Mental Defectives.

(k) Deputy T. Millar:

1. That this Council is of opinion that members of the Old I.R.A. should be given free hospital treatment in so far as is practicable.
2. That it is the opinion of this Council that a copy of the 1916 proclamation be displayed in a prominent position in the Council Chambers.

(l) Clr. W. Burke:

1. That road leading to houses at St. Joseph's Park, Tuam, be widened.
2. That water be provided for cottages at 40 acres Tuam.
3. That all road workers be paid for Bank & Church Holidays.

(m) Deputy M. Carty:

1. That the Housing Grants schemes be altered to provide for payment of grants under Section 11 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952, to persons whose incomes do not exceed £1,040 p.a. who qualify under that Section.

2. "That County Roads 333 and 398, from Lissatonna Cross to Roxborough be added to the list of Five Year Plan roads."

(n) Deputy J. Geoghegan: "I will propose that a new Dispensary be built in Kilkerrin."

(o) Clr. J. Donnellan: "That the dental service for school children be improved."

15. Replies to questions already submitted by members.

16. Other business.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Telephone - Galway 2055

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

20th July, 1961.

TO EACH MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL

A Chara,

The Chairman has directed that, in sympathy with Mr. C.I.O'Flynn, County Manager, in his bereavement, the Meeting of the Galway County Council which was summoned for 24th instant, shall be adjourned until 5th August, 1961.

It is requested, therefore, that you will attend the Meeting on Saturday 5th August, 1961, at the County Buildings, Galway, commencing at 12.30 p.m. - the Agenda being as already circulated.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH,

Runai.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 5th August, 1961

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy M. Carty.  
(2) Deputy M. Killilea.  
(3) Clr. T. King.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Kelly, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Kyne, Lambert, Mannion John, Mannion Martin, Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge, Ruane James J., Ruane P., and Sirr.

2510 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

The Mulveen, Family, Ashe Road, Shantalla, Galway, on the death of their mother.  
Mr. Kavanagh, Long Walk, Galway, on the death of his wife and son.  
The Raftery Family, Long Walk, Galway, on the death of their father.

2511 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 2509 inclusive, having been circulated to the members, were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2512 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Acting Secretary gave particulars of malicious damage claims received since the previous meeting as follows:-

Eileen Jennings & Mary McCumiskey, Knockanacarra, Barna, - Panes of glass in window and door of a dwelling house 20/6/61 and 25/6/61 -- £25. 0. 0.  
Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, 1 pane of plate glass & 1 pane of wire cast plate glass, 2/7/61, -- £40. 0. 0.  
Kevin B. Hallinan, Salthill, Damage to mahogany rowing boat 29th - 30th June, 1961 -- £27. 10. 0.  
Garoid O'Brain, 3 Henry Street, Galway, Damage to car, 24/6/61, -- £8. 0. 0.  
Doctor Eamonn O'Dwyer, The Rectory, Taylor's Hill, Galway, Damage to motorcar 22/6/61 -- £9. 10. 0.  
John O'Loughlin, Shanballyduff, Barna, Damage to caravan by burning, 24/6/61 - £100.  
James H. Howard, Feaghmore, Portumna, 3 windows, door, chimney beam and sundry other objects being part of a slated dwelling house, 24th/25th June, 1961 - £100.

2513 - VACANCIES ON OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES: The list of vacancies on the various sub-committees as follows, having been circulated to members, was submitted:-

Committee	Number of Vacancies
Renvyle	1.
Roundstone No. 1	2.
Roundstone No. 2	3.
Glenamaddy	1.
Ardrahan	2.
Kinvara	1.
Loughrea	1.
Mountbellew	3.
Clonbur	2.
Lettermore	4.
Oughterard	2.
Portumna	1.
Dunmore	6.

It was agreed on the proposal of the Chairman that proposals for filling those vacancies would be submitted by members for consideration at the next meeting of the Council.

2514 - SALE OF FORMER DERELICT SITES NOS. 2 - 7 INCLUSIVE AT CLIFDEN: Notices dated the 1st July, 1961 and the 12th July, 1961 under Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946 which were circulated to each member of the Council, were submitted.

Clr. J. Mannion stated that it may be possible that Site No. 7 would be necessary as an entrance for a possible factory which may be established on the old jail site at Clifden and he suggested that the Council defer consideration of the sale of this site until the next meeting, so that the Clifden Development Association may have an

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opportunity of considering the matter in the meantime. This was unanimously agreed.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Mannion, seconded by Deputy Coogan and unanimously resolved that Sites Numbered 2, 3, 4, and 5 be sold to Mr. P. O'Scanail, M.R.C.V.S., Clifden, for £150. plus costs of conveyance, and that site No. 6 be sold to Mr. Thomas Walsh, Market Street, Clifden, for £25. plus costs of conveyance, Mr. Walsh to re-roof the building and provide new doors and windows therein and have the front dashed or coloured with snowem, all within six months from completion of conveyance of the site to him.

2515 - SWIMMING POOLS: The Chairman outlined the contents of a Circular letter No. L. 11/61 dated the 6th June, 1961, from the Department of Local Government and drew the attention of the Council to the fact that the Minister will be prepared to give financial assistance to approve swimming pool projects in the form of contributions towards any loan charges incurred. He stated that the rate of subsidies save in exceptional circumstances will be 50% of the loan charges and that loans from the Local Loans fund be available and will be repayable on the instalment system for periods up to a maximum of 30 years. The Council expressed approval of the facilities being made available by the Minister for Local Government towards the provision of swimming pools.

2516 - £50,000 LOAN FOR CUL-DE-SAC AND LINK ROADS: The Chairman stated that some months ago, the Council unanimously agreed not to proceed with the raising of the loan of £50,000. for improvement of cul-de-sac and link roads, because of the fact that this proposal would mean that the Council would have to pay interest to the Bank amounting to £18,000. on the loan. He pointed out that the Council decided that he should hand in a Notice of Motion that the resolution of the Council, approving of the raising of a loan of £50,000., in Minute No. 1824 of 6th February, 1960, be rescinded and in compliance with this direction of the Council, he gave the Notice which was on the Agenda.

Deputy Kitt agreed that it would be foolish to pay £18,000. in Bank interest and suggested that instead of raising a loan of £50,000. the Council provide £10,000. per annum for the next five years from revenue for those roads. In reply to the Chairman Deputy Kitt stated that his suggestion was that the £10,000. be additional to the sum of £12,000. already provided in the current years estimates in respect of Councillors' Notices of Motion for road works.

The County Manager pointed out that no provision had been made in the estimates for the current year for the amount suggested by Deputy Kitt and he recommended that this matter be considered in relation to the County Development Programme which would be considered later on during that meeting. He stated that rates have been increasing and the Council will be faced with further increases consequent on demands for increases in remuneration of officers and servants, and also on demands for a reduction in the number of working hours and a five day week.

Clr. J. Mannion considered that the loan should not be raised.

Clr. G. Kelly stated that the Council should go ahead with raising the loan as the demand in the rural areas is for better roads.

The Chairman pointed out that financing the work from revenue would result in the saving of 9d. in the pound.

Clr. Glynn agreed that the Council previously decided to rescind the resolution to raise the loan but he thought the intention then was to increase the allocation by £10,000. and provide a total of £60,000. in revenue over a period of five years.

Clr. King also agreed that the Council was unanimous at the Estimates Meeting to finance the work from revenue, and because of this decision, the Council decided at that meeting to increase the amount for new road works from £7,500. to £12,000. for the current year.

The County Manager stated that the roads now proposed to be improved constituted only a small part of the whole problem and he recommended that the Council ask the General Council of County Councils to consider whether some money from the road fund should be made available to local authorities for carrying out such work.

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Clr. Cox stated that the amount of interest payable might now be more than £18,000. because of recent increases in the rate of interest and he was of the opinion that the improvement of cul-de-sac and link roads was a more urgent problem in West Galway than in East Galway.

The Chairman then read for the Council that part of Minute No. 2361 of the meeting held on the 25th March, 1961, which related to Councillors' notices of motion and the suggested £50,000. loan for taking over roads not already maintained by the Council.

Clr. Dowd stated that the most urgent need in backward areas is the improvement of bad roads and this is a contributing factor to emigration.

Clr. J. Mannion suggested that a proposal made some time ago by the County Engineer, be adopted. This proposal was that the Special Employment Schemes Office be asked to put roads in repair and that the Council can then take them over and maintain them. This would result in a saving in the amount to be provided from rates.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh agreed with the suggestion of the County Engineer but stated that there are some people who cannot afford to pay the contribution required by the Special Employment Schemes Office. He considered that five years is too long to wait to have the work done.

Clr. King also agreed with the County Engineer's proposal and suggested that the County Engineer interview representatives of the Special Employment Schemes Office in connection with the matter.

In reply to Clr. Lambert who said that the Council left the people under the impression that the loan would be raised to do the work and would now be misleading them by rescinding the resolution, the Chairman pointed out that the decision not to raise the loan was made in March last, only a short time after the proposal to raise the loan was made.

Clr. Collins asked why estimates for those small roads are so high and suggested that less elaborate improvements would suffice to give the people the standard of roads they require in these areas.

The County Manager stated that the County Engineer's suggestion was good, but pointed out that grants from the Special Employment Schemes Office are intended for roads not of general public utility. It would be desirable, he said, to have an agreement between the Special Employment Schemes Office and the County Council, on what is a road of general public utility? It would, however, be a matter for the Council to decide what is a road of general public utility when deciding to expend money on such roads. There is no legal definition of a road of general public utility.

Mr. Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, agreed that definition of a road of general public utility would be desirable and stated that the County Engineer considered that such a road should have at least five houses per mile, he also stated that maintenance of County roads costs about £40. per mile per annum.

The Chairman then proposed that the resolution of the Council approving the raising of the loan of £50,000. for improvement of cul-de-sac and link roads in Minute No. 1824 of the 6th February, 1960, be rescinded. Clr. J. Mannion seconded this proposal.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed and Clr. G. Kelly seconded that the loan of £50,000. be raised.

In reply to a query by Clr. O'Ceallaigh, the Acting Secretary read Standing Order No. 21 which indicated that to rescind a resolution a simple majority is sufficient if the number of members voting on the motion to rescind is not less than the number that voted on the original Motion.

A vote was taken for or against raising the loan, resulting as follows:-

FOR: Clrs. Canning, Dowd, Kelly, Lambert, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge, Ruane P., and Sirr (8)  
AGAINST: Deputies Carty & Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Flaherty, Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Glynn,

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Deputy Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Mannion J., Mannion M., Deputy Millar Clrs. Millins & Ruane J. (14)

The Chairman then declared the Motion to rescind the resolution carried.

Deputy Kitt stated that he would submit a proposal for the next meeting of the Council that a annual sum be provided from revenue for improvement of cul-de-sac and link roads.

THE MEETING THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL 3 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION DEPUTY CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

2517 - FIXING OF TOLLS & WEIGHING CHARGES FOR ATHENRY: The following list of proposed tolls and weighing charges for Athenry was submitted:-

#### TOLLS

Cows and other cattle, 2 yrs. old and over	1s. 0d. each
Calves & Cattle under 2 Yrs. old	6d. "
Horses	1s. 0d. "
Foals	6d. "
Sheep & Lambs	3d. "
Pigs	3d. "
Bonhams	2d. "
Corn & Potatoes	2d. per sack.

#### WEIGHING CHARGES.

Turf, hay, straw or other produce (including weighing of empty cart) ----- 1s. 0d. per load.

Clr. J. Ruane proposed that the Council adopt this scale of tolls and weighing charges.

Clr. J. Mannion proposed that the Council abolish tolls altogether for the sake of the small amount which the Council would receive for the letting of the tolls in question.

Clr. P. Ruane supported this view.

Eventually, it was decided that consideration of this matter would be deferred to the next meeting, when the amount of the tenders to be received for the tolls would be known, and it was also decided that no tenders should be accepted for the tolls until the matter is again brought before the County Council for consideration.

The Acting Secretary gave the following particulars of expenditure to date on the purchase of tolls and on the acquisition of a site for the fairgreen:-

Purchase of tolls	£3,056.
Acquisition of land & Solicitors fees	£2,059.
Fencing of Site	£1,111.

2518 - COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME: Mr. O'Connor, Assistant County Manager outlined the proposals contained in his letter of the 26th May, 1961 to the County Manager, a copy of which had already been circulated to members of the Council. He pointed out that this was not a proposal for more expenditure but was an effort to set out in an orderly way particulars of the various services which the Council is providing and which it is likely to have to provide for some time to come and to have this programme considered as a whole rather than the present tendency of considering various parts of the programme in isolation and without regard to the programme as a whole. He stated that a review of Local Authorities finances is to be undertaken in the near future but it is not likely that the result of this review will be available for some time. He pointed out that the main source of the revenue of local authorities is rates, based on valuations, the basic of which is out of date unlike the sources of revenue of the state which taxes out of income, such income as being constantly on the increase. The only way of increasing local revenue is to increase the rate of taxation. Mr. O'Connor considered that the following questions would merit consideration:-

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1. Is too much money being spent on particular services?
2. To what extent should new services be provided in the years ahead?
3. What will such services cost?
4. Where will the money be found to finance those services?

The Chairman stated that the proposals put forwarded by the Assistant County Manager merited careful consideration by the Councillors. He considered that planning was absolutely essential and also that it was necessary that a priority list of the various new services required should be prepared. The Chairman also referred to the proposed review of local authority finances and stated that he agreed with the preparation of a County Development Programme but that the Council should then wait and see the result of the inquiry into local taxation.

Deputy Coogan suggested that the efficiency experts employed by the Council some time ago should be in a position to give some advice to the Council in the matter.

DEPUTY KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

Clr. Collins advocated a "go slow" policy in relation to the expansion of services and referred to the necessity of collaboration between the Council and state bodies in relation to public works. He instanced the case of where the office of Public Works carried out work on a bridge in connection with the Corrib Drainage Scheme and where the Council had to carry out further work immediately afterwards on the same bridge. He asked the Assistant County Manager to examine the matter further and show where savings can be made, stating also that the Council can go no further in extracting money from rates and that taxation by Poor Law Valuation is unfair due to the inequality of valuations.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh stated that money will have to be found for public services otherwise than from rates, and he stated also that Banks should be required to make money available for public services at interest of 1%.

The County Manager pointed out that all we now require is to determine priorities for the various services. He stated that local authorities are under directions of various Ministers, each concerned with his own Department. He considered that collaboration between the various Ministers when dealing with local authority services, is necessary and that they should consider the overall impact on rates of implementing the various services recommended by them. Examination of the problem, however, is also necessary at local level and it is a matter for the County Council to determine the extent of each service which it provides. The County Manager also asked the Council for its views of what new services should get priority and how far the Council should go with each?

Clr. King suggested that the Council nominate four or five members who would meet the County Manager and the Assistant County Manager to discuss the County Development Programme and then to submit a report to a General meeting of the Council.

Clr. Galvin welcomed the Assistant County Manager's proposal and cited roads as one of the services which should be dealt with in the planned programme. He stated that emigration is greatest from backward areas which are not well served by roads and that whole families are known to have emigrated from such areas. While waterworks schemes are very desirable, the improvement of roads is a much greater necessity.

The County Manager again advocating the preparation of a County Development Programme, stated that when proposals come up for consideration haphazardly, each proposal is considered on its desirability and not on its relative desirability.

Clr. Dowd suggested that a special meeting of the Council be called to consider the matter.

Clr. Lambert agreed with this suggestion.

The Chairman stated that before the Council will consider the matter, it would require an outline report from the Council's officials.

Clr. Cox agreed with this and stated that it would be senseless to start considering the matter without information on the existing services, their extent

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and the cost of administering them and some further information regarding the possible extension of such services and the introduction of new services.

The County Manager stated that a memorandum could be prepared for the County Council which would give information on the lines of the following:-

Present mileage of County roads and the cost of maintaining them.  
 Mileage of roads not taken over and an estimate of the cost of taking them over.  
 Health services existing and those services not yet fully developed together with particulars of the existing costs.  
 Housing, the existing costs, Number on awaiting list and estimated number of houses required per annum.  
 Waterworks, existing schemes and cost of maintenance, together with proposals for new piped water supply schemes & estimate of cost.  
 Similar information could be made available in relation to the various other services administered by the Council.

It was eventually proposed by Clr. Glynn, seconded by Clr. Lambert and agreed unanimously that consideration of this matter be adjourned for approximately three months for the purpose of enabling the County Manager and the Assistant County Manager to prepare a memorandum for the Council, as outlined above by the County Manager. It was agreed that the County Manager would inform the Chairman when the memorandum is prepared.

2519 - CIVIL DEFENCE SERVICES ORGANISATION: The County Manager gave the Council a summary of Circular 13/1961, dated the 8th June, 1961, from the Department of Defence in connection with the initiation of revised arrangements for control and organisation of Civil Defence services. He stated that the Minister for Defence as well as the Local Authorities had the responsibility of organising an efficient Civil Defence service and that the Minister as well as the local authorities would be charged with neglect if they failed to make proper provision for the organisation of an efficient service. He suggested that the Fire Brigade's Advisory Committee would be an appropriate committee to deal with Civil Defence service. The County Manager also appealed to members of the Council for assistance in getting recruits for the various branches of the Civil Defence Organisation. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Fire Brigade's Advisory Committee and it was also agreed that the County Manager would send a Circular to each member of the Council giving particulars of the proposed revised arrangements for the Civil Defence service.

2520 - AUDITORS' REPORTS - DRAINAGE COMMITTEES: The Auditors' Reports on accounts of the following drainage committees for the period to 31/3/61 were submitted and on the proposal of Clr. King, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, were noted:-

Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee	---	1 Year.
Shrulle Joint Drainage Committee	-----	1 Year.
River Suok Joint Drainage Committee	-----	2 Years.

2521 - RATE COLLECTOR - NO. 35 DISTRICT: It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Lambert and resolved:-

"That having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector of No. 35 District, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of these duties, and the qualifications for that office, the Council decide that the person to be appointed to this office cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination and that the person to be appointed shall be selected and nominated by the County Manager".

The County Manager informed the Council that he had selected Mr. Patrick Darcy Staff Officer, and recommended his appointment as Temporary Rate Collector of No. 35 District for the year ending 30th June, 1962.

It was proposed by Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Lambert and unanimously resolved:-

"That Mr. Patrick Darcy, Staff Officer, be appointed Temporary Rate Collector of No. 35 District for the year ending 30th June, 1962".

2522 - COLLECTION OF RATES BY INSTALLMENTS: The County Manager read for the Council a copy of his letter dated 27th June, 1961 addressed to the Department of

Local Government in connection with the question of the payment of rates by instalments. In this letter he stated that it was not proposed by the Rating Authority to prepare and introduce a scheme for the collection of rates by instalments and that enquiries from rate inspectors and collectors had elicited the information that there is in fact no demand for an alteration in the present system in the County. He considered that the facilities which are available for the issue of interim receipts are adequate to meet any cases of hardship and that it is considered that the collection of rates by instalments other than by the present moieties would involve:-

- The need for amending legislation having regard to the fact that the rates are payable in two moieties according to existing law.
- Specially designed Demand Notes and receipts, the use of which would add very considerably to the work of the collectors and the Checking Officers.
- Specially designed Rate Books for the recording of payment of the several instalments.

The letter concluded that it is also the Manager's opinion that the collection of rates by instalments would retard rather than assist the collection, as many rate payers who at present pay the two moieties together or who pay their rates in equal moieties would spread their payments over a protracted period making it more difficult to finance the local authority services particularly during the first half of each financial year.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh stated that it should be publicly stated that rate collectors must accept instalments of rates from rate payers.

The County Manager pointed out that the Council cannot interfere with the Statutory Powers of collectors but that the collectors can use their discretion in individual cases.

The Council unanimously approved the County Manager's letter of the 27th June, 1961, to the Secretary, Department of Local Government.

2523 - DERATING OF AGRICULTURAL LAND: Letter from the County Councils' General Council, requesting the Councils' views on the advisability of asking the General Council of County Councils to recommend to the Government, derating or partial derating of Agricultural land, was submitted.

Clr. Flaherty considered that something should be done about providing relief from rates for lands which are flooded.

Clr. Dowd recommended that some assistance by way of derating should be provided for land used for tillage purposes.

The County Manager stated that a commission which was set up in the early years of the Free State recommended against derating and that subsequently the agricultural grant gave some reliefs.

Clr. Cox referred to applicants for Social Welfare Benefits who are deprived of such benefits because of the fact that they have a land valuation of £4. and over. In many of those areas he stated there are no industries and only bad and infertile land.

Deputy Geoghegan stated that the rates should be reduced on certain islands which as a result of blowing sand have their fertile areas reduced from, in some cases, 4 acre to 1 acre, but the County Manager pointed out that the Council must levy rates on the basis of Poor Law Valuation.

Clr. King opposed derating and stated that it would benefit big land owners and the alternative would be an individual tax.

Deputy Kitt & Clr. Collins also stated that they would not advocate derating, Clr. Collins stating that the problem of paying rates was not a hardship on the big land owner.

Clr. Galvin also opposed derating and stated that the revenue at present derived from rates on Agricultural land would have to be raised by an alternative method and he referred to certain flooded lands in the Eyrecourt district which is valued at £1. 5s. 0. per acre.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh also advocated remission of part of the rates on flooded land.

The Council eventually agreed unanimously to oppose de-rating of Agricultural land.

2524 - DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT OF RATES: Letter from the County Councils' General Council requesting the Councils' views on a suggestion that legislation be introduced to permit local authorities to provide that ratepayers who pay moieties of their full rates within 23 days from the date each moiety falls due be allowed 2½% discount on total rate at the time of final payment, or should the full rate be paid within 28 days from the date rate is made that 2½% discount be then allowed, was submitted.

The County Manager stated that this matter probably arose from the fact that discount is allowed for prompt payment of rates on small dwellings but he pointed out that it would be costly if this principle were to be applied in respect of rates on land. The granting of discount in such cases would involve loss in revenue which would have to be made good from the General rates on other ratepayers.

The Council unanimously agreed not to recommend that legislation be introduced to permit the granting of the discounts suggested.

CLR. KING NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

2525 - REMUNERATION VARIATIONS: On the proposal of Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly, the Council unanimously approved the fixing of the following scales of remuneration for the Storekeeper, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea and the Storekeeper, Machinery Yard, Galway, as from the 1st August, 1960:-

Storekeeper, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea - £350. x £25. - £550 x £30 - £850.  
The present Storekeeper, Mr. O'Brien to enter the scale at the maximum and to continue to be paid commission on maintenance charges collected as heretofore:-

Storekeeper, Machinery Yard - £550. x £30. - £850. per annum, the present holder to enter the scale with the same number of increments as had accrued to him on the existing scale, from the 1st August, 1960.

2526 - ORANMORE AERODROME: Letter dated the 12th July, 1961 from the Town Clerk, Galway Corporation, together with copy of extract No. 5 from Minutes of meeting of the Galway Borough Council on the 5th July, 1961, was submitted, requesting that a suitable date might be suggested on which the proposed meeting with representatives of the Galway Corporation might be held. It was agreed that the Town Clerk, Galway Corporation be informed that a meeting might be arranged for some Friday afternoon within the next few weeks at 4 p.m.

2527 - TREATMENT OF MENTALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN: Letter dated the 12th July, 1961 from the Secretary, Tipperary (N.R.) County Council, was submitted, referring to a meeting held at Roscrea Fever Hospital on the 11th July, 1961 at which representatives of the Galway County Council attended and stating that it was unanimously decided at that meeting that the Roscrea Fever Hospital was not suitable for the purpose of accommodating and treating Mentally Handicapped Children. It was also unanimously agreed at that meeting that the Minister for Health should be requested to meet a deputation consisting of a representative from each of the local authorities to discuss what could be done for the treatment of mentally handicapped children in the region. The letter concluded with a request that the Galway County Council nominate a representative who would act on the deputation which would meet the Minister.

The Council unanimously agreed to appoint Deputy Carty, Chairman of the County Council to be its representative on the deputation.

The Chairman inquired what has transpired since a deputation was appointed some time ago to meet His Lordship, The Bishop of Galway, on a proposal that Woodlands Orthopaedic Hospital be utilised for treatment of Mentally Handicapped Children and he recommended that this deputation would now take up the matter with His Lordship.

Clr. J. Mannion stated that there is no point in going ahead with the proposal to utilise the Roscrea Fever Hospital and that more facilities are available in Woodlands Orthopaedic Hospital. It was unanimously decided that Deputy Carty, Chairman, Deputy Killilea, Vice Chairman and Deputy Coogan, be appointed to meet His Lordship, The Bishop of Galway in connection with the proposal and that His

Lordship be asked to suggest a suitable time when he could meet the Council's representatives.

**2528 - LANDING FACILITIES AT MULLAGHCLOSS:** Letters dated the 7th April, 1961 and the 13th July, 1961 from the Special Employment Schemes Office were submitted, stating that at a site meeting at which the County Engineer was represented and which was held at the end of the summer 1960, it was evident that the cost of providing a satisfactory break-water at Mullaghgloss would be high and it would not be justified on the basis of the present fishery activities there. In the circumstances it had now been recommended that only the removal of the rock outcrop as agreed in this site should be undertaken and that the cost of this work had been estimated at £200. The letter also stated that the Parliamentary Secretary had approved the making of a grant from the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote not exceeding £150. or 75% of the actual cost of the work, whichever is the lesser towards the proposed rock removal subject to the following conditions:-

1. That the Galway County Council would agree to contribute a balance of 25% of the cost.
2. That the Council will arrange for the execution of the work under the supervision of the County Engineer.

On the proposal of Deputy Coogan, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council unanimously agreed to have the work suggested by the Special Employment Schemes Office carried out on the terms set out in the letters from that Office, viz:- The Council to provide 25% of the cost and to have the work carried out under the supervision of the County Engineer.

**2529 - ST. BRENDAN'S HOME PATIENTS TRANSFERRED TO MERLIN PARK:** Deputy Coogan asked the County Manager to look into the question of the necessity of appointing male attendants for patients in Merlin Park who have been transferred from St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea.

The Chairman pointed out that only Hospital cases were transferred to Merlin Park and that able-bodied persons are being retained in Loughrea.

**2530 - ROADS, FIVE YEAR PLAN:** Clr. G. Kelly inquired whether it is now possible to nominate new roads for inclusion in the five year plan.

The Chairman stated that the County Engineer informed the Council some time ago that there could be no change in the roads included in the five year plan except that a new road might be inserted as a substitute for an existing one.

**2531 - TOILET FACILITIES AT BALLYBRIT RACECOURSE:**

Clr. Lambert complained of the inadequate toilet facilities provided at Ballybrit Racecourse and was informed by the Chairman that the provision of such proper facilities is the responsibility of the Race Committee.

**2532 - COURTHOUSES:** Clr. Sirr recommended that facilities be provided in Courthouses for representatives of the Press.

**2533 - VALUATION OF RATIONS SUPPLIED TO STAFF IN HEALTH AUTHORITY INSTITUTIONS:**

The County Manager informed Clr. Cox that he had made an Order applying the reduction of 6d. per day in the value of the emolument of rations supplied to all personell in Health Authority Institutions who are in receipt of rations from the 15th December, 1959, subject to sanction by the Minister for Health and that the appropriate refunds will be made when sanction from the Minister is received.

**2534 - ADJOURNMENT:** Consideration of Notices of Motion Numbered 14. (a) - 14. (c) was adjourned to the next meeting.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*M. Carr 29/8/61*

*Date:*

*Chairman.*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

18 Lúnasa, 1961.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae an Luan, 28adh Lúnasa, 1961, ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Lunaigh,

Runai.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims.
3. Adoption of a resolution deciding to make a planning scheme under the Town and Regional Planning Acts for -
  - (a) a portion of the Galway County Health District consisting of the Electoral Division of LOUGHREA URBAN. and
  - (b) a portion of the Galway County Health District consisting of the Electoral Division of TUAM URBAN and part of the Electoral Division of TUAM RURAL.
 (Copies of the Resolutions are attached)
4. Declaration of roads to be Public Roads, viz:-

Location	Terminal Points	Length
Kilclogh	Camderry to Boggauns, through Kilclogh	2,200 yards.
Ffrenchpark to Lattoo.	Ffrenchpark to County Road Junction 513.	2,370 "
Caltra	Higgins', Caltra to Dooley's, Caltra	880 "
Carra, Carrowice	Carra to Carrowroe	335 "
Pollagh - Gortmore	Gortmore to Pollagh and Tullokyne to Roscahill East	860 "

5. Application to the Minister for Local Government for confirmation of the Bye-laws under Section 15 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1948 as amended by Section 26 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952 - adopted in Minute No. 2434 of 27/5/1961.
6. Filling of Vacancies on Old Age Pension Sub-Committees.
7. Remuneration Increases:-
  - (a) Rate Inspectors (2)
  - (b) Medical Officers of Our Lady of Fatima Hospital & St. Brendan's Home.
  - (c) Draughtman (1)



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- (d) Part-time Assistance Officers.  
(e) Supervisory Road Workers etc., - Manager's Order No. 9996 of 14/8/61.
8. Overdraft for quarter to 31/12/1961.
9. Approval to new works:-  
(a) Wells improvement, Rosmuck Water Supply Extension, and Roundstone Sewerage extension.  
(b) Williamstown Sewerage Scheme.
10. Sale of Derelict Site No. 7, Clifden -- Notice of 12/7/1961.
11. Fixing scale of Tolls & Weighing Charges for Athenry -- Minute No. 2517 of 5/8/1961.
12. Landing Facilities at Mullaghgloss, Renvyle -- Letters 7th April & 13th July, 1961 from the Special Employment Schemes Office.
13. Belleview Gateway -- Letter 26/7/61 from the County Engineer and Notice of Motion by Senator R. Lahiff, viz:-  
"That the question of the removal of the archway at Belleview, Laurencetown be reconsidered".
14. Members' Notices of Motion:-  
(a) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:  
1. That the footpath outside Miss McNamara's premises at Ballygar be taken over by the County Council.  
2. That objectionable literature be removed from the Councils Libraries.  
3. That the efficiency experts report be made available for publication.  
(b) Deputy T. Millar: "That it is the opinion of the Council that a meal allowance, which has been discontinued, be restored as soon as possible to local authority employees such as lorry drivers and plant operators!"  
(c) Deputy M. Killilea: "I will ask the County Engineer at the next meeting of the Council to arrange for the removal of overgrown hedges on both sides of the road leading from West of Kilyan School on the Newbridge, Ballinamore Bridge main road, to the bridge across the river leading to Carrownafreeney which is in a dangerous condition at the moment."  
(d) Clr. Joseph Lambert: "That public lighting in Gort town be extended for all fair days".  
(e) Clr. P.D. Joyce & Clr. J. Mannion: "That the Galway County Council acquire the fairs and markets rights in Clifden and provide a fairgreen."  
(f) Clr. F. Mullins: "That watermain at Portumna be extended to serve about eighteen houses in the Woodford Road, Portumna."  
(g) Clr. M. Mannion:  
1. To have the following County roads put on the 5 Year Plan:-  
(a) Road from Derrinlough to Castletown Cross, Kilkerrin.  
(b) Road from Slieverue Cross, Kilkerrin to 5 roads.  
(c) Road from Windfield Toomard to Milltown, Kilkerrin.  
(d) Road from Kiltullagh Cross, Glenamaddy to 5 roads.  
(e) Road from Sharkey's Cross, Annaghmore through Springlawn to junction at Moylough, Mountbellew main road.  
(f) Road from Abbeyknockmoy Church to Ryehill Church.

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2. To have the village of Carrantubber, Kilkerrin connected to the Kilkerrin, Moylough scheme.
- 2A. To have scheme extended to the village of Cappagh, Toomard.
3. To have entrance to Moyne College, Berreen, sheeted with chips and rolled.
- 3A. To have signs erected each side of entrance such as are in other missionary Colleges.
- (h) Clr. P. Ruane: "That patients who are likely to die or are suffering from incurable and painful diseases etc. should be segregated from other patients."
- (i) Clr. J. Flaherty:  
1. "I will ask the Council to consider of providing a refuse dumping ground for Glenamaddy".  
2. "I will ask the County Engineer to move back Danger Road Sign at Kilavoher Bridge on the Dunmore, Clonbern Road, about 50 yards east, also erect another on the west side."
- (j) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:  
1. "That a scheme be devised whereby the County Council would give advice etc. to ratepayers who wish to build houses with the aid of grants etc."  
2. "That trees at Town Hall, Ballygar be removed."  
3. "That the rebato on rates for Agricultural holdings be paid in respect of female as well as male workers."  
4. "That tenants who pay rent and rates for County Council houses should get reconstruction grants."  
5. "That the practice of supplying Councillors with lists of people who owe maintenance charges to Regional Hospital etc. be discontinued."  
6. "That open ground outside Bartley Synnotts, Abbeyknockmoy be "taken over" by the County Council."  
7. "That warning signs be erected at Beechlawn - Killasolan Junction."  
8. "That roadside drain at Newtown, Abbeyknockmoy, be cleaned etc."  
9. "That cause of flooding at Windfield Bridge, Newbridge be remedied (Piping to river Shiven)."  
10. "That this Council recommend to the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board, that a separate unit, or its equivalent be set aside for Mental Defectives."
- (k) Deputy T. Millar:  
1. "That this Council is of opinion that members of the Old I.R.A. should be given free hospital treatment in so far as is practicable."  
2. "That it is the opinion of this Council that a copy of the 1916 proclamation be displayed in a prominent position in the Council Chambers."
- (L) Clr. W. Burke:  
1. "That road leading to houses at St. Joseph's Park, Tuam, be widened."

2. "That water be provided for cottages at 40 acres Tuam.
3. "That all road workers be paid for Bank & Church Holidays.

(m) Deputy M. Carty:

1. "That the Housing Grants schemes be altered to provide for payment of grants under Section 11 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952, to persons whose incomes do not exceed £1,040. p.a. who qualify under that Section."
2. "That County Roads 333 and 398, from Lissatonna Cross to Roxborough be added to the list of Five Year Plan roads."

(n) Deputy J. Geoghegan: "I will propose that a new Dispensary be built in Kilkerrin."

(o) Clr. J. Donnellan: "That the dental service for school children be improved."

(p) Clrs. John Mannion & Padraic D. Joyce: "That a 4" water main be provided to serve the Market Hill area of Clifden."

(q) Clr. J. Cox:

1. "I will ask the County Manager when he may be able to implement the Labour Court recommendation No. 1425 in relation to charges for rations to nurses and domestics and others employed by this Health Authority."
2. "I will move that, where necessary, anti-polio and other vaccinations be provided for the people in their own areas, whether on a mobile basis, or on an area basis."
3. "I will move that a clinic be provided at Mervue, either on a weekly, or twice weekly basis as the present position is unsatisfactory."
4. "I will ask the County Manager if he is aware of Trade Union membership being questioned in relation to nurses being interviewed for temporary posts."
5. "I will ask the County Manager if he will provide protective clothing for workers engaged in the handling of dangerous materials in our Hospitals catering for infectious diseases."
6. "I will move that fractional payment be made, in cases where workers have less than the required number of hours to qualify for holiday pay."
7. "I will move that the Hospitals Visiting Committee investigate the allocation of Domestic help in the different departments in the Regional Hospital as, in my opinion, some of the departments are understaffed."
8. "I will ask the County Engineer to take the necessary steps to prevent the flooding occurring at Frenchville, South Park Junction."

(r) Deputy Michael F. Kitt: "That this Council recommends the provision in our Estimates for the next four years the sum of £15,500. per year by way of revenue for the improvement of cul-de-sac and link roads."

(s) Clr. J. Dowd:

1. "That the County Engineer give the number of roads in the County that are of general public utility and are not maintained by the Council, also the mileage of such roads and that five of these roads be taken over each year in each Councillor's area."

2. "That the rates on the flooded lands of Clonfert and Meelick be reduced by half as those lands are covered with water half the year and should get special consideration."
3. "That the County Manager give a list of the number of people treated in the County in each dispensary district, also the number treated by each District Maternity Nurse from the 1/7/60 to 1/7/61."

(t) Senator Robert Lahiff:

1. "That the waterworks at Clarinbridge be proceeded with."
  2. "That the sewerage of the Ennis road, Gort, be proceeded with without delay."
15. Other business.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON ~~MONDAY~~, 28th August, 1961.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy M. Carty.  
(2) Deputy M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Joyce, Kelly, King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Kyne, Lambert, Mannion J., Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Sirr.

2535 - MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting to No. 2534 inclusive, having been circulated to the members, were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2536 - ELECTRICITY SUPPLY BOARD: Arising out of the strike of the Electricity Supply Board employees, Deputy F. Coogan drew attention to the serious situation which would arise if the electricity supply for incubators in Maternity Hospitals should fail. He stated that the danger of such a failure in the supply is a serious matter for those concerned.

The Chairman stated that the Council can only draw attention to the existence of this danger and the Council cannot take sides in a dispute in which it has no knowledge of the facts.

2537 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Secretary gave particulars of the claims received since the previous meeting viz:-

Mr. Hugh Bracken, Kilmacshane, Eyrecourt, 18th -19th July, 1961 damage to clothing -- £15. 0. 0d.  
Mr. Philip Coyne, Raven Terrace, Galway, Damage to motorcar 18/7/1961 -- £70. 0. 0d.

2538 - TOWN PLANNING NO. 2 SCHEME - LOUGHREA: The Notice of intention to propose a resolution to make a planning scheme for the Electoral Division of Loughrea Urban - which was sent to each member of the Council on 18th July, 1961 - was submitted.

It was proposed by Deputy Michael Carty, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved that the Galway County Council, being the District Planning Authority for the following planning district, that is to say the GALWAY COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT hereby decides to make a District Planning Scheme for the following area, being a portion of such planning district, that is to say:-

The area consisting of the Electoral Division of LOUGHREA URBAN and shown enclosed within the inner edge of a red coloured border on a map now produced to us, the said Galway County Council.

2539 - TOWN PLANNING NO. 3 SCHEME - TUAM: The notice of intention to propose a resolution to make a planning scheme for the Electoral Division of Tuam Urban and part of the Electoral Division of Tuam Rural - sent to each member of the Council on 18th July, 1961 - was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Clr. P. Patten and resolved that the Galway County Council being the district planning authority for the following planning district, that is to say THE GALWAY COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT hereby decides to make a district planning scheme for the following area, being a portion of such planning district, that is to say:-

The area consisting of the Electoral Division of TUAM URBAN and the part of the Electoral Division of TUAM RURAL consisting of the following townlands:-

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AIRGLOONY  
BALLYMOAT (Part of)  
BLACKACRE  
CARROWNAGARRAUN  
CARROWPETER  
CLOONTOOA  
CURRAGHSCREEN (Part of) (Rural)  
DEMESNE (Part of) (Rural)  
FARRANNABOX (Part of) (Rural)  
FARRANNAMARTIN (Part of) (Rural)  
FORTYACRES  
GARRACLOON  
HALFSTRADDLE (Part of) (Rural)  
KILLALOONTY (Part of) (Rural)  
PARKMORE (Part of) (Rural)  
RINKIPPEEN  
SLIEVEDARRAGH  
TIRBOY (Part of) (Rural)  
TOBERJARLATH  
TOWNPARKS, first division (Part of) (Rural)  
TOWNPARKS, fifth division (Part of) (Rural)  
VICARSCHORAL LAND (Part of) (Rural)

and shown enclosed within the inner edge of a red coloured border on a map now produced to us, the said Galway County Council.

2540 - TOWN PLANNING - GENERAL: Arising out of the adoption of Town Planning resolutions for Tuam and Loughrea districts, the Chairman Deputy Carty stated that it should be made clear that it is not the intention of the Council that as a result of the adoption of the Town Planning resolutions, hardship should be imposed on any person who has already started building within the area to which the Planning resolution relates.

2541 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS: It was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved that the Galway County Council hereby declare the following roads to be Public Roads:-

Location	Terminal Points	Length
Kilclogh	Camderry to Boggauns, through Kilclogh	2,200 yards
Ffrenchpark to Latoon.	Ffrenchpark to County Road Junction 513.	2,370 "
Caltra	Higgins', Caltra to Dooley's, Caltra	880 "
Carra, Carrowroe	Carra to Carrowroe	335 "
Pollagh - Gortmore	Gortmore to Pollagh and Tullokyne to Roscahill East.	860 "

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh requested that work would start early on the Kilclogh road.

Deputy Carty gave notice of his intention to have considered at the next Roads Estimate Meeting, the road from Clarenbridge to Roveagh on which he understood that £200. was spent by the Council in 1947 and that the road has not been maintained by the Council since.

Clr. J. Donnellan also requested that the road to the graveyard at Killanin be considered at the next Road Estimate Meeting.

Clr. T. King asked that the Councils be informed as to the

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evidence which the County Engineer requires in order that he may be satisfied that a particular road was, at some previous time, maintained by the County Council. Clr. King stated that he had produced the evidence of men who worked on this road for the contractor and for the Council but that evidence was not accepted.

**2542 - HOUSING BYE-LAWS:** It was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved that the Galway County Council hereby make application to the Minister for Local Government for confirmation of the bye-laws under Section 15 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1948 as amended by Section 26 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952 which were adopted by the Galway County Council in Minute No. 2434 of 27th May, 1961.

**2543 - OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved the appointment of the following members of Old Age Pension Sub-Committees:-

Roundstone No. 1.

Mr. Denis Keane, Roundstone.  
Mr. Bernard O'Toole, Roundstone.

Glenamaddy.

Very Rev. Fr. G. O'Dowd, Adm., Williamstown.  
Mr. Thomas Hussey, Patch, Glenamaddy.  
Mr. J.J. O'Reilly, Boyounagh, Castlerea.  
Mr. James Quinn, Ardagh, Glynsk, Castlerea.  
Mr. Thomas Pettit, Curcullen, Toomard, Mountbellew.

Kinvara.

Mr. Toddy, Byron, N.T., Kinvara.

Mountbellew.

Mr. Patrick Fallon, Cloonlyon, Ballygar.  
Mr. Patrick Burke, Rushestown, Toomard.  
Mr. John Cunningham, Toomard, Ballinasloe.  
Mr. Patrick Burke, Tohergar, Ballinamore Bridge.  
Mr. Patrick Martyn, Mountbellew.  
Mr. J. Dempsey, Ballinastack, Moylough.  
Mr. E. Gilmore, Castleblakeney.  
Mr. J. Gormley, Fairhill, Menlough.

Lettermore.

Mr. John O'Toole, Costelloe,  
Mr. James Farmer, Trabane, Lettermore.  
Mr. Michael Walsh, Tirnee, Lettermore.  
Mr. Stephen Folan, Bealadangan.  
Mr. Stephen Flaherty, Lettermore.  
Mr. Patrick Conroy, Toureen, Carraroe.  
Mr. William McDonogh, (Redmond), Bealadangan.  
Mr. John O'Toole, Costelloe.  
Mr. Michael Walsh, Costelloe.

Oughterard.

Mr. Peter Conneely, Rusheeney, Oughterard.  
Mr. John Clancy, Bournagurteeney, Glann, Oughterard.

Dunmore.

Mr. Michael Walsh, Dunmore.  
Mr. Frank Kilgarrif, Garrafrauns, Dunmore.  
Mr. Patrick Rhattigan, The Bungalow, Dunmore.  
Mr. John Donnellan, Knockatee, Dunmore.  
Mr. Miko Mannion, Attyflynn, Dunmore.

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**2544 - RATE INSPECTOR'S SALARIES:** On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council unanimously approved a revised salary scale of £850. X £37. 10s. - £1,150. a year for the office of Rate Inspector under the Galway County Council with effect from 1st August, 1960.

**2545 - MEDICAL OFFICERS SALARIES:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council unanimously approved a revised remuneration as follows, with effect from 1st August, 1960 inclusive:-

The Medical Officer, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea - £753. a year  
The Medical Officer, Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden. £387. a year.

**2546 - DRAUGHTSMAN - REMUNERATION:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council unanimously approved a revised salary scale for the office of draughtsman as set out hereunder:-

£550. X £30. - £850. a year, with effect from 1st September, 1961.

**2547 - ASSISTANCE OFFICERS' REMUNERATION:** The Secretary stated that the Council had already approved and sanction had been obtained to a salary of £476. X £34. - £816. a year for whole-time Assistance Officers and that it is now proposed to give a proportionate increase to part-time Assistance Officers, with effect from 1st August, 1960, as set out in a list which was submitted.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved that the Council approve the proposed increase in remuneration of the part-time Assistance Officers, with effect from 1st August, 1960, proportionate to the increased remuneration which has been granted with effect from that date to whole-time Assistance Officers.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that some Assistance Officers are abusing their positions and are acting as political commissars rather than as officials of a local authority.

The Chairman stated that if Deputy Coogan has any such complaint to make as to the conduct of an officer, he should report the facts to the County Manager for investigation.

Clr. T. King stated that the duties of Assistance Officers have increased more than those of any other class of officers in recent years and he deprecated the making of charges at a public meeting such as have been made by Deputy Coogan without giving particulars to the County Manager.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that Assistance Officers have lately been sending Medical Card Applications to Rate Collectors to verify the valuation of the applicants. Clr. O'Ceallaigh considered that it would be better that these particulars be verified in the Council's offices or, if necessary, be sent from the office to the rate collector.

**2548 - WAGES OF SUPERVISORY ROAD WORKERS:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved the revision of wages of supervisory road workers as set out in Manager's Order No. 9996 of 14th August, 1961.

**2549 - LAY SUPERINTENDENT, GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - REMUNERATION:**

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J.J. Ruane, the Council approved a revised remuneration for the office of Lay Superintendent at Galway Regional Hospital with effect from 1st August, 1960, as set out hereunder:-

£1,150. X £30. - £1,300. a year.

**2550 - OVERDRAFT:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Geoghegan, the Council approved the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on general account, not exceeding £300,000. for the quarter ending 31st December, 1961.

**2551 - NEW WORKS:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins, the Council approved the carrying out of new works as set out hereunder, viz:-

Protection of Wells:

Well at Doranstown, Ballygar.	....	£85. 0. 0.
" " Newcastle, Colmanstown.	....	92. 0. 0.
" " Mossfort, Belclare.	....	120. 0. 0.
" " Pollacarragaun, Kilbannon, Tuam.	....	80. 0. 0.
" " Beechill, Woodlawn.	....	70. 0. 0.
" " Rookwood, Ballygar.	....	100. 0. 0.
" " Cloonfane, Garrafrauns.	....	90. 0. 0.
" " Knockmoyle E, Kylebrack.	....	72. 0. 0.
" " Englishtown, Glenamaddy.	....	85. 0. 0.
" " Newbridge, Mountbellew.	....	90. 0. 0.
" " Rookhill, Ballinamore Bridge.	....	70. 0. 0.
" " Rathruddy East, Loughrea.	....	88. 10. 0.
" " Walshtown, Kiltormer.	....	88. 5. 0.
" " Ballinacor, Newbridge.	....	80. 0. 0.
Extension of Roundstone Sewerage Scheme.	....	390. 0. 0.
Extension of Rosmuck Water Supply.	....	£2,260. 0. 0.

Mr. J. Silke replied to a question by Deputy F. Coogan stating that Roundstone Water Supply is not satisfactory and that its improvement will be considered in the course of the survey.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. J. Ridge, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that the Consulting Engineer's report on Carraroe Sewerage Scheme is still awaited.

Deputy M. Kitt stated that the Mountbellew Water Supply is out of order.

**2551 (a) - HEADFORD SEWERAGE SCHEME:**

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. T. King, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that only three tenants of the cottages on the Shrule road have agreed to the terms of the scheme for connecting with the sewerage and water supplies.

That Water Supply extension on Galway road has been recommended by Mr. Silke.

Mr. King, having stated that even though the cottage tenants have not signed agreements, he understands that they are now willing to connect with the services. Mr. Silke stated that he would in the near future meet the tenants in Headford to discuss this matter with them.

**2552 - WILLIAMSTOWN SEWERAGE SCHEME:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins, the Council approved the proposal for the provision of a sewerage scheme at Williamstown at an estimated cost of £14,000.

**2553 - SALE OF DERELICT SITE AT CLIFDEN:** Correspondence in connection with the proposal for sale of Derelict Site No. 7 at Clifden was submitted and at the request of Clr. J. Mannion, it was unanimously decided that consideration of this item would be adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

**2554 - ATHENRY TOLLS & WEIGHING CHARGES:** The Secretary informed the

Council of the amount of the tender received for collection of the tolls at Athenry and, after discussion, it was proposed by Clr. J.J. Ruane, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved that the Council approve the collection of tolls in Athenry and also approve the fixing of tolls and weighing charges as set out hereunder, viz:-

TOLLS

Cows and other cattle, 2 years old and over	1/- each.
Calves and cattle under 2 years old	6d. each.
Horses	1/- each.
Foals	6d. each.
Sheep and Lambs	3d. each.
Pigs	3d. each.
Bonhams	2d. each.
Corn and Potatoes	2d. per sack.

WEIGHING CHARGES.

Turf, hay, straw or other produce  
(including weighing of empty cart) 1/- per load.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 2.30 p.m.  
AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN  
TOOK THE CHAIR.

**2555 - WATER SUPPLY SCHEME FOR RURAL AREAS:** Deputy A. Millar referring to above scheme requested that the Council be informed of the date on which the scheme was approved by the Council, the names of the Councillors present at the meeting and if any of those present dissented.

The Secretary gave particulars as set out in Minute No. 2425 of 6th May, 1961.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the Council had agreed to a survey of the area, not necessarily to the actual provision of the piped water supply schemes.

The Chairman stated that the Minutes were confirmed at the subsequent meeting and that they are a true record of what transpired at the meeting on 6th May, 1961.

**2556 - BELLEVUE GATEWAY:** In the absence of Senator Lahiffe, consideration of item No. 13. on the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting.

**2557 - MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:** The Council unanimously approved the Chairmans suggestion that Notices of Motion on the Agenda which relate to road works should be referred to the next Roads Estimate Meeting and that Notices of Motion on the Agenda which relate to the Five Year Plan should be adjourned for consideration at the meeting at which the Five Year Plan will be revised.

**2558 - SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:** The relevant correspondence having been submitted, the Council on the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty approved the tenure of a scholarship under the Secondary and Vocational Scholarship Scheme in St. Peter's Convent, Athlone by Miss Mary C. Brannelly, Creggs.

**2559 - UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME:** The Secretary gave particulars of the application for a University Scholarship by Mr. John E. Carroll, 2 Dalysfort Road, Salthill, Galway and explained that according to the normal terms of the scheme the applicant's father's income for the year 31/12/1960 exceeded the limit prescribed but that the father had died in January, 1961 and consequently that income is not available any longer.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J.

Geoghegan, the Council unanimously approved the eligibility of Mr. John E. Carroll, 2 Dalysfort Road, Salthill, Galway, for a scholarship under the Council's University Scholarship Scheme.

**2560 - LOAN FOR ISSUE OF HOUSING GRANTS:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, it was resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £130,000. from the Commissioners of Public Works for issue of supplementary housing grants by the Galway County Council; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council.

**2561 - SCAVENGING:** Deputy F. Coogan requested that arrangements be made for removal of refuse bins from houses at Knocknacarra which are outside the Galway Borough area.

**2562 - SYMPATHY:** Motions of sympathy were unanimously adopted with The Kennedy Family, Newcastle Road, Galway and The Delaney Family, Newcastle, Galway, on the death of their sons by drowning in Lough Corrib.

**2563 - LIBRARY BOOKS:** Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the book to which he was referring was that entitled "Protest in Arms", which contains very many objectionable statements and should be removed from the library.

The Chairman stated that the library committee had considered this matter and decided that it would be better not to take any action as any action taken by the committee would result in more publicity for the book and an increase in the number of readers of the book.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh requested that the committee would again consider this matter at its next meeting.

**2564 - EFFICIENCY REPORT:** In reply to Clr. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion, the Chairman explained that this report had been considered by the previous Council and that a summary of the report was at that time circulated to each member of the Council.

The County Manager agreed that the actual report can be inspected in the offices of the Galway County Council but the report is too lengthy to have copies supplied in full to the members, or to have it published in the Press.

**2565 - LORRY DRIVERS & PLANT OPERATORS:** In reply to Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion, Mr. Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, explained that some years ago the meal allowance for drivers and plant operators was merged in their remuneration and that consequently it is actually part of their wages since.

**2566 - HEDGES:** Deputy Killilea stated that the work mentioned in his Notice of Motion No. 14 (c), had been carried out.

Clr. J. Canning referred to the necessity of cutting hedges on the roads near the river Shannon and it was decided that when Clr. Canning would give details to the County Engineer, the question of making application to Bord Failte for a grant for the cutting of these hedges, would be considered.

Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that in Connemara, hedges have been cut at some dangerous bends but not at others and requested that this be done in all cases.

**2567 - GORT PUBLIC LIGHTING:** With reference to Clr. Lambert's Notice of Motion No. 14 (d), the Secretary explained that all night lighting on the occasion of fairs is only provided in towns during the period from October to March inclusive. The Council noted the position.

**2568 - CLIFDEN FAIRS:** Clr. Mannion stated that while consideration of acquisition of fair rights generally, in the Council, was adjourned for a year in view of the fact that these rights might be effected by the provision of marts - this should not apply to Clifden, as there is no possibility that a mart will be provided in Clifden or in that vicinity in the foreseeable future.

On the proposition of Clr. J. Mannion, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce the Council approved the enquiring into the possibility of acquiring fairs and markets rights in Clifden on suitable terms.

**2569 - PORTUMNA WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION:** In reference to Notice of Motion No. 14 (f) by Clr. F. Mullins, the County Engineer's report of 23/6/61 was submitted stating that the matter was considered previously by the Council in 1957 but no action was taken at that time; that an extension of 1500 yards of 4 inch water main would be necessary at an estimated cost of £3,000.

Mr. Silke recommended the provision of the extension if the tenants signify their agreement to connect with the service on the usual terms - the tenants to be met in Portumna at some convenient time by Mr. Silke, who would explain these terms to them.

The Council approved the terms of this report.

**2570 - KILKERRIN, MOYLOUGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:** With reference to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion Nos. 14 (g), 2 & 2A, the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that the extension to the village of Carrantubber had already been approved but due to limitations in the extent of the scheme, the extension to the village of Cappagh or any other extension in addition to those already approved cannot be considered.

**2571 - ROAD SIGNS:** Mr. S. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that it is not the Council's responsibility to erect the signs in Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion No. 14 (g) 3A.

The Council recommended that Bord Failte be requested to supply the signs required.

**2572 - HOSPITAL PATIENTS - SEGREGATION:** In response to Clr. P. Ruane's Notice of Motion No. 14 (h), the Secretary submitted letter of 23/6/61 from the Lay Superintendent, Galway Regional Hospital, stating that as far as possible patients of the type mentioned, are either segregated in single rooms or screened off in public wards if they cannot be accommodated in single rooms.

Clr. Ruane considered that there could still be some further improvement in the arrangements and it was directed that this matter be taken up with the Hospital Authorities.

**2573 - SHOP FACILITIES AT REGIONAL HOSPITAL:** Clr. P. Ruane asked why slot machines for sale of commodities have been installed in the Nurses Home at Galway Regional Hospital.

The County Manager stated that he did not specifically authorize provision of slot machine in the Nurses Home but that the Visiting Committee to the Hospital had recommended that for patients Vending Machines be provided in the Hospital; that the supplies for these machines are bought locally.

Deputy M. Killilea stated that inconvenience had been caused by individuals coming into the Hospital and taking orders from patients; that the Visiting Committee in considering what could be done to meet this, recommended the installation of slot machines as a trial arrangement.

Clr. T. King stated that the average stay of a patient in the Regional Hospital is short and that the provision of special shop

facilities in the Hospital should not be necessary.

DEPUTY M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

It was decided that the matter be left for further consideration by the Visiting Committee.

2574 - GLENAMADDY DUMPING GROUND: In response to Clr. J. Flaherty's Notice of Motion No. 14 (i) 1., the County Engineer's letter of 22/6/61 was submitted stating that funds for provision of dumping ground at Glenamaddy have not been provided in the current estimate. The County Engineer recommended the consideration of a dumping ground at Glenamaddy and stated that it would be helpful if Clr. Flaherty or the Local Development Association could suggest a site so that the Council could negotiate with the owner.

2575 - ROAD SIGNS AT KILAVOHER BRIDGE: Clr. J. Flaherty stated that the work mentioned in his Notice of Motion No. 14 (i) 2., had been carried out and he thanked those concerned.

2576 - HOUSING GRANTS - ADVICE: On Clr. O'Ceallaigh's request, consideration of Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 1, was adjourned.

2577 - TREES AT BALLYGAR: In connection with Clr. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 2, Mr. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that the Council is not satisfied that the trees constitute any danger and that he recommends that they be left as they are, i.e. trees at Town Hall, Ballygar.

2578 - AGRICULTURAL GRANT - EMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE: Clr. O'Ceallaigh, having proposed his Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 3, Clr. King informed the Council that this matter had been considered by the General Council at its last meeting.

2579 - RECONSTRUCTION GRANTS FOR COTTAGE TENANTS: In reply to Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 4, it was explained that only tenants of vested cottages are entitled to obtain reconstruction grants.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh recommended that vested tenants be so informed.

2580 - HOSPITAL PATIENTS - LEGAL PROCEEDINGS: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed in accordance with his Notice of Motion that the practice of supplying Councillors with lists of people who owe maintenance charges to the Regional Hospital etc., be discontinued.

Clr. J. Mannion stated that there was more hardship on the people before this practice was initiated as frequently the proceedings had advanced too far before Councillors were in a position to make any representations for a deserving case.

Clr. P. Galvin stated that he regards this document as a confidential one and makes representations only in any case in which a person on the list approaches him and he considers that such representation should be made; that there could not be any objection to the circulation of these lists if all members act in this manner and treat them as confidential documents.

The County Manager stated that he agreed with Clr. O'Ceallaigh that the circulation of the list serves no useful purpose as the original account and a number of reminders are sent to the person concerned before legal proceedings are started.

Deputy F. Coogan agreed.

Clr. T. King stated that the lists serve a useful purpose as they give the members an opportunity of seeing who are the defaulters; that there has been an abuse of the lists and that they should be treated as confidential documents as stated by Clr. Galvin.

Clr. W. Burke agreed with Clr. King.

Deputy A. Millar recommended that the practice of sending out these lists be discontinued.

The Chairman explained that the "lists" are really copies of County Manager's Orders which can be inspected and copied from the County Manager's Order Book, even if the practice of circulation of these copies ceased; that, therefore, what is needed is discretion in the use of this information.

Clr. J. Flaherty stated that the circulation of the lists does serve a useful purpose and that the abuse, to which reference has been made, had not occurred since the matter was raised in the Council some time ago.

Clr. P. Joyce stated that he still supported the issue of the lists.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan that the resolution authorizing the issue of these lists to the Council, be rescinded.

A direct negative was proposed by Clr. J. Dowd.

The Chairman pointed out that it would necessary to give formal notice of rescission of the relevant Minute No. 9437 of ~~28th~~ October, 1954, and it was therefore directed that this notice of intention to rescind the Minute would be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

2581 - ROAD SIGNS: With reference to Clr. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 7, Mr. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that the relevant road is being reconstructed under the Five Year Plan and that when reconstruction is completed the warning signs will be erected at Beechlawn - Killasolan Junction.

2582 - ROADSIDE DRAINS: In reply to Clr. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 8, Mr. Cullinan, Engineer, stated that the Council does not accept liability for the cleaning of the drain at Newtown Abbeyknockmoy.

Deputy Coogan requested that the responsibility for the cleaning of the roadside drain on the Headford Road be investigated.

2583 - FLOODING: Mr. S. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that the cause of flooding at Windfield Bridge, Newbridge, would be investigated - Clr. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 9.

2584 - BALLINASLOE MENTAL HOSPITAL: Clr. O'Ceallaigh proposed in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 14 (j) 10, that the Council recommend to the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board, that a separate unit or its equivalent be set aside for Mental Defectives.

The Chairman stated that this matter has already been taken up with the Department of Health and that there is not room for such a unit in Ballinasloe, which is not, in fact a suitable institution for the purpose.

2585 - HOSPITAL TREATMENT FOR OLD I.R.A.: In accordance with Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No. 14 (k) 1, the Council recommended that members of the Old I.R.A. be given free Hospital treatment in so far as is practicable.

The Secretary explained that the Health Acts or Regulations do not give any authority for this concession; that the Council's recommendation would be conveyed to the County Manager.

2586 - COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY BUILDINGS: In connection with his Notice of Motion No. 14 (k) 2, Deputy Millar stated that he notes that a copy of the 1916 proclamation is already displayed in the hall of the County Buildings.

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**2587 - TUAM WATER SUPPLY:** In reply to Clr. Burke's Notice of Motion No. 14 (1) 2, the County Engineer's letter of 4th July, 1961, was submitted explaining the difficulties and stating that it would not be possible to extend the Tuam Scheme to this place unless a booster pump was installed and recommending that the matter be deferred for a few months until revised proposals are submitted. This report was approved.

**2588 - HOLIDAYS FOR ROAD WORKERS:** In accordance with his Notice of Motion, Clr. W. Burke proposed that all road workers be paid for bank and Church Holidays. Clr. Burke explained that the workers concerned cannot afford the loss of a days pay and that if they cannot be paid for those days without working, then they should be permitted to work.

Clr. T. King supported Clr. Burke's proposal that the workers be paid for Church Holidays - not for Bank Holidays.

The Council agreed to convey their recommendation to the County Manager that road workers do not work on Church Holidays but that they be paid for such Church Holidays.

**2589 - HOUSING GRANTS SCHEMES:** Consideration of Deputy Carty's Notice of Motion No. 14 (m) 1, was adjourned until next meeting.

**2590 - KILKERRIN DISPENSARY:** With reference to Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion No. 14 (n), Mr. Cullinan, Engineer, explained the position regarding negotiations for the purchase of a house, the owner of which is in England and Deputy Geoghegan recommended that if the house cannot be obtained, a new dispensary be provided.

**2591 - DENTAL SERVICES:** Consideration of Clr. J. Donnellan's Notice of Motion No. 14 (o), was adjourned until next meeting.

Deputy F. Coogan and Clr. P. Sirr expressed strong dis-satisfaction with the adult dental service.

**2592 - CLIFDEN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:** Consideration of Notice of Motion No. 14 (p) was adjourned until next meeting.

**2593 - VACCINATION CLINICS:** In connection with Clr. Cox's Notice of Motion 14 (q) 2, the Secretary read the County Medical Officer's letter of 20th July, 1961.

Clr. Cox recommended that the possibility of utilisation of a mobile unit for this purpose be considered.

**2594 - DISPENSARY FOR MERVUE, GALWAY:** Clr. J. Cox proposed, Deputy F. Coogan seconded and the Council unanimously recommended that the provision of dispensary at Mervue, Galway, be considered by the County Manager.

Clr. Cox explained that hardship and expense are caused to patients travelling for their own treatment or with children from Mervue to the County Clinic; that, for instance, a good part of the day is lost by a mother who has to travel to the County Clinic in the forenoon and cannot get back in time to prepare a mid-day meal for her family.

**2595 - EMPLOYMENT OF TEMPORARY NURSES:** In connection with Clr. Cox's Notice of Motion No. 14 (q) 4, the Secretary stated that the matter had been investigated and the information obtained showed that nurses being interviewed for Temporary posts in the Galway Regional Hospital were not questioned regarding their membership of Trade Union. It then transpired that Clr. Cox was referring to Merlin Park Sanatorium and the Council recommended that the matter be investigated by the County Manager.

**2596 - PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR PORTERS ETC:** In connection with his Notice of Motion No. 14 (q) 5, Clr. Cox stated that he is aware of an institution in which porters who handle diseased patients and remove dressings etc., also convey food to wards while still wearing the same clothing during the carrying out of all these operations.

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Clr. Cox, therefore, recommended that special protective clothing be provided for workers for use while engaged in the handling of dangerous materials in Hospitals catering for infectious diseases.

It was directed that this matter be referred to the County Manager for consideration.

**2597 - HOLIDAYS FOR SERVANTS:** Clr. J. Cox proposed in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 14 (q) 6, that fractional payment be made in cases where workers have less than the required number of hours to qualify for holiday pay.

The Secretary submitted the County Engineer's report of 18th instant.

Clr. Cox explained that under the present arrangement a worker could be employed for, say, three weeks in each month and still would not qualify for any holiday pay.

It was directed that the matter be referred to the County Manager for consideration.

**2598 - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - DOMESTIC STAFF:** With reference to Clr. Cox's Notice of Motion No. 14 (q) 7, the Secretary submitted the Day Superintendent's letter of 16th instant.

Clr. Cox stated that he is referring to the allocation rather than the total establishment of domestic staff and that while in some departments this is satisfactory, it is a fact that in the main hospital block, there are cases in which three maids are allocated to a floor which may cater for up to 80 patients and that for three days of the week only two of these attendants are available as no relief is provided during their off-duty time.

The Council recommended that this matter be investigated by the County Manager.

**2599 - FLOODING AT FRENCHVILLE, SOUTH PARK JUNCTION:** The County Engineer referring to Clr. Cox's Notice of Motion No. 14 (q) 8, said that this matter had received attention already.

**2600 - ADJOURNED ITEMS:** In the absence of the Councillors concerned at this stage, consideration of the following items was adjourned until next meeting, viz:-

14 (s) 2 & 3, and 14 (t).

It was directed that consideration of the following items be referred to the next Roads Estimate Meeting, viz:-

14 (a) 1, 14 (g) 3, 14 (j) 6, 14 (L) 1, 14 (r) and 14 (s) 1.

It was directed that consideration of the following items be adjourned to the meeting at which revision of the Five Year Plan for reconstruction of County Roads will be concerned, viz:-

14 (g) 1, 14 (m) 2.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*  
*Michael Carty* Chairman.  
 Date: 7/10/61



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE FIRE BRIGADE'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 9th SEPTEMBER, 1961.

PRES ENT: -

Galway County Council.

Deputy M. Carty, Deputy M. Killilea, Mr. Padraic D. Joyce, Co. C., Mr. J.J. Ruane, Co.C.,  
Mr. John Donnellan, Co. C.

Galway Corporation.

His Worship The Mayor, Alderman F. Coogan.

Ballinasloe Urban District Council.

Mr. Thomas Boyle, Mr. John Hurley,

Tuam Town Commissioners:- Mr. T. O'Connor,

An apology for inability to attend was received from Mr. Sweeney, Loughrea.

The following officials were in attendance:-

Mr. C.T. O'Flynn, County Manager, Mr. T.M. O'Connor, Assistant County Manager.  
Mr. P.B. Sugrue, Chief Fire Officer, Mr. S. Cleary, Assistant Chief Fire Officer,  
Mr. K. Doyle, Staff Officer, Mr. L. O'Luanagh, Secretary.

Minute No. 1. Deputy Michael Carty was appointed Chairman of the Committee on the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce.

2 - REPORT ON COUNTY FIRE SERVICES: The Chief Fire Officer's report on the County Fire Services, having been circulated to the members of the Committee was submitted.

1 - Recruitment. The Chairman stated that during the previous week, he had discussed the question of a site for the Fire Station at Athenry with Mr. Lawless of the Department of Local Government, who informed him that the Commissioners of Public Works will not approve the site near John's Castle as a site for a Fire Station but suggested that the Council acquire the site and clean it up as an amenity.

Captain Sugrue stated that it is expected that the Fire Station can now be accommodated in the Courthouse Site.

3. Gort Fire Station: Captain Sugrue stated that this proposal was deferred during the 1956 emergency; that a site is available and a Fire Station could be provided if funds were made available also.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce and resolved that the Committee recommend that the Council proceed with the provision of a Fire Station in Gort.

4. - Award for Bravery. On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Committee supported the Fire Chief's recommendation that the action of Mr. William Murphy, 38 Fursey Road, Shantalla, be brought to the notice of Comhairle na Mire Gaile with a view to having an award made to him in recognition of his bravery.

5. - Recruitment: Mr. Boyle and Mr. Hurley undertook to raise at the next meeting of the Ballinasloe Urban District Council, the necessity for recruitment of further suitable members for the Ballinasloe Fire Brigade.

Mr. Boyle pointed out that if men employed in factories, leave their work to attend fire, they will not be paid during their absence.

Captain Sugrue stated that it is not expected that men attending machines would leave their employment in this manner, as their absence might hold up other workers, but that in every concern, there are some men who could be left off for a short period without hardship to the employer.

Clr. Joyce considered that it would be a short sighted policy on the part of an employer to withhold payment of wages to an employee in such circumstances.

6. - Housing of members of Galway Fire Brigades. On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Committee requested that as far as possible Galway Corporation would accommodate members of the Fire Brigade in houses convenient to the Galway Fire Station.

7 - Fire Brigades - Remuneration: The Chief Fire Officer's report stated that the fees to Firemen are related to a fitter's pay and that the Firemen's fees have not been adjusted since the last increase was given to fitters.

The appropriate revision in the remuneration of members of Fire Brigades was recommended by the Committee on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan.

8 - Meals and Refreshments: Deputy F. Coogan complimented the Chief Fire Officer on his report and on the Fire Services in the County and stated that Galway city is proud of its Fire Service.

Deputy Coogan enquired as to the arrangements which exist for provision of refreshments to members of the Fire Brigade when they are out on a call of long duration.

Captain Sugrue stated that a meal allowance is paid and that a stock of rations is kept in the Fire Station and that he would see if something further could be done, if necessary, to improve the arrangements.

9 - Uniforms. Deputy Coogan recommended the provision of a uniform for every member of the Fire Brigades.

Captain Sugrue stated that a uniform allowance is given to help these men in providing uniforms and that they also pay into a fund which could be devoted to this purpose; that Captain Sugrue could be submitting a scheme relating to this matter.

10. - Galway Fire Station. Deputy Coogan stated that nuisances are committed at the corner of the Fire Station near the adjoining corporation houses and recommended the provision of a chain to prevent access to this area.

11. - Report. Deputy F. Coogan proposed and the Committee recommended that the Fire Chief's report or appropriate extracts from it be published in the Press.

12. - Fire Brigade Practices and Street Cleaning. Clr. P. Joyce recommended that the Fire Brigade Practice be arranged so as to be held on the evening of a fair day in Clifden as the Streets remain very dirty for some time after each fair in that town.

The Chief Fire Officer explained that fire hose used for street cleaning deteriorates very rapidly; that the County Engineer has in certain places obtained a hose mounted on a reel solely for the purpose of Street cleaning and that this might be considered for the town of Clifden.

13. - Clifden Water Supply: Clr. P. Joyce stated that about five years ago, the Committee recommended that a watermain for fire fighting purposes be provided at Market Hill, Clifden, and asked if there had been any further developments in regard to it. It was directed that this matter be referred to the County Manager for consideration.

14. - Inter-County Agreements: Mr. Doyle, Staff Officer stated that Tipperary County Council had now completed an agreement with the County Council in regard to Fire Services.

15 - General. On the proposition of Clr. P. Joyce, the Committee congratulated Mr. T.J. Coyne, Clifden, on his success in the recent Fire Brigade competitions, in Galway.

On the suggestion of Deputy F. Coogan, the Committee recommended that an effort be made to have lectures to school children provided in the schools in the larger towns in the County.

3 - CIVIL DEFENCE - CONTROL AND ORGANISATION: The summary of the proposals for above as circulated to each member of the Committee, was submitted.

The Assistant County Manager stated that the principal problem will be the organisation of the warden service and that the committee might assist in getting volunteers for this service; that there will be 8 sub-areas in the County, viz. Galway, Oughterard, Clifden, Tuam, Ballinasloe, Loughrea, Portumna and Glenamaddy, and that it would be necessary to organise teams for training in each of these sub-areas.

Deputy F. Coogan suggested that films in relation to Civil Defence be shown periodically in cinemas and Deputy Carty stated that it would be desirable that the Department of Defence would embark on a new programme of publicity for civil defence.

The Chairman requested that the members would co-operate fully in suggesting suitable persons for appointment to the warden service and it was arranged that particulars of the type of person required for this service would be circulated to the members with a request that they would furnish to the Secretary, Galway County Council, the names and addresses of any person whom they recommend for appointment to the warden service - within the next couple of weeks. The Chairman suggested that if the Department of Defence does not object, publicity be given to the proposed scheme of Civil Defence and the need for recruits for the services.

4 - PARKING OF VEHICLES: Deputy F. Coogan proposed and the Committee recommended that something be done to prevent any parking of vehicles immediately in front of the exits from Cinemas and Dance Halls, so that there be free access from these exits to the public street in time of panic.

5 - MEETINGS: The Committee decided unanimously that meetings of the Committee will be held once in each quarter in future.

The meeting then terminated.

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COMHAIRLE CONDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

14 Mhean Fomhair, 1961.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Condae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Condae an Sathair, 23adh Mhean Fomhair, 1961 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH,

Runai.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims.
3. Sale of Derelict Site No. 7, Clifden - Minute 2553 of 28/8/61.
4. Belleview Gateway - Minute 2556 of 28/8/61.
5. Athenry Sewerage Scheme Improvement - estimated cost, £30,650.
6. Loughrea water and sewerage extensions to new factory site - estimated cost £2,000.
7. Tuam Swimming Pool - adjourned for 3 months in Minute 2490 of 24/6/61.
8. Bridge over Nanny River at Tuam Palace grounds - Council to contribute £2,130. towards cost of replacement.
9. Roads - Allocation of amount provided in current estimate for members' Notices of Motion.
10. Road at Glencoughan, Recess - letter 4/9/61 from the Special Employment Schemes Office.
11. Abolition of office of Sanitary Sub Officer for Lettermore District.
12. Creation of one additional office of District Medical Officer for Galway Dispensary District, i.e. a fourth doctor.
13. Creation of one additional office of Clerical Officer for Motor Taxation Office.
14. Creation of nine offices of Public Health Nurse - to replace midwives in certain Dispensary Districts.
15. Increase in salaries of Resident Medical Staff at Regional Hospital.
16. Increase in remuneration of Boilermen at Regional Hospital.
17. Hospital Patients' Accounts - Notice of Motion by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh viz:-  
"That the decision in Minute No. 9437 of 23rd October, 1954 relating to the circulation to each member of the Council of a copy of any order instituting legal proceedings for recovery of debts due by patients be rescinded".

18. Letter 7/9/61 from the County Councils' General Council requesting this Council's views on a proposal that Main and County Road Expenditure be a National charge.
19. Auditor's Report on accounts of Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for year ended 31/3/1961.
20. Amenity Schemes grants - Department of Local Government letter of 31/8/1961.
21. Members' Notices of Motion:-
- (a) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
1. "That a scheme be devised whereby the County Council would give advice etc. to ratepayers who wish to build houses with the aid of grants etc."
  2. "That cause of flooding at Windfield Bridge, Newbridge be remedied (Piping to river Shiven)."
- (b) Deputy M. Carty: "That the Housing Grants schemes be altered to provide for payment of grants under Section 11 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1952, to persons whose incomes do not exceed £1,040. p.a. who qualify under that Section.
- (c) Clr. J. Donnellan: "That the dental service for school children be improved."
- (d) Clrs. John Mannion & Padraic D. Joyce: "That a 4" water main be provided to serve the Market Hill area of Clifden."
- (e) Clr. J. Dowd:
1. "That the rates on the flooded lands of Clonfert and Meelick be reduced by half as those lands are covered with water half the year and should get special consideration."
  2. "That the County Manager give a list of the number of people treated in the County in each dispensary district, also the number treated by each District Maternity Nurse from the 1/7/60. to 1/7/61."
- (f) Senator Robert Lahiff:
1. "That the waterworks at Clarinbridge be proceeded with."
  2. "That the sewerage of the Ennis road, Gort, be proceeded with without delay."
- (g) Clr. Padraic D. Joyce:
1. "That public latrines be provided at Cleggan Pier, Leenane and Roundstone."
  2. "That piped water be extended to Cleggan Pier."
  3. "That Mr. C.I. O'Flynn, County Manager, make a public statement outlining the income level above which medical cards cannot be granted."
  4. "That the Galway County Council restore a nursing service to all areas where the Lady Dudley nursing service was withdrawn."
  5. "That all un-serviced County Council cottages be serviced immediately."
- (h) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
1. "That this Council recommend to the County Libraries Committee that a Branch Library be provided in Ballynoe."
  2. "That this Council recommend reduced charges for Maintenance of children in District Institutions."
  3. "That the meal allowance for certain employees of the Council be increased."
  4. "That Blind Welfare Allowance be paid direct to recipients by post."

(i) Clr. Martin Mannion:

1. "That the extension of Glenamaddy water supply to Lowery's Cross be carried out without delay."
2. "That open sewerage drain between Garda Barracks and Mahony's house, Moylough be piped."

(j) Clr. John Donnellan: "That the Council proceed immediately with the design of the Moycullen Sewerage Scheme."

(k) Deputy M. Killilea: "I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that Galway County Council are of opinion that changing the Tuam Clinic to the Children's Home is most unsuitable and inconvenient and direct the County Manager to provide an alternative site within the Town Boundary."

(l) Deputy T. Millar: "That the Council is of the opinion that a fence or wall should be provided from Newcastle Main Road to Cloonkeen, in order to accommodate Mr. Walter Burke, of Cloonkeen and others."

22. Other Business.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

19th September, 1961.

TO:  
Each member of the Council.

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On the Chairman's instructions, the holding of a meeting of the Council has been postponed until after the date of the General Election.

The meeting of the County Council which was summoned for 23rd instant will not be held on that date. Instead, it will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 7th October, 1961 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

The Agenda will be as already circulated, with the following additions:-

- 20 (a) Revision of salary scale for post of Resident Medical Superintendent, Regional Hospital.
- 20 (b) Creation of one additional post of student technician in the Laboratory at Galway Regional Hospital.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Lunaigh,

Runai.

*C. Secretary.*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 7th OCTOBER, 1961.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Carty.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lambert, John Mannion, Martin Mannion, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge, James J. Ruane, Patrick Ruane and SIRR.

2601 - SYMPATHY: Deputy Geoghegan referred to the recent family bereavements of Mr. Sean Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer and he proposed that as a mark of respect, the meeting be adjourned to 2.15 p.m.

Deputy Coogan seconded and this was unanimously agreed to.

2602 - CHILDREN'S HOME, TUAM: The Assistant County Manager read the following statement:-

"At a meeting of the County Council last July, a discussion took place concerning the Children's Home, Tuam, in the course of which a reference was made by me to the effect that the conduct of the Home had been unsatisfactory.

Exception has been taken to the use of the word conduct and in view of the fact that this word might be misunderstood, I wish to withdraw this statement and any other statement which might be taken as reflecting on the staff of the Home."

The meeting then adjourned until 2.15 p.m. and on resumption, Deputy Carty again took the chair.

2603 - ROADS - ALLOCATION OF AMOUNT PROVIDED IN CURRENT ESTIMATE FOR MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:-

Mr. Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, said that a sum of £11,944. was provided in the current year's estimates for members Notices of Motion, or an average of approximately £390. per councillor and he added that it was desirable now to select the roads on which it was proposed to spend these monies.

Clr. John Mannion said that the members had insufficient notice of this item and he requested that it be adjourned to the next meeting.

Clr. Kelly feared that the money would be wasted due to the delay in deciding on the schemes.

Deputy Geoghegan enquired if the money could be spent on roads selected from the list which the County Engineer had received from the Board of Works - roads which they said, they had repaired and requested the County Council to take over and maintain.

Clr. Ridge asked if a road leading to a chapel could be steam-rolled.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh enquired if the members would be notified of the estimated cost of each road.

Clr. Dowd deplored the general condition of bye roads throughout the County.

The Chairman said that the expenditure of this money would be confined to roads included in the proposed £50,000. loan or roads included in the councillors' Notices of Motion or roads included in the lists received by the County Engineer from the Board of Works; he suggested that the County Engineer should examine these roads and circulate an estimate of the cost of repair to the members at an early date, so that the members for each electoral area could meet and discuss them before the next meeting and so as to finally dispose of the matter at the next meeting.

Clr. King said that he thought that these roads had been examined and estimates prepared already and that these were very probably available. He added that the members should be asked to submit one or two roads for the County Engineer's examination and estimate, and that the selection be confined to these.

The Chairman informed Clr. Kelly that if the £390. allotted was not sufficient to repair the road, then the work would not be considered.

Clr. Martin Mannion proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded that the Chairman's suggestion be adopted.

Clr. Ridge proposed and Deputy Coogan seconded that the Chairman's suggestion be not adopted.

Clr. Dowd proposed and Clr. Lambert seconded that a special meeting be convened to consider the matter and the Chairman said that there was no necessity for a special meeting.

It was eventually agreed to adopt the Chairman's suggestion.

**2604 - ROAD AT GLENCOAGHAN, RECESS:** Letter dated 4th September, 1961, Ref. No. S.W. 2/3/1961, from the Special Employment Schemes Office, Dublin, was submitted, regarding a proposal for the repair of 258 perches of existing road starting at the end of the County Road at Glencoughan Bridge near Recess, Connemara, and stating that Messrs. Irish Marble Limited, did not now propose to accept the offer of a state mining lease for the quarrying of marble in the area; that the offer had accordingly been withdrawn together with the offer of a mineral development schemes grant from the Employment and Emergency Schemes Vote towards the cost of repairing the section of existing road referred to.

It was noted that as this road had not been declared a public road, that the County Engineer would not take any action in regard to its repair and improvement.

**2605 - OLD AGE PENSION SUB-COMMITTEES:** Clr. O'Ceallaigh said that at the last meeting of the Council, two officers of the Council, viz. Rate Collectors, had been appointed members of Old Age Pension Sub-Committees, and he questioned the eligibility of their appointments in view of the fact that they were existing officers of the Council. He asked that the solicitor to the County Council be requested to give an opinion on the validity of these appointments.

**2606 - GENERAL ELECTION:** Clr. Ridge alleged that officers of the Council who had been employed as polling clerks had intimidated voters at the recent General Election.

The Chairman asked Clr. Ridge to bring forward any evidence in support of his allegation and submit specific charges to the County Manager whose duty it was to investigate them.

The County Manager said that matters such as these should not be discussed at a public meeting at all, as they tended to cast a reflection on all officers; that the control of officers of the Council was his executive function and that the facts regarding any abuse by an officer of his official position, should be reported to him for investigation.

**2607 - MEDICAL CARDS:** Clr. O'Ceallaigh alleged that Home Assistance Officers when making investigations regarding the means of an applicant for a Medical Card often consulted the applicants neighbours about his means and he requested that they be warned to cease this method of investigation.

**2608 - STORM DAMAGE:** Clr. Kelly proposed a vote of congratulation to the Council's workers for the great work they had done in repairing the damage caused by the recent storm and Clr. Dowd seconded and this was agreed to.

Clr. Cox said that contrary to what had been stated at the last meeting of the Council, there was a stand-by electrical generating set available at the Regional Hospital.

The Chief Assistant County Engineer said that there was a stand-by available to deal with any emergency.

The County Manager confirmed that the electricians on strike had given an undertaking to maintain essential supplies to Hospitals.

The Chairman paid tribute to the E.S.B. workers for the great work done by

them during the recent storm and he praised their bravery under very trying and dangerous circumstances.

**2609 - MINUTES:** The Minutes of the previous meeting to No. 2600 inclusive, having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**2610 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:** The following particulars of claims received since the previous meeting were noted, viz:-

Roberta M. Flanagan, River Street, Ballinasloe - 30th August, 1961 - Damage to Bridge and two fences - £75. 0. 0.  
Matthias Curran, Headford - 8th September, 1961 - Damage to new horse cart - £20.

Martin Oliver, The Claddagh, Galway - 6th September, 1961 - Damage to Main sail of a boat together with gaffs and two oars - £40. 0. 0.  
Thomas Coyne, Oranmore - 17th September, 1961 - Damage to one cock of hay by fire - £50. 0. 0.

**2611 - SALE OF DERELICT SITE NO. 7 AT CLIFDEN:** It was unanimously decided that consideration of this item would be adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

**2612 - BELVIEW GATEWAY:** In the absence of Senator Laffie, consideration of item No. 4 on the Agenda was adjourned until the next meeting, on the proposition of Clr. King and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan.

**2613 - ATHENRY SEWERAGE SCHEME IMPROVEMENT:** On the proposition of Clr. James J. Ruane, seconded by Clr. King, the Council approved the carrying out of improvement works to the Athenry Sewerage Scheme at an estimated cost of £30,650. It was noted that this sum did not include the cost of a further extension required on the Station Road, the estimate of which was not yet available.

**2614 - LOUGHREA WATER & SEWERAGE EXTENSIONS TO NEW FACTORY SITE:** On the proposition of Deputy Carty, and seconded by Clr. James J. Ruane, the Council approved the proposal for the extension of the water and sewerage mains to a point adjoining the site which had been selected by Messrs. Hohner Panarmonic Ltd. for a factory at Athenry Road, Loughrea at a total estimated cost of £2,000.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh alleged that the sewerage purification plant on the Bullaun Road, Loughrea was being contaminated.

**2615 - TUAM SWIMMING POOL:** On the proposition of Clr. Killilea and seconded by Clr. Burke, it was agreed to write to the Secretary of the Tuam Chamber of Commerce to ascertain the present position regarding the Swimming Pool project for the town, and to adjourn consideration of the matter to the next meeting of the Council, when a reply would have been received.

**2616 - BRIDGE OVER NANNY RIVER AT TUAM PALACE GROUNDS:** Letter dated the 2nd September, 1961, from the County Engineer, was submitted re the replacement by the Office of Public Works of a Bridge over the Nanny River at the Palace Grounds Tuam, and enclosing copies of letters of the 27th June, 1961 and the 25th July, 1961 from the Board of Works, together with plans of the alternative proposals for a new bridge; stating that he regarded the design of the road bridge suitable for this location and recommending that the County Council make arrangements with the Office of Public Works for the erection of such a bridge and agree to make a contribution of £2,130. towards the cost.

The County Manager said that it might be possible to have this included as part of an over-all Amenity Scheme for the development of the Palace Grounds and to get a 50% grant as a contribution towards the cost.

On the proposition of Clr. Killilea and seconded by Clr. Burke, the Council unanimously approved payment of a contribution of £2,130. towards the cost of this bridge and also approved the raising of a loan of £2,130. therefor.

**2617 - ABOLITION OF OFFICE OF SANITARY SUB-OFFICER FOR LETTERMORE DISTRICT:**

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council approved the abolition of the office of Sanitary Sub-Officer for Lettermore District.

2618 - CREATION OF ONE ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF DISTRICT MEDICAL OFFICER FOR GALWAY DISPENSARY DISTRICT, i.e. A FOURTH DOCTOR:

Deputy Carty, Chairman, said that he knew of one Dispensary Doctor in Galway who was definitely overworked, that was Doctor Joseph McHale, who was doing more work than any Dispensary Doctor in a built up area in the Country.

The County Manager told Deputy Coogan that the river Corrib was the dividing line between the original two districts, District No. 1 being on the east side of the Corrib and District No. 2 being on the west side; that it was now recommended that each of these two districts be divided so that Districts Nos. 1 & 4 would be on the east side of the Corrib and Districts Nos. 2 & 3 would be on the west side. It was proposed that the dividing line on the east side would be a line running along the middle of the road from the Salmon Weir Bridge via St. Vincent's Avenue, Woodquay, Eyre Street, to Eyre Square at the County Club Corner and from there via the Tuam Road to the North Boundary of Parkmore Townland; that the area to the south of this line would be No. 1 District and the area to the north No. 4 District.

He added that it was proposed that the dividing line on the west side would be the Loughinch Road, from the west boundary of Corbally Morgan Townland to the junction with Newcastle Road at Cahill's Corner and then via St. Helen's Street, Henry Street, Dominick Street to O'Brien's Bridge - the dividing line running along the middle of these roads; that No. 2 District would be south of this line and No. 3 District north of this line. He added that the number of cards and the number of persons covered by the cards in the proposed districts would be as follows:-

District No. 1	-- 866 Cards	-- 2,298 Persons covered.
District No. 2	-- 1,132 "	-- 2,924 " "
District No. 3	-- 953 "	-- 2,815 " "
District No. 4	-- 1,096 "	-- 2,962 " "

On the proposition of Deputy Coogan, seconded by Clr. Kelly, the Council unanimously approved the creation of one additional office of District Medical Officer for Galway Dispensary District, i.e. a fourth doctor.

2619 - DISPENSARIES: Deputy Coogan asked for a dispensary east of the Corrib, as it was very hard to expect people to travel from Mervue to Skantalla to the present County Clinic.

The Chairman said that this was no distance compared to the journeys people out the country had to make to attend a dispensary.

Mr. Kelly instanced people who, though within a mile of a dispensary had to travel over eight miles to their own dispensary and he asked that this whole system be revised.

The Chairman said that it was hoped to do that in the not too distant future.

Clr. Donnellan questioned the adequacy of the numbers of maternity nurses attached to the Galway Dispensary District.

2620 - CREATION OF ONE ADDITIONAL OFFICE OF CLERICAL OFFICER FOR MOTOR TAXATION OFFICE:

It was noted that the limit of recoupment in 1925 for Motor Taxation Staff, salaries and expenses, was 2% of the amount of duty collected and that it was subsequently reduced to its present limit of 1 1/2%; that with the recent increases in staff salaries, the Motor Taxation expenses based on the existing staff, would exceed this 1 1/2% reimbursement limit and that the excess would be chargeable to the County Rates.

The County Manager suggested that the Department of Local Government would be requested to increase the limit to 2% of the amount of duty collected and to consider the matter further when a decision had been received and this was agreed to.

2621 - RATE COLLECTION NO. 35 DISTRICT: Clr. Killilea asked that because of the delay in issuing Demand Notes to ratepayers in No. 35 Rate Collection District, the ratepayers there would not be pressed for payment of two moieties together and the County Manager promised to consider this request sympathetically.

2622 - CREATION OF NINE OFFICES OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE - TO REPLACE MIDWIVES IN CERTAIN DISPENSARY DISTRICTS:

On the proposition of Clr. Dowd and seconded by Deputy Geoghegan, the Council unanimously approved the creation of nine offices as Public Health Nurse for district duties at Ahascragh, Ballygar, Clifden, Eyrecourt, Gort - South Ardrahan, Headford, Kiltormer - Laurencetown, Kinvara - North Ardrahan, and Orammore.

Deputy Geoghegan asked what was the position regarding a nurse for the Recess, Leenane districts, and the County Manager promised to advise him of the position.

2623 - NURSES' SALARIES AND SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES: The County Manager told Deputy Coogan that he had no information to offer re the present position concerning the revision of nurses' salaries.

Deputy Coogan asked why the refund of the reduction of 6d. per day in the value of emoluments of rations supplied as from the 15th December, 1959 to the nurses at the Galway Regional Hospital, had not been paid, and the County Manager promised to expedite payment if, in fact, it had not already been made.

2624 - RESIDENT MEDICAL STAFF, GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - REMUNERATION VARIATIONS:

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council approved the revised rates of remuneration proposed for the medical staff, Galway Regional Hospital with effect from the 1st April, 1961 inclusive as set out hereunder:-

<u>Interns</u>	- £675. per annum, less £169. per annum for emoluments, i.e. £506. per annum nett.
<u>Junior House Officers</u>	- £775. per annum, less £169. per annum for emoluments, i.e. £606. per annum nett.
<u>Senior House Officers</u>	- £850. per annum, less £169. per annum for emoluments, i.e. £681. per annum nett, for first year.
	£925. per annum, less £169. per annum for emoluments, i.e. £756. per annum nett for second year.
<u>Registrars</u>	- £1,075. per annum, less £169. per annum for emoluments, i.e. £906. Per annum nett for first year.
	£1,175. per annum, less £169. per annum for emoluments, i.e. £1,006. per annum nett for second year.
	£1,275. per annum, less £169. per annum for emoluments, i.e. £1,106. per annum nett for third year.
	An additional £125. per annum at all stages for a Registrar holding a higher degree.

All the above rates are to be fully inclusive.

2625 - BOILERMEN, GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - REMUNERATION VARIATIONS:

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Council approved a revised remuneration for boilermen at the Galway Regional Hospital with effect from the 1st July, 1961 inclusive, as set out hereunder:-

£8. 16s. Od. per week.

2626 - HOSPITAL PATIENTS- LEGAL PROCEEDINGS: Clr. O'Ceallaigh proposed in accordance with his notice of motion:-

"That the decision in Minute No. 9437 of the 23rd October, 1954 relating to the circulation to each member of the Council of a copy of any order instituting legal proceedings for recovery of debts due by patients, be rescinded."

The Chairman pointed out that the lists are really copies of County Manager's Orders which can be inspected and copied from the County Manager's Order Book at any time, even if it was decided to circulate or to cease circulation of these copies; that what was really needed was discretion in the use of the information contained in these lists.

The County Manager said that he agreed with Clr. O'Ceallaigh that the circulation of the lists served no useful purpose as the original bill and a number of warnings were sent to the person concerned before legal proceedings were instituted.

Both the Chairman and Clr. Martin Mannion instanced cases of neighbours of theirs whose names appeared on the circulated list and who were never sent accounts prior to that.

Clr. Galvin said that he regarded the list as a confidential document and made representations only in those cases where the person on the list approached him and he was satisfied that representation should be made; that if all the members treated the lists as confidential documents, then nobody could have any objection to their circulation.

Clr. Flaherty said that he knew of a case where a person whose name appeared on the list had already paid the amount due and possessed an official receipt therefor.

Deputy Coogan said that he agreed with the County Manager's view and he formally seconded Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposition.

At this stage, the Acting County Secretary referred to Standing Order No. 21 which stated as follows:-

"A Notice of Motion to rescind or alter a resolution of the County Council shall be notified to each member six clear days before the meeting at which the notice can be considered. If the number of members voting at such meeting be less than the number that voted on the original motion, then the motion to rescind or alter shall receive at least two-thirds of the total votes before such motion to rescind or alter shall become operative."

He added that at the meeting held on the 23rd October, 1954 the number of members present was 27 and that there was no division on Minute No. 9437 of the 23rd October, 1954.

The Chairman then directed that a vote be taken on Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposal and it resulted as follows:-

FOR: Clrs. Galvin and O'Ceallaigh (2)  
AGAINST: Clrs. Burke, Carty, Collins, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Geoghegan, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kyne, Martin Mannion and Surr (13)

Deputy Coogan, Clr. Cox and Ridge did not vote. (3)

The Chairman declared Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposal defeated.

**2627 - POOR LAW RATING - MAIN AND COUNTY ROADS:** Letter dated 7 Mean Fomhair, 1961 from the County Council's General Council was submitted requesting the Councillor's views on the following motion:-

"That the County Councils' General Council request the Department of Local Government and the Government to give consideration in any review of Poor Law Rating, that main and County Roads be a national charge."

On the proposition of Deputy Coogan and seconded by the Chairman, Deputy Carty, the Council considered that there was not much hope of obtaining full recoupment but decided to support an application for an increased allocation of grant from the road fund, for Main and County Roads.

**2628 - AUDITORS REPORT:** The Auditor's report on the accounts of the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees for year ended 31st March, 1961 was submitted and noted.

**2629 - AMENITY GRANTS:** Circular letter, Reference P.5/61 of the 31 Lunasa, 1961 from the Department of Local Government re Amenity Schemes Grants was submitted and noted.

**2630 - HOUSING GRANTS:** It was proposed by the Chairman Deputy Carty, seconded by Clr. Kelly and resolved that the Housing Grants Scheme be altered to provide for payment of grants under Section 11 of the Housing Amendment Act, 1952 to persons whose incomes do not exceed £1,040. per annum who qualify under that section.

**2631 - ADJOURNMENT:** The Council adjourned consideration of the remaining items on the Agenda until the next ordinary meeting of the Council, viz:- Items Nos. 20 (a) 20 (b), 21 (a), (c) (d) (e) (f) (g)(h) (i) (j) (k) and (L)

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

Michael Garb, Chairman

Date: 4/11/61

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

19 Dheire Fomhair, 1961.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae an Sathairn, 28adh Dheire Fomhair, 1961 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH,

Runai.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims.
3. Sale of Derelict Site No. 7, Clifden - Minute No. 2611 of 7/10/61.
4. Belleview Gateway - Minute No. 2612 of 7/10/61.
5. Tuam Swimming Pool - Minute No. 2615 of 7/10/61.
6. County Committee of Agriculture - Demand for year 31/3/1963 (Increase £2,000.)
7. Storm Damage 16/9/1961 - Cost of Repairs.
8. Making and adopting Bye-laws with respect to markets in the town of Athenry.
9. Declaration of a road to be a public road, viz:- Carra to Carrowroe: 3,020 yards.
10. Election of a representative on the Governing Body of University College, Galway
11. Increase in salaries for the following grades:-
  - (a) Resident Medical Superintendent, Regional Hospital.
  - (b) Medical Officers at Regional Hospital.
  - (c) Compounders.
  - (d) Health Inspectors.
  - (e) Laboratory Student Technicians.
12. Creation of one additional post of Student Technician in the Laboratory at the Regional Hospital.
13. Abolition of one post of Clerk-Typist (Transferred to the Western Health Institutions Board)
14. Arrangements for filling of vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 14 & 36 (at present held temporarily by Mrs. Freeney and Mr. J. Dermody).
15. Provision of a sewerage scheme for Mountbellew Town - Estimate £17,000. (Contribution to loan charges 60%)
16. County Road Improvement Grant.

17. Visiting Committee Minutes:-  
 St. Mary's Home, Tuam -- 7/7/1961.  
 Regional Hospital. -- 15/7/1961.  
 Our Lady of Fatima Hospital -- 19/8/1961.  
 St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea -- 7/9/1961.
18. Auditor's report on accounts of River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee - Year Ending 31/3/1961.
19. Matters for next Agenda of County Councils' General Council.
20. Members' Notices of Motion:-
- (a) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
- "That a scheme be devised whereby the County Council would give advice etc. to ratepayers who wish to build houses with the aid of grants etc."
  - "That cause of flooding at Windfield Bridge, Newbridge be remedied (Piping to river Shiven)."
- (b) Deputy A. Millar: "That public toilets be provided at Athenry and Portumna.
- (c) Clr. J. Donnellan: "That the dental service for school children be improved."
- (d) Clrs. John Mannion & Padraic D. Joyce: "That a 4" water main be provided to serve the Market Hill area of Clifden."
- (e) Clr. J. Dowd:
- "That the rates on the flooded lands of Clonfert and Meslick be reduced by half as these lands are covered with water half the year and should get special consideration."
  - "That the County Manager give a list of the number of people treated in the County in each dispensary district, also the number treated by each District Maternity Nurse from the 1/7/60. to 1/7/61."
- (f) Senator Robert Lehiff:
- "That the waterworks at Clarinbridge be proceeded with."
  - "That the sewerage of the Ennis Road, Gort, be proceeded with without delay."
- (g) Clr. Padraic D. Joyce:
- "That public latrines be provided at Cleggan Pier, Leenane and Roundstone."
  - "That piped water be extended to Cleggan Pier."
  - "That Mr. C.I. O'Flynn, County Manager, make a public statement outlining the income level above which medical cards cannot be granted."
  - "That the Galway County Council restore a nursing service to all areas where the Lady Dudley nursing service was withdrawn."
  - "That all un-serviced County Council cottages be serviced immediately."
- (h) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
- "That this Council recommend to the County Libraries Committee that a Branch Library be provided in Ballymoe."
  - "That this Council recommend reduced charges for Maintenance of children in District Institutions."
  - "That the meal allowance for certain employees of the Council be increased."

4. "That Blind Welfare Allowance be paid direct to recipients by post."
- (i) Clr. Martin Mannion:
- "That the extension of Glenamaddy water supply to Lowery's Cross be carried out without delay."
  - "That open sewerage drain between Garda Barracks and Mahony's house, Moylough be piped."
- (j) Clr. John Donnellan: "That the Council proceed immediately with the design of the Moycullen Sewerage Scheme."
- (k) Deputy M. Killilea: "I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that Galway County Council are of opinion that changing the Tuam Clinic to the Children's Home is most unsuitable and inconvenient and direct the County Manager to provide an alternative site within the Town Boundary."
- (l) Deputy T. Millar: "That the Council is of the opinion that a fence or wall should be provided from Newcastle Main Road to Cloonkeen, in order to accommodate Mr. Walter Burke, of Cloonkeen and others."

21. Other Business.

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 COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.  
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Secretary's Office,  
 County Buildings,  
 Galway.

Phone:  
 Galway 2055.  
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25th October, 1961.

To:  
 Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

The meeting of the Galway County Council summoned for 28th instant has been postponed for one week, on the chairman's direction, owing to the Taoiseach's visit to Galway on 28th instant.

The meeting will, therefore, be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 4th November, 1961 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

The following item is added to the Agenda, viz:-

11 (f) Increase in Salaries of Nurses and of Medical Officers at St. Brendan's Home and Our Lady of Fatima Hospital.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Lunaigh,

Runai.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 4th NOVEMBER, 1961.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy M. Carty.  
(2) Clr. M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Greene, Joyce, Kelly, King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion J., Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clr. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., and Sirr.

2632 - SYMPATHY: The Chairman expressed deep sympathy with the relatives of the following and proposed that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until 2 p.m.:-

Mr. Thomas O'Connor, Salthill, a former member of the Galway County Council.  
Surgeon Michael G. O'Malley.  
Father of Mr. Thomas Griffin, Staff Officer.  
Mr. Michael Cahill, Loughrea, brother of the Town Clerk, Loughrea.  
Mr. Michael O'Donnell, Porter at County Buildings.  
Brother-in-law of Mr. John Donnellan, County Councillor.

Votes of sympathy were also unanimously adopted with the following and it was decided that the meeting be adjourned until 2 p.m.

Mr. Joseph Owens, Dominick Street, Galway on the death of his mother.  
Fr. Murphy, P.P., Moylough, on the death of his brother.  
Mrs. Reynolds, Mountbellew, on the death of her husband.  
Mrs. Gilmore, Moate, Moylough, on the death of her mother.  
Mr. Philip Ryan, Cloonkeel, Moylough, on the death of his mother.  
Mr. John Walsh, Glencough, Rosmuc, on the death of his sister.

The meeting was then adjourned until 2 p.m. and on resumption Deputy M. Carty again took the chair.

2633 - MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting to No. 2631 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Deputy Geoghegan, referring to Minute No. 2606 asked that he be informed as to whether the County Manager had received any written statement of complaint.

2634 - OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES - MEMBERSHIP: Arising out of Minute No. 2605 of 7th October, 1961, the Secretary stated that a rate collector is eligible for membership of an Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee; but a member of an Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee cannot be employed as a rate collector; that the rate collectors who had been appointed members of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees had not acted as members of these committees and do not propose doing so.

2635 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Secretary gave particulars of malicious damage claims received since the previous meeting viz:-

Mr. Patrick Griffin, Shantalla Road, Galway, Fishing Net - 9/10/61 - £106. 5s. Od.

2636 - CLIFDEN DERELICT SITE NO. 7: The Notice sent to each member of the Council on 12th July, 1961 was submitted and on the proposition of Clr. J. Mannion, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce, the Council approved the proposal for sale of Derelict Site No. 7, Clifden, area 2 square perches to Mr. William McHugh, B.E., Kille House, Ballyconree, Clifden, for £55, the cost of conveyance to be paid by the County Council.

2637 - BELLEVUE GATEWAY: The Secretary explained that the National Monuments Advisory Committee and the National Monuments Advisory Council have recommended that the Bellevue Gateway be allowed to remain in its present position and that Senator Lahiffe had submitted a Notice of Motion to the same effect, consideration of which was adjourned at an earlier meeting; that the County Engineer states that having regard to all the circumstances, it would probably be best to leave the gate where it is.

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Clr. John Dowd stated that he is still of the opinion that the gateway should be removed.

Senator Lahiffe stated that this is an important historical monument and he suggested that it be left for the present at least.

Clr. P. Galvin stated that he does not consider this structure worthy to be considered a national monument and asked the Council to consider the danger to traffic passing through the archway through falling masonry etc.

Clr. Canning supported Senator Lahiffe and stated that this is a memorial to the volunteers of 1783.

Clrs. F. Mullins, P. Patten and J.J. Ruane also supported the recommendation that this monument be left in its present position and Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh supported it, leaving it involves no cost to the County Council.

Clr. P. Collins also recommended that the monument be left undisturbed.

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken, and as a result, it was decided that the Bellevue Gateway be left in its present position.

2638 - TUAM SWIMMING POOL: The Secretary stated that a telephone message had been received from Mr. MacElroy, Secretary, Tuam Chamber of Commerce, stating that the site of the swimming pool in the Palace Grounds is approved and that the money in hands is approximately £1,000; that a special committee is being formed to proceed with the collection of further money for this project and that the committee are most anxious to have the work started.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, requested that the Council would approve the engagement of an architect for preparation of a preliminary plan and estimate of the cost of the swimming pool and this recommendation was approved by the Council on the proposition of Clr. M. Killilea, seconded by Clr. P. Patten.

The Chairman, Deputy Carty, warned the Council that considerable increase in the rate is anticipated due to salary revisions and anticipated higher demands from subsidiary bodies. The Chairman requested that the Council would be most careful in its approach to any items involving an increased expenditure during the remainder of the current financial year.

2639 - COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE: A letter, 13th October, 1961, from the Acting Chief Agricultural Officer was submitted and, on the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd the Council approved an increase of £2,000. in the demand of the County Committee of Agriculture for the year 1962/63.

2640 - STORM DAMAGE: The Secretary gave particulars of the County Engineer's estimate for repairing damage caused by the storm on 16th September, 1961, the total amount of the estimate being £10, 550.

On the proposition of Clr. M. Killilea, seconded by Deputy M.F. Kitt, the Council authorised any over expenditure in the current years estimate necessary to meet the cost of repairing this damage estimated at £10,550. and directed that as far as may be possible damage be repaired out of the present provision made for maintenance in the current years estimate.

Deputy F. Coogan proposed that the Council ask the Government to provide financial assistance to help people of the County Galway to repair damage to their dwelling houses and farm buildings caused by the recent storms and floods - as was given in Dublin City in 1954.

The County Manager pointed out that householders can apply for reconstruction grants for repairing this damage to their dwelling houses.

Clr. P. Sirr recommended that owners be notified regarding trees which are in such a condition and situation that they may be blown across the road by storms.

In reference to Deputy Coogan's proposal, the Chairman stated that the Minister made a statement recently regarding the reconstruction grants available for repairing storm damage to houses.

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It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. T. King, that the Council request the Galway Corporation to introduce a scheme of supplementary Housing Grants.

The County Manager stated that the Galway Corporation may regard this proposal as an impertinence on the part of the Galway County Council; that on inspection during the previous week, it was found that there were only seven cases of damage occurring to houses occupied by persons of the Public Assistance level.

Clr. P. Patten seconded Deputy Coogan's proposal.

Deputy M. Carty proposed that the Government be requested to give grants for repair of storm damage to out offices other than dwelling houses.

Eventually, the Council unanimously adopted a proposal made by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, that the Government be requested to reduce from £60. to £10. the minimum estimated cost level for applications for reconstruction grants for repair of storm damage; and that in individual cases of hardship, the Council give favourable consideration to assisting the person concerned by way of public assistance if that person is in the public assistance class.

**2641 - ATHENRY BYE-LAWS:** On the proposition of Clr. J.J. Ruane, seconded by Senator R. Lahiffe, it was resolved that the Council hereby make and adopt, under the Common Seal of the Council of the County of Galway, bye-laws with respect to the markets in the town of Athenry.

The bye-laws were then sealed with the Seal of the Council.

**2642 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROAD:** It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved that the Council hereby declare the following road to be a public road, viz:-

Road from Carra to Carrowroe, length 3,020 yards.

**2643 - UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, GALWAY:** The Notice sent to each member of the Council on 18th September, 1961 regarding the election of a representative on the Governing Body of University College, Galway, was submitted. The Secretary stated that only one nomination was received, viz. the existing representative Deputy Michael Carty, Abbey Street, Loughrea.

On the proposition of Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. P. Patten the Council unanimously appointed Deputy Michael Carty, Co. C., Abbey Street, Loughrea, as its representative on the Governing Body of University College, Galway for the period of office commencing 1st February, 1962.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and unanimously resolved that the Council request the authorities of University College, Galway, to have a complete course in Agriculture provided at University College, Galway.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh stated that there have been complaints in cases in which a Professor does not favour a particular student, it is impossible for such student to pass his examinations.

The Chairman stated that he would raise this matter at the next meeting of the Governing Body if Clr. Ceallaigh gives further details in confidence.

**2644 - R.M.S., GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL:** The correspondence in connection with the filling of the vacancy for Resident Medical Superintendent, at Galway Regional Hospital was submitted together with the County Manager's proposal that the remuneration for the post be revised to a salary of £2,100. per annum, the person appointed to pay a rent of £120. per annum for the residence provided by the Council.

It was unanimously decided that consideration of this matter be adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

**2645 - SALARY REVISIONS - GENERAL:** It was proposed by Clr. P. Joyce and seconded by Clr. P. Collins that consideration of items 11 (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) on the Agenda be adjourned until the next Estimates meeting of the Galway County Council.

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These items related to proposals for the revision of salaries of certain Medical Officers at the Regional Hospital, Compounders, Health Inspectors, Laboratory Student Technicians, nurses and nursing sisters, Medical Officers of Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden and of St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea.

Clr. J. Cox considered that the Council should deal with these proposals as they arise.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh supported.

Clr. M. Killilea stated that he objected to having such proposals on the Agenda at every meeting. It was always held that proposals for salary revisions should only arise at the Estimates Meeting.

The County Manager stated that while he agreed with Deputy Killilea, it is not feasible to do what Deputy Killilea recommends as in such matters the Council is at the mercy of organised labour; that it would be better that there would be a national wages board for fixing the remuneration of employees of local authorities.

Clr. King stated that while in sympathy with Clr. Joyce, he considered that the Council should deal with these matters now, since, if the increases are approved at the Estimates Meeting, they will involve retrospective payments.

A vote taken for or against adjournment of consideration of items 11 (b) to (f) inclusive until the Estimates Meeting, resulted as follows:-

**For Adjournment:** Clrs Burke, Canning, Carty, Collins, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Glynn, Joyce, Killilea, Lahiffe, Mannion J., Mullins, Ruane J., and Sirr. (15)

**Against:** Clrs. Coogan, Cox, Donnellan, Geoghegan, Greene, Kelly, King, Kitt, Kyne, Mannion M., Millar, O'Ceallaigh, Patten and Ridge (14).

The Chairman declared Clr. Joyce's proposal carried, and consideration of the items to which it referred was therefore adjourned until the next Estimates Meeting of the Council.

Clr. P. Patten and Deputy F. Coogan paid tribute to the nursing staff of the Regional Hospital.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that very bad food is provided in the Nurses Home at Galway Regional Hospital and Deputy F. Coogan stated that the food is left on the table long before the staff can come to their meals.

Clr. J. Cox requested that the information regarding the allocation of domestic staff at the hospital which he requested, be supplied to him.

**2646 - LABORATORY STAFF:** On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. J. Glynn, the Council approved the creation of one additional post of Student Technician in the Medical Laboratory at the Galway Regional Hospital with remuneration at the existing rate viz:-

For persons under 21 years of age, £6. 9s. 8d. a week by annual increments of 6s. 0d. a week to £7. 1s. 8d. a week maximum.  
If 21 years or over, £6. 14s. 8d. a week by increments of 6s. 0d. a week to £7. 6s. 8d. a week maximum.

**2647 - CLERICAL STAFF:** The County Manager explained that a Clerk Typist appointed by the Galway County Council for Orthopaedic work was employed on this work at Merlin Park Sanatorium and that it was considered better that this Officer be taken over by the Western Health Institutions Board. The County Manager requested, however, that the Council defer consideration of the abolition of that post of Clerk Typist under the Galway County Council as it may be necessary to seek the creation of such a post for medical records at the Regional Hospital.

Consideration was, therefore, adjourned.

**2648 - RATE COLLECTOR - NO. 14 DISTRICT:** The Secretary requested direction from the Council in regard to the filling of the vacant post of Rate Collector for No. 14 District which is being held temporarily by Mrs. Julia Freaney up to 30th April, 1962.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. P. Patten, the Council unanimously appointed Mrs. Julia Freney, High Street, Galway, as Temporary Rate Collector for No. 14 District for a further period of 1 year from 1st May, 1962 to 30th April, 1963 inclusive with remuneration at the same rate as applied to the late permanent collector, Mr. Martin Freney.

**2649 - RATE COLLECTION DISTRICT, NO. 36:** The Secretary requested direction in regard to the filling of the vacancy of Rate Collector in No. 36 District which is held in a temporary capacity by Mr. J. Dermody to 30th April, 1962.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the rates for No. 36 district be collected direct from the Council's offices.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, it was decided to defer consideration of this matter until the meeting of the Council in January, 1962, when particulars of the state of the collection for No. 35 district which is being collected direct from the office, will be available.

**2650 - MOUNTBELLEW SEWERAGE SCHEME:** On the proposition of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved proceeding with the provision of a sewerage scheme for Mountbellew town at an estimated cost of £17,000., it being noted that a contribution of 60% of the loan charges will be available from the Department of Local Government.

**2651 - COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT:** Consideration of item 16 on the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting pending receipt of a reply from the Secretary, Department of Local Government, to a letter sent to him on this subject.

**2652 - ROADS - COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION:** It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty and resolved that the Council at the next ordinary meeting select the roads to be reconstructed out of the amount provided for Councillors' Notices of Motion.

DEPUTY M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

**2653 - VISITING COMMITTEE:** Minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee held as set out hereunder, having been circulated to the members were submitted and noted:-

St. Mary's Home Tuam	--- 7th July, 1961.
Galway Regional Hospital	---15th July, 1961.
Our Lady of Fatima Hospital	---19th August, 1961.
St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea	--- 7th September, 1961.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked if it has been decided that a monthly meeting of the Committee at Galway Regional Hospital is not necessary.

Clr. T. King stated that he agrees that it is not necessary to hold meetings of the Visiting Committee at the Regional Hospital monthly but suggested that they be held once in each two months; that the days of meetings of the Visiting Committee are not fixed by the County Council and that it is not feasible that they be fixed by the County Council.

The County Manager stated that he does not object to the holding of meetings of the Visiting Committee at the Regional Hospital once in each two months and it was decided that the meetings be so held unless special circumstances require that other arrangements be made.

**2654 - AUDITOR'S REPORT:** The Auditor's report on his audit of accounts of the River Fergus Joint Drainage District Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1961 was submitted and noted.

**2655 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:** Letter from the General Council was submitted requesting notice of items for the next Agenda.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved that the following be sent to the General Council for consideration viz.  
"That the means limit for Old Age Pensions be increased from £2. to £3. per week."

The following item was proposed by Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, and approved:-

"That the grants under the Local Authorities Works Act, 1949, be restored.

**2656 - HOUSING - ADVICE:** Clr. O'Ceallaigh, arising out of his Notice of Motion 20 (a)(1), asked that the Council would request the Vocational Education Committee to formulate a scheme for advice to ratepayers who wish to build houses with the aid of grants etc.

Clr. P. Joyce and Deputy M. Kitt stated that such a scheme is already in operation by the Vocational Committee.

**2657 - FLOODING:** Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the matter referred to in his Notice of Motion No. 20 (a) (2) had already been done.

**2658 - PUBLIC LAVATORIES:** In connection with Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No. 20 (b), the Secretary explained that Athenry and Portumna are on the list of places at which the County Engineer recommends that public lavatories be provided, but that the Council has not yet approved the raising of a loan for this work.

It was directed that consideration of the raising of a loan for this work be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Council.

**2659 - DENTAL SERVICES:** Arising out of his Notice of Motion No. 20 (c), Clr. J. Donnellan stated that a long period elapses between each medical inspection of school children at schools and that children may develop defects after the inspection has been carried out; also that teeth extractions are carried out in the schoolroom which is not a suitable place.

The County Manager stated that provision of dental clinics at Loughrea and Tuam is being considered and that a proposal would soon be placed before the Council for appointment of additional dental staff.

Clr. Donnellan asked if arrangements for dental services could be made with local dentists.

The County Manager asked that Clr. Donnellan would give him particulars of his suggestions for improvement of the dental services.

**2660 - CLIFDEN WATER SUPPLY:** In response to the Notice of Motion No. 20 (d) by Clr. John Mannion and Padraic D. Joyce, the County Engineer's letter of 26th October, 1961 was submitted recommending that a Consulting Engineer be asked to include for a water main through Market Hill as part of the Clifden Water Supply Improvement Scheme.

This recommendation was approved by the Council.

**2661 - RATES ON FLOODED LANDS:** Clr. J. Dowd having proposed in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 20 (e) (1), that the rates on the flooded lands of Clonfert and Meelick be reduced as half of these lands are covered by water half the year. It was directed that this matter be referred to the Valuation Office for consideration of reduction of the valuation.

**2662 - DISPENSARY SERVICES:** In connection with Clr. Dowd's Notice of Motion No. 20 (e) (1), the County Manager stated that lists of attendances at dispensaries are available and Clr. Dowd stated that he considered that the areas of the dispensary districts require revision.

**2663 - CLARINBRIDGE WATER SUPPLY:** In reply to Senator Lahiffe's Notice of Motion No. 20 (f) (1), it was explained that the plans for the Clarinbridge Water Supply Scheme have been approved by the Department of Local Government; that the land required has been purchased but that the acquisition of the water rights has not been completed as an objection has been lodged; that it is possible that this objection may be withdrawn.

**2664 - GORT SEWERAGE SCHEME:** In reply to Senator Lahiffe's Notice of Motion the Secretary stated that the estimated cost of the sewerage extension at Ennis Road, Gort, is £4,190.

It was proposed by Senator R. Laffie, seconded by Clr. J. Ruane and resolved that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £4,190. from the National Bank Limited, Galway for extension of the sewerage scheme at Ennis Road, Gort; the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of 5 years with interest at the rate charged by the bank from time to time for such loans.

**2665 - PUBLIC LAVATORIES:** In connection with Clr. P. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 20 (g) (1), that public latrines be provided at Cleggan Pier, Leenane and Roundstone, the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that Roundstone is included in the list of places at which he recommends that public lavatories be provided but that he does not recommend that such conveniences be provided at Cleggan Pier or Leenane.

It was directed that consideration of this matter be adjourned until the next meeting when the Council would be considering the raising of a loan for provision of public lavatories.

**2666 - CLEGGAN WATER SUPPLY:** In connection Clr. P. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 20 (g) (2), the Secretary stated that the County Engineer's estimate for extending the water supply to Cleggan Pier is £120. and the Council approved Mr. Silke's recommendation that provision for this extension be made in next years estimate.

**2667 - MEDICAL CARDS - INCOME LEVEL:** In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 20 (g) (3), the County Manager's letter of 5th September, 1961 was submitted and it was directed that a copy of this letter be sent to each member of the Council.

**2668 - DISPENSARY DISTRICTS NURSING SERVICES:** In connection with his Notice of Motion No. 20 (g) (4), Clr. Joyce stated that provision for the Recess area has not been made in the scheme for revision of nursing services.

The County Manager stated that the Lady Dudley Society maintain that the nurse in Roundstone with a car can attend to general nursing in the Recess area and that midwifery services in that area can receive attention by the nurse in Kilkerrin.

DEPUTY M. CARRY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

**2669 - COTTAGES - SANITARY SERVICES:** In response to Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 20 (g) (5), Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that where water and sewerage services are available a scheme is in existence whereby services can be provided to cottages if the tenants agree to pay a certain contribution to the cost by instalments in addition to their rent; that this scheme applies only where water and sewerage services are already available in the vicinity of the cottages.

**2670 - BRANCH LIBRARY FOR BALLYMOE:** The Council directed that Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's proposal, 20 (h) (1), that a Branch Library be provided in Ballymoe be referred to the Libraries Committee for consideration.

**2671 - HOSPITAL CHARGES FOR CHILDREN:** On the proposition of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, it was decided that the proposal be sent to the General Council of County Councils for consideration, viz:-

"That this Council recommends reduced charges for Maintenance and treatment of children in District Institutions".

**2672 - AMBULANCE NURSES - SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE:** In connection with his Notice of Motion No. 20 (h) (3), Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the subsistence allowance of 3s. 6d. for Ambulance Nurses is entirely inadequate and the Council approved his proposal seconded by Deputy F. Coogan that the County Manager investigate this matter.

**2673 - BLIND WELFARE ALLOWANCES:** In connection with Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion that Blind Welfare Allowance be paid direct to recipients by post, the Secretary read a report of 15th September, 1961 from the Superintendent Assistance Officer. This report stated that these allowances are paid at fixed centres to the recipients weekly or monthly, whichever is most convenient for them; that where a recipient is unable to collect the allowance, the agent who is nominated to draw the state pension at the Post Office is paid the Blind Welfare Allowance by the Assistance Officer on production of the pension book at the appropriate centre.

The Secretary stated that there did not appear to be any reason for altering the present system but that if Clr. O'Ceallaigh knows of any case of individual hardship, he can submit particulars to the Secretary who will have appropriate arrangements made.

The Council noted the position.

**2674 - GLENAMADDY WATER SUPPLY:** Consideration of Clr. Mannion's Notice of Motion No. 20 (i)1, & 2 was adjourned until the next meeting.

**2675 - MOYCULLEN SEWERAGE SCHEME:** In reply to Clr. Donnellan's Notice of Motion No. 20 (j), the Secretary stated that the conditions of appointment for Consulting Engineer have now been approved and applications for a Consulting Engineer will be invited by advertisement in the near future.

**2676 - TUAM CLINIC:** In connection with Deputy M. Killilea's Notice of Motion No. 20 (k), the Secretary submitted a letter of 16th October, 1961 from the Tuam Town Commissioners stating that the Children's Home is considered most unsuitable for a dispensary and requesting that the County Council would arrange for the erection of a dispensary building in a more suitable site.

The Secretary also submitted letter of 31st October, 1961 from the Department of Health requesting that definite proposals for provision of a Clinic for Tuam be submitted and suggesting that in the meantime the Maternity Unit of the Children's Home might be used temporarily.

Deputy Killilea and Clrs. P. Patten and W. Burke, stated that the Children's Home is a most unsuitable location for a clinic.

Deputy Killilea suggested that McHugh's site be considered and that the Council should not spoil the site at the Children's Home by providing a clinic there.

The County Manager pointed out that the clinic is not solely for the town of Tuam but for the two Tuam Dispensary Districts; that the County Home is quite near the Housing Schemes at Tubberjarlath and Gilmartin Road and is not very far distant from any part of the town; that the Manager's concern is to save the Council the expense of providing a new building elsewhere when a building is already available at the Children's Home.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea and seconded by Clr. Patten that the Council seek a site elsewhere than in the Children's Home for provision of a clinic for Tuam.

It was decided that further consideration of this matter would be adjourned until the next meeting.

In response to Deputy Killilea's request, Mr. Silke, Engineer, stated that the plaque in commemoration of men executed at the Tuam Home will be preserved.

**2677 - ROADSIDE FENCES:** In reply to Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No 20 (L) the County Engineer stated that the Council has no liability in this matter and that he is not prepared to carry out the work proposed.

**2678 - CLIFDEN TOLLS:** Clr. P. Joyce requested that he be informed of the position in regard to the acquisition of the tolls and fair rights at Clifden.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*Michael Carb*  
Secretary.

Submitted, approved, and confirmed.

Michael Carb Chairman.

Date: 25/XI/61.

## COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.  
16 Samhain, 1961.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae an Sathairn, 25 Samhain, 1961 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

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A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims.
3. Sealing Mortgage Deed for Loan of £130,000 for Housing Grants.
4. Raising loan of £20,000 for provision of public lavatories.
5. Raising loan of £2,130 for payment of contribution towards cost of erecting a bridge over the Nanny River, Tuam.
6. Raising loan of £900 to meet part of the cost of Water Supply to Gael-Linn factory at Ard East, Carna.
7. Sale of plot of ground at Outquarter, Aran - Notice of 20/10/1961.
8. Clerk to Old Age Pensions Committee - Extension of temporary employment.
9. Adoption of scheme for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and other approved schools, 1962.
10. Adoption of University Scholarship Scheme, 1962.
11. Abstract of Accounts for year ended 31st March, 1961.
12. Provision of a Clinic at Tuam - Minute No. 2676 of 4/11/1961 and Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Clr. M. Killilea: "I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that Galway County Council are of opinion that changing the Tuam Clinic to the Children's Home is most unsuitable and inconvenient and direct the County Manager to provide an alternative site within the Town Boundary."
  - (b) Clr. W. Burke:  
"I will also propose that a new dispensary be built in a central position in the town of Tuam."
13. County Road Improvement Grant - Minute No. 2651 of 4/11/1961.
14. Main Road Improvement Grant - transfer of amount allocated to improvements at Newcastle, Galway.

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15. County Engineer's recommendation that certain roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office be declared Public Roads.
16. Proposal that a fixed bridge be provided at Bealadangan.
17. Roads - Members' Notices of Motion: Selection of Roads to be reconstructed in 1961/62.
18. Vacancy for Rate Collector in No. 28 District (Oughterard).
19. Revision of salary for post of Resident Medical Superintendent at Regional Hospital.
20. Revision of salaries of nursing staff - Notice of Motion by Councillors P. Collins, S. Kyne, P. Sinn, J. Flaherty, J. Mannion, J. Lambert and P. O'Ceallaigh, viz:-  
"We will propose that the decision in Minute No. 2645 of 4th November, 1961 be rescinded in so far as it relates to the revision of the salaries of nurses and nursing sisters in the Councils' Institutions and that the Council now consider the salary increases to these officers as proposed by the County Manager."
21. Salary Increases:-
  - (a) Radiographers.
  - (b) Physiotherapists
  - (c) Storekeeper and Assistant Storekeeper, Regional Hospital.
  - (d) Second Fire Officer.
22. Making arrangements for marking Ballot-papers for Seanad Election.
23. Fixing date of December meeting - as the fourth Monday will be Christmas Day.
24. Overdraft for quarter to 31/3/1962.
25. Members' Notices of Motion:
  - (a) Clr. Martin Mannion:
    1. "That the extension of Glenamaddy water supply to Lowery's Cross be carried out without delay."
    2. "That open sewerage drain between Garda Barracks and Mahony's house, Moylough be piped."
  - (b) Clr. W. Burke:
    1. "I will ask why increase in salaries to full-time officers which has been paid was not paid to part-time Assistance Officers with effect from 1st August, 1960."
    2. "I will propose that all road workers be paid for church holidays."
  - (c) Deputy Michael Carty:
    1. Expedite the commencement of the scheme for the extension of sewerage at Cuscorrig, Loughrea.
    2. Expedite the commencement of the Cosmona sewerage extension scheme.
    3. Prepare a scheme for the extension of sewerage at Liam Mellow's Terrace, Loughrea.
  - (d) Senator Robert Lehiffe: "That this Council is of opinion that the request of Mr. Seamus Gilligan, Whistlebridge, Craughwell, with regard to the provision of a wall outside his house be acceded to."
  - (e) Clr. John Dowd: "That the Council raise a loan for the making of two new bridges at Clonfert and Kylemore, Laurencetown."

- (f) Deputy A. Millar: "That the Council is of opinion that proper access should be provided from the main road at Cartron to Mrs. Monihan's house of the same address where road-making operations were effected recently.
- (g) Clr. P. Ruane:
- (1) "To have surroundings at the Liam Mellow's Memorial at Eyre Square, tidied up."
  - (2) "I will ask the County Council to request C.I.E. to provide a bus for school children from Claregalway to Galway City daily."
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 25TH  
NOVEMBER, 1961.

In the Chair: 1. Deputy Michael Carty  
2. Councillor Mark Killilea  
3. Councillor Thomas King.

Also Present: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Kelly, Lambort, Mannion J., Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ruane J., Ruane P., and SIRR, and Kyne.

2679 - MINUTES: The minutes of previous meeting to No.2678 inclusive, having being circulated to the members, were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2680 - SANITARY SERVICES - SPIDDAL: Deputy Geoghegan requested that the Chairman would hear a deputation from Spiddal in regard to water supply and public conveniences. This request was supported by Clr. Donnellan, and the Chairman consented to receive the deputation.

Mr. Padraig O Neachtain, a member of the deputation, stressed the need for improvement of the water supply at Spiddal, and for extension of the water main so as to provide for houses, factories and a large number of people who visit Spiddal during the tourist season. Mr. O Neachtain also stated that public lavatories are also urgently required in Spiddal, and the deputation is seeking that three such lavatories be provided there.

The deputation's request was supported by Clrs. J. Mannion, F. Coogan, P. Patten, J. Donnellan and J. Geoghegan.

Mr. J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer, stated that consideration of the raising of a loan for public lavatories was on the Agenda for the meeting, and that the list of places at which the County Engineer recommends that public lavatories be provided includes one for Spiddal.

In regard to the water supply, Mr. Silke stated that the Consultant's report on his survey of water supplies for South Connemara, including Spiddal, is expected to be available in about a week from the date of the meeting.

The Chairman informed the deputation that their request would receive the sympathetic consideration of the Council.

Mr. P. O Neachtain thanked the Chairman and Council for receiving them, and the deputation then withdrew.

2681 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Secretary gave particulars of Malicious Damage Claims received since the previous meeting viz:-

Dr. Sean O'Toole, The Crescent, Galway: for damage to a motor car -- £15. 0. Od.  
Mr. Derek Kennedy, Twelve Pins, Barna: cock of hay destroyed -- £15. 0. Od.

DEPUTY M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

2682 - LOAN FOR HOUSING GRANTS: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. S. Kyne, 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 repayment of the sum of £130,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Housing (Amendment) Acts, 1948, 1952, 1954, 1956 and 1958."

The Mortgage Deed was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

2683 - PROVISION OF PUBLIC LAVATORIES: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, and seconded by Clr. S. Kyne:  
"that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £20,000 or such lesser amount as may be required, from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of public lavatories at the places in the Galway County Health District recommended by the County Engineer; the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of twenty-five years, with interest at the rate prevailing on the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

Clrs. P. Collins, J. Mannion and J. Lambert objected to the raising of the loan, and it was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert, and seconded by Clr. S. Canning: :

"that the Council do not approve the raising of a loan for provision of public lavatories". The Assistant County Manager stated that the Council is undertaking very extensive schemes of development, e.g. sanitary schemes, health services, libraries, scholarships, housing, swimming pools, public libraries, Civil Defence, and many others, which will involve a very considerable increase in the amount of the County Rate; that the provision of public lavatories should be considered in conjunction with all other development schemes, and that priority should be given to those schemes which are most necessary.

Clr. P. SIRR opposed the raising of a loan for public toilets. Deputy F. Coogan proposed that a loan for provision of the lavatories required in the Gaeltacht area be raised.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

The Chairman suggested that consideration of this matter be deferred until the development report prepared by the Assistant County Manager be made available to the Council -- in about one month's time.

Clrs. T. King, W. Burke and J. J. Ruane supported the proposal that the loan be raised.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Patten and seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty:  
"that consideration of the raising of this loan be deferred for a month, i.e. until the development report will be submitted to the Council."

Eventually it was unanimously agreed that consideration of this item would be deferred until the Estimates Meeting.

2684 - LOAN FOR NANNY RIVER BRIDGE: It was proposed by Clr. M. Killilea, seconded by Clr. P. Patten and resolved:

"that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,130 from the National Bank Ltd., Galway, for payment of contribution to the Commissioners of Public Works towards the erection of a bridge over the Nanny River at Tuam; the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of five years, with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans.

2685 - LOAN FOR WATER SUPPLY AT ARD EAST: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. T. King and resolved:

"that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £900 from the National Bank Ltd., Galway, for provision of a water supply scheme for the Gael Linn Factory at Ard East, Carna; the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of five years, with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans.

2686 - SALE OF LAND AT OATQUARTER, ARAN: A notice sent to each member of the Council on 20th October, 1961, was submitted, and it was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, and resolved:  
"that the Council approve the sale of a plot of ground at Oatquarter, Kilmurvy, Aran, area 10 sq. perches, and known as "Derelict Site No.100" to Mr. Colman Derrane, Carna, for £32. 0. Od. plus costs of conveyance; the purchaser to render the site non-derelict with six months from the date of completion of the conveyance of the site to him.

2687 - COUNTY GALWAY OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE: On the proposition of Clr. P. SIRR, seconded by Clr. P. Collins, the Council approved the extension of Mr. David Egan's employment as temporary Clerk to the County Galway Old Age Committee for the period of six months from 1st December, 1961, to 31st May, 1962, inclusive.

2688 - SECONDARY ETC. SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1962: Copy of the scheme as submitted had been sent to each member of the Council prior to the meeting.

The Secretary explained that the terms of the scheme as approved by the Education Committee were sanctioned by the Minister for Education. It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins and resolved:  
"that the Council hereby adopt the scheme for Scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and other Approved Schools, for the year 1962 as submitted".

In reply to an inquiry by Clr. O'Ceallaigh, the Secretary stated that under the terms of the scheme a scholarship holder attending a vocational school which is more than three miles distant from his home, would be entitled to receive the scholarship at the residential rate.



Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that the Minister for Education be requested to approve the tenure of a scholarship for a fifth year by a student named Hurley, 46, Athenry Road, Tuam, who passed the Leaving Certificate examination at the end of the fourth year of tenure of his scholarship, but as he was too young to be called for training as a teacher, he has to continue at secondary school for a further year, at the end of which he will repeat the Leaving Certificate Examination.

This request was approved by the Council.

**2689 - UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1962:** Copy of this scheme as submitted had been circulated to each member of the Council prior to the meeting.

The Secretary explained that in the scheme prepared by the Education Committee the means limits at Clause 3 were: Income £1,000, plus an additional £60 for each eligible child, and valuation £60 with an addition of £4 for each eligible child; that the Minister for Education has informed the Council that he will not sanction any scheme which does not contain limits of income and valuation of £1200 and £75 respectively; that consequently the scheme as now submitted provides means qualifications as set out at Clause 8.

It was proposed by Clr. S. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins and resolved: "that the Council hereby adopt the scheme for University Scholarships for the year 1962 as today submitted".

**2690 - ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS:** The Abstract of Accounts for the Galway County Council for the year ended 31st March, 1961, was submitted and noted.

The meeting was now adjourned until 3p.m., and on resumption of the meeting Clr. T. King took the chair.

**2691 - COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT:** Referring to Minute No.2651 of 4th November, 1961, the Secretary stated that a reply had now been received from the Secretary, Department of Local Government.

Department's letter of 16th November, 1961, was submitted stating that where County Roads are blade graded, rolled and sealed with surface dressing, the cost may be charged to the County Road Improvement Grant, provided the carriage-way of the road is at least 12 ft. wide; that grader maintenance without surface dressing may not be financed out of the Grant; that in the case of minor County Roads, including roads of less than 12 ft. width, it is not considered that the cost of improvement out of grant can be justified, having regard to the volume of traffic which the roads carry.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

The County Engineer asked if the Council would decide whether it is to continue the surface dressing of County roads, and if so to what extent. The County Engineer suggested that 50% of the mileage of County Roads be regarded as a sufficient mileage for surface dressing. Mr. P. Galvin considered that anything short of surface dressing is useless in the case of a County Road on which the traffic is any way extensive. It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Sirr, and resolved: "That the Council considers that all County roads should be tarred and surface dressed as soon as possible, and that a further list of these roads for improvement under the Five Year Plan, should be prepared and submitted to the Council in the near future."

**2692 - MAIN ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT:** County Manager's Order No.572 of 3rd November, 1961, was submitted proposing to transfer, subject to the Council's approval a sum of £10,000 for Main Road Improvement Grant work from Newcastle Road, Galway, to the Galway-Ballinasloe road between Loughrea and Kilrickle.

Deputy F. Coogan objected to the proposed transfer.

The Chairman explained that for about two years, the County Engineer has been endeavouring to come to terms with University College Governing Body regarding the acquisition of some of the College land for road widening at Newcastle, Galway. The County Engineer had put up his proposals in good time, but the Governing Body of the College appears to be completely indifferent to the dangerous traffic conditions which exist at Newcastle. Deputy Coogan suggested that if the money could not be spent at that part of Newcastle, it could usefully be spent in widening the road farther up near the Franciscan College.

Clr. King proposed that consideration of this transfer be adjourned until the Council consider if the money can be spent usefully in some other place in the vicinity of Galway City.

The County Engineer stated that it was not possible to prepare an alternative scheme in the vicinity of Galway City in the short time at his disposal between now and the 31st March, 1962. It was proposed by Clr. J. Cox, and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan "that the necessary land at University College, Galway, be acquired compulsorily."

The Chairman and County Manager explained that compulsory acquisition involves considerable delay and the Council should not resort to it while there would be any prospect of obtaining land by agreement.

Clr. J. Elynn requested that something be done in the near future for the section of road between Galway City and Castlegar. Eventually on the proposition of Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins, the Council approved the transfer of £10,000 for Main Road Improvement Grant expenditure as proposed in Manager's Order No.572 of 3rd November, 1961.

The Council also approved unanimously a proposal by Deputy Carty, Chairman, that the County Manager, County Engineer, and the Mayor of Galway, meet the Governing Body of University College, with a view to acquiring the land required for widening of the road at Newcastle.

**2693 - TUAM CLINIC:** On the request of Deputy Killilea and Clr. Patten it was agreed to adjourn consideration of this matter until next meeting.

**2694 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:** The County Engineer's letter of 25th October was submitted, including a list of roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office which the County Engineer recommends should now be declared public roads; the total length being 20.962 miles and the estimated cost of putting into repair £360 and the total annual maintenance cost £1,296 -- the latter figure to be provided in the Estimate for 1962/63.

It was directed that a copy of the list of roads be sent to each member of the Council.

Deputy A. Millar asked if payment of local contribution towards the cost of improving a road as a Rural Improvements Scheme could be made out of the monies provided for Councillors notices of motion. The Chairman explained that this could not be done legally at present.

Clrs. P. Sirr, J. Flaherty and J. Dowd recommended that the Dail members of the Council take this matter up with the Government, so that it may be made legal for the Council to contribute towards the cost of Rural Improvement Schemes.

**2695 - BEALADANGAN BRIDGE:** The County Manager's letter of 14th November, 1961, was submitted stating that a notice had been issued intimating that the Council was considering the replacement of the moveable bridge at Bealadangan by a fixed bridge; some objections were received, but notwithstanding this, the County Engineer states that the bridge has not been opened during the past year; that it would cost from £4,000 to £6,000 to repair the existing bridge, and the life of the bridge after repair would be limited; that the County Engineer recommends that the bridge be replaced by a fixed bridge, and that the Council's approval to this proposal is requested. Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that he did not approve of the proposal, and suggested that consideration be adjourned for six months.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and resolved: "that the Council approve the proposal for provision of a fixed bridge at Bealadangan to replace the existing moveable bridge -- it being understood that objectors would have an opportunity of appealing to the Minister for Local Government against the Council's decision, before the work is actually undertaken."

**2696 - ROADS -- MEMBERS' NOTICES OF MOTION:** Referring to Item No.17 on the Agenda, the County Engineer stated that only thirteen members had sent in their proposals up to date, and requested that the remaining eighteen members would send in their proposals immediately.

**2697 - RATE COLLECTOR, NO.28 DISTRICT:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan the Council adjourned consideration of the filling of

the vacancy for Rate Collector in No.28 District until the ordinary meeting in January, 1962.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that the County Manager obtain from Cork County Council particulars of the collection of rates direct from the office in that County. The County Manager stated that he had obtained this information already.

2628 - R.M.S., GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL: It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, and resolved: "That the Council hereby approve revised salary at the rate of £2,100 a year for the office of Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Regional Hospital -- the person appointed to pay a rent of £120 per annum for the residence provided".

2629 - NURSES' SALARIES REVISION: Referring to his notice of motion (Item No.20 on Agenda) Mr. P. Collins proposed "that the decision in Minute No.2645 of 4th November, 1961, be rescinded in so far as it relates to the revision of the salaries of nurses and nursing sisters in the Council's institutions, and that the Council now consider the salary increases to these officers as proposed by the County Manager."

This proposal was seconded by Deputy F. Coogan.

The County Manager stated that the scales proposed have already been put into operation in several counties.

A vote taken on the proposal resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Cox, Dowd, Flaherty, Geoghegan, Kelly, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion J. Mannion M., Millar, O'Ceallaigh, Patten and Sirr (17)

Against: Clrs. Carty, Galvin, Glynn, Killilea, Mullins, and Ruane J. (6)

Clr. King abstained from voting, and the following councillors were absent when the division was taken:- Clrs. J. Donnellan, and P. Ruane.

The Chairman declared the proposal for rescission of Minute 2645 carried, if the County Manager confirms that there is no legal obstacle to rescinding part of a resolution-- the decision in Minute No.2645 having covered several other grades in addition to nurses.

It was then proposed by Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. P. Patten and resolved: "that the Council approve the revision of salaries of nurses and nursing sisters in the Council's institutions as set out hereunder with effect from 1st April, 1961:-

Staff Nurses: £465 x £15 - £600 a year with an increase in the deduction for living accommodation from £41 to £52 a year.

Ward Sisters: £600 x £15 - £875 a year.

Special Qualifications: Nurses with special qualifications for maternity, or fever nursing and who are engaged on maternity or fever nursing, to be paid an additional sum of £25 per annum while so engaged. Nurses engaged on tuberculosis nursing to be paid an additional sum of £10 while so engaged -- this sum to be increased to £20 per annum in the case of nurses who have obtained the Diploma in Tuberculosis nursing.

Deductions for rations to be at the rate of £91 per annum, and deductions for laundry services and uniform to be as at present.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. P. Patten, the Council approved the additional expenditure necessary to meet the cost of this revision in the current year, viz. £13,000.

2700 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were earnestly adopted with the following in their bereavement:-

Miss Renee King, Clifden, on the death of her brother, Mr. Joseph King, Dublin.  
The Rector and the Jesuit Community, Galway, on the death of Rev. Fr. A. O'Farrell.

2701 - MISCELLANEOUS: The Council expressed regret at the illness of Deputy Michael F. Kitt, and conveyed their good wishes to him for his early recovery from his illness.

The County Manager joined in the good wishes of the Council for Deputy Kitt's early recovery.

Consideration of the remaining business on the Agenda viz. Items Nos. 21 to 27 inclusive, and Item 17 was adjourned until a meeting to be held on Tuesday, 28th November, 1961, commencing at 4p.m.

The meeting then terminated.

S ..... *W. O'Connell, Pres.*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*S. MacLoingaigh Chairman.*

*Date: 19.12.61*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON TUESDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER,  
1961.

IN THE CHAIR: 1. Deputy M. Killilea  
2. Deputy M. Carty  
3. Deputy F. Coogan.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Green, Joyce, Kelly, King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Clrs. Lambert, Mannion J., Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Sirr.

2702 - SALARIES OF RADIOGRAPHERS, ETC. It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins, seconded by Clr. S. Canning and resolved:-  
"that consideration of Item 21 on the Agenda be adjourned until the Estimates Meeting".

This item related to a revision of the salaries of

- (a) Radiographers.
- (b) Physiotherapists.
- (c) Storekeeper, and Assistant Storekeeper at Regional Hospital.
- (d) Second Fire Officer.

2703 - SEANAD ELECTION: The formalities in connection with the voting by members for the Seanad Election were completed before the start of this meeting.

2704 - NEXT MEETING: It was unanimously decided that the next ordinary meeting of the Galway County Council will be held on Tuesday, 19th December, 1961, commencing at 12.30 p.m.

2705 - OVERDRAFT: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. M. Mannion and resolved:  
"that the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on General Account not exceeding £300,000 for the quarter ending 31st March, 1962".

2706 - GLENAMADDY WATER SUPPLY: Clr. M. Mannion proposed that the Glenamaddy Water Supply be extended to Lowery's Cross.

Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.R., recommended that consideration of this extension be deferred until proposals for an extension to the Vocational School at Glenamaddy will be prepared.

This recommendation was approved by the Council.

2707 - DRAIN AT MOYLOUGH: In connection with Clr. M. Mannion's notice of motion No.25A(2) a report from the County Medical Officer was submitted showing that on a recent inspection the condition of the drain was satisfactory.

The Chairman stated that ten years have elapsed since he first took this matter up with the Council; that the nuisance consists of sewerage flowing over land, and that several people in the town of Moylough are putting offensive matter into this drain.

Mr. Silke stated that he will investigate this matter again, but that pending provision of a sewerage scheme for Moylough, the trouble cannot be rectified satisfactorily.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

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SALARIES OF ASSISTANCE OFFICERS: In reply to Clr. W. Burke's notice of motion No.25B(1) the Secretary stated that a proposal for granting a proportionate increase to part-time Assistance Officers had been sanctioned, and that it is expected that payment of these increases, where due, will be made very shortly.

2709 - ROAD WORKERS' HOLIDAYS: Consideration of Clr. Burke's notice of motion No. 25B(2) was adjourned until the next Roads Estimate meeting.

2710 - LOUGHREA SEWERAGE SCHEME: On the Chairman's request consideration of his notice of motion No.25C (1,2, and 3) was adjourned until the next Estimates meeting.

DEPUTY F. COOGAN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

2711 - ROAD WIDENING, WHISTLE BRIDGE, CRANWELL: In connection with Senator Lahiffe's

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notice of motion No.25D, the Secretary read the County Engineer's report of 8th instant stating that in accordance with the normal practice, the part of the fence in front of Mr. Gilligan's house was built in concrete, and it was proposed to build the remainder of the fence in the form of a stone wall to join in with the existing stone fence; that Mr. Gilligan (Junior) objects to the erection of the stone wall.

Senator Lahiffe, Deputy Millar and Clr. J. J. Ruane recommended that the Council agree to Mr. Gilligan's request.

The County Engineer stated that he would investigate this matter again.

2712 - ROAD SIDE DRAIN: Mr. P. Sirr asked if the Council is responsible for cleaning a drain which runs parallel with the road along the roadside, and which was made by the Council originally. He stated that he would give the County Engineer particulars of the drain to which he was referring.

2713 - CLONFERT AND KYLEMORE BRIDGES: In reply to Clr. Dowd's notice of motion No.25E the County Engineer stated that plans and estimate for permanent bridges at Clonfert and Kylemore are being prepared and will be submitted to the Council when ready, with a view to raising a loan for the work.

2714 - ROAD WIDENING AT CARTRON: In connection with Deputy Millar's notice of motion No.25F, the County Engineer's report of 7th instant was submitted stating that a proposal for a new entrance was made to the owners; that they would not accept the proposal, and therefore, the Council could not proceed further.

This report was noted.

2715 - LIAM MELLOW'S MEMORIAL, GALWAY: Clr. P. Ruane proposed that the surroundings to Liam Mellow's Memorial at Byre Square, Galway, be tidied up, and that more attention be given to keeping the memorial and garden in a proper condition; also that the lighting near this statue be improved. Mr. P. O'Ceallaigh seconded this proposal. The County Engineer stated that the provision of a stronger type of hedge around the garden is being considered; that it will be impossible to make satisfactory arrangements until people learn to treat public property with proper respect. Clrs. J. Canning and P. Collins requested that the Gardai might be asked to prevent interference with the monument.

2716 - OMNIBUS SERVICES: Mr. P. Ruane proposed, and it was unanimously agreed that the Council request C.I.E. to provide a bus for school children from Claregalway to Galway City daily.

2717 - SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS: In accordance with his notice of motion No.25H Clr. J. Flaherty proposed that the valuation limits for supplementary grants for new houses be increased by £7. 10. 0d. in each category, and that the corresponding increase be made in the income limits.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. King stated that it is understood that the Housing Act is being amended, and supported Clr. Flaherty's proposal as a recommendation for amendment to the Housing Act in this manner.

Eventually it was proposed by Clr. J. Flaherty, seconded by Clr. P. Sirr and resolved:  
"that the Council request the Minister for Local Government to revise the scale of valuation and income for supplementary grants for new houses, increasing the valuation and income limits for each category."

2718 - ROAD WORKERS' WAGES: In connection with Clr. T. King's notice of motion No. 25I (1) the Chairman explained that since the differentials for overseers, foremen and gangers were fixed in 1950, several increases have been given to road labourers, and the effect of this was that the percentage differential between the wage of labourers and the wage of the supervisory grades, was reduced considerably; that consequently revised differentials for overseers, foremen and gangers were fixed with effect from 1st October, 1961. Deputy A. Millar pointed out that the increase in the cost of the insurance stamp has in effect reduced the wage of the road labourer.

Clr. J. Cox stated that the present level of wages for labourers is scandalous, and needs revision.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that an increase in the wages of road workers has

been granted recently by at least two other counties.

The Chairman stated that the wage of road workers fifteen years ago was £1.11.0d. a week; that if there is a demand for an increase, it will get favourable consideration at the Estimates meeting. The Chairman pointed out, however, that an increase in the rate of wages has hitherto resulted in a reduction in the amount of work which can be done as the estimate has remained constant.

It was decided that consideration of this matter be deferred until the Roads Estimate meeting.

**2719 - NURSES' WORKING HOURS:** Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the question of granting a ninety-hour working fortnight to nurses in the Council's institutions be considered by the County Manager.

Clr. J. Cox stated that this matter is related to the revision of salaries of nurses which was approved by the Council at the last meeting.

**2720 - ROADS -- COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION:** It was directed that members who have not already submitted their proposals to the County Engineer, should do so by the end of the week, i.e. before 2nd December, 1961.

**2721 - RATES -- CLONFERT AND MENLICK ELECTORAL DIVISIONS:** Clr. J. Dowd referred to the reply received from the Valuation Office and requested that this matter be taken up with the Government.

**2722 - MEDICAL CARDS:** Clr. P. Joyce referred to his recent inquiry and the copy of the County Manager's letter in regard to entitlement to medical cards, which had been sent to each member of the Council. Clr. Joyce stated that there was still confusion in this matter, as people with an income of less than £800 sometimes think they are entitled to receive a medical card.

It was decided, on the Chairman's suggestion, that a copy of the County Manager's letter, which had already been sent to the members of the Council, be also sent to the press.

**2723 - ROAD WIDENING AT BARNA:** Deputy F. Coogan asked if the Council will re-erect elsewhere the ball-alley which is being demolished in the course of road widening operations between Knockacarra and Barna.

The County Engineer stated that he does not think that the road widening will now involve any interference with the ball-alley.

The Chairman directed that if Deputy Coogan wishes to pursue this matter further, he should submit a notice of motion in connection with it.

**2724 - REGIONAL HOSPITAL -- DOMESTIC STAFF:** Clr. J. Cox asked that he be informed of the Lay Superintendent's reply to his inquiry in regard to the allocation of domestic staff at Galway Regional Hospital.

It was directed that this matter be referred to the Visiting Committee for consideration at their next meeting at the Regional Hospital.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*B. Ruane* Secretary

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*S. J. MacLoisain* Chairman

*Date: 19.12.61*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

9 Mhi na Nollag, 1961.

Ghuig Gach Bhail de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tá tar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, De Mairt, 19 Mhi na Nollag, 1961 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanigh,

Runai.

AGENDA

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims.
3. Estimated cost of extensions to Ballymoe Water Supply Scheme.
4. Making application for confirmation of the Byelaws with respect to markets in the town of Athenry.
5. ~~Tasa~~ New Clinic - Minute No. 2693 of 25/11/61.
6. List of Roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office and recommended to be declared public roads.
7. (a) Erection of Cottages in groups.  
(b) Provision of sanitary services in rural cottages.
8. Provision of a residence for the District Medical Officer in Oughterard.
9. Village Hall in Inishere - Application for financial assistance.
10. Civil Liability Act, 1961 - liability for failure to maintain public road (Sec. 60)
11. Fixing date of Roads Estimate Meeting.
12. Visiting Committee Minutes:-  
Galway Regional Hospital 11/11/1961.
13. Rating System and Rates - resolutions from Kerry County Council.
14. Members' Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Clr. J.J. Ruane: "Please take Notice that I, or some other Member, on my behalf, will propose that a Sewerage Scheme for Oranmore be provided without delay."
  - (b) Clr. J. Lambert:
    1. "I will propose that a public light be erected at Ballyhugh Road, Gort
    2. "I, or someone on my behalf will move that this Council approach the

proper authority to prohibit the relaying of contaminated oysters from outside the County on the natural beds of Galway Bay."

(c) Deputy John Geoghegan:

- 1. "I will propose that a new Water Main be laid in Carna to replace the existing Water Main which is giving so much trouble."
- 2. "I will propose that a new Bridge be built to replace the existing causeway leading to Mynish Island."
- 3. " I will propose that the Public Water Supply will be extended from Gortmore, to the last house on the Screebe side of the Power Station."

(d) Clr. G. Kelly: " I propose that this Council take steps to speed up the erection of houses for people on the waiting list of Labourer's cottages, whose homes have been badly damaged by the recent storms and who are now living under dangerous conditions."

(e) Clr. P. Joyce:

- 1. "That Letterfrack sewerage scheme be approved without further delay."
- 2. "That the Cleggan Docks scheme be started without further delay."
- 3. "That a new graveyard be provided at Cashel."
- 4. "That Clifden water scheme be started."
- 5. "That the open drain at Cleggan Reservoir be covered without delay."

15. Replies to questions already submitted by members.

16. Other business.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY

To: Each Member of the Council.

Galway County Council Meeting 19th December, 1961.

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The following items are added to the Agenda for above meeting:-

13(a) Increase in remuneration of:-

- (1) Building Trade Operatives.
- (2) Labourers in Galway Borough area.
- (3) Mechanics.
- (4) Lorry Drivers.
- (5) Ambulance Drivers.

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L. O'Luanaigh,

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD  
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON TUESDAY, 19th DECEMBER, 1961.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy J. Geoghegan.  
(2) Senator M. Killilea.  
(3) Clr. T. King.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Sitr.

2725 - CHAIRMAN: In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman at the start of the meeting, it was proposed by Clr. P. Sitr, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved that Deputy J. Geoghegan take the chair.

Deputy J. Geoghegan then took the chair.

2726 - SYMPATHY: The Chairman and members and Mr. T.M. O'Connor, Assistant County Manager, expressed deep sympathy with Clr. Joseph Lambert on the death of his mother and it was decided that as a mark of respect to Clr. Lambert the meeting would be adjourned until 2 p.m.

Clr. Lambert thanked the Council and the Assistant County Manager for their expression of sympathy.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following:-

The relatives of the late Mr. Michael O'Shaughnessy, Devon Park, Galway. Professor Stephen Shea, Dangan, Co. Galway on the death of his brother.

The meeting was then adjourned until 2 p.m. and on resumption of the meeting, Deputy J. Geoghegan again took the chair.

2727 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 2724 inclusive having been circulated to the members, were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2728 - CONGRATULATIONS: The Secretary read a letter from Deputy Michael Carty Chairman of the Council, congratulating members of the Council who were successful at the recent Senate Elections and also Senator Professor Liam O'Buachalla.

The members of the Council joined in these congratulations and Senators M. Killilea and J. Mannion expressed their thanks.

2729 - NURSES SALARIES' REVISION: Clr. P. Ruane stated that in Press reports his name was given as voting against the proposal that the resolution relating to adjournment of consideration of the increase of nurses salaries be rescinded while in fact, as shown in Minute No. 2699 Clr. Ruane was absent when the division was taken.

2730 - BALLYMOE WATER SUPPLY: The Secretary gave particulars of the estimated cost of extensions of the Ballymoe Water Supply to Williamstown Road, Knockagonnell, Cornamucklagh and Ballyglass North and South and Turlough, plus the estimated cost of a new reservoir making the total estimate £31,925. for the extensions and the new reservoir.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Sitr, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty, the Council approved the carrying out of this work at a cost of £31,925. - Clrs. S. Canning and J. Lambert dissenting.

2731 - ATHENRY MARKETS BYELAWS: It was proposed by Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. P. Ruane and resolved:-

"That the Council of the County of Galway hereby makes application to the Minister for Local Government for confirmation of the byelaws with respect to markets in the town of Athenry which byelaws were made and adopted by the Council of the County of Galway on 4th November, 1961 and that the seal of the Council be affixed to the application for confirmation of these byelaws."

The application was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

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2732 - TUAM NEW CLINIC: Consideration of item No. 5 on the Agenda was adjourned for three months on the request of Clr. P. Patten and Senator M. Killilea.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

2733 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS: The list of roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office and recommended to be declared public roads, as circulated to the members, was submitted. The Secretary also submitted the County Engineer's letter of 18th December, 1961 recommending the addition to this list of a further road in the Electoral Division of Knockboy from County Road near O'Donnell's Moyrus to John Folan's, Half Face, length 640 perches and estimated maintenance cost £80. a year.

Senator J. Mannion and Clr. P. Joyce complained that most of these roads recommended to be taken over are on the eastern part of the County and that very few are in the west; they considered that mileage of such roads to be taken over and declared public roads should be approximately the same for each Electoral area.

After further discussion Senator Mannion and Clr. Joyce withdrew their objections provided that in future mileage of such roads to be taken over by the Council will be approximately equal for each electoral area.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Glynn seconded by Clr. J. Lambert and resolved that the Council approve the recommendation that the roads above mentioned be declared public roads when the formalities in regard to notice etc. have been completed.

2734 - COTTAGES: A memorandum relating to the building of cottages in groups, as circulated to the members was submitted together with a list of sites proposed for a certain number of applicants.

The Assistant County Manager explained that difficulty is being experienced in getting tenants for vacant cottages which are often located in remote places and this indicates the necessity for the exercise of great care in selecting the site for a cottage.

Clr. Mullins referring to the list, stated that the two applicants from Toorlietra would be five miles from their small farms if they are housed in cottages in Woodford.

Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that these applicants are mainly dependant on their wages as forestry workers and that it should be possible for the Forestry Department to arrange for transport of its workers.

Clr. T. King opposed the building of cottages in groups when adequate employment is not available near the site of such group schemes.

Clr. G. Kelly recommended in accordance with his Notice of Motion, that the erection of houses for applicants on this list whose homes were damaged by the recent storms, be expedited as they are living in dangerous conditions.

A note was taken of the applicants to whom Clr. Kelly referred as well as some others and it was stated that everything possible would be done to expedite the provision of cottages for these applicants.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh referred to No. 1135 on the list and stated that the site proposed will be twelve miles from this man's work.

The list of sites proposed was approved, on the proposition of Clr. P. Sitr seconded by Clr. M. Mannion.

Serviced Cottages: The Assistant County Manager stated that the Department of Local Government had asked that in future only serviced cottages be provided whether in town or rural areas.

A statement was submitted showing that the rent of rural serviced cottage after allowing for state contribution to loan charges but without a contribution from the rates would be £1. 2s. 1d. a week. The Assistant County Manager stated that this would be high for the average tenant and the rent which he recommended should be fixed for serviced rural cottages was 15s. a week (rates to be payable by

the tenant in addition to the rent).

The Assistant County Manager also gave particulars of the cost and the rate deficit for rural unserviced cottages and recommended that the rent of unserviced cottages be increased, from its present figure of 6s. per week, to 9s. per week (rates to be payable by the tenant in addition). This increase to apply to tenancies of cottages to be provided in future or to letting of any post war cottage already provided which may become vacant in future.

Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that the provision of sanitary services would add from £300. to £400. to the cost of a rural cottage and asked the Council's direction as to whether serviced cottages be provided for all the applicants on the list submitted to the Council today.

Clr. P. Collins considered that the type of rural cottage already being provided is adequate.

Clr. J. Dowd considered that it would be desirable to provide the sanitary services in cottages if the tenants can afford to pay the higher rent.

Clr. J. Cox stated that it would cost more to have the sanitary services provided in the cottages subsequent to their erection.

The Council approved the Chairman's suggestion that the applicants on the list be given an opportunity of stating whether they desire sanitary services or not and the Council also approved the proposal that the rent for rural service cottages be 15s. per week plus rates.

A decision was not taken in regard to the recommended increase in the rent of rural unserviced cottages.

Clr. P. Joyce requested that the Council would write to the tenants of all unserviced cottages letting them know what grants would be made available for provision of sanitary services in their cottages.

**2735 - GORT PUBLIC LIGHTING:** In accordance with his Notice of Motion, Clr. Lambert proposed that a public light be erected at Ballyhugh, Gort and it was explained that the amount provided for public lighting in the current years estimate has already been expended and that any further proposals for additions to public lighting must be deferred until the next estimate is being considered.

**2736 - OYSTERS:** In accordance with his Notice of Motion, Clr. Lambert proposed that the Council approach the proper authority to prohibit the relaying of contaminated oysters from outside the County on the natural beds of Galway Bay.

The Chairman pointed out that the Council had already considered this matter on 25th February, 1961 and on his direction the Secretary read letter of 21st April, 1961 from the Fisheries Division, Department of Lands, stating that the Minister for Lands is not empowered under Fishery Legislation to make an order prohibiting the relaying of oysters.

Clr. Lambert stated that he noted the position and that all he can do is to protest very strongly, which he did.

**2737 - OUGHTERARD DISPENSARY RESIDENCE:** The County Manager's letter of 24/11/1961 was submitted asking if the Council would approve provision of a residence for the newly appointed District Medical Officer at Oughterard who states that it is impossible for him to get a house in Oughterard.

After discussion, consideration of this matter was deferred until after the Estimates Meeting.

**2738 - INISHERE VILLAGE HALL:** On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. S. Canning, the Council refused the application of 30/11/1961 for financial assistance towards the cost of providing and maintaining a Village Hall at Inishere.

**2739 - CIVIL LIABILITY ACT, 1961:** On the proposition of Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Clr. P. Sinn, the Council decided to refer to the General Council of

County Councils consideration of the effect of Section 60 of the Civil Liability Act, 1961 as it concerns all road authorities and there is a diversity of opinion considering its implications.

**2740 - ROADS ESTIMATE MEETING:** It was decided that the Roads Estimate Meeting will be held on Saturday 13th January, 1962 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

CLR. T. KING NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

**2741 - VISITING COMMITTEE:** The Minutes of meeting of the Visiting Committee held at Galway Regional Hospital on 11th November, 1961 were submitted.

Clr. J. Cox stated that there has been three months waiting a reply to his enquiry regarding the allocation of domestic staff in the Galway Regional Hospital and he requested that this reply would now be furnished to him.

In reply to an enquiry by Deputy F. Coogan, the Secretary stated that refund of ration money at the rate of 6d. per day from 15th December, 1959 has been made to the nurses concerned; that application for sanction to a further refund at the rate of 3d. per day has been made and sanction is awaited.

Clr. P. O'Callaigh asked that nurses be informed of the deductions being made from their salaries.

**2742 - RATING SYSTEM:** Resolutions from Kerry County Council in regard to above were submitted and noted.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

**2743 - WAGES OF BUILDING TRADE OPERATIVES & ELECTRICIANS:** On the proposition of Clr. J. Cox, seconded by Clr. J.J. Ruane, the Council approved:-

- (a) Revision of wages and working hours of Building Trade Operatives with effect from 4th October, 1961 as set out in Manager's Order No. 917 of 15th December, 1961.
- (b) Revision of wages and working hours for Electricians with effect from 18th August, 1961 as set out in Manager's Order No. 946 of 19th December, 1961.

**2744 - ROAD AT OWER, KILLAMNIN:** Clr. J. Donnellan with the Chairman's permission introduced a deputation requesting the improvement of the road at the Village of Ower, Killamin. Clr. Donnellan stated that the road serves up to 30 houses and is used by tourists and anglers as well as by the inhabitants. It was repaired by the S.E.S. Office about ten years ago at a cost of £1,000. but that it has been severely cut up by Council and other lorries and is in a very bad condition now. Clr. Donnellan stated that he would be prepared to devote his part of the N.O.M. monies in the current year towards the repair of this road.

Deputy F. Coogan supported and stated that while his N.O.M. money for the current year has already been allocated, he would be prepared to devote his N.O.M. money for next year for this work.

The request was also supported by Clr. J.J. Ruane.

Clr. Donnellan submitted a letter from Very Rev. J. O'Reilly, P.P., St. Annin's, Roscahill, requesting that the road would be repaired by the Council - the road running from Thomas Melia's house at Ower West to Patrick Conneely's house at Ower East.

Mr. S. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that the road would be inspected and a report in regard to it would be made available to the Council at the Roads Estimate Meeting.

Further consideration was therefore adjourned until the Roads Estimate Meeting.

**2745 - WAGES OF LABOURERS, GALWAY CITY:** On the proposition of Clr. J. Cox, seconded by Clr. J.J. Ruane, the Council approved an increase of £1. a week in the wages of general labourers employed by the Council in Galway City with effect from 18th November, 1961 making the revised weekly rate from that date £8. 5s. 6d.

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2746 - WAGES OF FITTERS, MECHANICS, & LORRY DRIVERS: As the proposals in regard to increase in wages of above grades were not completed, consideration was deferred until the next meeting of the Council.

2747 - WAGES OF AMBULANCE DRIVERS ETC.: On the proposition of Clr. J. Cox, seconded by Clr. T. King, the Council approved increases in remuneration as set out hereunder, Clr. P. Collins dissenting:-

From 1st April, 1961.

Seamstresses, Galway Regional Hospital - 11s. 3d. per week.

From 18th November, 1961.

Galway Regional Hospital:-

Ambulance Drivers, £1. 5s. Od. per week.

Porters, Gardeners, Groundsmen, Labourers, £1. per week.

2748 - ORANMORE SEWERAGE SCHEME: In accordance with his Notice of Motion, Clr. J.J. Ruane proposed that a sewerage scheme for Oranmore be provided without delay.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that a preliminary survey for above is being carried out and that a report in regard to it will soon be submitted to the Council.

2749 - ROAD WORKS - COUNCILLORS IN NOTICES OF MOTION: The County Engineer's letters of 12th and 18th December, 1961 were submitted and it was directed that a list showing the roads to which the money is being allocated, be circulated to the members.

2750 - LOANS FOR STORM DAMAGE TO CROPS: Department of Local Government letter G. 11/61 of 4th December, 1961 and the County Secretary's letter of 11th idem to the Department of Local Government were submitted.

The County Manager stated that while the Council could provide the funds, the scheme he considered could best be operated by the County Committee of Agriculture.

Clr. King stated that if there is any delay, it will be very difficult to assess the damage to crops and the Council approved Clr. King's recommendation that a scheme be prepared with all possible speed.

2751 - KILLIMOR & CAPPAGH DRAINAGE: The County Engineer's letter of 7th December, 1961 in regard to the Killimor & Cappagh Catchment proposed Drainage Scheme and the relevant maps, were submitted.

The Council noted that the estimated annual maintenance charge payable by the Council when the scheme is completed will be £9,000. as compared with a total of £2,500. for the existing schemes in Killimor and Cappagh.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J.J. Ruane, the Council approved the County Engineer's recommendation that the Council reserve the right to discuss and agree with the Commissioners the form of construction and other details of the public road bridges and the roadside drains and drains within fifty feet of the public road. Also that it will be necessary for the Commissioners of Public Works to assure the Council that the quality of the water being taken from the Kilorowe River for Killimor will not be adversely affected by the drainage operations upstream from the intake.

2752 - CARNIA WATER SUPPLY: On the Chairman's direction, consideration of Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion No. 14 (c) 1. was adjourned pending receipt of the report on the water survey for west Galway.

2753 - MYNISH ISLAND BRIDGE OR CAUSEWAY: Consideration of Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion 14 (c) 2 was adjourned until the next Roads Estimate Meeting.

2754 - GORTMORE WATER SUPPLY: With reference to Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion No. 14 (c) 3, Deputy Geoghegan stated that the water is being affected by smuts from the Power Station.

Mr. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that he is investigating this matter.

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2755 - LETTERFRACK SEWERAGE SCHEME: In reply to Clr. P. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 14 (a) 1 Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that having regard to the high cost and the small number of houses to be served, the provision of a sewerage scheme at Letterfrack, is not recommended.

2756 - CLEGGAN DOCKS SCHEME: With reference to Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 14 (e) 2, the Secretary stated that the Council's contribution has been paid but that the work has to be carried out by the Office of Public Works.

Mr. S. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that it is expected that the work will start in the spring when the weather improves.

2757 - CASHEL BURIAL GROUND: In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 14 (e) 3, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that Cashel has now been placed No. 5 on the priority list by the County Medical Officer and that the Council will go ahead with the acquisition of a site with a view to having the burial ground provided.

2758 - CLIFDEN WATER SUPPLY: In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 14 (e) 4, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that difficulty is being caused in formulating proposals due to the very high consumption of water in Clifden; that until all consumers co-operate by having their leaks repaired, it is impossible to trace leaks in the council's mains; that the Consultant's report has been requested frequently and should be available soon.

2759 - CLEGGAN RESEVOIR: With reference to Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 14 (e) 5 that the open drain at Cleggan Reservoir be covered without delay, Mr. Silke, C.A.C.E. stated that it is expected that this work will be completed during the next couple of months.

2760 - MISCELLANEOUS: On Deputy Geoghegan's proposal, the Council wished the County Manager and officials of the Council a very happy Christmas and on behalf of the officials, the Assistant County Manager reciprocated the Council's good wishes.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Secretary*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carr Chairman.*

*Date: 3/2/62*



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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

4th January, 1962.

To: Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Roads Estimate Meeting

You are requested to attend the Roads Estimate Meeting of the Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 13th January, 1962 commencing at 12.30 p.m., to consider:-

1. Increase in wages of Road Workers.
2. County Engineer's Roads Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1963.
3. Allocation of Notices of Motion money in estimate for 1961/62.
4. Any other relevant business.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanain,

Runai.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ROAD ESTIMATE MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY 13th JANUARY, 1962.

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IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT: Cllrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Cllr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Cllr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Cllrs. Mullins, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Sirr.

1 - SYMPATHY: A vote of sympathy was unanimously adopted with His Lordship the Bishop and the clergy of the diocese of Galway and with the relatives on the death of Very Rev. M. Canon Mitchell, P.P., Craughwell.

A vote of sympathy was also adopted with the relatives of the late Mr. Glynn, Dunmore.

2 - WAGES OF ROAD WORKERS: The County Manager's letter of 29th December, 1961 was submitted requesting that the Council consider an increase of 7s. 6d. per week in the wages of road workers in the Galway County Health District with effect from 1st April, 1962 and reduction in the working week to 45 hours from that date - the existing differentials for supervisory staff to continue as well as the existing differential for labourers engaged on sanitary services and housing.

Deputy J. Geoghegan proposed that the Council grant the increase of 7s. 6d. per week as recommended by the County Manager above and a reduction in the working week to 45 hours with effect from 1st April, 1962.

In the course of the ensuing discussion the County Engineer stated that during the summer period the 45 hour week would be worked in 5 days.

Cllr. Cox considered that the increase is justified and stated that the Council should have regard to the rate of wages being paid to road workers in other counties.

Cllr. P. Collins stated that the Council should consider that there has not been any increase in the income of small farmers.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that any increase given is offset by increase in prices and income tax deductions.

Cllr. P. Sirr seconded Deputy J. Geoghegan's proposal.

The County Manager gave particulars of the increase in the estimate which would be involved by payment of the increase above proposed and also pointed out that the increase in the rate of wages would result in a reduction in the amount of work on grant works where the amount of the grant is fixed.

Cllrs. J. Dowd and P. Galvin supported Deputy Geoghegan's proposal.

Cllr. J. Flaherty objected to the reduction in the working week to 45 hours.

Eventually, Deputy J. Geoghegan's proposal was approved unanimously, viz. that the Council approve the reduction in the working week for road workers to 45 hours with effect from 1st April, 1962 and with effect from the same date the Council approves an increase of 7s. 6d. per week in the wages of road labourers in the Galway County Health District, the existing differentials for supervisory staff to continue as well as the existing differential for labourers engaged on sanitary services and housing.

3 - ESTIMATE FOR ROAD WORKS 1962/63: The County Engineer's estimate for Road Works for the year ending 31st March, 1963 as amended to allow for the increase in road workers' wages, approved in the previous minute, was submitted.

The estimate showed the total expenditure for the coming year as compared with the current year as set out hereunder:-

	1962/63.	1961/62.
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Clr. T. King suggested that the Council allow for road works the same amount as in the current year, plus the amount necessary to cover the wage increase approved above.

Clr. J. Glynn asked if there was any possibility of re-classifying certain county roads as main roads and the County Manager stated that this could only be done by substitution of a section of county road for an existing section of main road which would be re-classified as a county road.

The County Manager explained that for many years, although wage increases have been granted the estimate was restricted to the same amount as in the previous year and that now it is not possible to continue this procedure; that the estimate submitted is the same as that for the current year plus the amount required to cover the wage increase and the amount required to cover the maintenance of roads recently taken over for maintenance.

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**5 - NOTICE OF MOTION MONIES FOR 1961/62:** The list of works proposed to be carried out under above in the current year as circulated to the members by the County Engineer was submitted and approved on the proposition of Clr. P. SIRR, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

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THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*  
*M. Ch. J. Lambert*  
*Secretary*  
 Date: 3/2/62

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 Bothar Mor,  
 Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
 Gaillimh 2055

20 Eanáir, 1962.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, De Sathairn, 27 Eanáir, 1962 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

- Minutes.
- Malicious Damage Claims.
- Woodford Sewerage Scheme - Raising loan of £18,600.
- Water extension to Kilmurvy, Aran - estimate £940.
- Irish Tourist Association - application for contribution 1962/63.
- Remuneration Increases:-
  - Telephonist County Buildings.
  - Resident Medical Staff, Regional Hospital.
  - Rate Collectors on Salaries.
- Creation of 2 additional posts of Clerical Officer, viz:-
  - Regional Hospital (1)
  - Motor Taxation Office (1)
- Arrangements to be made for filling vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 (Oughterard) and 36 (Tuam).
- Provision of a new courthouse at Spiddal - estimate £5,000.
- Tuam new Dispensary - Department of Health letter 5/1/62.
- Provision of a dispensary residence at Oughterard - Minute No. 2737 of 19/12/61.
- Reconstruction of Curraghmore Bridge, Headford Road - appointment of a Consulting Engineer.
- Adoption of Seeds & Fertilisers Schemes 1962, viz:-
  - Ordinary Scheme.
  - Storm Damage Scheme. (Copy attached)
- Killimor and Campagh Drainage Scheme - Cost of Maintenance.
- Water supplies and sewerage schemes - County Manager's letter to Council, dated 27/11/1961.

16. Amenity Grants Schemes - Department's letter of 11/12/61 and County Engineer's letter 14/12/61.
17. Revision of Cottage Rents.
18. Water Rents abolition.
19. County Councils' General Council, letter re resolutions sent.
20. Accommodation for mentally handicapped children - deputation to His Lordship the Bishop of Galway.
21. Fixing dates of meetings of :-
- Estimates Committee.
  - Estimates Meeting.
  - Fire Services Committee Meeting.
22. Auditor's report on accounts of Galway County Vocational Education Committee for Y.E. 31/3/1961.
23. Members' Notices of Motion:-
- Deputy Michael Carty & Senator M. Killilea:  
"That this Council recommend the payment of a substantial gratuity to Mr. T. Waldron, M.O.H., Children's Home, Tuam."
  - Clr. F. Mullins & Clr. J.J. Ruane: "We, or some other councillor on our behalf will propose at the next meeting of the Council that the Oranmore piped Water Supply be extended to a group of houses at Oranbeg, Oranmore."
  - Clr. P. Ruane:
    - I will ask at the next meeting of the County Council what is the position of the proposed extension to the Claregalway cemetery.
    - I will ask that this Council request the authority concerned to consider Claregalway, as a centre for a Vocational School.
    - I will ask that this Council take immediate steps to have damages repaired to headstones, etc, in the various cemeteries after the recent storm.
  - Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
    - "That open ground at Abbey Row be taken over by the Council and that the necessary improvements be carried out."
    - "That in view of the recent number of serious accidents at Ballinamore Bridge that the parapet of the bridge be lowered and that additional warning signs be erected."
    - "That the circular letter which was recently issued to the members of the Galway County Council by the N.F.A. be considered by the Council in conjunction with the County Manager, County Engineer etc."
  - Clr. Seamus Kyne:  
"That the Galway County Council impliment a water supply group scheme for Carramona while they are waiting for the Regional Scheme."
24. Resolutions.
25. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 27th JANUARY, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., and Sirr.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin and resolved that the Council expresses its deep sympathy with Mr. L. O'Luanigh, Secretary, on the loss of his brother and that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until 11 a.m. on Saturday 3rd February, 1962.

The members present and the County Manager and Assistant County Manager joined in this expression of sympathy and Mr. O'Luanigh expressed his grateful thanks.

It was also directed that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to:-

The widow and family of the late Mr. P.J. Raftery, B.E., Lesson St., Dublin. The Joyce Family, Glann, Oughterard on the death of Mr. Joyce in a thunder storm recently.

Mr. C.A. Warner, County Engineer and the County Manager joined in the expression of sympathy with the widow and relatives of Mr. Raftery.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Secretary*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty*  
Chairman.

*Date: 3/2/62*

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

To: Each Member of the Council.

29th January, 1962.

A Chara,

The meeting of the Galway County Council which was summoned for Saturday, 27th January, 1962, was, in sympathy with the Secretary in his bereavement, adjourned until the following Saturday.

It is requested that you will attend the adjourned meeting which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday 3rd February, 1962 commencing at 11 a.m.

The Agenda will be as already circulated for the meeting summoned for 27th instant.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Lunaigh,

Runai.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY 3rd FEBRUARY, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy M. Carty.  
(2) Senator M. Killilea.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Greene, Joyce, Kelly, King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mammion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and SIRR.

2761 - SYMPATHY: The Chairman proposed that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to Mr. T.M. O'Connor, Assistant County Manager on the death of his mother and to Mr. Frank Mullins, County Councillor, on the death of his father-in-law and that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until 2.30 p.m.

The proposal was seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and unanimously approved. Deputy Geoghegan and the other members present joined in the expression of sympathy as did the Secretary on behalf of the staff of the County Council.

Mr. O'Connor thanked the Council for sympathy and joined in the expression of sympathy with Clr. Mullins.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following:-

The relatives of the late Mr. Joseph Commins, Coldwood, Athenry. Garda Malone, Eyrecourt, on the death of his wife.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL 2.30 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING, DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. P. SIRR and the other members present welcomed the Chairman back from his tour to the U.S.A.

2762 - TYNAGH MINES: Clr. Canning proposed that the Council express strong disapproval of the distorted description of the Tynagh district given in a recent B.B.C. Television programme.

This proposal was seconded by Deputy Coogan and supported by Clrs. J. Lambert and J. Dowd who complimented the Connacht Tribune on its treatment of this broadcast.

The Chairman stated that the object of the programme was to convey that the area was still as backward as it was during the British Regime and that the progress made by the Irish Government is resented; that the Council's condemnation should be of those who co-operated in the programme.

2763 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 2760 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2764 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Secretary gave particulars of malicious damage claims received, viz:-

Mrs. Mary Keaney, Liskeevy, Kiloonly, Tuam, black Connemara cow - £40.  
Mr. Elmer Kavanagh, Regional Service Station, Galway, damage to shop and contents, - £102. 16s. 9d.  
Mr. W.B. Allen, Rockbarton, Galway, damage to motor car - £10.  
Mrs. Mary Kelehan, Newcastle Road, Galway, damage to motor car - £500.  
Messrs. Silke & Sons Ltd., Dominick Street, Galway, damage to two plate glass windows, - £60.  
Miss Katie Costello, Castlesampson, Athlone, damage to motor car - £11. 2s. 0d.  
Delia Griffin and Nora Griffin, 2 Quay Street, Galway, damage to window, - £5. 10s. 0d.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator M. Killilea, it was decided that in future the particulars of malicious damage claims would be inserted in the Agenda.

2765 - WOODFORD SEWERAGE SCHEME: It was proposed by Clr. F. Mullins, seconded by Clr. J. Canning and resolved that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £18,600. from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of a sewerage

scheme at Woodford; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council.

2766 - KILMURVY WATER EXTENSION: On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved the carrying out of water extension to Kilmurvy, Aran, at an estimated cost of £940. towards which the following assistance would be available:-

Roinn na Gaeltachta ----- £235.  
Department of Local Government £423.

2767 - TOURIST DEVELOPMENT: Letter of January, 1962 from the Irish Tourist Association was submitted requesting an increase in the contribution for the year 1962/63.

The Secretary stated that contribution made by the Council to the Irish Tourist Association in the year ended 31st March, 1961 was £1,500. and in the year ending 31st March, 1962 £1,750.

The County Manager read his letter of 23rd ultimo to the Tourist Association stating that he intended to recommend to the Council that this contribution be increased to £2,000. for the coming year.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh opposed any increase in the contribution stating that the tourist traffic is of benefit only to hotel keepers, some of whom employ labour on harsh conditions and with low remuneration.

Senator Lahiffe protested against the failure of Bord Failte to expend any money on the south shore of Galway Bay and this protest was supported by Clr. J. Lambert.

It was proposed by Senator J. Mannion and seconded by Clr. J. Ruane that the Council's contribution to the Irish Tourist Association for the year 1962/63 be £1,750. as in the current year.

The County Manager pointed out that the rural area as well as the town benefits from tourist traffic.

Clr. G. Kelly agreed and proposed that the Council's contribution for 1962/63 be increased by £250. This proposal was seconded by Clr. J. Glynn and supported by Clr. J. Dowd.

The County Engineer stated that an officer of Bord Failte will come to Galway in the near future to discuss with him the question of developing the access roads to a number of strands in this county.

Senator Lahiffe requested that attention be given to the question of developing these facilities in the Kinvara district.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert and seconded by Clr. P. Sirr that the Council's contribution be reduced to £500. in the year 1962/63

A vote taken on the three proposals above resulted as follows:-

For contribution £1,750: Clrs. Burke, Canning Carty, Collins, Cox, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Geoghegan, Greene, Joyce, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lahiffe, Mannion J., Mannion M., Millar, Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Ruane J., and Ruane P. (22).

For contribution £2,000: Clrs. Coogan, Glynn and Kelly (3)

For contribution £500: Clrs. Lambert and Sirr (2)

The Chairman declared Clr. J. Mannion's proposal carried i.e. that the Council's contribution to the Irish Tourist Association in the year ending 31st March, 1963 be £1,750. as in the current year.

Clr. T. King proposed that all tourist work be carried out by one body. This proposal was seconded by Clr. J. Dowd.

The County Manager pointed out that the Irish Tourist Association on which the Council has representation is concerned with publicity while Bord Failte is concerned with development of tourist facilities.

The Chairman directed that Clr. King submit a Notice of Motion in regard to this proposal for consideration at a later meeting.

2768 - TELEPHONIST, COUNTY BUILDINGS - WAGES: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator M. Killilea, the Council approved an increase of £1. a week in the remuneration of the telephonist at the County Buildings with effect from 10th November, 1961 making the revised rate of wages from that date £8. 12s. 0d.

2769 - SALARY INCREASES, RESIDENT MEDICAL STAFF & RATE COLLECTORS:

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator M. Killilea, the Council adjourned consideration until the Estimates Committee Meeting of item 6 (b) & (c) on the Agenda viz. increase in salaries of Resident Medical staff at Regional Hospital and of rate collectors on salaries.

2770 - CLERICAL STAFF: At the request of the Assistant County Manager it was decided to defer for two months consideration of item 7 (a) on the Agenda i.e. creation of one additional post of Clerical Officer at Galway Regional Hospital.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Clr. P. Sirr, the Council approved the creation of one additional office of Clerical Officer for the Motor Taxation Office with salary at the normal rate for that post. It was explained that the salary of this additional officer would be recouped as part of the Motor Taxation collection expenses.

The Chairman and Deputy Geoghegan requested that Motor Taxation office be open to the public during normal working hours or, at least up to 5 p.m. in the afternoon.

The County Manager stated that this request would be considered.

2771 - RATE COLLECTION IN DISTRICTS NOS 28 and 36. The Secretary requested direction in regard to the arrangements to be made for the filling of vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 and 36 which will arise in the near future.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan that the rates for these districts be collected direct from the Council's offices.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Senator M. Killilea that arrangements be made for the filling of these vacancies in the normal way.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert, and seconded by Clr. P. Sirr that consideration of this matter be deferred until the April meeting and that particulars be then available of the cost of collecting rates in District No. 35 direct from the Council's offices.

Eventually, Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and Deputy J. Geoghegan withdrew their proposals and the Council approved Clr. Lambert's proposal that consideration be deferred until the April meeting and that particulars of the cost of rate collection in District No. 35 be then available.

The County Manager pointed out that when abolishing posts of rate collector and having the rates collected direct from the Council's offices, the Council will in the districts concerned be left without any official to report on new premises to be listed for revision of valuation and that consequently there may be a considerable loss in revenue to the Council eventually.

2772 - SPIDDAL COURTHOUSE: The Secretary stated that the estimated cost of providing a building in Spiddal to accommodate the courthouse and the branch library would be £5,000.

It was proposed by Senator J. Mannion and seconded by Clr. P. Sirr that consideration of this matter be adjourned for twelve months.

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It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. P. Joyce that the Council consider this matter now.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken, this was done and the majority of the members present supported Senator Mannion's proposal which was therefore declared carried and consideration of this item was therefore adjourned for twelve months.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

2773 - TUAM NEW DISPENSARY: The Secretary read letter H.11/53/1 of 5th January, 1962 from the Department of Health which pointed out that the dispensary grant scheme was terminated and therefore a grant for the dispensary in Tuam would not be forthcoming.

Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.F. stated that he is still endeavouring to secure a suitable site for a dispensary at Tuam and that he will report as soon as he receives a reply from the owners.

Senator M. Killilea stated that members from the Tuam district are totally opposed to the placing of the dispensary in the grounds of the Tuam Home.

Senator Killilea proposed and it was resolved that the Council send the following resolution to the County Councils' General Council for consideration, viz:-

"That the Minister for Health be requested to restore the scheme of grants for provision of clinics and dispensaries and in view of the fact that these are the most essential part of the health services that increased grants be provided."

2774 - BALLYGAR DISPENSARY: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh requested that when providing the dispensary at Ballygar accommodation and arrangements be made for holding clinics there so as to save patients time and expense involved in travelling to Galway or Ballinasloe.

2775 - OUGHTERARD DISPENSARY RESIDENCE: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Deputy M. Carty that the Council approve the provision of a residence for the District Medical Officer in Oughterard District mode of provision of such residence whether by purchase or by erection to be considered by the Council later.

The County Manager stated that the policy has been to provide residences for District Medical Officers in remote dispensary districts because in such cases if the Doctor provided a house at his own expense, it might be left on his hands when he would leave the district; that this would not be likely to occur in Oughterard where there is a good demand for houses.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh opposed provision of a residence for an official in the upper income group.

The Chairman stated that when a residence is available it helps to attract a doctor to a district.

Eventually, Deputy J. Geoghegan's proposal was approved by the Council.

2776 - MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY RESIDENCE: Senator M. Killilea stated that a house is available in Mountbellew for £4,500. and that it would be economical for the Council to acquire it now as a residence for the District Medical Officer.

The County Manager stated that he would prefer to wait until the incoming permanent District Medical Officer will take up duty.

The Chairman stated that if the house is suitable he considered that it should be acquired if the price is reasonable but the County Manager pointed out that when a residence is available the payment of the rent and the requirement to reside in it are normally included in the conditions of appointment hence his recommendation that the Council should wait until the doctor takes up duty.

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The Chairman and Deputy Coogan stated that they will ask at the next meeting of the Council that the County Engineer report on Doctor Scully's house at Mountbellew so that the Council may consider its acquisition.

2777 - CURRAGHMORE BRIDGE, GALWAY - HEADFORD ROAD: On the proposition of Clr. T. King, the Council unanimously approved the County Engineer's recommendation that a Consulting Engineer be appointed to consider and advise on the best manner of replacing the bridge over the Clare River at Curraghmore which is deteriorating.

2778 - SEEDS & FERTILISERS SCHEMES 1962: It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved that the Council adopt an ordinary scheme for the purchase of seeds and fertilisers during the period ending on 31st July, 1962 and that the scheme be sealed with the seal of the Council.

The scheme was then sealed.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved that the Council adopt a special scheme for issue of loans for purchase of seeds and fertilisers in the year 1962 by persons who suffered serious crop losses as a result of weather conditions in the period from 1st September to 31st October, 1961 and that the scheme submitted be sealed with the seal of the Council.

The scheme was then sealed.

It was proposed by Clr. G. Kelly, seconded by Clr. T. King and resolved that the time for making applications for the storm damage seeds and fertilisers loan be extended to 28th February, 1962.

2779 - KILLIMOR & CARRAGH DRAINAGE SCHEME: Referring to Minute No. 2751, the Secretary stated that the Manager wished to draw the Council's attention again to the fact that the estimated cost of maintenance when this scheme will be completed, will be £9,000. a year as compared with the existing cost of £2,500. for the existing schemes in Killimor and Carragh.

The County Manager read to the Council his letters of 2nd January, 1962 to the Office of Public Works and to the Valuation Office and letter of 8th idem from the Valuation Office. He pointed out that the lands benefiting by the scheme would not be revalued and hence the Council would not obtain any additional revenue in rates as a result of the carrying out of this work.

Deputy A. Millar stated that this is an important scheme which has long been awaited and is much needed; that the Council should not do anything which would now hold up the carrying out of this scheme.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that it is unfair that Galway City should be paying for Drainage Schemes which do not benefit the city.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Canning and resolved that the Council note the contents of the County Manager's letters to the Commissioners of Public Works and to the Valuation Office and the reply from the Valuation Office.

The County Manager informed the Council that it is not yet possible to state what will be the additional charge in the rates as a result of the carrying out of the Corrib-Clare Drainage Scheme.

2780 - CLARE DRAINAGE SCHEME: It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh that the Council ask the Office of Public Works that when the Moyne Drainage Scheme will be completed the machinery will be transferred to north Galway to clean up the tributaries of the Clare River.

Deputy M. Carty stated that the Corrib-Mask Scheme has lost its place on the priority list since it was not included in the original Corrib-Clare Scheme.

2781 - WATER SUPPLIES & SEWERAGE SCHEMES: The County Manager's letter of 27th November, 1962 to the members of the Council was submitted and it was unanimously decided to adjourn further consideration until the survey report on Water Supply Schemes will be available.

2782 - AMENITY GRANTS SCHEME: The Secretary read Department of Local Government letter of 11/12/1961 and the County Engineer's letter of 14th idem and the County Manager's recommendations thereon.

It was decided to adjourn consideration and that in the meantime the members be requested to submit any suitable proposals which they have in mind.

2783 - MEETINGS: The Council unanimously fixed the following dates of meetings:-

Estimates Committee Meeting - Saturday 3rd March, 1962.  
Estimates Meeting - Saturday 24th March, 1962.

Consideration of the fixing of a date for the Fire Services Committee Meeting was deferred until next meeting.

2784 - ADJOURNMENT: Consideration of the remaining items on the Agenda, viz. Nos. 17 to 20 inclusive, 23 and 24 was adjourned until next meeting.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*W. H. O'Connell*  
Secretary.

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*M. Carby* Chairman.

*Date: 24/2/62*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

16 Fheabhra, 1962.

Chuis Gach Bhail da'n Comhairle.

A Chara;

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Poirníthe Connadae, De Sathairn, 24 Fheabhra 1962 ar tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chloí.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runaí.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims viz:-
  - (a) Denis Ward - Horse - 8/1/62. - £50.
  - (b) Bernard Ward - 2 horses - 23/11/61. - £40.
  - (c) Rep't. Church Body - Windows of Donachpatriok Church - 27/1/62. - £100.
  - (d) Ed. G. Quinn, Furrymelia East, Parna - Pick-up Truck - 1/2/62. - £26.
3. Salary Increases as set out in schedule attached.
4. Completion of mortgage deals for:-
  - (a) Loan of £25,000. for issue of housing loans.
  - (b) Loan of £2,130. for Nanny River Bridge, Tuam.
5. Expenditure in excess of Estimate for -
  - (a) year to 31st March, 1961.
  - (b) year to 31st March, 1962.
6. Declaration of roads to be public roads:-
  - (a) List of roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office.
  - (b) Roads being improved out of Members' Notice of Motion money for Y.E. 31/3/1962.
7. Taking over for maintenance one further road improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office.
8. Utilising a part of the County Road Improvement Grant for improvement of rural roads in Galway Borough.
9. Special Limits in built-up areas - County Engineer's letter of 6/2/62.
10. Proposed causeway to Inchiquin Island - Land Commission letters 12/12/61. and 22/1/62.
11. Revision of cottage rents.



12. Provision of additional cottages and housing sites in Loughrea.
13. Fixing date for meeting of the Fire Services Committee.
14. Extension of following temporary posts for 6 months from 1st January to 30th June, 1962:-
  - (a) Clerk-Typist for Polio Vaccination Clinics.
  - (b) Clerical Officer for clinics at Regional Hospital.
15. Provision of a residence for District Medical Officer, Mountbellew.
16. Abolition of water rents.
17. Group Water Schemes - Letter 29/1/1962 from Muintir na Tire, Maree, Oranmore.
18. Provision of a landing place at Port na Curraich, Inishmaan (Grant of full cost £3,000. if Council will maintain).
19. Amenity Grants Scheme - Minute 2782 of 3/2/1962.
20. County Council's General Council - Letter re resolutions sent.
21. Auditor's Report on accounts of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for Y.T. 31/3/1961.
22. Members' Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Deputy Michael Carty & Senator M. Killilea:

"That this Council recommend the payment of a substantial gratuity to Mr. T. Waldron, M.O.H., Children's Home, Tuam."
  - (b) Clr. F. Mullins & Clr. J.J. Ruane: "We, or some other councillor on our behalf will propose at the next meeting of the Council that the Oranmore piped Water Supply be extended to a group of houses at Oranbeg, Oranmore."
  - (c) Clr. P. Ruane:
    1. I will ask at the next meeting of the County Council what is the position of the proposed extension to the Clarealway cemetery.
    2. I will ask that this Council request the authority concerned to consider Clarealway, as a centre for a Vocational School.
    3. I will ask that this Council take immediate steps to have damages repaired to headstones, etc, in the various cemeteries after the recent storm.
  - (d) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
    1. "That in view of the recent number of serious accidents at Ballinamore Bridge that the parapet of the bridge be lowered and that additional warning signs be erected."
    2. "That the circular letter which was recently issued to the members of the Galway County Council by the N.F.A. be considered by the Council in conjunction with the County Manager, County Engineer etc."
  - (e) Clr. Seamus Kyné: "That the Galway County Council implement a water supply group scheme for Cornamona while they are waiting for the Regional Scheme."
  - (f) Clr. P. Joyce: "That a further 60 yards be added to the Auhrisbeg Road which is being taken over by the Council."
  - (g) Clr. J.J. Ruane: "Please note that I, or some other member on my behalf will move at the next Meeting, that Road 493 passing through Drim, Drumkeery and other Townlands, connecting with Gort/Portumna Road No. 390 at Marble Hill, and with the Loughrea/Woodford road 380 at Kylebrack, be steamrolled."

- (h) Deputy John Geoghegan:
  1. "I will propose that the pier at Shruffane Carraroe be raised 18" to protect the fishing boats."
  2. "That the road to factory at Collahire be tarred."
- (i) Clr. Martin Mannion:
  1. "At the next meeting of the County Council, I will propose that some steps be taken to have the water supply at Mountbellew made more satisfactory."
  2. "That large trees along road side between Moylough and Barnaderg be cut down as they are a danger to the public."
  3. "That a new concrete path be laid between old and new school at Moylough."
- (j) Clr. John Dowd: "I will propose that the County Engineer erect two new bridges at Kylemore, Laurencetown and Clonfert, Tyrecourt and that this work be carried out without further delay."
- (k) Deputy Michael Carty: "That the Council provide a B.O.H. cottage for Mrs. M.A. Kearns, Gardenblake Commons, Peterswell, Co. Galway."
  - (1) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh: "At the next meeting of the Council I will ask the County Engineer to request Bord Failte to provide grants for the repair of the following access roads which lead to rivers which are under the care of the Inland Fisheries Trust."
    1. Road through village of Muckinagh, Ballycar, to Rivers Shiven and Suck.
    2. Road through Tyour, Newbridge alongside Upper Shiven.
23. Erralough Landing Place - future maintenance - letter 13/2/1962 from Special Employment Schemes Office.
24. Application for grant for Hall at Colaiste Chonmacht, Spiddal.
25. Resolutions.
26. Other Business.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

15th February, 1962.

To:  
Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

The meeting of Galway County Council which was arranged for 17th February, 1962 has, in sympathy with Deputy Michael Kitt in his bereavement been postponed until Saturday, 24th February, 1962.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanainn,

Runai.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 24th FEBRUARY, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Carty.

ALSO PRESENT: Cllrs. Burke, Cannine, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Millilea, Cllr. King, Senator Laffie, Cllrs. Lambert, Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Cllrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Sizer.

2785 - SYMPATHY: The Council expressed deep sympathy with Deputy M. Kitt and family on the death of Deputy Kitt's mother and with Mrs. Redington, Woodquay, on the death of Mr. James Redington - the meeting having been postponed as a mark of respect.

The sympathy of the Council was also expressed with the following:-

Mr. Walter Macken, Glann, Oughterard, on the death of his wife, ~~noted~~  
Mr. Thady Mulkerrins, Castleboy, Castledaly, Ardahan on the death of mother.  
The Lally Family, Royal Hotel, Gort on the death of Mr. Patrick Lally.  
Mrs. Gelia Murphy, Bellybrone, Turloughmore on the death of her husband.

2786 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meeting to No. 2784 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2787 - ESTIMATES 1962/63: The Chairman stated that in response to a request by the National Farmers Association, he had agreed to receive a deputation from that Association consisting of not more than three members before the commencement of the Estimates Meeting on 24th March, 1962.

The Council approved the reception of this deputation as arranged.

2788 - CIVIC INSIGNIA: Letter of 14th February, 1962 from Messrs. Thomas Fattorini Limited, Regent Street Works, Birmingham 1, giving particulars of badges or chains of office for Chairman etc. was submitted and noted.

2789 - CORNIF CLARE DRAINAGE SCHEME: Arising out of the minutes, Cllr. O'Ceallaigh referred to Minute No. 2780 and asked if any reply had been received from the Commissioners of Public Works.

The Secretary stated that since a direction in regard to this had not been given by the Council, he had not written to the Commissioners of Public Works.

The Chairman proposed and the Council agreed that an enquiry be sent to the Office of Public Works as proposed by Cllr. O'Ceallaigh in Minute No. 2780.

2790 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: Particulars of malicious damage claims, as set out at item 2 on the Agenda, were submitted and noted.

2791 - SALARY INCREASES: The Schedule of increases in salaries as proposed by the County Manager, which had been circulated to the Councillors, was submitted.

Deputy F. Coogan complained that he was aware of a case in which the father of a sick child took the child to the Regional Hospital for attention a few weeks ago - the District Medical Officer for the district not being available; that the child had not received any medical attention in the hospital and that the child was very ill, the doctor for the district was still absent, the parent took the child to a doctor in another district who attended to the child. Deputy Coogan protested against the granting of any increase to Resident Medical Officers in the Regional Hospital pending investigation of this complaint, particulars of which he stated he would give to the County Manager.

The County Manager stated that it is deplorable that an allegation such as this should be made at a public meeting before any opportunity has been given to investigate the truth of it.

The Chairman ruled that Deputy Coogan's complaint was not relevant.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, and seconded by Cllr. T. King that the Council consider today the increases as proposed in the schedule supplied to the members.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh objected to the granting of increases to officers who have a salary as high as £47. or £52. a week already.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Sirm and seconded by Clr. J. Lambert that the Council defer consideration of the salary increases until the Estimates Committee Meeting.

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken as against the two proposals above and, the majority of the members present having supported Clr. P. Sirm's proposal, the Chairman directed that consideration of this item be deferred until the Estimates Committee Meeting on 3rd proximo.

**2792 - LOAN FOR SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty and resolved that the corporate seal of the Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage dated 24th February, 1962 whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £25,000. proposed to be advanced by them to the Council under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899 to 1958.

The Mortgage Deed was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

**2793 - LOAN FOR NANNY RIVER BRIDGE, TUAM:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty and resolved -

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 18th day of January, 1962 of the Minister for Local Government, the sum of £2,130 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying portion of the cost of the erection of a bridge over the Nanny River, Tuam, 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 Ltd.

The Mortgage Deed was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

**2794 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved excess expenditure in the year ended 31st March, 1961 as set out hereunder:-

	£.
Special County Road Works Grants	2,297
Gaeltacht Road Grants	497
Road Services other purposes C.H.D.	208
Ambulance Services and transport of patients	380
Home Assistance	551
Public Assistance Services other purposes	322
Drainage & Public Sanitary Works	503
Water Supplies	1,173
Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts	2
Public Libraries	43
Local Authorities Works Acts C.A.L.	114
Materials Expense Account - balance	17,268
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£23,358</b>

As particulars of the excess expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1962 were not available, consideration of item 5 (b) on the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting.

**2795 - DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS:** Notices of intention to declare roads to be public roads, which were published in the Press, were submitted, viz. roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office and roads being improved out of Councillors' notice of motion monies for the year ending 31st March, 1962

A letter was submitted from Mr. James F. Tracy, Derrouagh, Toomard, Ballinasloe, in regard to the road listed as No. 27 in the Mountbellew Engineer's District from junction with County Road No. 262 at Derrouagh, this letter suggested that the declaring of this road to be a public road might be deferred as it is possible that a further grant for its improvement will be received from the Special Employment Schemes Office. After consideration, the Council decided that this road be included in the Declaration to be made today.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. T. Kinr and resolved that the Council hereby declares the following roads to be public roads:-

Engineer's District	Terminal Points	Length - Perches
Athlery	From inc. with C.R. 177 south east by Michael (John) Kenny's house for a distance of 128 perches.	128
Athlery	" " " " C.R. 188 at Pump north east for 80 pers. and branch south for 14 perches.	94
Athlery	" " " " C.R. 144 south east to road channel near Phos. Kinr's house at Coolam.	131
Athlery	" " " " C.R. 174 at Kiltrove north-east to Park. (Thr.) Nolan's house.	160
Ballinasloe	" " " " C.R. 174 at Kiltrove south-west from Kenny's house to railway leading to Nelly Fran's land at "Leachtain Cloch".	60
Ballinasloe	" " " " at Crannagh north-west to Mark Finnerty's house	90
Ballinasloe	From inc. with M.R. 420 at Oveerun east to "M. Hynes' house.	175
Cliffen	From the County Road near O'Donnell's, Moyrus south-west to John Folan's, Half Mace.	640
Galway	From C.R. 136 Tomamace (Corranulla-Annaghdown) north east by J. Cahill's house and south west by Mr. M. Coen's house.	448
Louthree	From inc. with M.R. 450 at Throuth north and west for a distance of 290 perches.	290
Louthree	" " " " C.R. 482 at Doon to gate leading to Michael Moran's house.	140
Louthree	" " " " M.R. 380 at Commons East west to Mary McNamara's house.	166
Louthree	" " " " C.R. 452 at Revrabrone through Revrabrone villare to Michael Mahoney's house.	259
Louthree	" " " " C.R. 492 at Dam to ruins of Darcy's forte and branch to kish on drain at bog entrance.	270
Louthree	" " " " C.R. 489 at Cahernarary to Martin Moran's land.	68
Milltown	" " " " C.R. 482 at Cahernarary to Margaret Burke's cart shed.	88
Milltown	" " " " C.R. 223 at Belmont to County Boundary at Belmont.	95
Milltown	" " " " C.R. 223 at Belmont to Michael Flanagan's house.	135

Terminal Points

Enrigger's District	Terminal Points	Length - Perches
Orcharawrd	From end of C.R. 65 at Glentasma near Mrs. Tom Lydon's house east for a distance of 141 pears.	141
Portumna	Link road from C.R. 576 at Gortanumera to C.R. 574	152
Portumna	From jnc. with C.R. 574 at Killien East to Killimor River.	192
Portumna	" " C.R. 5/6 at Pollhallow West northwards to gate leading to M. Martyr's house at Pollhallow.	45
Portumna	Link road from jnc. with M.R. 450 at Clonmain to jnc. with C.R. 529 at Ballynoran.	800

Terminal Points

Enrigger's District	Terminal Points	Length - Yards
Atherry	From Oul-de-see road leading from Riverville, Grandwell to Lecarrow.	530
Galway	From near Ballindoolley Castle to Junction near Ballindoolley Cross.	997
Mountbellew	From County Road to Vermont between Menlough and Glentane.	880
Atherry	From County Road to Ballybogan between Jounthanes's Cross and Clonkeen, Chair Abbert and Clonkeen.	640
Portumna	From Portumna/Woodhark Road through Gahr (190 perches only)	990
Portumna	From East Branch 589 to 592 via Kilmashane (100 perches only)	550
Orcharawrd	From Corner House on Main Road to Craccarman Road known as Doon Road (160 perches only)	880
Mountbellew	By-road at Shankill, Kilkerrin which leads off the main road known as the Kilkerrin-Moylough Road.	1760
Milltown	At Garraheen to Dunmore.	470
Ballinasloe	From F. Wakefield's House to E. Wakefield's House, Urrachree, Ballinasloe.	1144
Mountbellew	Through Bannaura Loop road off County Road 513	1400

Enrigger's District

Terminal Points

Length - Perches

Milltown	From jnc. with C.R. 266 Knockans at M. Joyce's house west past houses of Luke Mae etc. to B. Egan's house.	332
Milltown	" " C.R. 254 at Patch east of Michael Giblin's house to Keavney's house.	172 1/2
Milltown	From C.R. 158 at Kilsheeny south of Ardour Bridge west past Park. Size's house to Glynn's house.	50
Milltown	From jnc. with C.R. 266 Pollshask near Matt. Brennan's house the Common to M. Gannon's house.	207
Milltown	" " C.R. 162 at Ballyboy near Tom Hughes' house through Ballyboy village to Pat Irree's house and branch to M. Roman's house.	110
Milltown	From branch of C.R. 273 Clondarreen near Griffin's house, north past Martin Quinn's house north-west to Austin Burke's house.	260
Milltown	From jnc. with C.R. 265 Meallick South to Park. Thilly's house.	173
Mountbellew	" " C.R. 270 Kilsallagh north-west to M. O'Brien's house.	104
Mountbellew	" " C.R. 262 at Derrouis south east for a distance of 100 perches.	100
Mountbellew	" " C.R. 504 at Garvach south-west to Martin Cusack's house.	75
Mountbellew	" " C.R. 453 at Cloonshivna east for a distance of 70 perches.	70
Mountbellew	" " M.R. 460 at Ballybaun northwards to Thos. Mitchell's house.	88
Mountbellew	" " C.R. 257 at Derreen Upper Crossroads south to gate at M. Finnegan's land.	77
Orcharawrd	" " C.R. 116 at Fitzpark to Pat Hanberry's gate at Parklaur.	115
Orcharawrd	" " C.R. 84 at the Waterfall, Orcharawrd, south east by Park. Flaherty's house and others back to County Road 84.	138
Orcharawrd	" " M. 71, Sec. 40 at Oldchapel and Portacarron near Thos. Dixon's house north to lake edre at Previtte's with branch to lake edre at Flynn's and branch to M. Tierney's gate.	455
Orcharawrd	From County Road 82 at Derreenmeal at Jas. Kelly's house south west to Mrs. Delia Kelly's at Derreenmeal.	96.

	Terminal Points.	Length - Yards
Engineer's District		
Mountbellew	Off road from Horselean Cross to Lavant Cross (Cooloc).	290
Mountbellew	Road from J. Mautton's to Bridre east Carey's house, Hollygrove-Bastorfield Cross to Basterfield.	1760
Mountbellew	Opposite Heaver's house to Keirthery's house at Clounruff Ballynat.	700
Mountbellew	From J. Cunningham's to Martin Quinn's at Lisoneil West, Newbridge.	200
Mountbellew	Two roads from main Milltown-Moreanure Road (Kilkerwin) at Ballarathuff East and Ballarathuff West (36 plus 44 perches).	440
Plsam	From Catholic Church to rear of Patrick Treanor's shop at the Square, Ballynat.	50
Plsam	Road from Main Road 90 by Clacstuan Barial Ground to Burke's house.	600
Athentv	From Abbevknockmoy to Liss between Abbevknockmoy and Liss.	880
Athentv	From Goshla, Galway Road to Moore's Cemetery.	1380
Mountbellew	Kingsland towards Holywell and Plean (160 perches only)	880
Milltown	From Bl. Gibbon's corner to Patrick Dowd's house between Ballincurry and Clounfaughna West.	1320
	From Ballymoore-Cree Road to Larch Bridge C.T. between Ballymoore Cree Main Road and Larch Bridge.	599

	Terminal Points	Length - Yards
Engineer's District		
Milltown	Link road of Williamstown-Cloonsfad Main Road to district road at Beach from Kildaree to Beach through Pollea Village.	
Quitherrd	From Dicksons, Portacarrow, Quitherrd to Lake.	2600
Tham	From Galway-Headford Road to Cloughanover between public house at Clounfanover and Thomas Jolly's house.	2800
Tham	From Cahernorris-Aurcloean Road to Bunnahavilly County road between Glenreagh and Bunnahavilly.	650
Tham	From T. Pehy's house to M.J. Murphy's Waterview, Turfourmore.	2464
Tham	Road from Clacstuan-Tham main road at Lavther's house into Clommore townland.	1760
Falltipploe	From Bohema-Ballymacwad to Pat Gormally's house between John's house and P. Gormally's through Gortnongan Village.	2640
Mountbellew	From Gartlefench-Ballytoan - about 1 mile west of Ballyforan bridge to 5 perches south of M. Pehy's house in the village of Gurranna, Ballyforan.	1320
Cort	From Dunveillin to Gartlagan.	1050
Cort	From Inchaboy (Moore) to Inchaboy (Connelly's).	665
Gort	Roadway leading to Council Yard, Gort.	550
Athentv	Clacstuanbridge to Marree above Cross road and Cave village.	100
Mountbellew	From Derry Toomard to Pettitt's house, Curraillen.	1450
Tham	From P. Shanbhnessy's house to County Road Moyne Park near Felth East.	1600
Portumma	From Main Road Laurencestown/Ballinasloe. Starts at Jas. Curly's house at Ballyman and leads to house of Pursey White.	1320
Cliffen	From Kinstown to Tverfort between Kinstown and Sea.	1584
Portumma	From Bridge Road, Portumma to Gurtha between Main Road at Burke's house and Gurtha (160 pers. only).	2100
		880

**2796 - ROAD AT CLONBUR:** County Engineer's letter of 16th January, 1962 was submitted stating that the Special Employment Schemes Office had informed him that 388 metres of road from the County Road at Clonbur Church through Carrowheekeen village to the County Road at Ballynacraney was repaired by them for Roinn na Gaeltachta recently. The County Engineer recommended that this road be taken over by the Council and declared a public road.

The Council unanimously approved the County Engineer's recommendation on the proposition of Clr. P. Galvin seconded by Clr. P. Ruane.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. O'Ceallaigh, Mr. S. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that the County Engineer had already informed the Council that a further list of these roads would be submitted in due course, i.e. roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office and that it was considered that submission of the list once a year should be sufficient.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Deputy M. Killilea, the Council agreed and recommended that the list be submitted in the month of January.

**2797 - COUNTY ROAD IMPROVEMENT GRANT:** The County Engineer's letters of 16th and 23rd January, 1962 were submitted in which it was suggested that a small portion of the County Road Improvement Grant, not exceeding £3,000 or £4,000 a year might be devoted to low cost improvement of rural roads which are within the Galway Borough District.

This recommendation was approved by the Council on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coonan.

**2798 - SPEED LIMITS:** On the proposition of Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert, the Council approved the proposals for speed limits in towns and villages in the County of Galway as set out in the County Engineer's letter of 6th February, 1962, a copy of which had already been sent to each member of the Council.

**2799 - INCHIQUIN ISLAND CAUSEWAY:** Letters of 12th December, 1961 and 22nd January, 1962 from the Land Commission were submitted asking if the Council would be prepared to undertake the work of providing a bridge or causeway to Inchiquin Island on Lough Corrib stating that it is possible that the tenants on the Island and the Special Employment Schemes Office may be prepared to contribute towards the cost of the work.

The County Engineer's letter of 27th January, 1962 was submitted stating that he was not prepared to recommend this work unless the Council is very much in its favour.

The County Manager informed the Council that the residents of this Island had not paid rates for several years past, the loss of rates being approximately £75. a year.

On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council resolved that an estimate of the cost of the work be prepared by the County Engineer and submitted to the Council for consideration.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL 2.30 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION  
DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

**2800 - REVISION OF COTTAGE RENTS:** The proposals for revision of cottage rents were submitted and the Assistant County Manager gave particulars of the economic rent for the various types of cottages.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy T. Millar, the Council approved revision of cottage rents as set out hereunder, the revised rents to apply to all new tenancies of existing cottages and to all cottages which become tenanted for the first time after the date of this meeting:-

Serviced Cottages (larger type - 800 square feet).

A new differential rents scheme to be adopted providing for a minimum rent of 12/6d. per week plus rates and an appropriate maximum rent determined in accordance with the cost of erection of the houses, plus rates - calculation of the amount payable by each tenant to be carried out as at present.

Serviced Cottages (smaller type - 660 square feet).

A flat rent of 12/6d. per week, plus rates.

Unserviced Cottages (610 square feet). - (Built since 1948.)

Basic rent to be increased from 6/- per week to 9/- per week, plus rates.

Unserviced Cottages. - (Built up to 1948)

Basic rent to be increased to 6/- per week, plus rates.

**2801 - VESTING SCHEME FOR ADDITIONAL COTTAGES:** The Chairman complained of the long delay in preparation of a vesting scheme for cottages erected since 1948.

Senator Lahiffé stated that several tenants of such cottages in Gort area are anxious to vest their cottages.

Clr. P. Sinn also complained of the delay in preparing the new vesting scheme.

The Assistant County Manager stated that other urgent work in the housing section relating to the issue of housing grants, was given priority but that the vesting scheme is now being prepared.

The Assistant County Manager stated that so far as the Council is concerned, there are many disadvantages in vesting a cottage on the tenant as the Council on vesting loses to a great extent control of the cottage.

Deputy F. Coonan requested that the preparation of the vesting scheme be expedited.

**2802 - ADDITIONAL COTTAGES ETC. FOR LOUGHREA:** Letter from the Town Clerk, Loughrea dated 6th February, 1962 was submitted conveying the request of the Town Commissioners that Galway County Council would provide 20 additional cottages in Loughrea and would also provide suitable building sites for sale to individuals prepared to erect their own houses.

The Chairman explained that there are in Loughrea some cottages with one-acre plots, which plots are too large for tenants requirements; that half of each of these plots be acquired in suitable cases where the rear of the plots abuts a public road so that the land so acquired could be used as sites for additional cottages.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved the proposal that portion of existing cottage plots be acquired as recommended by Deputy Carty, and that for the present, six additional cottages be built in Loughrea.

The Council also approved the recommendation of the Town Commissioners that land acquired in Loughrea be sold by the Council to persons requiring sites for erection of their own houses thereon.

**2803 - FIRE SERVICES COMMITTEE.** It was unanimously agreed that the next meeting of the Fire Services Committee will be held at the County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 10th June, 1962 commencing at 11 a.m.

**2804 - TEMPORARY CLERICAL STAFF:** The Council unanimously approved the extension of the following temporary posts for a period of six months from 1st January to 30th June, 1962:-

- (a) Clerk Typist for Polio Vaccination clinics.
- (b) Clerical Officer for clinics at Regional Hospital.

Clr. J. Donnellan asked that the Council be informed of the number of Polio Vaccination clinics being held at present.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that it is unfair to continue officers temporarily for a long period.

**2805 - MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY RESIDENCE:** With reference to item No. 15 on the Agenda, the County Manager stated that he had requested the County Engineer to report on the vacant house in Mountbellew and had also asked the owner of the house to state the lowest price which would be accepted.

**2806 - WATER RENTS:** Consideration of the abolition of water rents which had already been adjourned for one year was again adjourned for a further year to the meeting in February, 1963 on the proposition of Clr. J. Lambert, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd.

**2807 - GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES:** Letter of 29th January, 1962 from the Hon. Secretary Muintir na Tire Ballinacloughy, Maree, Oranmore, was submitted and consideration of it was adjourned until the meeting at which the Council will be considering the report on the survey for water supply schemes.

**2808 - POLLING SCHEME AMENDMENT:** On the Chairman's proposal, the Council approved extending to 1st April, 1962, the period for receipt of proposals for amendment of the polling schemes for local and Dail Elections in the County of Galway and the Secretary requested that any amendment considered necessary should now be included so that the question of further amending the scheme may not be raised after the scheme has been revised and printed.

**2809 - LANDING PLACE AT PORT NA CURRAIGH, INISHMAAN:** Letter of 26th January, 1962 from Roinn na Gaeltachta was submitted stating that a grant of the full cost estimated at £3,000 for Port Na Curraigh Landing Place would be made available if the Council will undertake the future maintenance of the work when completed.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Coonan, seconded by Clr. T. King, the Council approved the maintenance of this work by the Galway County Council after its completion.

**2810 - AMENITY GRANT SCHEMES:** The County Engineer's letter of 14th December, 1961 was submitted together with the County Manager's notes thereon.

In regard to the works Nos. 7, 8, 9, the Chairman stated that he did not consider that the Council should undertake works involving such a large expenditure as these.

It was decided to extend to 1st April, 1962 the period for receipt of proposals from Councillors under the Amenity Grants Scheme - further consideration of this matter to be deferred until the Councillors' proposals will be available and listed.

**2811 - COUNTY COUNCILS GENERAL COUNCIL:** The Secretary read letters of 29th December, 1961 from the General Council stating that the resolution that grants under the Local Authorities Works Act, 1949 be restored, was passed at the meeting of the General Council and was forwarded to the Department of Local Government; that the resolution that the unemployment limit for old age pensions be increased from £2. to £3. a week was passed unanimously; that the resolution that the Council recommends reduced charges for maintenance and treatment of children in District Institutions was adjourned to the next meeting of the General Council.

**2812 - AUDITOR'S REPORT:** The Auditor's report on the accounts of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for year ended 31st March, 1961 was submitted and noted.

**2813 - MEDICAL OFFICER, ST. MARY'S HOME, TUAM:** In accordance with their Notice of Motion, it was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Senator M. Killilea -

"That this Council recommend the payment of a substantial gratuity to Mr. A. Waldron, Medical Officer, Children's Home, Tuam".

The County Manager stated that this was a temporary part-time non pensionable post and that there is no local authority for granting a gratuity.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Senator Killilea, the Council requested the County Manager to refer this matter to the Minister for Health for consideration.

**2814 - ORANMORE WATER SUPPLY:** In reply to Clrs. Mullins and Ruane's Notice of Motion that the Oranmore Water Supply be extended to a group of houses at Oranber, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that in the survey there is a proposal for extension of this supply eastwards from Oranmore.

**2815 - CLAREGALWAY BURIAL GROUND:** In reply to Clr. P. Ruane's Notice of Motion, Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that on sinking trial holes, it was found that the site proposed is not suitable and that it will now be necessary to seek another site with the aid of the Parish Priest; that the extension or new burial ground for Claregalway is number 12 on the priority list.

**2816 - VOCATIONAL SCHOOL FOR CLAREGALWAY:** In reply to Clr. P. Ruane's Notice of Motion, the Chairman explained that the Vocational Education Committee already has a proposal for provision of a Vocational School at Currandulla.

**2817 - DAMAGE TO HEADSTONES:** Clr. P. Ruane proposed in accordance with his Notice of Motion that the Council take immediate steps to have damage to headstones in various cemeteries caused by the recent storm, repaired.

The Secretary stated that the only claim received for damage to headstone has been referred to the Insurance Company, which holds the Council's Third Party Claims Insurance.

**2818 - BALLINAMORE BRIDGE:** In reply to Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 22 (a) 1, Mr. S. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that the parapet of the bridge at Ballinamore Bridge will be lowered and that additional warning signs will be erected there.

**2819 - GROUP WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES:** Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the circular which was recently issued to members of the Galway County Council by the N.F.A. be considered by the Council in conjunction with the County Manager, County Engineer etc.

The Chairman directed that consideration of this matter be adjourned until the meeting at which the report on the water supply survey will be available.

**2820 - CORNAMONA WATER SUPPLY:** In the absence of Clr. S. Kyne, consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 22 (e) was adjourned until next meeting.

**2821 - AUGHTRISBEG ROAD:** The Council approved the proposal of Clr. P. Joyce that a further sixty yards be added to the Aughtribeg Road, which is being taken over by the Council.

**2822 - COUNTY ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PLAN:** In reply to Clr. J.J. Ruane's Notice of Motion No. 22 (c), Mr. S. Cullinan, C.A.C.E., stated that this work is already on the County Road Reconstruction Plan, viz. steamrolling of road through Drim, Drumkeery.

**2823 - PIER AT SHANUFFAUN, CARRAROE:** In the absence of Deputy Geoghegan, consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 22 (h) 1 and 2 was adjourned until next meeting.

**2824 - MOUNTBELLEW WATER SUPPLY:** In reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion No. 22 (i) 1, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that a stand-by engine was available at Mountbellew but both the regular engine and the stand-by broke down at the same time; that it is expected that matters will be right there in about two weeks time.

**2825 - DANGEROUS TREES - MOYLLOUGH, BARNADERG ROAD:** In reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion No. 22 (i) 2, Mr. S. Cullinan, Engineer stated that the land owners concerned will be notified that these trees must be cut.

**2826 - FOOTPATH AT MOYLLOUGH:** In reply to Clr. M. Mannion's Notice of Motion No. 22 (i) 3, Mr. S. Cullinan, Engineer stated that it is intended that this path will be laid in tar-macadam.

**2827 - CLONTERT & KYLEMORE BRIDGES:** In reply to Clr. J. Dowd's Notice of Motion No. 22 (j), the County Engineer's letter of 6/2/62 was submitted stating that the design of this work is in hands and the documents will be forwarded to the Department of Local Government when ready.

**2828 - COTTAGE FOR MRS. M.A. KEARNS:** In reply to Deputy M. Carty's Notice of Motion No. 22 (k), the Secretary stated that the difficulty in this case is that the applicant owns 45 acres of land with a valuation of £35. 18s. Od.

Deputy Carty, Senator Lhiffe and Clr. Lambert, stressed the urgent need

for housing of the applicant Mrs. M.A. Kearns, Gardenblake Commins, Peterswell, and her bad financial plight.

Eventually it was decided that consideration of this matter would be deferred until the next meeting, the Chairman to see the County Manager about it in the meantime.

**2829 - BORD FAILTE GRANTS:** On the proposition of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the Council decided to request Bord Failte to make grants available for the repair of the following access roads leading to rivers under the care of the Inland Fisheries Trust, viz.

1. Road through the village of Muckinagh, Ballycar to rivers Shiven and Suck.
2. Road through Tycor, Newbridge along side the Upper Shiven.

**2830 - ERVALLOUGH LANDING PLACE:** On the proposition of Clr. G. Kelly, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, it was resolved:-

"That the works at Ervalough (Ervalagh) 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.

**2831 - COLAISTE CONNACHT, SPIDDAL - GRANT APPLICATION:** Application for a grant for above dated 13th February, 1962 was submitted and refused on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan.

**2832 - RESOLUTIONS:** The Council adopted the following resolutions:-

1. Ballina Urban District Council - "That this Council demands the immediate provision of a proper air and sea rescue service and calls on all public bodies in the western maritime counties to press for such a service.
2. Resolution from Waterford Health Authority, viz. "That we, the members of the Waterford Health Authority hereby urge the Minister for Health to have Section 4 of the Health Services "Financial Provisions" Act, 1947 amended as from 1st April, 1962 to provide for a subvention of 75% towards the cost of Health Services as administered by Local Health Authorities."

**2833 - IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LIMITED:** On the proposition of Clr. P. Sirr, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council appointed Deputy Michael Carty, Chairman, as its representative on Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited for the coming year.

**2834 - PRESS REPRESENTATIVES:** On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council congratulated Mr. Sean Duignan, a member of the Connacht Tribune staff on his appointment to the reporting staff of the Irish Independent.

**2835 - LORRY DRIVERS' WAGES:** Clr. P. Ruane requested that he be informed of the position in regard to the payment of increase in wages to lorry drivers employed by the Council.

**2836 - POST OFFICE TELEPHONES:** The Council approved a proposal by Clr. J. Ridge that the Department of Posts and Telegraphs be requested to provide a phone kiosk at Glann, Oughterard. Clr. Ridge stated that on the occasion of a recent tragedy there during a thunder storm, there was difficulty in calling a doctor quickly.

**2837 - OMNIBUS SERVICES:** The Council decided that Comas Iompair Eireann be requested to provide an early morning bus service from Oughterard, suitable for school children.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*M. Carty*

*Chairman.*

*Date: 28/4/62*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 3rd MARCH, 1962.

**IN THE CHAIR:** (1) Deputy M. Carty.  
(2) Senator M. Killilea

**ALSO PRESENT:** Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Sirr. An apology for inability to attend was received from Clr. B. Patten.

**1 - ESTIMATE 1961/63:** The estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1963 was submitted showing the county charges -

Total expenditure -----	£2,914,080.
Total Receipts -----	£1,352,755.
For separate charges - amount to be raised --	£40,866. 5s. 2d.

The debit balance at 31st March, 1962 was estimated to be £47,400.

The rate leviable on the County Health District including the rate for separate charges will amount to 711<sup>2</sup>/<sub>100</sub> pence in the £. as compared with 631 pence for the current year, i.e. an increase of 80<sup>3</sup>/<sub>100</sub> pence.

Senator J. Mannion and Clr. J. Lambert complained that since the statement of the estimate was not received by the members until their arrival at the meeting, an opportunity for consideration of the estimate was not given to the members; that this statement should be in the hands of the members for at least a week before the meeting.

The County Manager explained that much of the information required for the estimate was not available until the previous week.

Clr. P. Collins stated that the Council is at a loss in interest due to the delay in payment of Government Grants to the Council.

The Chairman and the Council then went through the explanatory statement of the estimate in detail and when this was completed the meeting was adjourned for lunch until 2.30 p.m.

ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING, DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR

The Committee then started the consideration of the detailed statements for each account in the estimate.

Roads.

The estimate for roads having already been examined at the Roads Estimate Meeting was approved by the Committee.

Public Assistance.

The Committee unanimously approved a reduction of £1,500. in the amount provided for Home Assistance expenditure making the revised amount £37,000.

Health Services

- (a) **General Medical Services:** The County Manager stated that he had requested that expenditure on medicines for dispensary districts would be investigated by an inspector of the Department of Health; that he has also asked the co-operation of the doctors in using less expensive drugs where suitable; that the inspection by the Department Inspector had not been carried out and that there was no apparent response to the appeal to the District Medical Officers.

The Chairman stated that there has been a rapid increase in the cost of drugs in some districts; that he had been told by one doctor that patients being discharged from the Regional Hospital are asked to go to their District Medical Officer for a supply of a very expensive drug with which the patient had been treated while a patient in the hospital - while a much cheaper alternative would be as suitable.



Clr. Glynn asked if comparative figures for this expenditure are available from other counties as he understands that the expenditure is higher in some other counties than in Galway.

Senator Lahiffe stated that he is aware that very expensive tonics are being prescribed for patients being discharged from the Regional Hospital in cases where Cod Liver Oil and Malt would be as good.

Mr. Moran, Lay Superintendent, stated that the cost of medicines per patient per day in the Regional Hospital is 2s. 6d. as compared with 3s. 0d. in Dublin Teaching Hospitals and 3s. 6d. in England.

Clr. Cox recommended that a certain amount be provided for this expenditure and that the doctors be required to keep within that figure.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh requested that he be informed of the cost of medicines for Ballycar Dispensary District for the latest period available.

DEPUTY M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

It was proposed by Clr. T. Vinn and seconded by Clr. J. Joyce that the amount provided for medicines be reduced by £3,000.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that if the increase in the cost of medicines is due to better treatment of the patients, it could result in keeping the patients out of hospital.

It was proposed by A. Villar and seconded by Clr. P. Sinn that the amount provided for medicines be reduced by £4,000.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Cooran that the amount provided for medicines be reduced by £1,000.

A show of hands as against the proposals for a reduction of £3,000 and £4,000 resulted as follows - 10 for £3,000 and 10 for £4,000.

The Chairman gave his casting vote in favour of the proposal for a reduction of £3,000 and it was therefore agreed that the amount provided in General Medical Services for medicines be reduced by £3,000, making the revised amount £24,000.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh obtained from voting and stated that he supported the estimate as submitted viz. £27,000.

The Committee approved the following reductions:-

Printing Stationery etc. -- £50.  
Structural Alterations, Repairs, and upkeep £200.

Clr. P. Joyce recommended that the heating of the Clifden Dispensary be provided by the Council.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. Galvin, the County Manager stated that a plan for provision of a dispensary at Ballinasloe on the Fire Station site has been sent to the Department of Health.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

The following reductions were approved by the Committee:-

Heating, Lighting etc. £100.  
Furniture, Crockery etc. £25.  
Post Graduate Course expenses £100.  
Legal Expenses £100.  
Total Reduction made in the estimate for General Medical Services as above was £3,575.

(b) Extern Institutions. It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Deputy F. Cooran that the estimate for General Hospitals be reduced by £3,000, making the revised amount £57,000.

It was proposed by Clr. T. Vinn, and seconded by Clr. P. Sinn, that the estimate for Extern Institutions be reduced by 10% of the amount of the increase as compared with the current year.

A vote taken as between the two proposals resulted as follows:-

For reduction of £1,000. in the estimate for General Hospitals - Clrs. Burke, Carty, Donnellan, Dowd, Galvin, Glynn, Killilea, Kins, Lahiffe, Riddre. (10)

For reduction of £3,000 in the estimate for General Hospitals - Clrs. Canning, Collins, Cooran, Cox, Flaherty, Joyce, Kelly, Lambert, Mannion M., Mannion J., Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Ruane P. and Sinn. (14)

It was therefore decided that the estimate for General Hospitals be reduced by £3,000, as proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, above.

The following further reductions on this account were approved by the Committee unanimously:-

Maternity Hospitals - £200.  
Tuberculosis Hospitals - £100.  
Homes for the Blind - £100.  
Homes for the Deaf & Dumb - £100.  
Homes for Unmarried mothers - £250.

The total reduction in the estimate for Extern Institutions was £3,750.

(c) Mental Health Services: The estimate for Mental Health Services was approved.

(d) Maternity & Child Health Services: The Committee on examination of this estimate approved the following reductions in the estimate:-

Fees to Practitioners - £500.  
Maternity Cash Grants - £100.  
School Health Service - £100.  
Total - £700.

(e) Tuberculosis & Other Infectious Diseases: The Committee approved the following reduction in the estimate:-

Dispensaries etc. - £50.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

The Committee approved the following reductions in the estimate:-

Domiciliary Welfare Service - £200.  
B.C.G. Service - £100.  
Maintenance Allowances - £500.

The total reduction in the estimate for Tuberculosis etc. was £850.

(f) Dental, Ophthalmic and Aural Services: The Committee approved the following reductions:-

Furniture - - - - £25.  
Clinic etc. expenses - £25.  
Total - £50.

(g) Special Services: The Committee approved the following reductions in the estimate:-

Salaries and Fees -- £100.  
X-Ray Services ----- 50.  
Total -- £150.

## Summary.

A summary of the reductions made in the estimate is as hereunder:-

Expenditure:-		£.	£.
<u>Public Assistance:-</u>			
Home Assistance			1,500
<u>Health:-</u>			
<u>General Medical Service:-</u>		£	
Medicines	3,000.		
Printings	50.		
Repairs	200.		
Heating etc.	100.		
Furniture	25.		
Post Graduate Expenses	100.		
Legal	100.	3,575	
<u>External Institutions:-</u>			
General Hospitals	3,000.		
Maternity "	200.		
Tuberculosis "	100.		
Homes for Blind	100.		
" " Deaf & Dumb	100.		
" " Unmarried Mothers.	250.	3,750.	
<u>Maternity etc. Services:-</u>			
Fees to Medical Practitioners	500.		
Cash Grants.	100.		
School Health Service	100.	700	
<u>Tuberculosis etc.</u>			
Dispensaries	50.		
Domiciliary Welfare	200.		
B.C.G. Service	100.		
Maintenance Allowances.	500.	850	
<u>Dental etc. Services:-</u>			
Furniture	25.		
Clinic etc. expenses	25.	50	
<u>Specialist Services:-</u>			
Salaries & Fees.	100.		
X-Ray Services.	50.	150	
		9,075	
<u>Total Reductions.</u>		10,575	
<u>RECEIPTS</u>			
<u>Health:-</u>			
Reduction in Health Grant.			4,537
	<u>Nett Reductions</u>		£6,038

The meeting terminated, it having been arranged that the second meeting of the Committee to consider the estimate would be held on Saturday 10th March, 1962, at 11.30 a.m. at the County Buildings, Galway.

*M. Canby*  
Submitted, approved and confirmed.

*M. Canby*  
Chairman.

Date: 28/4/62

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES COMMITTEE OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 10th MARCH, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy M. Canby.  
(2) Senator M. Killilea.  
(3) Clr. T. King.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Cooran, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clrs. Mannion M., Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge, Ruane P., and Sinn.

1 - ESTIMATE 1962/63:

The Committee continued the examination of the estimate.

Health Services

(a) Rehabilitation and Maintenance of Disabled Persons: It was decided to reduce by £1,000, the amount provided under above heading for cash grants.

(b) Boarding out etc. of Children: The Assistant County Manager explained that it is proposed to increase the rate of allowance of maintenance and clothing of boarded out children, with a view to reducing the number of such children in institutions.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Cooran, the Council congratulated the Children's Office on the good work done by her.

The estimate for this account was approved as submitted.

(c) Ambulances: Senator Killilea stated that sometimes three cars leave a town for Portlincula Hospital each conveying a single patient and suggested that the Council have a contract with somebody in each town or village for conveyance of patients by hired cars.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh supported and stated that it is wasteful to bring out the ambulance for one patient and that it would be better if an allowance of, say, 9d. or 1s. 0d. a mile was approved for the conveyance of each person eligible for free transport.

Clr. J. Dowd supported.

Clr. P. Sinn stated that he has often recommended that where public transport to Galway is available, the patients in that area should be sent to Galway Hospital instead of to Portlincula; that this would be more suitable both for the patients and for their friends visiting them.

On the recommendation of Senator J. Mannion, the Committee asked that the question of payment of overtime to the ambulance drivers in Clifden be investigated.

Clr. J. Donnellan requested that when patients are brought into the Regional Hospital by the Clifden ambulance, these patients should get priority for examination or X-Ray etc. so as to reduce the delay in the return of the ambulance.

The Committee approved the Chairman's request that the County Manager investigate the best manner of conveying patients from remote areas to hospital in the most economical manner.

Senator J. Mannion asked that the Regional Hospital be notified when the Clifden ambulance is coming in the area, so that patients about to be discharged may be able to travel home in the ambulance.

In regard to maintenance of the ambulances, Clr. T. King recommended that as far as possible an ambulance driver be assigned to a particular ambulance.

The estimate as submitted was approved.

(d) Supervision of Food & Drink: It was decided to reduce the estimate under this heading by £50.

(e) General Administration: The following reductions were made in the estimate for this account:-

Printing £320.

(f) Retiring Allowances & Gratuities: The estimate for this account was reduced by £570.

(g) Regional Hospital: The County Manager read his letter to the members dated 20th October, 1961 in regard to the proposed increase in the salaries of specialists at Galway Regional Hospital and stated that the estimated cost of granting these increases for one year would be £4,755.

The Manager explained that these proposals are the result of long negotiation between those concerned and the Managers concerned.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the County Manager stated that as the University work is mostly done in the hospital, the doctors concerned are in the hospital every day and for a long period in each day.

Clr. J. Cox asked if the use of better drugs should not result in less need for doctors.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty that the Committee approve the revisions of salaries for all the grades as set out in the schedules which were circulated to the members.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. J. Cox that the Committee does not approve the granting of the increase in remuneration as set out in the schedules above mentioned.

A vote taken resulted as follows:-

For granting the increases as proposed by the County Manager - Clrs. Burke, Carty, Collins, Coogan, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Geoghegan, Glynn, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kyne, Mannion J., Mannion M., Mullins, Ruane P., and Sirr (19).

Against granting the increases - Clrs. Cannino, Cox, Lahiffe, Lambert, O'Ceallaigh and Ridge (6).

Deputy Geoghegan's proposal was declared carried and the Committee therefore approved the granting of increased remuneration to the various grades as set out in the schedule supplied to the members, the increased remuneration of specialists in Galway Regional Hospital to have effect from 1st April, 1961.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 2.30 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING, DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

(c) Galway Regional Hospital: The Committee continued the examination of the estimate of expenditure for Galway Regional Hospital and made the following reductions therein:-

Salaries and Wages	1,600.
Food etc.	300.
Material for washing & cleaning	100.
Medicines	3,000.
Heating, light and water.	100.
Clothing and Bedding	100.
Furniture, Crockery etc.	100.
Medical & Surgical Appliances	100.
X-ray Service	100.
Miscellaneous	100.
TOTAL	£5,600.

Senator J. Mannion questioned the quality of the sausages being supplied to the Galway Regional Hospital.

The County Manager stated that he had accepted a recommendation from the medical staff that in future a meat content of 75% be specified for sausages.

In reply to enquiries, Mr. Silke, Engineer, explained that the increase in farm expenses is for the development of the grounds and planting of shrubs.

Clr. P. Joyce suggested that periodical statements be submitted to the members showing the actuals compared with the estimated expenditure and the Chairman supported this suggestion.

The County Manager explained that such periodical statements are submitted to him and that he follows up where necessary.

DEPUTY M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, Mr. Horan, Lay Superintendent stated that a nun with long experience is in charge of the laundry.

A reduction in the amount provided in the estimate for medicines was made on the proposition of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Clr. P. Sirr.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that if adequate treatment was given to the patients in the dispensary districts, it would not be necessary to send so many of them to the hospital and complained that the dispensary service in Ballyvaughan is not satisfactory.

Clr. P. Sirr agreed with this.

The County Manager stated that he had often appealed to doctors to reduce the number of patients being sent to hospital but that his appeals have not had any effect; that in many cases there is no suitable person at home to nurse patients who are sick.

Clr. P. Joyce stated that he had been told that morning that Offal Contractor found about 100 items of cutlery in the Offal at Galway Regional Hospital.

Clr. J. Cox suggested that domestics being taken on be trained in the proper use of utensils, ware and other Council property.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that there is gross negligence in the handling of furniture by the hospital staff. In regard to the estimate for maintenance, Mr. Silke stated that the estimate does not include for baths but that the Australian rates could be provided out of the amount in the estimate.

It was agreed by the Committee that the Australian rates be provided and that the question of laying the baths be deferred.

Deputy F. Coogan complained of the sending of a telegram to Shantalla in regard to the discharge of a patient from the hospital.

(h) St. Brendan's Home: It was decided to reduce by £870. the total amount provided for St. Brendan's Home leaving the revised amount at £48,000.

(i) Clifden Hospital: The following reduction was made in the estimate for Clifden Hospital:-

Structural Repairs etc. £600.

#### HEALTH ACCOUNT RECEIPTS.

A reduction of £9,000. was made from the Health Grant being approximately 50% of the reductions in expenditure made in Health Account at this meeting and at the meeting on 3rd instant.

CLR. T. KING NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that since County Mayo <sup>pays</sup> only the capitation rate which is less than the average daily cost the Mayo County gains by sending patients

to Galway Regional Hospital.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh proposed and Clr. Dowd seconded that particulars of the number of patients from each county in the Regional Hospital at some recent date be supplied to the Council.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh also asked if receipts for laboratory fees could be shown for each county concerned.

The County Manager and Councilors referred to the small amount received for hire of ambulance at Galway Regional Hospital.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

Sanitary Services.

The Committee now considered this account.

The County Manager explained that in the heading "Drainage and Public Sanitary Works" a sum of £2,500. was included for provision of two public lavatories; that the Council had been considering raising a loan for provision of these facilities.

The Assistant County Manager recommended that these be provided out of a loan but not to the extent which was already being considered by the Council.

It was decided to delete the amount £2,500. and defer consideration for the provision of these facilities to a meeting of the Council at which the raising of a loan would be considered.

Burial Grounds: Senator J. Mannion stated that Ballyconneely new burial ground has been completed for almost four years and has not yet been open to the public.

Mr. Silke, Engineer, stated that during the next couple of weeks, he would call on the curate in that parish to make arrangements for the opening of this burial ground.

Clr. J. Ridge asked if any progress has been made with burial grounds for Carragee and Bauntlach.

Mr. Silke stated that there were objections to the site proposed for Bauntlach but that it may now be possible to obtain agreement on the site; that there was great difficulty in obtaining any site at Carragee but that the parish priest has now suggested a site which will be examined.

Deputy Geocheran suggested that sites may be available on Land Commission lands which were vacated by migrants.

Senator J. Mannion stressed the need for repair of approach roads to some burial grounds and Mr. Silke stated that the Council had not provided any money for this work.

On the proposition of Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, the Committee agreed to increase the amount provided in the estimate for burial grounds by £1,000. for repair of approach roads to burial grounds making the revised amount provided £9,200.

Clr. P. Galvin stated that some of these burial grounds are so remote from the public road that it would be better to abandon the use of them and provide new burial grounds rather than repair the approach road.

Clr. G. Kelly stated that in some cases, the burial ground caretaker is not available when required in connection with burials.

AS IT WAS NOW 5.40 p.m. FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE ESTIMATE WAS ADJOURNED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING, WHICH IT WAS ARRANGED WOULD BE HELD ON FRIDAY 16th MARCH, 1962 COMMENCING AT 11 a.m.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

A summary of the alterations made in the estimate up to the present is as follows:-

Reduction in Expenditure:

	£
Meeting 3/3/1962:-	
Public Assistance Account	1,500
Health Account	9,075
	<u>10,575.</u>

Meeting 10/3/1962:-

	£	
Health Account:		
Rehabilitation	1,000	
Supervision of Food etc.	50	
General Administration	320	
Retiring Allowances	570	
Regional Hospital	5,600	
St. Brendan's Home	870	
Clifden Hospital	600	9,010

Sanitary Account:-

Drainage & Sanitary Works	2,500	
Less:		
Increase in Burial Grounds	1,000	1,500
		<u>21,085</u>

Reduction in Receipts:-

Health Account - Grant	9,000
Nett Reduction in Estimate	<u>£12,085</u>

*Michael Carley, Chairman*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carley Chairman.*

*Date: 28/4/62*

COMHAIRLE CONMDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthan;  
Gaillimh 2055

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

15 Márta, 1962.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lethair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, De Sathairn, 24 Márta, 1962 nuair a bheidh deire leis an gCruinniú meastachan.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims viz:-
  - (a) Messrs. J.R. Porter Ltd., Dominick St., Galway - Car Gate, 11/2/62 - £20.
  - (b) Mrs. Mary Kelehan, Newcastle, Galway - Glass Door Panel, 15/2/1962 - £9.15s.0d.
  - (c) Messrs. Jas. Madden & Sons Ltd., Lr. Salthill, Galway - Safe, Locks and other goods, 15/2/62 - £40.
3. Overdraft for quarter to 30/6/62.
4. Loan £900. for Water Supply to factory at Ard East, Carna - completion of Mortgage Deed.
5. Raising of loan for Public Analyst's Laboratory.
6. Excess expenditure in year ending 31st March, 1962.
7. Provision of a Fire Station at Atherry - on Courthouse site - Estimate £1,200.
8. Provision Water Supply Scheme - estimated cost of extensions £9,925.
9. Raising of loan for provision of public lavatories.
10. Increases in salaries and wages as set out in schedule already submitted and approved by Estimates Committee on 10/3/1962.
11. Motor Taxation Clerical Staff - Department of Local Government letter 26/2/62 suggesting Clerk/Typist in lieu of Clerical Officer.
12. Visiting Committee Minutes:-
  - (a) St. Brendan's Home 21/12/61.
  - (b) Our Lady of Fatima Hospital 28/12/61.
  - (c) Regional Hospital 6/1/62.
  - (d) do. 9/3/62.
13. Sick Pay Scheme for Servants - Review.
14. Fixing date of Fire Services Committee meeting.
15. Matters for inclusion in Agenda for next meeting of County Council's General

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Council.

16. Members' Notices of Motion:

- (a) Clr. Seamus Kynne: "That the Galway County Council implement a water supply group scheme for Cornamona while they are waiting for the Regional Scheme."
- (b) Deputy John Geoghegan:
  1. "I will propose that the pier at Shruffane, Carraroe be raised 18" to protect the fishing boats."
  2. "That the road to factory at Collahige be tarred."
- (c) Clr. William Burke:
  1. "That a public lavatory be provided for Dunmore."
  2. "That road leading to Kilbannon Church be widened without further delay."
  3. "That the dangerous bend at Castletown, Tullinadaly be removed."
- (d) Clr. John Flaherty: "I will ask the Secretary at our next meeting what contribution of the rates of this county goes to the cost of the Health Services."

17. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON FRIDAY 16th MARCH, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy M. Carty  
(2) Senator M. Killilea.  
(3) Deputy J. Geoghegan.

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Cox, Donnellan, Do d, Flaherty, Joyce, Kelly, King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Ctrs. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Ctrs. Mannion M., Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., SIRR and Glynn.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Clr. J.J. Ruane.

1 - HEALTH SERVICES ACCOUNT: Clr. J. Ridge objected to the cut of £3,000. in medicines for Galway Regional Hospital.

The Chairman stated that the Committee having dealt with this matter at the previous meeting cannot re-open the matter now.

2 - GALWAY/ROSCOMMON MENTAL HEALTH BOARD: On the proposition of Senator Lahiffe, seconded by Deputy Coogan, the Committee approved payment during the month of March, 1962 of an instalment of the demand from the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board for the year ending 31st March, 1963.

3 - WESTERN HEALTH INSTITUTIONS BOARD: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that some whole-time temporary nurses employed by the Western Health Institutions Board had not been paid salary for absence on sick leave.

The County Manager stated that he had not received any application for this payment.

The Chairman stated that this is not a matter for this Committee and that Clr. O'Ceallaigh should take it up direct with the Manager.

4 - SANITARY SERVICES ACCOUNT: The Committee continued the examination of the estimate for this account and on the proposition of the Chairman it was agreed that £1,000. added to the estimate for burial grounds for repair of approach roads be deleted.

The Chairman welcomed Clr. P. Patten on his return after his illness.

Public Lighting: The County Engineer read the list of applications for improved lighting.

Clr. Patten requested that an additional two lights be provided at Dunmore i.e. a total of four additional lights.

The Assistant County Manager stated that the proposals will not be examined until the Council first decides whether any additional money will be provided for public lighting.

The County Manager suggested provision of £1,000. over the current year's estimate and the Chairman suggested that the estimate as submitted be reduced by £1,000.

It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea and seconded by Clr. P. Collins that the estimate submitted be reduced by £2,000.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Clr. J. Canning that the estimate as submitted be reduced by £1,000.

Clr. P. Joyce proposed that lights be provided only where there is no existing public lighting system.

A vote taken as between the proposals for a reduction of £2,000. and £1,000. resulted as follows:-

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For reduction of £1,000: Ctrs. Canning, Carty, Coogan, Geoghegan Glynn, Joyce, Kyne, Mannion J., Mannion M., Patten and Ridge. (11)

For reduction of £2,000: Ctrs. Collins, Cox, Flaherty, Killilea, Lahiffe, O'Ceallaigh, Ruane P., and SIRR. (8).

It was therefore decided to reduce by £1,000. the estimate submitted for public lighting making the revised amount £6,600.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

Rent, Rates, Taxes & Insurance: It was decided to reduce the amount provided in the estimate for this account by £50.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

Loan Charges: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that money for Local Authority loans be made available at a low rate of interest by the banks.

The County Manager and the Chairman explained that the majority of the loans are obtained from the local loans fund and that the Government cannot make this money available at a lower rate of interest than that at which it is obtained by the Government.

Clr. R. O'Ceallaigh stated that his point is that the money should be made available by the banks which give a very low rate of interest to depositors.

Clr. J. Glynn recommended that the provision of a sewerage scheme at Williamstown be postponed indefinitely as the estimated cost is increasing and the people will not avail of the scheme to any great extent; that if no danger to public health is involved he considers that the scheme should be left in abeyance.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh complained of the delay in providing a sewerage scheme for 24 houses at Demesne, Tuam and stated that the lack of sewerage there may be the cause of cancer.

On the proposition of Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Committee approved the amount provided for loan charges viz. £49,500.

5 - SANITARY ACCOUNT RECEIPTS: The amount provided in the estimate for this account was approved by the Committee.

6 - HOUSING ACCOUNT:

Cottage Repairs: Senator Lahiffe complained of the manner in which repairs to cottages are being carried out in Gort stating that all the work required to leave the cottages in good repair is not being completed at the one time; he suggested that it would be a better arrangement to permit the tenants to have the repairs carried out themselves to the satisfaction of the Council's engineer, payment to be made on completion of the work to the engineer's satisfaction.

The amount provided in the estimate for maintenance and repair of cottages, viz. £12,750. was approved by the Committee on the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Senator J. Mannion.

The County Manager referred to the sale of a vested cottage in Tuam for £1,000. and stated that the Council has no control over this matter if the purchaser is in the eligible class and that the law should be amended to prevent this occurring.

Deputy F. Coogan proposed and Clr. J. Lambert seconded that the estimate for repairs be reduced by £150. but, on a show of hands the estimate was approved as stated above.

Printing, Stationery etc: It was agreed to reduce the estimate for this heading by £50.

7 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

Mr. P. Darcy, Staff Officer on the death of his sister.  
The relatives of the late Mrs. Costello, Tuam.  
The relatives of the late Fr. Joyce, Cummér.  
Dr. E. O'Dwyer, Regional Hospital, Galway on the death of his brother.  
The relatives of the late Fr. Michael Rhattigan, C.C., Ballygar

THE MEETING WAS NOW ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 2.15 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING, SENATOR M. KILLILEA TOOK THE CHAIR.

8 - HOUSING ACCOUNT - RECEIPTS: The amount provided in the estimate for this account was approved by the Committee.

9 - GENERAL PURPOSES ACCOUNT EXPENDITURE:

Cost of Rate Collection: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed and Clr. J. Flaherty seconded that the amount provided be reduced by £1,490. and that the Council do not make any appointments to fill the vacancies for Rate Collectors in Nos. 28 and 36 districts.

the Council should  
Senator J. Mannion stated that not make any provision for increasing the salaries of Rate Collectors amounting to £600. and he proposed and Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh seconded that the amount for cost of rate collection be reduced by £2,090. (£1,490. plus £600.)

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh withdrew his proposal.

Later Senator J. Mannion withdrew his proposal and it was proposed by Clr. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. P. SIRR that the estimate be reduced by £1,490.

It was proposed by Senator R. Lahiffe and seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan that the Committee approve the estimate as submitted viz. £35,330.

A vote taken resulted as follows:-

For reduction of £1,490: Clrs. Canning, Collins, Coogan, Cox, Flaherty, Kelly, Lambert, Mannion J., O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge Ruane P., and SIRR. (13).

Against: Clrs. Burke, Geoghegan, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lahiffe and Mullins. (8)

It was therefore decided to reduce the estimate for cost of rate collection by £1,490.

School Meals: It was proposed by Clr. J. Ridge and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan that school meals be provided for the full year ending 31st March, 1963 and that the estimate be increased by £5,750. to provide for this.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. F. Coogan that the Council request the government to make an increased grant available for school meals.

The County Manager stated that the County Medical Officer had recommended that the hot drink be provided but that bread be not provided for school meals.

Deputy F. Coogan suggested that there be an inspection of the quality of the bread provided.

Clr. T. King recommended that the estimate be left as submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins and seconded by Clr. W. Burke that the Council provide Cocoa only (not bread) and that the estimate be therefore reduced by £5,500.

Reference having been made to legal proceedings, the County Manager stated that a conditional order had been obtained requiring the Council to provide school meals; that the Council opposed the making of the order absolute; that the Manager had been informed verbally that the court had decided that the order shall not be made absolute.

It was proposed by Clr. G. Kelly and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan that the Committee approve the estimate for school meals as submitted.

On the direction of the Chairman, a vote was taken on Clr. Ridge's proposal (increase £5,750.) resulting as follows:-

For: Clrs. Geoghegan, Glynn, Mannion J., Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and SIRR (7).

Against: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lahiffe, Lambert, Mannion M., Mullins, O'Ceallaigh. (16).

The Chairman declared the proposal defeated.

A vote was then taken as between Clr. Collins' proposal for a reduction of £5,500. and Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposal that the estimate as submitted be approved, resulting as follows:-

For reduction £5,500: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Dowd, Flaherty, Killilea, King, Lahiffe, Lambert, Mannion M., Mullins, O'Ceallaigh (12).

For estimate as submitted: Clrs. Coogan, Cox, Donnellan, Geoghegan, Glynn, Kelly, Kyne, Mannion J., Patten, Ruane P., and SIRR (11).

The Chairman declared Clr. Collins' proposal carried i.e. for a reduction of £5,500. in the estimate for school meals, cocoa to be provided for the full year and bread not to be provided.

The Chairman ruled that Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's proposal in regard to increased grant, be considered at a subsequent Council meeting.

The following further reductions were made in the estimate as submitted:-

Conveyance of prisoners	£50.
Weights and Measures	£100.
Courthouse	£700.
Diseases of Animals Acts	£100.
Pounds.	£25.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh requested that he be supplied with a copy of the Auditor's report for the last period for which such report is available i.e. the period ended 31st March, 1958.

Members' Travelling Expenses: The Chairman directed that the entitlement of members living in Galway to an allowance for attending meetings be looked up.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that it be put to the Department of Local Government that a member of the Council employed by a local authority be paid wages when he has to absent himself from his work to attend a meeting of the Council.

The Chairman stated that this is a wide question as teachers have to pay substitutes when attending meetings of a local authority.

Clr. P. SIRR suggested that it be referred to the General Council of County Councils.

The discussion ended without any decision.

DEPUTY J. GEOGHGAN NOW TOOK THE CHAIR AND THE FOLLOWING REDUCTIONS WERE MADE IN THE ESTIMATE AS SUBMITTED.

Fire Brigades £200.  
County Buildings £100.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh suggested that Civil Defence should be a Central Government charge and should be administered entirely by the Central Government.

Clr. J. Glynn stated that some drains are cleaned every year and that it might be sufficient if they were cleaned only every second year.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

The estimate for Tuam Palace Grounds was reduced by £200.

General Purposes Account - Receipts: It was decided to place on the Agenda of a subsequent meeting of the Council the question of an application for an increase in the grant for school meals.

Vocational Education: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh requested that particulars of the loans raised by the Council for Vocational Schools during the period of the last two years be supplied to him.

The Committee approved the remaining items on the estimate other than those altered as stated above.

The total reduction made in the estimate at the three meetings of the Committee was as follows:-

<u>Nett Reduction made at meetings 3rd &amp; 10th March, 1962</u>	£	12,085.
<u>Reductions made at meeting 16th March, 1962:-</u>		
<u>Sanitary Account:</u>	£	
Burial Grounds	1,000.	
Public Lighting	1,000	
Rent, Rates etc.	50	2,050
<u>Housing:</u>		
Printing etc.		50
<u>General Purposes:</u>		
Rate Collection	1,490	
School Meals	5,500	
Prisoners	50	
Weights & Measures	100	
Diseases of Animals	100	
Courthouses	500	
Pounds	25	
Fire Brigades	200	
County Buildings	100	
Tuam Palace Grounds	200	8,465
Nett Reduction in estimate made at the three meetings of the Committee		£22,650.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carls Chairman.*

*Date: 28/4/62*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

Phone:  
Galway 2055.

15th March, 1962.

To:  
Each member of the Galway County Council.

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, 24th March, 1962, commencing at 12.30 p.m. to consider and adopt the Estimate of Expenses of the Galway County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1963, and to determine the rate in the pound for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges.

Mise, le meas,

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS ON SATURDAY, 24th MARCH, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Carty.

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Ctrs. Mannion M., Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Sirr.

2838 - ESTIMATE: The estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1963 as originally circulated to the members was submitted showing for County Charges a total expenditure of £2,914,080. and total receipts £1,352,755 and total amount to be levied off the County Health District for County Charges £1,450,966. equivalent to a rate of 691.985 pence in the £.

For Town Charges the amount to be levied as shown in the estimate was as follows:-

Loughrea, £527. equivalent to a rate of 20 $\frac{3}{4}$  pence in the £.  
Tuam, £3,365. equivalent to a rate of 75 $\frac{3}{4}$  pence in the £.

For Separate Charges the amounts to be levied were as set out in the Schedule.

The nett reduction in expenditure made at the three Estimates Committee Meetings held on 3rd, 10th and 16th March, 1962 was £22,650, the Minutes of these three meetings giving details of the adjustments in the estimate having already been circulated to the members.

With the permission of the Chairman, Mr. P. Collins, County Councillor introduced a deputation from the National Farmers' Association.

Mr. Raftery of the deputation read a statement stressing the inability of the farming community to bear any further increases in rates and recommending that the cost of Health Services and Roads be made a charge on the Central Government.

Mr. Casey, another member of the deputation, supported what had been stated by Mr. Raftery and stated that the exorbitant rate demands are driving small farmers out of the country.

The Chairman stated that the Council had already devoted four days to consideration of the estimate and its reduction wherever possible; that the Council's responsibility is to balance the demand for services with the capacity to pay.

Mr. O'Donnell of the deputation stated that in recent years increases in income have been given to various sections of the community but not to farmers; that the income of a farmer in Galway County is much lower than the national average, yet the rate in Galway is the highest rate in the country.

Mr. Mitchell of the deputation also supported the request that the cost of Health Services and Roads be made a Central Government charge; he also asked that the Council would throughout the year, watch expenditure so as to restrict any increase in rates.

The Chairman pointed out that a very large proportion of the farmers in County Galway pay only two-fifths of the rate on their land as their holdings are under £20. valuation; that less than one-third of the Council's income comes from rates.

In reply to an enquiry by Deputy Coogan, the County Manager stated that 3s. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d of the increase in the rate is in the rate for Health Services; that since the Health Act came into operation there have been many increases in expenditure which would have occurred even if that Act had not come into operation.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked if the N.F.A. has anything to say in regard to the cost of rate collection and the cost of providing piped water supply schemes for rural areas.

The Chairman stated that a figure of estimated cost for the piped water supply schemes for rural areas cannot be available until the survey will be completed.

Clr. Cox stated that he did not make any apology for his stand for an increase in wages as many wage earners are on a bare subsistence level of income; that a better case can be made for restricting increases in the salaries of higher paid officials.

Clr. P. Ruane supported the request that the cost of Health Services and Roads be made a Central Government charge.

Clr. T. King stated that the Council should be slow in recommending the making of the cost of Health Services and Roads a Central Government charge as, having regard to the large number of farmers in the County with a valuation under £20. on land, the people of this County might fare worse if the cost of these services came from Taxation instead of from both taxation and rates.

Senator J. Mannion recommended that an increased grant for Health Services be given without taking the control of these services from the Council; that in regard to rates, the town dweller is in a worse plight than the farmer; that they approach by the N.F.A. should be to the Government rather than to the Councils.

Clr. J. Flaherty stated that throughout the year the members should make it clear to the public that additional services cannot be provided without an increase in the rates.

Clr. P. Collins recommended that the Commission which is being established should devote itself to preventing abuses of the Health Services; that the Council should reject any future applications for increases in remuneration.

Senator Lahiffe pointed out that the Council represents all sections of the community and cannot support a sectional claim which would have the effect of transferring the burden from one class to another. Senator Lahiffe expressed doubt as to whether all the money being put into Agriculture is being well used and stated that an increase in the farmers' income is what is required.

The County Manager stated that more than 50% of road expenditure is obtained from grants; that for Health Services the 50% of the nett cost is met by a direct government grant and that so far as the ratepayer is concerned a further relief is given by way of agricultural grant; that while the rate in the pound in Galway appears highest compared with other counties, it is not high when related to the population e.g. the rate per head of the population in Galway is £5. 5s. 4d. whereas in Meath the rate per head of population is £9. 6s. 3d; that the remuneration of the higher paid officials has not at all increased in the same proportion as that of the lower paid officials and wage earners.

The County Manager gave a comparison between the prices of stock in 1938 and in 1962 showing a very considerable increase, and stated that if a full cost grant was received by the Council for Health Services and roads, there could not be any certainty that the agricultural grant would be continued on its present basis.

Mr. Raftery thanked the Council for receiving the N.F.A. deputation.

Clr. P. Patten stated that since the Council has done everything it can to reduce the estimate, the N.F.A. should approach the Government rather than the Council which has to provide the services. Clr. Patten considered that the Government should take over Health Services and Roads and stated that while some roads are much too good, others are not good enough.

The Chairman thanked the deputation and explained that the recommendation in regard to Health services and Roads is beyond the scope of the Council.

Clr. G. Kelly also welcomed the deputation.

The Council welcomed Deputy Michael Kitt on his return after illness and Deputy Kitt thanked the Chairman and members for their good wishes.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 3.15 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION, DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that £3,000. is due by outside counties for patients' maintenance and treatment in Galway Regional Hospital and proposed that Health Services receipts be increased by £3,000.

The Assistant County Manager stated that the arrears due are not £3,000. now and are in fact only about £900.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Senator Killilea that the Council approves the estimate for 1962/63 as amended at the three Estimates Committee Meetings on 3rd, 10th, and 16th March, 1962.

Senator J. Mannion proposed and Deputy J. Geoghegan seconded that provision for School Meals (Gaeltacht) Food be increased to £11,500. i.e. a figure equivalent to that for the current year.

Clr. J. Ridge proposed that £13,500. be provided for School Meals (Gaeltacht) - Food.

Clr. T. King expressed the opinion that the Council having considered the estimate fully at three committee meetings should now approve what was done at those meetings.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. Patten, The County Manager stated that the School Meals (Gaeltacht) Act is a permissive Act which does not compel the Council to provide school meals.

Clr. J. Canning stated that school meals, if provided at all, should be provided for the entire county.

The Chairman then directed that a vote be taken on Senator J. Mannion's proposal, the question being put to the Council being to increase the provision for school meals by £5,500 (to £11,500) or to approve the estimate for 1962/63 as amended at the three Estimates Committee Meetings on 3rd, 10th and 16th March, 1962.

A vote taken resulted as follows:-

For Senator Mannion's proposal: Clrs. Coogan, Cox, Donnellan, Geoghegan, Glynn, Joyce, Kyne, Mannion J., and Patten (9).

Against Senator Mannion's Proposal: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Carty, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Kelly, Killilea, King, Lahiffe, Lambert, Mannion M., Mullins, and O'Ceallaigh (14).

Clrs. Ridge and Sirr did not vote.

The Chairman declared Clr. Mannion's proposal lost and the Council, therefore, approved the estimate as amended at the three Estimates Committee meetings.

Including four additional Criminal Injury claims which were not included in the schedule originally circulated to the members.

In reply to an inquiry by Clr. Cox, the County Accountant gave particulars of the cost of the items for materials for washing and cleansing of Galway Regional Hospital.

Clr. Cox stated that the cost of milk being supplied to Merlin Park Institution is 3/0<sup>d</sup>. for six months of the year and 3/3<sup>d</sup>. for the remaining six months; that the cost of milk being supplied to the Regional Hospital by the same Company is 3/5<sup>d</sup>. per gallon throughout the year. Clr. Cox proposed that the estimate be reduced by the difference in the price of milk for the two institutions.

The Chairman and County Manager explained that a contract had already been entered into. The Chairman agreed with Clr. Cox that this is an important matter which requires investigation. The County Manager undertook to report to the Council on it at a later meeting.

Senator Lahiffe suggested that the shorter working week would mean that the workers could be kept in employment for the same period as in the current year at a lesser cost. He then suggested that the Council be consulted regarding the planning of major road improvements. The County Manager pointed out that proposals for expenditure of the grant for Main and County Road improvements are submitted annually to the Council before the works are undertaken.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the increase of 7/6<sup>d</sup>. per week for road workers leaves the wage of road workers in this county the lowest in the country; also that the increase was given from 1st April, 1962, while a retrospective increase had been given in other cases.

The Chairman pointed out that road workers had received many increases on occasions when an increase was not given to salaried officials.

Proposed by Senator Lahiffe, and seconded by Clr. P. Collins "that the Council reduce the Roads estimate by £10,000".

The County Manager stated that the Council would have to state where this deduction would be made in the Roads estimate, and that it would involve the making of an appropriate reduction in the Roads receipts. Senator Killilea stated that there are three gangers and one supervisor supervising a small number of men on a job at Vicar Street, Tuam. The County Engineer stated that this is an important work which will be carried out well at an economical cost.

Clr. King suggested that since the current year's N.O.M. works are only being carried out now, the Council might consider cutting out £12,671 provided for N.O.M. works in 1962/63, and Senator J. Mannion proposed that this be done. Clr. Galvin stated that he could not give too high praise to the Engineers in the Ballinasloe area; that Main Road improvements are sometimes elaborate, but that they have been carried out in accordance with standards laid down by the Department of Local Government. Clr. Galvin proposed and Clr. T. King seconded:

"that the estimate as recommended at the three committee meetings be adopted".

Senator Lahiffe withdrew his proposal and it was then proposed by Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Clr. T. King and resolved: "that the estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1963, as originally circulated to the members, be amended as approved at the Estimates Committee meetings on 3rd, 10th and 16th March, 1962, and that the Council adopt the Estimate of Expenses as so amended, and as set forth in Tables A, B, C, and D".

It was then proposed by Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Clr. T. King and resolved:

"that the Council determine in accordance with the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1963, the rates set forth in the final column of Table C, column 13 of Table D and the final column of Table E to be the rates in the pound to be levied for the several services specified in the said estimate for the financial year ending the 31st March, 1963".

THE ESTIMATES MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved and confirmed  
Date: 28/4/62

Chairman: M. Carty  
Secretary: J. Brennan

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 24TH MARCH, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Carty.

The attendance of other members was the same as that at the Estimates Meeting held on 24th March, 1962.

2839 - SALARY AND WAGES INCREASES: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved the following revisions in remuneration which are as set out in the schedules which were circulated to the members:-

1. Regional Consultants and Specialists at Galway Regional Hospital:

FROM 1ST APRIL, 1961.

	<u>Per Annum</u>
Whole-time PHYSICIAN (Dr. M. O'Donnell)	£2,320 abated by 1/3 of University salary.
Part-time PHYSICIAN (Dr. B. O'Driscoll)	£1,350.
Whole-time SURGEON (Dr. S. O'Beirn)	£2,320 abated by 1/3 of University salary.
Part-time SURGEON (Dr. E. McDermott)	£1,350.
Whole-time ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON (Dr. M. G. Little)	£2,320
Whole-time OBSTETRICIAN/GYNAECOLOGIST (Dr. E.O'Dwyer)	£2,320 abated by 1/3 of University salary
Whole-time PATHOLOGIST (Dr. J. D. Kennedy)	£2,600 abated by 1/5 of University salary.
Whole-time BACTERIOLOGIST (Dr. M. E. Folan)	£2,600 abated by 1/5 of University salary.
Part-time RADIOLOGIST (Dr. S. O'Toole)	£1,600
RADIOLOGIST (Dr. W. J. McHugh)	£2,100
Whole-time RADIOLOGIST (Dr. J. J. Gately (temporary))	£2,750.
Part-time E.N.&T. Specialist (Dr. A. J. Blayney)	£1,350
Part-time PAEDIATRICIAN (Dr. B. McNicholl)	£1,350.
Part-time ANAESTHETIST (Dr. J. Bolger)	£1,000. plus sessional fees as at present do.
do. do. (Dr. K. Glynn)	do.
Part-time SURGEON (Dr. B. Murphy, Temporary)	£1,350.
Part-time OPHTHALMOLOGIST (Dr. A. McMahon, Temporary)	£500 plus sessional fees
Part-time OPHTHALMIC SURGEON (Dr. C. O'Malley, temporary)	£1,000
Whole-time ASSISTANT ORTHOPAEDIC SURGEON (Dr. J. Roche, temporary)	£1,700

2. Resident Medical Staff at Galway Regional Hospital:

£975 a year less £169 for emoluments provided. This shall apply only to those employed in senior posts at 1/4/1961.

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3. Compounders (Whole-time):-

From 13/7/1961:-  
£640 x £30 - £850 a year.

4. Health Inspectors:

From 1/4/1961:-  
£550 x £35 - £900 a year.

5. Laboratory Technicians and Students:

<u>Grade.</u>	<u>From 1/8/1960</u>
Head Technician	£800 x £30 - £920
Senior do. Technician	£750 x £30 - £870
Student Technician	£530 x £25 - £630 x £30 - £750 (entry at £580 for Associate of Institute of M.L. Technology. Stop at £630 for non-Associate)

6. Radiographers.

From 1/4/1961:-  
£490 x £20 - £650 a year.

7. Physiotherapists.

From 1/4/1961:-  
£500 x £20 - £660 x £15 - £675.

8. Storekeepers in Regional Hospital.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>From 1/8/1960.</u>
Storekeeper	£650 x £30 - £950
Assistant Storekeeper	£500 x £30 - £680.

9. Second Fire Officer:

From 1/8/1960:-  
(a) For present holder of the office:-  
£670 x £30 - £850 a year.  
(b) For future appointments:-  
£550 x £30 - £850 a year.

10. Engineers:

<u>Grade.</u>	<u>From 1/8/1960</u>
Chief Assistant and Chief Fire Officer.	£1,350 x £57 - £1,635
Assistant	£1,120 x £40 - £1,400

11. Rate Collectors on Salaries:

<u>District No.</u>	<u>From 1/8/1960;</u> <u>Scale</u>	<u>Bonus</u> <u>£</u>
4	£405 fixed	65
9	£455 x £60 - £575	165
12	£180 fixed	175
15	£490 x £56 2/3 - £660	165
16	ditto	Ditto
23	£605 x £60 - £785	165
24	£490 x £62 1/2 - £615	165
27	£305 x £50 - £405	125
30	£530 x £65 - £660	165

12. Children's Officer:

From 1/4/1961:-  
£500 x £25 - £625 x £15 - £640 a year.

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13. Public Health Nurses:

From 1/4/1961:-  
£600 x £15 - £690 x £10 - £700 a year.

14. Dispensary Midwives:

From 1/4/1961:-  
£285 a year.

15. Female Attendants in Regional Hospital, St. Brendan's Home and Our Lady of Fatima Hospital:

From 1/4/1961:-

Annual Rates: £301. x £5½ - £312

Less Emoluments. 119                      119  
Nett. £182. x £5½ - £193

Weekly Rates: £5. 15. 6d. x 2/1d. - £5. 19. 8d.

Less Emoluments. £2. 5. 8d.                      £2. 5. 8d.  
Nett. £3. 9. 10d. x 2/1d. - £3. 14. 0d.

16. Male Attendants in St. Brendan's Home:

From 1/4/1961:-

Annual Rate: £329 x £5½ - £340

Less Emoluments: 119                      119  
Nett. £210 x £5½ - £221

Weekly Rate: £6. 6. 3d. x 2/1d. - £6. 10. 5d.

Less Emoluments: £2. 5. 8d.                      £2. 5. 8d.  
Nett. £4. 0. 7d. x 2/1d. - £4. 4. 9d.

17. Student Nurses:

From 1/4/1961:-

Year	Gross	Less for Emoluments	Nett
1	£275	£142	£133
2	£300	£142	£158
3	£340	£142	£198
4	£400	£142	£258

18. Others:

	from:-	
<u>Regional Hospital.</u>	1/4/61	£650 x £18 - £740 x £15 - £755. Less Emoluments £158.
Assistant Matron	do.	do.
Tutor Sister	do.	do.
Home Sister	do.	£625 x £18 - £715 x £15 - £730. Less Emoluments £158.
Fever Sister	do.	£725 (personal to present holder) Less Emoluments £158.
Compounders:-	do.	£770 x £30 - £950
Senior Wholetime	do.	£402
Part-time	do.	do.
Catering Superintendent	do.	£588.10.0. x £19.5.0. - £665.10.0. a year (plus £44 for Dietetics Diploma) Less Emoluments £158.
Assistant Catering Supt.	do.	£470 x £30 - £530 less Emoluments £148.
Cook	do.	£440 less Emoluments £150. 16. 0d.

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Assistant Cook:-  
Trained 1/4/61 £416. less emoluments, £150.16s.0d.  
Experienced do. £390. less emoluments, £144.16s.0d.

Telephonists 18/11/61 £7.12.0. x 5/- - £8.12.0.

Our Lady of Fatima Hospital.

Head Nurse 1/4/61. £625 x £20 - £725  
Less emoluments £50.

Cook do. £338. less emoluments, £127.16s.0d.

Chaplains:-

Catholic - Regional do. £786 less emoluments, £159.  
" - Clifden do. £165

" - Co. Home do. £533.

Protestant - Regional do. £137

" - Co. Home do. £50.

Woodlands:-

Night Watchman 18/11/61 £8. 8. 0.

Groundsman do. £8. 8. 0.

County Buildings etc.

Caretaker, Co. Buildings 18/11/61 £8. 7. 9. plus £1. a week  
allowance and £30. a year as  
Poundkeeper.

Porter " do. £8. 4. 0. plus 10/- for each  
meeting after working hours.

No. 1 Cleaner, " do. £5. 6. 2.

No. 2 Cleaner, " do. £5. 0. 7.

Porter, Co. Library. do. £9. 8. 0.

Galway Courthouse do. £5.19.10.

Caretaker. do. £4. 5. 0.

Galway Courthouse Cleaner. do. £4. 5. 0.

19. Ambulance Drivers and Dental Attendants etc.

Ambulance Drivers : 18/11/1961 (1 @ £9. 17. 0. a week  
Clifden. (1 @ £9. 6. 0. " " )

Ambulance Drivers,  
Loughrea do. £9.10. 5. a week

Dental Attendants 1/4/1961 £5. 19. 0. x 11s.0d. -  
£7. 12. 0. a week.

St. Brendan's Home:-  
Boilerman 1/4/1962 £7. 11. 0. a week

Boilerman/Groundsman do. £7. 5. 6. " "

2840 - OVERDRAFT: On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. W. Burke, the Council approved the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £250,000. on the Council's General Account for the quarter ending 30th June, 1962.

2841 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE: On the proposition of Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council approved the following expenditure in excess of the estimate already approved for the year ending 31st March, 1962, viz:-

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<u>ROADS</u>		
	£.	£.
Ordinary Road Works - C.A.L.	72	
Government Grant Works - C.A.L.	1,500	
Other Purposes - C.A.L.	695	
Other Purposes - C.H.D.	<u>1,090</u>	3,357

<u>HEALTH</u>		
General Medical Services	6,470	
Institutional Services	51,545	
Maternity etc. Services	300	
Rehabilitation & Maintenance of Disabled Persons.	1,000	
Boarding out etc. of Children.	500	
Other Purposes	<u>5,330</u>	65,145

<u>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE</u>		
Home Assistance	5,000	
Other Purposes	<u>730</u>	5,730

<u>HOUSING</u>	
Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts	90

2842 - CLERICAL STAFF - MOTOR TAXATION OFFICE: On the proposition of Clr. G. Kelly, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council approved the creation of one additional office of Clerk/Typist for the Motor Taxation Office in lieu of the office of Clerical Officer which has already been approved by the Council for this office but sanction to which was refused by the Department of Local Government.

2843 - WAGES OF DRIVERS: On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council approved the following revised rates of wages for lorry and plant drivers with effect from 18th November, 1961 inclusive, the working week to be reduced to 45 hours from 1st April, 1962 inclusive:-

Lorries under 7 ton	£9. 5s. Od. per week
Lorries 7 ton and over	£9.14s. Od. " "
Driver of 10 ton Matador Truck.	£10. a week.

2844 - WAGES OF FITTERS & MECHANICS: It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved that the Council hereby approve the following revised rates of wages for fitters and mechanics with effect from 5th November, 1961 inclusive the working week to be reduced to 45 hours with effect from 1st April, 1962:-

Foreman in Workshop at County Buildings, Increase of 30/- per week on present rate.

Fitters and Welders, 5/7d. per hour  
Pump Repairer, increase of £1. per week, from 18/11/1961.

Apprentices:-

1st Year	- 10d. per hour
2nd Year	- 1s. 1½d. per hour
3rd Year	- 1s. 7d. per hour
4th Year	- 2s. 1½d. " "
5th Year	- 2s. 10½d. " "
6th Year	- 3s. 7d. " "

2845 - CINEMA LICENCES: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved the issue of cinema licences for the following:-

Trustees of Town Hall Cinema, Portumna.  
Mr. Henry O'Shaughnessy, The Square, Gort.

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2846 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

The Maguire Family, Bushypark, Galway on the death of Dr. T. Maguire.  
The Kearns Family, Ballinakill, Eyrecourt, on the death of their father.  
The relatives of the late Fr. Joyce, P.P., Corofin.  
The relatives of the late Mrs. Costello, Tuam.  
The relatives of the late Mr. T.A. O'Donoghue, Solicitor, Tuam.

2847 - COUNTY COUNCIL: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh tendered his resignation from membership of the Galway County Council and thanked Clrs. Cox and Deputy Coogan for the assistance which they had given to him during his membership and also thanked the staff of the Council.

Deputy M. Carty, Chairman expressed his regret at Clr. O'Ceallaigh's action and requested earnestly that Clr. O'Ceallaigh would reconsider the tendering of his resignation.

The following members also expressed their regret and requested that Clr. O'Ceallaigh would not resign from membership of the Council:-

Deputy F. Coogan, Clr. P. Patten, Clr. J. Flaherty, Clr. T. King, Clr. J. Cox, Senator M. Killilea, Clr. P. Sarr, Clr. J. Galyin, Clr. J. Glynn, Senator J. Mannion, Clr. J. Ridge.

The Chairman stated that consideration of this matter would be left in abeyance until the next meeting of the Council and that he trusted that Clr. O'Ceallaigh would in the meantime withdraw his resignation.

2848 - HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council unanimously congratulated Deputy Michael Carty on his appointment as Chairman of the Government Committee to consider Health Services.

2849 - GENERAL: The County Manager thanked the County Accountant the Secretary and all who had assisted him in the preparation of the estimate and Senator M. Killilea on behalf of the Council expressed the Council's thanks to all concerned.

Consideration of the remaining items on the Agenda was adjourned until the next ordinary meeting of the Council.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Secretary*

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty Chairman.*

*Date: 28/4/62*

## COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

17 Aibreain, 1962.

Chuig Gach Bhail de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, De Sathairn, 28 Aibreain, 1962 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims viz:-
  - (a) M/s. J.R. Porter Ltd., Dominick St., Galway - Car & Gate, 11/2/62 - £20.
  - (b) Mrs. Mary Kelehan, Newcastle, Galway - Glass Door Panel, 15/2/1962 - £9.15s.0d.
  - (c) M/s. Jas. Madden & Sons Ltd., Lr. Salthill, Galway - Safe, Locks and other goods, 15/2/1962 - £40.
  - (d) Mr. B. Coleman, Dunmore - Motor Car, 5/3/1962 - £20.
  - (e) Mr. M. O'Flaherty, Carraroe - Motor Car, 17/3/1962 - £75.
  - (f) M/s. Geraghty Ltd., Lombard St., Galway - Window 17/3/1962 - £25.
  - (g) Mr. M. Sweeney - Caravan etc. at Coolough, 19/26.3.1962 - £51.2s. 6d.
  - (h) Land Commission - Wire fence at Portumna Demesne 1/4/1962 - £40.
3. Loan £900. for Water Supply to factory at Ard East, Carna - completion of Mortgage Deed.
4. Raising of loan for provision of Public Analyst's Laboratory.
5. Raising of loan for provision of public lavatories.
6. Loan £18,600. for Woodford Sewerage Scheme - completion of Mortgage Deed.
7. (a) Raising of loan of £80,000. for Housing Grants.  
(b) Continuing housing grants schemes to 31/3/1963.
8. Provision of a Fire Station at Athenry on the Courthouse site - estimate £1,200.
9. Barna Water Supply Scheme, proposed extensions - estimate £9,925.
10. Carraroe Water Supply Improvement and Extension.
11. Proposals for remuneration increases:-
  - (a) Public Analyst.
  - (b) Senior Radiographer.
  - (c) Caretaker of Clifden Courthouse.

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- (d) Waterworks Caretakers.
- (e) Water Inspector
- (f) Rent Collectors.
- (g) Labourers in Tonabrucky Quarry.
- (h) County Council Workers in Ballinasloe Urban District.
- (i) Branch Librarians.
12. Creation of one additional office of nurse with maternity qualifications in Our Lady of Fatima Hospital.
13. Vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 (Oughterard) and 36 (Tuam).
14. Polling Schemes Amendments.
15. Declaration of Roads to be public roads.
16. Road grants for Y.E. 31/3/1963 and County Engineer's list of proposed works.
17. Loughrea Fair Green Development.
18. South Connemara Water Supply Scheme - Consultant's report.
19. Amenity Grants Schemes proposals.
20. Landing Place at Staid, Truiscin.
21. Mountbellew Dispensary Residence.
22. Visiting Committee Minutes:-
  - (a) St. Brendan's Home - 21/12/1961.
  - " " " - 23/3/1962.
  - (b) Our Lady of Fatima Hospital - 28/12/1961.
  - " " " - 7/4/1962.
  - (c) Galway Regional Hospital - 6/1/1962.
  - " " " - 9/3/1962.
23. Sick Pay Scheme for Servants - Review.
24. Fixing date for Fire Services Committee meeting.
25. County Councils' General Council - matters for inclusion in next Agenda.
26. School Meals Grant.
27. Williamstown Sewerage Scheme - Reports from County Medical Officer and County Engineer.
28. Members' Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Clr. Seamus Kyne: "That the Galway County Council implement a water supply group scheme for Cornamona while they are waiting for the Regional Scheme."
  - (b) Deputy John Geoghegan:
    1. "I will propose that the pier at Shruffane, Carraroe be raised 18" to protect the fishing boats."
    2. "That the road to factory at Collahige be tarred."
  - (c) Clr. William Burke:
    1. "That a public lavatory be provided for Dunmore."
    2. "That road leading to Kilbannon Church be widened without further delay."
    3. "That the dangerous bend at Castletown, Tullinadaly be removed."

- (d) Clr. John Flaherty: "I will ask the Secretary at our next meeting what contribution of the rates of this county goes to the cost of the Health Services."
- (e) Clr. P. Ruane:
1. "That this Council call on the Authority concerned to release all political prisoners immediately."
  2. "That this council deplores the action of the Military Tribunal in sentencing John Joe McGirl, a public representative of the people of Leitrim, to 2 years imprisonment."
- (f) Deputy A. Millar: "That this Council is of opinion that the lunch break for Council employees should be altered from 12 a.m. to 1 p.m., as it exists at present, to 12.30 to 1.30. The reason being that there is a tea break at 10 a.m. and the fast from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. is far too long."
- (g) Senator M. Killilea: " I will ask the Secretary at the next meeting of the County Council to give the Council the following information:-
1. The number of wells sunk and pumps erected each year from and including 1957 and the cost in each year.
  2. The cost of maintenance each year in above period.
  3. The amount spent in each of those years on Urban and small town Water supplies.
  4. The cost of maintenance of those.
  5. The number of applications for pumps on hands.
- (h) Clr. J. Ridge:
1. "I propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that all Home Assistance Officers with a salary of £8. per week be made whole-time."
  2. TAKE NOTICE that I intend to propose the following resolution at the next meeting of the County Council:-
    - (a) That the County Secretary be directed to furnish to me detailed particulars by way of expenses to all members. Such details to include expenses paid in respect of attendance at Meetings of the Hospital and all other Committees.
    - (b) That when furnishing such particulars the County Secretary shall state whether any of the members attending such Meetings of the Council or Committee Meetings are in receipt of travelling or other allowances from any other Board such as Bord Failte or any other Tourist Association.
29. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 28th APRIL, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael Carty.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Greene, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Sirr.

2850 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 2849 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted approved, confirmed and signed by the chairman.

2851 - AMBULANCES: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that a suitable vehicle be always available for conveyance of patients injured in accidents.

The County Manager stated that the improvement of the ambulance service is being considered and when consideration has been completed proposals will be brought before the County Council.

Deputy Coogan suggested that in an emergency a driver could be obtained at the Fire Station.

The County Manager stated that the ambulance service is not part of the Fire Service; that there are no ambulances in the County other than those provided by the County Council; that there was no great delay in supplying an ambulance on the occasion recently to which members referred, once it was established that an ambulance was needed; that improvement of the services will probably require one extra vehicle and one or two extra drivers.

The Chairman stated that the Consultative Health Committee has already devoted much time to consideration of the ambulance service; that consideration of this matter might be left over until a definite recommendation is put to the Council.

Clr. P. Collins suggested that a smaller vehicle than an ambulance would suffice.

2852 - PATIENTS FROM OUTSIDE COUNTIES: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh requested that particulars of the number of patients from outside counties treated in the Regional Hospital in the recent period of one year be supplied to him as well as the amount paid by the outside counties to the Galway County Council for the same period.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh considered that the Galway County Council is at a loss since the outside counties do not pay at the average cost rate.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh recommended that a sub-committee of the Council be set up to inquire into this matter.

The Assistant County Manager stated that Medical Card holders sent to the Regional Hospital by Mayo County Council are paid for by the latter County Council at the rate of 27/6d. a day. The average cost is approximately 35/- a day, the nett difference after taking into account the Health Grant recoupment is 3/9d. a day; that it is to be noted that the average cost figure above includes the cost of out-patients services and that it is therefore excessive to that extent.

The Chairman also stressed that the average cost for in-patients is substantially less than the figure 35/- a day; that if the number of in-patients is reduced the average cost per day will increase.

The County Manager pointed out that the rate at which the

outside counties pay is the extern hospital's rate and that the outside counties cannot be expected to pay at a rate in excess of that.

Clr. T. King stated that many of the Mayo people reside near the border and own land and pay rates in County Galway.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. J. Cox that a committee of the Council be set up to examine the question of payment by outside counties for patients from these counties maintained and treated in the Galway Regional Hospital.

As an amendment, it was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Deputy Millar that any such matter as that raised by Clr. O'Ceallaigh should be referred to the select committee of the Government or to the County Manager.

The County Manager stated that the Galway Hospital is a regional hospital but that the region it is to serve has not been defined; that there is a case for submission to the select committee that some special sub-vention should be given for the Regional Hospital.

The County Manager suggested that he and the Assistant County Manager would prepare a statement to be sent to the Select Committee and would submit the statement to the Council before sending it to the Select Committee.

Clr. J. Cox stated that the Galway County Council should get some special assistance for training doctors and nurses for other counties.

Eventually Clr. O'Ceallaigh and Deputy M. Carty withdrew their proposals and the Council approved the County Manager's suggestion above.

**2853 - ROAD WIDENING:** Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, referred to a statement made at an earlier meeting by Senator Lahiffe and stated that there is much uneasiness regarding a place between Oranmore and Clarenbridge on which the road was improved and later had to be lowered a further 18 inches.

On Deputy Carty's suggestion the Council requested that the County Manager would investigate the occurrence and report thereon to the County Council giving particulars of the extra cost involved by the alteration.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that at an earlier meeting there had been unfair remarks regarding the workers on the job at Vicar Street, Tuam who had done a fine job.

Senator M. Killilea stated that the statement which he had made at an earlier meeting was that "supervising ganger should not be employed on a job on which he is supervising only three men or two men - as was the case sometimes at the job at Vicar Street, Tuam."

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 3 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING, DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

**2854 - RATES - AGRICULTURAL GRANT:** On the proposition of Clr. T. King the Council unanimously expressed approval of relief to farmers given in the recent budget by the increase in the Agricultural Grant.

**2855 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:** Particulars of malicious damage claims received as set out in item 2 of the Agenda were submitted and noted.

**2856 - LOAN FOR ARD EAST WATER SUPPLY:** It was proposed by Deputy John Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. James Cox and resolved that pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 19th day of December, 1961 of the Minister for Local Government, the sum of £900. be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the

provision of a water supply scheme for Gael Linn factory at Ard East Carna, 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.

The Mortgage Deed was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

**2857 - LOAN FOR PUBLIC ANALYST'S LABORATORY:**

It was proposed by Clr. Thomas King, seconded by Senator Mark Killilea and resolved that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £6,000. from the National Bank Limited to meet the cost of providing and equipping the Public Analyst's Laboratory at Galway, the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of five years, with interest at the rate charged by the bank from time to time for such loans.

**2858 - LOAN FOR PUBLIC LAVATORIES:** Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that the estimated cost of providing public lavatories at Athenry, Ballygar, Clifden, Dunmore, Eyrecourt, Headford, Kinvara, Mountbellew, Oughterard, Portumna, Roundstone, Woodford, Clonbur, Cleggan, Kilonan Pier, Spiddal, Silver Strand, Galway and Tuam Fairgreen, is £22,400; that there will be a contribution of 50% of the loan charges with an extra sub-vention in the case of conveniences in Gaeltacht areas.

Clr. P. Joyce expressed disappointment that Leenane is not included in the list and after discussion it was decided to include Leenane provisionally.

It was then proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £25,000. for provision of public lavatories at Athenry, Ballygar, Clifden, Dunmore, Eyrecourt, Headford, Kinvara, Mountbellew, Oughterard, Portumna, Roundstone, Woodford, Clonbur, Cleggan, Leenane, Kilonan Pier, Spiddal, Silver Strand Galway, and Tuam Fairgreen; the loan to be raised from the Commissioners of Public Works and to be repayable over a period of 20 years with interest at the appropriate rate.

**2859 - LOAN FOR WOODFORD SEWERAGE SCHEME:** It was proposed by Clr. Frank Mullins, seconded by Clr. Joseph Lambert and resolved:-

"That the corporate seal of the Galway County Council be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage dated 28th April, 1962 whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for repayment of the sum of £18,600. proposed by them to be advanced to us the said Galway County Council under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1952."

The Mortgage Deed was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

**2860 - HOUSING GRANTS:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly and resolved:-

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £80,000. from the Commissioners of Public Works under the Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960, for issue of housing grants; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 25 years with interest at the appropriate rate."

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly, the Council approved the continuation of all the schemes for issue of supplementary housing grants by the Galway County Council for a further year to 31st March, 1963.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, the Council resolved that the Minister for Local Government be requested



to make payment of housing grants under Section 12 of the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1954 in two instalments instead of in one payment as is being done at present.

**2861 - ATHENRY FIRE STATION:** The Secretary explained that the Fire Station at Athenry is intended to be erected on the site purchased for the new courthouse in such a manner that there will be sufficient room on the site for the erection of the courthouse later if necessary; that the estimated cost of the Fire Station is £1,200.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy A. Millar, the Council approved the carrying out of this work at an estimated cost of £1,200.

**2862 - BARNÁ WATER SUPPLY EXTENSIONS:** The Secretary gave the estimated cost of extensions required to the Barna Supply Scheme, viz:-

Extension to Knocknacarragh with branch to Lenabower and Cappagh	£4718.
Extension westward from Furbo Church, -----	£3990.
Branch extension to Forromoye Mor -----	£1217.
TOTAL	£9925.

The average cost of above is £301. per house for the 33 houses to be served.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan that the Council proceed with these extensions.

The Chairman stated it is expected that a report under the survey for the County will be available in a month or so and that it might be well to defer such extensions as these until that report will be available.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer explained that this scheme is in progress and nearing completion and that therefore, the carrying out of these extensions is recommended.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert and seconded by Clr. P. Sirr that consideration of this matter be deferred for a period of one month.

Clr. J. Cox seconded Deputy Coogan's proposal.

Clr. T. King stated that he supported Clr. Lambert's proposal as there is a need for an extension of the water supply to Castlegar and Ballybritt and nothing is being done about it.

The County Manager explained that in the case of Castlegar and Ballybritt the position is that the Corporation Water Supply is insufficient to supply these places.

The Chairman stated that having heard discussion he now withdrew his objection.

Clr. J. Lambert also withdrew his proposal and the carrying out of the extensions at an estimated cost of £9,925, was approved.

**2863 - CARRAROE WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENT & EXTENSION:** The County Engineer's letter of 5th April, 1962 was submitted and it was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan that the Council approve the employment of a Consultant to prepare plans and estimate of the cost of carrying out the work in area No. 6 as recommended in the County Engineer's report of 5th April, 1962.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh considered that this matter should be deferred until the Council would have considered the merits of Group Schemes.

The County Manager explained that this is the improvement of an existing scheme and there is no likelihood that a Group Scheme

would be undertaken in Carraroe.

Deputy Geoghegan's proposal was approved by the Council.

**2864 - REMUNERATION INCREASES:** On the proposition of Clr. P. Galvin seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved increased remuneration as set out hereunder:-

- (a) Public Analyst - £1,735 x 61½. - £1,920. a year with effect from 1st August, 1960.
- (b) Senior Radiographer - £560. x 25. - £710. a year with effect from 1st April, 1961.
- (c) Caretaker of Clifden Courthouse - Salary £30. and Fuel & Light allowance £15. with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive.
- (d) Waterworks Caretakers - with effect from 1st April, 1962 an increase of 7/6d. per week for whole-time caretakers with a proportionate increase for part-time caretakers.

For the Waterworks caretaker at Ballyconneely, an increase of £17. a year making his revised salary £52. a year with effect from 1st March, 1962 consequent on additional duties assigned to him.

- (e) Waste Water Detection Inspector - increase of 18/2d. per week with effect from 4th October, 1961 making the revised rate from that date £11. 18s. 2d. a week.
- (f) Cottage Rent Collectors - with effect from 1st October, 1961, an increase of 1/4d. per house allocated to collectors since October, 1950.
- (g) Labourers in Tonabrocky Quarry - a differential of 4d. per hour in excess of the road workers' wages for the Galway County Health District with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive.
- (h) County Council Workers in Ballinasloe Urban District - an increase of 7/6d. per week with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive for a 45 hour week making the revised rate of wages for labourers employed by the Council in the Ballinasloe Urban District £6. 17s. 6d. a week from that date.
- (i) Branch Librarians - Revised rate of 3/9d. per hour (instead of 3/3d) with effect from 1st April, 1961.

Clr. P. Sirr complained that the Burial Ground Caretaker in his area is being paid at the rate of 1/8d. a week during the past 20 years.

Clr. T. King stated that some men engaged in tarring work are required to commence their 9 hour day at 4 a.m. and are laid off when the 9 hours are completed. Clr. T. King considered that men starting at this unearthly hour should be paid at overtime rate.

Mr. S. Cullinan, Acting County Engineer stated that he would investigate this matter, obtaining details from Mr. King.

**2865 - Our Lady of Fatima Hospital - Nursing Staff:** Letter 8/3/62 from the Medical Officer requesting the appointment of an additional nurse, and subsequent correspondence were submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Glynn, seconded by Senator J. Mannion and resolved that the Council hereby approve the creation of one additional office of Staff Nurse with maternity qualifications in Our Lady of Fatima Hospital at Clifden.

**2866 - VACANCIES FOR RATE COLLECTORS:** In connection with the consideration of the vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 (Oughterard) and 36 (Tuam), the Secretary gave particulars of the office collection of rates for District No. 35 showing that at the close of the collection, 98.361% of the warrant was lodged.

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At 31st March, 1962, 96.394% of the warrant had been lodged compared with the average for the entire County Health District of 94.665%.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. J. Lambert that the rates for the Districts Nos. 28 and 36 be collected direct from the Council's offices.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. J. Dowd that the vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 and 36 be filled by the appointment of new collectors.

The County Manager stated that the addition of two further districts viz. nos. 28 and 36, to the office collection may involve the employment of a further clerk in the office.

Clr. G. Kelly supported the proposal for office collection.

Clr. T. King stated that in regard to District No. 35, it is an inconvenience to the Ratepayers that they have to come to, or send their money to the County Buildings as a collection office is not held in Tuam.

A vote taken as between the two proposals resulted as follows:-

For Office Collection: Clrs. Canning, Collins, Coogan, Cox, Galvin, Kelly, Lambert, Mannion J., O'Ceallaigh, Patten and Sirr. (11)

For appointment of Collectors: Clrs. Carty, Donnellan, Dowd, Geoghegan, Glynn, Greene, Joyce, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Mannion M., Millar and Mullins. (14)

Clr. W. Burke did not vote and the following Councillors were absent, viz. Clrs. Flaherty, Lahiffe, Ridge, Ruane J., and Ruane P.

The Chairman declared Deputy Geoghegan's proposal carried that the vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 and 36 be filled by the appointment of new collectors.

The Secretary then submitted a letter of 21st April, 1962 from Mr. Michael Dillon, Rate Collector, requesting that the part of Tuam Rural Electoral Division which was transferred to Collector Dermody's District some years ago be restored to Collector Dillon's District.

The Secretary explained that the 1961/62 warrant for the portion of Tuam Rural Electoral Division to which Collector Dillon refers was £9,827.

The 1961/62 warrants for the two districts as they are at present are as follows:-

Collector Dermody £28,912.  
Collector Dillon £35,753.

It was ordered that Collector Dillon's application be referred to the County Manager for consideration.

2867. POLLING SCHEME AMENDMENTS: The lists of amendments for the polling schemes for local elections and for Dail Elections as sent to the members along with the Agenda were submitted and were approved on the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly.

2868 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS: On the proposition of Clr. P. Sirr, seconded by Clr. J. Kyne, the Council declared the following roads to be public roads, viz:-

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No.	Location	Terminal Points	Length.
1	Clonbur	From Main Road No. 290 at Clonbur to County Road No. 77 at Ballynaglancy.	388 pers.
2	Aughrisbeg	From lobster pond at Aughrisbeg to a point 60 yards beyond it.	60 yards.

2869 - ROAD GRANTS 1962/63: Letter R/201/4/10. of 31/3/1962 from the Department of Local Government was submitted giving particulars of Road Grants for 1962/63, viz:-

County Road Improvement Grant £176,800.  
Main Road Improvement Grant £93,200.  
Main Road Upkeep Grant - 50% of approved expenditure.

Letter R.201/9/10. of 5/4/1962 from the Department of Local Government was submitted stating that a grant of £55,000. for Tourist Roads had been allocated for the year 1962/63.

Letter R.201/11/10 of 25/4/1962 from the Department of Local Government was submitted notifying the allocation of a special grant for improvement of specified main roads amounting to £40,000. This grant was subject to certain conditions one of which is that the Council will be expected to supplement the special grant with a sum of £35,000 to be provided out of the Main Road Improvement Grant, 1962/63.

The County Engineer's letter of 2nd April, 1962 a copy of which had been sent to each member of the Council, was submitted, giving particulars of his proposals for expenditure of the Main, County and Tourist Road Grants, for 1962/63.

This list of proposals was approved on the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty.

The Chairman stated that he understands that the Governing Body of University College will receive the Council's deputation in connection with road widening at Newcastle at a meeting of the Governing Body which will be held on 12th June, 1962.

The County Manager stated that he understands that the University Authorities would prefer that compulsory acquisition of the necessary land would proceed without legal representation on either side.

Clr. P. Joyce expressed disappointment that no money has been allocated in the County Engineer's proposals for the Clifden/Westport Road and requested that approximately £2,000 be transferred from the Clifden/Galway Road to the section of the Clifden/Westport Road between Shraheen Bridge and the Keelkyle Road.

Clr. P. Joyce also stated that the most dangerous section of the Galway/Clifden road is that from Canal Bridge to Canal stage and he requested that the money allocated to the improvement of the Galway/Clifden road be allocated to that section.

Mr. S. Cullinan, Acting County Engineer stated that the County Engineer, the Assistant and himself had travelled over all these roads and had decided that the places to which the money is allocated are those most in need of improvement.

Senator J. Mannion stated that more money is needed for improvement of the Galway/Clifden road.

Clr. J. Glynn stated that while several thousands had been spent on road improvements in Connemara for years past, nothing has been spent in north Galway. Clr. Glynn requested that the road at the junction of the Dunmore Road at Tuam town be improved.

Deputy Millar stated that there is anxiety in Aghrim in regard to the contemplated bye-passing of the village; that a local committee has been set up and Deputy Millar requested the committee be heard.

Clr. King objected to the spending of such large sums of money in Kilrickle, Aghrim portion of the Galway/Dublin road without dealing with the bottleneck between Moneenagisha Cross and Woodlands.

Clr. King proposed that no further money be expended on any other part of the Galway/Dublin road until the section Moneenagisha to Woodlands is improved.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh protested against the expending of so much money on Main Road improvements while minor roads are in such a bad condition.

Clr. P. Galvin considered that there is not such great necessity for bye-passing the village of Aghrim, and stated that the greatest hazard in the village is a pump erected by the Council.

2870 - LOUGHREA FAIRGREEN DEVELOPMENT: The County Engineer's letter of 26th April, 1962 and plans were submitted giving the estimated cost of the development of Loughrea Fairgreen as £28,800 which includes a sum of £13,500 for tubular steel renning and £1,100 for a new weighing scale.

The Chairman asked that the obtaining of Amenity Grant for this work be considered.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Glynn, the Council approved the carrying out of the development work at Loughrea Fairgreen at an estimated cost of £28,800.

2871 - SOUTH CONNEMARA WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: The Consultant's report setting out his proposals for provision of a water supply for South Connemara was submitted.

On the proposition of the Chairman, the Council decided to defer consideration of this report until the survey report for the remainder of the County will be available for consideration by the Council.

2872 - WILLIAMSTOWN SEWERAGE SCHEME: The correspondence in connection with this scheme was submitted.

Dr. MacCon, County Medical Officer, stated that since 1936, the people of Williamstown, having been expecting the provision of a sewerage scheme, did not provide very high class septic tanks; that he still thinks that a gravity scheme could be provided at a lower cost.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that the original proposal for a gravity scheme at a cost of £8,600 was not proceeded with due to a threat of legal action; that a pump scheme would cost £14,000 approximately; that the Council could provide the gravity scheme and take a chance regarding the legal action or provide a pump scheme or not provide any scheme.

Clr. J. Glynn considered that the cost for a pump scheme is too high and should be left in abeyance indefinitely or that as an alternative the discharge might be made into the river a half mile further down.

It was eventually decided that consideration of the provision of a sewerage scheme at Williamstown be deferred for a period of two years.

2873 - AMENITY GRANTS SCHEMES: Consideration of item 19 on the Agenda was deferred until the next meeting.

2874 - LANDING PLACE AT STAID, TRUSCIN: Consideration of item 20 on the Agenda was adjourned until the next meeting.

2875 - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL COMPLAINT: Copies of a report from the Lay Superintendent on the complaint made at an earlier meeting by Deputy Coogan regarding the treatment of a patient at Galway Regional Hospital were circulated to the members.

The Chairman directed that further consideration of this matter be adjourned until next meeting.

2876 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

Mrs. Conroy, Killagoola, Moycullen, on the death of her son.  
The McCullagh Family, Eyre Square, Galway on the death of Mr. W. McCullagh.

Mr. O'Neill, Gort on the death of his wife.

2877 - ADJOURNMENT: Consideration of items 19 to 26 and item 28 was adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*A. Hanrahan*  
Secretary.

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Mark Killilea* Chairman

Date: *26<sup>th</sup> May 1962.*

## COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

Tel.  
Galway: 2055

17th May, 1962.

To: Each Member of the  
Galway County Council.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend the special meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 26th May, 1962 at 12.30 p.m. o'clock, to consider the adoption of Section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878 in respect of Abbeyknockmoy Fairs and Markets.

Notice of this special meeting was sent to you on 12th April, 1962.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

## COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

17 Bealtaine, 1962.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, De Sathairn, 26 Bealtaine, 1962 ag tosnú ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

AGENDATO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims viz:-
  - (a) Minister for Lands - 43 acres of State Forest at Woodford, 22/4/1962, £900.
  - (b) Mr. Michael J. Newell, Sea Road, Galway - Plate Glass Window 27/28.4.1962, £18. 10s. Od.
  - (c) Mr. John McDonagh, no fixed abode - Donkey killed at Ballybane, 8/9.5.1962, £10.
  - (d) Tuam Lawn Tennis Club - Pavilion, Clubhouse & contents, 10/11.5.1962, £1,000.
3. Landing Place at Staid, Truiscin.
4. Visiting Committee Minutes:-
  - (a) St. Brendan's Home - 21/12/1961.
  - " " " - 23/3/1962.
  - (b) Our Lady of Fatima Hospital - 28/12/1961.
  - " " " - 7/4/1962.
  - (c) Galway Regional Hospital - 6/1/1962.
  - " " " - 9/3/1962.
5. Sick Pay Scheme for Servants - Review.
6. Fixing date for Fire Services Committee meeting.
7. School Meals Grant.
8. Continuation of employment of Temporary Clerk to County Old Age Pensions Committee to 30/11/1962.
9. Causeway to Inchiquin Island - Estimate £15,000.
10. Galway Courthouse Reconstruction - County Manager's letter of 19/4/1962.
11. Letter 26/4/1962 from Tully (Ballynahown) Development Association applying for a grant for a parish hall.

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12. Acquisition of Fair Rights in various towns - Minute No. 2433 of 27/5/1961 (adjourned for a year).
13. Road widening on Oranmore-Clarenbridge road - Minute No. 2853 of 28/4/1962.
14. Remuneration for vacant posts of Rate Collector in Districts Nos. 28 and 36 (Details attached).
15. Remuneration Increases:-
- (a) Medical Officer, St. Brendan's Home } 12½% increase from  
(b) " " , Our Lady of Fatima Hosp. } 1/8/1960  
(c) Engineering Foreman, Regional Hospital - £78. p.a. from 1/10/'61.  
(d) Nurse, Inishboffin - £50. from 1/4/1961.  
(e) Ambulance Drivers:-
- Regional Hospital - Shift Rate: Increase from 22/- to 25/6d.  
from 18/11/1961.  
Overtime Rate, Galway Clifden & Loughrea: Increase from 3/9d.  
to 4/3d. hour from 18/11/1961
- (f) Special Attendants, Regional Hospital:-  
From 1/4/1962:-  
Male: Increase from 15/- to 16/6d. day or night plus meals.  
Female: " " 12/- to 13/6d. " " " "
- (g) Porter, St. Brendan's Home -  
From 18/11/1961 - Increase of £44. 18s. O.V. a year.
- (h) Technician/Trainee (1) in Public Analyst's Laboratory:-  
Increase of 12/6d. a week from 1/9/1961.
- (i) Caretaker of County Clinic:-  
From 18/11/1961 - an increase proportionate to increase to  
workers in Galway Borough.
16. Galway Regional Hospital - complaint re treatment of patient -  
Minute No. 2875 of 28/4/1962.
17. Milk prices, Galway Regional Hospital - Minute No. 2838 of 24/3/1962.
18. Galway Regional Hospital - Alleged loss of cutlery - Minute No. 1  
of 10/3/1962.
19. County Councils' General Council.- letter 7/5/1962
20. Auditor's report on accounts of the Western Health Institutions  
Board for 2 years to 31/3/1961.
21. Members' Notices of Motion:-
- (a) Clr. Seamus Kyne: "That the Galway County Council implement  
a water supply group scheme for Cornamona while they are  
waiting for the Regional Scheme."
- (b) Deputy John Geoghegan:
- "I will propose that the pier at Shruffane, Carraroe be  
raised 18" to protect the fishing boats."
  - "That the road to factory at Collahige be tarred."
- (c) Clr. William Burke:
- "That a public lavatory be provided for Dunmore."

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- "That road leading to Kilbannon Church be widened without further  
delay."
  - "That the dangerous bend at C-stletown, Tullinadaly be removed."
- (d) Clr. John Flaherty: "I will ask the Secretary at our next meeting  
what contribution of the rates of this county goes to the cost of  
the Health Services."
- (e) Clr. P. Ruane:
- "That this Council call on the authority concerned to release  
all political prisoners immediately."
  - "That this council deplores the action of the Military Tribunal  
in sentencing John Joe McGill, a public representative of the  
people of Leitrim, to 2 years imprisonment."
- (f) Deputy A. Millar: "That this council is of opinion that the lunch  
break for Council employees should be altered from 12 a.m. to 1 p.m.,  
as it exists at present, to 12.30 to 1.30. The reason being that  
there is a tea break at 10 a.m. and the fast from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.  
is far too long."
- (g) Senator M. Killilea: I will ask the Secretary at the next meeting  
of the County Council to give the Council the following information:-
- The number of wells sunk and pumps erected each year from and  
including 1957 and the cost in each year.
  - The cost of maintenance each year in above period.
  - The amount spent in each of those years on Urban and small town  
Water supplies.
  - The cost of maintenance of those.
  - The number of applications for pumps on hands.
- (h) Clr. J. Ridge:
- "I propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that  
all Home Assistance Officers with a salary of £8. per week be made  
whole-time."
  - TAKE NOTICE that I intend to propose the following resolution  
at the next meeting of the County Council:-
- (a) That the County Secretary be directed to furnish to me  
detailed particulars by way of expenses to all members. Such  
details to include expenses paid in respect of attendance at  
meetings of the Hospital and all other Committees.
- (b) That when furnishing such particulars the County Secretary  
shall state whether any of the members attending such  
meetings of the Council or Committee meetings are in receipt  
of travelling or other allowances from any other Board such  
as Bord Failte or any other Tourist Association.
- (i) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
- Whether any report has been received from the deputation which  
was appointed to meet Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Galway  
re Mentally Handicapped children.
  - That nuisance near Catholic Church at Newbridge be remedied  
immediately.
  - That parking space for vehicles be provided outside Killrerin  
Church, Barnaderg. (Grant)

4. That Blind Welfare Allowance be paid to recipients by post.
  5. That arrangements be made for the introduction of "shorter working week" as provided in estimates.
  6. I will ask for details regarding the number of people who in the past three months have been requested to pay for X-Ray services, some of which were provided in 1955.
  7. In view of the fact that provision has been made in the estimates for the appointment of Public Health nurses, I propose that applications be invited for the posts.
  8. That in order to allay any anxiety that may exist in the County regarding outbreak of smallpox in England, I will ask the County Medical Officer to make a statement on the matter.
  9. That a further expansion of School Health Services be introduced by the County Medical Officer.
  10. That this Council requests the Department of Education and the Council Scholarship Committee to formulate a scheme for the provision of scholarships to Technological Colleges.
  11. That this Council supports the Galway Trades Council in their efforts to have a Technological College established in this county.
  12. That wages of road workers be increased.
  13. I will ask questions regarding the Secondary, Vocational and other approved schools scholarship Scheme.
  14. That interested organisations be given representation on the various sub committees etc. of the County Council.
  15. That the people be informed of "their rights" under the Health Act.
  16. That the question of re-opening the smaller quarries be considered by the County Engineer.
  17. I will question the Assistant County Manager regarding the sale and transfer of cottages vested under the Labourers Act, 1936.
  18. That travelling time be given to road workers etc.
- (j) Clr. P. Joyce:
1. "That a car park and turntable be provided at the end of the County Road at Eyreford beach."
  2. "That Mr. Warner, M.E., County Engineer make a general statement on his policy for the Connemara area regarding local quarries."
- (k) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
1. I will propose that the decision to appoint two rate collectors be rescinded on the following grounds:-
    - (a) Information regarding the cost of collecting rates by office system in No. 35 district was not given to Council despite a proposal for such information at a recent meeting.
    - (b) The refusal of the Chairman to accept an amendment by Clr. Cox.
    - (c) It is the duty of the Council to collect rates by the cheapest system.
  2. That a loan be obtained for the repair of the road from Abbeygrey to Mount Mary which was formerly maintained by the County Council.

3. That the Killasolan area (now in Ballygar Dispensary District) be transferred to Mountbellew Dispensary District.
  4. That we recommend to the County Manager that Old Age Pension etc. should not be included when assessing the rent to be paid by tenants under differential Rents System.
  5. Whether any circular letter has been received by the Council calling for the release of Republican Prisoners.
  6. That this Council calls for the unconditional release of Republican Prisoners at present imprisoned in England and occupied Ireland.
22. Replies to questions already submitted by members.
23. Other business.
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 26th MAY, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy Michael Carty  
(2) Senator Mark Killilea

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, King, Deputy Kitt, Ctrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Sirr.

2878 - ABBEYKNOCKMOY TOLLS & MARKETS: Notice of the special meeting which was sent to each member of the Council on 12th April, 1962 was submitted.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that before taking any action in regard to the fairs and markets at Abbeyknockmoy, the farmers in the area should be consulted. Clr. O'Ceallaigh recommended that consideration of this matter be deferred.

Clr. P. Collins proposed that the Council do not adopt Section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878 in relation to the town of Abbeyknockmoy.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

The Assistant County Manager explained that the adoption of Section 103 does not mean that the Council will necessarily do all or any of the things set out in the notice sent to the members on 12th April, 1962.

That the County Council is the owner of the fair rights in Abbeyknockmoy and has to exercise these rights and that at present all that will be done will be to control the dates of the fairs and the collection of the tolls.

Clr. P. Ruane seconded Clr. Collins' proposal.

The Chairman stated that there is no intention on the part of the Council that new fairs will be established at Abbeyknockmoy and the adoption of Section 103 will merely legalise what the Council has done already in purchasing the fair rights at Abbeyknockmoy.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that consideration of this matter be deferred.

Clr. P. Galvin proposed that the Council hereby adopt the provisions of Section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and decide to do the following things or all or any of them in the town of Abbeyknockmoy in the Electoral Division of Abbey West and 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.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the Chairman stated that the adoption of this section will not prevent the establishment of a mart at Abbeyknockmoy.

Clr. P. Patten supported Clr. Collins' proposal.

Clr. G. Kelly seconded the proposal made by Clr. P. Galvin.

Mr. P.J. O'Donoghue, Abbeyknockmoy, speaking on behalf of a deputation from Abbeyknockmoy stated that that town desired that the fairs be left as they are at present.

The Secretary explained that the fair rights and fair green at Abbey had been purchased by the Council in accordance with the Council's approval as given in Minute No. 9876 of 7th January, 1956; that the adoption of Section 103 will give the Council the power to control the property and rights which it has purchased.

Clr. P. Collins withdrew his proposal.

Clr. P. Galvin's proposal was then put to the Council and adopted by all present with the exception of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh who dissented.

THE SPECIAL MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*Michael Carty*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty* Chairman.

*Date: 7/7/62*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 26th MAY, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Senator M. Killilea.  
(2) Deputy M. Carty.

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, King, Deputy Kitt, Ctrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Sirr.

2879 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meeting to No. 2877 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh objected to the signing of the Minutes and challenged the accuracy of Minute No. 2866. Clr. O'Ceallaigh stated that on that occasion Clr. Cox rose to propose that consideration of the filling of the vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 and 36 be deferred and the Chairman stated that he would not accept that proposal from Clr. Cox.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that the Council's legal adviser be consulted.

The Secretary stated that the question of consideration of the filling of the vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 and 36 was first placed on the Agenda for the meeting summoned for 27th January, 1962; it was adjourned until the April meeting and as it was so far advanced in the year, it was essential that some definite decision be taken about the matter at the April meeting and that therefore the Chairman was not prepared to accept any recommendation for further deferring of consideration.

Clr. Cox stated that he had made a proposal not a recommendation and that the Chairman had refused to accept that proposal.

The Chairman sought a show of hands to decide if the Council approved the signing of the minutes as a correct record and it was agreed that the minutes be approved confirmed and signed by the Chairman, Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh dissenting.

On the proposition of Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan, it was unanimously decided that the meeting be adjourned for lunch until 2.30 p.m. and the meeting was then adjourned.

ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING SENATOR M. KILLILEA AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

2880 - AGRICULTURAL GRANT: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked that the Council be informed of the amount by which Galway County will benefit through the increase in the Agricultural Grant showing the increased benefit -

- (a) to farmers of £20. valuation or under
- (b) to farmers of over £20. valuation

2881 - HOSPITAL CHARGES: Referring to a recent discussion at a Council meeting in which it was stated that patients sent by Mayo County Council to Galway Regional Hospital are paid for at the rate of 27/6d. a day, Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that patients from Roscommon County Council treated in the Regional Hospital are paid for at the rate of 20/8d. a day only.

2882 - OVERDRAFT: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Canning, the Council approved the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on General Account not exceeding £300,000. for the quarter ending 30th September, 1962.

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2883 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Council noted the particulars of malicious damage claims as set out in item 2 of the Agenda.

Referring to the claim by the Minister for lands for £900. for damage to the state forest at Woodford, Clr. J. Canning stated that he has frequently seen itinerants camping near forests and lighting fires at their camps and asked why these people are not being prosecuted. Clr. Canning also considered that the inspection of State Forests for fire outbreaks during dangerous periods of the year would be a service which could be usefully performed by a helicopter.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Canning, it was decided to refer Clr. Canning's recommendations to the Forestry Department.

2884 - LANDING PLACE AT STAID, TRUISCIN: The Gaeltacht Department's letter of 23rd February, 1962 was submitted offering 100% grant for works at Staid, Truiscin Landing Place at an estimated cost of £3,250. on the condition that the Council will maintain the works when completed.

The County Engineer's letter of 8th March, 1962 was submitted stating that he did not recommend acceptance of responsibility for future maintenance of this work in view of the large number of piers in Connemara for which the Council is already responsible.

Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that the boat supplied by Bord Iascaigh Mhara already lands at this place and that it is expected that further such boats will be landing there in the near future; that the pier is in a very sheltered position and not likely to be damaged by storm.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved the taking of responsibility for the future maintenance of the work at the landing place at Staid, Truiscin when the work will be completed.

2885 - VISITING COMMITTEE: The Minutes of meeting of the Visiting Committee for the following meetings having been circulated to the members were submitted:-

- (a) St. Brendan's Home - 21/12/1961 and 23/3/1962.
- (b) Our Lady of Fatima Hospital - 28/12/1961 and 7/4/1962.
- (c) Galway Regional Hospital - 6/1/1962 and 9/3/1962.

The Assistant County Manager in reply to Deputy Coogan stated that the question of improvement of the ambulance services is still under consideration.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that he has received complaints that the food being supplied at the Galway Regional Hospital is unpalatable and he suggested that the Council investigate the possibility of obtaining the services of a young chef from the training school in Athenry to advise on improvement of the food.

Clr. P. Patten stated that he had personal experience of the food in the Galway Regional Hospital and does not agree at all with what has been stated by Deputy Coogan.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh drew attention to Minute No. 2 of Visiting Committee meeting held at Galway Regional Hospital on 6th January, 1962 - nurses' food.

2886 - SICK PAY SCHEME FOR SERVANTS: The Secretary stated that this scheme which was adopted by the Council with effect from 1st July, 1961 is subject to annual review; that in view of the experience up to date the estimated annual cost for the year to 30th June, 1962



will be £3,600.

The Chairman congratulated Clr. Cox on the introduction of this scheme and on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, it was resolved that this scheme be continued for a further year to 31st March, 1963.

Deputy J. Geoghegan recommended that men be given advice in regard to the necessity for prompt submission of certificates and Clr. Cox requested that everything possible be done to expedite payment of benefit due under the scheme.

**2887 - FIRE SERVICES:** It was decided to leave it to the Chairman to fix the date for the next meeting of the Fire Services Committee.

Clr. J. Glynn stated that since the water pressure is not sufficient for fire fighting in Dunmore town, a pump is required there and it was recommended by the Council that consideration be given to this request.

**2888 - SCHOOL MEALS (GAELTACHT) GRANT:** Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the Council seek an increase in the School Meals (Gaeltacht) Grant and considered that it would be desirable that school meals would be provided in every school in the County.

Clr. J. Donnellan stated that it is not desirable that the teachers be required to prepare the food and be responsible for preventing injury to the children by burns or scalding.

It was unanimously agreed that the Council request that the School Meals (Gaeltacht) Grant be increased.

**2889 - COUNTY GALWAY OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE:** On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. P. Sirr, the Council approved the extension of Mr. David Egan's employment as temporary clerk to the County Old Age Pension Committee for a period of six months from 1st June to 30th November, 1962 inclusive.

**2890 - CAUSEWAY TO INCHQUIN ISLAND:** As required in Minute No. 2799 the County Engineer's letter of 24th April, 1962 was submitted giving the estimated cost of the causeway 1200 - 1250 yards long including one bridge to allow boats through with concrete drainage pipes, protection walls and an average width of carriage way of 10 feet, at £15,500.

The Chairman recommended that the Council now ask the Land Commission, the Special Employment Schemes Office, and Bord Failte to state what amount these bodies would contribute towards the cost of this work.

It was proposed by Clr. T. King and seconded by Clr. P. Ruane that the Council undertake to contribute 50% of the cost of this work. The proposal was supported by Clrs. P. Patten and J. Donnellan.

Clrs. J. Lambert and J. Canning considered that the Council should ask the Land Commission to transfer the islanders to the mainland.

Clr. Cox considered that it is the Council's duty to provide the causeway.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that the problem is primarily one for the Land Commission and that a 75% grant should be given for the work.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan and seconded by Clr. P. Sirr that the Land Commission, Special Employment Schemes Office and Bord Failte together be requested to contribute 75% of the cost of this work.

Clr. P. Galvin supported Clr. King's proposal.

Senator M. Killilea supported Deputy F. Coogan's proposal.

The Chairman again recommended that the Council seek the co-operation of the other bodies interested and leave the amount to be contributed by the Council undecided until a reply be received from the other bodies. This recommendation was supported by Deputy Millar.

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken and as a result 14 supported Clr. King's proposal and nine supported Deputy Coogan's proposal.

The Chairman declared Clr. King's proposal carried.

**2891 - GALWAY COURTHOUSE RECONSTRUCTION:** The Secretary read the County Manager's letter of 19th April, 1962 in which it was pointed out that it appears that there is no alternative to transferring the library premises out of the courthouse and building new library premises elsewhere and suggesting that the Council should appoint a small number of its members to meet representatives of the Galway Corporation and the Office of Public Works to consider the possibility of providing a building which would accommodate the County Library, the Corporation Offices and Council Chamber and possibly an office to accommodate some Department of State.

The Chairman stated that the Council would be reluctant to embark on any large scheme at present involving considerable expenditure and proposed that consideration of this matter be deferred for a year. Deputy A. Millar seconded.

The Deputy Manager stated that in any case it is essential that the Courthouse be reconstructed and that this work cannot be carried out satisfactorily without removing the library; that a State Grant will not be given for a reconstruction of the library premises in their present location and that nothing can be gained by deferring consideration for a year.

Clr. P. Sirr opposed any such expenditure and considered that courthouses should be the responsibility of the Government.

Clr. T. King stated that satisfactory library premises cannot be provided in the Courthouse; that there is long need for a municipal building in Galway; that it is understood that the Fisheries Department will be transferred to Galway. Clr. King proposed and Deputy Coogan seconded that a sub-committee be appointed to investigate this matter and report back to the Council.

Clr. J. Glynn supported Clr. King's proposal.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh supported Clr. Carty's proposal and also held that the courthouses should be government responsibility.

Eventually, Clr. Carty withdrew his proposal and it was agreed that the following members of the sub-committee be appointed to represent the Galway County Council and to report back to the Council on their recommendation:-

Clrs. P. Galvin, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clr. P. Patten, Deputy M. Carty, Clr. T. King.

**2892 - PARISH HALL AT TULLY, BALLYNAHOWN:** Letter of 26th April, 1962 from Rev. Fr. Moran, C.C., Tully, was submitted requesting that the Council make a grant for provision of a Parish Hall at Tully, Ballynahown.

The application was refused by the Council on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert.

**2893 - FAIR RIGHTS IN VARIOUS TOWNS:** In accordance with Minute No. 2433 of 27th May, 1961, correspondence in connection with the question of acquiring fair rights in various towns in the County was submitted.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan that consideration of this matter be adjourned indefinitely.

It was proposed by Clr. T. King and seconded by Clr. P. Joyce that with a view to getting the fairs off the streets, the Council consider the acquisition of the fair rights in cases in which agreement can be obtained with the owners on reasonable terms.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh supported Deputy Carty's proposal and Clr. J. Dowd supported Clr. King's proposal.

A discussion ensued and eventually the Chairman put it to the Council and it was agreed that consideration of this matter be adjourned indefinitely.

2894 - ROAD WIDENING ORANMORE-CL. RENBRIDGE ROAD: Arising out of Minute No. 2853 of 28th April, 1962, the Secretary read the County Engineer's letter of 21st May, 1962 and stated that an error was made originally when laying out the work on paper; the documents used, therefore, involved an error on the ground which, if the place had been level would not have made any difference; as there was a high point and a low point, too much gravel was placed on the former which had to be brought forward to the low point. The extra cost involved was £316. The error was detected initially by the Assistant County Engineer for the district.

The report was noted and the Chairman congratulated the County Engineer on his candid explanation of the matter.

2895 - RATE COLLECTORS FOR DISTRICTS NOS. 28 & 36: The Chairman stated that before dealing with item 14 on the Agenda, it would be necessary to deal first with item No. 21 (k) 1 - Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's proposal that the decision to appoint Rate Collectors for Districts Nos. 28 and 36 be rescinded.

The Chairman explained that since the number of members voting on the motion in Minute No. 2866 of 28th April, 1962, viz. 25, was greater than the number present at this stage of the meeting, the rescission of the resolution would require a two-third majority of those now voting.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by J. Lambert that the decision in Minute No. 2866 of 28th April, 1962 to fill the vacancies for Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 and 36 be rescinded on the grounds stated in Clr. O'Ceallaigh's notice of motion 21 (k) 1 on the Agenda for this meeting.

A vote taken resulted as follows:-

For Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's proposal: Clrs. Collins, Coogan, Cox, Galvin, Kelly, Lambert, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ruane P., and Sirr. (10)

Against: Clrs. Carty, Dowd, Geoghegan, Glynn, Joyce, King, Kyne, Millar and Mullins (9).

The Chairman declared Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's proposal lost.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed and it was agreed that the advice of the Council's solicitor be obtained on the legality of the decision now taken by the County Council and the decision in Minute No. 2866 of 28th April, 1962.

The Council now considered the proposed remuneration for the incoming collectors for rate collection districts Nos. 28 and 36, details of which were circulated to the members along with the Agenda.

The Secretary explained that Collector M. Dillon's application for transfer of portion of District No. 36 to him was considered by the County Manager and refused.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved the remuneration as set out hereunder for the incoming Rate Collectors in Districts Nos. 28 and 36, viz:-

District No. 28.

Salary £405. a year, plus bonus £65. a year subject to the usual conditions in regard to lodgement.

District No. 36

Salary scale £565. x £53. 6s. 8d. = £725. a year, plus bonus £165. a year subject to the usual conditions regarding lodgement.

2896 - REMUNERATION INCREASES: On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council approved increases in remuneration as set out hereunder:-

(a) Medical Officer, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea: - 12½% increase on present salary of £710. a year with effect from 1st August, 1960.

(b) Medical Officer, Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden: 12½% increase on present salary of £365. a year with effect from 1st August, 1960.

(c) Engineering Foreman, Galway Regional Hospital: Increase of £78. a year with effect from 1st October, 1961.

(d) Nurse, Inishboffin District: Increase of £50. a year with effect from 1st April, 1961 making the revised rate of salary from that date £300. a year.

(e) Ambulance Drivers:

Shift Rate for ambulance drivers in Galway Regional Hospital to be increased from 22/- to 25/6d. with effect from 18th November, 1961, inclusive.

Overtime Rate for ambulance drivers at Galway, Clifden & Loughrea to be increased from 3/9d. to 4/3d. an hour with effect from 18th November, 1961, inclusive.

(f) Special Attendants, Galway Regional Hospital: Revision with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive as follows:-

Male: Increase from 15/- to 16/6d. per day or night plus meals.  
Female: Increase from 12/- to 13/6d. per day of night plus meals.

(g) Porter, St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea: Increase of £44. 18s. Od. a year with effect from 18th November, 1961, making the revised remuneration from that date £368. plus emoluments as at present valued at £31. a year.

(h) Technician/Trainee in Public Analyst's Laboratory: Increase of 12/6d. a week from 1st September, 1961 inclusive,

(i) Caretaker, County Clinic, Galway: Increase of 12/5d. a week with effect from 18th November, 1961 inclusive, making the revised rate of wages from that date, £5. 2s. 10d. a week.

2897 - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - COMPLAINT: In accordance with Minute No. 2875 of 28th April, 1962, the correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted, copies of the letters having already been supplied to the members.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that he is not accepting the explanation given by the Lay Superintendent - a lay man. Deputy Coogan stated that he did not request that the patient be admitted to the hospital; that he had only requested that the patient be treated.

Deputy Coogan stated that the child was in the hospital previously. On the occasion in question the parents took the child to the District Medical Officer who was not available; that as the child was very ill, the parents took the child to the hospital where treatment was refused; the child was then taken a further seventeen miles to another doctor

who gave the treatment needed; when the child was taken to the hospital, the doctor there requested a letter from an outside doctor recommending admission for treatment.

The parents explained the reason for the lack of this letter, still the treatment was refused.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved that the Council seek a sworn enquiry into the complaint made by Deputy F. Coogan in regard to the failure of the Galway Regional Hospital to provide the treatment required by the child Bernadette Collins (age 13 months) of Cregg, Claregalway, on 25th January, 1962.

The Chairman stated that Mr. McMahon, Press representative, had asked if the documents circulated to the members of the Council in connection with this complaint could be given to the press.

The Secretary stated that the matter is an individual health function which is an executive function reserved to the Manager.

That this request is, therefore, a matter for the Manager and not for the Council.

2898 - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - MILK PRICES: Arising out of Minute No. 2838 of 24th March, 1962, the Secretary gave particulars of the price per gallon for milk in Galway Regional Hospital and Merlin Park Sanatorium during the period from 1st October, 1960 to 31st March, 1962, showing that in each of these institutions the average price per gallon over the period of 18 months was 3s. 4d. and two-thirds.

It was directed that particulars of the details of the prices be circulated to each member of the Council.

2899 - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - CUTLERY: Referring to Minute No. 1 of 10th March, 1962 in which it was alleged that 100 items of cutlery had been found in the Offal by the Contractor, the Secretary submitted the Lay Superintendent's report of 26th April, 1962. This report stated that the Superintendent had questioned the Offal Contractor and had been assured by him that the only items of cutlery which he had found in the Offal during a number of years past were two broken knives, four bent spoons and three old bent forks. These items appear to have been part of a cancellation at Stocktaking.

The report was noted.

2900 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL: The Secretary read letter of 7th instant from the General Council stating that the Council's resolution as follows was passed unanimously:-

"That this Council recommends reduced charges for maintenance and treatment of children under 16 years in District Institutions."

Clr. O'Ceallaigh referring to the Minutes of meeting of the General Council held on 14th December, 1961, asked why Clr. King, Galway, sought leave to withdraw the motion regarding restoration of the grants under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.

The Chairman stated that Clr. King is a free agent.

2901 - AUDITOR'S REPORT: The Auditor's report on his audit of the accounts of the Western Health Institutions Board for the two years to 31st March, 1961 was submitted and noted.

2902 - TUAM BRASS & REED BAND: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly, the Council approved the making of a contribution under Section 75 of the Local Government Act, 1946 to the Tuam Brass & Reed Band amounting to £20. in each of the two years ended 31st March, 1962 and 1963.

2903 - REMUNERATION INCREASES - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved the following revised remuneration with effect from 1st April, 1961 inclusive for the Assistant Matron and for the Tutor Sister at Galway Regional Hospital in lieu of that previously approved:-

Salary Scale, £665. x £20. - £765. a year, ~~plus~~ <sup>less</sup> £158. for emoluments provided.

2903 - LIBRARY ASSOCIATION: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council appointed the following delegates to attend the annual conference of the Library Association in Butlin's Holiday Camp from 19th to 22nd June, 1962, viz:-

Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn, St. Joseph's, Galway, Deputy Michael F. Kitt, and Mr. S. Bohan, County Librarian.

2904 - DOLEEN BEACH, CARRAROE: Correspondence commencing with Bord Failte Eireann letter of 9th February, 1962 was submitted and on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, it was resolved that the Galway County Council request the Minister for Transport and Power to make an order under the Foreshore Act, 1933, prohibiting the removal of sand or gravel from Doleen Beach at Carraroe, Co. Galway.

2905 - ADJOURNMENT: Consideration of the following items was adjourned until the next ordinary meeting which it was noted would be held on 30th June, 1962:-

No. 21 (a) - 21 (j) inclusive, 21 (k)2- 6 inclusive.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*[Signature]*  
Secretary

Submitted, approved and confirmed.

*[Signature]* Chairman.

Date: 7/7/62

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055.

20 Mheithimh, 1962.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú bliantúil de Chomhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, Gaillimh, an Sathairn, 30 adh la Mheithimh, 1962 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

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

A G E N D A

1. Election of Chairman for year 1962/63.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for year 1962/63.
3. Appointment of representatives on:-
  - (a) Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board.
  - (b) Western Health Institutions Board.
  - (c) County Councils' General Council.
  - (d) Irish Tourist Association.

4. Appointment of Committees:-

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

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Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, De Sathairn, 30 Mheithimh, 1962 ag tosnu nuair a bheid deire leis an gcruinniú bliantúil.

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

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims viz:-
  - (a) Mr. Patrick Madden, Loughrea - Fishing Boat, 13/5/62 - £30.
  - (b) Commissioners of Public Work - Bridge at Lusmagh, 12/5/62, £150.
  - (c) Mrs. B. Curley, Prospect Hill, Galway - Shop Window, 4/6/62, £50.
  - (d) Mr. James Howard, Moorefield, Eyrecourt - damage to house, 9/6/62, £30.
  - (e) Mrs. Lillis, Upper Abbeygate St., Galway - Shop door 10/6/62, £12. 10s. Od.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan £6,000. for Public Analyst's Laboratory.
4. Raising of loan of £5,000. for Kilcolgan Bridge Reconstruction.
5. Water Safety, Swimming Pools and Tidy Beaches - Local Government letter L. 5/62 of 19/5/62 - Copy attached.
6. Swimming Pools for -
  - (a) Ballinasloe
  - (b) Tuam
7. Dunmore Water Supply - Extension to Clooneen.
8. Salary Increases:-
  - (a) Salary of acting Matron at Regional Hospital (£838. from 28/8/61)
  - (b) Salaries of County Engineer and County Medical Officer - 12½% increase from 1/11/1961.
  - (c) Allowance for Technician "on call" at Regional Hospital Laboratory viz:-

£1. a week plus £1. for each night on duty after the first night called out in each week.
  - (d) Dispensary Caretaker at Kiltormer - increase from £15. to £20. a year from 1/4/62.

- (c) 1. Regional Consultants and Specialists at Galway Regional Hosp.  
2. Health Inspectors.

The Revised salaries approved in Minute No. 2839 of 24/3/62 with effect from 1/4/1961 to be paid with effect from 1/8/1960.

9. Creation of the following posts:-

(a) Regional Hospital.

- 20 Staff Nurses.  
1 Staff Nurse with midwifery qualifications.  
20 Probationary nurses.  
1 pupil midwife.

(b) St. Brendan's Home.

- 3 Staff Nurses.

10. Memorandum on Health Services to be submitted to Government Committee. (Copy will be sent out later).

11. Mental Hospital Services for Galway and Roscommon - Department of Health letter L. 2A/17 of 16/6/62.

12. Rate Collector Vacancies - Districts Nos. 28 and 36 - Solicitor's advice (Minute No. 2895 of 26/5/62).

13. Improvement of road to Ross Erilly Friary, Headford.

14. Road widening at Newcastle, Galway - approval to arrangements for compulsory acquisition of land required.

15. County Councils' General Council - items for next agenda.

16. Members' Notices of Motion:-

(a) Clr. Seamus Kyne: "That the Galway County Council implement a water supply group scheme for Cornamona while they are waiting for the Regional Scheme".

(b) Deputy John Geoghegan:

1. "I will propose that the pier at Shruffane, Carraroe be raised 18" to protect the fishing boats."
2. "That the road to factory at Collahige be tarred."

(c) Clr. William Burke:

1. "That a public lavatory be provided for Dunmore."
2. "That road leading to Kilbannon Church be widened without delay."
3. "That the dangerous bend at Castletown, Tullinadaly be removed."

(d) Clr. John Flaherty: "I will ask the Secretary at our next meeting what contribution of the rates of this county goes to the cost of the Health Services."

(e) Clr. P. Ruane:

1. "That this Council call on the authority concerned to release all political prisoners immediately."
2. "That this Council deplores the action of the Military

Tribunal in sentencing John Joe McGill, a public representative of the people of Leitrim, to 2 years imprisonment."

(f) Deputy A. Millar: "That this Council is of opinion that the lunch break for Council employees should be altered from 12 a.m. to 1 p.m., as it exists at present, to 12.30 to 1.30. The reason being that there is a tea break at 10 a.m. and the fast from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. is far too long."

(g) Senator M. Killilea: I will ask the Secretary at the next meeting of the County Council to give the Council the following information:-

1. The number of wells sunk and pumps erected each year from and including 1957 and the cost in each year.
2. The cost of maintenance each year in above period.
3. The amount spent in each of those years on Urban and small town Water supplies.
4. The cost of maintenance of those.
5. The number of applications for pumps on hands.

(h) Clr. J. Ridge:

1. "I propose at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that all Home Assistance Officers with a salary of £8. per week be made whole-time."

2. TAKE NOTICE that I intend to propose the following resolution at the next meeting of the County Council:-

(a) That the County Secretary be directed to furnish to me detailed particulars by way of expenses to all members. Such details to include expenses paid in respect of attendance at meetings of the Hospital and all other Committees.

(b) That when furnishing such particulars the County Secretary shall state whether any of the members attending such meetings of the Council or Committee meetings are in receipt of travelling or other allowances from any other Board such as Bord Failte or any other Tourist Association.

(i) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:

1. Whether any report has been received from the deputation which was appointed to meet Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Galway re Mentally Handicapped Children.
2. That nuisance near Catholic Church at Newbridge be remedied immediately.
3. That parking space for vehicles be provided outside Killereerin Church, Barnaderg. (Grant).
4. That Blind Welfare Allowance be paid to recipients by post.
5. That arrangements be made for the introduction of "shorter working week" as provided in estimates.
6. I will ask for details regarding the number of people who in the past three months have been requested to pay for X-Ray services, some of which were provided in 1955.
7. In view of the fact that provision has been made in the estimates for the appointment of Public Health nurses, I propose that applications be invited for the posts.

8. That in order to allay any anxiety that may exist in the County regarding outbreak of smallpox in England, I will ask the County Medical Officer to make a statement on the matter.
  9. That a further expansion of School Health Services be introduced by the County Medical Officer.
  10. That this Council requests the Department of Education and the Council Scholarship Committee to formulate a scheme for the provision of scholarships to Technological Colleges.
  11. That this Council supports the Galway Trades Council in their efforts to have a Technological College established in this county.
  12. That wages of road workers be increased.
  13. I will ask questions regarding the Secondary, Vocational and other approved schools scholarship Scheme.
  14. That interested organisations be given representation on the various sub-committees etc., of the County Council.
  15. That the people be informed of "their rights" under the Health Act.
  16. That the question of re-opening the smaller quarries be considered by the County Engineer.
  17. I will question the Assistant County Manager regarding the sale and transfer of cottages vested under the Labourers Act, 1936.
  18. That travelling time be given to road workers etc.
- (j) Clr. P. Joyce:
1. "That a car park and turntable be provided at the end of the County Road at Eyreford beach."
  2. "That Mr. Warner, M.E., County Engineer make a general statement on his policy for the Connemara area regarding local quarries."
- (k) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
1. That a loan be obtained for the repair of the road from Abbeygrey to Mount Mary which was formerly maintained by the County Council.
  2. That the Killasolan area (now in Ballygar Dispansary District) be transferred to Mountbellew Dispansary District.
  3. That we recommend to the County Manager that Old Age Pension etc. should not be included when assessing the rent to be paid by tenants under differential Rents System.
  4. Whether any circular letter has been received by the Council calling for the release of Republican Prisoners.
  5. That this Council calls for the unconditional release of Republican Prisoners at present imprisoned in England and occupied Ireland.
- (l) Clrs. J. Donnellan & J. Geoghegan: "We will propose at the next meeting that something be done to relieve the flooding in front of Mark Folan's shop, Kyleroe caused by work carried out on road."

- (m) Clr. J. Glynn: "That a booster pump be provided for the Dunmore Water Supply."
- (n) Clr. T. King: "I will ask the County Manager to state what action has been taken, or is intended to be taken on the report on Piped Water Supply presented to us on February, 1961."
17. Replies to questions already submitted by members.
18. Other business.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Telephone.  
Galway 2055

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

25th June, 1962

To each member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Please note the following addition to the agenda for the ordinary meeting of the Galway County Council to be held on Saturday 30th June, 1962 viz:-

- 1 (a) Making of Rates and signing and sealing of Rate Books for the year ending 31st March, 1963.
- 1 (b) Making and sealing the demands on Galway Corporation and on Ballinasloe Urban District Council for the year ending 31st March, 1963.

Mise, le meas,

L.O'LUANAIGH,  
Runal

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 30TH JUNE, 1962.

In the Chair: Deputy Michael Carty.

Also Present: Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Greene, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Kyne, Senator Lehiffe, Clr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., and Ruane P.

No. 2906 - Chairman: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty, and resolved that Deputy Michael Carty be re-elected Chairman of the Galway County Council for the year 1962/63.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that he was not taking any part in the election of Chairman or Vice-Chairman, but that his attitude did not mean that there was anything personal in his abstention.

Deputy Carty thanked the members for electing him as Chairman.

No. 2907 - Vice-Chairman: It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. W. Burke and resolved that Senator Mark Killilea be re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1962/63.

No. 2908 - Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board: The Secretary stated that the number of representatives to be appointed on the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board for the coming year was 16, i.e. the same number as in the past year.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that persons others than members of the Council, who because of their special qualifications are suitable, be appointed members of this Board. He suggested that the Chairman of the Medical Association be appointed a member of the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board.

The Chairman stated that it would be necessary to propose the name of the person recommended.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh then proposed the election of Dr. M. J. Dyar, Loughrea. This proposal was not seconded.

It was then proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins and resolved that the existing representatives of the Galway County Council on the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

No. 2909 - Western Health Institutions Board: It was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Clr. P. Collins and resolved that the existing two representatives of the Galway County Council on the Western Health Institutions Board, viz Deputy Michael Carty and Clr. Thomas King be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked if the persons appointed have to carry out the directions of the County Council.

The Chairman stated that those appointed act in the best interests of the Western Health Institutions Board and have regard to the wishes of the Galway County Council.

Clr. J. Lambert proposed that the Minister for Health be asked to increase the representation of Galway County on this Board.

The Chairman stated that while representations on this matter had been made already, the Council must accept that at present the position is that only two representatives can be appointed; that if Clr. Lambert wishes to have this matter considered further, he should put down a Notice of Motion to that effect for an ordinary meeting of the Council.

No. 2910 - Rates: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved:-

"that the Council hereby allow and make the rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1963, as assessed in the Rate Books, and that the Rate Books be sealed with the Seal of the Council".

The Rate Books were then sealed.

No. 2911 - Demands on Urban Authorities: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Geoghegan and resolved:-

"that the demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the Ballinasloe Urban District Council for the year ending 31st March, 1963, be signed by the Chairman and Secretary and sealed with the seal of the Council".

The demands were then signed and sealed.

The Rates Arrears Lists at 31st March, 1962, were submitted and noted.

No. 2912 - Sympathy: Deputy Carty, Chairman stated that since the previous meeting, Clr. Peter Sirr, a very popular member of the Council, who had always acted in the best interests of his constituents, had died. Deputy Carty proposed, and Clr. P. Patten seconded that the deepest sympathy of the Council be conveyed to the wife, family and mother of Clr. P. Sirr, and that as a mark of respect, the meeting be adjourned until Saturday, 7th July, 1962, at 12.30p.m. This proposal was supported by all members present, and was adopted unanimously.

The County Manager and Secretary joined in the expression of sympathy.

It was arranged that High Mass for the repose of Mr. Sirr's soul would be held in the Pro Cathedral, Galway, on Saturday, 7th July, 1962, at 11a.m.

Resolutions of sympathy were also adopted with the following:-

the widow and son of the late Michael O Cathain, Carraroe, the relatives of the late Nicholas Hughes, Moylough, the Keane family, Bohermore, on the death of their son, The Cummins family, Devonpark, Galway, on the death of their father, the Naughton family, Fr. Burke Road, Galway, on the death of their father.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*[Signature]*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty Chairman*

*Date: 7/7/62*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

2nd July, 1962.

Galway 2055

To:  
Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Meeting.

After appointing the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, the members of the Joint Bodies, and after the making of the Rate and the sealing of the demands on the urban authorities, the Council on Saturday, 30th ultimo, adjourned all further business until Saturday 7th instant.

It is requested that you will attend the adjourned meeting on Saturday, 7th July, 1962, at the County Buildings, Galway, at which the Council will consider the remaining items on the Agenda already circulated.

A Solemn High Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Mr. Peter Sirr, County Councillor, will be celebrated at the Pro-Cathedral, Galway, at 11a.m. on Saturday, 7th instant, and it is requested that all members of the Council will be present.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH.

Runai.

AGENDA FOR MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL on 7TH JULY, 1962.

Please note the following additions to the above:-

- 16(0) Notice of Motion by the Chairman, Deputy M. Carty - (1) "At the next meeting, I, or some other Councillor acting for me shall ask the County Council to direct the County Manager to purchase forthwith the residence at Mountbellew offered to the Council by Dr. E. Scully at a price to be fixed by the Council. (2) "Consideration by Council of proposals for re-organising the County ambulance services".

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

5th July, 1962.

To:  
Each Member of Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Please add the following item to the agenda for the meeting of the County Council to be held on 7th July, 1962:-

Proposal to grant a further increase of twopence per hour for a forty-five hour week to road workers and a similar increase to other employees whose wages are related to the wages of road workers; the increase to have effect as from 1st April, 1962.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH.

Runai.