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# **GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL MINUTES**

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 7th JULY, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: 1. Deputy Michael Carty.  
2. Senator Mark Killilea.

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

2913 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL: It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea and seconded by Deputy M. Kitt that the existing three representatives of the Galway County Council on the County Councils' General Council viz. Deputy Michael Carty, Clr. J.J. Ruane and Clr. Thomas King be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the representatives appointed should carry out the directions of the Council and he proposed that Deputy F. Coogan be appointed to represent the Galway County Council on the County Councils' General Council.

Deputy F. Coogan withdrew his name and the proposal made by Senator Killilea was approved.

2914 - IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION: On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins, it was unanimously resolved that Clr. J. Glynn, the existing representative of the Galway County Council on the Irish Tourist Association, be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

2915 - VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS: Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, stated that the late Clr. P. Sirr was a member of the Visiting Committee and that it is the wish of the Council that any appointment to replace the late Clr. Sirr shall not be made for a period of three months.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. J. Ridge that as there are only 26 patients in Clifden District Hospital, the Visiting Committee for that hospital shall consist of one representative of the Council from each electoral area. After further discussion the Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken on Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposal, the result of which three voted for and the remainder voted against.

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

It was then proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Clr. M. Mannion and resolved that the existing 20 members of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

2916 - COUNTY LIBRARIES' COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved that the existing 22 members of the County Libraries' Committee be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

2917 - NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce and resolved that the existing 5 members of the National Monuments Advisory Committee proper and the existing 8 honorary members of that committee be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

2918 - EDUCATION (SCHOLARSHIPS) COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, and seconded by Clr. J. Geoghegan that the existing 20 members of the Education (Scholarships) Committee be re-appointed for the year 1962/63.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that teachers' organisations be given representation on this committee.

This proposal was not seconded.



The Chairman declared this proposal for re-appointment of the existing members carried.

2919 - OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved, that the existing members of all Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees, other than those who had not attended a meeting of the sub-committee during the six months ended 31st May, 1962, be re-appointed for the year 1962/63, and that particulars of vacancies existing on committees be circulated to the members along with the Agenda for the next ordinary meeting of the Council so that consideration of the filling of the vacancies may be made at that meeting.

2920 - LATE CLR. PETER SIRR: Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, on behalf of the family of the late Mr. Peter SIRR, Co.C., thanked the Council for having High Mass offered for the repose of Clr. SIRR's soul and for the Council's expression of sympathy with the widow and relatives.

2921 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 2912 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the Secretary stated that the plot known as Abbeyknockmoy Fairgreen is situated in the townland of Calliagh North near the dispensary residence.

In reply to a further enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that in Headford town on a recent occasion, a hose owned by a resident was left running for up to three hours with a consequent waste of water; that there is no restriction on normal use of hoses for washing the pathway or street in front of premises after fairs.

2922 - ROAD MATERIAL: Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that he had received several deputations recently protesting against the importation of road material into the County from firms such as Roadstone, while he considered that adequate supplies of such material could be obtained from quarries in the county.

Deputy Geoghegan also stated that some gangers with long service have been laid off work in Connemara recently; that the Council might meet the gangers and supervisors to discuss this matter with them.

Deputy Geoghegan considered that if all costs were taken into account, local quarries are more economical for production of road material.

Clrs. P. Joyce and P. O'Ceallaigh protested at the raising of this matter at this stage as they had notices of motion on the Agenda in regard to it.

The Chairman asked the County Engineer to reply - the reply to cover the notices of motion as well as Deputy Geoghegan's enquiry.

The County Engineer stated that while he would prefer when possible to supply all material from the Council's pits at New Inn and Tonabrocky, it has been found necessary when large quantities of material are required urgently, to purchase such material from Roadstone quarry at Castlebar for places not too far distant from that quarry when such material could be obtained at a reasonable price; that road material had also been purchased from another quarry outside Galway, in cases where large quantities were required and could not be provided as economically by the Council's depots.

The County Engineer stated that he has received representations in regard to only one ganger who has been laid off work; that there is no vacancy available for this man at present but that the fact that he is available will be borne in mind.

The County Engineer stated that he is satisfied that what has been done is in the best interests of the Council and is the most economical way of providing the material.

The Chairman asked if in slack periods a reserve of material could not be built up.

The County Engineer stated that this is not possible as the existing pits are working to the maximum capacity.

Senator J. Mannion asked if the County Engineer would, at next meeting, give the quantity and cost of a supply of chippings recently delivered in the vicinity of Cleggan village.

The Chairman stated that the Council's policy is that pits or quarries in the county should be worked rather than that road material should be imported from outside; that it will be arranged that this matter will be discussed later at a special meeting which will be held to consider water supplies and this item.

THE MEETING WAS NOW ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 3 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

2923 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Council noted that malicious damage claims as set out in item 2 (a) - (e) on the Agenda had been received.

2924 - LOAN FOR PUBLIC ANALYST'S LABORATORY: It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 18th day of May, 1962 of the Minister for Health, the sum of £6,000. be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the erection and equipment of the Public Analyst's Laboratory at Galway, 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.

2925 - KILCOLGAN BRIDGE: The Secretary stated that the County Engineer's estimate for the carrying out of the erection of Kilcolgan Bridge and approaches is £20,000., 75% of which will be met by way of government grant, the balance £5,000. to be met by the Council.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly and resolved that the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £5,000. from the National Bank Limited for provision of a bridge and approach roads at Kilcolgan; 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.

2926 - WATER SAFETY ETC: Department of Local Government letter L. 5/62 of 19th May, 1962 was submitted and noted, copies of the letter having been sent to the members already.

Deputy F. Coogan referred to the danger of broken bottles on beaches and suggested that warning notices might be erected to prevent this abuse.

2927 - SWIMMING POOLS: Consideration of item 6 (a) and (b) on the Agenda, viz. swimming pools for Ballinasloe and Tuam was deferred to a later meeting.

2928 - DUNMORE WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION: Correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted and on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. W. Burke, the Council approved the extension of the Dunmore Water Supply to serve 20 houses at Clooneen at a total



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estimated cost of £2,589. towards which a contribution of £400. will be made by the Office of Public Works.

**2929 - INCREASES IN REMUNERATION:** Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the Council approve the increases in remuneration listed at 8 (a) to (e) inclusive on the Agenda with the exception of that at 8 (e) 1, viz. the increased remuneration for Regional Consultants and Specialists at Galway Regional Hospital for the period from 1st August, 1960 to 31st March 1961 inclusive. This proposal was not seconded.

The County Manager explained that this increase had already been given in other Regional Hospitals with effect from 1st August, 1960 inclusive.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved that the Council approve the following increases in remuneration:-

- (a) Acting Matron at Galway Regional Hospital - Increase of £73. a year from 28th August, 1961 inclusive, making revised salary from that date £838. a year.
- (b) An increase of 12½% with effect from 1st November, 1961 inclusive in the remuneration of the County Engineer and County Medical Officer, making the revised scale of remuneration from that date £2,115. x £72. 10s. Od. - £2,405. a year.
- (c) An allowance for the technician "on call" at Galway Regional Hospital Laboratory, viz. £1. a week plus £1. for each night on duty after the first night called out in each week.
- (d) An increase of £5. a year with effect from 1st April, 1962 in the remuneration of the Dispensary Caretaker at Kiltormer, making revised remuneration from that date £20. a year.
- (e) Regional Consultants & Specialists at Galway Regional Hospital and Health Inspectors:-

The revised salaries approved in Minute No. 2839 of 24th March, 1962 with effect from 1st April, 1961 to be paid with effect from 1st August, 1960 inclusive.

- (f) An increase of 2d. per hour for a 45 hour week with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive (in addition to the increase of 7s. 6d. a week already approved) for Road Workers and a similar increase for other employees whose wages are related to the wages of Road Workers.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved provision of the additional expenditure required to meet this further increase in the wages of Road Workers etc. for maintenance work.

**2930 - ADDITIONAL NURSING STAFF:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved of creation of the following additional nursing posts so that the requisite additional staff may be employed to reduce the length of the working week:-

- (a) Galway Regional Hospital -

Two Staff Nurses.  
Two Staff Nurses with midwifery qualifications.  
Twenty Probationary Nurses.  
One Pupil Midwife.

- (b) St. Brendan's Home:

Three Staff Nurses.

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Clr. W. Burke stated that he is aware of a case of a Galway trained nurse who has for a year past been trying to obtain employment at the Regional Hospital, while English trained nurses have secured employment there during that period.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the Attendants in St. Brendan's Home work unduly long hours.

**2931 - MEMORANDUM ON HEALTH SERVICES:** The memorandum on Health Services prepared by the Managers for submission to the Government Committee was submitted, copies having already been circulated to the members, and on the proposition of the Chairman it was unanimously decided that consideration of this matter would be adjourned until a special meeting of the Council which would be held on Saturday 14th July, 1962 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

Clr. King suggested that at the same special meeting his notice of motion requesting information regarding progress with the scheme for rural water supplies might be considered.

The Chairman directed that consideration of this latter matter would be deferred until the new Sanitary Services Bill which is being introduced in the Dail will be debated.

At this stage, the Chairman welcomed Mr. Andersen, a member of the Swedish Parliament who was present.

**2932 - MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES:** Department of Health letter L. 2A/17 of 16th June, 1962 was submitted. This letter suggested that Castlereagh Mental Hospital be used as a Mental Hospital to serve Roscommon county and that both Roscommon and Galway Counties provide their own mental health services in future.

The County Manager recommended that in the first instance this matter be considered by the Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board who will then inform the County Council of their views.

The Chairman and Council agreed - a copy of the Department's letter above mentioned, of the County Manager's subsequent letter to the Department and of the Department's reply when available to be sent to the members of the Council.

**2933 - RATE COLLECTORS FOR NOS. 28 & 36 DISTRICTS:** In accordance with Minute 2895 of 26th May, 1962, the Council's Solicitor's letter of 27th June, 1962 was submitted, advising that the action taken by the Council was valid and legally binding.

The letter was noted.

**2934 - ROAD TO ROSS ERILLY FRIARY, HEADFORD:** Correspondence in connection with the improvement of the road to Ross Erilly Friary was submitted showing that the estimated cost of improving the County Road for which the maintenance of which the Council is responsible, is £750. and that the estimated cost of improving the remainder of the access road for which the Council is not responsible is £675. for which Bord Failte Eireann is prepared to allocate a grant.

It was unanimously decided that consideration of this matter be referred to the National Monuments Advisory Committee.

**2935 - ROAD WIDENING AT NEWCASTLE, GALWAY:** Correspondence in connection with the proposed road widening at Newcastle was submitted and the Council's approval was requested to the making of arrangements for compulsory acquisition of the land required from the authorities of University College and from others.

The Chairman informed the Council of the reception of the Council's deputation by the Governing Body of University College, Galway, when the proposal to give the necessary land by agreement was turned down by vote of that Body.



The Chairman stated that in the Regional Hospital, there is a close connection between the Council and the University Authorities and that it is desirable that there should be co-operation between them also and that there always has been such co-operation on the Council side.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan and seconded by Deputy M. Carty, that the Council approve the making of arrangements for compulsory acquisition of the land at Newcastle required for road widening from the authorities of University College, Galway and from others. This proposal was approved by the Council.

**2936 - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - COMPLAINT:** In reference to Minute No. 2897, the Secretary read Department of Health letter A.11/111 of 29th June, 1962 which stated that the Minister is not satisfied on present information, that he would be justified in directing a sworn enquiry; that if however, the Council, on further consideration, remains of opinion that an enquiry should be held and indicates additional grounds in support of that view, he will be prepared to reconsider the matter.

The Department's letter was noted and it was directed that, as requested by Deputy F. Coogan, a copy of the Department's letter of 29th June, 1962 would be supplied to Deputy Coogan.

**2937 - NOTICES OF MOTION:** The Chairman stated that several of the members' notices of motion are not proper for consideration at that meeting as:-

- (a) the information could be obtained by letter from the Council's offices or
- (b) the item should be considered at another meeting e.g. the roads annual meeting or
- (c) the motion does not properly relate to Council business.

The Chairman, therefore, ruled as follows on the following notices of motion.

**Struck Out:** 16 (b) 2, 16 (c) 1, 16 (d), 16 (e), 16 (g) - the information to be supplied by letter.  
16 (h), 16 (i) 1 - 9 inclusive, 16 (i) 11 and 12,  
16 (i) 14, 15 and 17, 16 (k) 4 and 5, 16 (l), (m) & (o)

**Water Supplies etc.:-** 16 (a), and 16 (n),

**Adjourned to Roads Annual Meeting:-** 16 (c) 2 & 3, 16 (f), 16 (i) 18,  
16 (k) 1, 16 (j) 2.

**Referred to Scholarships Committee:-** 16 (i) 10 and 13.

**Struck Out - to discuss with County Engineer:-** 16 (j) 1.

At this stage Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh left the meeting in protest.

DEPUTY M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

**2938 - SHRUFFANE PIER, CARRAROE:** Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that stone is available for improvement of this pier and he proposed and Deputy F. Coogan seconded that the pier be raised by about 18 inches. This proposal was approved by the Council.

**2939 - BALLYGAR & MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY DISTRICTS:** In connection with Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's notice of motion that Killasolan area now in Ballygar Dispensary District, be transferred to Mountbellew Dispensary District, the County Medical Officer's letter of 19th May, 1962 was submitted stating that all dispensary districts are irregular in their lay-out and in his opinion need review; that he considered that Killasolan District is adequately served in the Ballygar Dispensary District and that no medical advantage would be obtained

by its transfer to Mountbellew District.

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

**2940 - DIFFERENTIAL RENTS OF COTTAGES:** With reference to Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion 16 (k) 3, the County Manager stated that the practice has been to take into account income from all sources, that any departure would require the sanction of the Minister for Local Government.

The County Manager stated that a similar proposal is being considered by the Galway Corporation and it was decided to await the decision on the proposal being made at the Galway Corporation.

**2941 - ARAN ISLANDS DISPENSARY DISTRICT:** The County Manager referred to the difficulty in obtaining candidates suitably qualified and with an adequate knowledge of Irish for the Aran Dispensary District and requested the Council's approval to an increase in the special allowance for that district from the present figure of £300. to £500. a year.

On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved an increase in the special allowance for the District Medical Officer of Aran Islands Dispensary District to £500. a year.

**2942 - SYMPATHY:** Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

The family of the late Guard Keaney, Galway.

The Spelman Family, Forster Street, Galway.

The widow and family of Detective Officer Michael J. Walsh,  
Eglinton Street, Galway.

Mrs. McMahon, University Road, Galway on the death of Mr. McMahon,

The Hehir Family, Headford Road, Galway.

The family of the late Mr. Cubbard, Fairhill, Galway.

Garda Gill, on the death of his mother.

**2943 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:** Letter from the General Council was submitted requesting notice of items for next Agenda.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan that the County Councils' General Council request the Government to restore grants under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.

A direct negative was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Senator M. Killilea.

A vote taken resulted as follows:-

**For Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposal:** Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Galvin, Kelly, O'Ceallaigh (7).

**For Deputy Carty's proposal:** Clrs. Carty, Donnellan, Dowd, Geoghegan, Joyce, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Mannion M., Millar, Mullins (13).

Clr. J.J. Ruane did not vote and the remaining members were absent when the division was taken.

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

Clr. S. Kyne recommended that the General Council ask that it be made compulsory on boat owners to have a life jacket for each person in a boat.

The County Manager stated that at a meeting of the Lough Corrib Navigation Trustees, Mr. O'Regan, Engineer suggested that a water-tight compartment in a boat would make the boat unsinkable;



that the compartment could be provided by fitting sealed oil drums under the seats.

It was directed that consideration of this matter be put on the Agenda for next meeting.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carley Chairman.*

*Date: 28/7/68*

*Secretary*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY 14th JULY, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael Carty

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Cox, Donnellan, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Ctrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Ctrs. Mannion M., O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., Ruane P., and Dowd J.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and other members welcomed Alderman J. Cox on his return after an illness.

2944 - MEMORANDUM ON HEALTH SERVICES: The memoranda on Health Services prepared by the County Manager and by the Assistant County Manager were submitted, copies having already been sent to each member of the Council.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh objected to the ruling out by the Chairman of consideration of notices of motion submitted by him for the last ordinary meeting of the Council.

2945 - GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES: The chairman asked the meeting to consider the part of the documents which related to General Medical Services.

Clr. P. Collins asked that the meeting be informed of the effect which the recommendations in the memoranda would have on the cost of Health Services in so far as these costs have to be met by the ratepayers.

The Assistant County Manager drew attention to recommendation No. 14 in page 13 of his memorandum and stated that, on the whole, the effect would be to reduce the cost.

The County Manager pointed out that the cost of the services would be affected by the amount of the valuation or income limit which might be fixed for eligibility for the services.

Deputy Kitt stated that there is considerable inequality in the amount of the valuations placed on land in different parts of the county and that the fixing of a valuation figure as a limit for eligibility could be a cause of hardship.

The Chairman pointed out that some years ago when the Health Act, 1953 was coming into operation, Deputy O'Higgins who was then Minister for Health suggested that the Council would fix such a limit.

The Chairman stated that inequalities in valuation for similar types of land have resulted from the acquisition and subsequent division of estates by the Land Commission; that the valuation is based on maps prepared at the time of the Griffith Valuation which maps showed the land in the estate of (a) excellent quality (b) good quality and (c) fair quality. When the estate is divided the valuation for each holding is fixed in relation to the maps above mentioned. - the total valuation of the holdings being equivalent to the total valuation of the estate.

Clr. P. Patten asked that the meeting be informed of the cost of Health Services at present and the part of this cost borne by the ratepayers.

(The estimated expenditure for Health Services for the year ending 31st March, 1963 is £1,457,987. and the part of that expenditure which will fall on the rates for the Galway County Health District is £610,091.)

Clr. T. King stated that valuation of land is the only practical system of assessing a farmer's means and recommended that for eligibility there be a fixed figure for valuation of land and for income so as to cut out unnecessary investigation.



Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that a huge amount of the cost of Health Services goes on administration and he considered that the only way to cut out administrative cost is to abolish the means test and give choice of doctor, free domiciliary treatment and free hospital treatment in public wards to the entire community.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the means test for health services be abolished.

The County Manager stated that eligibility for Health Services cannot be determined legally by valuation as it is a question of adequacy of means; that, therefore, if a limit is to be fixed it should be a means limit with an equation relating land valuation to income.

Clr. J. Donnellan referred to the hardship which, he stated, is caused by the clear cut division between eligibility and non-eligibility and recommended that the Health Services be made available on a reduced cost to marginal cases.

Clr. J. Cox stated that Health Services are so important that they should be a national issue and he considered that to reduce cost as many as possible of the population should be required to make some contribution, e.g. by way of insurance.

The Chairman stated that in considering a scheme of insurance the meeting should bear in mind that the proportion of the population of Ireland engaged in insurable employment is very small as compared with England.

Clr. J. Ridge stated that if hospital treatment was provided free of charge, medical cards would not be sought to such an extent as they are at present.

Clr. J. Glynn agreed with Clr. King that a valuation figure is the best way of determining a farmer's eligibility. He stated that 50% of the people in his area would not apply for cards at all if free hospital treatment was available to them.

Clr. Glynn suggested that there be two types of medical cards, i.e. one which would entitle the holder to all services and one which would entitle the holder to free or reduced rate for hospital treatment.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked if information could be given as to the percentage of people in this County who are entitled to free hospital treatment.

Senator M. Killilea stated that Health Services can not be provided for all the community free of charge as the basis of all social services is that the better-off section of the community should help the poorer section.

Senator Killilea stated that he is in favour of the present system of determining eligibility by considering the circumstances of each individual applicant.

Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that there should be some scaling figure and there should be one limit for general medical services and another for free hospital treatment.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that there is no means test for children's allowances and asked why there should be any such test for health services.

Clr. P. Ruane favoured the fixing of a valuation limit for farmers - while agreeing that the existing system has worked well in this county.

Clr. J. Ridge pointed out that poor people do not really obtain

Health Services free of charge as they contribute to the cost of these services through the taxation on the commodities which they consume.

Clr. P. Collins opposed the fixing of a valuation limit owing to the discrepancy in valuations of similar land in different parts of the county and considered that the best system is the investigation of individual applications from farmers as at present.

Clr. Collins considered, however, that there should be a fixed limit for salaried applicants.

Clr. J. Dowd opposed the fixing of valuation limit.

The Chairman stated that there was such divergence of opinion that it was difficult to see how progress can be made in consideration of the memoranda.

Clr. T. King stated that it appeared desirable that there should be two types of cards - the first type to entitle the holder to all health services and the second to entitle the holder to free hospital treatment only; a limit to be fixed for each class of card; that for free hospital treatment being higher than the other.

The Assistant County Manager pointed out that the possession of a Medical Card is not necessary to entitle a patient to receive free hospital treatment; that the County Manager has suggested a feasible way of fixing a limit of income by a method of equating land valuation to income; that it is difficult to see why it should not be correct to fix such a limit for Health Services while valuation is utilised for levying rates, for eligibility for housing grants, and for middle income group entitlement to Institutional Services.

The County Manager stated that fixing limits would not reduce administrative work and may lead to more discontent than at present.

**2946 - MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY RESIDENCE:** It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, that the Council approve the purchase of a house at Mountbellew as described by the County Manager, for use as a dispensary residence, at a cost of £3,500. plus costs of conveyance of the property to the Council, being noted that some repairs or improvements to be carried out subsequent to the purchase will make the total cost £4,000. approximately.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. J. Ridge that the Council does not approve the purchase of the residence mentioned in Deputy Carty's proposal.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh stated that he is not satisfied with the price proposed since the building was not inspected by an auctioneer and valuer.

At a subsequent discussion it transpired that on behalf of his colleagues in the Council the building was valued by Clr. Patten.

A vote taken for or against approval to purchase of the residence resulted as follows:-

**For:** Clrs. Burke, Canning, Carty, Collins, Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Geoghegan, Glynn, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Patten(16)

**Against:** Clrs. O'Ceallaigh and Ridge (2)

Clrs. M. Mannion, J. Ruane and P. Ruane did not vote.

The Chairman declared his proposal carried, i.e. that the Council approves the purchase of a residence for the District Medical Officer at Mountbellew at a cost of £3,500. plus costs of conveyance of the property to the Council, being noted that including the cost of repairs and improvements to the building when purchased, the total cost would



be approximately £4,000.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 3.30 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

The Chairman stated that since there are such differences of opinion he considered that the best arrangement would be that each member of the Council be requested to state in writing whether he did or did not agree with the recommendations in each paragraph of the memoranda prepared by the County Manager and Assistant County Manager and in addition to submit any further recommendations which he considers should be made to the Select Committee; that each member's submission be sent to the Secretary to the County Council so as to reach him not later than 27th July, 1962; that where a letter on this subject is not received from a member it will be taken that that member agrees with the recommendations in the memoranda.

The Chairman also asked that the County Manager would delete any reference to Mental Health Services as these are not within the scope of the Select Committee which is considering Health Services generally.

The Chairman stated that the intention is that both memoranda (the County Manager's and the Assistant County Manager's) will be sent to the Select Committee along with any additional recommendations made by members and with information as to the extent to which the members of the Council agree with the recommendations in the memoranda.

The County Manager stated that it would be well to have also the views of the County Medical Officer.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the County Medical Officer be requested to prepare a memorandum on Health Services for submission to the Select Committee.

The Chairman pointed out that this is a matter for the County Medical Officer himself as it is not something which the Council can direct the County Medical Officer to do.

Clr. J. Cox agreed with Clr. O'Ceallaigh that it would be desirable to have the County Medical Officer's views on the Health Services and their adequacy.

The County Medical Officer stated that it would be better that this matter would be considered by a meeting of all County Medical Officers.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that a request be made to the Minister for Health to have a meeting of all County Medical Officers to consider the Health Services, their adequacy and suggestions for their improvement and that their views be submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Patten and seconded by Clr. J. Lambert that the Select Committee appointed by the Government ask the Minister for Health to do what is proposed in Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposal.

Deputy M. Carty stated that he would convey this request to the Select Committee.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh then withdrew his proposal in favour of that made by Clr. Patten and the latter was approved by the Council.

Clr. J. Lambert considered that any changes made in the Health Services should effect some reduction in the cost of these services which are falling on the ratepayers.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that it would be helpful if the administrative cost of Health Services could be separated from the other costs.

Clr. T. King stated that it would be desirable that in addition to the lower income group, the middle income group and the upper group, there be a fourth group, i.e. one entitled to free institutional services.

In reply to an enquiry by Deputy F. Coogan the County Manager stated that a recommendation for appointment of a person to the office of Resident Medical Superintendent had not yet been received.

2947 - COUNTY LIBRARIES: Clr. T. King requested that at the next meeting the Council consider whether statutory powers should be given to Library Committees and it was directed that this matter be put on the next Agenda.

2948 - NEXT MEETING: It was unanimously decided that the next ordinary meeting of the Galway County Council will be held on Saturday 28th July, 1962 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*Secretary*

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty Chairman.*

*Date: 28/7/62.*



COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055  
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Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

19 Iuil, 1962.

Chuig Gach Bhaill 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 Iuil, 1962 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

AGENDATO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims viz:-
  - (a) Electricity Supply Board - Line and pole damaged at Ballymoneen West, Spiddal on 26/6/1962 - £50.
  - (b) Galway County Council - Safe and door at County Buildings damaged 7-8/7/1962.
3. Declaration of a vacancy on the Galway County Council owing to the death of Mr. Peter Sirr.
4. Old Age Pension Sub-Committees - filling of vacancies.
5. Loan of £80,000 for supplementary Housing Grants - completion of Mortgage Deed.
6. Construction of a new section of Main Road from Scoil Iosagain, Cross Roads, Galway to Headford Road Junction. (Existing Main Road from Moneenagisha Cross via Mervue to Tuam Road at Glenanail to become an Urban Road).
7. Carraroe Water Supply Improvement Scheme - Employment of a Consulting Engineer - Estimated cost is £92,000. (Minute No. 2863 of 28/4/1962).
8. Swimming Pools for -
  - (a) Ballinasloe.
  - (b) Tuam.
9. Making an application to the Minister for Local Government for an order bringing Sections 128 to 130 inclusive of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878 into operation in the Galway County Health District. (These sections refer to control of nuisances caused by offensive trades).
10. Increase in salary of Senior Radiographer - scale of £575. x £25. - £725 a year from 1/4/1961 instead of £560. x £25. - £710. already approved.

11. Extension of employment of temporary Clerk-Typist for Polio Scheme from 20th July to 31st December, 1962.
12. Visiting Committee Minutes:-
  - 12/5/1962 - Regional Hospital.
  - 15/6/1962 - St. Brendan's Home.
13. Delegations made by the County Manager under Section 17 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955.
14. Request by County Libraries' Committee that Libraries' Committees be given statutory powers.
15. Fixing date for meeting of Fire Service Committee.
16. Memorandum on Health Services - Members' submissions following special meeting on 14/7/1962.
17. Members' Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Clr. J. Lambert: "At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask if this Council is carrying out the proposed rural water scheme in some parts of the county and if so what will be the cost on the rates for the year 1963/64."
  - (b) Senator M. Killilea: " I will ask the County Engineer at the next meeting of the County Council to state what proposals (if any) he has for sewerage at Loftus' Terrace, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam."
  - (c) Clr. William Burke: "That road leading to Ballinamona Park, Tuam, be taken over by the Council and declared a public road."
18. Other business.



## GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

To: Each Member of the Galway County Council.

21st July, 1962.

A Chara,

Meeting - Saturday 28th July, 1962.

Please note the following additions to the Agenda for the meeting of the Council summoned for 28th instant, viz:-

- 10 (a) Revision of salary scale for the two vacant offices of Assistant Bacteriologist and Assistant Pathologist.
- |                              | Already Approved              | New Proposed      |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| (a) Without University app.  | £1110 x 71 - 1536 x 74 - 1610 | £1240 x 80 - 1800 |
| (b) With University appt.    | £1380 x 89 - 1914 x 91 - 2005 | £1510 x 98 - 2196 |
| Less University contribution | £540 x 36 - 792               | £540 x 36 - 792   |
| Nett                         | £840 x 53 - 1158 x 55 - 1213  | £970 x 62 - 1404  |
- 10 (b) Revision of allowance of Civil Defence Officer viz. 20% increase = £40 from 1st April 1962 inclusive.
- 14 (a) Purchase of site and engagement of architect for Oughterard Dispensary Residence.
- 16 (b) Purchase of a residence for District Medical Officer, Mountbellew.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Bunai.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY 28th JULY, 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, Ctrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Clr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane J., and Ruane P.

2949 - SYMPATHY: The Chairman expressed his deep sympathy and that of the Council with Clr. John Flaherty on the death of his father and proposed that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until 2 p.m.

This proposal was seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and supported by all the members present.

The County Manager, Mr. C.I. O'Flynn, joined in the expression of sympathy on behalf of himself and the staff of the Council.

Clr. Flaherty thanked the Chairman, members and County Manger for their expression of sympathy.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL 2 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following.

Mrs. E. Colohan & Family, Market Street, Galway on the death of Mr. Patrick Colohan.  
Mrs. P. Monaghan, Corrib Printers, Prospect Hill, Galway on the death of her husband, Mr. Sean Monaghan.

2950 - MINUTES: Minutes of previous meetings to No. 2948 inclusive having been circulated to the members, were submitted.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh objected that Minute No. 2933 did not include his statement that he was not satisfied with the Council's solicitor's advice and that he intended obtaining the advice of his own solicitor.

In regard to Minute No. 2943, the Secretary explained that this Minute should have followed No. 2935.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. M. Mannion, the Minutes as submitted were approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2951 - WATER SUPPLY FOR CASTLEGAR: The Chairman stated that he had been requested by Clr. Cox to receive a deputation from Castlegar in regard to a water supply for that area, the deputation consisting of Monsignor Mitchell, Fr. O'Connor, C.C., and Mr. Hynes. The Council agreed to hear the deputation.

Clr. Cox stated that the supply sought could be only obtained from the Galway Borough Supply and that it appears that this is not possible without provision of a further pumping station and reservoir; that the provision of a proper water supply for this area is the responsibility of the County Council not that of the Corporation. Clr. Cox suggested that a joint scheme, which would be of benefit to both authorities, be considered.

Monsignor Mitchell stated that the Galway Corporation Main ends near the corner of his residence and that an extension of 50 or 60 yards would serve an additional 10 or 12 houses. It is expected that further houses will be built in the area and Monsignor Mitchell requested that this Council would do something in conjunction with the Galway Corporation to provide a water supply for these houses.



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Fr. O'Connor stated that since the carrying out of an improvement scheme for the Galway Borough Water Supply would involve a considerable delay, something might be considered as a temporary measure which would strengthen the pressure and permit the extension of the water main as sought; that the lack of a water supply is a big hardship on those concerned.

Mr. Hynes stressed the need for a water supply in the Castlegar area and asked that the Council will investigate the question in conjunction with the Galway Corporation.

The Chairman explained that the difficulty is lack of sufficient pressure of water; that the Council had decided to defer new and difficult schemes until the survey report for the entire County would be considered; that when this is done the Council will have full regard to the needs of Castlegar.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that he understands that the Taylor's Hill and Knocknacarragh area will be linked up with the Barna Water Supply and since this gives some relief to the Galway Borough Supply, it might be possible then to provide the extension of the Galway Borough Supply to Castlegar.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that since the water is available, it should be possible to boost the pumping arrangements so that a supply could be given to Castlegar.

Clr. Cox recommended that there be consultation about this matter between the Council's engineers and those of the Galway Corporation.

The Deputation thanked the Council and withdrew.

Clr. J. Glynn stated that there is a dangerous hill on the road at Castlegar which should be rectified before water mains are laid.

Mr. M.J. Dunne, Chief Assistant County Engineer stated that a scheme for improvement of the road at this place is about to be submitted to the Department of Local Government.

2952 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: Malicious Damage Claims as set out at 2 (a) and (b) on the Agenda, were submitted and noted.

2953 - VACANCY ON GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved -

"That consequent on the death of Clr. Peter Sirr, the Council declares that a vacancy exists on the Galway County Council and directs that the appropriate notice be given of the existence of this vacancy".

The declaration of vacancy was signed by Deputy Michael Carty, Chairman, Deputy A. Millar, Co.C., and Mr. Patrick Collins, Co.C.

2954 - OLD AGE PENSIONS SUB-COMMITTEES: List of vacancies on Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees was submitted and on the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the following were appointed:-

Roundstone No. 1: Fr. Kennedy, Fr. Higgins, Mr. Denis Keane, Mr. Martin Ryan.

Roundstone No. 2: Rev. Fr. Philbin,

Gort: Mr. Patrick Lally, Mr. Edward Nolan.

Kinvara: Mr. T. Byrne.

Loughrea: Mr. S. Burke, Mr. J. Clarke, Mr. M. Smyth.

Mountbellew: Mr. J. Gormally and Mr. Michael Farrell, Caltra.

Lettermore: Mr. T. Durkin, N.T., Mr. John O'Connor, Mr. Joseph Costello,

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Mr. John J. O'Toole, Mr. James Farmer.

Ughterard: Mr. P. Conneely, Mr. J. Clancy.

Dunmore: Mr. P. Rattigan, Mr. J. Greany.

Spiddal: Mr. Sean O'Curran.

2955 - LOAN £80,000 FOR SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved -

"That our corporate seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £80,000, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960".

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

2956 - HOUSING GRANTS GENERAL: Deputy M. Carty recommended that the Council should hold a special meeting to formulate a new scheme for Supplementary Housing Grants in view of the introduction of the 1962 Housing (Amendment) Act. Deputy Carty stated that the new Act will make it possible to pay full supplementary grants to farmers up to £50 valuation, and water and sewerage grants to persons in districts where public supplies exist; that it will also be possible to pay a grant of up to £50. to an elderly couple for carrying out basic repairs to their residence.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh considered that the amount of the grant for new houses should be increased in view of the increase in the cost of labour and material.

Clr. J. Dowd complimented the Minister for Local Government on the new Act.

It was agreed by the Council that special meeting to consider this matter would be held on a date to be arranged by the Chairman.

2957 - MAIN ROADS: On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council approved the proposal that a new section of main road be constructed from Scoil Iosagain, Cross Roads, Galway, to the Headford Road Junction, on the understanding that the existing Main Road from Moneenaguisha Cross via Merview to the Tuam Road at Glenanail would become an Urban Road.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended the provision of Pedestrian Crossings in Galway City.

2958 - CARRAROE WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENT: The Secretary stated that the estimated cost of the improvement scheme for Carraroe Water Supply, to serve 253 houses in addition to the 41 houses being served by the existing scheme, is £92,000.

The grant from Roinn na Gaeltachta towards the cost of this work would be 25% i.e. £23,000. The Department of Local Government's contribution to the loan charges would be 60% of the balance, i.e. contribution to loan charges for £41,400.

The portion of the cost, the loan charges of which would be borne by the rates, would, therefore, be £27,600.

The Secretary stated that the County Manager requests that the approval of the Council be given to the appointment of a Consulting Engineer for this scheme.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved the engagement of a Consulting Engineer for the Carraroe Water Supply Improvement Scheme, as described above and recommended that a Galway Consulting Engineer be engaged.



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**2959 - BALLINASLOE SWIMMING POOL:** The Secretary stated that the Council had already approved the making of a contribution of £4,000 towards the cost of the Ballinasloe Swimming Pool, on the understanding that the total cost would be £12,000.

A letter dated 10th November, 1960 from the Town Clerk, Ballinasloe was submitted stating that the estimated cost is now £20,000.

The Assistant County Manager stated that the amount of the local contribution available is £5,000 and that the Ballinasloe Urban District Council has agreed to contribute to the extent of £8,000; that since the Council had already agreed to contribute one-third of the then estimated cost of £12,000, it was now requested that the Council would increase its contribution to £7,000; that 50% of the loan charges would be met by State Contribution.

Clr. P. Galvin stated that the cost had been gone into carefully with a local contractor and that including Architect's fees it is expected that it will amount to £20,000; that the local contribution fund has been invested in National Loan and Prize Bonds and that a site has been obtained.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council agreed to increase its contribution towards the cost of Ballinasloe Swimming Pool to £7,000.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh dissented from this resolution and stated that he considered that the area being served by a swimming pool should provide the cost of the pool.

**2960 - TUAM SWIMMING POOL:** The Secretary stated that the Council had previously agreed to accept a local contribution of £1,000 towards the cost of the Tuam Swimming Pool and that the Local Committee now state that it is unable to raise more than this sum.

The County Manager considered that if a contribution of £1,000 is accepted, £500 should be paid in advance of the preparation of plans and a further £500 should be paid before a tender is accepted. The approval of the Council to this proposed arrangement was requested.

It was decided that consideration be adjourned to enable the Assistant County Manager to meet in Tuam, Senator Killilea, Clr. Patten, Clr. Burke and representatives of the Tuam Chamber of Commerce to discuss this matter with them.

**2961 - NUISANCES CAUSED BY OFFENSIVE TRADES:** It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan and seconded by Deputy M. Carty that the Council approve the making of an application to the Minister for Local Government for an order bringing sections 128 to 130 inclusive of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878 into operation in the Galway County Health District.

It was proposed by Clr. T. King and seconded by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh that consideration of this matter be adjourned to next meeting and that in the meantime copies of Sections 128 to 130 above be sent to the members.

A vote taken on the amendment proposed by Clr. T. King resulted as follows:-

**For:** Clrs. Cox, Flaherty, Joyce, King, Mannion M., Mullins and O'Ceallaigh (7).

**Against:** Clrs. Burke, Canning, Carty, Collins, Coogan, Dowd, Geoghegan, Glynn, Kelly, Killilea, Kitt, Lambert, Millar & Patten (14)

The Chairman declared Clr. King's amendment defeated and the voting in favour of Deputy Coogan's proposal being taken as 14 for, and 7 against, that proposal was declared carried.

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**2962 - ITINERANTS:** Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, referred to the objectionable condition of the Main Road from Merlin Park to Galway due to tinkers' camps and stated that the Gardai should make some effort to shift the itinerants off this road which is the main entrance to Galway; that their wandering stock are a danger to traffic and should be impounded.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh considered it unfair to attack the itinerants who are not in a position to reply and stated that they have as good a right to the road as anybody.

The County Manager stated that a Commission has been set up by the Government to consider the problem of itinerants and has not yet reported.

In reply to an enquiry by Deputy Coogan, the County Manager stated that he did write to the Gardai regarding the straying animals owned by itinerants; that the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1948 gives power to Local Authorities to deal with temporary dwellings in specified areas.

The County Manager considered that the elimination of grass margins on roads in the vicinity of towns and cities would do much to prevent the camping of tinkers in those areas.

Senator M. Killilea stated that in almost all cases the adjoining land owner would be willing to take over and fence in pieces of ground left vacant as a result of road improvements.

Deputy Geoghegan considered that these pieces of ground if not handed over to the adjoining land owner should be fenced off from the roadway.

Deputy F. Coogan, Senator J. Mannion and Clr. J. Cox, also spoke on nuisance caused by itinerants begging from people in Galway City.

**2963 - SALARY OF SENIOR RADIOGRAPHER:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly, the Council approved a revised salary scale of £575. x £25. - £725 a year for the Senior Radiographer at Galway Regional Hospital with effect from 1st April, 1961 inclusive.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh referring to the appointment of an Assistant Radiologist asked why, when the person recommended had withdrawn, the next candidate on the panel was not recommended by the Local Appointment Commissioners.

The County Manager stated that it appeared that the Local Appointments Commission was not in a position to make any further recommendation off the panel and had no option but to re-advertise the vacancy.

**2964 - SALARIES OF ASSISTANT BACTERIOLOGIST & ASSISTANT PATHOLOGIST:**

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that consideration of this matter be adjourned for one month.

After further discussion, it was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved that the Council approve revised salary scale for the vacant offices of Assistant Bacteriologist and Assistant Pathologist as follows:-

	Already Approved		Now Proposed	
a) Without University appt.	£1110 x 71 - 1536	x 74 - 1610	£1240 x 80 - 1800	
b) With University appt.	£1380 x 89 - 1914	x 91 - 2005	£1510 x 98 - 2196	
Less University contribution	£540 x 36 - 792		£540 x 36 - 792	
<b>Nett</b>	<b>£840 x 53 - 1158</b>	<b>x 55 - 1213.</b>	<b>£970 x 62 - 1404.</b>	

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that he disagreed with this resolution i.e. with the manner of fixing salaries of officers who also hold appointments under University College, Galway.



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2965 - CIVIL DEFENCE OFFICER: On the proposition of Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council approved an increase of £40. a year in the allowance payable to the Civil Defence Officer with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive.

2966 - OUGHTERARD DISPENSARY RESIDENCE: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce, the Council approved the purchase of a site, area 3 roods, for provision of a residence for the District Medical Officer at Oughterard at a cost of £260. plus costs of conveyance and also approved the engagement of an Architect for the work of providing this residence.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh dissented.

2967 - MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY RESIDENCE: The Chairman stated that he introduced this matter as an urgent item at the special meeting on 14th July, 1962 and lest there be any question as to whether sufficient notice of the proposal was given to the County Council, he had directed the Secretary to place it on the Agenda for this meeting so that, to remove doubt, it could be considered by the Council again.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved the purchase of a house at Mountbellew as described previously by the County Manager for use as a dispensary residence at a cost of £3,500. plus costs of conveyance of the property to the Council, it being noted that repairs and improvements to be carried out to the house subsequent to its purchase will make the total cost approximately £4,000.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh dissented and asked how this question arose since it was not set out in the conditions of appointment of the District Medical Officer that he would be provided with a residence.

2968 - TEMPORARY CLERICAL STAFF: On the proposition of Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved the extension of the employment of a temporary Clerk Typist for the Polio Scheme for the period from 20th July to 31st December, 1962 inclusive.

It was directed that the County Medical Officer would be requested to attend the next meeting of the Council to give particulars of the progress being made with the Polio Scheme.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that when the County Medical Officer attends the next meeting, he would also be asked to state if he advises that parents should have their children vaccinated against polio.

2969 - VISITING COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT INSTITUTIONS: The Minutes of meetings of the Visiting Committee at the Regional Hospital on 12th May, 1962 and at St. Brendan's Home on 15th June, 1962, having been circulated to the members were submitted.

Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that during the last week he had received complaints regarding the meat being supplied to the Galway Regional Hospital.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the County Manager stated that he had not yet received a recommendation for the appointment of a person to the vacant office of Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Regional Hospital.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that he wished to speak regarding the ambulance service.

The Chairman stated that this matter had been considered by the Visiting Committee. Clr. O'Ceallaigh continued speaking and the Chairman requested that Clr. O'Ceallaigh would resume his seat.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh did not comply and the Chairman declared consideration of the remaining business of the meeting adjourned.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Thomas Mac an Rígh Chairman.*

*Date: 22/8/62*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE CONSULTATIVE HEALTH COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 11th AUGUST, 1962

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy J. Geoghegan.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Galvin, King and Senator J. Mannion. Drs. W.J. McHugh and H.K. O'Byrne.

Officials: Dr. J. O'Sullivan, Acting County Medical Officer, Mr. P.J. Duffy, Staff Officer and Mr. M.S. O'Maolruanaidh, Acting County Secretary.

1 - MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th June, 1962 having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

2 - APOLOGIES: Apologies for non attendance were received from Deputy M. Carty, who was ill in hospital, and from Dr. M.J. Dyar and Mr. W.C. Hogan, Lay Superintendent, Galway Regional Hospital, due to pressure of other duties.

3 - DEPUTY MICHAEL CARTY: The members were sorry to learn of the illness of Deputy Michael Carty, Chairman of the Consultative Health Committee and of the Galway County Council, and they wished him a speedy recovery.

4 - PREVENTATIVE HEALTH SERVICE: Deputy Geoghegan was advised by Dr. O'Sullivan that there were no polio cases from Galway City or County in the Galway Regional Hospital; that the polio centre for the Western Region was located there; that the polio case who died there on 10th instant and the polio case who was still under treatment there were both natives of County Clare.

5 - DISABLEMENT ALLOWANCES: Senator Mannion was informed that the Disabled Persons (Maintenance Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations, 1962 and the Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1962 would come before the next meeting of the Galway County Council for approval and that the increases would be payable from 1st August, 1962.

6 - GENERAL MEDICAL SERVICES: The following details were submitted regarding Medical Cards, viz:-

Total number of applications received to date	-----30,577
Total number granted	-----26,967
Total number refused	-----3,457
Number under consideration	-----153
Number of cards current	-----21,973
Number of persons covered by cards current	-----63,390

Deputy Geoghegan said that a big percentage of persons entitled to cards, especially in Connemara, had not yet applied for them.

Dr. O'Byrne suggested that people whose applications for medical cards had been refused, should be encouraged by the Local Authority to join the Voluntary Health Insurance Scheme in their own interests.

Senator Mannion said that the benefits under the Health Acts were badly explained to the public from the very start and only confused everybody; that it was not feasible for all, especially in Connemara, to join the Voluntary Health Insurance Scheme as they could not afford the premiums.

Clr. King said that two types of medical cards should be issued - one for the general medical services and the other for institutional treatment.

Clr. Galvin said that he had found the Assistant County Manager very sympathetic in all cases re hospital bills and drugs submitted for his consideration and he agreed that persons who were refused medical cards should be advised to join the Voluntary Health Insurance



and the County Council could enclose explanatory leaflets re the Scheme with the notification of refusal of the medical card.

7 - GENERAL INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES: Dr. O'Byrne was advised that there was no information available regarding the filling of the vacancy for a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Regional Hospital.

8 - MATERNITY SERVICES: The number of maternity agreements were noted as follows:-

District Medical Officers -----	42
Other Doctors -----	89
Council Midwives -----	23
Other Midwives -----	46

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055

18 Lughnasa, 1962.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Chomhairle na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, De Mairt, 28 Lughnasa, 1962 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

M.S. O'Maolruanaidh,

Runai Sealadach

A G E N D A

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims, viz:-
  - (a) Colman McDonagh, Rusheenamanagh, Carna - Two cocks of hay together with covers and ropes destroyed at Rusheenamanagh on 26/7/1962 - £13.
  - (b) Martin Walsh, Castlegar - Cock of hay destroyed at Ballybane More on 2/8/1962 - £7. 10. Od.
  - (c) Bartley Naughton, Kilcummin, Co. Galway - 38 panes of glass, 3 window frames, and a number of slates on the vacant school house at Glenicmurrin, Kilcummin destroyed on 9/8/1962 - £50.
3. Delegations made by the County Manager under Section 17 of the City & County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955.
4. Request by County Libraries' Committee that Libraries' Committees be given statutory powers.
5. Memorandum on Health Services - Members' submissions following special meeting on 14/7/1962.
6. Overdraft for quarter to 31/12/1962.
7. Auditor's report on audit of accounts of Galway County Council for two years to 31/3/1960.
8. Scholarship Schemes.
9. Tuam Swimming Pool.
10. Disabled Persons (Maintenance Allowances)(Amendment) Regulations, 1962 & Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1962.
11. Loan of £5,000. for Kilcolgan Bridge - completion of Mortgage Deed.
12. Raising of loans -
  - (a) £1,200. for erection of a Fire Station at Athenry.
  - (b) £20,000. for Mountbellew Sewerage Improvement Scheme.



- (c) Extension of Water & Sewerage mains to serve factory site at Loughrea.
13. Further extensions to Kilkerrin-Moylough Regional Water Supply, estimated cost £16,400.
14. Cleggan Harbour - Provision of a boom and crane - letter of 1/8/1962 from Special Employment Schemes Office.
15. Remuneration Increases:-
- (a) Resident Engineers - present maximum £18. 10. Od. per week, proposed maximum £20. 10. Od. per week.
- (b) Boilermen, Galway Regional Hospital - present rate, 48 hour week @ 3/8d. per hour i.e. £8. 16. Od; proposed rate, 48 hour week @ 4/1d. per hour i.e. £9. 16. Od.
- (c) Engineering Foreman, Galway Regional Hospital - present rate £920. per annum, proposed rate, £1,035. per annum.
16. Bealadangan Bridge - application for Bridge Order.
17. Members' Notices of Motion:-
- (a) Clr. J. Lambert: "At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask if this Council is carrying out the proposed rural water scheme in some parts of the county and if so what will be the cost on the rates for the year 1963/64."
- (b) Senator M. Killilea: "I will ask the County Engineer at the next meeting of the County Council to state what proposals (if any) he has for sewerage at Loftus' Terrace, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam."
- (c) Clr. William Burke: "That road leading to Ballinamona Park, Tuam, be taken over by the Council and declared a public road."
- (d) Clr. S. Kyne: "That the Government make it an offence for any boat owner on lake and river, to take any person including himself out in his boat without a life-jacket for each person."
- (e) Deputy J. Geoghegan: "That improvements and extensions be carried out immediately to the Lettermore Public Water Supply."
- (f) Clr. J. Cox:
- "That this Council request the County Engineer to take steps to abate the flooding at the junction of Grattan Road - Frenchville, as such flooding causes serious loss to property and homes."
  - "That this Council, following the promise of help given to the Castlegar deputation re water supplies, request the County Engineer to hold consultations with the Borough Engineer, with a view to arriving at possibly, a joint solution."
  - "That this Council decide on a definite policy with regard to housing, as, it would appear that with present delays in building houses, many people can have little hope of getting a house within a reasonable time."
- (g) Clr. J. Dowd & Deputy A. Millar: "That immediate steps should be taken to have bridges at Kylemore and Clonfert replaced immediately."
- (h) Deputy A. Millar: "That this Council does not recognize any titles of nobility conferred on people living in the County, and calls on County Council, officials and the public

- generally to refer to such people without using the title."
- (i) Clr. T. King:
- "At the next County Council meeting I will move that County Road No. 143 between Oranmore and Kiltulla be rolled and tarred."
  - "I will ask County Engineer to state whose responsibility it is to open and close Railway Gates at level crossing on said road."
18. Other business.
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON TUESDAY 28th AUGUST, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Senator M. Killilea.  
(2) Clr. T. King.

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

2970 - SYMPATHY: The Chairman and members expressed deep sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Michael Nicholson a former member of the Galway County Council, and as a mark of respect it was proposed by Senator M. Killilea, Chairman, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved that the meeting would be adjourned until 2 p.m.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following:-

The relatives of the late Mr. William Goode, Ballinasloe. Sergeant O'Neill, Carna, on the death of his brother. Miss Teresa Duffy & Mrs. Duffy, Corrib Terrace, Galway on the death of Mr. Frank Duffy.  
Mr. Michael Kyne, former Staff Officer on the death of his ~~wife~~ <sup>sister</sup>.  
The Conway Family, Long Walk, Galway on the death of their father.

The County Engineer and the Secretary joined in the expression of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Nicholson and Mr. Goode.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL 2 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING, CLR. T. KING TOOK THE CHAIR.

2971 - CHAIRMAN: Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that the Vice Chairman had explained to him that it would not be possible for him to return when the meeting resumed and on the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. W. Burke, it was resolved that Clr. Thomas King take the chair.

Clr. T. King then took the chair.

2972 - CONGRATULATIONS: On the proposition of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Clr. T. King, the Council congratulated Clr. P. Ruane on his marriage and wished him happiness.

The Council also, on the proposal of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, congratulated Mr. T. McLoughlin, Acting Superintendent Assistance Officer on the song written by him and published recently viz. "Charming Salthill".

2973 - MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting to No. 2969 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh requested permission to raise matters arising out of the Minutes.

The Chairman stated that an opportunity would be given to Clr. O'Ceallaigh to raise these matters under the heading "Other Business".

After some further discussion, it was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty and resolved that the Council proceed with consideration of the business set out in the Agenda for the meeting.

2974 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Council noted that Malicious Damage Claims as set out at 2 (a), (b) and (c) of the Agenda had been received.

2975 - DELEGATIONS BY COUNTY MANAGER: A list of delegations made by the County Manager under Section 17 of the City & County Management

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(Amendment) Act, 1955 from 15th October, 1955 to 17th April, 1962 was submitted - a copy having already been sent to each member of the Council.

On the proposition of Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Clr. J. Canning, the Council noted the list of delegations.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the Council opposes the delegation of functions by the County Manager to other officers. This proposal was not seconded.

2975(a) COUNTY LIBRARIES' COMMITTEE: It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council request the Minister for Local Government to give Statutory powers to County Libraries' Committees".

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the Council do not make this request to the Minister for Local Government.

This proposal was not seconded

2975 (b) - HEALTH SERVICES:

The memoranda on Health Services prepared by the County Manager and by the Assistant County Manager for submission to the Select Committee appointed by the Government were submitted, together with the further submissions made by members subsequent to the consideration of these memoranda by the Council.

On the proposition of Clr. J. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, the Council approved the sending of both memoranda and of the subsequent list of submissions by members to the Select Committee.

2976 - OVERDRAFT: The Secretary stated that an overdraft sanction up to £300,000. had already been obtained for the current quarter but that this amount will not be sufficient for the period ending 30th September, 1962 and that it will be necessary to obtain sanction to an overdraft of £400,000 for that period and also for the quarter ending 31st December, 1962.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. W. Burke, and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on General Account not exceeding £400,000 for the period from 28th August to 31st December, 1962 inclusive".

2977 - AUDITOR'S REPORT: The Auditor's report on his audit of the accounts of the Galway County Council for the two years ended 31st March, 1960 was submitted, copies having already been supplied to each member of the Council.

On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, the Council noted the report which the Chairman stated was a satisfactory one.

2978 - SCHEMES FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL & OTHER APPROVED SCHOOLS, 1963:-

Minutes of meeting of the Education (Scholarships) Committee held on 20th July, 1962 were submitted, copies having already been supplied to the members of the Council.

Clr. J. Donnellan gave particulars of the amount being allocated for scholarships and explained that in the scheme for the year 1963 the age limit for candidates will be 11 - 13 years on 1st January, 1963; that in subsequent years the age limit will be 11 - 13 years on 1st April of the year of the examination.

On the proposition of Clr. J. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. P. Collins, the Council approved the formulation of a scheme for



scholarships in Secondary, Vocational & other Approved Schools for the year 1963 similar to the scheme for 1962 subject to the amendments recommended by the County Galway Education Committee at meeting on 20th July, 1962.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that for the last scholarships examination for Secondary etc. schools, there were 24 candidates who were not within the means limit and 177 who were within the means limit; that the reservation of £900. out of a total of £3,600. for non means test candidates is, therefore, unfair and that the scholarships should be awarded entirely in order of merit.

The Secretary pointed out that the scholarships are in fact awarded in order of merit subject to the reservation that not more than £900. shall be awarded to candidates whose parents or guardians do not comply with the means qualifications incorporated in the scheme.

2979 - SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS, 1962: Applications from a number of candidates to attend schools outside the County Galway were submitted and having considered the circumstances the Council approved the applications in the following cases:-

Candidate	School Approved
1. Goretti NicSuibhne,	Clochar na Trocaire, Mota.
2. Brigid Doyle,	Clochar na Trocaire, Mota.
3. John M. Cunningham,	Mount St. Joseph's, Roscrea.
4. Luke Connolly,	Summerhill College, Sligo.
5. P.J. McLoughlin,	Summerhill College, Sligo.

Clr. J. Flaherty stated that he is aware of a case in which a candidate was in a previous year awarded a scholarship at the residential rate and that it is now proposed to reduce the amount of the scholarship as a Secondary School was recently established within three miles of the candidate's home; that the candidate would be undergoing hardship in changing from the school at which he is now attending to that newly established which does not teach the same subjects which he is studying in his present school. Clr. Flaherty stated that he would submit all particulars to the Secretary for consideration.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh complained that a candidate was on 8th August, 1962 sent a form requesting the candidate to state the school which he would attend if awarded a scholarship and that his teacher on calling on the County Buildings was informed that the candidate had qualified for a scholarship; that the candidate has now been informed that he did not obtain any scholarship.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh complained further that in the marks supplied to the candidate 126 was shown for history while in the examination paper which the candidate received at the examination the maximum marks for history were given as 100.

The Secretary stated that notifications to candidates that they had obtained scholarships were issued only very recently and that those notifications are correct and are not affected by any enquiries made previously. The Secretary also explained that the maximum marks for history as set out in the Council's scholarships scheme for Secondary etc. schools for 1962 are 200.

It was directed by the Council to request the Department to explain the figure 100 marks as the maximum shown on the examination paper for history.

2980 - TUM SWIMMING POOL: On the request of Clr. P. Patten, the Council agreed to adjourn consideration of this item until the next meeting.

2981 - DISABLEMENT ALLOWANCES ETC: The Disabled Persons (Maintenance Allowances) (Amendment) Regulations, 1962 and the Infectious Diseases

(Maintenance) Regulations, 1962 were submitted.

The Secretary explained that the cost of the increase in the allowances for a full year would be as follows:-

Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowances	£8,000.
Infectious Diseases Maintenance Allowances	£2,000.

The Secretary stated that for the period from 1st August, 1962, when the increase came into operation, up to 31st March, 1963 the cost of the increase would be:-

Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowances	£5,400.
Infectious Diseases Maintenance Allowances	£1,350.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert, the Council approved the proposal that the allowances at the increased rates be paid with effect from 1st August, 1962 and approved the additional expenditure required in the current year for that purpose viz. a total of £6,750.

Deputy F. Coogan requested that applications for the Disabled Persons Maintenance Allowances be dealt with more quickly.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that money be allocated for rehabilitation of recipients of the disablement allowance.

In reply, the County Manager stated that he has asked the County Medical Officer to examine all recipients of the disablement allowance to ascertain whether any of them are suitable for rehabilitation in Toghermore Institution.

2982 - LOAN FOR KILCOLGAN BRIDGE: It was proposed by Senator R. Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert and resolved:-

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 2nd day of August, 1962 of the Minister for Local Government, the sum of £5,000 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying portion of the expenditure on the provision of a new bridge at Kilcolgan, to be repaid within 5 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.

2983 - LOAN FOR ATHENRY FIRE STATION: It was proposed by Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £1,200 for provision of a Fire Station at Athenry, the loan to be raised from the National Bank Limited, Galway and to be repayable by instalment over a period of 5 years with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans."

2984 - MOUNTBELLEW SEWERAGE SCHEME: It was proposed by Clr. M. Mannion, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty and resolved:

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £20,000. from the Commissioners of Public Works for extension and improvement of Mountbellew Sewerage Scheme; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council".

2985 - LOAN FOR SEWERAGE & WATER EXTENSION AT LOUGHREA: It was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,700. from the National Bank Limited, Galway, for extension of the water and sewerage



scheme at Atherry Road, Loughrea; 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".

**2986 - KILKERRIN-MOYLLOUGH REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:** On the proposition of Clr. J. Flaherty, seconded by Clr. M. Mannion, the Council approved the further extension of the Kilkerrin-Moylough Water Supply Scheme to serve the townlands of Cappagh, Castletown, Carrowleena, Curragh Beg and Curragh More, at a cost of £18,040, it being noted that the additional number of houses to be served by the extension would be 54.

**2987 - CLEGGAN HARBOUR:** Letter S.W.1/10/186 of 1st August, 1962 from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office was submitted and, on the proposition of Senator J. Mannion seconded by Clr. Joyce, the Council approved an increase of £500 in the revised cost of the provision of a boom and crane at Cleggan Harbour, making the total revised cost £2,650 and consequently approved an increase of £125. in the Council's contribution towards this work.

Senator J. Mannion requested that the County Engineer would consider the question of the removal of silt which is accumulating at Cleggan Harbour.

**2988 - REMUNERATION INCREASES:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, the Council approved the following increases in remuneration:-

- (a) Resident Engineers - present maximum of £18. 10s. Od. a week to be increased to £20. 10s. Od. a week with effect from 1st August, 1960 inclusive.
- (b) Boilermen at Galway Regional Hospital - present rate of 3/8d. per hour for a 48 hour week to be increased to 4/1d. per hour for a 48 hour week with effect from 18th December, 1961 inclusive.
- (c) Engineering Foreman at Galway Regional Hospital - present rate £920. per annum to be increased to £1,035. per annum with effect from 1st October, 1961 inclusive.
- (e) Semi-Skilled Workers in Galway Urban Area (employed by County Council) - a differential of 6d. per hour in excess of the Road Labourer's rate with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive.
- (f) Nurse-Midwife, Inishboffin - Increase of £50 a year on present salary of £300. a year with effect from 1st April, 1961 inclusive.

In replies to enquiries by Clr. J. Lambert and Clr. P.O'Ceallaigh, the Secretary stated that sanction had been received during the past few days to employment of district nurses in three districts, one of which is the Gort District.

**2989 - BEALADANGAN BRIDGE:** The file relating to the proposal for provision of a fixed bridge in lieu of a swing bridge at Bealadangan was submitted and the County Manager explained that it had been ascertained that no boat passed through the bridge during the past twelve months.

Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that he had received complaints about this matter from some boat owners in Rosmuc who take turf to Aran; that they complained of the extra distance of 20 miles which they would have to travel with their boats if a fixed bridge is provided.

It was explained that the application for a bridge order would give all concerned an opportunity of objecting and having their objections considered by the Minister for Local Government.

It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. P. Patten and resolved:-

"That application be, and is hereby made to the Minister for Local Government for a Bridge Order under the provisions of Section 44 of the Local Government Act, 1946 to authorise the Galway County Council to replace the two-span iron swing bridge on County Road No. 53 leading from Lettercallow to Bealadangan by a fixed reinforced concrete bridge approximately 6 feet wider than the existing bridge. The cost of the work, in so far as it may not be met by grant allocated by the Minister for Local Government, shall be charged on the County Health District of Galway."

**2990 - AUDIT REPORTS:** The Auditor's reports on his audit of the accounts of the following bodies were submitted and noted:-

Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee for year ended 31st March, 1962.

Galway/Roscommon Mental Health Board and Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board for the period from 1st April, 1960 to 31st March, 1961.

**2991 - RURAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEMES:** In reply to his Notice of Motion No. 17 (a), Clr. Lambert was informed that a special meeting will be held to consider the scheme for Rural Water Supplies when the report on the survey will be available.

**2992 - SEWERAGE AT LOFTUS' TERRACE, TUAM:** In the absence of Senator Killilea, consideration of item 17 (b) was adjourned until next meeting.

**2993 - ROAD TO BALLINAMONA PARK, TUAM:** In accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 17 (c), Clr. William Burke proposed that the road leading to Ballinamona Park, Tuam, be taken over by the County Council and declared a public road.

The County Engineer stated that the estimated cost of the work is £316.

It was decided that consideration of this item be adjourned until the meeting at which the Council will be allocating the money provided for Councillors' Notices of Motion.

**2994 - BOATS - SAFETY PRECAUTIONS:** Consideration of Clr. Kyne's Notice of Motion 17 (d) was, in his absence, adjourned until the next meeting.

**2995 - LETTERMORE WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENTS:** At Deputy Geoghegan's request, consideration of item 17 (e) on the Agenda was adjourned until a report from the County Engineer will be available later.

**2996 - FLOODING AT GRATTAN ROAD, GALWAY:** In connection with Clr. J. Cox's Notice of Motion 17 (f) 1, the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that it is not the function of the County Council to prevent damage caused by flooding to property and houses, and that it is unlikely, therefore, that the Council should take any steps towards abating this flooding; that in any case, it would be difficult to do.

The County Manager stated that it would probably be impossible to prevent flooding entirely at the Grattan Road-Frenchville section; while some improvement might be made by constructing a large wall at the shore side of the South Park, this work would be very costly.

Clr. J. Cox proposed and Deputy F. Coogan seconded:-

"That this Council request the County Engineer to take steps to abate the flooding at the junction of Grattan Road - Frenchville, as such flooding causes serious loss to property and homes".

It was decided to ask the County Engineer to re-examine the matter and report on what might be done to abate this flooding.



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2997 - WATER SUPPLY FOR CASTLEGAR, GALWAY: In reply to Clr. J. Cox's Notice of Motion 17 (f) 2, the County Manager stated that since the present arrangements for water supply to Galway Borough are not sufficient, it appears likely that eventually a separate supply will have to be provided for the western part of the city; that if the County Council would be prepared to contribute towards the cost of this scheme it might then be possible to supply water to outside areas such as Castlegar and Bushypark.

The County Manager undertook to arrange for the holding of a conference between the Council's engineers and the Borough engineers in connection with this matter.

2998 - COTTAGES - DELAY IN PROVISION: In connection with his Notice of Motion No. 17 (f) 3, Clr. Cox suggested that a Mobile Direct Labour Squad be established for erection of cottages in areas in which a suitable tender cannot be obtained. Clr. Cox proposed that the possibility of doing this be examined and his proposal was seconded by Clr. P. Joyce.

Mr. J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer stated that there is great difficulty in obtaining competitive tenders for erection of cottages in the western part of the County and that it has not been possible to get a tender at a price which would be accepted by the Department of Local Government; that some cottages have been erected by direct labour and the price has been approximately 10% higher than the contract price in East Galway - although the price has been about 10% lower than the tender prices for cottages in the same area.

Deputy Geoghegan having suggested that the Council would supply the materials and seek tenders for the erection only, Mr. Silke stated that this had been done and that advertisements had been issued and the response had been very poor.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh supported Clr. Cox and considered that the Direct Labour Squad should operate throughout the whole County as he considered that there is a great delay in provision of cottages.

2999 - KYLEMORE & CLONFERT BRIDGES: In reply to Clr. Dowd's and Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No. 17 (g), it was explained that a reply from the Land Commission is still being awaited to ascertain the amount of the contribution which will be made by them towards the cost of these works.

Clr. J. Dowd proposed and Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh seconded that the Council go ahead with the erection of these two bridges irrespective of whether the Land Commission contributes or not.

It was decided to request the Land Commission to reply to the Council's enquiry before the next meeting, the matter to be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

3000 - TITLES OF NOBILITY: Consideration of Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No. 17 (h) was, in his absence, adjourned until the next meeting.

3001 - ROAD BETWEEN ORANMORE & KILTULLA: In connection with Clr. T. King's Notice of Motion No. 17 (1) & (2), the County Engineer's report was submitted stating that this road is not on the Five Year Plan and it is unlikely, therefore, that it will be improved within the next couple of years; that the closing and opening of the gates is not the responsibility of the County Council and the County Engineer suggested that any further enquiries should be made to C.I.E.

The County Manager stated that if a public road existed before the railway was constructed, the closing and opening of the gates is the responsibility of the Railway Company.

It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved:-

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"That the Council ascertain who is responsible for opening and closing of these Railway Gates on the road between Oranmore and Kiltulla (No. 143)".

3002 - RAILWAY LINE FROM ATTYPON TO LOUGHREA: It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved:-

"That the Council protest to the Minister for Transport & Power against the proposed closing of the Branch Line from Attymon to Loughrea".

3003 - MEETINGS: The Secretary explained that the next meeting would normally be held on Saturday 22nd September, 1962 but that the Chairman had requested that it be held instead on Saturday 29th.

It was unanimously decided that the next ordinary meeting of the Council will be held on Saturday 29th September, 1962.

3004 - REGIONAL HOSPITAL - ACCOMMODATION FOR MEDICAL STAFF: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh having raised the question of bath accommodation for female resident medical staff, the County Manager stated that since a proposal for provision of additional accommodation is being considered, it would not be advisable to expend money on provision of additional baths in the present quarters.

This explanation was noted.

3005 - BALLYGAR & MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY DISTRICTS: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that it is desirable that the Kilasolan area be transferred from the Ballygar to the Mountbellew Dispensary District; that the County Medical Officer had stated that the area is adequately served in the Ballygar Dispensary District; that the District Medical Officer in Mountbellew agrees while the District Medical Officer in Ballygar has no objection to the transfer of the area to the Mountbellew District.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh considered that the re-arrangement of Dispensary District areas should not be held up by any objection made by the District Medical Officers concerned.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the question of the transfer of of the Kilasolan area to the Mountbellew Dispensary District be re-investigated.

The County Manager stated that he will examine the conditions of appointment of the two Medical Officers concerned.

3006 - RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL:

In reply to an enquiry by Deputy F. Coogan, the County Manager stated that a recommendation for an appointment to this vacant position had not yet been obtained by the Council from the Local Appointments Commission.

3007 - UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1963: The Minutes of the Education (Scholarships) Committee meeting of 20/7/62 was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan, seconded by Clr. P. Collins and resolved:-

"That the Council approve the formulation of a scheme for University Scholarships (Ordinary and Agricultural) for the year 1963 similar to the scheme adopted for the year 1962".

Submitted, approved  
and confirmed.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

M. Carthy

Chairman

Date: 24. 9. 1962

*[Signature]*  
Secretary



COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

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Oifig an Runai,  
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20 Mhean Fomhair, 1962.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, De Sathairn, 29 Mhean Fomhair, 1962 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

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A G E N D ATO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims, viz:-
  - (a) Mr. Michael Fahy, Eyre Square, Galway - Plate glass window, 9/8/1962 - £50.
  - (b) Mr. Thomas Curran, Barnaderg, Ballyglunin - Hay, Hay-shed and bicycle 8/9/1962 - £773.
3. Raising of loans:-
  - (a) £80,000 for New Vocational Schools at Athenry and Cornamona and completion of Vocational Schools at Carna and Glenamaddy.
  - (b) £38,400 for extensions of Ballymoe Water Supply Scheme.
4. Estimate 1962/63 - Additional £300 required for Mountbellew Drainage District.
5. Cost of new living accommodation for medical staff at Regional Hospital.
6. Tuam Home - issue of an advertisement offering for sale or lease.
7. State Lands (Workhouses) Act, 1962 - transferring Workhouses and Workhouse lands to Health Authorities.
8. Scholarships - application for approval to avail of a County Council Scholarship in a Secondary School outside this County.
9. County Engineer's report on the survey for provision of Water Supplies in rural areas.
10. Tuam Swimming Pool.
11. Further delegations made by the County Manager under Section 17 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955.
12. Presentation of an Address of Welcome to the President of Ireland on the occasion of the centenary of St. Joseph's College, Galway, 21st October, 1962.
13. County Councils' General Council - letter 23/8/62 regarding motions sent by this Council.

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14. Auditor's report on accounts of River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee for year ended 31st March, 1962.

15. Members' Notices of Motion:-

- (a) Senator M. Killilea: "I will ask the County Engineer at the next meeting of the County Council to state what proposals (if any) he has for sewerage at Loftus' Terrace, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam."
- (b) Clr. S. Kyne: "That the Government make it an offence for any boat owner on lake and river, to take any person including himself out in his boat without a life-jacket for each person".
- (c) Clr. J. Dowd & Deputy A. Millar: "That immediate steps should be taken to have bridges at Kylemore & Clonfert replaced immediately."
- (d) Deputy A. Millar: "That this Council does not recognize any titles of nobility conferred on people living in the County, and calls on County Council, officials and the public generally to refer to such people without using the title".
- (e) Deputy J. Gaoghegan: "That the new dispensary will be included with the new doctor's residence in Oughterard in order to avoid the present difficulty with the old one".
- (f) Deputy F. Coogan: "That immediate steps be taken to provide proper dispensary facilities at Oughterard, pending the building of a dispensary".
- (g) Clr. J. Flaherty: "I will ask the County Manager at our next meeting to consider the extension of the Kilkerrin & Moylough piped water scheme to Lake View, and also to extend pipe line from Laught to a point known as Cuilmore Gate so that a fountain could be erected to serve the villages of Cuilmore and Cloonkell, 17 houses in both villages".
- (h) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:
  1. "That the Council requests the Government to enlighten the Irish people on living and working conditions in England".
  2. "That the proposed dispensary at Ballygar be built without further delay".
  3. "That the position regarding the new graveyard for Ballygar be clarified".

16. Other business.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 29th SEPTEMBER, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael Carty.

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

3008 - MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting from Nos. 2970 to 3007 inclusive, having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Arising out of Minute No. 2979, letter of 19th September, 1962 (R.O.3/101404) from the Department of Education was submitted explaining that it has always been the practice not to have a separate Question Paper printed merely to indicate that there are 200 each for History and Geography in the examination for scholarships under the Galway County Council's Secondary Scholarships Scheme; that a total of a 100 marks appears on these Question Papers but, in accordance with the published scheme, examiners marking the answers of candidates under the County Galway Scheme are instructed to mark on a total of 200 marks.

The Council noted the contents of this letter.

3009 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Council noted the fact that Malicious Damage Claims as set out at 2 (a) and (b) on the Agenda for this meeting, had been received since the previous meeting.

3010 - LOAN £80,000 FOR NEW VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS, ETC: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £80,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works, to meet the cost of providing and equipping new Vocational Schools at Athenry and Cornamona and for the completion of the new Vocational Schools at Carna and Glenamaddy; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 30 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council".

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:-

"That before approving the above mentioned loan, the Council will give consideration to the activities of the County Vocational Education Committee". This proposal was not seconded.

The resolution proposed by Deputy Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan as above, was adopted.

3011 - LOAN FOR BALLYMOE WATER SUPPLY EXTENSIONS: It was proposed by Clr. J. Glynn, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £38,400 from the Commissioners of Public Works to meet the cost of extensions to the Ballymoe Water Supply Scheme; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council".

3012 - MOUNTBELLEW DRAINAGE DISTRICT: On the proposition of Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Senator M. Killilea, the Council approved additional expenditure in Mountbellew Drainage District amount to £300 in the year ending 31st March, 1963.

3013 - CONGRATULATIONS: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, seconded by Clr. P. Patten, the Council unanimously congratulated His Lordship, Most Reverend Dr. Michael Browne on the Silver Jubilee of his consecration as Bishop of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the Council congratulated Mr. P. Ruane, Co.C., on his recent marriage and Mr. Ruane expressed his thanks.

3014 - LIVING ACCOMMODATION FOR MEDICAL STAFF: The Secretary explained that in Minute No. 2099 of 2nd November, 1960 the Council was informed that the estimated cost of the living accommodation to be provided for medical staff at the Galway Regional Hospital was £27,308 of which £20,000 would be met by Government Grant (Hospitals Trust Fund); that in accordance with the Council's direction in that Minute the Department of Health had been asked to increase the grant to cover the entire cost of the work and in Minute No. 2175 (a) of 26th November, 1960 the Council was informed of the Department's refusal to make any increase on the grant of £20,000.

The Secretary stated that the estimated cost of the work is now stated to be £42,000.

Deputy F. Coogan stated and the Chairman agreed that since the Regional Hospital is a training hospital, training medical staff and nurses for the entire country the Department of Health should be more liberal in its allocation of a grant for this work.

The Deputy County Manager stated that in the memorandum submitted to the Health Services Select Committee it has been suggested that there is a good case for special financial support for Regional Hospitals.

Deputy M. Carty suggested that the members of the Council who are members of the Oireachtas should go along with the Assistant Manager as a deputation to the Minister for Health to press for the allocation of a 75% grant for this work; that since a tender has been sent for sanction, the Chairman considered that the Council should go ahead with the work in the meantime.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan and seconded by Clr. P. Collins that the giving of approval for the going ahead with the work be deferred pending receipt of a reply from the Minister for Health to the request for an increase in grant.

Clr. J. Cox referred to the greater status which the Galway Regional Hospital holds but he considered that outside counties should pay for the benefits which they receive through the fact that this is a Regional Hospital.

It was proposed by the Chairman, Deputy M. Carty, and seconded by Clr. P. Galvin that the Council approve the proceeding with this work and that the Minister for Health be pressed to allocate a grant of 75% of the cost of the work.

Deputy F. Coogan withdrew his proposal and the proposal made by Deputy M. Carty seconded by Clr. P. Galvin was approved, being agreed that a deputation would go to the Minister to press for an increase in the grant to 75% of the cost of the work, the deputation to consist of the Oireachtas members of the County Council together with the Assistant County Manager and Mr. J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer.

The Secretary was directed to ask when the Minister would receive the proposed deputation.

3015 - ST. MARY'S HOME, TUAM: The Secretary stated that lands at Tuam Home, now being the property of the Galway County Council under the State Lands (Workhouses) Act, 1962, the County Manager considers that the portion of the lands along the Athenry road should be retained for possible future requirements for housing or otherwise and that the remainder of the lands might be advertised for letting.

Senator M. Killilea considered that a valuation should be placed on the land and premises so that enquirers could be informed of the price at which it could be purchased.



The Deputy County Manager stated that it is difficult to fix the valuation as suggested and furthermore that the property might be sought in sections; that enquirers should be put in touch with the County Council.

Clr. P. Patten recommended that the title be examined to ascertain the Council's right to sell or divide this property.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Senator M. Killilea that the Council approve the issue of an advertisement inviting offers for the premises and land at the Children's Home, Tuam, excluding the portion along the Athenry Road which is to be retained for future housing requirements.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Clr. J. Ridge that advertisements be sought for leasing of the land or buildings only i.e. not for purchase of the property.

A vote take on Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's amendment resulted as follows:-

**For:** Clrs. Cox, O'Ceallaigh, Ridge and Ruane P. (4)

**Against:** Clrs. Burke, Canning, Carty, Collins, Coogan, Donnellan, Flaherty, Galvin, Geoghegan, Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Mannion J., Mannion M., Millar, Mullins and Patten (22).

The Chairman declared Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's amendment defeated and his own proposal approved the voting for the latter being the same in reverse i.e. 22 for and 4 against.

In reply to an enquiry by the Chairman, Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that the sites along the Athenry Road would be suitable for working class houses rather than for middle class houses.

The Chairman, Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and Clr. P. Patten requested that provision of land as sites for private housing in the Palace Grounds at Tuam be considered.

**3016 - STATE LANDS (WORKHOUSES) ACT, 1962:** The State Lands (Workhouses) Act, 1962 and letter H.40/65 of 14th July, 1962 from the Department of Health giving particulars of the properties transferred to the Galway County Council and the County Manager's letter of 13th September, 1962 were submitted and noted.

**3017 - SECONDARY ETC. SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME, 1962:** Correspondence relating to the matter was submitted and the Council unanimously approved the tenure of a scholarship awarded to Mr. Liam Kelly, Society Street, Ballinasloe in St. Joseph's College, Roscrea - the amount of the Council's scholarship to be at the non-residential rate.

**3018 - SECONDARY ETC. SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME, 1963:** Letter R.O.(2) 103278 of 20th September, 1962 from the Department of Education was submitted stating that in the scheme for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational or other approved schools for 1963, the requirements are three obligatory subjects and two optional subjects.

The revised syllabus required by the Department of Education sets out the obligatory subjects as Irish, English and Arithmetic instead of the obligatory subjects which have hitherto been included in the Council's scheme viz. Irish, Arithmetic, History and Geography.

The Secretary stated that this matter had been considered at a meeting of the Education Committee on 28th September, 1962 and the Committee had recommended the adoption of the Department's syllabus as set out in their letter of November, 1960.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Collins, seconded by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the Council approved the amendment of the scheme

formulated for 1963 for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other Approved Schools so as to substitute the Department's syllabus for that already included in the scheme.

**3019 - UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME, 1963:** In accordance with the recommendation of the Education Committee at meeting on 28th September, 1962, the Council on the proposition of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, seconded by Deputy M. Carty approved the amendment of the list of subjects of examination which may be taken for scholarship purposes (Clause 10 (c)) by the addition of the subject "Physics and Chemistry".

At this stage Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the Council's scheme for Scholarships in Secondary etc. Schools is unconstitutional.

**3020 - WATER SURVEY:** The County Engineer's report of August, 1952 on the survey for provision of water supplies in rural areas was submitted.

The Chairman stated that the report together with the County Manager's observations will be circulated to each member of the Council and on his suggestion consideration of the report was deferred until a special meeting which will be held for consideration of the report, the date of that meeting to be fixed by the Chairman.

**3021 - TUAM SWIMMING POOL:** On the proposition of Clr. P. Patten, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved the proceeding with the work of provision of a swimming pool at Tuam on the condition that a contribution of £1,000 will be made to the Council by the local committee of which £500 will be paid now and the remaining £500 will be paid before an advertisement inviting tenders will be issued.

**3022 - COUNTY MANAGEMENT ACTS:** A list showing further delegations of functions made by the Galway County Manager under Section 17 of the City and County Management (Amendment) Act, 1955 as circulated to the members viz. Orders Nos. 2613, 2614 and 2617 of 31st July, 1962 was submitted and noted.

**3023 - ADDRESS OF WELCOME:** The Council unanimously approved the presentation of an Address of Welcome to the President of Ireland on the occasion of the centenary of St. Joseph's College, Galway on 21st October, 1962.

**3024 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:** Letter of 23rd August, 1962 from the General Council was submitted referring to motions sent by this Council and stating that:-

- (a) Health Services Grant for Clinics and Dispensaries was passed unanimously.
- (b) Civil Liabilities Act, 1961 referred to the Emergency Committee.
- (c) Statutory Powers for County Libraries' Committees - this motion was adjourned.

**3025 - AUDITOR'S REPORTS:** The Auditor's report on his audit of the accounts of the River Fergus Joint Drainage Committee for the year to 31st March, 1962 was submitted and noted.

**3026 - TUAM SEWERAGE:** Referring to Senator Killilea's Notice of Motion 15 (a) regarding sewerage at Loftus' Terrace, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, the Secretary stated that the septic tank has been repaired and the nuisance is being abated; that one of the householders concerned has been given instructions by the Health Inspector on the action which should be taken to prevent the system from being choked again.

**3027 - BOATS - LIFE JACKETS:** It was proposed by Clr. S. Kyne, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved that the Government be requested to make it an offence for any boat owner on lake or river, to take any person including himself out in his boat without a life-jacket for each person."



Deputy F. Coogan suggested that there should be some system of examination of boats annually to ensure that they are in good condition.

Clr. Cox stated that it would be desirable that children in schools should be warned of the danger of water.

3028 - CLONFERT & KYLEMORE BRIDGES: Letter of 27th September, 1962 from the Land Commission was submitted stating that the Commission is prepared to contribute £300 towards the cost of Kylemore Bridge.

On the proposition of Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved the provision of bridges at Clonfert and Kylemore on the understanding that a £300. contribution for the Kylemore Bridge will be available from the Land Commission.

3029 - TITLES OF NOBILITY: The Chairman ruled out Deputy A. Millar's Notice of Motion No. 15 (d).

3030 - OUGHTERARD DISPENSARY: In connection with Deputy Geoghegan's and Deputy Coogan's Notice of Motion 15 (e) and (f) respectively, the Secretary explained that a proposal to purchase a site for provision thereon of a dispensary and dispensary residence had been sent to the Department of Health for sanction; that the Secretary had been informed that a Department Inspector will inspect the site within the next week.

Deputy Geoghegan, Clr. Joyce and Deputy F. Coogan stated that the present dispensary accommodation is unsuitable as it is difficult for elderly persons to traverse the steps in the Courthouse.

Deputy F. Coogan opposed the provision of the dispensary on the site which is being purchased as he stated that it is too remote from the centre of the town.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, pointed out that the alteration of the dispensary premises in the Courthouse was made on the requirement of the District Justice; that in regard to the site, the Dispensary would serve the entire Oughterard District not only the town of Oughterard and that it is located as conveniently as possible and is the only site which can be obtained.

3031 - KILKERRIN/ MOYLROUGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: On the request of Clr. M. Mannion, Clr. J. Flaherty agreed that consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 15 (g) be deferred and that the Manager be requested to receive a deputation in regard to the matters mentioned in Clr. Flaherty's Notice of Motion No. 15 (g).

3032 - WORKING CONDITIONS IN ENGLAND: The Chairman ruled out consideration of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 15 (h) 1.

3033 - BALLYGAR DISPENSARY: In reply to Clr. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 15 (h) 2, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that the plans and estimate have been prepared and will be submitted to the County Manager shortly.

3034 - BALLYGAR BURIAL GROUND: In reply to Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's Notice of Motion No. 15 (h) 3, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that a site has been selected and negotiations regarding price are in progress with the owner.

3035 - HOSPITAL TREATMENT FOR ACCIDENT CASES: It was directed that the motion from Dublin Corporation that the Council request the introduction of legislation to relieve ratepayers and tax payers of the cost of providing treatment in hospital for persons injured in accidents, be referred to the County Councils' General Council for consideration.

3036 - EXAMINATION RESULTS: A motion from Carrickmacross Urban District Council asking that the results of the Secondary Schools Intermediate Examination be made available not later than the third

week in August in each year was adopted unanimously.

3037 - ROADS AT CLARINBRIDGE: On the proposition of Senator Lahiffe, the Council asked that the County Engineer report on the maintenance of the roads up to the Old Church in Clarinbridge, Senator Lahiffe stating that the condition of these roads is a disgrace to the Council.

3038 - PUMPS: Clr. P. Ruane stated that a nuisance is being caused by itinerants camping near pumps in his area and asked that in cases where necessary a "No Camping" notice be erected.

3039 - RELEASE OF PRISONERS: Clr. P. Ruane, Deputy M. Carty seconded and it was resolved:-

"That the Council demand the release of Irishmen who are prisoners in foreign prisons".

3040 - MOYCULLEN SEWERAGE: In reply to an enquiry by Clr. J. Donnellan, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that a Consulting Engineer has now been appointed to prepare a scheme for Moycullen Sewerage.

3041 - SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS: In reply to an enquiry by Clr. J. Glynn, the Chairman stated that during the next month a meeting will be held to formulate a new scheme of Supplementary Housing Grants.

3042 - WILLIAMSTOWN PUBLIC LIGHTING: Clr. J. Glynn requested that the lighting at Williamstown which has been very unsatisfactory lately would be put right.

3043 - RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT: In reply to an enquiry by Deputy F. Coogan, the Deputy County Manager stated that a recommendation has been received for appointment of Dr. Nicholas O'Bairn to the office of Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Regional Hospital.

3044 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

The relatives of the late Miss Murphy, Moylough.  
The Burke Family, Colemanstown.  
Mrs. Kennedy, County Home Road, Loughrea on the death of her brother.  
The Lyons Family, Shantalla, Galway.

THE MEETING: THEN TERMINATED.

*Shanahan*  
Secretary.

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty* Chairman.

*Date: 28/10/62*



COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

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Oifig an Runai,  
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18 Dheireadh Fomhair, 1962.

Chuir Gach Bhaill 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, 27 Dheireadh Fomhair, 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) Mr. Patrick Mongan - Maiming of 2 mares at Ballina, Ballyglunin, 19/9/1962 - £50.
  - (b) Mr. Martin Corcoran - Maiming of mare and colt at Ballina, Ballyglunin, 19/9/1962 - £75.
3. Filling of vacancy on Galway County Council - Tuam Electoral Area resulting from the death of Mr. Peter Sirr, Co.C. - and vacancy on each of the following committees:-
  - (a) County Galway Vocational Education Committee.
  - (b) Visiting Committee for Institutions.
  - (c) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee.
4. Sealing Mortgage Deed for loan of £1,200. for Athenry Fire Station.
5. Sealing Mortgage Deed for loan of £20,000. for Mountbellew Sewerage Scheme.
6. Raising of loan of £2,200 for extension of Dunmore Water Supply to Clooneen.
7. Raising of loan of £4,000. for purchase of a dispensary residence at Mountbellew.
8. Raising of loan of £5,000. for improvement of heating at St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea.
9. Re-organisation of Dispensary Districts - Ardrahan, Gort & Kinvara.
10. Abolition of 3 offices of midwife viz. in Clifden, Oranmore, and Gort Districts. (District Nurses appointed instead).
11. Proposed increase in salaries of Compounders of Medicine (Whole-time and Part-time).
12. Wages of County Council Workers in Ballinasloe Urban District.

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13. Filling vacancy for Rate Collector in No. 36 District.
14. Adoption of Polling Schemes for Dail Elections and for Local Elections in the County Galway.
15. Visiting Committee Minutes:-

Regional Hospital 16/7/1962 and 6/9/1962  
Clifden Hospital 18/8/1962  
St. Brendan's Home 27/7/1962
16. Provision of serviced sites for houses in Loughrea and Tuam for persons desiring to build their own houses.
17. Making of a Bridge Order for Bealadangan Bridge.
18. Declaring roads to be public roads, viz:-
  - (a) Road to Clarenbridge Burial Ground and Green.
  - (b) Road to Commins' House at Moneymore.
19. Allocation of amount provided in Roads Estimate 1962/1963 for Councillors' Notices of Motion.
20. Inchiquin Island Causeway.
21. County Councils' General Council - Notice of items for next Agenda.
22. Members' Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Deputy J. Geoghegan:
    1. "I will propose that a new dispensary be provided in Kilkerrin, Connemara."
    2. "That the Water Main be extended to the site of the new Vocational School at Carna".
  - (b) Clr. T. King: "That the Council be informed of any contemplated scheme for extending Headford Water Supply."
  - (c) Clr. T. King & Deputy J. Geoghegan: "That all temporary clerks employed in preparing Rate Demands be paid on a weekly rate."
  - (d) Clr. T. King & Deputy M. Carty: "That this Council requests the Minister for Health to accede to the unanimous recommendation of the County Manager and County Council that Rev. Sr. Kieran, Acting Matron, be appointed to fill the vacant post of Matron at the Regional Hospital."
  - (e) Clr. P. Joyce:
    1. "That the water pumps at Aughrismore and Killywongan (Clifden) be replaced by new pumps."
    2. "That the County Engineer make immediate arrangements for the production of chips in Connemara."
    3. "That the differential rent scheme for County Council cottages be amended to exclude Old Age Pensions from the income of the household."
    4. "That the 1963/64 grant for the Sky Road be spent at the Streamstown end."
    5. "That the section of main road between Nee's Canal Stage and the Canal Bridge be included in the 1963/64 programme for main roads."



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6. "That the removal of the Gowlane Bridge (Clifden) be included in the 1963/64 programme for main roads."
7. "That the widening of the road opposite St. Joseph's Church, Clifden be included in the programme for main roads for 1963/64."
8. "That an additional public light be provided at Bridge Street, Clifden."

(f) Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh:

1. "That a permanent solicitor be appointed by the County Council."
2. "That Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary, Vocational Schools etc. be referred back to Scholarships Committee."

23. Replies to questions already submitted by members.

24. Resolutions.

25. Other business.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 27th OCTOBER, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Mr. Michael Carty, T.D.  
(2) Senator Mark Killilea.

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

3045 - MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting to No. 3044 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman - on the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. M. Mannion.

3046 - ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, GALWAY - CENTENARY: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved that the Council congratulate the Patrician Brothers, Galway on the centenary of their college in Galway and express appreciation of the wonderful work done by the Patrician Brothers in the field of education for the young men of Galway City and vicinity.

3047 - ECUMENICAL COUNCIL: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Patten, the Council congratulated His Lordship, Most Reverend Dr. Browne, Bishop of Galway on the honour conferred on him and on the County of Galway by the appointment of His Lordship as Assistant to the Pontifical Throne and as a member of the Commission for Bishops and government of dioceses.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh also proposed that the good wishes of the Council be conveyed to His Holiness Pope John XXIII for the success of the Ecumenical Council.

3048 - ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS: The Abstract of Accounts of the Galway County Council for the year ended 31st March, 1962 was submitted and on the proposition of the Chairman Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved the sending of the Abstract to the Minister for Local Government.

3049 - SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN SECONDARY, VOCATIONAL AND OTHER APPROVED SCHOOLS, 1963:

Letter R.O.(2)103278 of 17th October, 1962 from the Department of Education, Primary Branch, was submitted together with the Scholarships Scheme as amended in accordance with the terms of that letter - copies of the scheme having already been circulated to the members of the Council.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Clr. F. Mullins that the Council hereby adopt the scheme for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other Approved Schools for the year 1963 as already formulated and as amended in accordance with the terms of letter 17th October, 1962 (R.O.(2)103278) from the Department of Education.

In accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 22 (f)(2), Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the scheme for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational Schools etc. be referred back to the Scholarships Committee.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the scheme does not state clearly that candidates must be attending a National School. Also that he considered it unjust that a candidate whose home is very slightly under three miles distant from a Secondary School should be deprived of a scholarship at the higher rate while the scholarship at that rate is payable to a candidate whose home is three miles or very slightly over that distance from a Secondary School.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's proposal was seconded by Clr. P. Ruane

After further discussion, Clr. P. Ruane withdrew his seconding.



of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's proposal and the proposal made by Deputy M. Kitt for adoption of the scheme was approved by the Council, Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh dissenting.

**3050 - UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME:** Deputy M. Kitt proposed, Clr. F. Mullins seconded and it was resolved:-

"That the Council hereby adopt the University Scholarships Scheme for the year 1963 as formulated in Minute No. 3007 and as amended in Minute No. 3019."

**3051 - NEW DISPENSARY AT BALLYGAR:** The County Engineer's letter JS/GH of 12th October, 1962 was submitted and on the proposition of Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Clr. M. Mannion, the Council approved the provision of a new dispensary at Ballygar at an estimated cost of £1,750 - the building to be provided by direct labour.

**3052 - RATES EQUALISATION FUND:** Letter of 28th May, 1962 from Mr. John F. Cahill, Chairman, Castlebar Urban District Council, was submitted along with Mr. Cahill's further letter of 25th October, 1962 and the Council unanimously appointed the following members to attend as delegates a conference in connection with this matter which it is being arranged will be held in the Council Chamber of the County Buildings, Galway on Thursday 29th November, 1962:-

Mr. Michael Carty, T.D., Co.C., Mr. T. King, Co.C., Mr. G. Kelly, Co.C.

**3053 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:** The Council noted that malicious damage claims as set out at item 2 (a) and (b) on the Agenda for this meeting had been received.

Senator M. Killilea stated that it is possible that the maiming of these animals had occurred elsewhere than at Ballina, Ballyglunin.

Clr. P. Ruane complained that animals owned by itinerants are too frequently allowed to wander in the public roads.

**3054 - VACANCY ON GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL:** A notice published regarding the declaration of a vacancy on the Council as a result of the death of Clr. Peter Sirr was submitted.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan that Mr. Peter Raftery, Ballygar, be appointed a member of the Galway County Council to fill the vacancy in the Tuam Electoral Area resulting from the death of Clr. Peter Sirr.

It was proposed by Mr. John Flaherty and seconded by Clr. P. Collins that Mrs. Sirr, widow of the late Mr. Peter Sirr be appointed to fill this vacancy on the Galway County Council.

Mr. Flaherty, Mr. Collins, Mr. Galvin, Mr. Cox, Senator Mannion, Deputy Coogan and Mr. J. Ridge stated that a vacancy on the Council arising in this manner should be filled by appointment of a person nominated by the party to which the outgoing member belonged.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that a public opinion poll be taken in the Tuam Electoral Area to ascertain which candidate the people of that area supported.

The Chairman stated that there is not any Statutory Authority for accepting any such proposal.

A vote taken as between the candidates proposed, viz. Mr Peter Raftery and Mrs. Sirr resulted as follows:-

**For Mr. Peter Raftery:** Clrs. Carty, Donnellan, Dowd, Geoghegan, Glynn, Greene, Joyce, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lahiffe, Mannion M., Millar, and Mullins (15).

**For Mrs. Sirr:** Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Cox, Flaherty, Galvin, Kelly, Lambert, Mannion J., Patten, Ridge and Ruane P. (13).

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Peter Raftery, Ballygar appointed a member of the Galway County Council to fill the vacancy in the Tuam Electoral Area caused by the death of Clr. Peter Sirr.

**3055 - VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** Deputy M. Carty, Chairman stated that he would have wished to propose Mrs. Sirr (widow of Clr. Peter Sirr) to fill the vacancy on this committee but that he had been informed by Clr. J. Flaherty that Mrs. Sirr is not prepared to act on the Committee.

It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Deputy M.F. Kitt and resolved:-

"That Very Rev. Fr. Martin Geraghty, Adm., Tuam be appointed a member of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Peter Sirr".

**3056 - VISITING COMMITTEE FOR INSTITUTIONS:** It was proposed by Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Clr. P. Collins and resolved:-

"That Mr. Patrick Patten, Co.C., be appointed a member of the Visiting Committee for the Council's Institutions to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Peter Sirr".

**3057 - RIVER SUCK JOINT DRAINAGE COMMITTEE:** It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Glynn and resolved:-

"That Mr. Peter Raftery, Co.C., Ballygar be appointed a member of the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Peter Sirr".

**3058 - LOAN £1,200 for ATHENRY FIRE STATION:** It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert and resolved:-

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 14th day of September, 1962 of the Minister for Local Government, the sum of £1,200 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the provision of a Fire Station at Athenry, 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 and was decided to refer to the Fire Services Committee Clr. J. Lambert's request that a Fire Station be provided at Gort.

**3059 - LOAN FOR MOUNTBELLEW SEWERAGE SCHEME:** It was proposed by Clr. M. Mannion, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt 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 £20,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1952 and the Local Loans Fund Acts, 1935 to 1961".

The Mortgage Deed was then sealed with the seal of the Council  
**3060 - LOAN FOR DUNMORE WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION:** It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Clr. W. Burke and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £2,200 from the National Bank Limited for extension of Dunmore Water Supply to Clooneen; 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".



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3061 - LOAN FOR MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY RESIDENCE: It was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Clr. M. Mannion and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £4,000 from the National Bank Limited for purchase of a Dispensary Residence at Mountbellew; the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of 10 years with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans".

3062 - LOAN FOR HEATING OF ST. BRENDAN'S HOME, LOUGHREA: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approves the raising of a loan of £5,000 from the National Bank Limited for improvement of the Heating system at St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 15 years with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans".

3063 - WOODLANDS ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL: In response to an enquiry, the County Manager stated that this hospital has been vacated by the firm which was occupying it; that the question of providing a Unit for curative treatment for mental patients has arisen and if the Unit is not to be provided in the grounds of the Regional Hospital the R.M.S. at St. Brigid's Hospital, Ballinasloe considers that Woodlands might be utilised for this purpose.

The Chairman stated and the Council agreed that in view of the fact that a Commission is at present considering the treatment of mental illness, the question of the future use of Woodlands Orthopaedic Hospital might be left in a beyance.

3064 - REORGANISATION OF DISPENSARY DISTRICTS: The letter sent to each member of the Council on 18th October, 1962 regarding the proposed re-organisation of Gort, Kinvara and Ardahan Dispensary Districts was submitted.

Clr. J. Lambert asked if this re-organisation would involve any hardship for the patients in these districts.

The County Manager in reply stated that all the dispensaries at present in use would still be available after the re-organisation.

The proposal was approved on the proposal of Senator R. Lahiffe, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert.

3065 - ABOLITION OF OFFICES OF MIDWIFE: On the proposition of Clr. J. Lambert, seconded by Clr. P. Patten, the Council approved the abolition of the three offices of midwife, viz. in each of the districts Clifden, Oranmore and Gort.

3066 - REMUNERATION OF COMPOUNDERS: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved revised remuneration for pharmacy staff working with effect from 1st November, 1961, as set out hereunder:-

Compounder, Galway Regional Hospital (Mr. Lohan) £900. x £40. - £1,100. a year.  
Compounder, County Clinic (Miss T. Landers) £700. x £40. - £900 a year.  
Part-time Compounder, Galway Regional Hospital (Mrs. Murphy)  
14/- an hour for first 6 hours in each week.  
10/- an hour for hours in excess of 6 but not exceeding 12 in each week.  
8/- an hour for hours in excess of 12 in each week.

Above rates are subject to a maximum payment of £9. 12s. 6d. a week.

3067 - WORKERS IN BALLINASLOE URBAN DISTRICT: On the proposition of Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved payment to the Council's workers in Ballinasloe Urban District of the second increase of 7/6d. a week which was allowed to Council workers

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in the County Health District with effect from 1st April, 1962 making the revised rate for County Council Labourers in the Ballinasloe Urban District £7. 5s. Od. a week from 1st April, 1962 and with a corresponding increase for other grades employed by the Council in Ballinasloe Urban District.

3068 - VACANCIES FOR RATE COLLECTORS NOS. 28 & 36 DISTRICTS: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt and resolved:-

"That having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector for No. 28 District and of the office of Rate Collector for No. 36 District, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of their duties and the qualifications for those offices, the person to be appointed to each of those offices cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination and the Council decides, therefore, that the person to be selected for each of those vacant posts shall be appointed by the Council after consideration of the qualifications and experience of the eligible candidates".

#### No. 28 District

The letter sent to each member of the Council on 22nd October, 1962 was submitted. This letter stated that the only candidate who qualified in the Education and Irish Tests is Mr. John Clancy, Baurnagurtheeney, Oughterard. It pointed out that Mr. Clancy is a member of the Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee but that he had not attended any meeting of that Sub-Committee at any time etc.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and resolved:-

"That subject to a satisfactory medical report and subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government and to the other conditions of appointment for the office of Rate Collector, the Council hereby appoints Mr. John Clancy, Baurnagurtheeney, Oughterard to the office of Rate Collector for No. 28 District".

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh dissented from this resolution.

#### No. 36 District

A list of eligible candidates for this vacant post which had been sent to each member of the Council along with the Agenda, showing that four candidates were eligible as regards age, education and character, was submitted.

It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea and seconded by Clr. Seamus Kyne that Mr. Michael Togher, Galway Road, Tuam be appointed to the office of Rate Collector for No. 36 District subject to satisfactory medical report and sanction of the Minister for Local Government and subject to the other conditions of appointment for that office.

The appointment of Mr. Patrick J. Mullins, Dangan, Ballyglunin, was proposed by Clr. G. Kelly and seconded by Clr. J. Lambert.

The appointment of Mr. Stephen Nicholson, Stripe, Tuam was proposed by Clr. J. Ridge and seconded by Clr. P. Collins.

Mr. P. Mullins' father having stated that Mr. Mullins wished to withdraw his name, Clr. G. Kelly withdrew his proposal.

Mr. P. Collins stated that Mr. Nicholson also wished to withdraw his name and Clr. J. Ridge's proposal was, therefore, withdrawn also.

The Chairman then declared Mr. Michael Togher, Galway Road, Tuam appointed to the vacant office of Rate Collector for No. 36 District subject to satisfactory medical report, subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government and subject to the other conditions of appointment for that office.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL 4 p.m.



ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

3069 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

The Kitt Family, Mountbellew.  
Mr. Timothy McLoughlin, Acting S.A.O., on the death of his brother.

3070 - STUDENT NURSES IN REGIONAL HOSPITAL: The Chairman referred to Minute No. 11 of meeting of the Consultative Health Committee held on 13th October, 1962 and stated that subsequently as indicated in that Minute he had written a letter asking that the County Manager would make a statement on this matter to the County Council at its next meeting.

The Chairman stated that in view of the Manager's reply he did not intend raising this matter at this meeting of the Council at all. But during the luncheon interval he had been threatened by a member of the Council with a libel action if the matter was raised and in view of that he had no option but to raise this matter at this meeting.

Clr. Gerald Kelly stated that he wishes that it made clear to everybody that he was not implicated in this incident in any way as it appears from certain incidents that his name is being confused in this matter with that of Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh.

The Chairman stated that he had been stopped today by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh who warned him that if this matter was raised at today's meeting a libel action would be taken against both the Chairman and Deputy Geoghegan. The Chairman stated that he will not permit any intimidation of the Chairman or of any member of the Council irrespective of what party that member belongs to.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman and seconded by Deputy A. Millar that the Manager be asked to make available all relevant correspondence in connection with the suspension of Probationary Nurses at Galway Regional Hospital recently.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan that the correspondence be not made available at the meeting. This proposal was not seconded and the Chairman's proposal was declared carried.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that what he had done on this occasion he did in the public interest; that on 13th October, 1962 he informed the Manager that he had been advised that the correspondence should be made available to him.

The County Manager agreed that there had been such a request by Clr. O'Ceallaigh though he had not stated that he had been legally advised to this effect and that the County Manager had shown the file to Clr. O'Ceallaigh, who gave him to understand that he would send a further letter to the County Manager which letter did not come.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that the documents shown to him by the County Manager on 13th October, 1962 do not tell the full story.

The County Manager read the correspondence viz:-

27th September, 1962 - Lay Superintendent's letter.  
24th July, 1962 - Minutes of meeting of Medical Staff.  
26th September, 1962 - Report by Sr. Kieran, Acting Matron.  
24th September, 1962 - Acting Night Superintendent's report.  
5th October, 1962 - County Manager's Order No. 2913.  
4th October, 1962 - letter from County Manager to Clr. O'Ceallaigh.  
13th October, 1962 - Consultative Health Meeting, Minute No. 11.  
18th October, 1962 - Chairman's letter to Secretary.  
23rd October, 1962 - Secretary's reply to Chairman.

The Chairman stated that the control of officers is a function vested in the County Manager and he recommended that the discussion of

the matter would then end.

The County Manager stated that Clr. O'Ceallaigh denied that he had spoken to the Acting Matron in a loud tone of voice and that he stated that when he started to speak to the Acting Matron the student nurses who were in the vicinity went away.

The discussion terminated.

3071 - SCHEME OF POLLING DISTRICTS & POLLING PLACES: It was proposed by Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby adopts the scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places for Dail Elections in Galway County and the scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places for Local Elections in Galway County and that these schemes be sent to the Minister for Local Government for confirmation".

The seal of the Council was then affixed to these schemes.

3072 - VISITING COMMITTEE MINUTES: The Minutes of the following meetings of the Visiting Committee were submitted and noted:-

Regional Hospital 16/7/1962 and 6/9/1962.  
Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, 18/8/1962.  
St. Brendan's Home, 27/7/1962.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. G. Kelly, the County Manager stated that the question of the weight of mutton carcasses is being gone into by him along with the Regional Hospital Officers.

Senator J. Mannion stated that there is waste in buying large sheep carcasses; that it is not possible to get the type of mutton specified at the contract price existing.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

3073 - SERVICED HOUSING SITES: The Assistant County Manager stated that both Loughrea and Tuam Town Commissioners have stated that there is a need for provision of serviced sites for private building and recommended that an advertisement be issued to ascertain if there is such a demand in each of these towns.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Collins, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved the issue of an advertisement inviting applications so that if there is a demand for such sites the manner of providing them may be considered by the Council.

3074 - BEALADANGAN BRIDGE: Letter of 26th September, 1962 from the Department of Local Government was submitted and it was proposed by Clr. J. Canning seconded by Clr. J. Lambert and resolved:-

"That application be and is hereby made to the Minister for Local Government for a Bridge Order under the provisions of Section 44 of the Local Government Act, 1946, to replace the two span swing bridge on County Road No. 53 leading from Lettercallow to Bealadangan with a view to improving road communications, by providing a bridge of adequate weight bearing capacity with a carriage-way wider than that of the existing bridge; the cost of the work, in so far as it may not be met by Government Grant, to be charged to the County Health District of Galway."

3075 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS: The Council unanimously approved the publication of the necessary notice with a view to having the following roads declared to be public roads:-

- (a) Road to Clarinbridge Burial Ground and Fairgreen (Proposed by Senator Lahiffe and seconded by Clr. Lambert).
- (b) Road to Commins' House at Moneymore (Proposed by Deputy Coogan and seconded by Clr. Canning).



In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the County Engineer stated that no evidence has been produced to show that the road from Mount Mary to Abbeygrey was formerly maintained by the Council.

**3076 - ROADS - COUNCILLORS NOTICES OF MOTION:** The County Engineer stated that all particulars in regard to above had not yet been received from all members and consequently it was decided that consideration of this matter would be adjourned until the next meeting.

**3077 - INCHQUIN ISLAND CAUSEWAY:** The correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted showing that the only source from which a contribution to the cost of the work will be obtained, is the Land Commission which in letter 8th September, 1962 has agreed to make a contribution of £7,750 or 50% of the cost of the project whichever is the lesser amount.

The Secretary stated that the total cost of the work is estimated to be £15,500.

On the proposition of Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council confirmed the decision already given in Minute No. 2890 that the Council would contribute 50% of the cost of this work and approved going ahead with the work on those terms.

A letter of 22nd October, 1962 from the Department of Local Government stated that the Minister would consider an application by the Council for sanction to the raising of a loan to pay the Council's share of the cost of this work.

**3078 - DISPENSARY FOR KILKERRIN, CARNA:** In reply to Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion No. 22 (a) 1, the County Manager stated that a site for provision of a new dispensary at Kilkerrin, Carna is being sought at present.

Deputy Geoghegan stated that the present accommodation is very bad and asked if some alternative place could be obtained.

**3079 - CARNA WATER SUPPLY:** In response to Deputy Geoghegan's Notice of Motion No. 22 (a) 2, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that in the Regional Water Supply proposals for Kilkerrin and Carna it is intended that a 5" Water Main will run along the part of the road to which this Notice of Motion refers; that the estimated cost of providing a 5" Main along this length of 750 yards is £1,620.

This work was approved on the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. P. Joyce.

**3080 - HEADFORD WATER SUPPLY:** In reply to Clr. T. King's Notice of Motion No. 22 (b), the Secretary stated that it is considered that the extension of the Headford Water Supply Scheme along the Shrule and Galway roads would form schemes appropriate to be carried out by local groups with the aid of Local Government and County Council grants; that this had been taken up with the Department of Local Government whose letter of 15th September, 1962 stated that it was being considered and that a further communication would be sent to the Council.

Clr. King stated that the people concerned are a long time awaiting these extensions and he proposed that plans be prepared for their carrying out by the Council.

It was decided that a reply be sought from the Department of Local Government again and that the matter be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Council.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

**3081 - TEMPORARY CLERKS - RATES WORK:** In accordance with Notice of Motion, it was proposed by Clr. T. King and seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan "That all temporary clerks employed in preparing Rate Demands be paid at a weekly rate".

Clr. T. King stated that when being paid on piece work rate there was a tendency to rush the work with resulting illegibility of Demand Notes.

The County Manager stated that he would consider this proposal.

**3082 - POST OF MATRON - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL:** The Chairman ruled out of order Notice of Motion No. 22 (d).

Deputy F. Coogan stated that the present holder of the office of Matron at the Regional Hospital is a credit to that office.

**3083 - PUMPS:** Clr. P. Joyce, having proposed that the pumps at Aghrismore and Killywongan, Clifden be replaced by new pumps, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that the improved Water Supply Scheme for Clifden will extend to Killywongan and that the pump there will then be unnecessary.

With regard to Aghrismore, Mr. Silke stated that he would arrange for the testing of the water which Mr. Joyce stated, is of very bad quality.

**3084 - PRODUCTION OF CHIPS FOR ROADS:** In reply to Clr. P. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 22 (e) 2, the County Engineer stated that for the coming year he will investigate the possibility of production of chips locally in the area west of Maam Cross and will report upon the matter to the Council.

**3085 - COTTAGE RENTS:** In reference to Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 22 (e) 3, the Chairman proposed and it was agreed that a meeting of the Galway County Council will be held on Saturday 3rd November, 1962 commencing at 12 noon at the County Buildings, Galway to consider the revision of the Council's Scheme for supplementary housing grants having regard to the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 and any other appropriate housing business.

It was directed that consideration of Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 22 (e) 3, be adjourned until the meeting on 3rd prox.

It was also arranged that the members in West Galway would meet the County Engineer a half hour before the meeting on 3rd instant to discuss the production of chips for road works in Connemara.

**3086 - ROADS ESTIMATE MEETING:** In accordance with the Chairman's direction, consideration of Clr. Joyce's Notices of Motion Nos. 22 (e) 4, 5, 6 and 7 was adjourned until the next Roads Estimate Meeting.

**3087 - CLIFDEN PUBLIC LIGHTING:** Clr. P. Joyce proposed, in accordance with his Notice of Motion No. 22 (e) 8 "That an additional public light be provided at Bridge Street, Clifden".

The Chairman, having pointed out that the Council can only provide improved lighting in accordance with the provision made in the estimate for the coming year, it was directed that consideration of this matter be referred to the next Estimates Meeting.

**3088 - SOLICITOR:** Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked that consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 22 (f) 1 be adjourned.

The Chairman asked that Councillor O'Ceallaigh would withdraw this proposal as the Council had already approved the employment of Mr. Naughton as solicitor as a taxed costs basis.

The County Manager explained that there is no office of County Solicitor for this county; that full consideration was given to the matter; that there are advantages and disadvantages in having a permanent solicitor to the Council as holiday and sick leave substitutes would have to be provided at the Council's expense as well as an office and office staff. Also there is the difficulty of removing if not satisfactory. At present the County Manager is at liberty to give all or part of the legal work to another solicitor; that Mr. Naughton



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is carrying out this work at a figure which does not exceed the cost of employment of whole-time solicitor.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh withdrew his Notice of Motion No. 22 (f) 1.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*M. Kiinne* Chairman.

*Date: 24<sup>th</sup> NOV. 1962.*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

Telephone:  
Galway 2055

29th October, 1962.

To: Each Member of the  
Galway County Council.

A Chara,

It is requested that you will attend a meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 3rd November, 1962 commencing at 12 o'clock noon to consider:-

- (1) Revision of Supplementary Housing Grants Schemes having regard to the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962.
- (2) Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.
- (3) Labourers' Acts.
- (4) Notice of Motion by Clr. P. Joyce:-  
"That the differential rent scheme for County Council cottages be amended to exclude Old Age Pensions from income of the household".
- (5) Other Housing Business.

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Minutes of proceedings at meeting of the Galway County Council held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 3rd November, 1962, to consider the revision of the Council's Scheme for Supplementary Housing Grants having regard to the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 and any other appropriate housing business.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy M. Carty.

ALSO PRESENT: Cllrs. Burke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Cllr. King, Deputy Kitt, Cllrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator J. Mannion, Cllr. M. Mannion, Deputy Millar, Cllrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Raftery, Ridge and P. Ruane.

3089 - CONGRATULATIONS: The Chairman said that since the last meeting of the Council, it had been announced that Mr. T.M. O'Connor, Galway Assistant County Manager, had been appointed Limerick County Manager and on behalf of the Council he wished to congratulate him on his success. He paid tribute to Mr. O'Connor's efficiency and courteousness and his accessibility to every member of the Council to discuss any matter. He praised his work on behalf of the Loughrea Town Commissioners. He wished him happiness and prosperity in the future.

Clr. Galvin seconded the vote of congratulation and thanked Mr. O'Connor for his work on behalf of the Ballinasloe Urban District Council.

Cllrs. Patten, King, Collins, Lambert, Burke, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Kelly, Ridge, Deputy Millar, Senators Mannion, Killilea, Cllrs. Flaherty, Donnellan and O'Ceallaigh associated themselves with the vote of congratulation.

Messrs. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer and O'Maolruanaidh, Acting County Secretary, congratulated Mr. O'Connor on behalf of the staff.

Mr. O'Connor thanked the members for their good wishes, praised their progressive outlook which had resulted in such tremendous progress in the County and he paid tribute to the Council's staff.

3090 - SUGAR AGREEMENT WITH BRITISH GOVERNMENT: On the proposition of Deputy Millar, seconded by Cllr. Flaherty, the Council congratulated Lieut. General M.J. Costello, General Manager, Irish Sugar Company on the successful conclusion of the Sugar Agreement between the Irish and British Governments.

3091 - HOUSING (LOANS & GRANTS) ACT, 1962. REVISION OF SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS SCHEMES:

The Chairman referred to the Assistant County Manager's explanatory memorandum, dated 31st October, 1962 re the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 which had already been circulated to each member.

(a) New House Grants (State): It was noted that in future grants for unserviced houses would be made only where services could not reasonably be provided.

(b) New House Grants (Supplementary): The Chairman explained that the maximum valuation limit was now raised to £50 for all persons engaged solely or mainly in agriculture; that the maximum income limit for others was now raised to £832; that a supplementary grant could not exceed the amount of the State Grant; that subject to these limitations a housing authority could make its own scheme for eligibility and the amounts of the supplementary grants to be made available.

The Chairman proposed and Cllr. Kelly seconded the following scheme of Supplementary Grants for farmers who built new houses:-

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Valuation	Amount of County Council Grant.
Not exceeding £20 on land	100% of Government Grant.
Exceeding £20 but not exceeding £35 on land.	66 2/3% " " "
" £35 " " " £50 " " and buildings.	50% " " "
" £50 on land and buildings	Nil

Clr. Galvin proposed the following sliding scale of grants for farmers, for new houses and for reconstruction works:-

Valuation	Amount of County Council Grant.
Not exceeding £15 on land	100% of Government Grant
Exceeding £15 but not exceeding £25 on land.	66 2/3% " " "
" £25 " " " £35 " " and buildings	50% " " "
" £35 " " " £50 " " and buildings	33 1/3% " " "

The Chairman said that 80% of the farmers of the County Galway would qualify under his scheme and that it would cater for the hard kernel of hardship cases that remained to be dealt with.

Clr. Lambert appealed for grants for those farmers whose valuations exceeded £50.

Clr. P. Ruane deplored the ineligibility for grants under the Scheme of those farmers in the Galway Rural area whose valuations were £1. per acre.

Cllrs. Flaherty, Burke and Senator J. Mannion approved of the Chairman's scheme.

Clr. Galvin then withdrew his proposal.

Clr. O'Ceallaigh then proposed the following scheme of Supplementary Grants for farmers who built new houses:-

Valuation	Amount of County Council Grant.
Not exceeding £27.10.0d. on land	100% of Government Grant.
Exceeding £27.10.0d. but not exceeding £35. on land.	66 2/3% " " "
Exceeding £35. but not exceeding £42.10.0d. on land	50% " " "
Exceeding £42.10.0d. but not exceeding £50. on land & buildings	33 1/3% " " "

but he received no seconder.

The Chairman's proposed scheme as seconded by Cllr. Kelly was then unanimously approved by the Council.

The Assistant County Manager advised Cllr. Lambert that the Government Grants for new houses under the Act were as follows:-

Persons to whom grants will be made by Minister	Where sewerage and piped water cannot reasonably be provided.	Where sewerage and piped water are provided.	Where sewerage and piped water supply are provided in an area where public sewerage scheme or public piped water supply is not available.



	No. of rooms in hse.			No. of rooms in hse.			No. of rooms in house		
	3	4	5 or more	3	4	5 or more	3	4	5 or more
Person Providing hse.	£125	£175	£225	£175	£225	£275	£200	£250	£300
Public Utility society providing house.	135	185	235	185	235	285	210	260	310

The Chairman proposed and Clr. Galvin seconded the following scheme of Supplementary Grants for persons, other than farmers, who built their new houses:-

Income	Amount of County Council Grant.
Not exceeding £520 per annum	100% of Government Grant
Exceeding £520 but not exceeding £720 p.a.	66% " " "
" £720 " " " £832 p.a.	50% " " "
" £832 p.a.	Nil.

and this was unanimously agreed to.

Deputy Kitt suggested that, in determining income limits, due allowance should be made for each child in the family similar to the Scholarship Schemes and the Chairman said that the County Manager was empowered under the Act to take such factors into consideration when dealing with an applicant's qualifications.

Clr. King proposed and Clr. Galvin seconded that the revised Supplementary Grants under the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 be paid by the Council in respect of houses the erection of which commenced or commences after 1st day of November, 1962.

The Chairman proposed and Deputy Kitt seconded that the revised Supplementary Grants under the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 be paid by the Council in respect of houses the erection of which commenced or commences after 1st day of April, 1962 i.e. the operative date specified in Section 2 of the Act.

A vote taken resulted as follows:-

For Clr. King's proposal: Clrs. Burke, Galvin, Senator Killilea and Clr. King (4)

For the Chairman's proposal: Deputy Carty, Clr. Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Kelly, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator J. Mannion, Clr. M. Mannion, Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Eaftery, Ridge and P. Ruane (21)

The Chairman declared his own proposal carried.

(c) State Grants for reconstruction or improvement of houses: It was noted that the scale of grants remained the same but that the distinction between reconstruction grants and repair and improvement grants had been abolished; future grants would be payable for any works (whether for the purposes of extending, enlarging or improving the house) that, in the opinion of the Minister, were reasonably necessary for the purpose of rendering the house more suitable for human habitation (decoration excluded); that the term "agricultural labourer" was no longer used and that the higher rate of grant was payable to persons who derived their livelihood solely or mainly from agriculture.

(d) Supplementary Grants for reconstruction or improvement of houses:

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Deputy Kitt the

Council decided to continue the existing scheme whereby a supplementary grant could equal but not exceed the State Grant, the total of both grants combined not to exceed two-thirds of the cost of the work subject to the abolition of the means test restricting the grants to certain classes of persons.

(e) Grants for Essential Repairs: It was noted that this new scheme of grants under Section 5 of the Act, was designed to encourage the carrying out of minimum essential repairs to houses situated in County Health Districts so as to prolong the life of the house; that the State Grant was payable to the occupier of the house but that the repairs could, with the consent of the occupier, be carried out by the housing authority to whom the grant would then be paid; that the amount of the State Grant would be two-thirds of the cost of the work subject to a maximum of £30; that the housing authority could contribute to the cost of the repairs by way of cash, materials, labour or other assistance in kind; that a grant for essential repairs could not be made where the house could be made fit for human habitation at reasonable cost.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Collins, the Council unanimously adopted Section 5 of the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962.

(f) Grants for Housing of Elderly Persons: It was noted that this new type of grant under Section 6 of the Act was payable to bodies erecting, reconstructing, converting or purchasing housing accommodation for elderly persons; that the State Grant would be a maximum of £300 in respect of each separate dwelling unit provided; that the housing authority could pay a supplementary grant of an amount not exceeding the amount of the State Grant; that the housing authority could also lay down conditions governing payment of the supplementary grant.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Collins, the Council unanimously adopted Section 6 of the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962.

(g) Grants for Prototype Houses: It was noted that this new type of State Grant under Section 7 of the Act, was designed to encourage experimentation by architects, builders co-operative groups and local authorities in the production of low cost houses; that a State Grant for the erection of an experimental prototype house might be made up to 50% of the approved estimated cost; that there was no provision for supplementary grants for prototype houses but that if the prototype house was successful, similar houses built subsequently would be eligible for normal new house, State and supplementary grants even if the houses did not comply with the usual conditions for the payment of such grants.

(h) Grants under the Housing (Gaeltacht) Acts: It was noted that no change was made in these grants by the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962.

On the proposition of Deputy Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. Lambert, the Council requested the Assistant County Manager to prepare and submit to the next meeting of the Council a slightly better scheme than the existing one.

(i) Loans for Reconstruction, Repair and Improvement of Houses: It was noted that the power to make loans was continued with some extensions; that a loan could now be made to a tenant purchaser of a house being purchased under the Labourers Acts or the Housing of the Working Classes Acts, who wished to carry out reconstruction, repair or improvement of the house; that the tenant purchaser of a vested cottage could secure the repayment of a loan by the deposit with the housing authority of the land certificate issued under the Registration of Title Acts.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council decided to adopt Section 10 of the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962.



(j) Loans for Erection or Purchase of Houses: It was noted that the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts were to be replaced by Section 11 of the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 and it was decided to consider the matter further when the Minister for Local Government had made regulations for the purpose of giving effect to the section.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Galvin, the Council requested the Minister for Lands to authorise an increase of from £200 to £750 in Irish Land Commission housing loans.

(k) Schemes for Guarantee of Loans: It was noted that Section 13 of the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 extended the power to guarantee loans to advances made by banks or other industrial or commercial organizations as well as building societies or assurance companies; that provision was also made for guarantee of loans for reconstruction, extension, improvement or repair of houses; that the making of a scheme for guarantees was a reserved function.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Clr. Dowd, the Council requested the Assistant County Manager to prepare a draft scheme for submission to them.

(L) Grants & Loans for Installation of Piped Water & Sewerage in Dwelling Houses:

It was noted that there was no provision for these grants in the Housing (Loans & Grants) Act, 1962 and that in future they would be provided under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1962.

3092 - LABOURERS' ACTS: The following details of the number of cottages built and in progress of construction etc. were submitted:-

	Town	Rural	Total
Built	112	267	379
In progress	---	12	12
Tenders accepted (Work not commenced)	---	15	15
Tenders invited	---	7	7
Sites being transferred by County Solicitor	---	4	4
Further Sites Acquired:-			
Portumna	14		
Kinvara	2		
Tuam	16		46
Sites being selected by Co. Engineer	---	75	75
Sites selected & approved by County Engineer & Co. Medical Officer	---	4	4
Applicants approved by " " "	---	6	6
Recent applications received - being investigated	---	8	8
	144	412	556
Applications refused	---	117	117
	144	529	673

The Chairman said it was rumoured that the Minister for Local Government was dissatisfied with the progress being made in the construction of labourers cottages and that he was consequently investigating the introduction of prefabricated houses with a view to improving the position.

The Chief Assistant County Engineer said there was little wrong with the type of house they were building, and that he would be slow to change to prefabrication for the purpose of saving a few hundred pounds per house, as it would result in a lower standard of house and create a very expensive maintenance problem; that whereas prefabricated houses were comfortable it was unlikely that they would successfully withstand the abuse some County Council tenants unfortunately gave their houses.

Clr. Dowd suggested that a few specimen prefabricated houses be built.

Deputy Kitt said there were several vested cottages in his area unoccupied since 1945 and that they should have been given to the numerous applicants who were badly in need of housing accommodation and who were prepared to pay rent for them.

Clr. Collins supported Deputy Kitt's appeal.

Senator John Mannion said that tenants who had idle rooms in their cottages should be authorised to keep lodgers to occupy them.

The Chairman asked the Chief Assistant County Engineer if he was satisfied with the progress being made and if there was any delay on the part of the Department of Local Government or Contractors.

The Chief Assistant County Engineer said he was dissatisfied with the progress; that due to the low maximum price sanctioned by the Department, they were unable to attract any contractors to tender for the building of cottages in West Galway, and only an average of three contractors tendered for each cottage built in East Galway; that the small rural contractors were apparently not prepared to work any longer under the old conditions by tendering a price that gave them just a small weekly wage; that the Department of Local Government would need to increase the authorised maximum price by £100 per cottage.

Clr. Glynn said that the dissatisfaction amongst contractors was caused by the delay in issuing certificates for payment and the Chief Assistant County Engineer denied that there was any delay in payment of the amounts due.

Deputy Kitt asked the Assistant County Manager to forward him a list of the vested cottages, in the Mountbellew and Ballinasloe areas, that were unoccupied.

Deputy Geoghegan agreed with the Assistant County Engineer's views regarding tenders for cottages in West Galway and he said that tenants were anxious to have their cottages vested and they should be encouraged by the introduction of an up to date vesting scheme.

Clr. Dowd said that it would be a more economic long term policy to employ good contractors at a fair price to build the cottages rather than spend much more in the future repairing the work done by incompetent contractors.

On the proposition of Clr. Galvin, seconded by Deputy Geoghegan the Council requested the Assistant County Manager to give priority to the preparation of a vesting scheme for cottages not covered by the existing scheme.

The Assistant County Manager said he understood that the Government proposed, at an early date, to introduce legislation simplifying the system of vesting labourers cottages.

3093 - DIFFERENTIAL RENT SCHEME - OLD AGE PENSIONS: The Chairman submitted a letter from Clr. P. Joyce dated 2nd instant regretting that he was unable to be present at the meeting and explaining his reasons for requesting an amendment to the differential rent scheme to exclude Old Age Pensions from income of the household.

The Assistant County Manager stated that he saw no good reason why Old Age Pensions should be excluded as the tenants rents did not cover the costs of repair.

The Chairman directed that this Notice of Motion be adjourned for consideration at the next meeting of the Council.

M. S. O. Moolamadh, Acting Secretary

Submitted, approved and confirmed

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Chairman. Date: 24th Nov. 1962

M. S. O. Moolamadh



## COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055  
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15 Shamhain, 1962.

Chuibh Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, De Sathairn, 24 Shamhain, 1962 ag tosnú 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) Connaught Laundry Limited; Galway - Damage to 2 vans 6/10/1962 - £50.
  - (b) Mr. Matthew Hogan; Curravaughla, Ballygar - Donkey Cart etc. 31/10/1962 - £30.
  - (c) Mr. Edward Keogh, Ballyconneely - Diesel Oil and hose pipe 1/11/1962 - £34.
  - (d) Mr. Dermot F. Leavy, Ardmore, Carna - Damage to motor car tyre and tube, 1/11/1962 - £6.
3. Revision of salaries of Courthouse Caretakers.
4. Raising of a loan of £25,000 for issue of Housing Loans.
5. Overdraft for quarter to 31st March, 1963.
6. **Proposed** Regional Water Supply Scheme for Menlough.
7. Headford Water Supply Extensions - Minute 3080 of 27/10/1962.
8. Scheme for Supplementary Housing Grants relating to grants under the Housing (Gaeltacht) Acts - Minute No. 3091 of 3/11/1962.
9. Allocation of amount provided in Reads Estimate 1962/63 for Councillors' Notices of Motion - Minute No. 3076 of 27/10/1962.
10. Arrangements for filling of vacancy for Rate Collector in No. 14 District from 1/5/1963 (Temporary Collector, Mrs. J. Freeney).
11. Proposals for development of plot at Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, viz:-
  - (a) Removal of remains of old store.
  - (b) Levelling or removal of bank of clay.
  - (c) Completion of boundary wall.
  - (d) Provision of one or two stiles.
  - (e) Provision of simple play equipment for children.
  - (f) Planting of trees and shrubs.
  - (g) Termination of letting to Tuam Town Commissioners.
  - (h) Letting of grazing for sheep on 11 months system.

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12. Expenditure on medicines in current year in Dispensary Districts and in Regional Hospital.
13. Proposed sale of Fair Greens at Maam and Roundstone.
14. Fixing date for December meeting on 31st December, 1962 - as fourth Monday will be Christmas Eve.
15. Auditor's Report on accounts of River Suck Joint Drainage Committee for year to 31/3/1962.
16. Members' Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Clr. P.D. Joyce:

"That the Differential Rent Scheme for County Council Cottages be amended to exclude Old Age Pensions from the income of the household".
  - (b) Deputy A. Millar:
    1. "That this Council feels the cottage intended for Mrs. Mary Costello, Collagh, Killimor, should be started without further delay."
    2. "It is the opinion of this Council, that the necessary repairs should be carried out to Cottage No. 13, at Northbrook, Aughtrim, the property of Mr. William Kenny."
  - (c) Clr. J. Dowd:
    1. "That the Water Main at Garbally Gate be extended to Mr. Sheppard's house on the Laurencetown - Ballinasloe road about one mile, in order to give a piped water supply to six cottages and twelve farm houses."
    2. "That all stakes used by the Council be of reinforced concrete, and that this be recommended to all state bodies through the General Council of County Councils."
17. Replies to questions already submitted by members.
18. Resolutions.
19. Other business.
20. Letter 14/11/1962 from the Select Committee for Health Services.



SALARIES ETC. OF COURTHOUSE CARETAKERS

Proposed Revision from 1st October, 1962.

Courthouse	Present			From 1st October, 1962		
	Salary	Fuel Allowance	Total	Salary	Fuel Allowance	Total
Ballinasloe	£ 52	-	£ 52	£ 88	-	£ 88
Eyrecourt	3	-	3	16	-	16
Gort	26	-	26	40	-	40
Headford	6	4	10	16	5	21
Kinvara	(Rent) 27	36	63		No Change	
Loughrea	36	10	46	70	15	85
Maam	5	-	5	12	-	12
Mountbellew	22	-	22	25	-	25
Oughterard	19½	5	24½	30	15	45
Portumna	19½	-	19½	40	-	40
Tuam	96	-	96	108	-	108
Woodford	7½	-	7½	12	-	12

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 24th NOVEMBER, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Senator M. Killilea  
(2) Clr. Thomas King

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

An apology for inability to attend owing to the death of his aunt was received from Clr. P. Patten.

3094 - SYMPATHY: The Chairman proposed that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to Mr. J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer on the death of his mother, to Mr. O'Connor, Assistant County Manager on the death of his father-in-law, and Mr. P.A. Patten, Co.C., on the death of his aunt and that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until 1.45 p.m.

This proposal was seconded by Deputy Geoghegan and unanimously approved.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED UNTIL 1.45 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION SENATOR M. KILLILEA AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

Messrs. T.O'Connor and J. Silke expressed their thanks to the Council for the expression of sympathy.

3095 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 3093 inclusive having been circulated to the members, were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3096 - LEVEL CROSSING AT GURRAUN: In reply to an enquiry by Clr. T. King, the Secretary stated that on 30th August, 1962 the County Manager had written to the Secretary C.I.E. regarding the question raised in Minute No. 3001 of 28th August, 1962 and that, apparently, a reply to the County Manager's letter had not been received.

It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved that this matter be pursued by C.I.E. so that the Council may know who is responsible for opening and closing the gates at this level crossing at Gurraun.

3097 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that Malicious Damage Claims as set out at item 2 (a) to (d) inclusive on the Agenda had been received.

On the request of Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council directed that in future the Council shall be supplied at each meeting with particulars of Malicious Damage Claims for which a Decree has been obtained since the previous meeting.

3098 - SALARIES OF COURTHOUSE CARETAKERS: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan, the Council approved revision of salaries and fuel allowances for Courthouse Caretakers with effect from 1st October, 1962 in accordance with the schedule supplied with the Agenda for this meeting.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. J. Glynn, the Secretary stated that if the District Medical Officer takes up occupation of the residence which has now been provided at Williamstown, the difficulty regarding Courthouse accommodation should be resolved.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that generally sufficient tables are available in courthouses for the solicitors and the press representatives; that if the press bring to the notice of the Council any case in which the accommodation is insufficient, that request will receive attention.



3099 - HOUSING LOANS: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Glynn and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £25,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for issue of loans by the Council for acquisition or construction of houses; this loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 35 years with interest at the rate obtaining at the date of issue of the loan to the Council".

3100 - OVERDRAFT: It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Clr. J. Glynn and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £400,000 on the Council's General Account for the quarter ending 31st March, 1963."

3101 - REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY FOR MENLOUGH: The Secretary stated that the estimated cost of this scheme is £89,540 to serve 258 houses at an estimated cost of £348 per house; that the County Manager has directed that the approval of the County Council be sought to proceed with the planning of the scheme on the understanding that the scheme may have to be curtailed if the output of water in the well is not sufficient. The Council's approval was also requested to the provision of a three phase electrical supply at the site and for the purchase and provision of a submersible pump which would be capable of carrying out adequate tests of the source and will eventually be incorporated in the permanent scheme.

On the proposition of Clr. J. Glynn, seconded by Clr. John Flaherty, the Council approved the provision of the electricity supply and the purchase of the pump and the proceeding with the planning of the scheme on the understanding that when the test of the source is completed this matter will be brought before the Council again.

3102 - WATER SUPPLY SCHEME FOR RURAL AREAS: It was decided that the special meeting to consider the report on the survey for Water Supply Scheme for rural areas will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday 29th December, 1962 commencing at 12.30 p.m. - the County Engineer's report and the County Manager's report to be circulated to the members in the meantime.

3103 - MILLTOWN WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: Clr. W. Burke asked what has happened to the proposal for provision of a Water Supply Scheme at Milltown.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that Milltown and Caltra Castle-blakeney were schemes which the Council had approved but which were left in abeyance when the survey of rural areas was instituted.

Deputy M. Kitt objected that since these schemes had already been approved by the Council they should not have been deferred.

It was decided to leave over further consideration of this matter until the special meeting on 29th December, 1962.

3104 - HEADFORD WATER SUPPLY EXTENSIONS: With reference to Minute No. 3080 of 27/10/1962, the Secretary read letter of 15th November, 1962 from the Department of Local Government stating that proposals for a Co-operative Water Supply Scheme at Galway Road offer little prospect of success; that it appears that the bulk of the householders involved in the Shrule Road are most anxious to participate in a Co-operation Water Supply Scheme.

The Department requested a copy of the lay-out showing the pipe lines and the houses to be served and the Secretary stated that this information would be supplied.

3105 - SUPPLEMENTARY HOUSING GRANTS: In connection with the scheme for Supplementary Housing Grants relating to grants under the

Housing (Gaeltacht) Acts and Minute No. 3091 of 3rd November, 1962, the Assistant County Manager gave particulars of the grants being made available by the Council at present and the possible maximum grants which could be given according to law.

It was decided that the only change which would be made would be that the means test for Reconstruction Grants would be abolished - this being approved unanimously by the Council.

3106 - ROADS - COUNCILLORS' NOTICES OF MOTION: On the proposition of Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. P. Collins, the Council approved the allocation of the amount, provided in the current year's estimate for Councillors' Notices of Motion, to the roads set out in the list received with the County Engineer's letter of 31st October, 1962 as amended by the County Engineer's letters of 20th, 22nd, 26th & 27th November, 1962.

3107 - RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 14 DISTRICT: The Secretary stated that Temporary Collector Mrs. J. Freney is sanctioned for the period to 30th April, 1963 and that the Council's direction is sought in regard to the arrangements to be made after that date i.e. if the position is to be filled permanently.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Senator R. Lahiffe, the Council unanimously approved the extension of Mrs. Julia Freney's appointment as Temporary Rate Collector for No. 14 District for a further year to 30th April, 1964 inclusive, with remuneration at the rate approved for the current year.

3108 - PLOT AT BALLYGADDY ROAD, TUAM: On the proposition of Clr. J. Glynn, seconded by Clr. W. Burke, the Council approved the development of a plot of ground at Ballygaddy Road, Tuam in accordance with the Assistant County Manager's recommendations as set out at 11 (a) to (h) inclusive on the Agenda for this meeting - it being noted that the estimated cost would be £200.

3109 - ESTIMATE FOR 1962/63 - MEDICINES: The Secretary submitted the County Manager's letter of 9th instant pointing out that the Council had reduced the estimate for medicines for General Medical Services for the current year from £27,000 to £24,000; that it is apparent from the progress of expenditure under this heading that the amount expended in the current year will be £38,000.

The County Manager stated that this increase in expenditure is occurring despite many appeals to the doctors to curtail expenditure on drugs wherever possible.

After discussion the additional expenditure involved for the current year viz. £14,000 was approved on the proposition of Senator M. Killilea seconded by Deputy A. Millar.

3110 - FAIR GREENS AT MAAM & ROUNDSTONE: The County Engineer's report of 19th October, 1962 was submitted and on the proposition of Senator J. Mannion seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved the recommendation that the fair greens acquired by the Council at Maam and Roundstone be advertised for sale.

3111 - NEXT MEETING: The Council unanimously approved the holding of the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council on Monday 31st December, 1962 - as the fourth Monday will fall on Christmas Eve.

3112 - AUDITOR'S REPORT: The Auditor's report on his audit of the Accounts of the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee for the year to 31st March, 1962 was submitted and noted.

3113 - EYRE SQUARE DEVELOPMENT: The County Manager's letter of 20th November, 1962 was submitted and on the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan seconded by Clr. G. Kelly, the Council approved the proposal that the Galway County Council will undertake the regrading and resurfacing of the roads and paths and surfacing of the new parking



place which will abut the road at Eyre Square on the understanding that the cost of this work will be met by the Road Grants for the year 1963/64.

CLR. T. KING NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

**3114 - COUNTY GALWAY OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE:** On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, 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 Pension Committee for a period of six months from 1st December, 1962 to 31st May, 1963 inclusive.

**3115 - CIVIL DEFENCE INSTRUCTORS - REMUNERATION:** On the proposition of Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan the Council approved the revision of remuneration of Civil Defence Instructors as set out in County Manager's Order No. 2907 of 3rd October, 1962 and as approved in Department of Defence letter 31/1962 of 14th September, 1962 - with effect from 1st April, 1962 inclusive.

**3116 - SELECT COMMITTEE ON HEALTH SERVICES:** Letter D.56/5 of 14th November, 1962 from the Clerk to the Select Committee was submitted stating that the Committee would hear oral evidence from members of the Galway County Council in support of the submissions made by the Council.

The Council unanimously appointed the following members to give evidence to the Select Committee and suggested as the day for the hearing of that evidence Tuesday 4th December, 1962:-

Clr. John Dowd, Senator M. Killilea, Clr. J. Cox, Clr. T. King, Deputy J. Geoghegan, Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh.

These appointments were proposed and seconded as follows:-

Clr. J. Dowd (Deputy A. Millar and Clr. F. Mullins)  
 Senator M. Killilea (Clr. P. Collins and Deputy F. Coogan)  
 Clr. J. Cox (Clr. J. Flaherty and Clr. P. Collins)  
 Clr. T. King (Deputy J. Geoghegan and Clr. J. Flaherty)  
 Deputy J. Geoghegan (Clr. J. Glynn and Clr. P. Raftery)  
 Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh (Clr. T. King and Deputy A. Millar)

It was directed that copies of the memorandum would be supplied to each of the persons appointed above before 4th December, 1962.

**3117 - REMUNERATION OF TRADESMEN:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly, the Council approved the revision of remuneration of Tradesmen employed by the Galway County Council in County Galway and revision of their working hours as set out in Manager's Order No. 3220 of 19th November, 1962.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. G. Kelly, the Council also approved payment of a tool allowance of 5d. a day with effect from 17th September, 1962 inclusive to carpenters employed by the Galway County Council in the Galway Borough area.

**3118 - DIFFERENTIAL RENTS OF COTTAGES:** With reference to Clr. P.D. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 16 (a), Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that he had previously submitted a Notice of Motion to the same effect.

The Assistant County Manager stated that there is no greater case for exclusion of Old Age Pension than there is for exclusion of any other Social Welfare benefit; that the rents do not cover the cost of repairs to cottages and that the average loss per house is £13. a year.

The Assistant Manager suggested that if any change is to be made in rents it should be by way of general review of all rents with a view to increasing the minimum and maximum rents.

In the absence of Clr. P. Joyce, it was decided to adjourn consideration of this matter until the next meeting.

**3119 - COTTAGE FOR MRS. M. COSTELLO:** With reference to Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No. 16 (b) 1, the Secretary stated that sanction had just been received to the acceptance of a tender for erection of a cottage for Mrs. Mary Costello, Coolough, Killimor and that the Contract Documents are now being completed so that it is expected that the erection of the cottage will commence soon.

**3120 - REPAIR OF COTTAGE NO. 13, NORTHBROOK, AUGHTRIM:** In reply to Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No. 16 (b) 2, Mr. Silke, Engineer stated that the repair of this cottage had been overlooked but that the work will start before Christmas.

**3121 - WATER EXTENSION AT GARBALLY, BALLINASLOE:** With reference to Clr. John Dowd's Notice of Motion No. 16 (c) 1, it was explained that the Ballinasloe Urban Water Supply is inadequate to permit of this extension at present; that an improvement of that Water Supply Scheme is about to be put in hands and that this proposal could be considered when that improvement scheme is completed i.e. in about two year's time.

**3122 - CONCRETE STAKES:** It was proposed by Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and approved that the Council ask the General Council of County Councils to consider the recommendation that reinforced concrete fence posts be used by all local authorities and also by the Land Commission and Office of Public Works - instead of wood stakes.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. G. Kelly, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that the Council does not sell concrete fence posts but that these can be purchased from the Brothers at Kilcornan House, Clarinbridge.

**3123 - REGIONAL HOSPITAL - MUTTON:** In reply to an enquiry by Clr. G. Kelly, the Secretary stated that in next invitation of tenders for supply of mutton to Galway Regional Hospital, it is being specified that the weight of carcasses must not exceed 95 pounds without the head, which would be about 102 pounds including the head.

**3124 - COUNTY CLINIC:** Deputy F. Coogan stated that the seating accommodation at the County Clinic is not adequate at Dr. Horan's Dispensary and requested that this matter would be investigated.

**3125 - TONABRUCKY QUARRY:** Deputy F. Coogan stated that there are complaints that the heavy blasting at Tonabrocky Quarry is shaking the houses nearby and that sometimes stones land in their yards.

**3126 - GALWAY REGIONAL HOSPITAL - DOMESTIC STAFF:** Clr. J. Cox complained that he did not get a reply to his enquiry regarding the Domestic Staff at the Galway Regional Hospital.

The County Manager stated that the question of the Domestic Staff at the Regional Hospital and St. Brendan's Home is being examined at present.

**3127 - AMBULANCE SERVICE:** Deputy F. Coogan stated that the ambulance driver concerned should be complimented on the manner which he arranged for the conveyance of three injured itinerants to hospital recently.

**3128 - GALWAY/CASTLEGAR ROAD IMPROVEMENT:** In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. Ruane the County Engineer stated that there are no proposals under consideration at present for improvement of the road from Galway to Castlegar.

**3129 - LIBRARY SERVICE GRANTS:** On the proposition of Clr. T. King seconded by Clr. J. Dowd the Council adopted a resolution from Donegal County Council:-

"That a scheme of Library Grants for Western Seaboard Counties provide for 100% repayment of loan charges."



3130 - QUALITY OF DRUGS: Clr. J. Dowd complained regarding the exclusion of his question on this subject from the Agenda.

The Secretary explained that the Council, several years ago, directed that Notices of Motion requesting information be excluded from the Agenda and that a reply giving the information sought be sent to the member concerned; that in this case the County Manager had written about the matter to the Department of Health on 17th November, 1962 and that Clr. J. Dowd was so informed on 19th instant.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*L. O'Luanaigh*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Chairman.*

*Date: 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 1962. M. Ní Súilleabháin.*

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Telephone:  
Galway 2055

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

17th December, 1962.

To: Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Water Supply Schemes for Rural Areas

You are requested to attend the special meeting to consider the survey report and other information regarding the scheme for provision of water supply for rural areas in this county which will be held in the Council Chamber at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 29th December, 1962 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

A copy of the report is being sent to each member in a separate cover. Please bring that report with you to this special meeting.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.



COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055  
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17 Mhi na Nollag, 1962.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, De Luain, 31 Mhi na Nollag, 1962 ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

A G E N D ATO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims, viz:-
  - (a) Nilands Limited, Merchants' Road, Galway  
- Sweets, biscuits & Hair Cream, 11/11/62 - £10.
  - (b) Robert Connell, Shanbally, Craughwell  
- a cock of straw, 15/11/62 - £25.
  - (c) Patrick Connors, Greenhouse, Craughwell  
- Threshing Machine, 15/11/62 - £600.
  - (d) Irish Metal Industries Limited, Earls Island, Galway,  
- Partition and 4 rolls of insulated wire 17 - 19/11/62 - £40.
  - (e) Martin H. Walsh, Lettershea, Clifden,  
- Glass and roofing, 21 - 23/11/62 - £6. 4s. 10d.
3. Malicious Damage Decrees - Schedule attached.
4. Sealing Mortgage Deed for loans already aproved:-
  - (a) £2,700 for water and sewerage extensions at Athenry Road, Loughrea.
  - (b) £5,000 for heating installation at St. Brendan's Home.
  - (c) £4,000 for Mountbellew Dispensary Residence.
5. Raising of a supplementary loan of £3,430 for Craughwell Water Supply Scheme.
6. Demand of County Galway Vocational Education Committee for year to 31/3/1964 - increase of £6,608 on current year.
7. Irish Tourist Association - Letter December 1962 re Contribution
8. Creation of office of Senior Dentist.
9. Revision of salary scale for Matron of St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea - with effect from 1st April, 1961.

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10. Pensions Increases from 1/8/1962 - Letter from Department of Local Government.
11. Declaration of roads to be public roads, viz:-  
Road at Clarinbridge to Burial Ground and Green - 46 perches  
Road at Moneymore, from Moneymore to Commins' house at Moneymore East, being a branch of Road 182 - 179 perches.
12. Fixing date of Roads Estimate Meeting.
13. Dooleen Beach, Carraroe - Letter 5/12/62 from Department of Transport & Power.
14. Garraun (Oranmore) Level Crossing - Minute 3096 of 24/11/62
15. Visiting Committee Minutes - Regional Hospital 10/11/1962.
16. Letter 14/11/1962 for Galway/Salthill Tourist Federation seeking financial assistance.
17. Conradh na Gaeilge memorandum on Telefis Eireann.
18. Members' Notices of Motion:
  - (a) Clr. P.D. Joyce:  
"That the Differential Rent Scheme for County Council cottages be amended to exclude Old Age Pensions from the income of the household".
  - (b) Deputy M. Carty: "At the next meeting of the County Council I, or some other member acting on my behalf shall request the Council to discontinue the requirement in our Secondary Scholarships Scheme, whereby a girl availing herself of a County Council post-primary scholarship in a secondary school where Domestic Science is taught must take that subject as a subject in her secondary school course, provided she takes another Science subject in its stead."
19. Other Business.



Malicious Damage Decrees Received Since last Meeting (Item 3)

File No.	Claim	Decree	Area of Charge
411	Ml. Newell, Sea Road, Galway, 27/4/62 - Plate Glass Window - £18. 10. 0.	£. s. d. 18.10. 0. and costs	Galway Boro.
413	John McDonagh, N.F.A., 8/5/62 - - Donkey (at Ballybaan) - £10.	5.10. 0. and costs	do.
416	Bridget Curley, Prospect Hill, Galway, 3/6/62 - Plate Glass Window - £50.	30. 0. 0. and costs	do.
419	Margaret Lillis, Upr. Abbeygate Street, Galway, 10/6/62 - Glass Panel of Door, - £12.	8. 4. 0. and costs	do.
420	Electricity Supply Board, 26/6/62 - H.T. Line at Ballymoneen - £50.	25. 0. 0. and costs.	E.D. Barna
422	Coleman McDonagh, Rusheennamanagh, Carna, 26/7/62 - 2 cocks of hay - £13.	10. 0. 0. and costs	E.D. Scaniff
424	Bartley Naughton, Kilcummin, 9/8/62 - Damage to vacant school, Glenacmurrin - £50.	20. 0. 0. and costs	E.D. Selerna E.D. Kilcummin
425	Michael Fahy, Eyre Square, Galway, 9/8/62 - Plate Glass Window - £50.	45. 0. 0. and costs	Galway Boro.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 29th DECEMBER, 1962.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael Carty

ALSO PRESENT: Cllrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Cllr. King, Deputy Kitt, Cllrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Cllr. Mannion M., Deputy Millar, Cllrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery.

3131 - WATER SUPPLY FOR RURAL AREAS: The County Engineer's report of August, 1962 and the County Manager's letter of 19th December, 1962 were submitted, copies of both having been circulated to each member of the Council in advance of the meeting.

The Chairman congratulated the County Engineer and Mr. Eamonn Dalton on the excellent manner in which the report had been prepared and presented.

The Chairman suggested that the report could be published in the press as a news item.

The County Engineer expressed his thanks on his own behalf and on behalf of Mr. Dalton and Mr. John Silke, Engineers.

The Chairman recommended that after publication of the report in the press a period of two months be allowed to enable the Council to get the public reaction to the scheme and also to receive any further suggestions from Councillors.

A suggested priority list of the schemes was also submitted and the County Manager recommended that schemes sufficient for a programme of three years be referred at a time to the Consultants.

The County Manager pointed out that on present cost the loan charges, after making allowance for the state contribution, would for a 35 year loan, amount to £77,047 and including operating costs of £51,211 a year the total charge falling on the rates would be £128,248 a year; that since it would take some years to put the schemes in hands and since costs are likely to increase the charge on the rates will probably be substantially higher than that figure.

The County Manager pointed out that outstanding loans by the Galway County Council already amount to £2,000,000 and that it is expected that the rate in the £ for maintenance of the Corrib & Killimor Drainage Districts will amount to 3/-.

Mr. G. Kelly referred to a list published in the Connacht Tribune of 29th December, 1962 by Roscommon County Council inviting applications for group Water Supply Schemes and asked if similar arrangements could be made in County Galway.

Mr. Dalton, Engineer stated that there are areas not covered by the schemes in the survey for which group schemes would be suitable.

Mr. J. Silke stated that the area which Mr. Kelly has in mind will eventually be part of the Lackagh-Abbeyknockmoy Scheme.

Mr. Kelly stated that the point is that a group could go ahead now without waiting until the scheme will be reached in the priority list.

In reply to an enquiry by Cllr. J. Donnellan, the County Engineer stated that the water for the Moycullen Scheme will be pumped from Lough Corrib.

Cllr. W. Burke stated that Milltown Village is ten years waiting for a water supply; that on the priority list there are two schemes shown viz. Milltown-Kilconly and Milltown-Russelltown and asked that the position be clarified.



The County Engineer stated that the scheme which includes Milltown Village will be the scheme which will get the higher priority.

It was proposed by Clr. T. King and seconded by Deputy M.F. Kitt that the Council approve proceeding with the schemes in Group A of the Schedule to the County Manager's letter of 19th December, 1962 at a gross estimated cost of £908,050.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, and seconded by Senator J. Mannion that the particulars of the report be published in the local press as a news item and also that the scheme and report be deposited for inspection in the Assistant County Engineer's Offices and that a notice informing the public that this has been done be published in the local press giving a period of two months to enable anybody interested to submit observations.

Clr. P. Patten also asked if the Council could invite offers for Group Schemes in the same manner as Roscommon County Council has done.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that when considering the report for South Connemara area the Council should bear in mind that this is a very important tourist area.

Clr. T. King repeated his proposal as above which was again seconded by Deputy F. Kitt.

Deputy A. Millar supported the Chairman's proposal.

Deputy Kitt stated that this scheme is under consideration for so long that the public is already well aware of the position and that it should not be delayed for a further two months.

Clrs. P. Collins & P. Galvin supported the Chairman's proposal.

A vote was then taken for or against the amendment proposed by the Chairman Deputy M. Carty, the result being as follows:-

For: Clrs. Canning, Carty, Collins, Coogan, Cox, Galvin, Glynn, Kelly, Lambert, Mannion J., Millar, Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery. (17)

Against: Clrs. Burke, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Geoghegan, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Mannion M., (10)

The Chairman's proposal was, therefore, declared carried, it being decided that a report will be made available to the local press and that it would also be deposited in the District Engineer's Offices and that an advertisement will be inserted in the press stating that the report is available for inspection by any interested person during normal office hours and that any representations in regard to it will be received by the Council up to 28th February, 1963.

It was also directed that this matter be put on the Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of the Council in the month of March.

3132 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

Mrs. F. Crowe, Barana, Currandulla on the death of her brother Mr. Frank Scott, Clerk in the County Engineer's Store, Galway.

Clr. P.A. Patten thanked the Chairman & members for their expression of sympathy in his recent bereavement.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

Submitted, approved, and confirmed.

M. Carr

Chairman.

Date: 9. 2. 1963

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON MONDAY, 31st DECEMBER, 1962.

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

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

3133 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meeting to No. 3130 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3134 - SYMPATHY: Deputy A. Millar proposed that the sympathy of the Council be conveyed to the family and relatives of Major General Michael Kilroy, County Mayo a most able and distinguished Commander during the fight for freedom. This proposal was seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and unanimously approved.

Senator M. Killilea and Clr. P. Patten spoke in support of the proposal.

DEPUTY M. CARTY NOW TOOK THE CHAIR.

On Deputy Carty's proposal it was unanimously decided that the Council would go into committee to consider the next item.

3135 - MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY COUNCIL: The correspondence in connection with the disqualification of Mr. James J. Ruane, County Councillor was submitted and the Secretary read his letter of 8th March, 1962 to Mr. Ruane; his letter of 20th July, 1962 to Mr. Naughton, Solicitor; the Council's advice from Mr. F.J. Roche dated 2nd August, 1962 and the letter of 18th October, 1962 from the Secretary, Department of Local Government, the Department's letter stating that the Minister had noted the terms of Counsel's opinion which indicates the legal position in the matter; that it is a matter for the Council to decide what action should now be taken having regard to the opinions of their legal advisor.

Mr. Naughton, Solicitor who was present, stated that the position is as stated in the Counsel's opinion i.e. that Mr. Ruane is disqualified from membership and that it is mandatory on the Council to declare the office vacant.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Clr. P. Patten:-

"That the Galway County Council having heard Counsel's advice in regard to the disqualification of Mr. James J. Ruane, for membership of the Galway County Council, decide that no action shall be taken by this Council in regard to declaring the office vacant and that the Minister for Local Government be so informed."

There was no counter proposal and the Chairman, therefore, declared his proposal carried unahimously.

3136 - GALWAY/SALTHILL TOURIST FEDERATION: The Chairman introduced a deputation from the Galway/Salthill Tourist Federation in connection with the letter from the Federation, dated 14th November, 1962, copies of which had already been sent to each member of the Council.

Messrs. Fallor and O'Connor of the Federation spoke in support of their application for financial assistance from the Council and stated that the activities of the Federation which are concerned with the promotion of tourism in Galway City and County do not conflict with the service provided by the Irish Tourist Association.

The Chairman stated that great credit is due to the Federation and he stressed the importance of the tourist industry to County Galway and hoped that the Council will be in a position to help the Federation financially.



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Deputy F. Coogan supported the Chairman's remarks.

Senator M. Killilea stated that the Council has to consider the interests of the County and the small towns outside Galway and suggested that the Federation and the Irish Tourist Association might come together on this matter.

The County Manager stated that last year he had recommended that the Council increase its contribution to the Irish Tourist Association and that had not been done; that although the tourist industry is more important to Galway than to any other county, the contribution to the Irish Tourist Association has remained unaltered for many years; that Bord Failte has also spent vast sums in improvements in the County Galway.

The County Manager suggested that the Council's contribution to the Irish Tourist Association be not reduced and that some assistance be given to the Galway/Galthill Tourist Federation, say, £250.

In reply to an enquiry by Senator M. Killilea, the County Manager stated that Galway Corporation does not contribute direct to the Irish Tourist Association but that the Corporation contributes to the Council's contribution which is a county at large charge.

The Chairman stated that the matter will be considered again at the Estimate Meeting when it will receive sympathetic consideration in so far as it is possible for the Council to assist.

**3137 - GARRAUN LEVEL CROSSING:** Correspondence in connection with the question of opening and closing the gates at this crossing was submitted.

Clr. T. King referred to the reply from C.I.E. and stated that he has up to 50 signatures from persons who use this road daily asking that a deputation be received.

The Chairman agreed to hear the deputation.

Clr. P. Ruane stated that he had raised this matter with the County Engineer about six months ago as a serious accident had occurred there.

Clr. Ruane proposed and Deputy F. Coogan seconded that the Council press C.I.E. to restore the gate keeper at this crossing.

Mr. Joyce of the deputation stated that up to recent times the Railway Company always had a gate keeper at this crossing; that lately letters from C.I.E. had been received by the local people placing the onus of opening and closing the gates on them.

The County Manager read the correspondence between the Council and C.I.E. explaining that he has sought the Council's solicitor's advice on 31st December, 1962.

It was decided that further consideration of this matter will be deferred until the solicitor's advice will be available.

**3138 - RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 28 DISTRICT:** The Secretary referred to the Council's resolution appointing Mr. John Clancy, to the post of Rate Collector for No. 28 District and stated that the Department of Local Government in letter E.L. 7/16/28 of 21st December, 1962 had approved Mr. Clancy's appointment as Rate Collector for District No. 28 in a temporary capacity up to 30th April, 1963.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the appointment of Mr. John Clancy as Rate Collector for District No. 28 in a temporary capacity from 29th December, 1962 to 30th April, 1963 inclusive."

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**3139 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:** The Council noted that Malicious Damage Claims as listed at item 2 (a) to (e) inclusive on the Agenda had been received since the previous meeting and that decrees had been obtained in respect of the claims listed at item 3.

**3140 - LOAN FOR LOUGHREA WATER & SEWERAGE EXTENSION:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator M. Killilea and resolved:-

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 24th October, 1962 of the Minister for Local Government, the sum of £2,700 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying expenditure on extensions to Water & Sewerage Mains at Atherry Road, Loughrea, 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.

**3141 - LOAN FOR HEATING OF ST. BRENDAN'S HOME, LOUGHREA:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator M. Killilea and resolved:-

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 23rd day of November, 1962 of the Minister for Health, the sum of £5,000 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the provision of heating at St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea, to be repaid within fifteen 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 mortgage to the National Bank Limited."

The mortgage deed was then sealed with the seal of the Council.

**3142 - LOAN FOR MOUNTBELLEW DISPENSARY RESIDENCE:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator M. Killilea and resolved:-

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 23rd day of November, 1962 of the Minister for Health, the sum of £4,000 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the purchase of a dispensary residence at Mountbellew, to be repaid within ten 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.

**3143 - LOAN FOR DUNMORE WATER SUPPLY EXTENSION:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Senator M. Killilea and resolved:-

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction dated 21st day of November, 1962 of the Minister for Local Government, the sum of £2,200 be borrowed from the National Bank Limited for the purpose of defraying expenditure on the Dunmore Water Supply Extension to Clooneen, 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.



3144 - LOAN FOR CRAUGHWELL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £3,430 from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of a Water Supply Scheme at Craughwell; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 25 years, or such period as may be sanctioned by the Minister for Local Government, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

3145 - ESTIMATE FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1964: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council approve the demand of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for the year ending 31st March, 1964 amounting to £38,740 and that provision be made accordingly in the annual estimate of the Galway County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1964".

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that there is need for an additional Vocational School in Ballygar and Clr. J. Dowd stated that there is need for a Vocational School in Laurencetown.

Clr. P. Raftery stated that the Vocational Education Committee will hold a special meeting in January to consider proposals for additional schools.

3146 - IRISH TOURIST ASSOCIATION: Letter of December, 1962 from the Irish Tourist Association in regard to a contribution for the coming year was submitted and it was directed that consideration of this matter will be deferred until the annual Estimates Meeting of the Council.

3147 - SENIOR DENTAL SURGEON: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd the Council approved the creation of the additional office of Senior Dental Surgeon for the County Galway with salary scale at the rate approved by the Minister for Health, the scale approved at 8th September, 1961 being £1,450 x £40 - £1,700 a year.

3148 - SALARY OF MATRON, ST. BRENDAN'S HOME: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. W. Burke the Council approved a revised salary scale for the Matron of St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea with effect from 1st April, 1961 viz. £750 x £20 - £870 a year with a deduction of £106 a year for emoluments viz:-

Apartments	£ 72
Part Rations	14
Uniform	15
Laundry	5
	£106.

3149 - INCREASE IN PENSIONS: Letter E.L.5/62 of 14th December, 1962 from the Department of Local Government was submitted and the Secretary stated that the estimated cost of granting the increases in pensions from 1st August, 1962 would be £1,530 for the current year and £2,300 for a full year.

On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved the granting of the increase in pensions in accordance with the terms of Department of Local Government letter E.L. 5/62 of 14th December, 1962 and also approved the additional expenditure required to grant these increases in the current year with effect from 1st August, 1962.

3150 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS: On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd, the Council declared the following roads to be public roads, viz:-

Road at Clarinbridge to Burial Ground and Green, Length 46 perches

Road at Moneymore, from Moneymore to Commins' house at Moneymore East, being a branch of Road No. 182, Length 179 perches.

3151 - ROADS ESTIMATE: It was unanimously decided that the meeting to consider the Roads Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1964 will be held on Saturday, 5th January, 1963 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

3152 - DOOLEEN BEACH, CARRIROE: Letter of 5th December, 1962 from the Department of Transport & Power was submitted.

Deputy Geoghegan stated that sand or gravel had not been taken from this beach for some time past.

The County Engineer recommended and the Council decided that further consideration of this matter would be adjourned for six months.

3153 - VISITING COMMITTEE: The Minutes of meeting of the Visiting Committee at Galway Regional Hospital on 10th November, 1962 having been circulated to the members were submitted.

Deputy F. Coogan referring to his request for a sworn enquiry during the year stated that he regretted that those concerned had not taken the legal action against him which they had threatened to take.

The Chairman informed Clr. P. Patten that the approval of the Minister for Health had not yet been obtained to the filling of the office of Matron at the Regional Hospital.

The Minutes were noted.

3154 - TELEFIS EIREANN: Letter of 20th November, 1962 and memorandum received from Connradh na Gaeilge were submitted, copies of the memorandum having already been circulated to the members.

It was ordered that the letter and memorandum be marked "Noted".

3155 - DIFFERENTIAL RENTS SCHEME: Consideration of Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion 18 (a) was, in his absence, adjourned until next meeting.

3156 - SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEME: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty and seconded by Deputy F. Coogan:-

"That the Council discontinue the requirement in the scheme for scholarships in Secondary, Vocational and Other Approved Schools, whereby a girl availing herself of a County Council post-primary scholarship in a Secondary School where Domestic Science is taught must take that subject in her Secondary School course, provided she takes another Science subject in its stead and that this amendment will have effect in the scheme for 1962 and for subsequent years."

It was proposed by Clr. J. Donnellan and seconded by Clr. J. Dowd that no change be made in the existing scheme.

The Chairman directed that a vote be taken on Clr. Donnellan's amendment. The vote taken resulted as follows:-

For: Clrs. Burke, Donnellan, Dowd, Geoghegan, King, Mannion M., (6)

Against: Clrs. Carty, Collins, Coogan, Cox, Flaherty, Galvin, Kelly, Killilea, Kyne, Mannion J., Millar, Patten, O'Ceallaigh and Raftery (14)

The amendment was declared defeated and the voting for Deputy Carty's proposal was taken as the same in reverse, viz 14 for and 6 against and Deputy Carty's proposal was declared carried.

3157 - CONGRATULATIONS: On the proposition of Clr. J. Flaherty, seconded by Deputy M. Carty the Council congratulated Mr. James Cox, County Councillor on his appointment to the General Council of the Amalgamated Society of Woodworkers.



Mr. Cox expressed his thanks to the Chairman and members.

**3158 - PUBLIC LAVATORIES:** The Secretary explained that a proposal for provision of a lavatory at the Fairgreen in Tuam was deleted from the list of proposals as the Manager decided that it is not the responsibility of the Council since the fairgreen is owned by the Tuam Town Commissioners; also that the lavatory would have a very limited use being only required on fair days; that the Tuam Town Commissioners have asked that the County Council reconsider this decision as they state that the conditions on fair days are very primitive and that the toilet is required in the interests of hygiene; that their finances do not permit of their embarking on this further expenditure.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Patten, seconded by Senator M. Killilea, the Council approved the provision of a lavatory for males only in the Tuam Fairgreen.

**3159 - AHASCRAH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:** The Secretary stated that the preliminary report on this scheme gives an estimated cost of £53,064 for a scheme to serve 151 houses.

It was directed that consideration of the report be adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

**3160 - ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE, 1963/64:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved, in accordance with the County Engineer's report of 17th December, 1962 additional expenditure of £800 for structural repairs and maintenance at Galway Regional Hospital in the year ending 31st March, 1963 and also approved additional expenditure in the current year of £704.14s.0d. to cover the cost of a new tractor being purchased for the Galway Regional Hospital.

**3161 - ROAD TO ROSS ERILLY ABBEY:** With reference to Minute No. 2934 of 7th July, 1962, letter of 22nd December, 1962 was submitted from the National Monuments Advisory Committee recommending that the County Council accept the offer of Bord Failte and carry out the improvements to the road leading to Ross Erilly Abbey, Headford.

It was unanimously decided that consideration of this matter would be deferred until the meeting which will be held on Saturday 5th January, 1963 to consider the Road Works Estimate.

**3162 - SYMPATHY:** Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

Mr. Pat Ruane, Co.C. on the death of his uncle Mr. James Ruane in New Zealand.

Mr. Martin Collins, Waterview, Turloughmore on the death of his son Michael.

The Cloherty Family, Henry Street, Galway on the death of Mrs. Cloherty.

**3163 - ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER:** The County Manager wished Mr. T.M. O'Connor, Assistant County Manager success in his appointment as Limerick County Manager and stated that Mr. M. Moroney, County Accountant will act as Assistant Manager pending the filling of the vacancy as the Secretary had declined the offer of the temporary appointment.

Deputy A. Millar asked if the vacancy for an Assistant County Manager could not be filled by promotion without reference to the Local Appointments Commission.

The County Manager stated that appointments by promotion can only be made with the sanction of the Minister concerned and that the Minister does not approve appointments in that manner to the office of County Manager or Assistant County Manager.

It was proposed by Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and unanimously resolved:-

"That having regard to the satisfactory service given by Mr. Liam O'Luanaigh, County Secretary over a long period of years the Minister for Local Government be requested to approve the promotion of Mr. O'Luanaigh to the permanent post of Assistant County Manager for County Galway".

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*L. O'Luanaigh*  
Secretary

Submitted, approved, and confirmed.

*M. Carty* Chairman.

Date: 9. 2. 1963



GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
GALWAY.

3rd January, 1963.

Tel: Galway 2055

To: Each Member of the  
Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Roads Estimate Meeting

It is requested that you will attend a meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday 5th January, 1963 at 12.30 p.m. to consider the annual estimate for road works for the year ending 31st March, 1964.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ROADS ESTIMATE MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 5th JANUARY, 1963.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael Carty

ALSO PRESENT: Cllrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Cllrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Cllrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Cllrs. King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Cllr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Deputy Millar, Cllrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery.

3164 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

Mr. J. O'Dea, Liam Mellows Terrace, Loughrea on the death of his wife. The Cunniffe Family, Galway Road, Loughrea on the death of Mr. John Cunniffe.  
Mrs. P. Fahy, Craughwell on the death of her husband Patrick. The Fogarty Family, Tubber, Gort.  
Mr. John French, Porter, Galway Regional Hospital on the death of his mother.

3165 - ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER: The Chairman and members welcomed Mr. M.J. Moroney, Acting Assistant Manager and wished him success in the future. Mr. Moroney expressed his thanks.

The Chairman stated that the presentation by the Council to Mr. O'Connor, former Assistant Manager will be made in the Odeon Hotel on Sunday 20th January, 1963.

3166 - ROADS ESTIMATE FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1964: Estimate for Road Works for the coming year as already circulated to the members, was submitted showing gross expenditure as follows:-

	£
Main Roads.....	193,588
County Roads.....	245,190
Galway Urban Roads.....	6,674
Ballinasloe Urban Roads .....	1,671
	£447,123

The County Road estimate as above included £13,040 for Councillors' Notices of Motion Works.

The Chairman stated that the estimate submitted is the same as for the current year plus the allowance for the increase granted in the wages of road workers.

The Chairman and members complimented the County Engineer and his staff and the road workers on the excellent manner in which the roads in the County are being kept.

The County Engineer expressed his thanks and stated that the condition of the roads is primarily due to the progressive attitude adopted by the Council and Manager over many years.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that while generally the roads are excellent camber at bends on improved roads in some cases is rather dangerous.

Deputy Coogan also considered that the Council should receive some grant for roads being declared public roads which were improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office as that office is being relieved of any future responsibility for these roads.

Cllr. P. Galvin approved of the system of taking over roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office and also spoke in favour of the system of having a part of a road done each year out of a Councillor's Notice of Motion money so that eventually the entire road will be improved.



Deputy J. Geoghegan recommended that Special Employment Schemes Office Roads should be taken over in two lots in each year instead of in one lot as is the practice at present e.g. in the months of January and July.

The County Engineer and the Council agreed that this will be done in future.

Clr. J. Lambert and Senator Lahiffe complained of the absence of roads from the Gort District in the list of S.E.S. roads submitted and Senator Lahiffe referred to a road at Derrybrien which, he considered, should have been included.

Clr. J. Flaherty stated that he is aware of a road which was done two years ago under a Rural Improvements Scheme; that there are five houses on this road and that it has not yet been submitted on the Special Employment Schemes Office list.

The Chairman recommended that Mr. Flaherty would write to the Special Employment Schemes Office about this road.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. J. Donnellan, the County Engineer stated that there is not any limit on the mileage of Special Employment Schemes Office roads which can be taken over in any particular year but that it is for the Council to decide whether such roads will be declared public roads.

Clr. J. Glynn asked if the people concerned improved a particular road would it be taken over for future maintenance by the County Council and the County Engineer suggested that in this case Clr. Glynn might devote his own Notice of Motion money to the improvement of the road.

Clr. P. Patten complained that in Corofin and Abbey area some of the County Roads are in very bad condition.

Deputy J. Geoghegan referred to the list of Special Employment Schemes Office roads dated 31st December, 1962, and stated that the first road on that list viz. a road at Glentrasna has already been declared a public road.

Senator J. Mannion expressed the opinion that since the Board of Works is being relieved of future responsibility of the roads improved by them and being taken over by the Galway County Council, the local contribution for such roads should in future be reduced to 5%.

The County Manager and the Council did not agree with this suggestion as it was stated that the effect of the action being taken is that the Special Employment Schemes Office is able to deal with a greater number of roads than it would otherwise deal with.

#### Main Roads

The Chairman asked that the Council will now consider the Main Roads Estimate.

The County Manager thanked the County Engineer and joined in the tribute to the County Engineer and his staff on the manner which the roads are kept and for the fact that the estimate for road works has been kept so low over a number of years.

The County Manager stated that application has been made by the Tynagh Mines Company for some improvements in the road between Tynagh and Galway and that their application deserves consideration.

The Chairman stated that when more details of the work required are available the Council will give consideration to this matter and to the manner in which the work can be financed.

Clr. Collins asked that the Mining Company will contribute towards the cost of these improvements as they will be saved haulage costs as compared with conveying the ore to Limerick.

Clr. T. King stated that he would like that an assurance would be given that the Council will do everything possible to meet the requirements of the Mining Company.

Deputy F. Coogan supported Clr. King but suggested that C.I.E. might consider extending a Railway Line to Tynagh.

The County Manager pointed out that the cost of constructing a Railway Line from Loughrea to Tynagh would be very much greater than the cost of the improvements in the road which are being sought by the Mining Company.

Clr. P. Galvin recommended early improvement of the Main Road at Ballinasloe to the Urban boundary at Kilgarve.

Senator J. Mannion asked that the Main Roads Estimate be kept in the same figure as in 1962/63.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Galvin, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved:-

"That the Council approve the estimate for Main Road Works for 1963/64 as submitted."

Deputy F. Coogan recommended that the approaches to Claddagh Bridge be widened.

In reply to an enquiry by the Chairman, the County Engineer stated that the documents for the compulsory acquisition at Newcastle, Galway are being prepared.

#### County Roads

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved:-

"That the Council approve the estimate for County Road works for the year 1963/64 as submitted."

#### Roads - General

Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that reconstructed roads in boggy regions in the west are subsiding and the County Engineer stated that he intended making up this damage out of maintenance monies.

In reply to an enquiry by the Chairman, the County Engineer stated that the only way of securing a good foundation for bog roads is by digging out the bog entirely and that this is very expensive.

Clr. J. Glynn recommended that some part of the Tourist Road Grant be devoted to improving the road between Ballymoe and Cloonfad which he stated carries a great proportion of the traffic to the west.

Senator J. Mannion stated that the Council had abandoned for several years the maintenance of the road from Clifdeh Beach to the Sky Road and that this road is in very bad condition.

Deputy A. Millar was informed by the County Engineer that the proposals prepared involved the by-passing of Aughrim Village.

Clr. J. Donnellan stated that the Spiddal-Moycullen Road has subsided south of Loughwell School and requested that it would be repaired.

The County Engineer stated that this will be done.



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Senator R. Lahiffe and Clr. J. Lambert stated that the road at Drimmalough is in such a bad condition that the children there cannot go to school and requested that it be improved.

Clr. Lambert asked if the County Engineer would meet a deputation on this matter.

Clr. P. Ruane was informed by the County Engineer that negotiations are in progress with the land owners in regard to the widening of the road at Castlegar.

Senator M. Killilea stated that the road from Mountbellew to Ballyforan is in a bad condition at Castlefrench where it passes over a bog.

#### Notice of Motion Works

It was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and resolved:-

"That the amount £13,040 for Councillors' Notices of Motion in the County Road Works estimate for 1963/64 be included".

The County Engineer stated that after the Estimates Meeting proposals for the expenditure of this money will be sought.

The Chairman stated that in future he will devote his Notice of Motion money to the taking over of Special Employment Schemes Office roads i.e. roads already improved by that office.

Clr. T. King was informed by the County Engineer that the roads which will be declared public at meeting on 26th January, 1963 will be improved out of the monies provided for Councillors' Notices of Motion in the current years estimate.

#### Sundry Notices of Motion re roads

The County Engineer gave his comments on each of the Notices of Motion listed along with the estimate viz. Nos. 1 to 18 inclusive.

In regard to No. 16, Deputy Millar stated that since he had listed this Notice of Motion a referendum from the workers had been taken by the County Engineer and that he, Deputy Millar, is now satisfied with the position.

Regarding No. 17 (Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh's N.O.M.) the County Engineer stated that he does not agree that any alteration should be made in the present arrangement ~~which permits~~ of payment of travelling allowance to overseers only.

Clr. S. Kyne stated that his Notice of Motion No. 15 is on the Special Employment Schemes Office list i.e. road at Clonbur to Coalpark.

#### Urban Roads

The Council unanimously approved the estimate submitted for Urban Roads in Ballinasloe Urban District and Galway Borough.

#### Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert the Council approved the taking over for future maintenance by the County Council of the roads improved by the Special Employment Schemes Office as listed in the County Engineer's letter of 31st December, 1962 to each member of the Council.

#### Sky Road, Clifden

Clr. P. Joyce stated that during the year he pressed for the expenditure of the grant at the Streamstown end of the Sky Road and

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he repeated this request now.

Senator J. Mannion did not agree and considered that it is better that the other end of this road should be improved first.

The County Engineer pointed out that the entire road will be done in a years time.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*R. O'Connell, Secretary*

Submitted, approved, and confirmed.

*M. Carty* Chairman.

Date: 9.2.1963



COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055  
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Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

17 d'Eanair, 1963.

Chuig Gach Bhaill 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, 26 d'Eanair, 1963, ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

A G E N D ATO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims, viz:-
  - (a) Mr. Michael Holland, Mainguard Street, Galway - Plate Glass Window, damaged 6/1/1963 - £100
  - (b) Mr. P. Dempsey, 38 Castle Park Avenue, Sandymount, Dublin - Motor car damaged at Aghrim 2/1/1963 - £30
3. Declaration of a vacancy on the Galway County Council (Tuam Electoral Area) as a result of the death of Mr. Martin Mannion on 9/1/1963.
4. Declaration of roads to be public roads - schedule attached.
5. Expenditure in excess of amount authorised for the year ended 31/3/1962.
6. Remuneration increases:-
  - (a) Public Analyst - from 1/11/1961.
  - (b) Members of Fire Brigades - from 1/7/1962 (Retainers & Fees).
  - (c) R.M.S. Galway Regional Hospital.
7. Creation of one additional office of Clerical Officer at Galway Regional Hospital.
8. Ahascragh Water Supply Scheme - Minute 3159 of 31/12/1962.
9. Road to Ross Erilly Abbey - Improvement - Minute 3161 of 31/12/1962.
10. Visiting Committee Minutes:-
  - (a) St. Brendan's Home - 21/12/1962.
  - (b) Our Lady of Fatima Hospital - 27/12/1962.
11. Disposal of Woodlands Orthopaedic Hospital - Letter A.11/362 of 5/1/1963 from the Secretary, Department of Health.

12. Development of Housing Sites for sale or lease - Letter of 8/1/1963 to members.
13. County Councils' General Council letter of 1/1/1963 re motions from this Council.
14. Islands River Drainage Scheme - Letter 9/1/1963 from Secretary, Roscommon County Council and previous correspondence.
15. Libraries - recommendation of County Libraries Committee for provision of buildings for -
  - (a) Central Library and Headquarters in Galway City.
  - (b) Branch Libraries in Athenry, Clifden, Dunmore, Gort, and Portumna.
16. Members' Notices of Motion:-
  - (a) Senator M. Killilea:
    1. "I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that we proceed without further delay with the erection of the proposed new clinic at Tuam."
    2. "I will move at the next meeting of the County Council that immediate steps be taken to repair and reconstruct the road into the cemetery at Kiltelva, Dunmore."
  - (b) Deputy M. Carty, Senator J. Mannion, Deputy A. Millar and Clr. J. Flaherty:

"At the next meeting of the Galway County Council I, we or some other member acting on our behalf shall propose that the recent scheme for the payment of supplementary housing grants be amended to provide for the payment of such grants to all applicants to whom State Grants were paid on or after April 1st, 1962."
  - (c) Clr. S. Canning:

"That I, or some member on my behalf would move at the next meeting of Galway County Council, that the fourteen houses already planned at Marian Terrace, Portumna be built without delay."
  - (d) Deputy A. Millar:
    1. "That it is the opinion of this Council that its staff employed as manual workers should receive an increased wage."
    2. "It is the opinion of this Council that road from Derrew, Killimor, to Liskyle, Gurtymadden, should be macadamised as it joins to main road and serves the villages of Liskyle, Drim, Lurgan, Lurganmore and Gurtnagraun."
17. Resolutions.
18. Other Business.

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DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS  
LIST FOR MEETING 26th JANUARY, 1963

Location	From	To	Length - Yds.
MILLOWN	Kilnaprasogue	Ardnagall (¼ only)	2148 ✓
LOUGHREA	Cahernamuck	Lackafinna South	1575 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Carnacreg	Ballinrooan	1760 ✓
BALLINASLOE	Co. Road Lisheen between Glentane and Ballymacward (½ only)		880 ✓
PORTUMNA	Junction County Road 573	Mr. T. Donohue's house	1760 ✓
GALWAY	Killanin cemetery through Killanin Village.	Junction with County Road	1723 ✓
PORTUMNA	Junction County Road 585	Doon Cemetery (2/3rd only)	977 ✓
MILLTOWN	Quilmore Gate	Dowd's Gate	1232 ✓
TUAM	County Road 199	Moyné Park	200 ✓
BALLINASLOE	Carey's Cross Roads	Cappagh three roads	1000 ✓
MILLTOWN	Ballinlough Road	Briarfort Shrine	1400 ✓
CLIFDEN	Section 60 near Clifden	¼ point 100 yards from road	100 ✓
CLIFDEN	Carpark on beach road (Errisbeg, Roundstone)	End of beach road at head of beach	200 ✓
OUGHTERARD	Thady Coyne's Cross Roads	S. Coyne's House, Tirnakill	800 ✓
MILLTOWN	Gannon's workshop through Cluid	Flannary's house	1034 ✓
TUAM	Waterview via Ballybrone	Ballyglass	1232 ✓
TUAM	County Road 132 Headford	County Road 122 at Clooneen (½ only)	830 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Newtown	Castleffrench East (¼ only)	775 ✓

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Location	From	To	Length - Yds.
BALLINASLOE	County Road No. 459 (Ryan's)	Towards County Road No. 513	880 ✓
GORT	Junction 400 at Castledaly School	Junction 398 at Roxborough (2/3rd only)	2400 ✓
GORT	Junction Main Road 360	End of road at J. McInerney's house	1550 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Lisdoonmeeltoge	Castlegar	1050 ✓
CLIFDEN	Hughes'	O'Toole's County Road No. 2 (½ only)	400 ✓
BALLINASLOE	Junction County Road 473 at Lenaloughra	Gate across road at Madden's house	1100 ✓
ATHENRY	Carr's	Railway Cottage, Ballyboggan	530 ✓
PORTUMNA	Road through Looscaun village	County Road 579	704 ✓
PORTUMNA	Junction 340 at Minogue's	Coose	1056 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Junction Muckinagh N. Ballygar	Ned Nolan's house with branch to Miss K. Smith's Clonkeen Village	1450 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Junction 196 Guilkeagh	880 ✓	
TUAM	Ballygaddy Road	Miss Sal McDonagh's House (stop-end)	90 ✓
TUAM	Ballygaddy Road through Ballinamona Park	Ballygaddy Road	270 ✓
OUGHTERARD	Main Road at Derroe	Derroe Village	1700 ✓
ATHENRY	County Road 382 at Killascaul westwards for 900 yards Cahergowan	Nolan's House	900 ✓
ATHENRY	County Road 176 in the townland of Lissarulla	Flaherty's houses	345 ✓
ATHENRY	Stop-end road west of County Road 278 to Aghalateevee.	The Village of Ballinacreg (2/3rd only)	400 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW			1760 ✓



Location	From	To	Length - Yds
MOUNTBELLEW	Glinsk Hall	Ardagh (No. 275) (½ only)	1200 ✓
MILLTOWN	Walsh's Cottage, Ballymoe	Tiernan's Cottage, Gilka	1800 ✓
MILLTOWN	Dwyer's, Cloonruff	Walsh's Cloonruff	490 ✓
OUGHIERARD	Gortnaclassagha (No. 77)	Murphy's C.B.	385 ✓

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 26th JANUARY, 1963.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr. Michael Carty, T.D.

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Collins, Deputy Cogan, Ctrs. Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Ctr. King, Deputy Kitt, Ctr. Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Ctr. Lambert, Senator Mannion J., Deputy Miller, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Caallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery.

3167 - SYMPATHY: The Chairman paid tribute to the late Ctr. Martin Mannion, Moylough who died since the previous meeting and proposed that the Council express its very deep sympathy with Mr. Mannion's widow, family, mother, brothers and friends and that as a mark of respect the meeting be adjourned until a date to be fixed.

Clr. John Flaherty who joined in the expression of sympathy and the tribute to Ctr. Mannion seconded this proposal, which was carried unanimously.

All other members present also expressed their deep sympathy with the widow and relatives of the late Mr. Mannion.

The Secretary stated that apologies for inability to attend the meeting had been received from Ctrs. John Canning and James Cox, both of whom wished to be associated with the expression of sympathy.

Mr. M. Moroney, Assistant County Manager, Mr. S. Cullinan, Acting County Engineer, Mr. C.I. O'Flynn, County Manager and Mr. L. O'Luanaigh, County Secretary, joined in the expression of sympathy.

Votes of sympathy were also adopted with the following:-

- Miss Alice Conway & Family, Coorleen, Loughrea on the death of her mother.
- Mr. M. Conerney, Knockadola, Kiltullagh, Athenry, on the death of his wife.
- Mrs. Hardiman, Salthill Stores, Salthill & Family, on the death of Miss Olive Hardiman.
- Mrs. K. Kelly, Tullinadaly Road, Tuam on the death of her sister Miss Lily Lynch.
- Mr. Aidan Ridge, Ballygadly Road, Tuam on the death of his father Mr. John Ridge.
- Mrs. O'Donnell & Family, Upper Bishop Street, Tuam on the death of Mr. Bernard O'Donnell.
- The relatives of Mr. Patrick Noone, Cloondine, Gort.
- The Daniels Family, Ballinagar, Kylebrack, Loughrea.
- The Regan Family, Kilbeacanty, Gort, on the death of Mrs. Regan.

It was arranged that Mass for the repose of the late Mr. Martin Mannion's soul will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church prior to the next meeting and that Mrs. Mannion be invited to attend this Mass.

It was then unanimously decided that the meeting would be adjourned until Saturday 2nd February, 1963 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*M*  
Submitted, approved, and confirmed:

*M* *Card* - Chairman. Date: 9. 2. 1963

*R. O'Luanaigh*  
Secretary



GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

28th January, 1963.

To:  
Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Meeting 2nd February, 1963

The meeting of the Galway County Council on 26th instant was adjourned as a mark of respect to the late Councillor Martin Mannion.

The adjourned meeting will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday 2nd February, 1963 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

Holy Mass for the repose of Clr. Martin Mannion's soul will be offered in St. Patrick's Church, Galway on Saturday 2nd February, 1963 at 11 a.m.

It is requested that you will attend the Mass and the meeting.

Mise, le mers,

L. O'Luanaigh,

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 2nd FEBRUARY, 1963.

IN THE CHAIR: Mr. Michael Carty, T.D.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clr. Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Senator Mannion, Deputy Millar, Clrs. Mullins, Patten, Ridge, and Raftery.

3168 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS: It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt and resolved that the Council declare the roads as listed on attached schedule, to be public roads.

3169 - SYMPATHY: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, seconded by Clr. P. Patten and unanimously resolved:-

"That as a mark of respect to His Eminence the late Cardinal Dalton, the meeting be adjourned until Saturday 9th February, 1963 commencing at 12.30 p.m. and that a telegram conveying the Council's sympathy be sent to Most Reverend Dr. Conway."

The Chairman and Clr. Patten stated that they would represent the Galway County Council at the funeral of Cardinal Dalton.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*L. O'Luanaigh*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Date: M. Carty* Chairman  
*9.2.1963*



DECLARATION OF ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS  
LIST FOR MEETING 26th JANUARY, 1963

*SCHEDULE*

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MOUNTBELLEW	Cannacreg	Ballinrooan	1760
BALLINASLOE	Co. Road Lisheen between Glentane and Ballymacward (½ only)	Mr. T. Donohue's house	880
PORTUMNA	Junction County Road 573	Junction with County Road	1760
GALWAY	Killanin cemetery through Killanin Village.	Doon Cemetery (2/3rd only)	1723
PORTUMNA	Junction County Road 585	Dowd's Gate	977 ✓
MILLTOWN	Quilmore Gate	Moyné Park	1232
TUAM	County Road 199	Cappagh three roads	200
BALLINASLOE	Carey's Cross Roads	Briarfort Shrine	1000
MILLTOWN	Ballinlough Road	A point 100 yards from road	1400
CLIFDEN	Section 60 near Clifden	End of beach road at head of beach	100
CLIFDEN	Carpark on beach road (Errisbeg, Roundstone)	S. Coyne's House, Tirnakill	200
OUGHTERARD	Thady Coyne's Cross Roads	Flannery's house	800
MILLTOWN	Gannon's workshop through Cluid	Ballyglass	1034
TUAM	Waterview via Ballybrone	County Road 122 at Clooneen (½ only)	1232 ✓
TUAM	County Road 132 Headford	Castleffrench East (¼ only)	830 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Newtown		775 ✓

Location	From	To	Length - Yds.
BALLINASLOE	County Road No. 459 (Ryan's)	Towards County Road No. 513	880
GORT	Junction 400 at Castledaly School	Junction 398 at Roxborough (2/3rd only)	2400
GORT	Junction Main Road 360	End of road at J. McInerney's house	1550
MOUNTBELLEW	Lisdoonmeeltoge	Castlegar	1050
CLIFDEN	Hughes'	O'Toole's County Road No. 2 (½ only)	400
BALLINASLOE	Junction County Road 473 at Lenaloughra	Gate across road at Madden's house	1100
ATHENRY	Carr's	Railway Cottage, Ballyboggan	530
PORTUMNA	Road through Looscaun village	County Road 579	704 ✓
PORTUMNA	Junction 340 at Minogue's	Coose	1056 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Junction Muckinagh N. Ballygar	Ned Nolan's house with branch to Miss K. Smith's Clonkeen Village	1450 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Junction 196 Guilkeagh	Miss Sal McDonagh's House (stop-end)	880 ✓
TUAM	Ballygaddy Road	Ballygaddy Road	90 ✓
TUAM	Ballygaddy Road through Ballinamona Park	Derroe Village	270 ✓
OUGHTERARD	Main Road at Derroe	Nolan's House	1700 ✓
ATHENRY	County Road 382 at Killascaul westwards for 900 yards	Flaherty's houses	900 ✓
ATHENRY	Cahergowan	The Village of Ballinacreg (2/3rd only)	345 ✓
ATHENRY	County Road 176 in the townland of Lissarulla		400 ✓
MOUNTBELLEW	Stop-end road west of County Road 278 to Aghalateeve.		1760 ✓

Date: 9. 2. 1963

M. Carr Chairman



Location	From	To	Length - Yds
MOUNTBELLEW	Glinsk Hall	Ardagh (No. 275) (½ only)	1200 ✓
MILLTOWN	Walsh's Cottage, Ballymoe	Tiernan's Cottage, Gilka	1800 ✓
MILLTOWN	Dwyer's, Cloonruff	Walsh's Cloonruff	490 ✓
OUGHTERARD	Gortnaclassagha (No. 77)	Murphy's C.B.	385 ✓

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

4th February, 1963.

To:  
Each Member of the Galway County Council.

A Chara,

Meeting 9th February, 1963

The meeting of the Galway County Council on 2nd instant was adjourned as a mark of respect to His Eminence the late Cardinal Dalton.

It is requested that you will attend the adjourned meeting which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday, 9th February, 1963 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

The Agenda will be that for the meeting on 26th January, 1963, excluding Item No. 4.

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 9th FEBRUARY, 1963

IN THE CHAIR: Mr. Michael Carty, T.D.

ALSO PRESENT: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Clrs. Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Clrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Clrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion, Deputy Millar, Clrs. Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery.

3170 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 3169 inclusive, having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3171 - FUNERAL OF LATE CARDINAL DALTON: It was proposed by Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and **resolved:-**

"That the Council hereby approve the attendance of Clr. P. Patten at the funeral of His Eminence the late Cardinal Dalton in Armagh and approve payment of travelling expenses to Mr. Patten for that attendance".

3172 - ROAD WORKS: Deputy J. Geoghegan stated that the press report of the Roads Estimate Meeting on 5th January, 1963 had quoted him incorrectly, when he referred to the repair of subsidence on roads in Connemara; that he had asked the County Engineer about the sections Maam Cross to Screebe and Screebe to the Power House and the section Letterfore to Maam Cross, the question being whether a greater provision should be made in the estimate to meet the cost of repairing subsidence on these roads; that repair is needed particularly in the section from Screebe Wood to Glencaugh Bridge.

Clrs. J. Glynn and P. Patten also complained of the omission of the names of some members in the press reports while others were included as speaking on the same subject.

On the proposal of Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council complimented the County Engineer, his staff and all the workers on the excellent work which they had done on roads and water supplies during the frosty period.

3173 - MEDICAL CARDS: The Chairman, Deputy Carty, stated that he had asked the Minister for Health to hold an enquiry to ascertain whether there is any truth in the allegation made in a press report in Galway recently in which it was stated that a person cannot obtain a medical card unless he belongs to some political party.

3174 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that Malicious Damage Claims as set out at 2 (a) and (b) of the Agenda had been received since the previous meeting.

3175 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

The relatives of the late Mr. Patrick O'Dea, Prospect Hill, Galway.  
The Brennan Family, Courthouse Square, Galway on the death of Mr. Michael Brennan.  
The Nicholson Family, Abbeyknockmoy, Ballyglunin.  
The Widow and family of the late Mr. McComaskey, Leetle Street, Galway.  
Mr. Michael Tierney & family, Springlawn Cottage, Rahoon on the death of Mr. Michael Tierney (father)

The Chairman and Council unanimously decided that the good wishes of the Council be conveyed to Dr. Charles F. MacCon, County Medical Officer for his speedy recovery from his illness.

3176 - COUNTY COUNCIL: It was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert, seconded by Clr. P.A. Patten and **resolved:-**

"That the Council hereby declare that a vacancy exists on the Galway County Council - Tuam Electoral Area - owing to the death of

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Clr. Martin Mannion, Moylough."

It was unanimously decided that arrangements for the filling of the vacancy would not be made before 1st April, 1962.

3177 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy A. Millar, the Council unanimously approved the following expenditure in excess of the amount already authorised for the year ending 31st March, 1962:-

<u>Roads:- County at Large:</u>		
	£	£
Ordinary Road Works	3,441	
Special Grant Works	11,409	
Government Grants	8,426	
Total -		23,276

Health:

General Medical Services	2,413	
Institutional Services	3,992	
Dental etc. Services	173	
Ambulance Service	234	
Other Purposes	1,914	
Total -		8,726

Sanitary Services:

Water Supplies		161
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General Purposes:

Material Expense Account	2,041	
Machinery Expense Account	1,444	
Total -		3,485

3178 - PUBLIC ANALYST: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt and **resolved:-**

"That the Council hereby approve a revised salary scale for the office of Public Analyst with effect from 1st November, 1961 viz. £1,950 x £70 - £2,160 a year.

3179 - FIRE BRIGADES - REMUNERATION: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved the revision of the remuneration of members of Fire Brigades with effect from 1st July, 1962 inclusive as set out in Order No. 2835 of 12th September, 1962.

3180 - RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT, REGIONAL HOSPITAL: It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt and **resolved:-**

"That the Council approve an increase of 12½% in the remuneration for the office of Resident Medical Superintendent, Galway Regional Hospital with effect from the date on which the R.M.S. took up duty viz. 14th January, 1963 inclusive."

On the proposition of Clr. T. King, the Council unanimously welcomed Dr. Nicholas O'Beirn the newly appointed Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Regional Hospital and expressed satisfaction that this appointment was obtained by a Galway man.

3181 - CATERING AT REGIONAL HOSPITAL: In reply to an enquiry by Clr. G. Kelly, the County Manager stated that a survey of the catering arrangements at the Regional Hospital had been carried out with the assistance of members of the catering staff at Athenry made available by Mr. O'Doherty, C.E.O.; that a report had been obtained and that the possibility of giving effect to the report and recommendation is now being examined.



The Chairman and members expressed their appreciation of Mr. O'Doherty's action in putting available at short notice the highly trained staff of the catering school at Athenry.

**3182 - CLERICAL STAFF, REGIONAL HOSPITAL:** Correspondence was submitted in connection with the recommendation by the Organization & Methods Officer and by the former Assistant County Manager, that one additional office of Clerical Officer be created for Galway Regional Hospital.

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan that the appointment be made in a temporary capacity only.

After some further discussion Deputy Coogan withdrew his proposal and it was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the creation of one additional office of Clerical Officer at Galway Regional Hospital."

**3183 - AHASCRAGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:** On the proposition of Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Deputy A. Millar, the Council approved the carrying out of extensions to Ahascragh Water Supply Scheme at a total estimated cost of £53,064 to serve 151 houses.

**3184 - ROAD TO ROSS BRILLY ABBEY:** Correspondence in connection with this matter was submitted arising out of Minute No. 3161 of 31st December, 1962.

The Secretary stated that the National Monuments Advisory Committee had recommended that the work be carried out and that the position therefore was that improvement of the part which is a County Road would cost £750 while the making of the new road would cost £675 to be met by a grant from Bord Failte.

On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy M. Kitt, the Council approved the carrying out of this work.

Deputy Kitt proposed, Deputy Carty seconded and it was resolved:-

"That the Council make application to Bord Failte for an increase in the grant - but that the work be carried out whether the grant is increased or not."

**3185 - VISITING COMMITTEE:** The Visiting Committee Minutes of meetings at St. Brendan's Home 21st December, 1962 and Our Lady of Fatima Hospital 27th December, 1962 were submitted and noted.

Senator J. Mannion drew attention to the recommendation of the Visiting Committee in regard to coffins being provided at St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea and asked that this recommendation be considered favourably.

**3186 - OUGHTERARD DISPENSARY:** In reply to an enquiry by Deputy F. Coogan, the County Manager stated that the Architect has been asked to revise the plans for Oughterard residence and dispensary and that tenders will be invited on the revised plans.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that something should be done to provide suitable accommodation in the meantime as the present dispensary accommodation is causing hardship to the patients.

Mr. J. Silke stated that any alternative accommodation offered was unsuitable.

On the recommendation of Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council recommended that a heater be provided in the present dispensary and the Council also approved Mr. Silke's suggestion that the District Justice might be asked to allow the Council into the original accommodation pending the provision of the new dispensary.

**3187 - ST. BRENDAN'S HOME - HEATING:** In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. Patten Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that the heating contract work has already started and it is hoped that the improved arrangement will be in operation before next winter.

**3188 - WOODLANDS ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL:** Letter of 5th January, 1963 from the Secretary, Department of Health was submitted stating that the Minister for Health has decided that this property may be sold to the Department of Lands to meet requirements of the Fisheries Division and that since the property is required for public purposes the Minister will be prepared to sanction any reasonable price negotiated.

The County Manager stated that the Council had previously expressed the wish that this building would be used for accommodation of an institution for treatment of mentally defective children and that it was intended that a deputation from the Council would go to His Lordship the Bishop of Galway in connection with the intended use of the institution for that purpose; that it is a matter for the Council to decide whether it would still press for the use of Woodlands Orthopaedic Hospital for accommodation of mentally defective children or whether it will approve sale of the building to the Department of Lands, Fisheries Division.

After a discussion in which Clr. King asked if the possibility of using Woodlands as a discharge unit for the Regional Hospital might be investigated and Clr. Collins suggested it might be possible to obtain accommodation for the Fisheries Department in the new Fishery Building at Galway Docks, it was eventually proposed by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved:-

"That His Lordship the Bishop of Galway be requested to receive a deputation from the Council in connection with this matter before the next ordinary meeting of the Council - the members of the deputation to be those previously appointed for this purpose."

**3189 - HOUSING SITES FOR PRIVATE BUILDINGS:** The extracts from Department of Local Government Circular letters of 14th May and 12th October, 1960 which had been circulated to the members of the Council were submitted in regard to the development of housing sites for sale or lease to persons intending to erect their own houses thereon.

On the proposition of Clr. P. Patten, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan the Council expressed agreement with the Department's recommendations.

The Chairman asked that in Loughrea if it is ascertained that 12 genuine applications for such sites exist an acre of land might be purchased by the Council and developed for this purpose.

**3190 - COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL:** The Secretary read letter of 1st January, 1963 from the Secretary, County Councils' General Council giving particulars of the action taken by that Council on motions from Galway County Council.

The letter requested a more precise wording of the motion "that County Libraries Committees be given Statutory Powers".

Deputy M.F. Kitt stated that the suggestion is that the Library Committees be given powers similar to those held by the Vocational Education Committee or the County Committee of Agriculture.

In the course of a subsequent discussion it was pointed out that if this were done the Libraries Committee would submit a demand which the Council would not be in a position to alter - for inclusion in the annual estimate.

It was decided that this matter would be left in abeyance.



3191 - ISLANDS RIVER DRAINAGE: Letter of 14th September, 1962 from Roscommon County Council and subsequent correspondence were submitted. The letter stated that Roscommon County Council is formulating a scheme for drainage of the Islands River but that in order to obtain full benefit from the scheme it will be necessary to clean 8 miles of the river downstream from the Roscommon border into the County Galway to the junction of the Islands River with the River Suck at Ballymoe. The co-operation of Galway County Council in this matter was requested.

Mr. S. Cullinan, Acting County Engineer stated that the difficulty is that the cleaning of the Roscommon portion of this river might cause much greater flooding downstream in the County Galway portion.

It was decided to defer further consideration of this matter until the next meeting of the Council.

3192 - LIBRARY BUILDINGS: Letter of 7th January, 1963 from the County Librarian was submitted in connection with the Library Committee's recommendation that (a) Central Library Headquarters be erected in Galway City and (b) that 5 Branch Libraries be provided in the County viz. at Clifden, Dunmore, Athenry, Gort and Portumna - these to be included with other public buildings if such are planned in any of these areas.

The County Manager referred to the suggestion that a Municipal Building be provided which would include accommodation for the Library in Galway.

It was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, seconded by Clr. J. Glynn and resolved:-

"That a meeting of the Municipal Building Committee be called as soon as possible and that the County Librarian be invited to attend that meeting".

3193 - CLIFDEN BRANCH LIBRARY: The Secretary stated that the existing accommodation for the Branch Library in Clifden is unsuitable and that there is now possibility of obtaining a site on which a proper library building could be erected.

The provision of a Branch Library building at Clifden was approved on the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M.F. Kitt.

It was also recommended by Deputy M.F. Kitt and approved by the Council that the possibility of obtaining sites for the library buildings in Athenry, Dunmore, Gort and Portumna be investigated.

3194 - COUNTY GALWAY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Flaherty the Council approved the demand of the County Galway Committee of Agriculture for the year ending 31st March, 1964 amounting to £19,880.

3195 - HOUSES AT WOODFORD ROAD, LOUGHREA: Correspondence in connection with the proposal for erection of houses at Woodford Road, Loughrea by Irish Base Metals Limited was submitted.

The Secretary stated that the estimated cost of the water extension is £900 - the sewerage arrangements to be provided by Irish Base Metals Limited at their own expense.

On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council approved the provision of the water extension required at an estimated cost of £900.

3196 - SCHEME FOR SUPPLY OF SEEDS & FERTILISERS: The scheme proposed for the year 1963 was submitted.

On the proposition of Clr. J. Glynn, it was unanimously approved by the Council that the total value of the goods to be supplied to any individual applicant as set out in Clause 5 of the scheme would be increased from £10 to £15.

The scheme so amended was adopted on the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Deputy M.F. Kitt.

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

3197 - AUDITOR'S REPORT: The Auditor's report on his audit of the accounts of the Western Health Institutions Board for the year ended 31st March, 1962 was submitted and noted.

3198 - TUAM CLINIC: Senator M. Killilea proposed and Clr. P. Patten seconded that the Council proceed without further delay with the erection of the proposed new Clinic at Tuam.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that a site has been acquired, an Architect has been appointed and that the Architect is now being asked to prepare sketch plans for the building.

The Council noted the position.

3199 - KILTEVNA BURIAL GROUND: In reply to Senator Killilea's Notice of Motion 16 (a) 2, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that an amount had been provided in the current year's estimate for provision of roads to a number of burial grounds including Kiltévna but that this amount had been struck out of the estimate by the County Council; that it will again be included in the estimate for the coming year. The position was noted.

3200 - HOUSING GRANTS SCHEMES: Notice of Motion No. 16 (b) was submitted. Clr. P. Galvin dissented but after further discussion it was proposed by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved:-

"That the scheme for payment of supplementary housing grants be amended to provide for payment of such grants to all applicants to whom the full amount of the state grant was paid on or after 1st April, 1962."

It was proposed by Deputy M.F. Kitt, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and resolved:-

"That the above resolution shall apply also to Water & Sewerage Supplementary Grants".

3201 - HOUSING SCHEME AT PORTUMNA: Clr. S. Canning proposed that the 14 houses already planned at Marian Terrace, Portumna be built without further delay.

After a discussion the Council approved the Chairman's suggestion that an advertisement be issued with a view to obtaining definite information as to the housing requirements in Portumna at present.

3202 - ROAD WORKS: Deputy A. Millar asked that his Notice of Motion No. 16 (d) 1 relating to wages of manual workers be adjourned.

In reply to Deputy Millar's Notice of Motion No. 16 (d) 2, Mr. S. Cullinan, Acting County Engineer, stated that the road from Derrew, Killimor to Liskyle, Gurtymadden is on the five year plan and will be reached in due course.

3203 - DIFFERENTIAL RENTS OF COTTAGES: Clr. P. Joyce stated that he had a Notice of Motion about this matter which had been adjourned at several meetings of the Council and asked that it be included in the next Agenda. The Council agreed.

3204 - RATES EQUALISATION: Letter received from the Chairman of the Conference of Local Authorities in connection with Rates Equalisation on 6th February, 1963 and draft resolution were submitted.

As the Council was not in agreement fully with the terms of the resolution, it was directed that it be circulated to the members and



placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

3205 - HEALTH GRANT: Resolution in letter 20th December, 1962 from Dublin Health Authority that the grant for Health Services be increased to 75% was submitted and approved unanimously.

3206 - HELICOPTER SERVICE: Resolution in letter 17th January, 1963 from Dublin County Council recommending the provision of a helicopter service immediately, was submitted and marked read as it was noted that the Government was moving in this matter already.

3207 - ESTIMATE 1963/64: It was decided that an Estimates Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday 2nd March, 1963 if the information will be ready in time; if not, that the Estimates Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday 9th March, 1963.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*L. O'Luanaigh*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*N. Keene* Chairman.

*Date: 23/2/63.*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055  
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Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

15 Fheabhra, 1963.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniú de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, De Sathairn, 23 Fheabhra, 1963, ag tosnu ar 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

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L. O'Luanaigh,

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TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims, viz:-
  - (a) Daniel Barrett, Liscune Lower, Ballymacward - Rick of Turf at Carrowmore, Kilconnell - 9/1/63 - £70.
  - (b) Patrick Colohan, Mackney, Ballinasloe - Hay, straw etc. - 7/2/63 - £174. 17s. 6d.
3. Sealing of Mortgage Deed for loan of £80,000 for Vocational Schools at Athenry, Cornamona, Carna and Glenamaddy.
4. Overdraft for quarter to 30/6/1963.
5. Excess expenditure in current year to 31/3/1963.
6. Declaration of a road to be a public road viz:-  
Road from O'Briens, Claretuam - Galway Road to New Village (Rusheens) - Length 880 yards.
7. Ballymoe Water Supply Extension to Guilka - Estimate £2,260.
8. Gort Sewerage Extension to Garrabeg Cottages - Estimate £1,400
9. Athenry Water Supply Improvement Scheme and approval to raise loan for estimated cost viz. £40,000.
10. Development of sites for private building on Palace Grounds at Tuam.
11. Compulsory Purchase orders for acquisition of land for road works at:-
  - (a) Aughrim
  - (b) Townparks, Galway (Cemetery Cross to Headford Road)
  - (c) Newcastle, Galway
12. Burial Grounds Improvement - Letter L.3/63 of 2/2/1963 from Department of Local Government.



13. Rates Equalisation - Minute 3204 of 9/2/1963.

Draft Resolution

"That this Council draw the Minister's attention to the fact that the rates of Local Authorities in the counties on the Western Seaboard are substantially higher for reasons over which the Local Authorities have no control, than in the rest of the country, and to the further fact that in spite of higher rates the level of services given by the same Authorities has been statistically shown to be lower than for the rest of the country; and they call upon the Minister to take immediate, effective steps to remedy this unjust state of affairs."

14. Islands River Drainage - Minute 3191 of 9/2/63.  
 15. Control of Dogs - Letter 28/1/1963 from Department of Agriculture.  
 16. Abolition of Water Rents - Minute 2806 of 24/2/1962.  
 17. Provision of New Courthouse at Spiddal - adjourned for 12 months on 3/2/1962.  
 18. Letter 36/61 of 29/9/61 from Department of Health re issue of medicines to hardship cases not entitled to medical cards.

19. Members' Notices of Motion viz:-

- (a) Clr. P.D. Joyce: "That the Differential Rent Scheme for County Council cottages be amended to exclude Old Age Pensions from the income of the household".  
 (b) Clr. S. Glynn: "That the road from the boundary at Ballymoe to the County Boundary at Kildaree be improved and widened as it is the main artery from Dublin to the West."  
 (c) Deputy M. Carty: "That Galway County Council will carry out the necessary works suggested in the attached letter addressed by Bord Failte Eireann to me, viz. the improvement of the access road to the Turro Stone, Loughrea".  
 (d) Senator R. Lahiffe: "It is the opinion of this Council that lights should be provided at Ballydavid, Athenry, as the area in question is inadequately lighted."  
 (e) Deputy A. Millar:  
 (1) "It is the opinion of this Council that the three dangerous corners at Clough, Gurteen, should be eased; with special emphasis on Molloy's corner, for the following reasons:-  
 (i) One man had a cow killed there some time ago resulting from an accident.  
 (ii) An accident which might be fatal was averted by one driver ditching his car."  
 (2) "This Council is of opinion that road to Englishtown Village should be declared public".  
 (f) Clr. J. Donnellan: "I will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council that in view of the urgency of giving a proper water supply to Moycullen Village the major scheme for the area be proceeded with without further delay".  
 (g) Deputy J. Geoghegan & Clr. J. Donnellan: "We will propose that a further extension of the sewerage, to take in New

Schools and Hotel on the Killeen Road, Carraroe be agreed to."

- (h) Clr. J. Ridge, Senator J. Mannion & Clr. P. Patten: "That the sewerage scheme at Carraroe be extended to the Secondary School and to the site of the new hostels."  
 (i) Clr. P. Joyce:  
 1. "That the 1963/64 grant for the Sky Road be spent at the Streamstown end."  
 2. "That the County Council extend Carraroe sewerage system to serve the new secondary school and hostels."  
 (j) Deputy M. Carty: "At the next meeting of Galway County Council, I, or some other member acting on my behalf shall ask the County Manager to state the procedure adopted for the admission of patients as "private patients" to the Regional Hospital".

20. Resolutions.

21. Other Business.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 23rd FEBRUARY, 1963

IN THE CHAIR: Senator Mark Killilea.

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

3208 - CHAIRMAN: Senator M. Killilea, Vice-Chairman took the Chair - in the absence of the Chairman Deputy M. Carty.

3209 - SYMPATNY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

The relatives of the late Deputy Jack Belton, Dublin.  
The relatives of the late Captain G. Staunton, Fr. Griffin Road, Galway.  
Mr. John McMahon, Galway Observer on the death of his father.  
The Loughnane Family, Carrowntubber, Athenry on the death of Mr. John Loughnane.  
The Duggan Family, Kilgill, Claregalway on the death of Mrs. Duggan.  
The Shea Family, High Street, Galway on the death of Mrs. Shea.

3210 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meeting to No. 3207 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3211 - MEDICAL CARDS: Mr. J. Cox, Co.C., referred to Minute No. 3173 re the Press report of a statement alleged to have been made at a meeting of the Galway Trades Council. Mr. Cox stated that he does not represent the Trades Council and that he was not present at the meeting at which the statement is alleged to have been made and that no reference whatsoever was made to the Labour Party.

Mr. Cox considered that this is a matter between the Trades Council and the County Council.

3212 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: It was noted that Malicious Damage Claims as set out at 2 (a) and (b) on the Agenda for this meeting had been received since the previous meeting.

3213 - LOAN £80,000 for Vocational Schools: It was proposed by Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Cllr. J. Flaherty and resolved:-

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £80,000, which is proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Vocational Education Acts, 1930 to 1950."

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

3214 - OVERDRAFT: It was proposed by Cllr. G. Kelly, seconded by Cllr. J. Lambert and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £400,000 on the Councils General Account for the quarter ending 30th June, 1963."

3215 - EXCESS EXPENDITURE: On the proposition of Cllr. P. Patten, seconded by Cllr. J. Lambert, the Council approved additional expenditure in excess of the amount already authorised for the current year ending 31st March, 1963 as set out hereunder

Roads:

Special Grant Works - C.A.L.	£40,000	
Government Grants - C.A.L.	1,180	£41,180

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Other Purposes - C.H.D.	7,950	
	<u>£49,130</u>	

Health:

Institutional Services	27,974	
Dental, Ophthalmic etc. services	200	
Specialist Services	230	
Rehabilitation and maintenance of disabled persons.	1,380	
Ambulance Services and Transport	<u>200</u>	
	<u>£30,684</u>	

Public Assistance:

Home Assistance	£ 400	
Other Purposes	<u>975</u>	£1,375

Sanitary:

Domestic Scavenging	300	
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General Purposes:

Fire Brigades - C.H.D.	1,200	
Other Purposes - C.H.D.	5,721	
Other Purposes - C.A.L.	<u>1,265</u>	£8,186

It was noted that £41,180 for Roads Account will be offset by a receipt of that amount and that half the excess expenditure on Health Account will be recouped by Health Grant; also that savings on other headings amounted to £21,858.

3216 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROAD: On the proposition of Cllr. P. Patten, seconded by Senator M. Killilea, the Council declared the following road to be a public road, viz:-

"Road from O'Brien's, Claretuam - Galway Road to Newvillage (Rusheens) - Length 880 yards".

3217 - BALLYMOE WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: On the proposition of Cllr. J. Glynn, seconded by Cllr. J. Donnellan the Council approved the extension of the Ballymoe Water Supply Scheme to Guilka to serve 7 houses at an estimated cost of £2,260.

3218 - AHASCRAUGH WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: Cllr. G. Kelly asked for an explanation of the number of houses, stated to be 151 in the Minutes of the last meeting, which will be served by the Ahascragh Water Supply Scheme, while in the original survey report the number of houses was given as 86.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer explained that when the scheme is examined in detail it is usually found that a greater number of houses can be served.

3219 - RURAL WATER SUPPLIES: In reply to an enquiry by Cllr. P. O'Ceallaigh the Chairman stated that the Water Survey Report is due to be considered again at the March meeting of the Council.

Cllr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that he considered that the National Farmers Association should be invited to send a deputation to that meeting.

Cllr. P. Collins also recommended that the N.F.A. deputation be received on that occasion.

Deputy A. Millar stated that he and others have made public statements to the effect that they will not force the Rural Water Supply Scheme on the people if the people do not want it.



The Chairman pointed out that the report and maps have been deposited at the Engineer's Offices throughout the county as well as at the County Buildings and that an advertisement has been published stating that the report is available for inspection and that any interested person can submit representations regarding it up to 28th February, 1963.

Senator Killilea, Acting Chairman stated that the request that a deputation from the N.F.A be received at the March meeting will be conveyed to the Chairman Deputy M. Carty.

**3220 - GORT SEWERAGE SCHEME:** On the proposition of Clr. J. Lambert, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan, the Council approved the extension of the Gort Sewerage Scheme to Garrabeg Cottages at a cost of £1,400.

In reply to Clr. Lambert's enquiry, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that the sewerage extension at Ennis Road is ready for advertising; that it is a work which can best be done during the summer.

**3221 - ATHENRY WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:** On the proposition of Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert, the Council approved the carrying out of a Water Supply Improvements Scheme at Athenry at a cost of £40,000.

It was noted that the State Assistance will be 60% of the annual loan charges.

**3222 - SITES FOR PRIVATE BUILDING:** On the proposition of Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Clr. W. Burke the Council approved the engagement of Mr. P.J. Sheehan, Consulting Engineer to prepare lay-out plans for the proposed development in the Palace Grounds, Tuam of sites for sale or lease to private individuals who intend erecting their own houses thereon.

**3223 - COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND FOR ROAD WORKS:** The draft orders for compulsory purchase of land for road works at Aughrim, at Townparks Galway and at Newcastle, Galway were submitted.

Deputy A. Millar expressed dissatisfaction at the proposal that Aughrim Village be bye-passed.

It was proposed by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and seconded by Deputy A. Millar that the Council do not approve the making of the County Galway (Aughrim) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1963.

The County Manager explained that the village is not being bye-passed really and that it will be safer for a motorist to stop in Aughrim after this work is carried out than it is at present.

The County Engineer stated that all alternatives had been considered carefully and that the scheme submitted to the Council is the only one which is feasible.

Clr. P. Galvin stated that while loath to bye-pass any village, he considered that the scheme submitted is the only feasible one.

It was then proposed by Clr. T. King and seconded by Clr. P. Ruane that the Galway County Council hereby approves the making of Compulsory Purchase Orders for acquisition of land for road works as follows, viz:-

County Galway (Aughrim) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1963  
The Compulsory Purchase Order (Townparks) 1963  
The County Galway (Newcastle area) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1963.

and that the Compulsory Purchase Orders be sealed with the seal of the Council.

The Chairman directed that a vote be taken on Clr. King's proposition. The vote taken resulted as follows:-

**For:** Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Geoghegan, Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery. (20)

**Against:** Clrs. Millar, Mullins, O'Ceallaigh. (3)

Clrs. Cox, Donnellan and Kitt were absent when the division was taken

The Chairman declared Clr. King's proposal carried and Clr. O'Ceallaigh's proposal lost, the voting for the latter being taken as 3 for and 20 against.

The Compulsory Purchase Orders (3) were then sealed with the seal of the Council.

**3224 - ROAD WIDENING AT HEADFORD ROAD, GALWAY:** Deputy F. Coogan asked if it is intended that bollards or safety islands will be provided on the Headford Road.

The County Engineer stated that he has not received any representations about this but that it would be well to postpone any such work until information will be available regarding Bord Failte's Development Scheme; that this matter is also affected by the Parking Regulations.

**3225 - BURIAL GROUNDS:** Letter L.3/63 of 2nd instant from the Department of Local Government referring to the need for improving the standard of maintenance of burial grounds was submitted and copies of the letter were circulated to the members present.

It was directed that consideration of the letter would be adjourned until the next meeting.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that the rate of salary being paid to Burial Ground Caretakers be investigated as it is inadequate.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer stated that proposals in regard to salaries of Burial Ground Caretakers will be before the Council at the Estimates Meeting and in reply to Deputy J. Geoghegan, Mr. Silke stated that an amount for improvement of approach roads to Burial Grounds will be included in the Estimate for next year.

**3226 - RATES EQUALISATION:** Draft Resolution set out at item 13 on the Agenda was submitted.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Collins, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert that the Council adopt the resolution as submitted.

The Chairman and County Manager considered that there should some amendment of the portion of the resolution which states that the level of services is lower than in the rest of the country.

Eventually the Council approved Clr. Collins' proposal that the resolution be adopted as it stands at item 13 on the Agenda and that this resolution be sent to the Minister for Local Government, viz:-

"That this Council draw the Minister's attention to the fact that the rates of local authorities in the counties on the western sea-board are substantially higher for reasons over which the local authorities have no control, than in the rest of the country, and to the further fact that in spite of higher rates the level of services given by the same authorities has been statistically shown to be lower than for the rest of the country; and they call upon the Minister to take immediate effective steps to remedy this unjust state of affairs "



3227 - ISLANDS RIVER DRAINAGE: Following on Minute No. 3191 of 9th instant the correspondence between Roscommon County Council and Galway County Council in regard to the drainage of the Islands River was submitted.

Clr. J. Glynn and Deputy M. Kitt stated that subject to the County Engineer's views they would support the carrying out of the work as requested by Roscommon County Council.

The County Engineer stated that he considers it an important drainage work which should be referred to the Office of Public Works.

It was eventually decided that the matter be taken up with the Office of Public Works and that the reply from the latter be submitted to the Council when received.

3228 - DOGS: The Secretary read letter No. 8/48/12 of 28th January, 1963 from the Department of Agriculture and the Council noted its contents.

3229 - WATER RENTS: In accordance with Minute No. 2806 of 24th February, 1962, the Secretary requested that the Council would now consider the question of abolition of water rents which had been adjourned for a year.

On the proposition of the Chairman, Senator M. Killilea, it was unanimously decided that consideration of this matter be deferred until the March meeting when the Council will be considering the Water Survey Report.

3230 - SPIDDAL NEW COURTHOUSE: The Secretary stated that on 3rd February, 1962 the Council had adjourned for 12 months the question of providing a new courthouse at Spiddal.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan that the Council approve provision of a new courthouse at Spiddal at an estimated cost of £5,200.

As Clr. P. Collins objected to the provision of courthouses by the County Council and stated that the Council should endeavour to have responsibility for these works taken over by the Department of Justice.

Senator J. Mannion supported Clr. P. Collins.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that this matter be referred to the Department of Justice.

Eventually the Council approved the proposal by Deputy J. Geoghegan i.e. approve provision of the new courthouse at Spiddal.

3231 - SUPPLY OF MEDICINES FOR HARDSHIP CASES: Letter 36/61 of 29th September, 1961 from the Department of Health was submitted in regard to the supply of drugs free of charge to persons who are not entitled to General Medical Services but who would suffer hardship if they had to pay themselves the cost of expensive drugs.

The Secretary stated that this matter had been considered by the Consultative Health Committee who had heard from a member of the Committee Dr. Dyar that there would not be any difficulty in operating the scheme through the District Medical Officers; that the intention is that if the Council approves the authority for supply of such drugs will only be given in cases in which a person is required to obtain expensive drugs over a period which is so long that the cost will cause that person undue hardship.

It was directed that consideration of this matter would be adjourned until the Estimates Meeting.

3232 - SPEED LIMITS: Department of Local Government memorandum .. RT.15/2/1 of February, 1963 regarding the introduction of speed limits for certain towns in the county at 1st April, 1963, was submitted together with the Road Traffic (Speed Limits) Regulations, 1963 - and were noted by the Council.

3233 - ESTIMATE 1963/64: On the proposition of Clr. T. King, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council unanimously fixed 30th March, 1963 as the date of the Estimates Meeting to consider the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1964.

It was arranged that the Estimates Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday, 9th March, 1963 commencing at 12 noon and that the Ordinary Meeting of the Council will be held as usual on Saturday 23rd March, 1963.

3234 - IRISH PUBLIC BODIES MUTUAL INSURANCES LIMITED: On the proposition of Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan the Council appointed Deputy Michael Carty, Chairman as its representative on the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Limited for the coming year.

3235 - DIFFERENTIAL RENTS SCHEME: In connection with Clr. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 19 (a), the County Manager stated that it should not be considered unreasonable that in fixing the differential rent the income of an Old Age Pensioner who is residing with his employed son or daughter should be taken into account.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Joyce, seconded by Deputy F. Coogan and resolved:-

"That the Differential Rents Scheme for County Council cottages be amended so as to exclude Old Age Pensions from the income of the household."

3236 - ROADS ESTIMATE MEETING: Consideration of the following Notices of Motion was adjourned until the next Roads Estimate Meeting:

No. 19 (b), -Clr. S. Glynn  
No. 19 (e), 1 and 2 - Deputy A. Millar

3237 - TUROE STONE, LOUGHREA: Consideration of Deputy Carty's Notice of Motion No. 19 (c) was, in his absence, adjourned to the next meeting.

3238 - ATHENRY LIGHTING: As the funds provided for improvement of public lighting in the current year have been exhausted, it was directed that consideration of Senator Lahiffe's Notice of Motion No. 19 (d) be adjourned until the next Estimates Meeting.

3239 - MOYCULLEN WATER SUPPLY: Clr. J. Donnellan stated that the position in regard to Water Supply in Moycullen Village is very bad and that several houses have been without any water for some time; that something should be done immediately which would fit in with the major scheme.

As the Council will be considering the Water Survey Report again at the March Meeting, the Chairman directed that consideration of this matter be deferred until that meeting.

3240 - CARRAROE SEWERAGE SCHEME: On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Patten, the Council approved the extension of the Carraroe Sewerage Scheme to Hotel at an estimated cost of £4,950.

3241 - ROAD WORKS 1963/64: In connection with Clr. P. Joyce's Notice of Motion No. 19 (i) 1, the County Engineer's letter of 15th February, 1963 was submitted stating that he considered that work on the Sky Road, Clifden should continue from the end of the last job i.e. at the Clifden end.

It was proposed by Clr. P. Joyce and seconded by Clr. J. Donnellan:-



"That the 1963/64 Grant for the Sky Road be spent at the Streamstown end."

Senator J. Mannion opposed this proposal.

The Chairman stated that since a decision on this had already been taken by the Council he considered that it would be necessary to rescind the previous decision.

Clr. P. Joyce stated that if this is necessary he will submit a Notice of Motion for the next meeting that the previous decision be rescinded.

3242 - REGIONAL HOSPITAL - PRIVATE PATIENTS: In the absence of the Chairman Deputy M. Carty, consideration of his Notice of Motion No. 19(j) was adjourned until the next meeting.

3243 - HOUSING SCHEMES - FINANCE: A resolution from Laois County Council that money for future housing schemes be provided free of interest was marked "read".

3244 - REGIONAL HOSPITAL - FOOD FOR STAFF AND PATIENTS: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked if anything definite had been done in regard to the improvement food for staff and patients in the Regional Hospital.

The County Manager stated that an interim report on this matter had been received and that he is awaiting the final report on the catering arrangements for the entire hospital.

Deputy F. Coogan asked whether disciplinary action would be taken against the nurses if they had taken the same action in this matter as had been taken by the doctors.

The County Manager stated that that question did not arise.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that television sets be provided in the Nurses Home at the Regional Hospital.

3245 - TELEVISION: Clr. J. Lambert objected to the action taken by Ennis Urban Council in regard to the proposed opening of the Maghera Television Station by the Mayor of Galway.

3246 - PUBLIC LIGHTING ON ROADS: Deputy F. Coogan asked if a grant could be obtained for improvement of the lighting of the road to Merlin Park.

3247 - COUNTY COUNCILLORS: The Council expressed its good wishes for the early recovery of Mr. Peter Greene from his illness, it being stated that Mr. Greene is at present a patient in hospital.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*Submitted, approved and confirmed.*

*Michael Carb Chairman*

*Date: 23/3/1963*

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

Tel: 2055

4th March, 1963.

A Chara,

Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31st March, 1964

It is requested that you will attend a Committee Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held in the Council Chamber at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday 9th March, 1963 commencing at 12 noon to consider the estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1964.

A copy of the estimate will be supplied to you before the meeting.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Secretary.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 9th MARCH, 1963

IN THE CHAIR: Senator M. Killilea.

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

1 - WOODLANDS ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL: Arising out of Minute No. 3188 of 9th February, 1963 a letter was submitted stating that His Lordship the bishop of Galway would receive the Council's deputation at 11 a.m. on Saturday 16th March, 1963. This letter was noted and it was arranged that the members of the deputation viz. Mr. Michael Carty, T.D., Chairman, Senator Mark Killilea, Vice-Chairman and Deputy Fintan Coogan, will meet Mr. O'Flynn, County Manager at the County Buildings, Galway at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday 16th March, 1963, after which the members of the deputation and the County Manager will meet His Lordship the Bishop at 11 a.m.

2 - RELEASE OF PRISONERS: On the proposition of Clr. P. Ruane, the Council congratulated Mr. David Egan, Ballybrit, Galway on his release from imprisonment in Belfast.

Clr. P. Ruane also asked that the Council will do its utmost to secure the release of the prisoners still detained in Northern Ireland.

3 - ESTIMATE FOR YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1964: The estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1964 as circulated to the members was submitted showing for county charges, total expenditure £3,047,694 and total receipts £1,449,367.

After allowing for urban contributions and a nett debit balance of £53,662 at 1st April, 1963 the increase in the amount to be levied as compared with the current year would be £60,230 i.e. an additional 2s. 1½ on the rate in the £.

The County Manager stated that demands have been received from a number of grades for salary increases and that the estimate does not include provision for these increases; that a conciliation scheme is being arranged and that part of the expenses of the operation of arbitration boards will have to be met by local authorities.

ROADS

It was proposed by Clr. P. Galvin and seconded by Clr. T. King that the Council approve the estimate for Road Works as submitted - this estimate having already been approved by the Council at the Roads Estimate Meeting on 5th January, 1963.

Senator J. Mannion asked that the Roads Estimate be reduced to the same figure as for the current year.

The County Engineer pointed out that the increase in the Roads Estimate is due to the wages increase granted by the Council.

Clr. J. Cox proposed that the amount £13,040 provided for Councillors Notices of Motion be deleted from the estimate. This proposal was not seconded and eventually the proposal by Clrs. P. Galvin and T. King was approved.

Deputy J. Geoghegan requested that any road worker who lives in a labourer's cottage be given employment for the full year.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh was informed that Bord Failte had not allocated any amount for improvement of roads at Ballygar and Newbridge.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

The County Manager explained that only a part of Assistance Officer's duties relate to Public Assistance; that the great part of their work relates to Health Services and Housing Services and that efforts are being made to get the Minister's approval to charge a part of the cost of Home Assistance Officers' salaries to the Health Services Account.

After a discussion the Public Assistance Estimate as submitted was approved unanimously.

HEALTH SERVICES

Deputy Millar proposed that the estimate for General Medical Services - medicines, be reduced by £3,000.

Clr. T. King recommended that there be a conference between the Managers and Department Officials as to the type of drugs which might be substituted for expensive drugs.

Deputy A. Millar considered that much of the expense is caused by travellers from Drug Firms approaching the District Medical Officers with their products.

Clr. P. Galvin supported Clr. King's recommendation.

Deputy F. Coogan, proposed that this estimate for medicines be reduced by £2,000.

The County Manager stated that he had sent letters to each of the District Medical Officers requesting that wherecheaper substitute would be suitable and adequate, that that be used instead of the more expensive drug; that the doctors have also been requested to avoid unnecessary stock piling of drugs.

The County Manager asked that the Council would consider whether the estimate as submitted should be increased to make provision for the supply of drugs to hardship cases as authorised in Department of Health letter 36/61 of 29th September, 1961 - consideration of this letter having been adjourned in Minute No. 3231 of 23rd ultimo. The County Manager considered that the additional cost involved would be £10,000 for a full year.

Clr. J. Donnellan asked if the Council has any means of ascertaining whether the doctors are stock-piling drugs unnecessarily.

The County Manager stated that in this matter the Council has to rely on the doctor as a system of inspection by Department of Health Medical Inspectors which is in existence does not appear to concern itself with the stock of drugs.

It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan and seconded by Clr. P. Joyce that the Council approve the estimate for General Medical Services - medicines, viz. £34,000 and that the Minister for Health be requested to have each dispensary's stock of drugs checked once in each three months.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh considered that the Council should seek improved dispensary services so that patients could be treated at home instead of being removed to hospital.

The County Manager again asked that the Council would consider the circular 36/61 of 29th September, 1961.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh proposed that the Council make the necessary financial provision to meet the terms of the circular.

Deputy A. Millar withdrew his own proposition above and seconded Deputy Coogan's proposal that the estimate for drugs as submitted be



reduced by £2,000.

It was proposed by Clr. G. Kelly and seconded by Clr. J. Lambert that the Council do not make any provision for supply of drugs to hardship cases as envisaged in Department of Health Circular 36/1961 of 29th September, 1961.

Clr. J. Glynn then proposed and Clr. G. Kelly seconded that consideration of Circular 36/61 of 29th September, 1961 be postponed indefinitely.

Clr. G. Kelly withdrew his own proposal above in lieu of this.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Cox and seconded by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh that the Council make the necessary provision for implementation of the terms of Circular 36/61 of 29th September, 1961.

A vote taken for or against postponement indefinitely of consideration of Circular 36/61 of 29th September, 1961 resulted as follows:-

For Postponement: Clrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Coogan, Donnellan, Dowd, Galvin, Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lahiffe, Lambert, Millar, Mullins, Patten, Ruane and Raftery (23)

Against Postponement: Clrs. Cox, Geoghegan, Mannion, O'Ceallaigh and Ridge (5)

Clr. Glynn's proposal was declared carried.

The Council also approved Deputy Coogan's proposal that the estimate as submitted for General Medical Services - Medicines, be reduced by £2,000 to £32,000.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 3 P.M. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING SENATOR M. KILLILEA AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

The remaining items on the General Medical Services Account were approved.

The Council unanimously approved the estimate for Institutional Services for Our Lady of Fatima Hospital, Clifden.

In considering the estimate for St. Brendan's Home, Senator J. Mannion stated that that institution is becoming overcrowded again and asked if further accommodation for patients from St. Brendan's Home could be obtained at Merlin Park Institution.

Senator Mannion also stated that the Visiting Committee is not satisfied with the heating proposals for St. Brendan's Home and that oil fueled boilers would be more easily operated there.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer explained that it is national policy to have institutions heated by turf; that it is impossible to get any decision from the Department of Health in regard to the Main Reconstruction job for St. Brendan's Home.

It was proposed by Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and resolved:-

"That the Council press the Minister for Health for a decision on the proposals for reconstruction of St. Brendan's Home".

The estimate for St. Brendan's Home was approved.

Consideration of the estimate for Galway Regional Hospital was deferred pending the attendance of the Resident Medical Superintendent who was unavoidably absent on this day.

The County Manager agreeing, it was decided to reduce the estimate for Extern Institutions - General Hospitals, be £1,500 leaving the amount under that heading £57,750.

The Health Services Estimates under the following headings were examined and approved as submitted:-

Mental Health Services  
Maternity & Child Health Services  
Tuberculosis and other Infectious Diseases  
Dental etc. Services  
Specialist Services  
Rehabilitation and Maintenance of Disabled Persons  
Boarded out etc. Children  
Ambulances and Transport of Patients  
Supervision of Food and Drink.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that every ambulance be fitted with resuscitation equipment and first aid equipment.

Deputy F. Coggan recommended that every ambulance driver be trained in first aid.

#### Health Services - General Administration

The following reductions were unanimously made in the estimate as submitted:-

Printing, Stationery etc.	£20
Maintenance of Woodlands	£50
Post Graduate Coarses (Miscellaneous expenses)	£350
Total -	£420

The remaining items on the Health Services estimate were approved unanimously viz:-

Assessment - Nurses Act, 1950  
Subsidies to District Nursing Associations  
Retiring Allowance and Gratuities, loan charges

The estimate of receipts for Health Services was approved unanimously, after making the reduction of £1,960 in the Health Services Grant consequent on the reductions made in Health Services Expenditure.

#### Sanitary Services

It was unanimously decided to make the following reductions under the heading Sanitary Services - Water Supplies, viz.

Omit the provision for Lettermore and Tiernee which can be met from Capital Account	£1,000
Delete the provision for Inishlacken Improvements	500
Reduce the amount provided for new pumps by	100
Total Reduction	£1,600

The amended amount provided for Water Supplies was therefore £31,710.

The estimate for drainage and public sanitary works was reduced by £30 to £5,100.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. Joyce, Mr. Silke, Engineer stated that there is already a scavenging service in Roundstone.

Clr. Joyce stated that this service is not satisfactory and the request is that it be available throughout the entire year.



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Referring to scavenging services in North Galway, Mr. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer, stated that the County Engineer considers that it would be better to provide a scavenging truck which would serve all the towns in North Galway, thereby providing a more satisfactory scavenging service.

When the estimate for Burial Grounds was being considered, Mr. Silke stated that the estimate as submitted included £300 for improvement of approach roads and £1,100 as provision for better maintenance.

Senator J. Mannion stated that the Burial Grounds would be better maintained if the work was carried out entirely by the surface men.

Mr. Silke stated that the intention is that a group of Burial Grounds will be put in good condition in each year so that in future they would be maintained more easily; that eventually if financial provision is made it will be possible to put all the Burial Grounds in a better condition of maintenance.

Clr. J. Glynn recommended the use of weed killer in burial grounds and Deputy J. Geoghegan recommended that provision be made near burial grounds for turning places for cars.

In reply to an enquiry by Senator J. Mannion Mr. Silke stated that the only reason why Ballyconneely New Burial Ground is not opened is that we are still waiting to have it consecrated.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, Mr. Silke stated that the estimate as submitted includes provision for a small increase in Caretaker's salaries; that he cannot get any reply from the owners of the land on which a site for a burial ground at Ballygar is being sought.

Clr. T. King thought it would be better that the Council would hand over a certain amount each year to the Parish Priest and leave the latter to arrange for the maintenance of the burial grounds.

Clr. J. Donnellan proposed that the estimate for burial grounds be reduced by £1,300.

It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea and seconded by Senator J. Mannion that the estimate as submitted be approved, viz. £10,500.

A show of hands was taken, the majority supporting the proposal by Senator Killilea and the estimate as submitted for burial grounds was therefore approved.

The remaining items under Sanitary Services Expenditure & Receipts Account were then considered and were approved as submitted.

As it was then past 5 p.m. the further consideration of the estimate was adjourned until a meeting which will be held on Saturday 16th March, 1963 commencing at 12.30 p.m.

SUMMARY OF ALTERATIONS TO ESTIMATE SUBMITTED

Reductions

Health Services:

General Medical Services - Medicines	£2,000	
Extern Institutions - General Hospitals	£1,500	
General Administration, Postage etc.	20	
" " , Woodlands	50	
" " , Post Graduate Courses	350	
		3,920

Sanitary Services:

Water Supplies	£1,600	
Drainage	30	
		1,630

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Total Reduction on Expenditure ----- £5,550

Receipts:

Health Services Account  
Health Grant Reduced as a result of  
reduction on expenditure 1,960

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*W. Mannion*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carby* Chairman.

*23/3/63* Date:



GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
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Secretary's Office,  
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Tel: 2055

11th March, 1963.

A Chara,

Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31st March, 1964

It is requested that you will attend a Committee Meeting of the Galway County Council which will be held in the Council Chamber at the County Buildings, Galway on Saturday 16th March, 1963 commencing at 12.30 p.m. to continue the consideration of the estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1964.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh,

Runai.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE  
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Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

Guthan:  
Gaillimh 2055  
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16 Mharta, 1963.

Chuig Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag cruinniu de Comhairle Connadae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Connadae, De Sathairn, 23 Mharta, 1963, 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:-  
Stephen Forde, Prospect Hill, Galway - 3 doors and lock broken 25/2/1963 - £16. 10s. 0d.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan of £25,000 for advances under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.
4. Raising of loans:-  
(a) £42,000 for Athenry Water Supply Improvements.  
(b) £3,650 for Water Tender Fire Appliance and Equipment for Ballinasloe.  
(c) £58,500 for New Machinery for Roads etc.
5. Remuneration Increases:-  
(a) Radiologist - increase of £100 a year from 1/8/1960  
(b) Caretaker of Assistance Officer's Office, Clifden - increase of £12 a year from 1/1/1963.
6. Appointment of Temporary Rate Collector for No. 28 District (Oughterard) for a further 6 months from 1/5/1963.
7. Sick Pay Scheme for Servants.
8. Declaration of Roads to be Public Roads - Schedule attached.
9. Sale of plot area 1 rood, 1 sq. perch at Kilroe West, Spiddle - notice of 12/3/1963.
10. Water Survey Report for Rural Areas - Minute 3131 of 29/12/1962.
11. Water Rents - Abolition. Minute 3229 of 23/2/1963.
12. Maintenance of Burial Grounds - Department of Local Government letter of 2/2/1963 - Copy attached.



13. Roads 437 and 438 - letter from Killimordaly N.F.A. seeking improvements.
14. Visiting Committee Minutes:-  
 12/1/1963 - Regional Hospital  
 2/3/1963 - do.  
 8/3/1963 - St. Brendan's Home.
15. County Councils General Council - request for notice of items for Agenda for next meeting.
16. Members' Notices of Motion:-
- (a) Deputy M. Carty:
1. "That Galway County Council will carry out the necessary works suggested in the attached letter addressed by Bord Failte Eireann to me, viz. the improvement of the access road to the Turro Stone, Loughrea".
  2. "At the next meeting of Galway County Council I, or some other member acting on my behalf shall ask the County Manager to state the procedure adopted for the admission of patients as "private patients" to the Regional Hospital"
- (b) Clr. P. Joyce: "That the 1963/64 grant for the Sky Road be spent at the Streamstown end."
- (c) Deputy J. Geoghegan:
1. a. I will ask the County Engineer when he proposes to widen the road west of Kyleroe Bridge, Knock.  
 b. When he proposes to widen the road at Ballinahown Bridge and  
 c. When he expects to widen the road from Costelloe Bridge to Costelloe Cross Roads.
  2. "To put on the Agenda for our Special Water meeting an extension of the water from Oranmore Bridge westward to Jack Burke's premises."
- (d) Clr. J. Dowd: "That two lights be installed outside the Protestant Church and School at Eyrecourt".
- (e) Clr. P. Raftery: "That provision be made for a Fire Station by way of extension to the New Courthouse at Mountbellew."
- (f) Deputy A. Millar:
1. "That a cottage should be provided immediately for Mr. Patrick Leonard, Eglis, Ahascragh."
  2. "That a cottage should be provided for Mr. Patrick Coughlan, Derrada, Aughrim, who requires suitable Housing Accommodation."
  3. "That the village of Kilrickle, should have a water supply, as their only source of supply is a condemned pump".
- (g) Clr. W. Burke:
1. "That the "bottle neck" at Galway Road, Tuam be removed".
  2. "Remove bend at Wiler Road corner."
17. Replies to questions already submitted by members.  
 18. Resolutions.  
 19. Other Business.

20. Declaration of vacancy on the Galway County Council resulting from the resignation of Mr. James J. Ruane.
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DISTRICT	FROM	TO	LENGTH - PERCHES
Milltown	Co. Rd. 219	Co. Rd. at Martin Murphy's house	62
Milltown	Co. Rd. 269	Martin Flanagan's house	150
Athenny	Athenny/Tuam Rd.	Delia Spellman's house	106
Athenny	The Galway/Athenny road	Patk. Keane's house	240
Athenny	Athenny/Newcastle Co. Rd.	Jos. Tuohy's house	144

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE  
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DECLARE ROADS TO BE PUBLIC ROADS

Notice is hereby given that the Galway County Council will, at a meeting of the Council which will be held at the County Buildings, Galway on 23rd March, 1963, commencing at 12.30 p.m., consider the making of a declaration that the following roads shall be public roads, viz:-

DISTRICT	FROM	TO	LENGTH - PERCHES
Oughterard	Co. Rd. near Mrs. T. Lydon's house, Glentrasna.	Thomas Conneely's house	70
Oughterard	Co. Rd., Kilbrickan.	Denis Conroy's disused house	290
Oughterard	Co. Rd. 91	Garda Barracks, Lettermore	110
Oughterard	Co. Rd. near Shanafarraghnaun School.	Thomas Connor's house	110
Oughterard	Bullaun-Kilreekill Co. Rd.	Martin Joyce's house	328
Loughrea	Loughrea-Kilreekill Co. Rd.	James Mahoney's house	228
Loughrea	Loughrea-Tynagh Co. Rd.	J. Fox's house	160
Loughrea	Co. Rd. Loughaconeera.	Aill-na-dIornog pier	65
Clifden	Gortatlewa Co. Rd.	Thomas Hefferan's house	180
Galway	Co. Rd. 278 near James Naughton's house.	west for a distance of 80 perches	80
Mountbellew	Moylough/Kilkerrin Co. Rd.	Mrs. M. Reilly's house	110
Mountbellew	Moylough/Mountbellew Co. Rd.	The houses of Ml. Lyons and Patk. Geraghty	134
Mountbellew	Trihill West - Ballinlass Co. Rd.	Crossroads at Park. Mitchell's lands	168
Milltown	Pollanestyler Co. Rd.	Mrs. Mary Kearney's house	97
Milltown	Castletogher Co. Rd.	Ml. Tully's gate	230
Milltown	Glenamaddy-Ballymoe Co. Rd.	Ml. Hegarty's gate	235



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 16th MARCH, 1963.

**IN THE CHAIR:** (1) Deputy J. Geoghegan  
(2) Senator M. Killilea

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Clr. King, Deputy Kitt, Ctrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery.

**1 - CHAIRMAN:** In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman when the meeting commenced it was proposed by Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Clr. J. Lambert and unanimously resolved that Deputy J. Geoghegan take the chair.

Deputy J. Geoghegan then took the chair.

**2 - ESTIMATE 1963/64:**

Health Services - Galway Regional Hospital

Consideration of the estimate was resumed commencing with the estimate for Galway Regional Hospital expenditure.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. J. Cox regarding allocation of wardmaids the County Manager stated that provision for some additional domestic staff is made in the estimate but that the allocation of them has to be decided later.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh recommended that nurses get details of the deductions from their salaries.

The Assistant County Manager stated that usually officials are aware of the deductions being made from their salaries; that if any individual is in doubt he or she can make enquiries from the Accountant's Office and the information will be given.

Clr. J. Cox considered that if a list of the standard deductions was posted up at the hospital it should meet the question.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Glynn, seconded by Clr. J. Canning that provision for salaries and wages be reduced by £100 leaving the revised amount £237,900.

It was proposed by Clr. J. Cox and seconded by Clr. P. Galvin that this deduction be not made.

After further discussion Clr. Cox withdrew his proposal and the deduction of £100 was approved.

SENATOR M. KILLILEA NOW TOOK THE CHAIR

It was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan and seconded by Clr. P. Collins that the amount provided for Food etc. be reduced by £270.

Clr. T. King asked that the report on the catering arrangements would be made available to the members of the Council.

The County Manager stated that it was not intended that this would be done but that the report will be available for examination by the Chairman and any members the Chairman would nominate - if so desired.

Clr. King considered that it might be better if the doctors would dine out permanently rather than that extra expense should be incurred in meeting their requirements for dining inside.

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In reply to an enquiry by Deputy Coogan, the County Manager stated that the report and proposals on the catering will be furnished to the Visiting Committee.

The deduction of £270 from the provision for Food etc. was approved unanimously leaving the revised amount £61,230.

A reduction of £20 under the heading Material for Washing and Cleansing was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan and approved unanimously - leaving the revised amount £3,280.

Deputy F. Coogan recommended that an investigation of the laundry arrangements be carried out by the Connacht Laundry.

The County Manager stated that if the R.M.S. is satisfied a reduction of £1,000 might be made in the amount provided for medicines, leaving the revised amount £30,000.

The Resident Medical Superintendent stated that it has been arranged that the Compounder will attend quarterly at a meeting with the Consultant Medical Staff and that he will also attend the weekly staff meetings; that the expenditure in medicines will be watched carefully.

It was eventually agreed to reduce the provision for medicines by £1,000.

When discussing the provision for Heating, Lighting etc. Clr. P. Collins asked why it was necessary to have a large number of bed-head lights replaced.

Mr. J. Silke, Engineer explained that these lights were of an unsatisfactory design which were easily damaged and which when broken could be dangerous.

Mr. J. Cox considered that Consulting Engineers before specifying items should confer with the people who will be concerned with the operation and replacement of these items.

A reduction of £100 in the amount provided for heating and lighting was proposed by Deputy F. Coogan and seconded by Clr. P. Collins.

A show of hands was taken on this proposal and as a result the Chairman declared the proposal lost.

On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Senator J. Mannion a reduction of £150 was approved in the provision for Clothing and Bedding making the revised amount £4,350.

When considering the provision for Furniture, Crockery etc. Clr. Cox suggested that items of furniture might be obtained from the surplus in the store at the Western Health Institutions premises at Merlin Park; also that breakages of crockery could be reduced if the maids on taking up duty were properly instructed on the handling of ware and utensils.

THE MEETING WAS NOW ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 3 P.M. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING SENATOR M. KILLILEA AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

Clr. J. Glynn suggested that something be done to brighten up the appearance of the outside walls of the Regional Hospital and the R.M.S. also considered that this would be desirable.

Mr. J. Silke stated that colouring was incorporated in the material at the construction of the Hospital and that it was not intended that the walls of this building should be painted - that if any such painting was done it would be necessary to repeat it frequently at considerable expense; that the painting of the railings on the outside will constitute a big maintenance problem.



Clr. J. Cox stated that it would be better to paint frequently than to have to renew the railings entirely.

On the proposition of Senator J. Mannion, seconded by Clr. J. Cox, the provision for printing etc. was reduced by £500 leaving the revised amount £6,500.

All other items of expenditure for the Galway Regional Hospital were approved and the estimate of Receipts for Health Services was approved subject to the further reduction of £1,020 in the Health Grant consequent on the reductions on expenditure made today. The revised figure for Health Services Grant was therefore £744,167.

#### Housing Services

Clr. J. Lambert stated that it is desirable that a Vesting Scheme for cottages for which such a scheme has not already been made, be prepared immediately.

Clr. J. Cox stated that last year he suggested that a Mobile Repair Squad be instituted and asked what had been done in the meantime.

Mr. J. Silke, Chief Assistant County Engineer stated that a Mobile Repair Squad is in operation in the Tuam Area and gives better service than could be obtained otherwise; that the Council's approval will shortly be sought to the raising of a loan for machinery etc. which will include provision for two small trucks to extend this service further; that there is also a Mobile Repair Squad in Loughrea Area.

The Chairman also expressed the opinion that it would be desirable to carry out any repairs necessary to cottages with all possible speed and to induce the tenants to have them vested.

Clr. P. Galvin also stressed the desirability for completing the Vesting Scheme for the additional cottages not already covered by such a scheme and this recommendation was supported by the Chairman.

It was unanimously decided to reduce by £25. the provision for Labourers Acts. - Printing, Stationery etc. leaving the revised amount £725.

#### General Purposes

In considering the provision for School Meals Deputy J. Geoghegan asked if the Council would consider reverting to the provision of bread along with the cocoa.

It was unanimously decided that the arrangements be left as they are at present.

The provision in General Purposes for Stationery, Printing etc. was reduced by £25 (County at Large) leaving the revised amount £3,175 (£1,975 County at Large).

In considering the provision for fairs and markets, Clr. J. Canning stated that stock are being bought in Portumna long before the proper hour and that this matter should be taken up with the Gardai if the latter are responsible for control of forestalling.

In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. Joyce regarding the acquisition of the fair rights at Clifden the Secretary stated that the Council had adjourned indefinitely consideration of the acquisition of any further fair rights.

Provision for payment of £1,500 to the Irish Tourist Association and £250 to the Salthill Development Co. Ltd., was approved - Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh objected to the provision of any contribution to the Salthill body,

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh and Clr. J. Glynn recommended that Blind

Welfare Allowances be sent to the recipients by post but after consideration it was decided that the present payment arrangements shall continue.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that in Kilkenny members are paid a subsistence allowance for attendance at a meeting irrespective of the distance from the members residence to the place of meeting.

It was explained that the regulations require that a subsistence allowance shall not be paid except the members residence is at least the minimum distance specified from the place of meeting.

Clr. T. King recommended that legal authority be obtained for payment of a subsistence allowance to every member irrespective of the distance of his residence from the meeting place.

Clr. J. Dowd proposed and Clr. J. Canning seconded that the travelling expense allowance for members be increased to 1/3d. a mile.

In the subsequent discussion Clr. Galvin and Senator Killilea expressed the opinion that the mileage allowance of 1/- a mile each way is adequate but that the subsistence allowance is inadequate.

It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea and seconded by Clr. P. Collins that the mileage allowance be left as at present viz. 1/- a mile each way and that the Council seek improvement in the subsistence allowance for members attending meetings and for the deletion of the requirement that the members home shall be a minimum distance from the place of meeting.

Clr. J. Dowd withdrew his proposal and the proposal by Senator Killilea was carried unanimously.

The provision for County Buildings Expenditure was unanimously reduced by £100 leaving the revised amount £6,900.

All other items of expenditure in the estimate for General Purposes were approved and the estimate of Receipts for General Purposes Account was also approved.

#### 3. Merlin Park Hospital

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that at night there is only one nurse on duty for Units Nos. 2, 4 and 6 and recommended that an attendant be also provided at night in these Units.

4 - MISCELLANEOUS: The Chairman thanked the members for their co-operation and thanked the County Manager and Officials for their help in connection with the estimate.

#### THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED

#### SUMMARY OF REDUCTIONS IN ESTIMATE SUBMITTED

Meeting 9th March, 1963 - Nett Reduction £ 3,590

Meeting 16th March, 1963:-

#### Health Services

Regional Hospital:-	£
Salaries	100
Food	270
Materials for Washing etc.	20
Medicines	1,000
Clothing & Bedding	150
Printing	500
	<u>2,040</u>
Less Health Grant	1,020

£ 1,020

#### Housing:

Labourers Acts - Printing

25



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General Purposes:

Printing	25		1,170
County Buildings	<u>100</u>	<u>125</u>	

TOTAL NETT REDUCTION IN ESTIMATE

24,760

*A. L. O'Connell*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carb* Chairman.

*Date: 23/3/1963*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Secretary's Office,  
County Buildings,  
Galway.

20th March, 1963.

Phone:  
Galway 2055.

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, 30th March, 1963, commencing at 12.30p.m. to consider and adopt the Estimate of Expenses of the Galway County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1964, and to determine the rate in the pound for County Charges, Separate Charges and Town Charges.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY-COUNCIL HELD  
AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1963

IN THE CHAIR: (1) Deputy Michael Carty  
(2) Deputy Michael Kitt

ALSO PRESENT: Ctrs. Burke, Canning, Collins, Deputy Coogan, Ctrs. Cox, Donnellan, Dowd, Flaherty, Galvin, Deputy Geoghegan, Ctrs. Glynn, Joyce, Kelly, Senator Killilea, Ctrs. King, Kyne, Senator Lahiffe, Ctr. Lambert, Senator Mannion, Deputy Millar, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge and Ruane P. *Rafferty P. D.*

3248 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 3247 inclusive and the Minutes of Committee Meetings held on 9th and 16th March, 1963, having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3249 - REGIONAL WATER SUPPLIES FOR RURAL AREAS: The deputation from the National Farmers Association attended, viz. Messrs. Rafferty, Duggan and O'Donnell.

In reply to Mr. Rafferty's enquiry the Chairman explained that the proposal is that each area will be canvassed and that if the required majority in any area agree, the water supply would be provided in that area.

Mr. Rafferty stated that the National Farmers Association opposes the provision of water supplies in this manner and prefer that their supplies would be provided by group schemes.

The Chairman pointed out that while group schemes could have been operated for some years past, only one group scheme has been completed in the entire county so far.

Deputy Millar stated that the delay in completing the Cappatagle Group Scheme is due to the fact that the yield-test of the source has to be carried out.

The County Engineer stated that the position is that the Council will consider any proposals for a Group Scheme and will give any assistance which it can give.

Mr. D'Alton, Engineer, stated that the Council's Engineering Staff has already given any advice sought in regard to Group Schemes.

Mr. Duggan of the deputation stated that the majority of the farmers would prefer that the water supply would be provided by way of Group Schemes and that they object to having to pay for the cost of piped water supplies which will not be available to them.

The Chairman pointed out that people in rural areas who have not got a water supply have for many years been paying for the cost of town supplies in the County Health District.

Mr. Duggan stated that he is aware of this but that the objection is to any further increase in the rates for this purpose.

Mr. O'Donnell of the deputation stated that the N.F.A. does not accept that the water supplies must be provided by way of a Regional Scheme; that in a survey carried out of 2,182 houses, only 22 of these favoured provision of water supplies for rural areas by way of Regional Schemes.

The Chairman again explained that if in an area the majority oppose the provision of the Regional Scheme, the scheme will not be provided in that area.

Clr. T. King expressed surprise that any rural dweller would oppose the proposed Regional Water Supply Schemes which would be met by Government assistance to the extent of 60% in east Galway and 75% in west Galway; that furthermore the schemes would take up to 15 years to complete.

Deputy F. Coogan stated that the deputation does not oppose the provision of rural water supplies but the manner of providing, having regard to the increasing rates.

Clr. P. Collins stated that a person not receiving the water supply should not be obliged to pay for it.

Clr. P. Galvin stated that he had received six letters from N.F.A. branches opposing the Regional Water Supply Schemes; but on the other hand he had received a great number of enquiries from people who wished to have the water supplies provided in this manner, especially from women.

Mr. Galvin recommended that 80% agreement should be obtained before initiating a scheme.

Clr. J. Dowd considered that the Regional Scheme should have been started 20 or 30 years ago; that there are practical difficulties in carrying out Group Schemes, viz. lack of co-operation and the quality and quantity of water available.

Clr. J. Flaherty stated that the Kilkerrin/Moylough Regional Scheme has been welcomed by all in that area and pointed out that if Galway County Council does not carry the Regional Schemes the people of Galway will still be paying taxation towards the cost of these schemes for other counties.

Clr. Flaherty supported the Regional Schemes but recommended that a water rent be charged to everybody connected.

Clr. J. Cox supported the provision of water in the best and cheapest manner possible and considered it is an essential commodity for the business of farming.

Clr. G. Kelly stated that having experience of efforts to organise a Group Scheme, he considers that the only way to provide the water for rural areas is by way of Regional Schemes.

Clr. P. Ruane stated that the main opposition to the Regional Schemes is from farmers with high valuation and pointed out that a farm with a low valuation will receive abatement by way of agricultural grant on 70% of the increased rate.

Clr. P. Patten stated that the value of land is much enhanced by the availability of a proper water supply.

Deputy Kitt and Ctr. J. Lambert spoke in favour of the Regional Water Supply Scheme.

Senator Lahiffe stated that while he already has a water supply for his premises he favours the Regional Water Supply Scheme and is quite prepared to pay towards the cost of that supply for others; that it is the only possible way of providing a supply for an area such as Kinvara.

The members of the deputation again spoke, Mr. O'Donnell stating that there was very high opposition to the Regional Scheme in the Kinvara area.

Mr. Duggan stated that less than 50% of the people in east Galway would get a water supply under the Regional Scheme and that the remainder would have to pay towards the cost while not getting any supply.

Mr. Rafferty stated the N.F.A. favours the provision of a water supply but holds that the Group Scheme would be the cheaper way of providing it.

The Chairman stated that the Regional Scheme in any area will go ahead only if the people in that area so desire.



The Chairman thanked the deputation for coming before the Council and putting their views and also thanked the newspapers for publishing details of the proposed scheme.

Mr. Raftery expressed the thanks of the N.F.A. to the County Council for receiving the deputation.

THE MEETING WAS THEN ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH UNTIL 3.15 p.m. AND ON RESUMPTION OF THE MEETING DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

Deputy Carty, Chairman complimented the Councillors on the opinions expressed and proposed that the water survey report be adopted and that the areas for canvass be selected.

This proposal was seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and approved.

The Council approved a suggestion by the County Manager that the canvass be made by post in the first instance and that if necessary the residue be dealt with by personal canvass.

The Council then considered the question of percentage agreement in an area which would be necessary before the Regional Scheme would be initiated.

It was eventually decided that the percentage figure be left in abeyance while it is a fact that the Council has in mind a figure of 75% agreement in an area.

The question of the deposit to be made by any person agreeing to accept the water supply was then considered and the Council adopted the County Manager's suggestion that the deposit be £1. in each case, which would be repayable if the scheme is not carried out.

It was agreed that the areas to be canvassed in the first place will be those set out at Section (A) of the Water Survey Report but that at the same time a canvass will also be made for the scheme in Section (B) described as Milltown-Russelltown.

**3250 - DISABLEMENT ALLOWANCES:** Deputy M. Carty, Chairman referred to a leading article in the Galway Observer of 23rd March, 1963 in which it was alleged that payment of an Infectious Disease Maintenance Allowance to an ex T.B. patient had been discontinued because a television set had been installed in the house of the person concerned.

The Secretary stated that it was not correct that any I.D.M. Allowance had been discontinued for this reason; neither was it a fact that any Disablement Allowance had been discontinued; that there was one case in Shantalla, Galway of a person who was receiving a Disablement Allowance and was also receiving £3. 10s. Od. a week Home Assistance and in that case the Home Assistance was reduced to £3. a week the same time as a television set was installed in the house; that the person concerned resides with his wife and eight children; that three of the children are employed at a total wage of £4. 19s. Od. a week, Disablement Allowance amounts to £1. 5s. Od. a week, Home Assistance after reduction is £3. a week and Children's Allowance amounts to £1. 16s. 11d. a week i.e. a total income of £11. 0s. 11d. a week; that six pairs of shoes were also issued to this family under the Footwear Scheme at a cost of £3. 8s. 3d.

The Chairman expressed the hope that in future Galway Observer will check with the County Council on the facts before publishing such irresponsible statements.

**3251 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS:** It was noted that the Malicious Damage Claim as set out at No. 2 on the Agenda had been received since the previous meeting.

Clr. Flaherty referred to a case which had been given in the applicant's favour in the Circuit Court and which Galway County Council appealed to the High Court and lost there again and is now about to appeal further to the Supreme Court. He considers that it would have

been better if the Council had acceded to the request of the Councillors and settled this case in the first instance.

The County Manager pointed out that Counsel's opinion was that the appeal should have been taken and that he was bound to have regard to the Counsel's advice.

Clr. P. Patten supported Clr. Flaherty's remarks.

**3252 - LOAN - SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS:** It was proposed by Deputy John Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. John Flaherty and resolved:-

"That our corporate seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of £25,000 proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (No. 2) Act, 1960."

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

**3253 - CHAIRMAN:** In the temporary absence of Deputy M. Carty, Deputy M. Kitt now took the Chair on the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan seconded by Clr. T. King and unanimously approved by the Council. The Vice-Chairman was absent also at this time.

**3254 - LOAN FOR ATHENRY WATER SUPPLY SCHEME:** It was proposed by Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. P. Ruane and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £42,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for improvement of the Athenry Water Supply Scheme; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council".

**3255 - LOAN FOR FIRE SERVICE WATER TENDER:** It was proposed by Deputy A. Millar, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £3,650 from the National Bank Limited, Galway for supply of a Water Tender Fire Appliance and Equipment for Ballinasloe district; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 5 years with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans."

**3256 - LOAN FOR NEW MACHINERY:** When this proposal was being considered, Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh stated that 3 Hired Trucks are being used in a Council Quarry at a cost of £77 each per month and recommended that these be replaced by Council trucks.

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 £58,500 from the National Bank Limited, Galway for the purchase of new machinery and trucks as recommended by the County Engineer; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 5 years with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans."

**3257 - LOAN - CLONFERT & KYLEMORE BRIDGES:** It was proposed by Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Deputy A. Millar and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £1,480 from the National Bank Limited, Galway for erection of bridges and approach roads thereto at Clonfert and Kylemore; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 5 years with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans."

**3258 - LOAN FOR LIBRARY ETC. AT ATHENRY:** It was proposed by Clr. J. Glynn, seconded by Clr. J. Dowd and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,770 from



the National Bank Limited, Galway for provision of a Branch Library Premises and an Assistant County Engineer's Office at Athenry; the loan to be repayable by instalment over a period of 10 years with interest at the rate charged by the Bank from time to time for such loans."

DEPUTY M. CARTY AGAIN TOOK THE CHAIR.

**3259 - RADIOLOGIST, REGIONAL HOSPITAL:** On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Clr. T. King, the Council approved an increase in the salary of the Radiologist at Galway Regional Hospital of £100. a year with effect from 1st August, 1960 inclusive.

**3260 - CARETAKER A.O.'s OFFICE, CLIFDEN:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce, the Council approved an increase of £12 a year in the remuneration of the Caretaker of the Assistance Officer's Office in Clifden with effect from 1st January, 1963 inclusive.

**3261 - RATE COLLECTOR FOR NO. 28 DISTRICT:** On the proposition of Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. P. Joyce, the Council approved the continued temporary appointment of Mr. John Clancy as Rate Collector for No. 28 District for a further period of six months from 1st May to 31st October, 1963 inclusive with remuneration at the rate already approved.

**3262 - SICK PAY SCHEME FOR SERVANTS:** This scheme was submitted for review.

The Secretary stated that the expenditure in the period 1st April, 1962 to 9th March, 1963 amounted to £4,024 for 167 cases and explained that any delay in payment of the benefit is due to delay in submission of the medical certificate by the man concerned or delay in obtaining from the Department of Social Welfare the particulars of the rate of benefit being paid by them.

Clr. Cox requested that anything which can be done to shorten the delay, be done.

The Council unanimously approved the continuing of the scheme for a further period of twelve months from 1st April, 1963 to 31st March, 1964 inclusive.

**3263 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROADS:** It was proposed by Deputy M. Kitt, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan and unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council hereby declare the following roads to be public roads, viz:-

District	From	To	Length - Perches
Oughterard	Co. Rd. near Mrs. T. Lydon's house, Glentrasna	Thomas Conneely's hse.	70 ✓
Oughterard	Co. Rd., Kilbrickan	Denis Donroy's disused house	290 ✓
Oughterard	Co. Rd.	Garda Barracks, Lettermore	110 ✓
Oughterard	Co. Rd. 91	Thomas Connor's house	110 ✓
Oughterard	Co. Rd. near Shanafar- aghaun School.	Martin Joyce's house	328 ✓
Loughrea	Bullaun-Kilreekill Co. Rd.	James Mahoney's house	228 ✓
Loughrea	Loughrea-Tynagh Co. Rd.	J. Fox's house	160 ✓
Clifden	Co. Rd. Loughaconeera	Aill-na-dTornog pier	65 ✓
Galway	Gortatleva Co. Rd.	Thomas Heffernan's hse.	180 ✓
Mountbellew	Co. Rd. 278 near James Naughton's house.	west for a distance of 80 perches.	80 ✓
Mountbellew	Moylough/Kilkerrin Co. Rd.	Mrs. M. Reilly's house	110 ✓
Mountbellew	Moylough/Mountbellew "	The houses of Ml. Lyons and Patrick Geraghty.	134 ✓

District	From	To	Length - Perches
Mountbellew	Trihill West - Ballinlass Co. Rd.	Crossroads at Patk. Mitchell's lands	168 ✓
Milltown	Pollaneyster Co. Rd.	Mrs. Mary Kearney's hse.	97 ✓
Milltown	Castletogher Co. Rd.	Ml. Tully's gate	230 ✓
Milltown	Glenamaddy-Ballymoe Co. Rd.	Ml. Hegarty's gate	235 ✓
Milltown	Co. Rd. 219	Co. Rd. at Martin Murphy's house.	62 ✓
Milltown	Co. Rd. 269	Martin Flanagan's hse.	150 ✓
Athenry	Athenry/Tuam Rd.	Delia Spelman's house.	106 ✓
Athenry	The Galway/Athenry Rd.	Patk. Keane's house.	240 ✓
Athenry	Athenry/Newcastle Co. Rd.	Jos. Tuohy's house.	144 ✓

**3264 - SALE OF PLOT AT KILROE WEST:** It was proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. S. Kyne and resolved:-

"That the Council hereby approve the sale of a plot of land at Kilroe West, Spiddle, area 1 rood and 1 square perch or thereabouts to Mr. Joseph Walsh, Kilroe, Inverin, Co. Galway for £48. 16s. 6d. plus the costs of completion of the conveyance of the plot to the purchaser - the purchase price to be paid as follows:-

1. £16. plus costs of transfer of the site back to him to be paid by the purchaser on execution of the Deed of Transfer.
2. The balance of £32. 16s. 6d. to be deducted from the Supplementary Grant to be paid to the purchaser in respect of the house to be erected by him on the site".

**3265 - WATER RENTS OR CHARGES:** The County Manager stated that according to Section 7 of the Sanitary Services Act, 1962, water charges may be re-imposed on the people in Tuam who are connected with the water supply; that it is intended that a schedule of such charges generally will be prepared and submitted to the Council.

Deputy J. Geoghegan proposed and Clr. P. Patten seconded:-

"That Water Rents or Charges be abolished".

The County Manager pointed out that while the revenue from water rents at present is not very considerable, it may increase considerably when the Regional Water Supply Schemes are put into operation and that furthermore the existing charges require review.

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken and the result of this was that the proposal for abolishing water rents was defeated and the Council's approval was therefore given to the retention of water rents or charges.

**3266 - BURIAL GROUNDS - MAINTENANCE:** Department of Local Government letter L.3/63 of 2nd February, 1963 was submitted, a copy having been sent to each member of the Council.

The Chairman stated that it is desirable that the Council should help in any way possible in improving the condition of burial grounds.

The County Manager suggested that having regard to transport facilities nowadays a smaller number of burial grounds than formerly should be sufficient.

Clr. P. Ruane recommended that burial grounds be as near as possible to the Church and that decent approach roads be provided to them.



Senator J. Mannion recommended that the maintenance be done by surface men.

Mr. J. Silke explained that an amount is provided in the estimate and if approved it is intended that a job will be done on nine or ten burial grounds during the coming year so as to put them in good condition; that if this programme is continued in future years all the burial grounds should be put into fair condition within a period of five years and the subsequent maintenance should not be difficult; that the policy now is to have the maintenance carried out by the surface men and to confine the caretaker's duties to registration of burials, opening and closing gates and keeping a general watch on the burial ground.

Clr. J. Glynn recommended the use of weed killer in burial grounds.

Clr. P. Ruane stated that big trees should not be allowed anywhere in the immediate vicinity of the burial ground.

Clr. P. Galvin recommended an appeal to the parishioners by the Parish Priest.

Clr. B. Collins stated that where an approach road is being sought for a burial ground which is a very long distance in off the road, it would be better to consider provision of an alternative burial ground.

3267 - ROADS 437 & 438: A letter received from Killimordaly N.F.A. seeking improvements of above roads was submitted.

The County Engineer stated that the part from the Main Road at Laragh to the Church will be done in the coming year under the County Road Improvement Grant and that the remainder of the road will be done later.

The Council noted the position.

3268 - VISITING COMMITTEE: In reply to an enquiry by the Chairman the County Manager stated that he will submit the catering report to the Visiting Committee at the Regional Hospital and it was then decided by the Council that the next meeting of the Visiting Committee at the Regional Hospital will be held on Saturday 6th April, 1963 commencing at 1 p.m.

Deputy F. Coogan recommended that the clock in the Nurses Home at the Regional Hospital be put in order or taken away entirely.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh was informed by the County Manager that a decision has not yet been made in regard to the possibility of transferring more patients from St. Brendan's Home, Loughrea to Merlin Park.

In reply to an enquiry by Senator Mannion, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that the Department of Health is not in favour of providing a permanent heating installation at St. Brendan's Home but that the temporary installation being provided will work in as part of the permanent scheme.

Clr. King stated that since this is the Department's decision a higher grant than the normal should be obtained.

Mr. Silke stated in reply to a further enquiry by Senator Mannion that turf, as fuel, is in accordance with the national policy.

3269 - VACANCY ON COUNTY COUNCIL: The Council unanimously approved the Chairman's proposal that consideration of item No. 20 on the Agenda be adjourned until the Electoral Bill, 1962 becomes law as it is expected that this will alter the position. The proposal for adjournment of consideration of this item was made by Deputy M. Carty

seconded by Clr. P. Patten and unanimously resolved.

3270 - MEMORIAL TO OLD I.R.A.: It was proposed by Senator M. Killilea, seconded by Deputy M. Carty and unanimously resolved:-

"That we condemn in the strongest possible terms the disgraceful efforts made during the morning of St. Patrick's Day for the blowing up of a memorial in a Cork Cemetery which had been erected to commemorate those who gave their lives in the fight for freedom.

3271 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

Reverend Father O'Higgins, Rector, St. Ignatius' College, Galway on the death of his father Mr. Brian O'Higgins.

The relatives of the late Mr. John Nestor, Cummer, Co. Galway.

Mr. John Dowd & Family, Priaryland, Creggs.

Mr. Thomas Reidy, Townagh, Kilvara on the death of his sister.

The Tyrell Family, Kinvara on the death of Mr. Edward Tyrell.

Mr. Joseph Keane, Georges Street, Gort on the death of his mother.

Mr. William Trayers, B.E., Moorepark, Newbridge, Co. Kildare on the death of his wife.

Mr. Mark Wall, Ballygar on the death of his sister.

Mr. Sean Healy, Cahercrea, Loughrea on the death of his mother.

The Dolan Family, Roundfield, Monivea, Athenry on the death of Mr. Michael Dolan.

Mrs. Fursa Breathnach, Canal Road, Galway on the death of her mother.

Mr. Gerry O'Neill, Rockbarton on the death of his mother.

3272 - OMNIBUS SERVICES: Deputy F. Coogan proposed and the Council agreed that the Council request Coras Iompair Eircann to put on a bus service for Ballindooly and Cappobrowne while Curraghmore Bridge will be closed to traffic.

3273 - ITEM ADJOURNED: Consideration of items 16 to 18 on the Agenda was adjourned until Saturday 30th March, 1963, when these items will be considered after the end of the Estimates Meeting.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*A. Mannion*  
Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty Chairman.*

*Date: 30/3/1963*



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 30th MARCH, 1963

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 IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael 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, Ctrs. Kyne, Lambert, Senator Mannion, Deputy Millar, Ctrs. Mullins, O'Ceallaigh, Patten, Ridge, Ruane P., and Raftery.

3274 - ESTIMATE 1963/64: The estimate of expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1964 as originally circulated to the members was submitted showing for County Charges, Total Expenditure £3,047,694, and Total Receipts £1,449,367, and nett amount to be levied off the County Health District £1,490,489 equivalent to a rate of 707.727d. in the £.

For Town Charges the amounts to be levied were as shown hereunder:-

Loughrea £511 equivalent to a rate of 20d. in the £.  
 Tuam £2,976. " " " " 66d. in the £.

For separate charges the amounts to be levied were as set out in the schedule to the estimate which included the following:-

River Corrib Navigation - Nil  
 Galway Harbour £6,540. 9s. 11d. equivalent to a rate of 34d. in the £.  
 Vocational Education £45,236. 9s. 5d. equivalent to a rate of 21¼d. in the £.

The nett reduction in expenditure made at the Estimates Committee Meetings on 9th and 16th March, 1963, after allowing for resulting reductions in receipts, was £4,760. The Minutes of these two meetings giving details of the adjustments in the Estimate had already been circulated to the members.

Mr. Griffin, Acting County Accountant, stated that after allowing for the reductions made at the Committee Meetings, the rate to be levied would be as follows:-

For County Charges 705½d. in the £.  
 For Separate Charges charged on the entire County Health District 24¼d. in the £.

Total rate leviable on County Health District 730½d. in the £. i.e. £3. 10s. 10½d. in the £.

Deputy Geoghegan recommended that the estimate as amended at the Committee Meetings be adopted and at a later meeting consideration be given to the possibility of extending the provision for the supply of school meals in the Gaeltacht area.

It was then proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Canning and unanimously resolved:-

"That the estimate of expenses for the Galway County Council for the year ending 31st March, 1964, as originally circulated to the members, be amended as approved at the Estimates Committee Meetings on 9th and 16th March, 1963, 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 proposed by Deputy J. Geoghegan, seconded by Clr. J. Canning and unanimously resolved:-

"That the Council determine in accordance with the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1964, 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 £. to be levied for the several services specified in the said estimate for the financial

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year ending 31st March, 1964."

Deputy F. Coogan stated that some action is needed to restrict the rise in rates.

The County Manager stated that as the value of money is falling and services are increasing, a rise in rates is inevitable.

The Chairman stated that the question of the rate burden is at present under examination by the Government and the Chairman stated that the rate falls heaviest on the town dwellers.

Discussion ensued during which Ctrs. Collins and Kitt referred to the inequality of valuations for similar land and Clr. Collins suggested that there should be a maximum limit set for rates, the excess over that limit to be met by Government Grant.

Clr. J. Cox proposed that there be a general revaluation of land.

The Chairman asked that Clr. Cox would put this in by Notice of Motion and Clr. Cox agreed that he would do this - for the next Ordinary Meeting.

Deputy F. Coogan asked that during the coming year, members would not submit any Notices of Motion which would involve additional expense during the year.

Deputy A. Millar stated that the Council can either advance or retrench and that he did not favour the latter. He recommended that there be an improvement in the advisory arrangements for farmers.

Clr. J. Glynn stated that the burden is felt greatest by those who pay both rates and income tax.

Clr. P. Galvin recommended that there be some form of relief for ratepayers in towns.

The County Manager stated that a general revaluation of land would only involve a redistribution of the rate burden.

The Manager thanked Mr. Thomas Griffin, Acting County Accountant for his work in preparing so efficiently the estimate and the explanatory statements.

The Chairman also expressed the thanks of the Council to Mr. Griffin and to the other officials concerned.

THE ESTIMATES MEETING THEN TERMINATED

*Michael Carty*  
 Secretary

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty* Chairman.

*Date: 27/4/63*



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ORDINARY MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY, 30th MARCH, 1963 AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE ESTIMATES MEETING.

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael Carty

ALSO PRESENT: The attendance of other members was the same as that for the Estimates Meeting.

3275 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings up to No. 3273 having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3276 - REGISTRAR, CARDIOLOGICAL UNIT: Correspondence in connection with the proposed creation of an office of Registrar for the Cardiological Unit at the Galway Regional Hospital including Department of Health letter S.A.11/425 of 25th March, 1963 was submitted.

On the proposition of Deputy M.F. Kitt, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan, the Council approved the creation of the office of Registrar for the Cardiological Unit at the Galway Regional Hospital with salary scale of £1,075/£1,175/£1,275 less deduction for emoluments which at present is £169. a year, this office to be in lieu of the existing office of House Officer for the Cardiological Unit.

3277 - RURAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME: In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh, the Chairman stated that the canvass of houses would be restricted to houses which can be served by the proposed schemes.

The Chairman read a report which had appeared in the Connacht Sentinel and Connacht Tribune during the week to the effect that water rents were being abolished by the Galway County Council.

Deputy J. Geoghegan objected to the report and to the failure of the Connacht Tribune to publish a correction as requested by him.

The County Manager stated that the position is that "Water Charges" will replace "Water Rents".

The Chairman stated that he hoped that the press would rectify this report in their next issue.

3278 - TUROE STONE, LOUGHREA: The Council unanimously approved the proposal by Deputy M. Carty, Chairman:-

"That Galway County Council will carry out the necessary work suggested in letter 18th January, 1963 from Bord Failte, Eireann i.e. the improvement of the access road to the Turoe Stone, Loughrea".

3279 - PRIVATE PATIENTS: In reply to the Chairman's Notice of Motion No. 16 (a) 2, the County Manager explained that charges for patients who do not belong to the lower or middle income group and who receive maintenance and treatment in the Galway Regional Hospital are as follows:-

Patient in a Public Ward who is not a private patient of a Medical Officer of the Institution -- 27/6d. per day.

Patient in a Public Ward who is a private patient of a Medical Officer of the Institution -- 24/- per day.

Additional charge for accommodation in -

a semi-private ward -- 6/- per day.  
a private ward -- 12/- per day.

There are certain additional charges for radiation, therapy, X-Ray treatment etc.

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The Chairman stated that there is some misunderstanding about this matter as patients sometimes say that they did not seek treatment as private patients and that it would be desirable that the position be clarified.

The County Manager stated that a patient who is a private patient of a doctor may be charged a fee which could be anything up to a maximum of £31. 10s. 0d. for an operation.

The Chairman stated that he understands that in other hospitals the patients are informed at the time they enter the hospital of their liability and sign a form of acceptance; that if the patient is not in a fit condition this information is given to and the acceptance is signed by a relative.

Clr. P. Galvin referred to a case of which he is aware in which the Surgeon charged a fee of £40 and that there was not any evidence that any operation was performed; that in a letter this patient was informed that the hospital account included cost of medical treatment. Clr. Galvin asked if a patient who is advised by a doctor to go for hospital treatment must be regarded a private patient of that doctor.

On the Chairman's suggestion (Clr. Galvin stated that he would give all particulars to the County Manager regarding the case to which he referred and the Chairman asked that the County Manager would have this matter investigated.

Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked if in the case of Maternity Service Agreements the doctor is bound to inform the patient that treatment for maternity is provided free in the Council's hospitals. Clr. O'Ceallaigh also suggested that the Council's booklet on Health Services be made more generally available.

The County Manager stated that in some cases the patient may be referred to the hospital doctor at the latter's private Consulting Room and may therefore be admitted to the hospital as a private patient of that doctor.

Clr. King stated that he is aware of cases in which relatives requested the transfer of a patient to private accommodation after the patient's entry to hospital as an ordinary patient in a public ward. Clr. King considered that it would be very irregular to approach a sick person and interrogate him or her in regard to the cost of treatment.

Clr. J. Lambert considered that patients should, on entry, be informed of the rate of charge for which they would be liable.

Clr. J. Cox stated that confusion does exist and that he is aware of a case in which a person paid a reduced bill to the hospital and later received a bill for £35. from the Surgeon.

On the suggestion of the Chairman, further consideration of this matter was directed to be referred to the Visiting Committee at the Regional Hospital.

3280 - SKY ROAD, CLIFDEN: Clr. P. Joyce proposed his Notice of Motion No. 16 (b):-

"That the 1963/64 Grant for the Sky Road, Clifden be spent at the Streamstown end."

Senator J. Mannion opposed this proposal.

The County Engineer expressed the opinion that once the Council has decided that a road be improved and the Department's approval has also been obtained, the manner of doing the work should be left to the County Engineer.

The County Manager stated that it was Senator Mannion who first



pressed for the improvement of this road.

Clr. P. Joyce stated that a year ago he was given to understand by the Assistant County Engineer that each year's work would alternate at either end of the road. The County Manager stated that the Assistant County Engineer had no authority to give that assurance.

Senator J. Mannion stated that it is reasonable that the work should proceed from the Clifden end.

Clr. P. Joyce stated that 6¼ miles remain to be done and that it will take a few years to have that work completed; that people insist that the work for the coming year should be done at the Streamstown end.

The Chairman suggested that at the next meeting the County Engineer would discuss his proposals with Clr. Joyce and Senator Mannion and that he, Deputy Carty, Chairman, act as umpire - the County Engineer's report for the next meeting to include his proposals in regard to the lower road.

Clr. P. Patten proposed and Clr. J. Lambert seconded that the Chairman's suggestion above be adopted.

Clr. P. Joyce agreed on the understanding that he will be free to submit his Notice of Motion again later if he so desires.

Clr. P. Patten's proposal was approved.

3281 - SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were unanimously adopted with the following:-

Mr. Edward Cleary, County Council Supervisor on the death of his wife.  
Mr. Sean Fahy, Bridge Street, Galway on the death of his aunt  
Miss Catherine Fahy.  
The wife and family of the late Mr. John P. O'Toole, Legaun, Moycullen.  
Mr. Thomas Allen, Ballyturin, Gort on the death of his wife.  
Mrs. Lally, Kilbeacanty, Gort on the death of her brother Mr John MacAllen.

3282 - ADJOURNMENT: Consideration of items 16 (c) to (g) inclusive, 17 and 18 was adjourned until next meeting.

THE MEETING THEN TERMINATED.

*St. Manais, Secretary*

*Submitted, approved, and confirmed.*

*Michael Carty, Chairman.*

*Date: 27/4/63*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE

Oifig an Runai,  
Bothar Mor,  
Gaillimh.

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18 Aibreain, 1963.

Chuir Gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag oruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe a tionolfar ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, Gaillimh, De Sathairn, 27 Aibreain, 1963, ag 12.30 P.M.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH.

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A G E N D A

To Consider:

1. Minutes.
2. Malicious Damage Claims, viz:-
  - (a) Mr. Gerald J. Houlihan, Beachmount, Salthill: Motor-car damaged 12/3/1963. £25.
  - (b) Mr. Joseph Lee, Cuilleen, Headford: Cottage and contents destroyed by fire 4/12/1962. £600.
  - (c) Mr. Thomas Walsh, Ballynahown, Galway: Gate and two locks damaged 24/3/1963. £15
  - (d) Mr. Michael Joyce, Roundstone: Wooden gate damaged 23/3/1963. £12.
3. Revised salary scale for Health Inspectors with effect from 16/8/1962.
4. Declaration that the following road shall be a public road, viz:-  
Road from the canal lock at Kylemore, Laurencetown to a point 90 yards North-East, i.e. total length 90 yards.
5. Fixing Saturday 29th June, 1963, as the day for the holding of the Annual Meeting and the day for the making of the rate.
6. Amendment of Scheme for Issue of Housing Loans, i.e. to provide that the maximum amount of loan which may be issued shall be:-
  - (a) £750 if the floor area does not exceed 600 sq. ft.
  - (b) £2,000 if the floor area exceeds 600 sq. ft. (The existing limits in the scheme are (a) £600 and (b) £1,600).
7. Doober Beach, Carraroe -- Removal of sand -- Minute No.3152 of 31/12/1963.
8. Sky Road, Clifden -- Minute No.3280 of 30/3/1963.
9. Visiting Committee Minutes -- Meeting 6/4/1963 at Our Lady of Fatima Hospital.
10. (a) Deputy J. Geoghegan:
  1. a. I will ask the County Engineer when he proposes to widen the road



west of Kyleroe Bridge, Knock.

- (b) When he proposes to widen the road at Ballinahown Bridge and  
 (c) When he expects to widen the road from Costelloe Bridge to Costelloe Cross Roads.
2. "To put on the Agenda for our Special Water meeting an extension of the water from Oranmore Bridge westward to Jack Burke's premises."
- (b) Clr. J. Dowd: "That two lights be installed outside the Protestant Church and School at Eyrecourt".
- (c) Clr. P. Raftery: "That provision be made for a Fire Station by way of extension to the New Courthouse at Mountbellew."
- (d) Deputy A. Millar:
1. "That a cottage should be provided immediately for Mr. Patrick Leonard, Elish, Ahascragh."
  2. "That a cottage should be provided for Mr. Patrick Coughlan, Derrada, Aughrim, who requires suitable Housing Accommodation."
  3. "That the village of Kilrickle should have a water supply as their only source of supply is a condemned pump".
- (e) Clr. W. Burke:
1. "That the "bottle neck" at Galway Road, Tuam, be removed".
  2. "Remove bend at Wier Road corner".
- (f) Deputy M. Carty:
- "At the next meeting I shall ask the County Surveyor to advise on the position regarding the completion of the scheme of work promised to Mr. Thomas Skehill, Caher, Loughrea, when the main road improvement scheme was carried out at Caher some few years ago."
- (g) Deputy J. Geoghegan:
- "I will ask the Council to consider re-introducing a School meal service in the Fior Gaeltacht area."
- (h) Clr. J. Cox:
1. "That this Council calls on the General Council of County Councils to request the Minister for Justice to introduce legislation whereby Jurors will be compensated for loss of earnings, if and when they are summoned for jury duty".
  2. "I will request that where people qualify for free milk a way will be found to deliver such milk to the homes of those people, rather than have it dispensed at collecting points."
  3. "I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that land and agricultural holdings in County Galway be revalued so that all may contribute their just share of the cost of administering the affairs of the county".

11. Resolutions.

12. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL  
 HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY ON SATURDAY 27th APRIL, 1963

IN THE CHAIR: Deputy Michael Carty

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

3283 - MINUTES: The Minutes of previous meetings to No. 3282 inclusive having been circulated to the members were submitted, approved, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3284 - GURRANE LEVEL CROSSING, ORANMORE: Deputy Coogan asked that the Council be informed of the present position in regard to above.

The County Manager stated that he had received a letter from which it appears that Coras Iompair Eireann is not under any statutory liability to provide a gate keeper at this crossing and that that letter from C.I.E. has been referred to the Council's Solicitor whose advice is still awaited.

3285 - BUDGET: Clr. P. O'Ceallaigh asked that the Manager would state the increase in the rates which will be involved as a result of the turnover tax.

The Chairman stated that the County Manager will, in due course, advise the Council in regard to this matter.

3286 - MALICIOUS DAMAGE CLAIMS: The Council noted that Malicious Damage Claims as listed at 2 (a) to (d) inclusive on the Agenda had been received since the previous meeting.

3287 - SALARIES OF HEALTH INSPECTORS: On the proposition of Deputy M. Carty, seconded by Deputy J. Geoghegan the Council approved a revised salary scale for Health Inspectors viz. £600 x £35 - £950 a year with effect from 16th August, 1962 inclusive.

3288 - SEWERAGE FOR ENNIS ROAD, GORT: In reply to an enquiry by Senator Lahiffe, Mr. J. Silke, Engineer, stated that the contract documents for above are now ready for submission to the Department of Local Government for approval.

3289 - KILMOYLAN CEMETERY: In reply to an enquiry by Clr. P. Ruane, Mr. J. Silke, C.A.C.E., stated that efforts to obtain somebody locally to take down the trees at Kilmoylan Cemetery fence, were unsuccessful and that it has now been arranged that this work will be done by the Council's staff including repair of the damaged tomb.

3290 - TUTOR SISTER IN MATERNITY DEPARTMENT: On the proposition of Deputy F. Coogan, seconded by Deputy M. Carty, the Council approved the payment of an additional allowance of £73. a year to Sister M. Fidelis while she will be performing the duties of Tutor Sister in addition to her ordinary nursing duties pending the filling of a vacancy for Tutor Sister in the Maternity Department at Galway Regional Hospital.

3291 - DECLARATION OF PUBLIC ROAD: On the proposition of Clr. J. Dowd, seconded by Clr. P. Galvin, the Council declared that the following road shall be a public road, viz:-

From the Canal Lock at Kylemore, Laurencetown to a point 90 yards north east i.e. total length 90 yards.

3292 - ROAD WIDENING - COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF LAND: It was proposed by Clr. J. Lambert, seconded by Clr. J. Canning and resolved:-

"That the Galway County Council hereby approve the making of a