

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT CONCLUSION OF THE
ESTIMATES MEETING ON 8th MARCH, 1947.

7424. **Central Hospital Re-Organisation.**—Consideration of letter of 21/12/46 from Department of Local Government was adjourned until next meeting.

7425. **Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd.**—The Chairman was unanimously appointed to represent the Council at next General Meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance Company, Ltd.

7426. **Blind Welfare.**—It was noted that Councillor R. M. Burke's motion regarding increase in contribution made by the Council to the Galway Branch of the National Council for the Blind was considered by the Estimates Committee, who decided that the contribution should not be increased.

7427. **Trees.**—Councillor R. M. Burke requested that the County Manager consider the planting of trees on the sides of approach roads to towns, such as Tuam.

7428. **Borrowing of Money.**—Councillor R. M. Burke's motion regarding borrowing of money free of interest was deferred until further information could be obtained as to the amount offered.

7429. **Areas of Charge.**—It was proposed by Councillor Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Fury, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Galway County Health District be made the area of charge for the special expenses of providing and maintaining a water supply scheme at Woodford town."

It was proposed by Councillor Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Fury, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Galway County Health District be made the area of charge for the special expenses of providing and maintaining a sewerage scheme at Headford town."

It was proposed by Councillor Donnellan, seconded by Councillor Fury, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Galway County Health District be made the area of charge for extending and maintaining a water supply scheme at Loughrea town."

7430. **Sympathy.**—Votes of sympathy were passed with:—
Mr. W. Keane Oranmore, on the death of his wife.
Mr. Michael Athy, Maree, on the death of his wife.

Mr. M. O'Regan, Loughrea, on the death of his brother-in-law.

Mr. John Finnerty, Clough, Gurteen, on the death of his mother.

It was decided that the meeting to allocate the amount provided for Councillors' Road Works Proposals would be held at the end of April, 1947.

Mr. M. O'Regan
25th April 1947

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY,
17th April, 1947.

To: Each Co. Councillor/
A Chara,

You are hereby requested to attend a Meeting of the Galway County Council to be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday - 26th April, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon.

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AGENDA.

1. Minutes.
2. Roads: Allocation of amount provided for Councillors' Notices of Motion in Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1948.
3. Central Hospital: (a) Letter 21/12/46 from Department of Local Government and Public Health relating to statement published by the Medical Staff regarding the Minister's finding following inquiry held at the Hospital,
(b) Report 10/3/1947 from the County Manager on re-organisation of the Hospital services since the Inquiry.
4. County Committee of Agriculture - Appointment of Member to fill vacancy resulting from death of Right Reverend Monsignor Joyce.
5. Filling of Vacancy on Portumna O.A.P. Sub-Committee due to death of Right Reverend Monsignor Joyce:—
"That Reverend Fr. Walshe, C.C. Portumna, be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Portumna Old-Age Pension Sub-Committee occasioned by the death of Right Reverend Monsignor Joyce."
Stephen Burke, Co.C.
6. Turf Account: Overdraft accommodation for period to 30/6/47.
7. Capital Account: The obtaining of overdraft accommodation pending receipt of loan for road machinery.
8. Tuam Sewerage Scheme Extension: Fixing Area of Charge.
9. Bunowen Pier: County Engineer's report and estimate of cost of repairs.
10. Loans for Housing: Mr. R.M. Burke's Notice of Motion regarding acceptance of loans from private individuals free of interest or at low rate of interest.
11. New Roads: Notice of Motion by Cllr. T. King:—
"That this Council disapproves of the County Engineer's minimum width requirements for new county roads and that we request the County Manager to carry out these new works at a minimum width of 16 feet as heretofore."

12. Rates, Taxation and Productive Employment: Notice of Motion by Mr. R. M. Burke:-

- (1) "That Galway County Council requests the Government to consider the desirability of introducing legislation - which would enable persons who occupied houses and gardens of under £6 valuation - both in urban and rural areas - and also farmers occupying land and buildings of under £15 valuation - to pay less rates in future years - in proportion to their valuation the money to enable this reduction to be brought about - to be raised by higher taxation on persons with incomes exceeding £1,000 per year."
- (2) "That Galway County Council requests all public representatives and public spirited persons to do all in their power to encourage and assist young men and girls to obtain employment which will increase the supply of the goods and services which are most needed by the Nation rather than in the luxury trades or in unproductive work."

R. M. Burke, Co. C

13. General Council of County Councils: Letter requesting notice of matters to be placed on Agenda for meeting in May.
14. Audited accounts for year 31/3/46 for Co. Vocational Education Committee and Fergus Joint Drainage Committee.
15. Other business.

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MR. COLLERAN recommended that a chart be provided at the entrance to the Hospital which would indicate to visitors the wards which patients occupied.

MR. R. M. BURKE enquired as to what progress was being made with the provision of new Hospital.

MR. NESTOR paid tribute to the efficiency of the Hospital staff.

County Manager referred to the statement circulated to the members regarding the re-organisation carried out in the Hospital since the Inquiry, and stated that there had been a considerable increase in the number and rate of salary for Probationer Nurses; that extra accommodation for patients had been provided, and that it was proposed to appoint three Junior Porters; that the Department of Local Government had refused on a previous occasion to sanction the appointment of a third Visiting Surgeon.

County Manager also pointed out that following the Inquiry the Minister had recommended that a Resident House Surgeon of senior rank be appointed to the Hospital and that such appointment, if made, might obviate the necessity for a Visiting Surgeon; that progress in connection with the provision of a new Hospital had been delayed by the death of the Architect, Mr. T. J. Cullen.

A statement was submitted showing the number of patients and Nurses in the various sections of the Hospital on 31/3/46 and 31/3/47.

County Manager also submitted a letter from the Minister for Health recommending that a Resident Medical Superintendent be appointed to the Central Hospital.

MR. BRENNAN proposed, MR. COLLINS seconded:-

"That the Council do not approve the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent in the Central Hospital."

As an amendment, MR. BEEGAN proposed, MR. SHIEL seconded:-

"That consideration of the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent to the Hospital be adjourned."

After discussion, MR. BRENNAN agreed to withdraw his proposition until the second next meeting of the Council.

7433. County Committee of Agriculture.-It was proposed by MR. COLLINS, seconded by MR. S. BURKE:-

"That Mr. Sean D. Kelly, Curtray, Portumna, be appointed to fill the vacancy on the County Committee of Agriculture occasioned by the death of Right Rev. Monsignor Joyce."

MR. CARTY proposed, MR. SHIEL seconded:-

"That Mr. Michael Smith, Killespick, Killebreest, Loughrea, be appointed to fill the vacancy."

A vote taken resulted as follows:-

For MR. O'KELLY-Messrs. R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Collins, Donnellan and Fannon-5.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON 26th APRIL, 1947.

Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also present: Councillors M. Ashe, P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Collieran, P. Collins, P. Cocks, J. J. Cunningham, M. Donnellan, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Furry, S. Glynn, J. J. Keane, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, T. O'Connor and J. J. Shiel.

7430(a). Minutes.-Minutes of the County Council to No. 7430, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7431. Roads-Allocation of Amount provided for Councillors' Notices of Motion.-County Engineer reported that of the sum of £12,000 provided for Councillors' Notices of motion in the estimate for the year ending 31/3/1948, £800 had been allocated to main roads improvements, leaving £11,200 available for county road works.

It was decided that the sum of £11,200 be divided equally amongst the thirty-one members of the Council, leaving a sum of approximately £360 for each member.

7432. Central Hospital.-Letter, dated 21/12/46, from the Department of Local Government and Public Health relating to statement published by the Medical Staff and County Manager's report, dated 10/3/47, on re-organisation of Hospital since the Inquiry, were submitted.

In the course of discussion references were made by members to the following matters:-

MR. BRENNAN-Ratio of Nurses to patients. Inadequate salary offered for Junior Porters.

MISS ASHE requested to be informed of the duties of the Lay Superintendent.

MR. CARTY proposed, MR. BEEGAN seconded:-

"That a third Visiting Surgeon be appointed."

MR. CARTY also recommended that a higher rate of salary be paid to Nurses with long service, and that modern dental equipment be provided.

MR. COOKE recommended that Probationers' working hours be reduced.

After discussion of this matter MR. COOKE left the meeting.

For MR. SMITH-Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Ruane, Furry, Glynn, Keane, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, O'Connor, Quinn, and Shiel-14.

The Chairman declared Mr. Smith appointed.

7434. Portumna Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.-Proposed by MR. S. BURKE, seconded by MR. SHIEL, and Resolved:-

"That Rev. J. Keane, Adm., Clonfert, Portumna, be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Portumna Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee occasioned by the death of Right Rev. Monsignor Joyce."

7435. Turf Account.-Proposed by MR. GLYNN, seconded by MR. SHIEL, and unanimously Resolved:-

"That the approval of the Minister be requested to the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on the Council's Turf Production Account not exceeding £120,000 for period to 30/6/47."

In reply to MR. R. M. BURKE, the County Engineer stated that the total turf production in the county last year was 70,000 tons. This year the Department had requested a 75 per cent. increase on the latter figure. Owing to weather conditions, it would be impossible to attain the figure required by the Department, and, in fact, production to date was down 19,000 tons as compared with 1946.

County Engineer also reported that arrangements had been made with the Department of Industry and Commerce to increase turf workers' bread ration by 50 per cent.

7436. Capital Account.-Proposed by MR. KEANE, seconded by MR. SHIEL, and unanimously Resolved:-

"That the Minister for Local Government be requested to sanction the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £32,650 on the Council's Capital Account pending the completion of formalities in connection with the loan for the purchase of road machinery."

7437. Tuam Sewerage Scheme.-Proposed by MR. NESTOR, seconded by MR. R. M. BURKE, and Resolved:-

"That the Galway County Health District be made the area of charge for the special expenses of providing and maintaining the Sewerage Scheme Extension in the town of Tuam."

7438. Bunowen Pier.-Report, dated 21/2/47, from the County Engineer was submitted, stating that the estimated cost of restoring Bunowen Pier was £4,500.

Proposed by MR. KEANE, seconded by MR. MANNION, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve of the carrying out of the work at an estimated cost of £4,500, provided a Government Grant of 50 per cent. of the cost is obtained."

7439. **Housing Loans.**—It was decided that no action be taken on MR. R. M. BURKE'S Notice of Motion regarding acceptance of loans free of interest.

7440. **New Roads.**—MR. KING proposed, MR. DONNELLAN seconded:—

"That this Council disapproves of the County Engineer's minimum width requirements for new county roads, and that we request the County Manager to carry out these new works at a minimum width of 16 feet as heretofore."

After discussion, a vote taken resulted as follows:—

For the Motion—Miss Ashe, Messrs. Collieran, Collins, Donnellan, Fury, King, Kyne and Nestor—8.

Against the Motion—Messrs. Beegan, R. M. Burke, Carty, Cunningham, Ruane, Glynn, Killilea, Quinn, and Shiel—9.

The Chairman declared the motion lost.

7441. **Rates, Taxation and Productive Employment.**—Consideration of MR. R. M. BURKE'S Notice of Motion in regard to the above was adjourned until next meeting.

7442. **General Council of County Councils.**—Letter, dated 12/3/47, requesting notice of matters to be placed on the Agenda, was submitted.

7443. **Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.**—Proposed by MR. GLYNN, seconded by MR. DONNELLAN, and Resolved:—

"That Mr. Thomas Flanagan, Ballymoe, and Mr. Martin Ryan, Ballyglass, Ballymoe, be appointed members of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7444. **Killimor Drainage District.**—Letter from Department of Local Government, dated 23/4/47 (F.9328/47), was submitted, stating that as there was no statutory authority for borrowing by the Trustees, the Minister had no jurisdiction to sanction repayment by the County Council of any advances made to the Trustees; that if, however, there were exceptional circumstances, and the moneys were advanced in good faith, the question might be submitted to the County Council.

Proposed by MR. BREGAN, seconded by MR. COLLINS, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the repayment to the under-mentioned of the amounts due to them by the former Trustees of the Killimor Drainage District:—

" 1. Reprs. Patrick Campbell, Kilcorban, Ballyshrule, Portumna ...	£67 16 8
" 2. Michael Dolan, Killimor ...	£79 16 9
" 3. John Kirwan, Killimor ...	£82 16 8
" 4. Patrick Nevin, Cloonoolish, Killimor	£45 0 0
" 5. John Treacy, Cloonlahan, Kiltormer	£45 0 0
" 6. Reprs. Thomas Cormican, Lurgan, Aughrim ...	£45 0 0
" 7. Stephen Keary, Kilcorban, Ballyshrule ...	£67 16 8
" 8. John Whyte, Killeen, Newbridge ...	£67 16 8"

It is noted that a further amount, not yet determined, is due to Mr. John Carolan, former Secretary to the Trustees, in respect of moneys advanced, etc.

7445. **Miscellaneous.**—Auditor's Report on Audit of Accounts of County Vocational Committee and Fergus Drainage Committee for year ended 31/3/46 were submitted.

Resolutions protesting against the attitude of Coras Iompair Eireann in closing down the Loughrea-Attymon railway line were submitted by Mr. Carty, Co.C., on behalf of a meeting of residents of Loughrea, by Loughrea Agricultural Show Society and by the National Agricultural and Industrial Development Association, Dublin.

On the proposition of MR. R. M. BURKE, seconded by MR. RUANE, the resolutions were adopted.

The Council adopted resolutions from:—

- Tralee Urban District Council, recommending that the retiring allowances and gratuities of Vocational Officers become a full State liability.
- Listowel Urban District Council, requesting the Government to ensure that all able-bodied unemployed be assigned to Food and Fuel production.

The following resolutions were marked "Read."

- Carlow County Council, recommending that vacancies on Clerical Staff of local authorities should be filled by competitive examination.
- Granard Town Commissioners, protesting against the different rates of pay assigned to men and women candidates for vacancies on staff of Radio Eireann."

7446. **Harvest Workers.**—Proposed by MR. RUANE, seconded by MR. R. M. BURKE, and Resolved:—

"That the Council recommend that the Minister be again requested to sanction payment of wages to road workers released to assist farmers with harvest work last year."

7447. **Sympathy.**—Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Relatives of the late Mr. J. Gallagher, Forster St., Galway.
 Relatives of the late Mr. Tom Kenny, Craughwell.
 Relatives of the late Mr. James McLoughlin, Woodford.
 Relatives of the late Mrs. Murray, Derrydonnell.
 With Councillor J. Nestor on the death of his sister.
 With Mr. Michael Fahy and family, Loughrea.
 With Mr. John Moran and family, Mountbellew.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE GALWAY COUNTY
COUNCIL AT MEETING HELD ON 14TH JUNE, 1947.

In the Chair—Councillor M. Quinn.
Other Members present—Councillors Brennan, S. Burke,
M. Carty, P. Colleran, J. J. Cunningham, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane,
P. Fury, S. Glynn, J. J. Keane, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P.
Kyne, P. Lambert, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. J. Shiel.
7448. Minutes.—Minutes of the County Council to No. 7447,
having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7449. Rates for Financial Year ending 31/3/1948.—Proposed
by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. Glynn and Resolved :—
"That the Council do hereby allow and make the rates
for the financial year ending 31st March, 1948, as assessed
in the Rate Books."
Proposed by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and
Resolved :—
"That the Rate Books for the financial year ending
31st March, 1948, be signed and sealed with the seal of the
Council."
The Rate Books were then signed and sealed.

7450. Loan—Woodford Water Supply Scheme.—Proposed
by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. S. Burke, 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 Four Thousand two hundred pounds,
proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public
Health Acts, 1878 to 1931."
Proposed by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. S. Burke and
Resolved :—

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately
require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland
the total amount of the sum mentioned in the Deed of Mort-
gage to them this day executed by this Council, but prefer
to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require,
IT IS RESOLVED that the requisition for each advance
shall be intimated to said Commissioners by the Chairman
of this Council for time being, countersigned by the Secretary.
And that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the
Accountant of the said Commissioners and that all such
advances shall be lodged to our account in the Galway
Branch of the National Bank."

7451. Overdraft Accommodation.—Proposed by Mr. Keane,
seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved :—

"That application be made to the Minister for Local
Government for sanction to overdraft accommodation not
exceeding £70,000 on the Council's General Account for
period to 30/9/47."

Proposed by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and
Resolved :—

"That application be made to the Minister for Local
Government for sanction to overdraft accommodation not
exceeding £140,000 on the Council's Turf Account for period
to 30/9/47."

M. Keane

14th June 1947

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA SAILLÍNE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

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(Any reply to this communication should be
addressed to)
RÓNAÍOÉ
(The Secretary)
FÉIN UIMHÍR SEO :—
(and the following number quoted)

ÓIFIS AN RÓNAÍOÉ
(SECRETARY'S OFFICE)

NA FOIRNÍOÉ CONDAE
(COUNTY BUILDINGS)

SAILLÍN
(GALWAY)

21st June, 1947.

Fúthán—Saillín 46
TELEFÓN—GALWAY 46

To each Member of
the County Council/

A Chara,

You are hereby summoned to attend the Annual Meeting of
the Galway County Council to be held at the Council Chamber,
County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday,
28th June, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon.

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AGENDA.

1. Election of Chairman - for year 1947/48.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman - for year 1947/48.
3. Appointment of Committees for year 1947/48, viz:—

Education Committee.
County Libraries Committee
National Monuments Advisory Committee.
Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.

4. Appointment of representatives on:—

Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.
County Councils General Council.
Irish Tourist Association.

Meeting to be held after conclusion
of the Annual Meeting - 28/6/47.

1. Minutes.
2. Consideration of letter from Department of Health regarding
appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway
Central Hospital.
3. Correspondence with Department of Health relating to arrangements
for sending Medical Officers to America on a course of study.
4. Consideration of proposed appointment of a Pathologist and a
Bacteriologist and the provision of laboratory facilities.

5. School Meals (Gaeltacht) Scheme - extra cost of providing special cocoa-milk-sugar mixture.
6. Appointment of a member of the Ballinasloe No. 1 O.A.P. Sub-Committee to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Very Rev. E. Hughes.
7. Notice of motion by Councillor J. Brennan in regard to working hours of Nursing Staff, Central Hospital, viz:-

"(a) Necessary steps be immediately taken to provide for a working week not exceeding 48 hours for all nurses - trained and probationer - in the Central Hospital.

(b) that, pending the coming into operation of such a scheme, provision be made for the granting of a complete rest day in every seven, for the entire nursing staff."

8. Rates, Taxation and Productive employment. Notice of Motion by Councillor R. M. Burke, viz:-

"(1) That Galway Co. Council requests the Government to consider the desirability of introducing legislation, which would enable persons who occupied houses and gardens of under £6 valuation, both in urban and rural areas, and also farmers occupying land and buildings of under £15 valuation, to pay less rates in future years, in proportion to their valuation, the money to enable this reduction to be brought about, to be raised by higher taxation in persons with incomes exceeding £1,000 per year."

"(2) That Galway Co. Council requests all public representatives and public spirited persons, to do all in their power to encourage and assist young men and girls to obtain employment which will increase the supply of the goods and services which are most needed by the Nation, rather than in the luxury trades or in unproductive work."

9. Road and Turf Workers. Notice of Motion by Councillor R. M. Burke:-

"That Galway County Council requests the Co. Manager:

(1) To give a full statement to the Council, explaining why the wages of Road Workers were not brought up to the level of Agricultural labourers, on the occasion when the wages of the latter were increased to 50/- per week, in view of the fact that, prior to this, the wages of road workers and agricultural labourers per week were the same.

(2) To tell the Council the approx. number of men at present employed by the Council at Turf

Production,
(a) On piece work.
(b) On day work.

and the approx. average earnings per week per man in each case during the past 2 months.

10. Installation of Electric Light in Labourers' Cottages. Notice of motion by Councillor M. F. Kitt:-

"That the cost of installation or a grant of about £5 be made on behalf of each tenant of a labourer's cottage who desires to have electric light under the Rural Electrification Scheme installed in his cottage."

11. Letter 3/6/47 from Councillor S. Glynn regarding:-

(a) Water and Sewerage Schemes for Ballymoe.
(b) Water and Sewerage Schemes for Williamstown.
(c) Sewerage Scheme for Glenmaddy.
(d) Maintenance of Meelick-Pollishack Drainage District.

12. Killimor Drainage District. Claim submitted by Mr. John Carolan, Lisduff, Tynagh, for refund of money advanced to late Drainage Board.

13. Travelling Expenses of Members. - Consideration of Section 67(2) of the Local Government Act, 1946, viz:-

"A local authority to which the principal section applies may be resolution decide that, in lieu of defraying the expenses of locomotion, actually incurred by each of their members in travelling to and from the meetings of such local authority, such local authority shall pay to each such member, in respect of every meeting of such local authority which he attends at a place not less than five miles by any route from his official residence, a fixed sum for every mile between such place and such official residence measured along the route by which such member would normally travel."

14. Letter 14/6/47 from General Council or Co. Councils requesting notice of matters to be placed on Agenda for August Meeting.
15. Resolutions.
16. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING, HELD
ON 28th JUNE, 1947.

Chairman: Mr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Miss M. A. Ashe, Messrs. P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, J. J. Keane, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, and T. O'Connor.

7452. Election of Chairman for Year 1947/48.—Miss Ashe proposed, Mr. O'Connor seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. M. Quinn be re-elected Chairman of the Council for the year 1947/48."

7453. Election of Vice-Chairman for Year 1947/48.—Miss Ashe proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. J. J. Keane be re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1947/48."

7454. County Galway Education Committee.—Mr. R. M. Burke proposed, Mr. Collins seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the existing County Galway Education Committee be re-appointed for the year 1947/48."

7455. County Libraries Committee.—Miss Ashe proposed, Mr. Brennan seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Very Reverend P. Canon Glynn, St. Joseph's, Galway, be appointed a member of the County Libraries Committee in lieu of Rev. M. Garaghy, and that the remaining members of the existing Committee be re-appointed for the year 1947/48."

7456. National Monuments Advisory Committee.—Mr. Keane proposed, Mr. Collins seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the existing members be re-appointed on the National Monuments Advisory Committee for the year 1947/48."

7457. Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.—Mr. Beegan proposed, Mr. Quinn seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Very Rev. W. Cummins, Adm., Ballinasloe, be appointed a member of the Ballinasloe Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee in lieu of Very Rev. E. Hughes, who has resigned."

Mr. Collins proposed, Mr. Beegan seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That, subject to the substitution of Fr. Cummins for Fr. Hughes on the Ballinasloe sub-Committee, the existing members of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees be re-appointed for the year 1947/48, with the exception of members who have not attended a meeting during the past six months, and who are regarded as disqualified."

7458. Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.—Letter, 24/6/47, from the Chief Clerk, Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, was submitted, stating that the number of members to be elected by Galway County Council was 15, and drawing attention to the fact that Messrs. J. Casey, J. J. Nestor and J. J. Shiel had not attended a meeting since 1st January, 1947.

Proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. P. Collins, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. P. Fannon be appointed in lieu of Mr. J. Casey, and that the remaining representatives on the Mental Hospital Board be re-appointed for the year 1947/48."

7459. County Councils' General Council.—Proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. King, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That Messrs. M. Quinn, J. J. Keane and M. Killilea be re-appointed to represent the Council on the County Councils' General Council for the year 1947/48."

7460. Irish Tourist Association.—Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. T. O'Connor be re-appointed to represent the Council on the Irish Tourist Association for the year 1947/48."

7461. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7451, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7462. Resident Medical Superintendent, Central Hospital.—

At the request of the County Manager, consideration of letter from Department of Health regarding the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent was deferred so as to enable the Medical Staff to submit certain recommendations.

Miss Ashe referred to the need for the cleaning and tidying up of the grounds at the Central Hospital.

Mr. Fury stated that the time arranged for visiting the Hospital by the Visiting Committee was unsuitable.

7463. Tuberculosis—Course of Study for Medical Officers.—Circular No. 52/47, of 30/4/47, from the Department of Health, was submitted, stating that, with a view to raising the efficiency of the tuberculosis services, the Minister was considering arrangements for sending Medical Officers abroad on a course of study.

The suggested arrangement is that the County Medical Officer of Health avail of the course for a period of six months; that his salary, travelling expenses and subsistence allowance be paid to him by the Council, and that a substitute be provided during his absence. The Department of Health would recoup 50 per cent. of the cost incurred. The Medical Officer availing of the course would be required to give a guarantee that he would remain in the local authority's services for a period of five years. The cost of travelling expenses and subsistence allowance would be £200 to £350, depending on the type of course which the Medical Officer decided to pursue. The cost of a substitute would be approximately £350.

On the proposition of Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. Ruane, it was unanimously agreed to provide the funds necessary to send the County Medical Officer of Health on the course.

It was also decided that application be made to the Department of Health for recoupment of the full amount of expenditure which would have to be incurred.

7464. Pathologist and Bacteriologist.—Correspondence in regard to the proposed appointment of a Pathologist and Bacteriologist and provision of laboratory facilities was submitted.

It was noted that the following salaries were proposed:—

Pathologist ... £1,200 per annum

Bacteriologist ... £1,200 per annum;

and that the University College Authorities would contribute £600 per annum towards the salary of each officer, leaving a nett sum of £600 per annum payable by the Council in each case. The existing buildings would be utilised until the provision of a new laboratory, which would be under the control of the Council.

It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Killilea, and unanimously decided to provide the sum necessary to meet the extra cost involved in the current year.

7465. School Meals (Gaeltacht) Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Keane, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve an additional expenditure of approximately £2,000, necessary to provide a special cocoa-milk-and-sugar powder mixture, on a distribution of 1½ oz. per child per day, instead of the ordinary mixture, which was distributed on the basis of ½ oz. per child per day." Miss Ashe and Mr. King recommended that steps should be taken to ensure that every school in the Gaeltacht avail of the scheme.

7466. Central Hospital Nursing Staff.—Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and Resolved:—

"That pending the introduction of a forty-eight hour week for Nurses in the Council's Institutions, the Minister be requested to approve of payment of overtime rates to Nurses for overtime worked in excess of forty-eight hours in each week."

Miss-Ashe recommended that Nurses off duty for half-holiday should not be required to return to the Hospital at 6 p.m.

7467. Rates, Taxation and Productive Employment.—Consideration of Mr. R. M. Burke's notice of motion was adjourned.

7468. Road and Turf Workers.—County Manager informed Mr. R. M. Burke that, in accordance with the usual practice of the Council, the rate of wages for road workers was fixed at a lower figure than the rate approved for agricultural labourers, so that workers might not be attracted to road work rather than to agriculture.

In response to Mr. R. M. Burke's request, the Secretary reported that at present the number of men engaged on turf production was 2,151—559 on piece work and 1,592 direct labour. The average weekly wages paid to turf workers engaged on piece work are:—

For cutting ...	£4 11 2
.. spreading ...	£4 11 2
.. footing ...	£3 16 3
.. re-footing ...	£5 6 8

7469. Rural Electrification Scheme.—Consideration of Mr. Kitt's notice of motion was, at his request, adjourned.

7470. Waterworks and Sewerage Schemes—Ballymoe, Williamstown and Glenamaddy and Maintenance of Meelick-Polshask Drainage District.—Mr. Glynn was informed of the present position in regard to each of the above schemes.

Proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That the Council provide water and sewerage schemes for the town of Ballymoe."

Mr. Fannon stated that the present water supply from the public well at Ballymoe was unsatisfactory and unfit for use.

Mr. Glynn stated that up to 60 people would be able to obtain turf if the bridge over the by-road into Kilmore were repaired (Meelick-Polshask Drainage District).

7475. Travelling Expenses of Members.—Consideration of Section 67 of the Local Government Act, 1946, was adjourned for six months.

7476. County Councils' General Council.—Letter, 14/6/47, from County Councils' General Council, requesting notice of matters to be placed on Agenda for August meeting, was submitted.

7477. Killimor Drainage District.—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and unanimously Resolved:—
"That the Council approve of the refund of £124 16s. 8d. to Mr. John Carolan, Lisduff, Tynagh, Loughrea, in respect of moneys advanced by him to the former Killimor Drainage Board."

7478. Housing (Extra Rooms) Order, 1946.—On the proposition of Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Killilea, the Council unanimously approved of the adoption of a scheme under the Housing (Extra Rooms) Order, 1946, for the provision of additional rooms in not more than 122 houses, at a total estimated cost of £15,000, the Council's contribution—£5,000—to be provided from revenue, subject to sanction of the Minister for Health.

7479. Resolutions.—From Meath County Council regarding closing of stations in C.I.E. system, was marked "read."

7480. Sympathy.—A resolution of sympathy was passed with Mrs. Coughlan, Main Street, Loughrea, on the death of her husband, Mr. Charles Coughlan.

7481. Roads.—County Engineer reported that an extra sum of £50,000 would be required in the current year to meet increases in wages of road workers and the cost of repairing the damage to roads by frost and snow in the month of February last.

It was decided that consideration of the County Engineer's application be deferred until September next, when the Council would be in a position to consider what progress had been made with the road works scheme; that, in the meantime, the County Engineer be authorised to proceed with his programme of road works for the current year.

*Edwards
E.H.*

*Submitted, approved & confirmed this 26th
day of July 1947.*

Maxim O'Connell, Chairman.

18th July, 1947.

To each Member of the
County Council/

A Chara,

You are hereby summoned to attend Meeting of the Galway County Council to be held at the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday, 26th July, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon.

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AGENDA.

1. Minutes.
 2. Letter 5/7/47 from Secretary, Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee regarding appointment of representative on the Committee.
 3. Letter 5/7/47 from Secretary, Shrule Joint Drainage Committee regarding appointment of representatives on the Committee.
 4. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for year 1948.
 5. Scheme for University Scholarships for year 1948.
 6. Report 26/6/47 from County Engineer regarding laundry equipment required at Galway Fever Hospital.
 7. Rates, Taxation and Productive Employment. Notice of Motion by Councillor R. M. Burke, viz:—
 - (1) "That Galway Co. Council requests the Government to consider the desirability of introducing legislation which would enable persons who occupied houses and gardens of under £6 valuation, both in urban and rural areas, and also farmers occupying land and buildings of under £15 valuation, to pay less rates in future years, in proportion to their valuation, the money to enable this reduction to be brought about, to be raised by higher taxation on persons with incomes exceeding £1,000 per year.
 - (2) That Galway Co. Council requests all public representatives and public spirited persons, to do all in their power to encourage and assist young men and girls to obtain employment which will increase the supply of the goods and services which are most needed by the Nation, rather than in the luxury trades or in unproductive work."
 8. Installation of Electric Light in Labourers' Cottages. Notice of Motion by Councillor M. F. Kitt:—

"That the cost of installation or a grant of about £5 be made on behalf of each tenant of a labourer's cottage who desires to have electric light under the Rural Electrification Scheme installed in his cottage."
 9. Resolutions.
 10. Other Business.
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING HELD ON
26th JULY, 1947.

Chairman: Mr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, P. Colleran, Cooke, Cunningham, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, Keane, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Nestor and Shiel.

7482. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7481, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7483. Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.—Letters, 16/1/47 and 11/7/47, from the Secretary of the Committee were submitted, stating that the Council's representative did not attend any meeting of the Committee since his appointment, and was disqualified from membership.

Mr. Nestor, the Council's representative, stated that now with improved travel facilities, he would be able to attend meetings of the Committee in future.

Mr. King proposed, Mr. Keane seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. J. J. Nestor be re-appointed as the Council's representative."

7484. Shrule Joint Drainage Committee.—Letters 16/1/47 and 11/7/47, from Secretary of the Committee were submitted, stating that the Council's representatives had not attended any meeting of the Committee since their appointment and were, therefore, disqualified.

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the existing members, viz., Messrs. Fury, Kyne, King, Donnellan and Killilea, be re-appointed."

7485. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for year 1948.—Letter, 14/6/47, from the Department of Education and Minutes of meeting of Education Committee held on 5/7/47 were submitted.

It was proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Miss Ashe:—

"That a scheme for scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for year 1948, similar to the scheme for 1947, with the following amendments, be submitted for approval of the Minister for Education:—

"(a) VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIPS:—

"Clause II of the 1947 Scheme to be amended thus:—

"(1) A sum not exceeding £325 shall be spent on First Year Scholarships.

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"(2) The maximum value of a Residential Scholarship shall be £50 per annum and of a Non-Residential Scholarship £18 15s. 0d. per annum.

(In the case of children of parents whose income or valuation is only one-half or less of the amounts prescribed at Clause IV, the County Council may, in the case of a Residential Scholarship, increase the amount to £62 10s. 0d. per annum.)

"(3) Where there is a Non-Residential Secondary School within three miles of a successful candidate's home, such candidate (save in exceptional circumstances) shall be awarded a Non-Residential Scholarship tenable at such school only.

"(4) The foregoing will be subject to the provisions that a Scholarship holder shall not be in receipt from all Scholarship sources of more than £75 a year in the case of a Residential Scholarship holder or of more than £31 5s. 0d. a year in the case of a Non-Residential Scholarship holder.

"(b) MEANS QUALIFICATIONS:—

"Clause IV of the 1947 Scheme to be amended by increasing the valuation and income limits thus:—

POOR LAW VALUATION LIMIT—£30 with additional £6 for each child under 16 years of age on 1/1/48, or for any child between the age of 16 and 21 years on that date who is receiving full-time education and is not in receipt of annual income exceeding £30.

INCOME LIMIT—£300 with additional £50 for each child as above.

"(c) RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP:—

"Clause XII to be amended in accordance with Department of Education letter Oil 2 of 14/6/47.

(The declaration of means to be amended so as to give particulars of parent's or guardian's means and of children in respect of whom additional allowance is claimed.)"

As an amendment it was proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Mannion:—

"That there be no increase in the valuation or income limits, and that, subject to this amendment, the scheme as recommended by the Education Committee be approved."

A vote taken on the amendment resulted as follows:—

For—Messrs. Fury, Keane, King, Kyne, Lambert and Mannion—(6)

Against—Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Colleran, Cunningham, Ruane, Glynn, Kitt, Nestor, Quinn and Shiel—(13).

The Chairman declared the amendment lost. A vote was then

taken on Mr. Kitt's proposal resulting in 13 votes for and 6 against. The Chairman declared the proposal carried.

7486. University Scholarships for 1948.—It was proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and unanimously Resolved:—
"That a scheme for University Scholarships (Ordinary and Agricultural) for the year 1948, similar to the scheme for 1947, with the following amendments, be adopted:—

(a) AGE LIMIT: Candidates to be not more than 21 years of age on 1st June, 1948—the necessary alteration to be made in Clause 1.

(b) VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIPS: The value of scholarships as set out in the scheme for 1947 to be increased by 50 per cent., and the necessary alteration to be made in Clauses I and II by increasing the figures shown in these Clauses in the 1947 scheme by 50 per cent. in each case.

(c) MEANS QUALIFICATIONS: Means qualifications to be similar to those recommended by the Committee in the case of the Secondary and Vocational Schools Scholarship Scheme for 1948—the necessary alterations to be made in Clause IV.

(Declaration of means to be amended so as to give particulars of parent's and guardian's means and of children in respect of whom additional allowance is claimed.)"

7487. Increase in Value of Secondary and Vocational Scholarships.—Letter, Oil (2) 71295, of 7/7/47, from the Department of Education, Primary Branch, was submitted, stating that in order to give effect to the Council's proposal to increase the value of Secondary and Vocational Scholarships (Minute 7398 of 1/2/47) it would be necessary to formulate new schemes for 1942 and 1943 and amend the schemes for 1944, 1945, 1946 and 1947.

Proposed by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. Colleran, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That (a) the scheme for scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for years 1942 and 1943 be amended by the inclusion of the following Sections in Clause 3, and that the schemes as so amended be adopted, subject to the approval of the Minister for Education:—

"3 (d). The maximum aggregate annual expenditure on scholarships awarded under this scheme shall be increased by 25 per cent. as from the beginning of the school-year 1946/47.

"(e). The value of scholarships awarded under Sections (b) and (c) of this Clause shall be increased by 25 per cent. as from the beginning of the school-year 1946/47.

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"That (b) the schemes for years 1944 to 1947, inclusive, be amended as follows, subject to the approval of the Minister for Education:—

"1944 and 1945: Clause II to be amended by the addition of the following Sections:—

"(4). The maximum aggregate annual expenditure on scholarships awarded under this scheme shall be increased by 25 per cent. as from the beginning of the school-year 1946/47.

"(5). The value of scholarships awarded under Section (2) of this Clause shall be increased by 25 per cent. as from the beginning of the school-year 1946/47.

"1946: Clause II to be amended by the addition of the following Sections:—

"(5). The maximum aggregate annual expenditure on scholarships awarded under this scheme shall be increased by 25 per cent. as from the beginning of the school-year 1946/47.

"(6). The value of scholarships awarded under Section (2) of this Clause shall be increased by 25 per cent. as from the beginning of the school-year 1946/47.

"(7). Section (4) of this Clause shall be amended as from the beginning of the school-year 1946/47 so as to provide that a scholarship holder shall not be in receipt from all scholarship sources of more than £62 10s. 0d. a year in the case of a Residential Scholarship holder or of more than £31 5s. 0d. in the case of a Non-Residential Scholarship holder.

"1947: Clause II to be amended by the addition of the following Sections:—

"(5). The maximum aggregate annual expenditure on scholarships awarded under this scheme shall be increased by 25 per cent.

"(6). The value of scholarships awarded under Section (2) of this Clause shall be increased by 25 per cent.

"(7). Section (4) of this Clause shall be amended so as to provide that a scholarship holder shall not be in receipt from all scholarship sources of more than £75 a year in the case of a Residential Scholarship holder or of more than £31 5s. 0d. a year in the case of a Non-Residential Scholarship holder."

Resolution from the Ballinasloe Branch of the Irish National Teachers' Organisation was submitted:—

"That in County Galway, for the purpose of County Council scholarships, English have the same marks as Irish, and that it still be retained as an optional subject, as candidates from East Galway are penalised under the present system."

As the Council had already approved the scheme as recommended by the Education Committee, no action was taken in regard to the above resolution.

7488. Laundry Equipment, Galway Fever Hospital.—Report, 26/6/47, from County Engineer was submitted, indicating that new machinery for the laundry at Fever Hospital was required at a cost of £1,600 approximately.

On the proposition of Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Brennan, the Council unanimously authorised this additional expenditure.

The Chairman and Mr. Nestor pointed out that it is undesirable that such supplementary estimates should be brought before the Council after the main estimate for the year had been adopted.

7489. Rates, Taxation and Productive Employment.—Mr. R. M. Burke proposed, Mr. Cunningham seconded:—

"That Galway County Council requests the Government to consider the desirability of introducing legislation which would enable persons who occupied houses and gardens of under £6 valuation, both in urban and rural areas, and also farmers occupying land and buildings of under £15 valuation, to pay less rates in future years, in proportion to their valuation, the money to enable this reduction to be brought about to be raised by higher taxation on persons with incomes exceeding £1,000 per year."

As an amendment, Mr. Keane proposed and Mr. Cooke seconded:—

"That Mr. Burke's proposal be not adopted."
A vote taken on the amendment resulted as follows:—
For: Messrs. Beegan, S. Burke, Collieran, Cooke, Ruane, Furry, Keane, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Nestor, Quinn and Shiel—(15).

Against: Messrs. R. M. Burke and Cunningham—(2).
The Chairman declared the amendment carried and the original proposal defeated.

Mr. R. M. Burke proposed, Mr. Brennan seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Galway Co. Council requests all public representatives and public spirited persons, to do all in their power to encourage and assist young men and girls to obtain employment which will increase the supply of the goods and services which are most needed by the Nation, rather than in the luxury trades or in unproductive work."

7490. Installation of Electric Light in Labourers' Cottages.—Consideration of Mr. Kitt's notice of motion was, at his request, adjourned until next meeting of the Council.

7491. Omnibus Services.—Letter, 24/7/47, from the Irish

Transport and General Workers' Union, Galway No. 1 Branch, was submitted, suggesting that a deputation of the Council meet representatives of Coras Iompair Eireann with a view to securing the restoration and improvement of bus services in the Galway area.

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That a deputation from the Galway County Council and Galway Corporation meet the Public Relations Officer of Coras Iompair Eireann to make representations in regard to improvement of omnibus services, and that all interested persons be invited to attend the conference between the Council's and Corporation's representatives and those of Coras Iompair Eireann."

7492. Bunowen Pier.—Mr. Mannion referred to the letter received from the Special Employments Schemes Office, dated 7/7/47, stating that the high cost of the proposed work would not justify any expenditure being incurred on Bunowen Pier, and pointed out the hardship and expense caused to the people in the Bunowen area owing to the loss of the Pier, and requested that the matter be reconsidered by the Council.

It was decided that this question be placed on the Agenda for next meeting.

7493. Miscellaneous.—Mr. Cunningham referred to the injustice of increasing the Poor Law Valuation of bog lands at a time when the maximum production of fuel is required.

On the proposition of Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. King, it was Resolved:—

"That the Department of Industry and Commerce be requested to divert some of the incoming shipping from Dublin and Cork to Galway Docks."

On the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, the Council unanimously congratulated the Ministers of Industry and Commerce and Agriculture on the able manner in which they had represented Ireland at the Paris Conference.

Mr. King proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That the Department of Industry and Commerce be requested to introduce a more equitable food rationing scheme so as to ensure that the monied class will not receive more than their legal ration."

Messrs. Beegan and Burke recommended that the flour ration be supplemented by an allowance of oatmeal.

Mr. Cooke referred to the necessity for a car park at Salthill. The County Engineer replied that he considered the road was

sufficiently wide to permit parking of cars, and that he understood it was proposed eventually to provide a car park somewhere at the rear of the Pavilion.

Resolution from the Leitrim County Council protesting against the increase in the salary of the President, Deputies and Senators, was marked "Read."

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Burke, and unanimously Resolved:—

Resolved:—That the Government be requested to increase the pensions of ex-National Teachers."

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*Submitted approved & confirmed this 27th day
of Sept. 1947.*

Mark in O'Connell Chairman

18th September, 1947.

A Chara,

You are requested to attend a meeting of the Galway County Council to be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday - 27th September, 1947 - at 12 o'clock noon.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanagh.

To:
Each Member of the County Council: RUNAIDHE.

AGENDA.

1. To complete Mortgage Deed for loan £32,650 for purchase of Road Machinery.
2. To consider County Engineer's application of 24/6/47 for an increase of £50,000 in the amount provided for Road Works.
3. Raising of loan to defray cost and fixing area of charge for expenses of Portumma Sewerage Scheme.
4. Increase in expenditure for the year ending 31/3/1948 consequent upon the revision of salaries of staff of institutions, dispensary districts, &c., in accordance with Department of Health Circular 104/47 of 8/8/1947.
5. Notice of Motion by Mr. S. Burke:-
"That Rev. P. Jennings, P.P., Portumma, be appointed a member of the Portumma O.A.P. Sub-Committee."
6. Letter 7/7/47 from the Director, Special Employment Schemes Office, in regard to Bunowen Pier.
7. Town and Regional Planning for the Galway County Health District.
8. Installation of electric light in labourers' cottages - Notice of Motion by Mr. M.F. Kitt:-
"I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the cost of installation or a grant of about £5 be made on behalf of each tenant of a labourer's cottage who desires to have electric light under the Rural Electrification Scheme installed in his cottage."
9. Notices of Motion by Mr. J.J. Cunningham:-
(a) "That the most effective, economic and expeditious method of carrying out the County constructional work - pumps, wells, walls, small bridges, sidewalk blocks, labourers' cottages, etc., would be to assemble a permanent mobile body of artisans and skilled labourers who would be always available to the County Surveyor for despatch to the venues concerned."
(b) "That the members' occasional notices of motion, many of which deal with matters over which it cannot be pretended that the Council have even the simulacrum of control or responsibility, be left to the sole decision of the County Secretary as to their inclusion or non-inclusion in the Agenda."
10. Notice of Motion by Mr. R.M. Burke:-
"That the Galway County Manager be requested to make a further statement to the Council on Post-War Schemes, indicating what further progress has been made with them since the last report which he gave to the Council, with special reference to the Acquisition of sites, and the erection of cottages, water supply including pumps, and sewerage schemes including sanitary accommodation for County Council cottages which are within reach of the recent sewerage extensions."
11. Notice of Motion by Mr. J.J. Brennan:-
(a) How many trained Nurses - permanent and temporary - have resigned from the Central Hospital (all sections) for the period 1st January, 1947 to 20th September, 1947, and the reasons, if any, given by them for resigning?
(b) What progress has been made towards the shortening of the Nurses' hours of duty and what is the position to date in this respect?
12. Notice of Motion by Mr. P. J. Collieran:-
"That I or some Councillor on my behalf will inquire at next Council Meeting how the position of sewerage and water supply for Ballygar, Mountbellew (water) and Creggs is advanced and when the work is to be put in hands."
13. Circular G.113/47 of 9/9/47 from Department of Local Government regarding travelling and subsistence allowances for members of local authorities.
14. Resolutions.
15. Overdraft accommodation on Turf and General Accounts.
16. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING HELD ON
27th SEPTEMBER, 1947.

Chairman: Mr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Miss Ashe, Messrs. P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Collieran, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, J. J. Keane, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, M. Newell, H. O'Donnell and J. J. Shiel.

7494a. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7494, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7495. Central Hospital.—Mr. Brennan enquired why the Council were not represented when the Minister for Health visited the Central Hospital recently.

Mr. Carty asked who invited the Mayor of Galway and representatives of University College, who, he understood, were present when the Minister visited the hospital.

County Manager stated that he did not issue any invitation to the parties mentioned; that the Minister's visit was purely informal, and he (County Manager) was confident that no slight was intended by the Minister's omission to invite the Councillors to be present.

Mr. Brennan proposed, Mr. Carty seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That the Council record their disapproval of the Minister's failure to invite the Chairman or any members of the Council to be present on the occasion of the Minister's visit to the Central Hospital."

7496. Bonus for Rate Collectors.—Chairman proposed, Mr. Beegan seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That the Council recommend to the County Manager that the bonus conditions for Rate Collectors be altered so as to provide for payment of bonus to Collectors who lodge the first moiety and arrears by 31st October, 1947, and the full amount of warrant by 30th April, 1948."

7497. Minor Employments and Rural Improvements Schemes.

—The Chairman and other members referred to the recent Order of the County Manager revising the salaries of the Engineering Staff and the proposed arrangement that in future Minor Employments and Rural Improvements Schemes shall not be supervised by the Council's Engineers.

It was stated that these works were important to the county and could not be supervised as efficiently by any other means, and that the authorities who provide the money for the carrying out of these works should be facilitated by the Council.

The County Manager stated that the County Engineer had already informed him that he and his staff were overburdened, and that if the Council insisted in the continuance of the existing arrangements for the supervision of the Minor Employments and Rural Improvements Schemes he would not be responsible for any delay which may occur in the execution of works for which the Council are directly responsible.

After further discussion the County Manager stated that he would inform the Departments responsible that the existing arrangements for the supervision of Minor Employments and Rural Improvements Schemes will be continued for the current year in so far as the Departments cannot deal with them themselves, but that they will be requested to develop their own organisation as quickly as possible for the supervision of the works.

7498. Sheep Dipping.—Mr. Carty requested the County Manager to reconsider his refusal to grant a licence for a sheep dipping bath to Mr. Dolan, St. Kieran's, Loughrea.

Mr. Beegan stated that a report should be obtained on the condition of all sheep dipping baths, as many were in very bad repair.

7499. Loan for Road Improvements.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Brennan, 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 thirty-two thousand six hundred and fifty pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898."

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Brennan, and Resolved:—

"That inasmuch as this Council does not immediately require from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, the total amount of the sum mentioned in the Deed of Mortgage to them this day executed by this Council, but prefer to receive the same by instalments as occasion may require, IT IS RESOLVED that the requisition for each advance shall be intimated to said Commissioners by the Chairman of this Council for time being, countersigned by Secretary. And that each such requisition shall be forwarded to the Accountant of the said Commissioners, and that all such advances shall be lodged to OUR account in the Galway Branch of the National Bank."

7500. Road Works—County Engineer's Supplementary Estimate, £50,000.—Report, 25/9/47, from County Engineer was submitted, stating that up to date 50 per cent. of the money pro-

vided in the Road Works Scheme had been expended, and that an additional sum of £50,000 is required to be expended, as follows:—

Main Roads	... £43,000
County Roads	... 7,000

It was proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Colleran:—
"That the Council authorise an expenditure of £43,000 on Main Roads and £7,000 on County Roads in excess of the amount provided for such works in the Estimate for the current year."

As an amendment, Mr. King proposed, Mr. Collins seconded:—
"That the Council refuse the County Engineer's application."

A vote taken on the amendment resulted as follows:—
FOR—Messrs. Collins and King—2.

AGAINST—Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Colleran, J. Cunningham, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, S. Glynn, M. Killilea, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, H. O'Donnell, M. Quinn, and J. J. Shiel—19.

The original motion was then put and resulted as follows:—
FOR—Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Carty, Colleran, Cunningham, Fannon, Ruane, Glynn, Killilea, Kitt, Kyne, Mannion, Murphy, O'Donnell, Quinn and Shiel—19.

AGAINST—Messrs. Collins and King.

The Chairman declared Mr. Glynn's motion carried.

Councillors requested that the County Engineer endeavour, so far as possible, to flatten the surface of main roads so as to render them safe for horse traffic, and that the condition of county roads be improved.

Mr. Mannion stated that C.I.E. lorries should not be utilised in areas where horse carts could be obtained and could perform the work as efficiently.

Mr. Beegan referred to the delay in payment of road workers for their holiday periods.

7501. Portumna Sewerage.—Mr. Ruane proposed, Mr. S. Burke seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That the County Health District be made the area of charge for the expenses of providing and maintaining a sewerage scheme for the town of Portumna."

Mr. Ruane proposed, Mr. S. Burke seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That, subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government, the Council approves of the raising of a loan of £22,200 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision of a sewerage scheme at Portumna, the loan to be repayable over a period of thirty years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment."

7502. Revision of Salaries—Institutional Staffs, Etc.—On the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Shiel, the Council approved an additional expenditure of £1,050 on Public Assistance Account and £300 on Health Account to meet increases in salaries authorised by circular from Department of Health No. 104/47 of 8/8/47, and for which provision was not made in the current year's estimate.

Mr. R. M. Burke proposed, Mr. Brennan seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That at the next meeting the Council consider the question of adopting a higher scale of salaries for Nurses and Sisters."

7503. Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.—Proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Carty, and Resolved:—

"That Reverend P. Jennings, P.P., Portumna, be appointed a member of the Portumna Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

Mr. Collins proposed, Mr. Colleran seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That all members of Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees who are disqualified by non-attendance be re-appointed on this occasion, and that the conditions in regard to disqualification be brought to every member's notice."

7503a. Mental Hospital.—The County Manager informed the meeting that, while the Mental Hospital Board passed a resolution authorising the expenditure necessary to pay revised salaries to Mental Hospital staffs from 1/11/46, he was still adhering to his decision to grant the increases in salaries of these staffs from 1/1/47 only.

7504. Bunowen Pier.—Letter from Special Employment Schemes Office, dated 7/7/47, was submitted, stating that the Minister for Finance was not satisfied that the importance of Bunowen Pier would justify him in recommending the large expenditure necessary (County Engineer's estimate, £4,500) to restore this pier.

Mr. Mannion proposed that the work be carried out at the expense of the Council.

After discussion it was decided that further consideration of the matter be adjourned until next meeting.

7505. Town and Regional Planning.—Mr. Carty proposed, Mr. Beegan seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That consideration of Town and Regional Planning for the Galway County Health District be adjourned until next meeting, and that the County Solicitor be requested to be in attendance."

7506. Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.—Mr. Carty requested that the County Manager submit to the Council by the November meeting a scheme for the issue of loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

7507. Installation of Electric Light.—Consideration of Mr. Kitt's notice of motion was adjourned to next meeting.

7508. Carrying out of Works.—Consideration of Mr. Cunningham's notice of motion was adjourned to next meeting.

7509. Post-War Schemes, Etc.—In reply to Mr. R. M. Burke, the County Manager explained that it would take a considerable time to prepare a statement as required by Mr. Burke, and that the statement, when available, would serve no useful purpose. County Manager also stated that he was examining the legal difficulties of connecting labourers' cottages with the public sewer, and that he would inform Mr. Burke of developments in due course.

7510. Resignation of Nurses in Central Hospital and Shortening of Hours of Duty.—Mr. Brennan stated that he wished to withdraw his notice of motion, and that he would refer the matter directly to the County Manager.

7511. Water Supplies for Ballygar, Mountbellew and Creggs.—Mr. Colleran was informed of the present position in regard to each of the above works.

7512. Travelling Expenses and Subsistence Allowance for Members.—Circular from the Department of Local Government, No. G.113/47, of 9/9/47, was submitted.

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Beegan, and Resolved:—

"That in lieu of actual expenses incurred in future, Councillors be paid travelling expenses at the rate of 1/- in respect of each mile travelled in attending meetings."

7513. Overdraft Accommodation.—Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the approval of the Minister be requested to the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on the Council's General Account not exceeding £70,000 for period from 1/10/47 to 31/12/47."

Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the approval of the Minister be requested to the obtaining of overdraft accommodation on the Council's Turf Production Account not exceeding £120,000 for period from 1/10/47 to 31/12/47."

7514. Drainage Rates.—On the proposition of Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Carty, the Council authorised the striking off of a sum of £23,316 18s. 0d., due in respect of arrears of drainage rates levied in period from 1/4/28 to 31/3/45.

7515. Miscellaneous.—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and Resolved:—

"That the Council authorise an estimated expenditure of £900 to be incurred in connection with the sending of Dr. McConn, County Medical Officer of Health, abroad on a course of study—50 per cent. of the expenditure to be recouped from State Funds."

Auditor's report and abstract of accounts for year ended 31/3/46 were submitted.

Circular from Department of Local Government, No. 115/47, 15/9/47, relative to recruitment, remuneration and conditions of service of certain officers, was submitted.

7516. Resolutions.—The following resolutions were adopted by the Council:—

From Mountbellew Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee regarding revision of means limit of £39 5s. 0d. and discontinuance of charge in respect of interest on Bank Deposits, in assessing means of applicants for Old Age Pensions.

Limerick Corporation regarding increase in pensions of National Teachers.

Offaly County Council requesting that grants for road works be made available to the full extent to the Council until they are in a position to undertake a full road works programme.

A resolution from the Athy Urban District Council that payment of increases of salaries to Ministers, etc., be withheld until a reasonable increase to Old Age Pensioners and Widows and Orphans be granted, was marked "Read."

Minutes of the County Councils' General Council, at meeting on 8/5/47, were submitted.

Abstract of Council's Accounts for year ended 31/3/47 was submitted.

7517. Sympathy.—Resolutions of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Mr. Peter Moylan, Loughrea, on the death of his wife.

The Horgan family, Loughrea, on the death of their father.

Miss N. Flannelly, County Council Offices, on the death of her mother.

Nurses O'Shaughnessy, Central Hospital, Galway, on the death of their brother.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 15th day of November, 1947.*

M. M. O'Connell.

Chairman.

To/
Each Member.

7th November, 1947.

A Chara,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Galway County Council to be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, 15th November, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon.

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AGENDA.

To Consider:-

- (1) Minutes of Meeting 27/9/47.
- (2) Fixing area of charge and raising of loan for Tuam Water Supply Extension Scheme.
- (3) Fixing area of charge and raising of loan for Oughterard Sewerage Scheme.
- (4) Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan £5,000 for Headford Sewerage Scheme.
- (5) Provision of a Sewerage Scheme for Woodford Town (Mr. J.J. Shiel Notice of Motion).
- (6) Repair of Bunowen Pier (County Engineer's estimate £4,500 in 1943).
- (7) Mr. Glynn's Notice of Motion:-
"That Rev. Fr. John Keaveney, P.P., Williamstown, be appointed a member of Glanamaddy Q.A.P. Sub-Committee."
- (8) Adoption of scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1948.
- (9) Town and Regional Planning for Galway County Health District.
- (10) Superintendent Assistance Officer's report on increase in cost of Home Assistance (Estimated excess over amount provided for current year - £2,250)
- (11) Scheme for treatment of Tuberculosis in Galway County.
- (12) Re-sale of derelict sites Nos. 64 and 68, Tullinadaly Road, Tuam to the former owner - Mr. Patrick Corcoran.
- (13) Salaries of Nursing Staff.

15. Installation of Electric Light in labourers' Cottages - Notice of Motion by Mr. M.F. Kitt:-
"I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the cost of installation of a grant of about £5 be made on behalf of each tenant of a labourer's cottage who desires to have electric light under the Rural Electrification Scheme installed in his cottage."
16. Notices of Motion by Mr. J.J. Cunningham:-
(a) "That the most effective, economic and expeditious method of carrying out the County constructional work - pumps, wells, walls, small bridges, sidewalk blocks, labourers' cottages, etc., would be to assemble a permanent mobile body of artizans and skilled labourers who would be always available to the County Surveyor for despatch to the venues concerned."
(b) "That the members' occasional notices of motion, many of which deal with matters over which it cannot be pretended that the Council have even the simulacrum of control or responsibility, be left to the sole decision of the County Secretary as to their inclusion or non-inclusion in the Agenda."
17. Mr. Carty's Notice of Motion relating to the method of appointing Supervising Gangers.
18. Mr. Carty's Notice of Motion requesting that County Manager withdraw Notices to Quit served on certain cottage tenants in Loughrea until such time as proper housing accommodation is provided in that area.
19. Notice of Motion by Mr. R.M. Burke relating to -
(a) purchase of building material for cottages to be erected by direct labour;
(b) delay in erection of cottages in County Galway;
(c) consideration of means by which erection of cottages could be expedited.
20. Letter 17/10/47 from General Council of County Councils stating that next meeting will be held early in December.
21. Resolutions.
22. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING HELD ON
15th NOVEMBER, 1947.

Chairman: Mr. M. Quinn.

Also Present: Miss Ashe, Messrs. P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Colleran, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, M. Donnellan, J. J. Ruane, P. Fannon, P. Fury, S. Glynn, J. J. Keane, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, and T. O'Connor.

7518. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7517, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7519. Tuam Water Supply Extension Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Keane, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Galway County Health District be made the area of charge for the expenses of providing and maintaining a water supply extension scheme in the town of Tuam."

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Keane, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That, subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government, the Council approve the raising of a loan of £25,600 from the Commissioners of Public Works for an extension of the water supply scheme in the town of Tuam, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of twenty-five years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment."

7520. Oughterard Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Galway County Health District be the area of charge for the expenses of providing and maintaining a sewerage scheme in the town of Oughterard."

Proposed by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That, subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government, the Council approve the raising of a loan of £15,500 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision of a sewerage scheme in the town of Oughterard, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of twenty-five years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment."

7521. Headford Sewerage Scheme.—Secretary reported that the Mortgage Deed had not yet been received from the Commissioners of Public Works.

7521.a Woodford Sewerage Scheme.—Notice of Motion from Mr. Shiel in regard to the provision of a sewerage scheme for Woodford town was submitted.

In the absence of Mr. Shiel, it was proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Beegan, and Resolved:—

"That the question of the provision of a sewerage scheme for Woodford town be referred to the County Medical Officer of Health for his report."

7522. Water and Sewerage Schemes Generally.—Messrs. Collieran and Collins were informed of the present position in regard to the proposed water and sewerage schemes for Ballygar and Mountbellew.

7523. Loughrea Water Supply Extension Scheme.—Mr. Carty requested that the County Manager reconsider his decision and allow 1/7d. per hour for labourers employed on the Loughrea water supply extension scheme.

County Manager stated that the rate of 1/3d. per hour was considered reasonable for unskilled work, and that it was a matter for the Contractor to negotiate with the workers or their representatives.

7524. Bunowen Pier.—On the request of Mr. Mannion, consideration of the County Engineer's estimate for repairs to Bunowen Pier was adjourned until next meeting.

7525. Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—On the proposition of Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Killilea, it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Reverend John Keaveney, P.P., Williamstown, be appointed a member of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7526. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1948.—Letter, dated 12/11/47, OIL (2)72666, from Department of Education was submitted, approving scheme formulated by the Council, subject to minor amendments, and suggesting that the allowance of £50 income permitted for each child in the means limit clause is excessive and might be reconsidered by the Council.

It was unanimously decided that no alteration be made in this allowance.

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Carty, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby adopt the scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1948, as approved by the Minister for Education."

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7527. Town and Regional Planning.—On the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Donnellan, it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That consideration of the adoption of the Town and Regional Planning Acts for the Galway County Health District be adjourned for six months."

7528. Excess over Estimate of Expenditure.—Report was submitted from the Superintendent Assistance Officer in regard to expenditure on home assistance, and indicating that the actual expenditure would exceed the amount provided in the estimate for the current year by approximately £2,250.

On the proposition of Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor, the Council approved of the estimated additional expenditure of £2,250 in Public Assistance Account for the year ending 31/3/48.

After a discussion in regard to the granting of home assistance, it was suggested by Mr. Beegan that Councillors who had any complaint in connection with individual cases should place the facts before the Assistance Officer in the first instance, and, if necessary, report the matter further to the Superintendent Assistance Officer or the County Manager.

7529. Tuberculosis Scheme.—On the proposition of Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Carty, the Council unanimously approved the draft scheme for the treatment of Tuberculosis in the county—copies of which have already been circulated to the Councillors.

7530. Re-Sale of Derelict Sites Nos. 64 and 68, Tuam.—On the proposition of Mr. Donnellan, seconded by Mr. Keane, the Council approved the re-sale of Sites Nos. 64 and 68, at Tullinadaly Road, Tuam, to the former owner, Mr. Patrick Corcoran, on the following terms:—

- Sites to be cleared up within 28 days.
- £3 2s. 0d. costs to be paid to the Council; and
- Mr. Corcoran to pay costs of re-conveyance.

7531. Salaries of Nursing Staff.—County Manager stated that the maximum salary scales authorised by the Minister are being paid to the Council's Nursing Staff.

7531.a Installation of Electric Light in Labourers' Cottages.—After discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Government be requested to make a grant to cottage tenants to defray the cost of installing electricity in the cottages occupied by them."

7532. Mobile Gangs.—In regard to Mr. Cunningham's notice of motion relative to the assembling of mobile gangs of skilled workers for repair works, etc., the County Engineer stated that there was such a gang already in existence to a certain extent for cottage repairs and pump maintenance, and that, in the near future, he expected that a start could be made on well-sinking by direct labour.

7533. Executive Functions of Council.—Mr. Cunningham's notice of motion in regard to the executive functions of the Council was approved, with an amendment that if the Secretary is in doubt about these matters, they should be referred to the Chairman to decide whether or not they should be included on the Agenda.

7534. Appointment of Supervising Ganger in Gort.—Mr. Carty referred to the recent appointment of Mr. Thomas Flynn, Kilnadeema, Loughrea, to the post of supervising ganger, and stated that Mr. Flynn was not as well entitled to appointment to this post as another applicant, Mr. Patrick Daly, Cloonoo, Loughrea.

County Engineer replied to the effect that Mr. Flynn was the most suitable applicant for the post.

After further discussion, Mr. Carty stated that he would raise the matter in another quarter.

Mr. Beegan recommended that, for disciplinary reasons, supervising gangers should not be employed in their own districts and that the wage paid to them should be adequate to enable them to reside away from home.

Messrs. Mannion and Collins stated that there should be no necessity for supervising gangers in cases where there were not sufficient men employed in the areas to warrant the employment of such gangers, and suggested that, generally, gangers should be required to work with their gangs.

County Engineer stated that it is not the practice to employ non-working gangers where there are less than eight men supervised by them.

7535. Notices to Quit.—Mr. Carty stated that the County Manager had already attended to the matter mentioned in his notice of motion in regard to service of notices to quit on certain tenants in Loughrea area.

7536. Erection of Cottages.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Collins, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the making of financial arrangements for the purchase of building materials for the erection of cottages in the County Health District as soon as it is possible to do so."

County Manager explained that the Inquiry into the objections to the Order for compulsory acquisition of cottage sites was held on 13th and 14th October, 1947, and that the Order was now awaiting confirmation by the Minister for Local Government.

7537. County Councils' General Council.—Letter from the County Councils' General Council, stating that their next meeting will be held early in December, was submitted.

7538. Galway Harbour.—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That the Minister for Industry and Commerce be requested to accede to the Galway Harbour Commissioners' application for a loan to defray the full cost of the proposed extension to Galway Harbour."

7539. Overdraft.—On the proposition of Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Kitt, it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That application be made to the Minister for Local Government for sanction to the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 on the Council's General Account for period from 1/1/1948 to 31/3/1948."

On the proposition of Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Kitt, it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That application be made to the Minister for Local Government for sanction to the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £120,000 on the Council's Turf Production Account for period from 1/1/1948 to 31/3/1948."

7540. Road Survey.—Secretary submitted report stating that the approximate cost to the Council of the salaries for temporary Engineers proposed to be employed in connection with Road Survey work would be £1,142 for period from 1/12/47 to 31/3/48, 50 per cent. of which amount will be recouped by the Department of Local Government, and that provision had not been made in the Estimate for the current year for this expenditure.

It was unanimously decided that consideration of authorisation of this expenditure be adjourned to next meeting.

7541. Provision of Fuel Oil Burners for Central Hospital and County Buildings.—Secretary submitted summary of reports from County Engineer and Consulting Engineer stating that the estimated cost of providing fuel oil burners and storage accommodation would be:—

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| (a) For Central Hospital, main block ... | £1,890 | 0 | 0 |
| (b) For County Buildings ... | £400 | 0 | 0 |

That a comparison of the present cost for turf, including

distribution, and estimated cost for fuel oil is as follows:—

	Present Cost	Estimated Cost using Fuel Oil,
	per annum	per annum
Central Hospital	£4,400	£3,600
County Buildings	£492	£360

County Engineer reported further that the system of fuel oil heating would be very much more efficient than heating by turf, and that this arrangement would leave more turf available for general private consumers. It was pointed out that it had been found impossible to obtain supplies of turf for the Central Hospital from private suppliers, and that the Council's requirements for that Institution had to be provided by the County Engineer.

It was unanimously decided that consideration of this matter be deferred until next meeting.

7542. **Miscellaneous.**—Resolution from Kilkenny County Council calling on the Government to increase the prices of wheat and beet was marked "Read."

Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Senator Margaret Pearse—on the death of her sister.

Rev. M. Lavelle, Ballyvary, Foxford—on the death of his brother, Canon Lavelle.

Mr. M. Flynn, Lackagh, Turloughmore—on the death of his wife.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 13th day of December 1947.*

Maurice O'Connell Chairman

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL.

Secretary's Office,
County Buildings,
GALWAY.

5th December, 1947.

To: Each Member.

A Chama,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Galway County Council to be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday - 13th December, 1947 - at 12 o'clock noon.

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AGENDA.

1. Minutes.
2. Revision of Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places for the County Galway.
3. Loughrea Water Supply Improvement: To complete Mortgage Deed for loan £9,300 from Commissioners of Public Works.
4. Headford Sewerage Scheme: To complete Mortgage Deed for loan £5,000 from Commissioners of Public Works.
5. Tuan Sewerage Scheme Extension: To complete Mortgage Deed for loan £2,900 from Commissioners of Public Works.
6. Gort Sewerage Scheme: (a) To consider raising supplementary loan £1,600 to defray cost of extras to general contract and increase in cost of mechanical plant.
(b) Application for overdraft £500 on Capital Account to pay balance due to general Contractor.
7. Road Survey: Employment of temporary Engineers. Additional expenditure 1/1/48 to 31/3/48 £874 of which £437 will be recouped by Department of Local Government.
8. To consider conversion of heating systems at County Buildings and Central Hospital (Main Block) from turf to fuel oil.
9. Oranmore Old Age Pension Sub-Committee: Proposed appointment of Mr. John Connor, Clarenbridge.
10. Repair of Bunowen Pier.
11. Provision of protective clothing for Road and Quarry workers.
Mr. Brennan's Notice of Motion.
12. Mr. R.M. Burke's Notice of Motion:
"That the Agricultural Wages Board should fix the rate of wages for Agricultural workers on some date before the preparation of Council's Annual Estimate - if the rate of wages for road workers must be regulated by the Agricultural Wage rate."
13. Resolutions.
14. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING HELD ON 13th
DECEMBER, 1947.

Chairman.—Mr. M. Quinn.

Also present.—Miss Ashe, Messrs. P. Beegan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Carty, Collieran, Collins, Cunningham, Curley, Donnellan, Fannon, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, Keane, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Mannion, Murphy, O'Donnell and Shiel.

7543.—Minutes.—Mr. R. M. Burke, referred to Minute 7527 and stated that the resolution of the Council deferring consideration of the adoption of the Town and Regional Planning Acts was not unanimous, as he had recommended that consideration be deferred for one month only.

Mr. Burke's objection was noted, and subject to this amendment, the Minutes to 7542 were signed.

7544. Town and Regional Planning.—The Chairman gave notice of motion:—

"That Minute 7527 of 15/11/47 be rescinded and that the adoption of the Town and Regional Planning Acts for Galway County Health District be considered at next Meeting of the Council."

7545.—Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places.—On the proposition of Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. Glynn, the Council unanimously Resolved:—

"That, subject to confirmation by the Minister for Local Government, the existing Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places be altered as follows:—

"PAGE 2—CARRANLENA N.S.—The word 'Ballynabanaba' to be deleted.

"PAGE 3—FOHENAGH N.S.—The following words to be deleted: 'The E.D. of Kilconnell (part of) comprising the townland of Ballynabanaba.'

"PAGE 6—CARROWBROWN N.S.—The following words to be deleted: 'E.D. of Claregalway (part of) comprising the townland of Curraghmore.'

"PAGE 7—CLAREGALWAY N.S.—The following words to be deleted: 'excluding the townland of Curraghmore.' and that the Scheme, as so amended be adopted."

7546. Loughrea Water Supply Extension Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. Glynn and Resolved:—

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public Health Acts 1878 to 1931."

7547. Headford Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. Glynn and Resolved:—

"That our corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Five Thousand Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public Health Acts, 1878 to 1931."

7548. Tuam Sewerage Extension Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. Glynn 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 Two Thousand Nine Hundred Pounds proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public Health Acts 1878 to 1931."

7549. Gort Sewerage Scheme.—Secretary submitted report showing total cost of above Scheme, including provision of mechanical plant and payment of extras on general contract, as £8,510. The amount of loan and grant available for the work and already received by the Council is £6,910, leaving a balance of £1,600 to be defrayed from revenue or supplementary loan.

Proposed by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve of the raising of a supplementary loan for completion of sewerage scheme for the town of Gort, of £1,600 from the Commissioners of Public Works, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments within the unexpired period of the repayment of the loan previously raised for this Scheme, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment."

Proposed by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That, subject to sanction of the Department of Local Government, the Council approve of overdraft accommo-

dition of £500 on the Council's Capital Account in order that payment of balance due to the General Contractor may be made."

7550. Road Survey—Employment of Temporary Engineers.—Proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. Beegan:—

"That the Council approve additional expenditure amounting to £874 for payment of salaries of temporary Engineers employed for Road Survey work—50% of the expenditure involved to be recouped by the Department of Local Government."

As an amendment, it was proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Collins:—

"That the Council do not approve the necessary expenditure for payment of salaries to temporary Engineers for Road Survey work."

A vote taken on the amendment resulted as follows:—

For: Messrs. S. Burke, Collins, Donnellan, Fannon, King and Mannion—6.

Against: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, R. M. Burke, Carty, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, Keane, Killilea, Kitt, Kyne, Murphy, O'Donnell, Quinn and Shiel—15.

The original motion was then put and the voting was as follows:—

For: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, R. M. Burke, Carty, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, Keane, Killilea, Kitt, Kyne, Murphy, O'Donnell, Quinn and Shiel—15.

Against: Messrs. S. Burke, Collins, Donnellan, Fannon, King, and Mannion—6.

The Chairman declared Mr. Ruane's motion carried.

7551. Heating of County Buildings and Central Hospital (Main Block).—Report from County Engineer and statement of estimated costs relative to substitution of fuel oil for turf in the heating systems at County Buildings and Central Hospital (Main Block) submitted.

Mr. R. M. Burke proposed:—

"That the heating systems be converted to fuel oil as a temporary measure until adequate supplies of turf become available."

Mr. Burke's motion was not seconded.

Mr. Curley proposed, Mr. Mannion seconded:—

"That no change be made from existing system of heating by turf."

Subsequently Mr. Burke withdrew his proposal and Mr. Curley's proposal was adopted unanimously.

7552. Oranmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. Murphy and Resolved:—

"That Mr. John Connor, Clarenbridge, be appointed a member of the Oranmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7553. Repair of Bunowen Pier.—Proposed by Mr. Keane, seconded by Mr. Mannion and Resolved:—

"That the Council request the Commissioners of Public Works to re-investigate the necessity for repairs to Bunowen Pier and to allocate a substantial grant towards the cost of this work."

7554. Protective Clothing for Road and Quarry Workers.—After discussion Mr. Brennan agreed that consideration of his notice of motion in connection with the above might be deferred until the Estimate of Expenditure for year ending 31/3/1949 is being considered.

7555. Working Hours—Nursing Staff.—In reply to Mr. Brennan's notice of motion regarding progress made towards the introduction of a 96 hour fortnight for Nursing Staff (which was inadvertently omitted from the Agenda) the Secretary furnished particulars of the present position indicating that, in view of the fact that 79 of 85 authorised Probationer Nurses will be employed from 1/1/48, it will be possible to inaugurate a 96 hour fortnight for Charge Sisters and Ward Sisters and a 54 hour week for Staff Nurses and Probationer Nurses in all but the Maternity Department of the Central Hospital.

A report from the County M.O.H. was also submitted stating that the day Nursing Staff in Woodlands Sanatorium work at present a 52 hour week and the Night Staff a 74 hour week.

7556. Wages of Agricultural Workers.—Proposed by Mr. R. H. Burke, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved:—

"That, if the wages of road workers must continue to be regulated by the wages of agricultural workers the Galway County Council request the Government to arrange, if possible, that the Agricultural Wages Board should meet to decide upon the agricultural wages rates on some date before the Annual Estimates of the County Council are calculated."

7557. Finance.—The Council approved the obtaining of overdraft accommodation amounting to £3,000 on capital account

for payment of fees due to Consulting Engineers for new works in respect of which loans had either not yet been raised or have not yet been received, viz. :-

Headford Waterworks	...	£175	0	0
Loughrea Waterworks	...	360	0	0
Clifden Sewerage	...	38	0	0
Oughterard Sewerage	...	426	0	0
Portumna Sewerage	...	610	0	0
Ahascragh Sewerage	...	50	0	0
Ahascragh Waterworks	...	134	0	0
Headford Sewerage	...	464	0	0
Athenry Waterworks	...	108	0	0
Connemara Bridges	...	349	0	0
Tuam Sewerage	...	288	0	0

Mr. Beegan proposed, Mr. Collins seconded, and it was Resolved :-

"That the Council approve additional expenditure amounting to £250 for the dredging of the river above Killimor at Oxgrove bridge, so that the necessary work may be completed, while the dredger, which is on loan from the Commissioners of Public Works, is still available."

7558. Gort Flooding.—Correspondence from Mr. Ruane and Mr. Carty in regard to flooding was submitted, together with County Engineer's report stating that the river at Gort is not part of any drainage district for which the Council is responsible.

The County Manager pointed out that the Council have, therefore, no authority to carry out any work in the river and that the work should, in fact, form part of a major drainage work to be undertaken by the Commissioners of Public Works.

Mr. Ruane proposed, Mr. Murphy seconded, and it was Resolved :-

"That the Council request the Commissioners of Public Works to take such action as may be necessary to remedy this flooding."

7559. Small Dwellings Acquisition Act.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved :-

"That a Scheme for the issue of loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act be formulated by the Council."

7560. Turf Production.—Messrs. Collins and Fannon requested that since turf production is being handed over by the Council to Bord na Mona from January, 1948, the Council might now consider handing back to the original owners small bogs

which were compulsorily acquired and which are, in fact, needed by the owners to provide turf for their own households.

County Manager stated that these cases would be considered when Vesting Orders are being made.

7561. Miscellaneous.—On the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Keane, it was resolved :-

"That in future, the first portion of the Agenda be issued in the Irish language."

Mr. Mannion referred to the use of lorries for short hauls in areas of Connemara where carts are available.

County Engineer stated that, if particulars are given, he will investigate Mr. Mannion's complaint.

Mr. Mannion stated further that wages paid to carters are inadequate.

The following resolutions were adopted :-

From Association of Clerks to Old Age Pensions Committees and Sub-Committee :-

"That Clerks of these Committees are entitled to an increase of at least 25 per cent. on their existing salaries."

From Wicklow County Council :-

"That working farmers of valuation of £25 or under be regarded as agricultural labourers for the purposes of the Labourers Acts."

From Fermoy Urban Council protesting against the heavy taxation imposed on beer and tobacco.

Auditor's Reports and Statements of Accounts for year ended 31/3/47, were submitted for :-

Galway Co. Vocational Education Committee.

River Suck Joint Drainage Committee.

Galway County Committee of Agriculture.

Fergus Joint Drainage Committee.

Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.

Shrule Joint Drainage Committee.

Votes of sympathy were passed unanimously with :-

Deputy Beegan, on the death of his sister.

Mr. Mannion, Clerical Officer, on the death of his sister.

Most Reverend Dr. Dignan, Clonfert, on the death of his sister.

Deputy Beegan thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy.

The Chairman wished the members and staff a happy Christmas.

*Submitted, approved & confirmed this 14th day of January, 1948.
Seán S. O'Carroll Chairman*

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort, leis seo, bheith l'athair ag Cruinniu de Chomhairle Chondae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Chondae i nGaillimh, Dia Sathairn, an 17adh Banair, 1948, ar doightheadh a chlog (meadhan lae).

Mise, b' meas,
L. O LUANAIGH
Runaí.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

GNO.

- To appoint a temporary Rate Collector for District No. 18, consequent upon the death of the permanent Collector, Mrs. M. Corbett, and to make arrangements for appointment of a permanent Rate Collector for this district.
- To appoint a Committee to consider Estimate of Expenses of the Council for year ending 31st March, 1949.
- To consider adoption of Town and Regional Planning Acts for Galway County Health District.
- To consider report from County Medical Officer of Health recommending the appointment of the following additional officers in his department:-
 - 1 Assistant County Medical Officer.
 - 1 Public Health Nurse
 - 1 Clerk-Typist.
- To consider report from Chief Assistant County Engineer regarding wilful damage to pumps in County Health District.
- Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING HELD ON 17th JANUARY, 1948.

In the Chair :- (1) Mr. J. J. Keane.
(2) Mr. M. Quinn.

Also present :- Miss Ashe, Messrs. P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Donnellan, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. J. Shiel.

7562. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7561, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7563. Temporary Rate Collector—District No. 18.—Mr. O'Connor proposed, Mr. Lambert seconded, and it was Unanimously Resolved :-

"That Miss Mairead Corbett, Loughcurra, Kinvara, be appointed temporary Rate Collector for District No. 18, pending the making of a permanent appointment, and that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the permanent post."

7564. Estimates Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Donnellan, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and unanimously Resolved :-

"That a Committee consisting of the following members of the Council be appointed to consider the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31st March, 1949.

Mr. M. Quinn.	Mr. J. Casey.
Mr. J. J. Keane.	Mr. P. Cooke.
Miss M. Ashe.	Mr. P. Kyne.
Mr. J. Brennan.	Mr. P. Lambert.
Mr. R. M. Burke.	Mr. J. Nestor.
Mr. M. Carty.	Mr. T. King.

7565. Town and Regional Planning.—Proposed by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved :-

"That Minute No. 7527 of 15/11/47, be rescinded and that the adoption of the Town and Regional Planning Acts for the Galway County Health District be considered."

After discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Quinn and seconded by Mr. Glynn :-

"That the Council take the preliminary steps necessary for the adoption of the Town and Regional Planning Acts for the Galway County Health District."

As an amendment, it was proposed by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Collins :-

"That consideration of the adoption of the Town and Regional Planning Acts for the Galway County Health District be adjourned for six months."

A vote taken on the amendment resulted as follows :-

For amendment: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Brennan, Casey, Collins, Donnellan, Fannon, Fury, Keane, King, Lambert, Mannion, Murphy, Nestor and O'Connor. 14.

Against: Messrs. Beegan, R. M. Burke, Collieran, Ruane, Glynn, Killilea, Kitt, Kyne, Quinn and Shiel. 10.

The Chairman declared the amendment carried and the original motion defeated.

7566. Staff in Department of County Medical Officer of Health.—Report, 1/1/48, was submitted from the County Medical Officer of Health, requesting that, in view of the increased work in his Department, the following additional staff be appointed:—

One Assistant County Medical Officer of Health.
One Public Health Nurse.
One Clerk-Typist.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Miss Ashe, and unanimously Resolved—

"That the Council agree to provide the necessary funds to defray the cost of employment of the additional staff mentioned, viz., One Assistant County Medical Officer of Health, one Public Health Nurse, and one Clerk-Typist, estimated to be from £1,400 to £1,650 a year."

7567. Damage to Pumps.—Report was read from Chief Assistant County Engineer regarding wilful damage to pumps in the County Health District.

The Engineer pointed out that on several occasions pumps were repaired by the Council's staff or by the maintenance contractors and within a week it was again found necessary to take down the pumps and remove stones which had been pushed in and jammed the working parts.

7568. Fever Hospital.—Letter, 9/1/48, from Galway Corporation was read stating that the Corporation had resolved that the Galway County Council be requested to consult with them before any decision is arrived at regarding the location of the new Fever Hospital in Merlin Park.

The County Manager pointed out that a good site was available in Merlin Park, and it was possible that if the Council insisted on locating the new Fever Hospital on some other site, they would be required to bear the full cost of such alternative site.

It was decided that Messrs. Quinn, Ruane and Beegan, on behalf of the Council, should consult with representatives of the Corporation in regard to the matter.

7569. Area of Charge for Water and Sewerage Schemes.—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. King, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Galway County Health District be made the area of charge for the expenses of providing and maintaining

water supply schemes for the towns of Ballygar, Eyrecourt and Mountbellew and sewerage scheme for the town of Glenamaddy and extension of the sewerage scheme in the town of Clifden."

7570. Parliamentary Election.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council's road workers be allowed a half-holiday, with pay, on Election Day, 4/2/48."

7571. Glenamaddy Sewerage Scheme.—Mr. Glynn enquired if a deputation would be received by the Council or by the County Manager in regard to the provision of a sewerage scheme for Glenamaddy.

County Manager stated that Mr. Glynn would be informed of the present position in regard to the work.

7572. Housing.—Mr. Beegan enquired as to the present position regarding the introduction of a scheme for the issue of loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.

County Manager stated that a decision of the Department in regard to the security to be obtained was awaited.

Mr. R. M. Burke requested that the Minister be pressed to expedite his decision on this matter.

Mr. King and Mr. R. M. Burke enquired as to the progress made in connection with the acquisition of sites for the erection of cottages.

7573. Road Workers' Wages.—Mr. R. M. Burke stated that the wages of road workers in the Ballinasloe Urban area were not increased to the same weekly rate as is paid to road workers in Athlone.

County Manager stated that he would investigate this matter and inform Mr. Burke of the result, in due course.

Mr. Casey recommended that an increase be allowed to road workers in the Ballinasloe area.

7574. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Mr. T. McLoughlin, H.A.O., Derrymullin, Ballinasloe, on the death of his father.

Mrs. McDonough, Galway, on the death of her husband, Dr. Michael McDonough.

The relatives of the late Mr. John Keaven, Clerk to the Oranmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Mr. Cahill, Ballinasloe, on the death of Mrs. Jennings, Society Street, Ballinasloe.

Mr. P. J. Kennedy, Clerical Officer, County Council offices, on the death of his wife.

Mr. J. J. Ruane, Athenry, on the death of Mrs. O'Grady.

The relatives of Mr. M. Dolan, Ryehill, Monivea.

Miss Maireadh Corbett, Loughcurra, Kinvara, on the death of her mother.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF ESTIMATES COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 31st JANUARY, 1948.

—000—

In the Chair: (1) Mr. J. Nestor.
(2) Mr. M. Quinn

Also Present: Messrs. P. Lambert, T. King, J. Brennan, P. Kyne, County Manager, Accountant and County Secretary.

Apology for inability to attend was received from Mr. R.M. Burko.

Draft of Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1949, and explanatory statement were submitted showing for County Charges, total expenditure £1,027,832 and total receipts £384,330.

After examination of draft estimate, it was proposed by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Mr. King and resolved—

That the following amendments be made in the draft estimate submitted and that the estimate as so amended be recommended to the Council for adoption:—

Roads Account:

<u>Reduce:</u> —	£
Main Road Improvements by	1,250
County Road Improvements by	1,350
Road Maintenance (Contingencies):—	
Main Roads by	500
County Roads by	500
	<u>£3,600</u>

Increase:—

Main Roads Maintenance (Transfer from Improvements) by	800
Receipts - Main Roads Grant by	720

Sanitary Account.

<u>Reduce:</u> —	£
Burial Grounds (Kilmeen) by	420
Water Supplies - Pumps by	2,000
	<u>2,420</u>

Housing Account.

<u>Reduce:</u> —	£
Labourers' Acts - Repairs by	2,000

General Purposes.

<u>Reduce:</u> —	£
Tourist Development by	592
Galway Harbour Special Assistance:	692
	<u>1,284</u>

SUMMARY.

<u>EXPENDITURE:</u> — Roads:	£3600
Less Increase 800	2800
Sanitary:	2420
Housing:	2000
General Purposes:	1284

Total Reduction in Expenditure: £8504

RECEIPTS: Roads Receipts - Increase £ 720

Separate Charges - Sanitary.

Circular L.10/48 from Department of Local Government was submitted stating that special expenses (such as public lighting and domestic scavenging) would be levied on the County Health District from 1st April 1948 unless the Council applied in the meantime for an order continuing the existing areas of charge and such order was made by the Minister for Local Government.

It was decided to recommend to the Council the expenses of maintaining public lighting and the cost of domestic scavenging which are at present separate charges be levied on the County Health District of Galway as from 1st April 1948.

The estimated amount of these special expenses for the year ending 31st March 1949 is £1,336.

Submitted, approved & confirmed
this 24th day of March, 1948

M. Quinn O'Connell Chairman

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON FRIDAY, 27th FEB-
RUARY, 1948.

In the Chair :— Councillor M. Quinn.

Also present :—Councillors M. Ashe, Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Collieran, Collins, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Fannon, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Murphy, O'Connor and Shiel.

A vote of sympathy was passed unanimously with the relatives of the late Mr. John J. Keane, Vice-Chairman, and it was unanimously decided that the meeting be adjourned until 2 p.m.

The meeting was resumed at 2 p.m.

7575. Local Government (Sanitary Services) Act, 1948.—Circular No. L.10/48, 27/1/48, from the Department of Local Government was submitted.

On the proposition of Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Beegan the Council unanimously approved of the levying of the special expenses of public lighting and domestic scavenging on the County Health District as from 1/4/48.

7576. Estimates of Expenses for year Ending 31st March, 1949.—County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31/3/1949, was submitted.

ROADS :

Mr. R. M. Burke proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded :—

"That as the rate of wages for agricultural workers has been increased by 5/- per week, the County Manager's estimate be amended so as to provide for an increase of 5/- per week for each of the Council's road workers."

It was proposed by Mr. Mannion, seconded by Mr. Kyne :—

"That the Council's road workers be granted an increase of 2/- per week and that no change be made in the Estimate of Expenses as submitted, road works to be curtailed so far as necessary to provide for payment of the increase of 2/- per week; an increase in carters' and gangers' wages to be left to the consideration of the County Manager and County Engineer."

Mr. R. M. Burke and Mr. Ruane adhered to their proposal for and increase of 5/- per week.

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It was then proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Killilea :—

"That if an increase of 5/- per week is granted, there be no increase in the estimate as submitted; that the works be curtailed so as to provide for payment of whatever increase is granted."

After further discussion Messrs. R. M. Burke and Beegan withdrew their proposals and Messrs. Mannion's and Kyne's motion was unanimously adopted, viz., that an increase of 2/- per week be granted to road workers but that no change be made in the estimate, as submitted.

Mr. Cooke drew attention to the rough condition of the footpaths in the city area, particularly on the road to Ragoon.

Mr. Beegan stated that if the rumour that mental patients are to be transferred from Castlerea Mental Hospital to Institutions in other Counties is correct, the Council should protest strongly against any such arrangement which would involve taking the patients to places far removed from their friends and relations.

County Manager stated that all relevant factors would, no doubt, be considered before any action would be taken in regard to this matter.

GENERAL PURPOSES :

Mr. Ruane proposed and Mr. O'Connor seconded :—

"That the estimate be amended so as to provide for payment of £1,092 to the Irish Tourist Association, that is, the same amount as was paid in the current year."

Mr. King proposed and Mr. Collins seconded :—

"That no change be made in the estimate as submitted and that the sum of £500 only be paid to the Irish Tourist Association for year ending 31/3/1949."

Mr. O'Connor proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded and it was Resolved :—

"That the Council hear Mr. Fitzgerald, Irish Tourist Association's representative."

Mr. Fitzgerald then addressed the meeting, explaining how the Council's contribution was expended.

A vote taken on Mr. King's motion resulted as follows :—

For : Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, Collins, Killilea, King, Kitt, Lambert, Quinn and Shiel.—10.

Against : Miss Ashe, Messrs. S. Burke, Cooke, Cunningham, Fannon, Ruane, Fury, Murphy and O'Connor.—9.

The Chairman declared Mr. King's motion carried and Mr. Ruane's motion defeated.

It was decided that the amount for Libraries Expenditure be increased from £5,507 to £5,707 and that General Purposes Miscellaneous Expenditure—County-at-large—be reduced to £300.

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Kitt, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Estimate, as amended by the Estimate's Committee, be further amended so as to increase the Libraries Expenditure by £200 and reduce Miscellaneous Expenditure on General Purposes by £200 and that the Estimate of Expenses, so amended, as set forth in Tables A.B.C.D. and E. be adopted and that the rates set forth in Tables C.D. and E. be the rates in the pound to be levied for the several purposes specified in said Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1949."

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Kitt and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the Ballinasloe Urban Council be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and sealed with the seal of the Council."

It was unanimously decided that all business, other than consideration of the Estimate of Expenses, be adjourned until next meeting of the Council.

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Submitted, approved & confirmed
this 27th day of March, 1948

Martin O'Connell
Chairman.

Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe.
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

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Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle:

GNO

1. Minutes.
2. To consider appointment of Vice-Chairman and filling of vacancy on the Council consequent on the death of Mr. John J. Keane, Carraroe.
3. Notice of Motion by Mr. M. Quinn, Chairman:-
"Take notice that I, or some member of the Council on my behalf, will move at the next Meeting of the County Council that the necessary steps be taken immediately to raise a loan of £40,000 as per provisions of Section 51 (1) & (6) of the Vocational Education Act, 1930, and that a grant of same be made to the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for the purpose of defraying the cost of providing sites, building and equipping three new Vocational Schools at New Inn, Dunmore and Loughrea."
4. To consider authorisation of expenditure to defray cost of payments under the Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations from 1st March, 1948.
5. To consider letter 4/2/48 from Secretary, Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee regarding lapsing of membership of Council's representatives on the Committee.
6. To consider County Management (Reserved Functions) Order, 1948.
7. To appoint Rate Collector for No. 18 Collection District.
8. To consider arrangements for performance of duties of Rate Collector for No. 27 District by Deputy during his absence on sick leave for six months from 2/3/48.
9. To appoint representative on the Galway Harbour Board to fill vacancy created by the death of Mr. J.J. Keane, Co.C.
10. To fill the vacancy on the Lettermore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee created by the death of Mr. J.J. Keane, Co.C.
11. To appoint representatives on the Committee of Management of the National Health Insurance Society.
12. To appoint nominee to the Board of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.
13. Consider raising of loan - £15,000 - for provision of a sewerage scheme for Clifden Town.

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14. Notices of Motion:-

- (a) from Clr. Cunningham regarding appointment of members on the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee;
 - (b) from Clr. Brennan regarding hours of duty for Nursing Staffs at Woodlands Sanatorium and Galway Central Hospital;
 - (c) from Clr. Glynn regarding water supplies for Williamstown and Ballymoe; Glenamaddy Sewerage, etc;
 - (d) from Clr. Miss Ashe -
"that a District Nurse be provided to serve the district of Furbo."
 - (e) from Clr. Beegan, T.D. re amendment of Paragraph 1V. (2) of the Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1948;
 - (f) from Clr. Carty regarding the appointment of a member on Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.
 - (g) from Clr. Kitt, T.D. -
"that the County Manager state the present position in regard to the provision of water and sewerage schemes for the town of Ahascragh."
 - (h) from Clr. Carty - that the Council protest against the Government's decision to drop the Schemes prepared by Bord na Mona and that the Council regard this decision as a retrograde step and one that will cause widespread unemployment and hardship in the Gaeltacht areas.
15. To authorise overdraft accommodation on Turf Account for period 1/4/1948 to 30/6/1948.
 16. To consider excess in actual expenditure over amount provided for year ending 31/3/1948.
(4/12/48)
 17. Letter from County Councils' General Council requiring notice of matters to be placed on Agenda by 27/4/48.
 18. Resolutions.
 19. Other business.
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In the Chair :—Councillor Quinn.

Also Present :—Councillors M. Ashe, Beegan, Brennan, S. Burke, Colleran, Collins, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Fannon, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Murphy, Nestor, Newell, O'Connor, O'Donnell and Shiel.

7577. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7576, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7578. Vacancy.—Mr. Beegan proposed, Mr. Killilea seconded and it was unanimously Resolved :—

"That, consequent on the death of Mr. J. J. Keane, Carraroe, the Galway County Council declares that a vacancy now exists on the Council, and directs that the appropriate notice be given of the existence of such vacancy."

The declaration of vacancy was signed by Councillors Quinn, Beegan and Killilea.

Consideration of the appointment of a Vice-Chairman was adjourned.

7579. Loan for Provision of Vocational Schools at New Inn, Dunmore and Loughrea.—It was proposed by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved :—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £40,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision and equipment of three new Vocational Schools at New Inn, Dunmore and Loughrea, the loan to be repayable half-yearly, over a period of 30 years, by annuity covering principal and interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

7580. Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1948.—

On the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Cooke, the Council unanimously approved expenditure not exceeding £1,000 for payments under the Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1948, for period from 1st to 31st March, 1948.

7581. Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee.—Letter from the Secretary of Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee, stating membership of the Council's representatives on above Committee has lapsed through failure to attend meetings.

On the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Ruane, the Council re-appointed Councillors M. Killilea, M. Newell and T. O'Connor as their representatives on the above Committee.

7582. County Management (Reserved Functions) Order, 1948.—Consideration of above Order was deferred until copies of the Order have been circulated to the members.

7583. Rate Collector for No. 18 District.—Proposed by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Beegan, and Resolved :—

"That the applicants for the post of Rate Collector for No. 18 District be called for interview by a Board, which will consist of Councillors Brennan, Ashe, Cooke, O'Connor and Kitt, with the County Manager and Secretary."

7584. Rate Collector, No. 27 District.—Medical certificate from Collector O'Malley was submitted, indicating that he would be unfit for duty for a period of six months, from 2/3/48.

Mr. O'Malley nominated his wife, Mrs. Ula O'Malley, as deputy Rate Collector during his absence on sick leave.

It was proposed by Mr. Kyne, seconded by Mr. Killilea, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council approve the appointment of Mrs. Ula O'Malley as deputy for the Rate Collector for the No. 27 collection district until such time as she has closed the Warrant for the current year, when further arrangements for the performance of the Rate Collector's duties will be considered by the Council."

7585. Galway Harbour Board.—The Council adjourned consideration of the appointment of a representative on the Harbour Board to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. J. J. Keane.

7586. Lettermore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—The Council adjourned consideration of the appointment of a representative on the above Committee to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. J. J. Keane.

7587. Committee of Management of National Health Insurance Society.—The Council adjourned consideration of the appointment of representatives on above Committee.

7588. Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd.—On the proposition of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Kyne, the Council unanimously approved the appointment of the Chairman, Mr. M. Quinn, as their nominee on the Board of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd.

7589. Clifden Sewerage Scheme.—It was proposed by Mr. Mannion, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and Resolved :—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £15,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision of a sewerage scheme for Clifden Town, the loan

to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of twenty-five years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

7590. Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved :—

"That the following members be appointed on the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee :—

✓ Mr. J. J. Cunningham, Co. C., Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe.

✓ Mr. Michael Warde, Clonberne, Ballinasloe.

✓ Mr. Michael Scott, Creggs, Roscommon.

✓ Rev. Fr. Glynn, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe.

✓ Mr. Patrick Glynn, Glenamaddy."

7591. Nursing Staff : Hours of Duty, Etc.—In response to Mr. Brennan's notice of motion, the Secretary reported that a 96-hour fortnight for Charge Sisters and Ward Sisters has been in operation at the Central Hospital since the 5/1/48, and that a 54-hour week is in operation for other Nurses, including Probationers. At present the number of Probationers in the Hospital is 76 and the total authorised number is 85. It is anticipated that some further improvement in the working hours may be effected when the full complement of Probationers is available.

The 96-hour fortnight is at present in operation for Day Nurses at Woodlands Sanatorium.

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved :—

"That the Council recommend to the County Manager that Day Nurses at the Sanatorium be allowed one day off in each week, and that Night Nurses be allowed a night off each week, as is allowed the Night Nurses in the Central Hospital."

7592. Water Supplies, Williamstown, Ballymoe, Etc.—In the absence of Councillor Glynn, consideration of his notice of motion was adjourned.

7593. District Nurse for Furbo.—On the proposition of Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, it was Resolved :—

"That the Council recommend to the County Manager that a District Nurse be appointed to serve the Furbo area of the existing Spiddal Dispensary District."

7594. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools.—After discussion on Councillor Beegan's notice of motion, it was unanimously decided that consideration of the proposed alteration in the scheme be adjourned until the meeting of the Education Committee to consider the scheme for next year.

7595. Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—In the absence

of Councillor Carty, consideration of his notice of motion regarding co-option of members to above Committee was adjourned.

7596. Ahascragh Water and Sewerage Scheme.—In response to Councillor Kitt's notice of motion, the Secretary reported the present position regarding provision of a water supply scheme at Ahascragh, stating that a test is being made of the source, Naughton's well, and that plans of the sewerage scheme could not be completed until a decision is obtained on the location of the water supply scheme.

7597. Turf Production.—In pursuance of Councillor Carty's notice of motion, it was proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Shiel, and Resolved :—

"That we, the members of Galway County Council, strongly protest against the decision of the Coalition Government to drop the schemes prepared by Bord na Mona for the production of hand-won turf; that we regard this decision as a retrograde step and one that will cause widespread unemployment and hardship in the Galway Gaeltacht and in the poor and congested districts of our county."

It was also proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and Resolved :—

"That the Government be requested to make a grant available for the carrying out of works to compensate for the loss of employment in the County Galway through cessation of turf production."

Mr. Nestor dissented from both resolutions.

7598. Tuam Waterworks.—Mr. Killilea requested to be informed of the reason for delay in starting the Tuam Waterworks Extension Scheme.

Secretary reported on the present position, stating that the parties whose tender was accepted had requested permission to change sureties. This permission had been granted. The form of agreement had been completed, and it was expected that work would commence at an early date.

7599. Fuel Oil.—Mr. Killilea stated that the water supply in Tuam is very unsatisfactory.

Secretary explained that there was a reduction in the supply of fuel oil during the past month, and the Council decided that application be again made to the Department of Industry and Commerce to restore the necessary allowance of fuel oil for waterworks.

7600. Overdraft.—Mr. King proposed, Mr. Killilea seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft

accommodation on Turf Production Account for period 1/4/48 to 30/6/48, not exceeding £100,000."

7601. Excess Expenditure for Year ending 31/3/1948.—On the proposition of Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. King, the Council unanimously approved the following excesses in expenditure over the amount already authorised for the current year:—

" PUBLIC ASSISTANCE :		
District Institutions ...	£9,000	
Extern Institutions ...	1,200	
Other Expenses ...	1,000	
		£11,200
" HEALTH :		
Venereal Disease ...	£150	
Retiring Allowances ...	150	
Other Expenses ...	9,500	
		£9,800
" HOUSING :		
Labourers Acts ...	£2,000	
		£2,000
" GENERAL PURPOSES :		
Libraries ...	£600	
		£600
Total ...		£23,600 "

It was noted that anticipated savings under other headings of expenditure would amount to approximately £31,000.

The Council also approved payment of an advance to the Mental Hospital Board of the sum of £18,000 in respect of their demand for year ending 31/3/1949, this sum being necessary to meet a debit balance on the Mental Hospital Board's Account.

7602. County Council's General Council.—Letter, 4/3/48, stating that next meeting of the General Council will be held 4th—8th May, 1948, was submitted.

7603. Galway Port Sanitary Authority.—The Galway Port Sanitary Authority (Abolition) Order, 1948, was submitted.

Secretary reported that the Port Sanitary Authority would cease to function on 31/3/48, and after that date the Galway County Council and Clare County Council would be responsible for Port health work in their own districts.

The Council unanimously approved the retention of Mr. Tomas O Liodain, Clerk to the Port Sanitary Authority, for a period of one month in connection with the closing of accounts, etc.

7604. Sympathy.—Resolutions of sympathy were passed with:—

The relatives of the late Lucy Roche, Woodford.
With Mrs. K. Thompson, Clerical Officer, on the death of her son; and with
The relatives of the late Count Plunkett.

*Submitted
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*Submitted, approved and
Confirmed this 24th day
of April, 1948.*

*Máireamh O'Connell
Chairman*

(Phone: Galway 55)

16adh Aibreán, 1948.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort, leis seo, bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Condáe na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Poirighthe Chonndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, an 24adh Aibreán, 1948, at 12 a Ghlog (meadhon lae).

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle. Runai.

GNO.

- Minutes.
- To consider the filling of vacancy on the Council consequent of the death of Mr. John J. Keane, Carraroe.
- To consider appointment of Vice-Chairman.
- To appoint representative on the Galway Harbour Board to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. J. J. Keane, Co.C.
- To fill the vacancy on the Lettermore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee created by the death of Mr. J. J. Keane, Co.C.
- To appoint Rate Collector for No. 18 Collection District. At interview on 10/4/48 the applicants for this post were placed in the following order of merit:—

Place.	Applicant
1st.	Corbett Margaret M. Loughcurra, Kinvara.
2nd.	Meloney, Martin T. Browns Grove, Tuam.
3rd.	Holan Ed. J. Crowe St., Gort.
4th.	Broderick, Ice., George's St., Gort.
5th.	O Liadhain, P. Mulroog, Kilcolgan.
6th.	Fahy, Martin Church St., Gort.
7th.	Garvey, Denis P. Roveagh, Kilcolgan.
8th.	Gill, Patrick J. Tállokyne, Moycullen.
- To consider the making of a Clearance Order for unhealthy area at Crowe Street, Gort.
- To appoint representatives on the Committee of Management of the National Health Insurance Society.
- To complete Mortgage Deeds for Loans:—

(a) Gort Sewerage Scheme (Supplemental Loan)	£1600.
(b) Portumna Sewerage Scheme	... £7850.
- To consider application from Orammore Parish Council for provision of street lighting at Orammore town.
- To consider provision of a Courthouse at Carraroe.

12. Notices of Motion:-

- (a) from Clr. Glynn regarding water supplies for Williamstown and Ballymoe; Glenamaddy Sewerage, etc.
- (b) From Clr. Carty regarding the appointment of members on Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.
- (c) From Clr. Cunningham regarding the provision of a pump at Kilkerrin and the printing of County Council year books for distribution to the members.
- (d) From Clr. Brennan: "That the Council requests the Government to investigate and inquire into the present system of local rating and Valuation Law with a view to its amendment or replacement. The Council submits that such investigation is urgently required because of:-
- (i) The big expansion of services now administered by local bodies.
 - (ii) The general tendency of local rates to increase beyond the capacity of the general body of ratepayers.
 - (iii) The general injustice of imposing the burden of the local services on one particular class of the community, i.e., the owners and occupiers of real property.
 - (iv) The injustice of the burden - even among ratepayers - which results from the different system of valuation of property in force in different areas and counties.

That this Council further recommends the centralisation of local services and the replacement of the present rating system by a uniform system of direct taxation. Copies of this resolution to be sent to the Minister for Local Government and the several local bodies in Eire."

13. Consider purchase of house for use as Dispensary Residence at Turloughmore.
14. Resolutions.
15. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 24th APRIL, 1948.

In the Chair:—(1) Councillor Quinn.
(2) Councillor Carty.

Also present:—Councillors Ashe, Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Casey, Colleran, Collins, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Fannon, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Murphy, Nestor, Newell, O'Connor and Shiel.

On the proposition of Mr. Fannon, seconded by Mr. Collins, the Council unanimously congratulated Messrs. M. Quinn and R. M. Burke on their election as Senators.

7605. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7604, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7606. Vacancy.—On the proposition of Mr. Casey, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, it was unanimously Resolved:—
"That Mr. Tadgh O'Shea, N.T., Rossaveel, be co-opted a member of the Council to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Keane, Carraroe."

7607. Vice-Chairman.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Ruane and unanimously Resolved:—
"That Mr. M. Carty, Co.C., be appointed Vice-Chairman to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Keane, Carraroe."
Mr. Carty thanked the Council.

7608. Galway Harbour Board.—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. S. Burke and unanimously Resolved:—
"That Mr. Thomas King, Co.C., be appointed to fill the vacancy on Galway Harbour Board created by the death of Mr. Keane, Carraroe."

7609. Lettermore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. King and unanimously Resolved:—
"That Mr. Tadgh O'Shea, N.T., Rossaveel, be appointed a member of the Lettermore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Keane, Carraroe."

7610. Rate Collector—No. 18 District.—Mr. Collins proposed, Mr. Nestor seconded and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Miss Margaret M. Corbett, Loughcurra, Kinvara, be appointed Rate Collector for the No. 18 Collection District, subject to sanction of the Minister for Local Government."

Proposed by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Beegan and Resolved:—

"That the Department of Local Government be informed that it is the Council's opinion that candidates for posts should be allowed additional marks in respect of service in the old I.R.A. on the same basis as additional marks are allowed for service in the Defence Forces and Auxiliary Defence Services during the Emergency."

7611. Crow Lane, Gort.—Reports from the County Medical Officer of Health and Mr. Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, regarding unhealthy area at Crow Lane, Gort, were submitted.

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Lambert and Resolved:—

"That having considered the report of the County Medical Officer of Health and the Chief Assistant County Engineer, the Council are of the opinion that the area at Crow Lane referred to in these reports, is an unhealthy area and they direct that the necessary maps and schedules be prepared so as to enable the Council to consider the making of a Clearance Order for the area."

7612. National Health Insurance Society.—It was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the following be appointed to represent the Council on the Committee of Management of the National Health Insurance Society for three years as from 1st May, 1948:—

Mr. Edward O'Toole, Oughterard.
Mr. John Connors, Slievenaun, Clarenbridge.
Dermot Sweeney, Athenny Road, Loughrea.
William Whelan, Gurthard, Kilkolgan.
James Small, Quartercastle, Currandulla.

7613. Gort Sewerage.—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, 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 £1,600, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

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7614. Portumna Sewerage.—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke 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 £7,850, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

7615. Public Lighting, Oranmore.—Proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. Shiel and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of public lighting for Oranmore town, in accordance with letter JD115 of 7/4/48 from the Electricity Supply Board."

7616. Carraroe Courthouse.—Consideration of the provision of a Courthouse to serve the Derrynea Court area was adjourned until next meeting.

7617. Water Supplies, Williamstown, Ballymoe, Etc.—Mr. Glynn was informed of the present position in relation to schemes for water supplies for Williamstown and Ballymoe and Sewerage at Glenamaddy.

7618. Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—On the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Ruane, it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the following be appointed members of the Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee:—

Mr. Robert Lahiff, T.D., Gort.
Mr. Patrick Connors, George's Street, Gort.
Mr. Joseph Stankard, Ballybane, Gort.
Mr. Edward Roche, Gort.
Mr. Patrick Lally, The Hotel, Gort.
Mr. Patrick Shaughnessy, Gort.
Mr. P. Murray, Beagh, Gort.
Mr. Patrick Howley, Grannia, Ardrahan.

7619. Kilkerrin Water Supply, Etc.—Consideration of Mr. Cunningham's notice of motion was, at his request, adjourned to next meeting.

7620. Amendment of Local Rating System.—Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council requests the Government to investigate and inquire into the present system of local rating and Valuation Law with a view to its amendment or replacement. The Council submits that such investigation is urgently required because of:

- " (1) The big expansion of services now administered by local bodies.
- " (2) The general tendency of local rates to increase beyond the capacity of the general body of ratepayers.
- " (3) The general injustice of imposing the burden of the local services on one particular class of the community, i.e. the owners and occupiers of real property.
- " (4) The injustice of the burden—even among ratepayers—which results from the different system of valuation of property in force in different areas and counties.

" That this Council further recommends the centralisation of local services and the replacement of the present rating system by a uniform system of direct taxation—copies of this resolution to be sent to the Minister for Local Government and the several local bodies in Eire."

It was proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

" That the cost of maintaining certain public services, such as Housing Sanitation and Roads, should be entirely a State Charge."

7621. Burroge Road.—Consideration of Mr. Shiels' notice of motion that the remainder of the link road through the village of Burroge be repaired, was adjourned.

7621. Turloughmore Dispensary Residence.—Proposed by Mr. Fury, seconded by Mr. Glynn and Resolved:—

" That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £1,600 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purchase and repair of a residence for the Dispensary Medical Officer at Turloughmore, the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 25 years, repayments to cover principal and interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

7622. Employment Schemes.—Letter, RGM/201/U, of 21/4/48, from the Department of Local Government, was submitted, stating that, providing the Council contributed £6,666 the Minister would be prepared to allocate a grant of £20,000 for the restoration of county roads and for the carrying out of additional maintenance work in existing drainage districts to provide employment for persons who have heretofore been engaged on the production of hand-won turf for local authorities and for Bord na Mona.

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Beegan, and Resolved:—

" That letter, R.G.M./201/U, of 21st April, 1948, from Department of Local Government, and County Engineer's

proposals be considered by the Council at a special meeting to be held on 1st May, 1948."

7623. Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.—Copies of draft scheme proposed by the County Manager under above Acts were circulated to the Council.

It was decided that consideration of the draft scheme be placed on the Agenda for next meeting.

7624. Reformatory and Industrial Schools.—Copy of the Children Act, 1941 (Section 21) Regulations, 1947, was submitted, indicating that from 1/4/48, payments to be made to Managers of certified schools shall be as follows:—

Industrial Schools, 9/6d. per week for each child.

Reformatory Schools, an amount not exceeding 11/- per week, nor less than 10/- per week for each youthful offender.

On the proposition of Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Brennan, the Council unanimously approved the additional expenditure involved by the operation of the Regulations, viz, £1,500 for year ending 31/3/49.

7625. Central Hospital.—Mr. Brennan referred to the overcrowding in the Central Hospital and Maternity Hospital and enquired as to what progress has been made for the provision of the new Hospital.

County Manager informed Mr. Brennan of the present position.

Mr. Brennan also stated that Probationers were frequently employed in carrying stretchers and mattresses about the wards—work which, in his opinion, should be done by Porters.

Mr. Cooke referred to the appointment of a Junior Labourer in the Hospital and stated that he considered it unfair that Mr. Michael Burke, who had been acting temporarily in the position for seven years, was not appointed permanently, and requested that the County Manager would consider employing him permanently should a vacancy arise.

Mr. Beegan enquired on what authority a public representative of another county acted when he inspected the Central Hospital and the Sanatorium recently.

The County Manager replied that so far as he is aware, the representative in question had no authority to inspect these Institutions.

7626. Coal Supplies for Central Hospital.—The Chairman and other Councillors drew attention to the advertisement issued for the supply of 1,000 tons of coal and slack to Galway Central Hospital.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed, on the proposition of Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Glynn that the Council authorise the use of coal at the Central Hospital during the four winter months—turf to be used for the remainder of the year.

7627. Turf Production.—Mr. O'Connor enquired as to when Pollnacloagh bog would be handed back to its original owners and the County Engineer stated that the Council are not now using that bog.

Miss Ashe referred to the delay in issue of payments to bog owners for use of their bogs.

7628. Miscellaneous.—A letter was submitted by the Chief Executive Officer of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee thanking the Council for their co-operation in connection with the loan for the provision of Vocational Schools.

Mr. Cooke referred to the difficulty in travelling the road between Turbo and Carraroe due to side filling operations.

7629. Sympathy.—Resolutions of sympathy were passed with:—

Mr. M. Newell, Co.C., on the death of his father.

Miss Keane, Shop Street, Galway, on the death of her brother.

The relatives of Mr. O'Grady, N.T., Sonnagh, Creggs.

Mr. John Courtney, Lisheencoyle, Atherry, on the death of his mother.

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Submitted approved & confirmed this 13th day of June. 1948.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 1st MAY, 1948.

In the Chair: (1) Councillor M. Quinn.
(2) Councillor M. Carty.

Also Present: Councillors M. Ashe, Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Casey, Collieran, Collins, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Fannon, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Nestor, O'Connor, Shiel, and O Seaghdha.

Mr. O. Seaghdha, who was co-opted at meeting on 24/4/48, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Keane, signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The Council unanimously welcomed Mr. O. Seaghdha.

7630. Employment Schemes.—Letter, RGM/201/U, of 21/4/48, from the Department of Local Government, was submitted, stating that provided the Council contributed £6,666 the Minister would be prepared to allocate a grant of £20,000 for the restoration of county roads and for the carrying out of additional maintenance work in existing drainage districts to provide employment for persons who have heretofore been engaged on the production of hand-won turf for local authorities and for Bord na Mona.

Mr. Cunningham proposed, Mr. Fannon seconded:—

"That the Council approve additional expenditure of £26,666 for the special schemes mentioned, subject to receipt of a grant of £20,000 from the Department of Local Government."

Mr. Glynn proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded:—

"That the Council do not approve the additional expenditure of £26,666 for the special schemes mentioned."

Mr. Beegan stated that the grant will not be adequate to relieve the unemployment caused by the cessation of turf production, and that further it is undesirable that the Council should be required to authorise additional expenditure within a couple of months from the date on which their estimate for the current year was adopted.

Mr. Kitt proposed, Mr. Carty seconded:—

"That the Council be informed of the details of the County Engineer's proposals before a decision is arrived at regarding additional expenditure."

The Chairman stated that a decision regarding authorisation of the additional expenditure should be taken before the detailed proposals would be considered.

Mr. King proposed that the Department should be asked to allocate a grant equivalent to 90 per cent. of the total cost of the proposed special schemes.

This proposal was not seconded.

After further discussion, Messrs. Glynn and Ruane withdrew their amendment and Mr. Cunningham's proposal was approved unanimously.

Mr. Carty then took the Chair.

County Engineer read his report of the proposed schemes, viz.:—

MR. PINNEGAN, T.A.C.S., Tuam: Tuam, Glenamaddy, Headford Area:—

ROADS:		Roads.	Drainage.	Total.
Sec. No.		£	£	£
274.	Ballymoe-Creggs	520		
228.	Milltown-Dalgin	1,000		
269.	Williamstown-Castlereagh	520		
211.	Tuam-Lavally	640		
129.	Shrule-Qualy's Cross	620		
276.	Cloonmindia-Keelognes	680		
Total		£3,980		

DRAINAGE:				
		£	£	£
	Dunmore	450		
	Meelick-Polshask	60		
	Meelick-Glenamaddy	30		
Total		£540		£4,520

MR. R. W. POWELL, B.E., Athenry: Athenry, Attymon Area:—

ROADS:				
Sec. No.		£	£	£
435.	Attymon-Cloonkeen	380		
173.	Coolarne	350		
148.	Loughgeorge-Currandulla	600		
Total		£1,330		

DRAINAGE:				
		£	£	£
	Monivea	80		
	Turloughmore	200		
Total		£280		£1,610

MR. M. F. O'KEEFE, B.E., Portumna: Loughrea, Portumna Area:—

ROADS:				
Sec. No.		£	£	£
583.	Clonfert-Shannon	200		
585.	Laurencetown-Eyrecourt	250		
498.	Woodford-Loughatorick	300		
357.	Ballinaure Jn.-Killimor	370		
Total		£1,120		

DRAINAGE:		Roads.	Drainage.	Total.
		£	£	£
	Kellysgrove	100		
	Dunkellin	150		
	Lisduff	150		
	Killimor	350		
	Cappagh	200		
Total		£950		£2,070

MR. LYNCH, A.C.S., Gort: Gort Area:—

ROADS:		Roads.	Drainage.	Total.
Sec. No.		£	£	£
152.	Wastleands-Kilnadeema	600		
356.	Keanspound-Peterswell	1,350		
349.	Aille-Kilnadeema	500		
Total		£2,450		

DRAINAGE:				
		£	£	£
	Annagh	200		
	Lavally	150		
	Kilchreest	150		
	Oranhill	50		
Total		£550		£3,000

MR. TRACY, B.E., Maam Cross: Connemara Area:—

ROADS:				
Sec. No.		£	£	£
52.	Derryrush-Cashel	800		
37.	Derrycunlugh-Cushatrower	800		
9.	Cleggan-Streamstown	686		
66.	Camus Oughter-Lettermore Cemetery	800		
39.	Tullyconnor-Salruck	600		
48.	Recess-Kylemore	1,000		
57.	Gortmore-Cellar Pier	1,100		
56.	Griggins C.B.-Shanafarahau	680		
73.	Cornamona-America	1,000		
93.				
95.	Spiddal-Moycullen	970		
97.				
64.	Carraroe-Bealadangan	700		
54.	Tiernea-Knock Loughawalia	1,200		
54.	Lettermore-Lettermullen	800		
Total		£11,136		£11,136

MR. J. L. DUNNE, A.C.S., Ahascragh: Ballinasloe, Mountbellew, Ballygar Area:—

ROADS:				
Sec. No.		£	£	£
513.	Ahascragh-Ballaghlea Jn.	1,000		
512.	Ballygar-Muckloon	400		
455.	Newbridge-Kilkerrin	665		
473.	Ahascragh-Fohenagh	665		
Total		£2,730		

DRAINAGE:				
		£	£	£
	Mountbellew	1,000		
	Ahascragh	600		
Total		£1,600		£4,330

SUMMARY.

Roads	£22,746		
Drainage	9,920		
Total		£26,666	

County Engineer stated that, in his opinion, employment of labour should not be confined entirely to men who were engaged on turf production in 1947, as he believed that in many areas there would be difficulty in getting sufficient men of this class to carry out the works proposed.

It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve of the County Engineer's proposals for carrying out of special schemes for restoration of county roads and maintenance work in existing drainage districts, involving a total expenditure of £26,666."

On the recommendation of Mr. Carty, the County Engineer agreed that he would consider representations from any Councillor regarding any particular work in his proposals if such representation were submitted to him before 8th May, 1948.

7631. Overdraft Accommodation.—The Council unanimously approved the making of an application to the Minister for Local Government for sanction to the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 on the Council's General Account for the period from 1/5/48 to 30/6/48.

*Induced
E.H.*

*Submitted approved & confirmed
this 12th day of June 1948
Maurice O'Connell Chairman*

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA GAILLIMHE.
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

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GAILLIMH
(Galway)

4adh Meitheimh, 1948

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo, bheith i lathair ag Cruinniu de
Comhairle Condae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na
Foirgnighthe Chonndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, an 12adh
Meitheimh, 1948, ag 12 a chlog (meadhon lae).

Mise, le meas

L. O LUAMHAIGH

Runai.

Chuig gach Bhaill de(n) Chomhairle.

GNO.

1. Minutes.
 2. To make the rates and to sign and seal the rate books for the financial year ending 31st March, 1949.
 3. To fill two vacancies on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee.
- TO CONSIDER:-
4. Letter 20/5/48 from the Chief Clerk, B. Ulinasloe Mental Hospital Board relating to the disqualification of one of the Council's representatives on the Board.
 5. The passing of a resolution declaring the unhealthy area at Crow Lane, Gort, a Clearance Area.
 6. The proposed sale of Roundstone Dispensary Residence.
 7. Raising of loan £9700 for provision of a water supply scheme for Mountbellew town.
 8. Provision of public lighting for Craughwell town. (Notice of Motion by Councillor J. J. Ruane).
 9. Draft scheme for issue of loans under the Small Dwellings acquisition Acts, 1899-1948.
 10. Arrangements for performance of the duties of Rate Collector No. 27 District (Mr. Thomas O'Malley, Kilmilkin, Maam).
 11. Letter 9/3/48 from Roscommon County Council and report from County Engineer regarding erection of a bridge over the River Suck at Correen Castle.
 12. Report 27/5/48 from Superintendent, Galway Central Hospital, indicating that the use of the drug streptomycin in the Hospital will involve an expenditure of £1500 in excess of the amount provided in the estimate for the current year.

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13. Arrangements for overdraft accommodation for period 1/7/48 to 30/9/48:-

- (a) General Account.
- (b) Turf Account.

14. Application from Mr. J. Courtney for a Cinema Licence for his Portable Cinema.

15. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-

- (a) From Councillor Shiel - "That the remainder of the link road through the village of Brogue be repaired."
- (b) From Councillor Cunningham - "That I shall raise (i) the question of a waterworks scheme for Kilkerrin at the next Meeting of this Council; (ii) that for the purpose of the provision of water supplies in the sequence in which they are necessary, the County Medical Officer of Health be instructed to list the schemes already passed, not in the priority order of the dates on which they were passed, but in the order of the comparative merits of the schemes."
- (c) From Councillor Carty - (i) "That the County Manager be instructed to prepare a scheme and the necessary funds be voted for the installation of electricity in B.O.H. cottages in Cosmona and the Hill, Loughros."
(ii) "That the County Manager be instructed to devise a scheme whereby tenants on the Masonbrook and Turco estates be credited with the primary agricultural allowance which was withheld from them in the year 1947/48."
(iii). "That the road leading from Ballinahown to Cappard (Gort) be declared a public road."
- (d) From Councillor R. M. Burke - "That the Council be informed of the reason for delay in erection of Labourers' Cottages."
- (e) From Councillor Bogan - "That a Special Meeting of the Council be summoned to discuss proposals to be submitted to the Board of Works for grants for repair of roads of public utility not at present maintained as County roads, and in submitting such proposals the Co. Council will give a guarantee that in the event of a sufficient grant being made available to put the selected road or roads in proper repair such road or roads will in future be scheduled Co. Roads and maintained as such."
- (f) From Councillor Nestor - "That the speed limit for all Motor Vehicles in large and small towns throughout the County shall not exceed ten miles per hour."
- (g) From Councillor Brennan - "That the recent increase of 11/- per week in wages awarded by the Labour Court to the labouring classes in Galway and granted to the Borough scavengers by the Corporation, be now granted to the Co. Council road workers permanently employed and residing in the Baro, and to the appropriate classes in the Central Hospital and Woodlands Sanatorium named in paragraph 26 of Department of Health Circular P. 104/47, dated 8th August, 1947."

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- (h) From Councillor Brennan - "That in consequence of complaints which have reached me concerning the delay in having telephone calls answered by the Central Hospital between the hours of 7 a.m. and 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. and 12 midnight, I will move that arrangements be made for the services of a porter exclusively to answer the 'phone in the main hall during the hours mentioned herein."
16. Minutes of Meeting of the Co. Council's General Council 11/12/47.
17. Letter 12/3/48 from Coras Iompair Eircann giving particulars of the total number of lorries, etc., on roads and of the number of such lorries, etc., owned by Coras Iompair Eircann.
18. Resolutions.
19. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 12th JUNE, 1948.

In the Chair: (1) Councillor Quinn.
(2) Councillor Carty.

Also Present: Councillors A. Ashe, P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, J. Casey, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, H. O'Donnell and S. Shiel.

7632. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7631, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7633. Rates for Financial Year ending 31st March, 1949.—Proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and Resolved:—"That the Council do hereby allow and make the rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1949, as assessed in the Rate Books."

Proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and Resolved:—"That the Rate Books for the year ending 31st March, 1949, be signed and sealed with the seal of the Council."

The Rate Books were then signed and sealed.

Rate Arrears Lists for year ended 31st March, 1948, were submitted.

7634. County Galway Vocational Education Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Kitt, and unanimously Resolved:—"That Reverend P. Jennings, P.P., Portumna, and Mr. J. J. Ruane, County Councillor, Athenry, be appointed to fill the vacancies on the County Vocational Education Committee occasioned by the death of Right Rev. Monsignor Joyce and Mr. J. J. Keane, County Councillor."

7635. Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.—Consideration of letter, 20/5/48, regarding the disqualification of one of the Council's representatives on the Mental Hospital Board was adjourned until the Annual Meeting on 26/6/48, when the appointment of members for the coming year will be considered.

7636. Clearance Area at Crow Lane, Gort.—Proposed by Mr. Lambert, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and unanimously Resolved as follows:—

"Having at our Meeting held on the 24th day of April, 1948, considered the Official Representation made by the County Medical Officer of Health that the area known as Crow Lane, Gort, is an unhealthy area and that the conditions in the said area can be effectively remedied only by the demolition of all the buildings in the said area which are unfit for human habitation or dangerous or injurious to health AND directed that the said area be defined on a Map so as to exclude therefrom any building which is not unfit for human habitation or dangerous or injurious to health AND having on this day considered the said Official Representation and the Map and Schedule headed 'Crow Lane, Gort, Clearance Order,' signed by Mr. Sean Culliran, B.E., Chief Assistant County Engineer to the Council, the Council is of opinion that each building coloured Pink on the said Map and situate within the area surrounded by a red line on the said Map is unfit for human habitation or dangerous or injurious to health and that said area is an unhealthy area and that the conditions of the said area can be effectively remedied only by the demolition of all the buildings situate within the said area AND being further satisfied that they can secure the provision of such accommodation as may be required for all persons displaced in advance of displacements of such persons as will from time to time become necessary AND having further examined a provisional statement showing the total number of new buildings required and the various sizes and types of the dwellings and the sites on which they shall be erected and a time-table of provision of accommodation for persons displaced as aforesaid AND being satisfied that the resources of the Council are sufficient for the carrying out of the entire Clearance Scheme the Council by virtue of Section 5 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1931, and of every power vested in the Council HEREBY RESOLVE AND DECLARE the area so defined situate in Crow Lane in the Townland of Gort in the Electoral Division of Gort Barony of Kiltartan County Health District of Galway and County of Galway to be a Clearance Area."

7637. Roundstone Dispensary Residence.—Notice, which had already been issued to members on 1/6/48, regarding the proposed sale of Roundstone Dispensary Residence, was submitted.

Mr. Nestor stated that it would be desirable that in cases where premises or land are being disposed of by the Council, such disposal should be made by public auction.

Miss Ashe proposed, Mr. O'Donnell seconded:—

"That the Council approve the proposed sale of the Roundstone Dispensary Residence, including out-offices, lawn and garden, to Miss Kate O'Brien, 37, Gordon Square, London, for £1,000, plus costs of conveyance of the property to the purchaser."

Mr. Collins proposed and Mr. Nestor seconded:—

"That the premises be disposed of by public auction."

Mr. King stated that, in future, the Council should be consulted before any action is taken regarding the disposal of property; the Council would then consider in each particular instance whether such disposal should be by auction or otherwise.

Mr. Mannion enquired if a dispensary had been secured, as the property which it is now proposed to sell includes a dispensary.

Secretary replied that the Council would retain the right to use the existing dispensary until such time as an alternative dispensary is obtained.

The Chairman directed that a vote be taken on Miss Ashe's proposal, which resulted as follows:—

FOR: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, O'Donnell and Quinn—12.

AGAINST: Messrs. R. M. Burke, Carty, Casey, Collins, Fury, Lambert, Mannion, Nestor and Shiel—9.

Mr. Cunningham did not vote.

The Chairman declared Miss Ashe's proposal carried.

7638. Mountbellew Water Supply.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £9,700 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision of a water supply scheme for Mountbellew town, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments, over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment."

Mr. Glynn proposed, Mr. Kitt seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That a special meeting be summoned to consider the position relating to all water supplies (including pumps) and sewerage schemes proposed by members."

7639. Public Lighting, Craughwell.—Proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision and maintenance of public lighting in Craughwell town."

7640. Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.—Mr. Beegan stated that reference had been made in the Press and elsewhere to statements made by the Minister that such alleviation would be made

as to ensure that the increased rate of interest for local loans would not impose any greater burden on local authorities than they had borne heretofore, and suggested that in view of the possibility that such relief would be given, it would be advisable to defer consideration of the draft scheme until the position is made clear.

It was, therefore, unanimously decided to defer consideration of the scheme until meeting on 26th instant.

Proposed by Mr. O'Shea, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved:—

"That the Department of Local Government be requested to increase by at least 50% in the Gaeltacht areas, the grants for erection of houses which are made available under the Housing (Amendment) Act, 1948."

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Ruane and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the interest rate on loans obtained from the Commissioners of Public Works for Small Dwellings Acquisition Act purposes should be as low as possible and not more than 2½%."

7641. Rate Collector—No. 27 District.—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That consideration of the arrangements for the performance of the duties of the Rate Collector for No. 27 District during his absence owing to illness, be adjourned until next Meeting."

7642. Rate Collector No. 7 District.—Medical certificate, dated 6/5/48, was submitted stating that Rate Collector J. W. Mongan will be unfit for duty for at least three months from that date.

Proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Carty and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the performance of Mr. Mongan's duties by his deputy, Mr. Martin Mylotte, during his absence on sick leave up to 5/9/48."

7643. Bridge at Correen Castle.—Letter, 9/3/48, from Roscommon County Council and report from County Engineer indicating that the cost of erection of bridge over the River Suck at Correen Castle, together with repair of approach roads, would be approximately £2,000, were submitted.

Proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Nestor and Resolved:—

"That no action be taken in this matter."

7644. Additional Expenditure—Streptomycin.—Report 27/5/48, from the Superintendent, Central Hospital, Galway, was submitted indicating that the use of streptomycin at the

Central Hospital would involve an expenditure of £1,500 over the sum provided for medicines in the estimate for the current year.

On the proposition of Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Brennan, the Council unanimously approved the additional expenditure of £1,500.

7645. Overdraft.—Proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Kyne, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £120,000 on the Council's General Account for period from 1/7/48 to 30/9/48."

Proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Kyne and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 on the Council's Turf Account for period from 1/1/48 to 30/9/48."

7646. Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Carty and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the issue of a licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, to Mr. John Courtney, Killoran, Kiltormer, Ballinasloe, in respect of his portable Touring Cinema."

The seal of the Council was affixed to the licence.

7647. Road at Burroge.—Mr. Shiel's notice of motion was, at his request, adjourned to the special meeting to be held to discuss proposals for repair of roads of public utility.

7648. Kilkerrin Water Supply.—Proposed by Mr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Killilea and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of a water supply scheme for Kilkerrin village."

Mr. Cunningham was informed that water and sewerage schemes are already being listed in order of merit not in chronological order.

7649. Electric Lighting in Labourers' Cottages.—Councillor Carty withdrew his notice of motion relative to this matter.

7650. Agricultural Grant.—Mr. Carty was informed that the Department of Local Government had been requested to approve the granting of abatement at primary rate to tenants of the Masonbrook and Turco Estates for year ended 31/3/48, on the understanding that such allowance will be recouped in the Agricultural Grant for year ending 31/3/49.

7651. Road, Ballinahown to Cappard, Gort.—It was decided that the County Engineer be requested to report on Mr. Carty's proposal that this road be declared a public road.

7652. Labourers' Cottages.—Councillor Burke stated that with regard to his notice of motion, he had already obtained a statement on the position from the County Manager. Mr. Carty now took the Chair.

7653. Repair of Roads of Public Utility.—It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Collins, and Resolved:—

"That a special meeting of the Council be summoned to discuss proposals to be submitted to the Board of Works for grants for repair of roads of public utility not at present maintained as County roads, and in submitting such proposals the Co. Council will give a guarantee that in the event of a sufficient grant being made available to put the selected road or roads in proper repair such road or roads will in future be scheduled Co. Roads and maintained as such."

It was decided that members be requested to submit proposals, not exceeding five roads in the case of any one member, which would be referred to the County Engineer for his recommendation before consideration by the Council at special meeting.

The County Manager informed the meeting that he would take up with the Department the question as to the width of such roads, i.e., to have a definite assurance that if roads less than 25 feet wide are taken over by the Council, maintenance grant will not be withheld in respect of them.

It was decided that this matter be placed on the Agenda for Meeting on 26/6/48 so that the Department's reply may be considered, if available.

7654. Speed Limit.—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. Kitt and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Department of Justice be requested to limit to 20 miles per hour the speed of motor vehicles through large and small towns."

County Engineer stated that he would provide a warning sign at the dangerous crossing at Dunmore to which Mr. Nestor referred.

7655. Road Workers, Etc., Galway Borough.—Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council recommend that the increase of 11/- per week awarded by the Labour Court to labourers in Galway be now granted to the County Council road workers permanently employed and residing in the Borough and to the appropriate classes in the Central Hospital and Woodlands Sanatorium named in paragraph 26 of Department of Health Circular P. 104/47, dated 8th August, 1947."

It was proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the additional expenditure of £2,300 (Roads, £1,800; Public Assistance, £400; and Health Account, £100) which will be necessary to defray the increase of 11/- per week in wages recommended above."

7656. Telephone Services—Central Hospital.—Councillor Brennan stated that he was taking up with the County Manager the matter referred to in his notice of motion.

7657. County Council's General Council.—Minutes of Meeting of the General Council on 11/12/47 were submitted.

7658. Oughterard Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke 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 Four thousand six hundred and fifty pounds proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

7659. Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the necessary preliminaries be taken so as to enable the Council to consider the adoption of Part III. of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948."

7660. Public Abattoir, Loughrea.—Mr. Carty recommended that a report be obtained from the Veterinary Inspector regarding the necessity for a public abattoir in Loughrea town and that the Council consider its provision.

7661. Special Schemes for Employment of Former Turf Workers.—Mr. O'Shea stated that persons previously employed in producing private turf should be considered for employment on the emergency schemes which at present provide only for employment for persons who were formerly engaged by the Council or Bord na Mona.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the Department of Local Government be requested to authorise the employment on these special schemes of persons other than those who were employed by the Council or by Bord na Mona on turf production in 1947."

7662. Central Hospital.—Miss Ashe requested that accommodation be provided for extern patients while waiting for treatment at Galway Central Hospital.
Mr. King requested that arrangements for appointment of a permanent Visiting Committee be considered at Annual Meeting on 26/6/48.

7663. Loan for Provision and Equipment of Vocational Schools.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Miss Ashe and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £40,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works to enable the Council to make a grant to the County Vocational Education Committee in pursuance of Section 51 of the Vocational Education Act, 1930, for the purpose of providing and equipping three new Vocational Schools at New Inn, Dunmore, and Loughrea, the loan to be repayable half-yearly over a period of 30 years by annuity covering principal and interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

7664. Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Letter, 7/6/48 was submitted from Mr. A. J. O'Flynn, Solicitor, Gort, referring to the recent appointment of members on the Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That Mr. O'Flynn be informed that the Council did not receive any such representation from the Local Fianna Fail Cumann, as is alleged in his letter."

7665. Eyrecourt Fairs.—The Council approved the following dates for fairs in Eyrecourt in 1949, as submitted by Eyrecourt Parish Council:—

January	...	...	3rd
February	...	...	8th
March	...	...	4th
April	...	...	3rd
May	...	...	3rd
July	...	...	10th
August	...	...	10th
September	...	...	8th
October	...	...	13th
November	...	...	10th
December	...	...	13th

7666. Miscellaneous.—The County Management (Reserved Functions) Order, 1948, and Circular No. G.12/48, dated 31/1/48, from the Department of Local Government were sub-

mitted, copies of both Order and Circular having already been circulated to the members.

Letter 12/3/48 was submitted from Coras Iompair Eireann relative to the proportion of road vehicles which are owned by Coras Iompair Eireann.

On the recommendation of Mr. R. M. Burke, it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That, in future, the time of Meeting be 12.30 p.m., instead of 12 noon."

7667. Sympathy.—A vote of sympathy was passed unanimously with Mrs. Dermot Sweeney, Athenry Road, Loughrea, on her recent bereavements.

A Chara,

Tarratar ort leis seo, bheith i lathair ag Cruinniu Bliantuil de Comhairle Condae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Chonndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 26adh Meitheimh, 1948, ar 12. 30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O IUANAIGH

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle. Runai.

1. Election of Chairman for year 1948/49.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for year 1948/49.
3. Appointment of Committees for year 1948/49, viz.,
Education Committee.
County Libraries Committee.
National Monuments Advisory Committee.
Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.
Visiting Committees for Council's District Institutions.
4. Appointment of representatives on:—
Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.
County Councils General Council.
Irish Tourist Association.
5. Minutes.
6. Draft Scheme for issue of loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899-1948.
7. Arrangements for performance of duties of Rate Collector No. 27 District.
8. Repair of roads of public utility - arrangements for special meeting to consider Councillors' proposals.
9. Proposed sale of plot of land acquired as site for district hospital at Ballinasloe.
10. Councillors' Notices of Motion:—
 - (a) Mr. Nestor - "That this Council call on C.I.E. to restore the Bus Service (as in pre-war years) from Sligo to Galway via Castlerea, Dunmore and Tuam, and that an extra Bus Service be provided from Claremorris running through Ballindine, Drymills, Garrafrauns and Dunmore connecting with the Dublin bus at Athlone."
 - (b). Mr. R. M. Burke - "That the Galway Co. Council requests the Co. Manager to take every reasonable and practicable precaution to ensure that work will be carried out efficiently, and that suitable materials will be used, by contractors, in all future Co. Council building schemes and other contracts, and that arrangements will be made to ensure, as far as practicable, that a contractor will rectify, at his own expense, defects, if any found in his work, or else pay to the Council the cost of rectifying such defects."
 - (c). Mr. J. Bronnan - "That I will ask the County Manager to make a statement for the information of the Council on the following:—
 - (i) What is the position to date in respect of the proposed new Central Hospital and when the building is likely to be started.
 - (ii) What alterations and improvements it is proposed to make in the existing building as referred to by the Manager at last Meeting, and what is the estimated cost of such alterations and improvements."
11. Resolutions.
12. Other Business.

*Induced
E.H.*

*Submitted, approved & confirmed this 24th
day of July, 1948.
Mark O'Curran Chairman*



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY,
26th JUNE, 1948.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillors M. Ashe, Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Carty, Casey, Collieran, Collins, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Fannon, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, O'Shea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Nestor, Newell, O'Connor, O'Donnell and Shiel.

7668. Election of Chairman for Year 1948/49.—Mr. Ruane proposed, Mr. Collins seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Senator M. Quinn be re-elected Chairman of the Council for year 1948/49."

7669. Election of Vice-Chairman for Year, 1948/49.—Mr. Glynn proposed, Mr. O'Connor seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. M. Carty be re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for year 1948/49."

7670.—Standing Orders.—On the proposition of Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Brennan, the Council unanimously decided that the Standing Orders be revised and that their provisions be adhered to strictly in future.

Mr. Carty suggested that a Committee of five be appointed to revise the Standing Orders.

7671. County Galway Education Committee.—Mr. Glynn proposed, Miss Ashe seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the existing County Galway Education Committee be re-appointed for the year 1948/49."

7672. County Libraries Committee.—Mr. Carty proposed, Mr. O'Connor seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. J. J. Ruane, Co.C., Athenry, be appointed a member of the County Libraries Committee, and that the other members of the existing Committee be re-appointed for the year 1948/49."

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7673. National Monuments Advisory Committee.—Mr. Carty proposed, Mr. O'Shea seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the existing members be re-appointed on the National Monuments Advisory Committee for year 1948/49."

7674. Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees:—

Glenamaddy.—Mr. Glynn proposed, Mr. O'Connor seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the following members of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee be re-appointed for the year 1948/49:—

John Glynn, Co.C., Williamstown.

Rev. Fr. Walshe, C.C., Williamstown.

Patrick Fannon, Arda, Glynsk.

Edward Geraghty, Williamstown.

John Devilly, Leitra.

Rev. Fr. Waldron, P.P., Kilkerrin.

J. Tyrrell, Kilkerrin.

Rev. P. McKeown, C.C., Glynsk.

P. J. Kelly, Glenamaddy.

John Flaherty, Kigala, Clonberne.

John Garvey (senior), Glenamaddy.

Michael Keaveney (John), Clooncor, Glenamaddy.

John Morgan, Sonnagh, Ballyhard, Glenamaddy.

Michael Hussey, Curragh West, Dunmore.

Martin Egan, Williamstown.

J. Fitzgerald, Clonberne.

E. Smith, Cloonminda, Glenamaddy.

Michael O'Connor, Morganure, Kilkerrin.

Rev. John Keaveney, P.P., Williamstown.

Philip O'Reilly, Cashel, Glenamaddy.

J. J. Cunningham, Co.C., Kilkerrin.

Michael Warde, Clonberne, Ballinasloe.

Michael Scott, Creggs, Roscommon.

Rev. Fr. Glynn, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe.

Patrick Glynn, Glenamaddy, Ballinasloe.

Oranmore.—Mr. Fury proposed, Mr. O'Connor seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Miss M. A. Ashe, Co.C., be appointed a member of the Oranmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee and that all the other members of the existing Committee be re-appointed for the year 1948/49."

Mr. Fury proposed, Mr. O'Connor seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That, subject to above alterations in the case of Oranmore and Glenamaddy Sub-Committees, the existing members of all other Sub-Committees be re-appointed for the year 1948/49."

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7675. Visiting Committees for District Institutions.—Mr. Glynn proposed, Mr. Ruane seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Committee consist of three members from each Electoral Area, that is, a total of fifteen members."

It was proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved:—

"That the following be appointed members of the Visiting Committee for District Institutions:—

BALLINASLOE AREA.—Messrs. M. Quinn, P. Collins and M. Kitt.

GALWAY AREA.—Miss Ashe, Messrs. T. King and J. Brennan.

LOUGHREA AREA.—Messrs. M. Carty, S. Burke and J. J. Ruane.

TUAM AREA.—Messrs. R. M. Burke, P. J. Collieran and P. Fannon.

OUGHTERARD AREA.—Messrs. O'Shea, J. Mannion and P. Kyne."

It was decided that arrangements for visiting time, etc., would be considered at next meeting of the Council.

7676. Ballinasloe Mental Hospital.—It was proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Carty, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. John T. Curley, Co.C., Letterfrack, be appointed a member of the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board in lieu of Mr. J. J. Keane, deceased, and that the other fourteen existing representatives of the Council on the Mental Hospital Board be re-appointed for the year 1948/49."

7677. County Council's General Council.—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That Senator M. Quinn and Deputies M. Killilea and M. Kitt be appointed to represent the Council on the County Councils' General Council for year 1948/49."

7678. Irish Tourist Association.—Proposed by Miss Ashe' seconded by Mr. S. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That Mr. T. O'Connor be re-appointed to represent the Council on the Irish Tourist Association for year 1948/49."

7679. Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.—Draft scheme prepared by the County Manager was submitted.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the period for completion of the house, as stated on Page 2, Paragraph 2, of the draft scheme be altered from six months to twelve months."

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After discussion in regard to the requirement of sureties for a loanee, it was proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the provision in the draft scheme relating to sureties be allowed to stand."

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That, subject to the amendment on Page 2, Paragraph 2, as set out above, the draft scheme be and is hereby approved by the Council."

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £100,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the issue of loans under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899 to 1948, in accordance with the terms of the Scheme which is being prepared by the Council; the loan to be repayable over a period of 50 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan."

7680. Rate Collector, No. 27 District.—Secretary reported that Rate Collector T. O'Malley, No. 27 District, died on 16/6/48. The Council approved the issue of an advertisement inviting applications for the permanent post.

7681. Repair of Roads of Public Utility.—Secretary reported that, as directed at last meeting, forms have been sent to members requesting them to submit lists of road work proposals, and that up to date only eleven members returned completed forms.

The County Engineer stated that the Council should decide the mileage which they will take over, in view of the substantial cost of maintenance.

Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Senator Quinn, and Resolved:—

"That the 5th July be the latest date for receipt of proposal forms and that a special meeting be called as early as practicable after the proposals have been considered by the County Engineer."

Proposed by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Mr. Mannion, and Resolved:—

"That the Commissioners of Public Works be requested to expend a greater amount of money in future on the repair of stop-end roads in Connemara area."

7682. Sale of Plot of Land at Ballinasloe.—On the proposition of Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. S. Burke, the Council adjourned consideration of the proposed sale of plot of ground acquired as a site for a District Hospital at Ballinasloe until full

particulars are available as to the arrangements being made in the proposed extension to Portiuncula Hospital for treatment of patients, staffing, and control by the Council.

7683. **Bus Service.**—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. Cooke, and Resolved:—

That this Council call on C.I.E. to restore the Bus Service (as in pre-war years) from Sligo to Galway, via Castlereagh, Dunmore and Tuam, and that an extra Bus Service be provided from Claremorris, running through Ballindine, Drymills, Garrafrauns and Dunmore, connecting with the Dublin Bus at Athlone.

Proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

That the time-table for the Bus from Roscommon to Galway be altered so as to provide that the Bus will arrive in Galway one hour earlier than it does at present.

Proposed by Mr. Mannion, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved:—

That the Council protest against the existing arrangement, whereby the Bus from Clifden is timed to arrive in Galway five minutes after the train for the South departs.

Proposed by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved:—

That the C.I.E. Authorities be requested to arrange that the Bus from Moneenagisha to Threadneedle Road travels via Shantalla and Maunsell's Road at least in the morning and evening.

7684. **Efficiency in Building Works, Etc.**—At the Chairman's request, Mr. R. M. Burke withdrew his notice of motion.

7685. **Cinematograph Act, 1909.**—The Council authorised the issue of a Licence under above Act to Mr. Henry O'Shaughnessy, The Square, Gort, in respect of his Cinema at Gort, for period to 25/6/49.

7686. **Proposed Regional Hospital.**—Secretary informed Mr. Brennan of the present position in regard to the proposed Regional Hospital and the suggested alterations in the existing hospital building.

Mr. Beegan recommended that the Department of Health be requested to guarantee that the terms of the grant for the Galway Regional Hospital be not less favourable than those of the grant given recently in Cork.

Mr. Cooke recommended that pressure be brought to bear on the Department to expedite the erection of the new hospital.

7687. **Insurance of County Councillors.**—It was decided that correspondence with the County Committee of Agriculture in connection with above matter be placed on the Agenda for next meeting.

7688. **County Library.**—Mr. Brennan proposed, Miss Ashe seconded, and it was Resolved:—

That the Council recommend the appointment of an additional Assistant in the County Library.

7689. **Resolutions.**—The Council adopted the following Resolutions:—

- (1) From Mayo County Council, that the Government be requested to have the up-keep of main roads and Mental Hospitals made a National Charge.
- (2) From Waterford County Council, requesting that the agricultural grant in respect of employment allowances for the abatement of rates be increased by 100 per cent.
- (3) From New Ross Urban District Council, protesting against the provisions of the Rent Restrictions Act, 1946, which enables the landlord to increase rent by approximately 15 per cent. of the cost of putting the house in repair.

The following Resolutions were marked "Read":—

- (1) Offaly County Council, re Turf Production.
- (2) Westmeath County Council, re fees for Consulting Engineers, etc.
- (3) Sligo County Council, recommending repeal of County Management Acts.
- (4) Kilkenny Corporation, that pensions of civil servants, etc., be increased.

*Submitted
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*Submitted approved & confirmed this 24th day of July, 1948.
Máire M. O'Connell Chairman*

16adh Iul, 1948.

A Chara,

Tarratar ort leis seo, beith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Condáe na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Chonndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 24adh Iul, 1948, ag 12.30 p.m., a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUAMLAIGH

Runai.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

To consider:— GNO.

- 1. Minutes.
- 2. Appointment of Rate Collector for No. 27 Collection District.
- 3. Scheme for repair of roads of public utility.
- 4. Proposed sale of plot of land acquired as site for a district hospital at Ballinasloe.
- 5. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for year 1949.
- 6. Scheme for University Scholarships for year 1949.
- 7. Appointment of delegates to discuss with Trades Union Authorities the rates of wages for labour employed on new water, sewerage, etc., schemes in County Galway.
- 8. Arrangements for visiting district institutions by the visiting committee appointed by the Council.
- 9. Letter from Rev. P. Jennings, P.P., Portumna, regretting that he is unable to accept appointment as a member of the Co. Galway Vocational Education Committee.
- 10. Letter from the Clerk to Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee regarding appointment of members on the Sub-Committee.
- 11. Correspondence with the Committee of Agriculture relating to insurance of members of the Council and Committees.
- 12. Application for Cinema Licence by Mrs. Nora Murphy in respect of Cinema at the Town Hall, Athenry.
- 13. Correspondence with Department of Justice regarding provision of a new courthouse at Derrynea.
- 14. Making of Preliminary Order for acquisition of Derelict Sites at Eyrecourt.

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15. Appointment of delegate to the Annual Conference of the Library Association of Ireland, 1948.
16. Letter 10/6/48 (RM/201/W(G) from Department of Local Government regarding wages of Supervisory Road Workers of County Councils.
17. Notices of Motion by Members:-
- (a) - Councillor Brennan. "That he will ask at next Meeting of the Council:-
- (i). The cost of equipment provided for the Central Hospital following the Inquiry held in 1945.
 - (ii) The fund from which the expenditure was, or will be, defrayed.
 - (iii) The amount of expenditure incurred by the erection of two huts at Woodlands Sanatorium, and
 - (iv) The estimated cost of erecting the proposed huts at the Central Hospital.
- (b) - Councillor Cunningham. "That the destruction by foxes in our poultry yards is of so extensive a character as to warrant this Council's making sufficient money provision for the extermination of this pest - in which we should only be following the example of our neighbouring Council of Roscommon."
- (c) - Councillor Ruane. "That I am moving for the next Meeting of the Council for the undermentioned amenities to be provided for the town of Athenry:-
- (i) That a public latrine be provided for the Town.
 - (ii) That a public dumping ground be provided for the Town."
- (d) - Councillor R. M. Burke. "That Galway Co. Council requests the Co. Manager to make a statement to the Council with regard to his proposals in connection with the provision of a public abattoir, a fire station, a new dispensary and a pound for the town of Tuam, mentioning in each case the proposed dimensions, position and approx. cost, and indicating how soon the work of each of these projects is likely to be commenced."
18. Letter from Co. Councils' General Council requesting notice of matters to be placed on Agenda for next Meeting.
19. Auditor's Report on audit of accounts of the Galway Port Sanitary Authority for year ended 31/3/1948.
20. Resolutions.
21. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 24th JULY, 1948.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillors Ashe, Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Carty, Casey, Collieran, Collins, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Fannon, Ruane, Furry, Glynn, O'Shea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Murphy, Nestor, Newell, and Shiel.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Nestor, the Council unanimously decided to adjourn the meeting for one hour in sympathy with the Secretary on the death of his mother. The Secretary thanked the Chairman and Members.

7690. Minutes.—On resumption of the meeting, Minutes to 7689, having been circulated to the Members, were taken as read and were signed.

7691. Road Transport.—Arising out of the Minutes, it was proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved:—

"That Coras Iompair Eireann be informed that their letter of 12/3/48, relative to the proportion of road vehicles which are owned by the Company, was misleading owing to the fact that it gave no information as to the mileage travelled and the tonnage of the vehicles in question.

Mr. Nestor stated that the reply from C.I.E. to his resolution regarding bus service between Claremorris and Athlone is not satisfactory; that services should be provided by C.I.E. where no service previously existed and should not be restricted to restoring services which were restricted during the emergency.

Miss Ashe stated that the Council should be compensated for wear of roads by C.I.E.

Mr. O'Shea stated that a bus service to Lettermullen cannot be provided owing to the defective condition of bridges in that area.

County Engineer informed Mr. O'Shea that plans, etc., for the bridges are being prepared by the Consulting Engineer.

7692. Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948.—Mr. Kitt proposed, Mr. Brennan seconded, and it was decided that the Council give notice of its intention to adopt Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948.

7693. Special Employment Schemes.—Mr. Kitt proposed, Mr. R. M. Burke seconded:—

"That employment on special schemes be given to persons who were employed up to five years on turf production, but who were transferred to road work in 1947 and are at present unemployed."

County Engineer pointed out that, according to the Department's instructions, employment on the special schemes is restricted to persons employed on turf production by the Council or by Bord na Mona in 1947.

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County Engineer further stated that adequate employment is now available in practically all areas, but that if any special cases of hardship are brought to his notice, he will endeavour to provide employment for them.

7694. Tuam Water Supply Extension.—Mortgage Deed for loan of £17,100, repayable to the Commissioners of Public Works over a period of 25 years, was submitted.

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Fannon, 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 Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

7695. County Home.—It was proposed by Mr. ~~R. M. Burke~~ ^{Carty}, seconded by Mr. Carty:—

"That, in view of the recent statement by the Minister for Health that there was no change in the condition of County Homes since 1847, the County Manager inform the Council of (1) the present diet scale in the County Home, Loughrea; (2) the number of meals per day served to inmates; (3) whether it is a fact that soup is served three times a day; and (4) the type of bedding provided for inmates."

Miss Ashe pointed out that it was not understood that the Minister referred specifically to Galway County Home.

Mr. Cooke stated that the Minister's remarks were to the effect that an improvement could be made in the accommodation and diet provided for the aged poor in County Homes generally. County Manager gave particulars of the diet, accommodation, bedding, etc., as requested by Messrs. R. M. Burke and Carty.

It was unanimously agreed that conditions in the Home have improved very considerably during the past twenty years, and are, in fact, quite satisfactory.

Circular No. 57/48, of 21/7/48, from the Department of Health, regarding County Homes, was submitted.

County Manager stated that, in due course, proposals for necessary improvements would be submitted to the Council.

7696. Rate Collector for No. 27 District.—Secretary submitted nine applications received for the vacant post of Rate Collector for the No. 27 District.

It was proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke and seconded by Mr. Casey:—

"That a small Committee be appointed to interview the candidates."

It was proposed as an amendment by Mr. Cunningham and seconded by Mr. Lambert:—

"That the appointment be made now."

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken on the amendment.

Seventeen members voted for and nine against the amendment, which was declared carried, and proposals were then taken for the appointment of Collector.

Mr. Mannion proposed, Mr. Collins seconded:—

"That Mrs. Ulla E. O'Malley, Kilmilkin, Máam, be appointed."

Mr. Curley proposed, Mr. Newell seconded:—

"That Mr. Michael J. Kyne, Clonbur, be appointed."

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mrs. O'Malley—Messrs. Brennan, R. M. Burke, Casey, Collins, Pannon, Fury, Lambert, Mannion, and Nestor—9.

For Mr. Kyne—Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, S. Burke, Carty, Coleran, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Murphy, Newell, Quinn, and Shiel—18.

The Chairman declared Mr. Michael J. Kyne appointed to the post of Rate Collector for No. 27 District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment and subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government.

7697. Extension of Water Main to Knocknacarra.—Letter, 23/7/48, from Galway Corporation was submitted, enclosing an estimate of £1,000 for extension of water main from the Urban boundary on the Taylor's Hill road to Knocknacarra Junction, a distance of 610 yards.

It was proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Carty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve an expenditure of £1,000 for extension of water main from Galway Borough boundary on the Taylor's Hill road to Knocknacarra Junction."

7698. Payment of Labourers' Wages.—The Council heard Mr. Scarry, representative of the Loughrea Branch of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, who stated that there was a delay of five weeks in paying the wages of workers employed in cleaning the river at Loughrea.

It was explained to Mr. Scarry that the pay sheet was, in the first instance, sent to the Loughrea Town Commissioners, and later, when it was ascertained that the cleaning of the river was the responsibility of the Council, the pay sheet was forwarded to the latter body, hence the delay in payment of wages.

It was decided that consideration of Circular IR/159, of 20/7/48, regarding weekly payment of wages to road workers and all other matters on the Agenda be adjourned until next meeting of the Council on 7/8/48.

*Refered
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*Submitted, approved & confirmed this 2nd
day of October, 1948.*

Mairéad O'Cuinn, Chairman

(and the following number quoted)

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Súilín: Sallim 55
(Phone: Galway 43)

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(Galway)

30th July, 1948.

4. Chára,

Iarratar ort leis seo beith i lathair ag Cruinniu de Comhairle Ondaie na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Chonndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 7adh Lughnasa, 1948, at 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

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Chait gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

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To consider:

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14. ~~Raising of Loan of £2,200 for provision of a Water Supply Scheme for Eyrecoort.~~
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- (i) that two public ^{lavatories} be provided for the town;
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- (d) Councillor R.M. Burke: "That Galway County Council requests the County Manager to make a statement to the Council with regard to his proposals in connection with the provision of a public abattoir, a fire station, a new dispensary and a pound for the town of Tusa, mentioning in each case the proposed dimensions, position and approx. cost, and indicating how soon the work of each of these projects is likely to be commenced."
- (e) Councillor M. Killilea: "That in view of the recent statements made by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance with particular reference to the one at Mountbellew as reported in the Connaught Tribune on the 10/7/48 to the effect that employment on County Council work gangers were appointed by political influence. That the County Manager explain to the County Council at its next meeting whether representations of this nature were made to any of the Engineers or himself at any time and, if so, who made such representations and whether at any time they were pressed to give employment to Fianna Fail supporters."
18. Letter from County Council's General Council requesting notice of matters to be placed on Agenda for next meeting.
19. Auditor's Report on Audit of accounts of the Galway Port Sanitary Authority for year ended 31/3/1948.
20. Letter IR/ITG of 20/7/48 from Department of Local Government relating to weekly payment of road workers.
21. Financial arrangements for provision of additional accommodation for patients at Galway Central Hospital.
22. Resolutions.
23. Other Business.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 7th AUGUST, 1948.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillors Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Cunningham, Casey, Collieran, Collins, Curley, Fannon, Ruane, Furry, Glynn, O'Seaghda, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Murphy, Nestor, and Shiel.

7699. Minutes.—As Minutes of the meeting of the 24/7/48 have not yet been circulated to the members, consideration of them was deferred until next meeting.

7700. Scheme for Repair of Roads of Public Utility.—It was proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Collins, and Resolved:—
"That the list of proposals, as submitted with County Engineer's report, dated the 6/8/48, be forwarded to the Office of Public Works, and that the Office of Public Works be informed that the Council would be prepared to undertake the future maintenance of roads which are not less than 17' between the fences, with a carriageway of not less than 14', provided the roads are put in proper order by the Office of Public Works in the first instance."

Mr. Killilea recommended that the County Manager should not refuse to take over any road which the Board of Works have constructed or are prepared to construct, until the question of its being taken over would be first considered by the Council.

7701. Sale of Site for Ballinasloe District Hospital.—It was proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Lambert, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the sale of a plot of land in the townland of Garbally Demesne, Ballinasloe—area, 4 acres 2 roods, or thereabouts, statute measure—to the Franciscan Missionaries of the Divine Motherhood (Authorities of the Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe) for the sum of £789 5s. 0d., plus Cost of Conveyance of the land to the purchasers."

7702. New Hospitals.—Letter, H.C.3098/7/48, of the 31/7/48, from the Department of Health, was submitted, stating that in view of the shortage of essential materials, operatives, etc., the Minister wishes that the hospital construction programme in County Galway should be confined to the following projects for the present:—

(a) the erection of the Galway Regional Hospital and of the Regional Sanatorium;

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(b) the erection of the Maternity Annexe at Clifden District Hospital;

(c) additions and alterations to the Children's Home, Tuam;

(d) extension to Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe;

(e) erection of Nurses' Home, Woodlands Sanatorium.

The letter stated that the erection of the New Fever Hospital at Galway and of a District Hospital at Portumna/Woodford should be postponed.

It was proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. King, and Resolved:—

"That the Department of Health be asked to expedite the erection of Galway Regional Hospital and to indicate, as early as possible, when its erection will commence."

It was proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Mannion, and Resolved:—

"That the Council recommend to the Minister for Health that portion of St. Enda's College, Threadneedle Road, be taken over for accommodation of hospital patients"

It was proposed by Mr. Brennan that an investigation be made into the reason for delay in provision of the Regional Hospital. This proposal was not seconded.

7703. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1949.—Letter, OIL (2) 74841, of the 8/7/48, from the Department of Education, and Minutes of Meeting of the Education Committee, held on the 17/7/48, were submitted.

It was proposed by Mr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That a scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for the year 1949, similar to the scheme for 1948, with the following amendments, be submitted for the approval of the Minister for Education:—

(a) **Value of Scholarships:** The sum of £500 to be substituted for £325 in Clause II (1) of the Scheme.

Clause II (2) of the Scheme to be amended by substituting the amounts £60, £25 and £72 10s. 0d. per annum, for £50, £18 15s. 0d. and £62 10s. 0d. per annum, respectively.

Clause II (4) of the Scheme to be amended by substituting the amounts £85 and £37 10s. 0d. a year for £75 and £31 5s. 0d. a year, respectively.

(b) **Means Qualifications:** Clause IV (2) to be amended by substituting the amounts £35 and £5 for £30 and £6, respectively.

Clause IV (3) to be amended by substituting the amount £350 for £300, and by insertion of the words 'for the year ending 31/12/48' after the word 'family' in this Clause.

A new Clause (4) to be inserted after Clause (3), as follows:—

for the purpose of reckoning total income, in cases where the parents or guardians of the candidate occupy land and are also in receipt of other income, £1 Poor Law Valuation of land shall be deemed to be equivalent to an annual income of £10.

The present Clause IV (4) to be altered to read IV (5).
Reservation of Scholarships for Candidates Attending Particular Types of Schools: Clauses VI (c) and (d) to be amended by substituting the amount £60 for £50 in each case."

7704. Scheme for University Scholarships, 1949.—Minutes of Meeting of the Education Committee, held on the 17/7/48, were submitted.

It was proposed by Mr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That a scheme for University Scholarships (Ordinary and Agricultural) for the year 1949, similar to the scheme for 1948, with the following amendments, be adopted:—

"Clause I to be amended by increasing from £240 to £360 the amount to be provided for Scholarships to be awarded under the Scheme in 1949.

"Clause IV (a) of the Scheme to be amended by substituting the amounts £35 and £350 for £30 and £300, respectively.

"Clause IV (b) to be amended by substituting the amount £5 for £6.

"A new Clause IV (c) to be inserted as follows:—

For the purpose of reckoning total income, in cases where the parents or guardians of the candidate occupy land and are also in receipt of other income, £1 Poor Law Valuation of land shall be deemed to be equivalent to an annual income of £10."

7705. Rates of Wages for Sanitary Schemes.—It was proposed by Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the following delegates be appointed to accompany the County Manager in discussion with Trades Union Authorities on the rates of wages for labour employed on new water and sewerage, etc., schemes in County Galway: Councillors Quinn, Lambert, Collins, Ashe and Cooke. The deputation to report back to the Council before agreeing to any increase in existing rates of wages."

7706. Visiting Committees for Council's Institutions.—It was unanimously agreed that the first meeting of the Visiting

Committee be held at Galway Central Hospital at 1 p.m. on Saturday, 28th August, 1948, the meeting to be called by the Secretary of the County Council and the Superintendent of the Hospital to act as Secretary to the Committee when it visits the Central Hospital.

It was also arranged that the following officers would act as Secretary when it visits the Institutions mentioned:—

Woodlands Sanatorium ... The Matron.
 Clifden District Hospital ... The Head Nurse.
 County Home, Loughrea ... The Storekeeper.

7707. County Vocational Education Committee.—Letter, 13/7/48, from Rev. P. Jennings, P.P., Portumna, was submitted, stating that owing to parochial circumstances he regrets that he could not accept appointment as member of above Committee.

It was proposed by Mr. Shiel, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and Resolved:—

"That Very Rev. T. Glennon, P.P., Woodford, be appointed a member of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee to fill the vacancy created by the inability of Rev. Fr. Jennings to accept appointment."

7708. Oughterard O.A.P. Sub-Committee.—Consideration of appointment of two members on the Oughterard O.A.P. Sub-Committee was adjourned until next meeting.

7709. Insurance of County Councillors, Etc.—Correspondence with the County Committee of Agriculture relating to the insurance of members of the Council and Committees of the Council against accident while attending meetings was submitted. It was decided that as Councillors are already adequately covered against such risk, no further insurance is necessary.

7710. Cinema Licence.—On the proposition of Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. Beegan, the Council unanimously approved the issue of a licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, to Mrs. Nora Murphy in respect of cinema premises at the Town Hall, Athenry.

7711. Derrynea Courthouse.—Correspondence with the Department of Justice in regard to provision of a new Courthouse at Carraroe was submitted indicating that the Minister was not prepared to approve the provision of a Courthouse at Carraroe, and directs that instead it be provided at Derrynea.

Mr. O'Shea stated that Derrynea is more conveniently situated for persons in the Court area.

It was proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Ruane:—
 "That consideration of provision of a Courthouse at Derrynea be adjourned."

Passed.

7712. Derelict Site at Eyrecourt.—It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Shiel, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the making of a Preliminary Order under the Acquisition of Derelict Sites Act, 1940, in respect of the site in the townland of Townparks—Electoral Division of Eyrecourt, Rural District of Portumna—area, 1 rood 17 perches, and coloured 'red' in the map prepared by the County Engineer."

Mr. Ruane stated that there are several derelict sites in Athenry which would need attention.

7713. Loan: Eyrecourt Water Supply Scheme.—It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £9,200 from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of a Water Supply Scheme for Eyrecourt town—the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan."

7714. Library Association Conference.—Letter from the Library Association of Ireland was submitted, stating that the Annual Conference of the Association would be held at Killarney from the 28th September to the 1st October.

It was proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. O'Shea:—
 "That the Council approve the attendance of Councillor Kitt, Councillor Glynn and the County Librarian at the Annual Conference."

7715. Wages of Supervisory Road Workers.—Circular Letter, RN.201/W(G), of the 10/6/48, from the Department of Local Government, regarding the wages of supervisory road workers of County Councils was submitted and noted.

7716. Equipment: Central Hospital, Etc.—Mr. Brennan stated that he wished to withdraw his Notice of Motion in regard to equipment provided at Central Hospital and cost of huts at the hospital and at Woodlands Sanatorium, as he intends that these matters will be considered by the Visiting Committee.

7717. Extermination of Foxes.—Clr. Cunningham recommended that the Council provide funds for payment of 10/- in respect of each fox destroyed.

After discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and Resolved:—

"That no action be taken in regard to provision of funds for extermination of foxes."

7718. Latrine and Dumping Ground, Athenry.—It was proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. Beegan, and Resolved:—

"That the Council recommend that one latrine and a dumping ground be provided at Athenry Town."

7719. Public Abattoir, Fire Station, Dispensary and Pound for Tuam.—The County Manager informed Mr. Burke of the present position in regard to provision of Fire Station and Pound for Tuam, and stated that while some repairs were being carried out to the Dispensary, no proposal has been submitted for provision of a new Dispensary, as that in existence compares very favourably with the Dispensaries in other places, and, in any event, it would not be advisable to provide any new dispensary at present until the requirements of the Department of Health are clarified.

As regards an Abattoir, the County Manager pointed out that the recent adoption of Bye-laws for slaughter-houses has given the Council considerable control over private slaughter-houses, and it is possible that a public Abattoir will not be necessary.

7720. Road Gangers, Etc.—In reply to Clr. Killilea's Notice of Motion, the County Manager informed the Council that representations had never been made to him in regard to appointment of road gangers, and he was satisfied that the County Engineer in making such appointments had never given any consideration to the political affiliations of the candidates.

7721. Weekly Payment of Road Workers.—Letter, IR/159, of the 20/7/48, from the Department of Local Government, recommending weekly payment of road workers was submitted. Consideration of the letter was adjourned until the next meeting of the Council.

7722. Additional Accommodation for Patients at Central Hospital.—Letter, H.C.7098/3/48, of the 21/7/48, from the Department of Health was submitted, stating that the Minister would be prepared to authorise payment of a grant from the Hospitals' Trust Fund to defray 50 per cent. of the cost of building and furnishing temporary accommodation to relieve over-crowding in Galway Central Hospital. Consideration of provision of funds for the other 50 per cent. of the expenditure was adjourned until definite information is available as to the number of patients to be accommodated.

7723. Miscellaneous.—Letter, 25/6/48, from the County Councils' General Council, stating that next meeting would be held during Horse Show Week (24th—28th August) was submitted.

The Auditor's reports and statements of accounts in respect of the following bodies for the year ended 31st March, 1948, were submitted:—

Galway Port Sanitary Authority, Galway County Committee of Agriculture, and the Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra Joint Drainage Committee.

Refered to

Submitted approved & confirmed this 2nd day of October, 1948.
M. J. O'Shea Chairman

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Súáin: Sallim 55
(Phone: Galway 55)

(Galway)

24th Meábon Fómhair, 1948.

A ÓARA, TARRATAR ORT leis seo beir i láthair ag Cruinniú de
Cómairle Conndae na Sallim, Seomra na Cómairle ins na
Foirgnithe Conndae, Sallim, Dia Sathairn, 24th Deire Fómhair, 1948,
ar 12.30.p.m. a óloz.

Mise, le meas,

1. O'luadhais

RUNAIÓE

Cuiz sac baill de'n Cómairle:

SNO

To Consider:-

1. Minutes.
2. Obtaining Overdraft Accommodation for period 1st October to 31st December, 1948, on -

General Account:	£50,000
Turf Account:	£70,000
3. Financial arrangements for -
 - (a) Provision of additional accommodation (Huts) for patients at Central Hospital;
 - (b) Painting of Main Building at Central Hospital;
 - (c) Erection of cottages by Direct Labour - Overdraft £10,000 on Capital Account.
4. Circular No.73/48 of 24/8/48 from Department of Health authorising payment of a bonus to employees engaged on duties under the Health Services whose remuneration does not exceed £350 a year.
5. Circular IR/159 of 20/7/48 from Department of Local Government recommending that arrangements be made for weekly payment of wages to road workers.
6. Adoption of Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948, (Notice of Motion by Clr. Ml. Kitt)
7. Payment of increased wages rates on new water and sewerage schemes in the County Health District excluding the towns of Tuam, Loughrea and Gort.
8. County Manager's letter of 31/8/1948 relating to alterations and improvements which are required at the County Home, Loughrea.
9. Arrangements for performance of duties of Rate Collector in No.3. District consequent on the death of Collector A.J. Manning.

10. Arrangements for performance of duties of Rate Collector in No. 33 District consequent on the removal of Collector Ml. O'Donoghue from office.
11. Appointment of three members on the Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee. (Notice of Motion by Clr. P. Kyne).
12. Purchase of Customs and Tolls of Loughrea Town.
13. Application from Trustees of Portumna Town Hall for renewal of Cinema Licence for the Town Hall.
14. Letter 23/8/48 (RCM/11) from Department of Local Government regretting that the conditions governing the grant for employment of persons previously engaged on Turf Production cannot be varied. (Minute No.7693).
15. Raising of Loan for purchase of dispensary residence and dispensary at Rosmuck (Lettermore No.2. Dispensary District).
16. Renting of premises in Galway City for use as an Art Gallery and Museum.
17. Adoption of Town and Regional Planning Acts for Galway County Health District.
18. Members' Notices of Motion:
 - (a) Clr. J.J. Cunningham: "That a pump be provided at Cooloo, Moylough."
 - (b) Clr. Ml. Carty: "That County Manager state what plans have been prepared for provision of a sewerage scheme for Cosmona, Loughrea."
 - (c) Clr. Ml. Kitt: "That County Manager explain why Michael McGagh, a student of the Christian Brothers Schools, Tuam, was not granted an Agricultural Scholarship under the Council's University Scholarship Scheme, 1948."
19. Auditor's Reports and Abstracts of Accounts for the following bodies:-

Galway County Council.....	Y.E. 31/3/1947.
Co. Galway Vocational Educ. Committee.....	Y.E. 31/3/1948.
Fergus Joint Drainage Committee.....	Y.E. 31/3/1948.
Lough Corrib Navigation Board:.....	Y.E. 31/3/1948.
20. Minutes of Meeting of General Council of County Councils - 6/5/1948.
21. Resolutions.
22. Other business.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 2nd OCTOBER, 1948.

In the Chair: (1) Councillor M. Quinn.
(2) Councillor M. Carty.

Also Present: Councillors M. Ashe, P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. Cunningham, J. Curley, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Furry, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell and T. O'Connor.

7724. **Minutes.**—Minutes of the Council to 7723, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7725. **Overdraft Accommodation.**—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That application be made to the Department of Local Government for sanction to obtaining overdraft accommodation not exceeding £50,000 on the Council's General Account for period from 1/10/48 to 31/12/48."

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That application be made to the Department of Local Government for sanction to obtaining overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 on the Council's Turf Account for period from 1/10/48 to 31/12/48."

7726. **Additional Accommodation for Patients at Galway Central Hospital.**—It was proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £7,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision of additional accommodation for patients at Galway Central Hospital; the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of fifteen years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan."

Proposed as an amendment by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. O'Connor:—

"That the additional accommodation be not provided pending receipt of a definite decision from the Minister for Health on the Council's resolution in regard to the taking over of portion of St. Enda's College for use as a Hospital."

Mr. Glynn proposed, Mr. Carty seconded:—

"That accommodation be provided for an additional 160 patients instead of an additional 80, as in the present proposal."

County Manager explained that there would not be space available in the existing site for a building to accommodate 160 patients.

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Messrs. Carty and Glynn then withdrew their proposal.

A vote taken on Miss Ashe's amendment resulted as follows:—

For—Miss Ashe, Messrs. S. Burke, P. Cooke, J. Curley, P. Furry, T. King, P. Kyne, J. Mannion and T. O'Connor—9.

Against—Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, Carty, Casey, Collieran, Collins, Cunningham, Fannon, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, Kitt, Lambert, Murphy, Nestor, Newell and Quinn—19.

A vote was then taken on Mr. Nestor's resolution, which resulted as follows:—

For—Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, R. M. Burke, Carty, Casey, Collieran, Collins, Cunningham, Fannon, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, Kitt, Lambert, Murphy, Nestor, Newell and Quinn—19.

Against—Miss Ashe, Messrs. S. Burke, P. Cooke, J. Curley, P. Furry, T. King, P. Kyne, J. Mannion and T. O'Connor—9.

The Chairman declared Mr. Nestor's proposal carried.

7727. **Painting of Main Building, Central Hospital.**—Secretary explained that the County Engineer now reports that he is proceeding with the necessary painting of the main building at the Central Hospital by direct labour and does not anticipate that it will be necessary to seek any additional money for this work over and above the amount already provided in the estimate for maintenance for the current year.

7728. **Erection of Cottages by Direct Labour.**—It was proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Carty, and Resolved:—

"That application be made to the Minister for Local Government for sanction to obtaining overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Capital Account for the erection of cottages by direct labour pending the raising of a loan for erection of cottages generally."

Mr. S. Burke dissented from this resolution.

7729. **Revision of Salaries: Health Services Employees.**—Circular No. 73/48, of 24/8/48, from Department of Health, was read, intimating that the Minister approves of the payment to officers and servants, other than agricultural workers, in respect of whom he is the appropriate Minister and whose remuneration (including emoluments) does not exceed £350 a year, of a temporary bonus at the rates specified in the Circular, provided the local authority indicate their willingness to supply the necessary funds.

Secretary stated that the additional expenditure involved, should the Council agree to provide the funds, would be £3,750 for a year, or £3,200 for the current year from 29/5/48.

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Cooke:—

"That the Council provide the necessary funds, viz., £3,200 for the current year."

It was proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Curley:—

"That the increases authorised by the Minister be not granted to the officers concerned until 1st April, 1949."

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken on Mr. Collin's amendment, which resulted in 6 for and 22 against.

Mr. Brennan's motion was then put, which, on a show of hands, resulted in 22 votes for and 6 against.

The Chairman declared Mr. Brennan's motion carried.

It was proposed by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Collins, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That in view of the undesirability of providing additional money subsequent to the adoption of the Council's Estimate, the Council recommend to the Ministers for Local Government, Health and Social Welfare, that proposals for the granting of increases to officers should be withheld until the period in each year during which the Council's Estimates are being prepared."

7730. **Weekly Payment of Wages to Road Workers.**—Circular IR/159, of 20/7/48, from the Department of Local Government was submitted, recommending the introduction of weekly payment of wages to road workers.

Report, 19/8/48, from the County Engineer was read, stating that the additional expenditure involved, so far as his Department was concerned, would be £198 per week.

Secretary reported that the total additional expenditure involved in giving effect to the Minister's suggestion would be £12,500 a year.

It was proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Carty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council do not approve of the introduction of a system of weekly payment of wages for road workers in view of the extra expenditure involved."

7731. **Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948, Part III.**—Notice, 10/8/48, which was circulated to members, was submitted.

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Beegan, and Resolved:—

"That Part III of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948, be adopted by the Galway County Council as on and from 1st January, 1949, and that for the purpose of Section 5 (2) of the Act the maximum number of persons to be at any one time in the employment of the Council as permanent servants be 1,600."

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Casey, and Resolved:—

"That the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1948, be amended so as to provide for payment of wages to established servants absent from duty owing to illness."

7732. **Rates of Wages for Sanitary Schemes (Minute No. 7705).**—Secretary reported that the Council's representatives discussed with those of the Trade Unions the question of labour rates to workers employed on new Waterworks and Sewerage Schemes at the conference which was held at the County Buildings, Galway, on 21/8/48, when it was agreed that, with effect from 1/8/48, unskilled labour employed on new Waterworks and Sewerage Schemes in the County Health District, excluding the towns of Tuam, Loughrea and Gort, be paid at the rate of 1/6d. per hour instead of 1/3d. per hour, as previously.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Kitt, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the additional expenditure on new Waterworks and Sewerage Schemes involved by the increase in rates of wages as from 1/8/48."

The estimated increases in the Schemes in progress are:—

Byrecoort Waterworks	£636	0	0
Mountbellew Waterworks	£255	0	0
Ballygar Waterworks	£620	0	0
Headford Sewerage	£240	0	0
Portumna Sewerage	£1,750	0	0
Oughterard Sewerage	£550	0	0
Clifden Sewerage	£1,050	0	0

7733. **County Home, Loughrea.**—County Manager's letter of 31/8/48 was submitted.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, it was resolved:—

"That consideration of the letter be postponed until the Architect's proposals are available."

7734. **Rate Collector, No. 3 District.**—Secretary reported that Mr. A. J. Manning, Rate Collector for No. 3 District, died on 25/8/48.

On the proposition of Mr. Beegan, the Council unanimously voted sympathy with the relatives of Mr. Manning.

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That, subject to sanction of the Minister for Local Government, Mr. John Fallon, Derrymullen, Ballinasloe, be appointed as temporary Rate Collector for No. 3 District to collect the balance of the Warrant for the current year, and that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the permanent post, which will be filled before the Warrant for year ending 31/3/50 is issued."

7735. **Rate Collector, No. 33 District.**—Letter, G.163/7/48, 7/38, 18/9/48, from the Department of Local Government, was submitted enclosing copy of an Order made by the Minister removing from office Mr. Michael O'Donoghue, Rate Collector.

Proposed by Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved:—

- "That (a) Mr. Thomas A. O'Donoghue, Solicitor, Tuam, be appointed temporary Rate Collector to complete the collection of the Warrant for the current year, subject to sanction of the Minister for Local Government.
- "(b) The Council recommend that the Electoral Divisions of Tuam Rural and Killierin be transferred from District No. 33 to District No. 36 (Collector J. Dermody) with effect from 1st April, 1949.
- "(c) Advertisements be issued in due course inviting applications for the permanent post of Rate Collector for the remainder of District No. 33, viz., the Electoral Divisions of Claretuam and Tuam Urban, so that the Collector for this district may be appointed before the Warrant for the year ending 31/3/50 is issued."

7736. Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Kyne, seconded by Mr. Carty, and Resolved:—
"That the following be appointed members of the Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee:—
Mr. Andrew Ferguson, Main Street, Oughterard.
Mr. P. J. Mons, Drimnakill, Oughterard.
Mr. Martin O'Malley, Oughterard."

7737. Loughrea Tolls.—County Manager informed the meeting of the negotiations between the Council and the Solicitors for the Harewood Estate in Loughrea for the purchase of tolls and customs at Loughrea; that it now appears as if the customs and tolls would be sold to Mr. Ryan, to whom they have been rented for a number of years.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, the Council approved any action taken by the County Manager with a view to the acquisition of the Fair Green at Loughrea, if possible.

7738. Portumna Tolls.—County Manager stated that the Harewood Estate is prepared to dispose of the tolls at Portumna to the Council, provided a satisfactory offer is made by them.

On the recommendation of Mr. S. Burke, it was decided that any action in regard to the acquisition of the tolls at Portumna be deferred until the views of the Portumna Development Company are obtained.

7739. Cinema Licence.—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the application from the Trustees of the Portumna Town Hall for renewal of Cinema Licence for the Town Hall be granted for period from 2/10/48 to 1/10/49."

7740. Special Schemes for Employment of Ex-Turf Workers.—Letter, RGM/11, of 23/8/48, from the Department of Local Government was read, stating that the conditions governing the grant for the employment of persons previously engaged on turf production cannot be varied.

Report, dated 23/9/48, from the County Engineer was also read, stating that the balance available for road maintenance at 1/10/48 will be £83,579, as compared with £164,244 on the same date last year, with the result that there will be a decrease in the numbers employed on road works this winter as compared with last year.

Proposed by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the County Engineer submit, for consideration by the Council, proposals for additional works, together with an estimate of the cost of such works—provided the Road Grant will be available for such additional expenditure."
Mr. King dissented from this resolution.

Mr. Carty then took the Chair.

7741. Lettermore No. 2 District: Dispensary Residence.—Proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. O'Shea, and Resolved:—
"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £3,700 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purchase and repair of a building at Rosmuck for use as dispensary residence, dispensary, etc. The loan to be repayable half-yearly by annuity over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan."

7742. Art Gallery, Museum, Etc.—The County Manager explained that a building at Galway known as "Mayoralty House" is offered by the owner, Mr. H. Hannon, to the Council at a rent of £250 a year, plus rates, the lease to be for a period of ten years, and the lessee to be also responsible for repairs.
After discussion, it was unanimously decided that the offer be refused and that no action be taken in regard to the renting of these premises.

7743. Town and Regional Planning.—Letter, 13/8/48, from the Department of Local Government, was submitted, stating that the Council might now review the question of passing a resolution adopting the Town and Regional Planning Acts for the County Health District.

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That consideration of this matter be deferred for three months."

7744. Pump at Cooloo, Moylough.—In pursuance of notice of motion by Mr. Cunningham, the Council unanimously recommended that a pump be provided at Cooloo, Moylough.

7745. University Scholarship Scheme, 1948.—Mr. Kitt requested that the County Manager explain why Michael McGagh, a student of the Christian Brothers' School, Tuam, was not granted an agricultural scholarship under the Council's University Scheme, 1948, having regard to the fact that in the written examination he obtained higher marks than the candidate to whom the scholarship was awarded.

Secretary explained that while Michael McGagh was successful in the written examination he failed to pass the practical examination arranged by the Authorities of University College in accordance with Clause VIII of the Scheme, and that as a result of his failure to pass the practical examination he was not eligible for the award of a scholarship.

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That an additional University Agricultural Scholarship, value £120 a year, be awarded to Mr. Michael McGagh, Abbert, Ballyglunin, in view of the fact that the marks obtained by him in the written examination were higher than those obtained by the candidate to whom an agricultural scholarship has already been awarded, and that the Council were not aware that Clause VIII of the Scheme could operate in such a manner as to debar a brilliant candidate, such as Michael McGagh, from being awarded a scholarship; the scholarship to be tenable for two years at University College, Galway, and two years at University College, Dublin."

It was also unanimously decided that a meeting of the Education Committee be summoned as early as possible to consider the University Scholarship Scheme for 1949.

7746. Secondary and Vocational Scholarships, 1949.—Letter, Oil. (2) 74836, of 30/9/48, from the Department of Education, was submitted, approving the scheme formulated by the Council for 1949, subject to alteration of Clause IV so that the means limits be the same as in the scheme for 1948, and to other minor amendments.

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Carty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council adhere to the provisions of Clause IV as set out in the draft scheme already submitted to the Minister for Education."

7747. Auditors' Reports.—Auditors' Reports and Abstracts of Accounts for the following bodies were submitted:—

Bodies	Year ended
Galway County Council	31/3/47
Co. Galway Vocational Education Committee	31/3/48
Fergus Joint Drainage Committee	31/3/48
Lough Corrib Navigation Board	31/3/48

7748. County Councils' General Council.—Minutes of meeting of the County Councils' General Council held on 6/5/48 were submitted.

7749. Sympathy.—Resolutions of sympathy were passed with the following:—

- Mr. John Connor, Clarenbridge, on the death of his father.
- Dr. J. MacHale, Galway, on the death of his brother—Rev. Fr. MacHale.
- Mr. P. Darcy, County Buildings, Galway, on the death of his mother-in-law.
- Mr. John Cleary, Abbey Terrace, Loughrea, on the death of his brother.
- Miss Regan, Chapel Street, Athenry, on the death of her sister.
- Mrs. Fitzsimons, Draper, Athenry, on the death of her husband.
- Mrs. Niland, Caheroyan, Athenry, on the death of her husband.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed this
13th day of November, 1948*

M. Sir in O'Cuinn, Chairman

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE COUNTY GALWAY EDUCATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 19TH OCTOBER, 1948.

In the Chair:- Miss M. A. Ashe.

Also present:- Messrs. Nestor, Quinn, Brennan, Cunningham, Kitt and Professor Larkin.

655. UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME, 1949. Mr. Kitt proposed, Miss Ashe seconded that it was resolved:-

"That the Committee recommend that Clause VIII of the University Scholarship Scheme for 1949 be altered by deleting the last sentence in that Clause, viz:-

"To be eligible for these Scholarships candidates must have passed an examination in Agricultural Science to be approved by the Academic Council of University College, Galway."

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Miss Ashe and Resolved:-

"That the Committee recommend that Clause I of the University Scholarship Scheme for 1949 be amended so as to provide that one Agricultural Scholarship and one only shall be awarded under the Scheme."

Súilín: Sárthúir na
(Phone: Galway 55)

5adh Samhain, 1948.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bhoith i lathair ag Cruinniu de Chomhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighte Conndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 13adh Samhain, 1948, ag 12.30.p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanagh.

RUNAIDHE.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

GNO.

1. Minutes.
2. To consider mortgage deed for loan of £4,300 for provision of a Water Supply Scheme at Eyrecourt.
3. To consider raising of loan of £13,500 for provision of a Water Supply Scheme at Ballygar.
4. Recommendation by the County Education Committee that the University Scholarship Scheme, 1949, be amended.
5. Letter 23/10/48 from Department of Education requesting that in the Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1949, the Council should prescribe means limits similar to those included in the Scheme for 1948.
6. County Engineer's supplementary estimate for Road Works in year ending 31/3/1949, viz:-

C Main Roads:	£60,000
County Roads:	£20,000
TOTAL:	£80,000
7. Widening and reconstruction of road leading from Barna Church to the Silver Strand. (Estimated Cost - £1,290)
8. Making of a Preliminary Order under the Acquisition of Derelict Sites Act, 1940, in respect of a derelict site over 38 perches situated at Market Street, Eyrecourt.
9. Letter 1/11/48 (H.10081/6/48) from Department of Local Government regarding loan £100,000 for making of advances under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.
10. Applications for Cinema Licences:-
 - (a) Mr. Fred McCormack - for travelling cinema.
 - (b) Mr. John McFadden - for travelling cinema.

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11. Raising of Loan of £280 for purchase of Tuam Meat Market by the Tuam Town Commissioners.
12. Purchase of Fairgreen and Tolls at Pertumna.
13. Notices of Motion by members, viz:-
 - (a) "That County Manager explain why the purchase of residence for Dispensary Medical Officer, Turloughmore, was not proceeded with."

P. Furey, Clr.
 - (b) "That I or some member on my behalf will move at next meeting of the County Council that the Rev. M. Loftus, Adm., Dunmore, will be co-opted a member of Dunmore and Milltown Old Age Pension Sub-Committee."

J.J. Nestor, Clr.
 - (c) "That fifty yards of the damaged sea wall in front of the Post Office at Inishboffin be repaired and that the office of Public Works be requested to contribute towards the cost of this work."

J.T. Curley, Clr.
 - (d) "That at the next meeting of the Council, I or some member on my behalf, will move that a detailed statement be made to the Council as follows:-
 - (i) the original amount of money allocated from Sweep funds for the building of a new hospital in Galway.
 - (ii) the amount, if any, by which the original sum has since been augmented.
 - (iii) the amount expended on plans and specifications for the period ended 31st December, 1947.
 - (iv) the amount expended on the erection and equipment of the Nurses' Home.
 - (v) The amount expended on the erection and equipment of the new Maternity Hospital.
 - (vi) the amount of any other expenditure from Sweep funds.
 - (vii) the balance now on hands."

J.J. Brennan, Clr.
 - (e) (i) "Se nbeoñfaib an Comhairle Conndae sínciús airgid éun fánán báb do béanañ; b'áire le h-Oifis na nOibread Poiblí as Port na Cunnraige Inis Meáin;
 - (ii) se nbeoñfaib an Comhairle Conndae sínciús airgid éun fánán báb do béanañ; seomra le h-Oifis na nOibread Poiblí as Poll na sGaoraí Inis Oiréir (Inishera);
 - (iii) se seom-oibreadaib an Comhairle Conndae le dorb na nOibread Poiblí éun céib beas le h-Oifis Inis Cuire do beas;
 - (iv) se seom-oibreadaib an Comhairle Conndae le dorb na nOibread Poiblí éun céib beas do béanañ as Calab na Muice, Res a' Míle;
 - (v) se seom-oibreadaib an Comhairle Conndae le dorb na nOibread Poiblí éun feabhas a éur ar céib Casla (Ceib an Uige Móir);
 - (vi) se seom-oibreadaib an Comhairle Conndae le dorb na nOibread Poiblí éun céib beas do béanañ as Gaoran na sGaorc, Baile na h-Abann."

Láos Ó Séasda, Clr.

(f) "That the following information be supplied in regard to payment of maintenance allowances under the Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1948:-

- (i) Number of applications received to date.
- (ii) Number of applications investigated and reported on by the Home Assistance Officers to date.
- (iii) Number of cases in which payment of allowance has been authorised by the County Manager.
- (iv) Number of applications in which the application for an allowance has been refused by the County Manager.
- (v) Number of applications still awaiting decision."

Patrick Beegan, Clm.

(G) "That the County Manager and County Surveyor be requested to purchase a Dredger for the carrying out of maintenance work on rivers which are the responsibility of the Council to maintain, and provision for the necessary money to purchase same be included in the 1949/50 Estimates."

Patrick Beegan, Clr.

(H) "That the County Council put into proper repair (No.128) bog road leading into Gunode Bog and also the drains on either side of this road."

Paddy Collins, Clr.

(I) "That a sum of money be voted towards the defraying of cost of repairing, reconstructing, widening and steam-rolling the road from Kilchreest Village to Kilchreest N.S."

Michael Carty, Clr.

(J) "That I or some Councillor on my behalf will move that the Council move to have Courthouse built - the plot of ground for this was purchased and paid over 10 years ago. Paying interest on this and renting unsuitable accommodation is not a paying proposition."

Peter Collieran, Clr.

14. Letter from General Council of County Councils requesting notice of items to be placed on Agenda for December meeting of the General Council.

15. Resolutions.

16. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 13th NOVEMBER, 1948.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillors P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Collieran, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, and J. J. Nestor.

7750. **Minutes.**—Minutes of the Council to 7749, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7751. **Eyrecourt Water Supply Scheme.**—Proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. 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 the repayment of the sum of Four Thousand Three Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878, to 1948."

7752. **Ballygar Water Supply Scheme.**—Proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. Kitt, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £13,500 from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of a water supply scheme for the town of Ballygar; the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

7753. **University Scholarship Scheme, 1949.**—Minutes of meeting of the County Education Committee, held on 19/10/48, were submitted.

It was proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the University Scholarship Scheme, 1949, as adopted by the Council on 7/8/48, be amended as follows:—

"(a) Clause I to be amended so as to provide that one Agricultural Scholarship and one only shall be awarded under the Scheme.

"(b) To delete the last sentence in Clause VIII as follows:—

"To be eligible for these Scholarships candidates must have passed an examination in Agricultural Science to be approved by the Academic Council of University College, Galway."

7754. **Secondary and Vocational Scholarships Scheme, 1949.**

—Letter, Oil (2) 74841, of 23/10/48, was submitted from the Department of Education, requesting that in the scheme for scholarships in secondary and vocational schools, 1949, the Council should prescribe means limits similar to those included in the scheme for 1948.

After a discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council adhere to the means provisions in the scheme for 1949 as already submitted to the Department of Education, and that the Minister for Education be again requested to sanction the scheme as formulated."

7755. **Road Works: Supplementary Estimate.**—County Engineer's letters of 13/10/48 and 22/10/48 were submitted, stating that the additional amount required by him for the year ending 31/3/49 would be as follows:—

Main Roads—Maintenance	£48,000
Preparation of Chippings for 1949/50	£10,000
	£58,000
County Roads	£22,000
	£80,000

Letter RGM/11, of 3/11/48, from the Department of Local Government was also submitted, indicating that grant at the usual rates would be available on this additional expenditure if approved by the Council.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve additional expenditure on road works for year ending 31/3/49, viz.:

Main Road—Maintenance	£48,000
Preparation of Chippings for 1949/50	£10,000
	£58,000
County Roads	£22,000
	£80,000

on the understanding that grant at maximum rates will be available on this additional expenditure."

7755a. **Road to Silver Strand, Barna.**—Correspondence in regard to the need for repair and reconstruction of the road to Silver Strand, Barna, was submitted, together with County Engineer's report indicating that the estimated cost of the work is £1,300.

It was unanimously decided that consideration of this proposal be deferred until the roads estimate for the year ending 31/3/50, is being considered.

7756. **Derelict Site at Eyrecourt.**—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the making of a Preliminary Order under the Acquisition of Derelict Sites Act, 1940, in respect of derelict site at Townparks, in the town of Eyrecourt, in the Parish of Donaghata, Barony of Longford and County of Galway, containing 38 perches statute measure, or thereabouts, and numbered 2 and bordered red on the map annexed to the Preliminary Order, and owned by Mr. Edward Cosgrave, Bride Street, Loughrea."

7757. **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.**—Letter, 1/11/48 (Ref. H.10081/6/48), from the Department of Local Government was read, stating that the period for repayment of loan of £100,000 raised by the Council would be restricted to 35 years.

7758. **Cinematograph Act, 1909.**—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Collins, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the issue of licences under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, to:

Mr. Fred McCormack and
Mr. John McFadden,

in respect of their travelling cinemas."

7759. **Tuam Meat Market.**—Letters, 16/10/48 and 5/11/48, from Tuam Town Commissioners were submitted, requesting the Council to arrange for the issue of a loan of £280 to enable the Tuam Town Commissioners to purchase property in Tuam known as Tuam Meat Market.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £280 from the Commissioners of Public Works so as to enable the Council to advance this amount to the Tuam Town Commissioners for the purchase by the Commissioners of the premises in Tuam known as Tuam Meat Market; the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 15 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan."

7760. **Portumna Tolls.**—Consideration of the purchase of the tolls and fair green at Portumna was adjourned.
Mr. Ruane referred to the desirability of acquiring the tolls at Athenry.

7761. Turloughmore Dispensary Residence.—In reply to Mr. Fury's notice of motion, the County Manager explained that the Department of Health would not approve of the purchase of the residence offered at Turloughmore, which he intended to acquire for the Medical Officer.

Proposed by Mr. Fury, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Department of Health be requested to reconsider this matter and to grant their approval to the purchase of the house offered by Mr. William O'Brien at Lackagh."

7762. Dunmore and Milltown Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Rev. M. Loftus, Adm., Dunmore, be appointed a member of the Dunmore and Milltown Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7763. Sea Wall at Inishboffin.—County Engineer informed the meeting that the road near the Post Office was abandoned by the Council several years ago, and that there is now no authority to expend money on repair of the road or adjoining wall.

Proposed by Mr. Curley, seconded by Mr. Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That the Special Employment Schemes Office be requested to allocate a grant for repair of the damaged sea wall in front of the Post Office at Inishboffin."

On the recommendation of Mr. Mannion, it was also decided that the repair of the road be included in the request to the Special Employment Schemes Office.

7764. New Hospital.—In response to Mr. Brennan's notice of motion, the Secretary furnished the following particulars in regard to expenditure on the new Regional Hospital at Galway to 14/8/48:—

(1) Original Amount Allocated from Sweepstakes	£100,000 0 0
(2) Amount by which this sum has been augmented	31,920 0 0
(3) Additional amount received in respect of interest, dividends, proceeds on sale of investments, etc.	23,836 19 8
(4) Amount expended on plans and specifications, including Engineer's and Architect's fees for Maternity Hospital and Nurses' Home	26,812 18 7
(5) Cost of erection and equipment of Nurses' Home	50,886 10 7
(6) Amount expended on erection and equipment of Maternity Hospital	64,673 18 6
(7) Other expenditure from Sweepstake Funds	17,751 17 5

7765. Construction and Repair of Piers and Slips.—In reply to Mr. O'Shea's notice of motion, County Engineer's report of 11/11/48 was submitted.

It was unanimously decided that the County Engineer be requested to give a detailed report, together with his recommendation, in regard to each of these works mentioned in Mr. O'Shea's notice of motion.

7766. Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Regulations, 1948.—In reply to Mr. Beegan's notice of motion, the Secretary reported that:—

479 applications for allowances had been received to date.
310 applications had been investigated by and reported on by the Assistance Officers.
240 recommendations for payment had been forwarded by the County M.O.H. to the Council.
Payment has been authorised in 216 cases.

7767. Dredger for Drainage Maintenance.—It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the purchase of a dredger for drainage maintenance, as it is considered that this dredger is a most effective method of cleaning rivers."
The County Engineer stated that the estimated cost of a dredger is £4,595 0s. 0d.

7768. Road Repairs.—Proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, and Resolved:—

"That the Council inform Bord na Mona of the condition of the road leading into Gunnod Bog, and request the Board to have the road repaired and the drain on either side of it cleaned."

It was decided that the widening and steam-rolling of the road from Kilchreest village to the National School be included in the road works programme for year ending 31/3/50.

Mr. O'Shea referred to the need for repair of the road leading to the Medical Officer's residence at Spiddal.

County Manager stated that the persons interested should apply to the Special Employment Schemes Office for a grant for repair of this road which is not at present maintainable by the Council.

7769. Ballygar Courthouse.—Consideration of Mr. Colleran's notice of motion, that a Courthouse be built at Ballygar, was deferred.

7770. Miscellaneous.—Letter, 6/10/48, from the County Council's General Council was submitted, requesting notice of any matters which the Council desire to have placed on the Agenda for December meeting.

3ladh No. 12, 1948

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bhoith i lathair ag Cruinniu de Chomhairle Condae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Condae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 8adh Eanáir, 1949 ag 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh.

RUNAI DHE.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

TO CONSIDER:-

GNO.

1. Minutes.
2. Amendment of Minute No. 7096 of 28/6/1945 relating to the appointment of members to witness the sealing of documents (Section 17 (5) of the County Management Act, 1940).
3. Appointment of a Committee to consider Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31/3/1950.
4. Raising of loans for:-
 - (a) Provision of a Sewerage Scheme for Clifden town.
 - (b) Purchase of an Excavator for Drainage Work, etc. £4,600 Approx
5. Completion of Mortgage Deeds for loans for:-
 - (a) Provision of temporary accommodation for patients at Galway Central Hospital. £3,500
 - (b) Loughrea Water Supply Improvements, £3,000.
 - (c) Issue of advances under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, £100,000.
6. Application for sanction to overdraft accommodation for period 1/1/1949 to 31/3/1949, viz:-

General Account	£100,000.
Turf Account	£10,000
7. Revision of wages of Road Workers - letter 22/11/48 (RM/11W) from Department of Local Government.
8. Payment of revised rate of bonus for Health Services employees - Circular No. 104/48 of 27/11/1948 from Department of Health.

Submitted

Submitted, approved and confirmed this 8th day

7. January 1949

Muirin O'Cuinn, Chairman

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9. Payment of temporary increases in remuneration of officers of the Council whose remuneration is subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government - Circular No. 80/48 of 18/12/48.
10. Weekly payment of wages to Road Workers - Letter RM/201/W (W.P.) of 30/11/48 from the Department of Local Government.
11. Adoption of Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1949.
12. Proposed alteration of Rate Collection Districts Nos. 33, 35 and 36.
13. Letter 10/12/48 from Oughterard O.A.P. Sub-Committee requesting that Moycullen parish which is at present in the Spidéal Committee's District, be transferred to Oughterard District.
14. Inclusion of section of old road and grass island, opposite Woodlands Sanatorium, in the grounds of the Sanatorium.
15. Revision of Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places.
16. Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board - Letter 16/11/48 from Chief Clerk stating that an advance of £28,000 on account of demand for year 31/3/1950 will be required before 1/3/1949.
17. Home Assistance - Report 19/11/48 from Superintendent Assistance Officer estimating that the amount provided for expenditure on Home Assistance and Boarded-out children in the year ending 31/3/1949 will be exceeded by £2000.
18. Members' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Councillor B. Murphy: "That public lighting be installed in Kinvara Town."
 - (b) Councillor T. O Seaghdha: "Go n-éanfaidh an Comhairle Comndae ionad reilge do sholathar 1 gCoantar Baile na h-Abhann in ait Reilg Muighrois nach bhfuil feiliunach mar reilg nios mo."
 - (c) Councillor J. Brennan: "That the Council provide a film projector for the (1)entertainment of the patients in Woodlands Sanatorium and also that the necessary films be also provided by the Council."
 - (11) That the Council be informed as to the position now obtaining in respect of Child Welfare in the County and City.
 - (111) That the Council, as Health Authority, take early steps towards the erection of houses for officers and servants employed by such Authority as per Section 195 of the Health Act, 1947.
 - (1v) That a loan of £20,000 be raised for the making of certain private roads in the Galway Borough Area, and that those roads be now declared public roads."
 - (d) Councillor J. J. Ruane: (1) That Mr. Patrick Fahy, N.T., Kilbeacanty, Gort, be co-opted a member of the Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee to fill vacancy arising out of departure of Mr. Martin Fahy, Church St., Gort, a late Member, to England.
 - (11) That a Public Latrine be provided for the Town of Gort."
 - (e) Councillor M. Carty: (1) That the Co. Surveyor be directed to proceed immediately with the repair, reconstruction, surfacing and steam-rolling of the road serving the twenty-seven B.C.E. cottages at Cosmona, this road having been declared a public road by the County Manager.
 - (11) That in view of the widespread dissatisfaction with regard to the operation of the Infectious Diseases Allowances Scheme (1948) in this County, the Manager give a short account of the Scheme to the Council under the following main heads:-

- (1) Names of the Diseases to which the scheme refers.
- (2) Classes of people eligible for allowances.
- (3) Scale of allowances (maximum and minimum)
- (4) Method of calculating allowances payable to insured persons (N. Health).

(111). That the Co. Secretary be instructed to prepare a full report embodying the recommendations and suggestions made by the Hospitals' and Institutions' Visiting Committee in the course of its recent tour of inspection.

That a copy of this Report be circulated to the Minister for Health, the County Manager, the County M.O.H., the Heads of the Hospitals and Institutions concerned, and to each Member of the Co. Council.

That a Special Meeting of the Co. Council be called for an early date in January to discuss this Report and any other matters arising therefrom.

- (f). Councillor J. J. Shiel: That the road from Loughatorick to Farran's Cross, through the village of Tourleittra, to the junction of Loughatorick-Moyglass road be scheduled as a County road and be repaired; distance $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles (Link road).
19. Galway Port - Liner Traffic. Letter 25/11/48 from Galway Chamber of Commerce (Copy enclosed).
20. Auditor's report and Abstract of Accounts of River Such Drainage Committee for year ended 31/3/48.
21. Resolutions.
22. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 8th JANUARY, 1949.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillors P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, J. J. Cunningham, M. Carty, P. Coleran, P. Collins, J. T. Curley, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell and T. O'Connor.

7771. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7770, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7772. Sealing of Documents.—It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby nominate Councillor M. A. Ashe, or Councillor J. Brennan, or Councillor P. Cooke, or Councillor T. O'Connor, or Councillor P. Fury to witness the affixing of the official seal of the Council to documents, in accordance with Section 17 (5) of the County Management Act, 1940."

It was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Collins and Resolved:—

"That in order to remove doubt, it is hereby declared that it was the intention of Minute No. 7096 of 28/8/45 that any one of the Councillors named (viz., Councillors M. A. Ashe, J. Brennan, P. Cooke, T. O'Connor and P. Fury) was authorised to witness the affixing of the seal of the Council, in accordance with Section 17 (5) of the County Management Act, 1940."

7773. Estimate of Expenses for Year Ending 31st March, 1950

—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Collins and Resolved:—
"That the whole Council be appointed as a Committee to consider the Estimate of Expenses for the year ending 31/3/50, and that the Committee meet for this purpose on Saturday, 22/1/49, at 12.30 p.m., at the County Buildings, Galway."

7774. Loan—Clifden Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Kyne, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £19,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works, for the provision of a sewerage scheme in Clifden Town; the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan."

7775. Excavator.—Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £4,800, or such lower sum as may be required, from the Commissioners of Public Works, for the purchase of an Excavator; the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 10 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan."

7776. Loan—Purchase of Tuam Meat Market. Letter L. 11276/4/48, of 1/1/49 from the Department of Local Government was submitted, stating that the Minister would not be prepared to recommend the issue of a loan of £280 from the Local Loans Fund for the purchase of Tuam Meat Market, and suggesting that the loan should be obtained from the Council's Treasurer, repayable over a period of 10 years.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Carty and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £280 from the National Bank, Ltd., so as to enable the Council to advance this amount to the Tuam Town Commissioners for the purchase by the Commissioners of the premises in Tuam known as Tuam Meat Market, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 10 years, with interest at the rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ % under the Bank Rate prevailing at the date of issue (minimum 4%)."

7777. Loan—Temporary Accommodation, Galway Central Hospital.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Brennan, 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 Three Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under The Public Assistance Act, 1939."

7778. Supplemental Loan—Loughrea Water Supply Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Brennan 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 Three Thousand Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

7779. Loan—Issue of Advances under Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Brennan and Resolved:—

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of One Hundred Thousand Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899 to 1948."

7780. Overdraft.—Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor and Resolved:—

"That the Council approved the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £100,000 on the Council's General Account, for period from 1st January, 1949, to 31st March, 1949, inclusive."

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on the Council's Turf Account, for period from 1st January, 1949, to 31st March, 1949, inclusive."

7781. Road Workers' Wages.—Notice of Motion by Mr. R. M. Burke and letter RM/11W of 22/11/48, from the Department of Local Government were submitted. The Department pointed out that while the rate of wages for road labourers in most counties was 56/- per week, the rate in Galway is only 50/- per week; that in a number of cases proposals have been submitted to the Minister to increase the rate of wages for road labourers to 60/- per week and that the Minister is prepared to sanction this rate of wages but considers that, in the first place, uniformity in regard to the existing rate should be achieved.

Secretary reported that the estimated additional cost of increasing to 60/- per week the rate of wages for road labourers, with a corresponding increase for other grades of road workers, would be:—

For a full Year:			
	Main.	County.	Total.
Gross Cost ...	£ 34,500	£ 24,500	£ 59,000
Grant ...	31,050	18,375	49,425
Nett Cost ...	3,450	6,125	9,575
For 3 months to 31/3/49.			
	Main.	County.	Total.
Gross Cost ...	£ 9,650	£ 6,800	£ 16,450
Grant ...	8,685	5,100	13,785
Nett Cost ...	965	1,700	2,665

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the additional expenditure which will be involved by payment of wages at the increased rate of 60/- per week to road labourers with effect from 3rd January, 1949, together with a corresponding increase for other grades of road workers PROVIDED road grant will be available in the year ending 31/3/50 on the same terms as in the current year."

Mr. Glynn stated that lorries are being employed on road works where carterers are available and asked that the Council be supplied with a statement showing the amount expended on lorry hire for a period of 12 months.

County Engineer explained that it is often very difficult to obtain carterers as generally they are only available when the farmers have finished their own work.

7782. Bonus for Health Service Employees.—Letter No. 104/48, of 27/11/48, from the Department of Health, was submitted authorising payment of a temporary bonus at revised rate with effect as from 1/11/48.

Secretary pointed out that the Department's previous Circular No. 73/48, of 24/8/48, approved payment of a bonus to health service employees and that the amount required to pay the bonus in accordance with that circular, viz., £3,750 for a full year, or £3,200 for period from 29/5/48, was authorised by the Council at Meeting on 2/10/48. The cost of the bonus approved in Department's letter of 27/11/48, including the amount already authorised by the Council, would be £8,200 for a full year. The additional expenditure involved for period from 29/5/48 to 31/3/49 (including the sum already authorised) would be £6,900.

Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the additional expenditure necessary for payment of the revised bonus at the rates authorised in Circular 104/48 of 27/11/48 from the Department of Health."

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the approval of the Department of Health be requested to the payment to Probationer Nurses of bonus at the rate authorised in Circular 104/48."

7783. Local Government Officials.—Circular No. 80/48 of 18/12/48, from the Department of Local Government was submitted, authorising payment of bonus from 29/5/48, to officers whose remuneration does not exceed £350 a year and is subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government.

The Circular stated that a further direction would be issued in regard to the rate of bonus authorised for officers whose remuneration exceeds £350 a year.

Secretary reported that the estimated cost of payment of the bonus for all officers, including those whose remuneration exceeds £350 a year, would be £2,800 for a full year and £2,300 for period from 29/5/48 to 31/3/49.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the additional expenditure necessary for payment of bonus as authorised by the Minister for Local Government in Circular No. 80/48 of 18/12/48."

7784. Weekly Payment of Wages to Road Workers.—Letter R.M./201/W. (W.P.) of 30/11/48, from the Department of Local Government, was submitted, together with report 7/1/49, from the County Engineer, suggesting an alternative arrangement for payment of wages weekly which the County Engineer considered would obviate the necessity for the employment of additional Engineers or Gangers but would require a considerable increase in Clerical Staff.

Secretary reported that the estimated additional expenditure required for payment of wages weekly in accordance with the scheme suggested by the County Engineer would be £3,600 at first, but that this expenditure would increase as the Clerical staff employed would advance on their salary scales.

After consideration it was proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Nestor and Resolved:—

"That as no demand for weekly payment has been received from the workers concerned, the Council do not approve any change in the existing arrangements."

7785. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools.—Letter 23/11/48 from the Department of Education was submitted, stating that in view of the representations made the Department approve the means conditions set forth in the draft scheme submitted by the Council for the year 1949 only, and requesting that the terms of the means clause be re-examined when the 1950 scheme is being formulated, so that the advisability of prescribing lower income limits be considered to ensure that the Scholarships will be restricted to persons who need them.

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Quinn and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby adopt the scheme for scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools as formulated at meeting on 7/8/48, subject to the following amendments:— Clause V: "at which Scholarship are tenable" in the heading of this clause should be altered to "at which Scholarships are tenable."

Clause VII (3) A full stop should be inserted at the end of this clause.

Clause VII (4): A semi-colon should be inserted after (d) Geography."

Clause X (2): The words "in writing" should be inserted after the words "must be notified" and after the words "unless he has given notice."

7786. Rate Collection Districts Nos. 33, 35, and 36.—County Manager's Order No. 11817 of 27/10/48 was submitted, together with letter 25/11/48, G.7/39 from the Department of Local Government.

After discussion it was proposed by Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the re-arrangement of Rate Collection Districts Nos. 33, 35 and 36 as proposed in the County Manager's Order No. 11817 of 27/10/48."

Mr. Killilea notified the Council of his intention to hand in a notice of motion for next Meeting that he would propose that Collector J. Dermody be transferred from Collection District No. 36 to Collection District No. 33.

7787. Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Letter 10/12/48, from the Clerk to the Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee was submitted, stating that the Committee request that Moycullen Parish be transferred from Spiddal Sub-Committee District to Oughterard Sub-Committee District.

Proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Beegan and Resolved:—

"That the Minister be requested to approve the transfer of Moycullen Parish to Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee District."

7789. Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Cunningham, seconded by Mr. Killilea, and Resolved:

"That Mr. Thomas Wade, Miltown, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, is hereby appointed a member of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7790. Aran Islands Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Carty and Resolved:—

"That Very Rev. Fr. T. Varley, P.P., St. Enda's, Kilonan, Aran Islands, be appointed a member of the Aran Islands Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee in lieu of Very Rev. T. Killeen who has been transferred from the Island."

7791. Section of Road at Woodlands Sanatorium.—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. S. Burke and Resolved:—

"That section of old road opposite Woodlands Sanatorium be abandoned and the public right-of-way over this section of road be extinguished and that this piece of road with the grass island adjoining be included in the grounds of Woodlands Sanatorium."

7792. Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places.—Letter 6/12/48 from Mr. R. Lahiffe, T.D., was submitted, suggesting certain alterations in the Scheme.

It was decided that arrangements be made for any necessary revisions of the Scheme at a later meeting of the Council and that, in the meantime, notice of the intended revision be published.

7793. Ballinasloe Mental Hospital.—Letter 16/11/48 from the Chief Clerk, Mental Hospital, Ballinasloe, was submitted, intimating that, in addition to the demand for the current year, a sum of £42,000 would be required to finance the Institution for the year ending 31/3/49, viz.:—

£28,000 from County Galway.

£14,000 from County Roscommon.

Proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve payment in instalments before 31/3/49, of the sum of £28,000 to the Mental Hospital Board on account of their demand for year ending 31/3/50."

7794. Home Assistance.—Report 19/11/48 from the Superintendent Assistance Officer was submitted, indicating that owing to the cessation of the Food Scheme, the amount provided for Home Assistance would be exceeded by £2,000 for the current year.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. S. Burke, the Council approved the additional expenditure of £2,000.

7795. Public Lighting, Kinvara.—Letter, 2/12/48 from the Electricity Supply Board, was submitted, stating that the cost of installing public lighting at Kinvara would be £39 4s. 4d. and that the annual charge for the lighting of seven lamps would be £84 11s. 7d.

Proposed by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve provision of public lighting in Kinvara Town."

7796. Public Lighting, Clarenbridge.—Letter, 3/1/49, from the Electricity Supply Board, was submitted, stating that the cost of installing public lighting at Clarenbridge would be £41 17s. 11d. and that the annual charge for the lighting of six lamps would be £29 14s. 9d.

Proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. Murphy and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve provision of public lighting in Clarenbridge Village."

7797. Ballinahown Burial Ground.—In reply to Mr. O'Shea's notice of motion, Secretary reported that provision will be made by the County Engineer in the estimate for next year for a new burial ground at Ballinahown.

7798. Film Projector—Woodlands Sanatorium.—In reply to Mr. Brennan's notice of motion, County Manager stated that the Department's approval has been sought to the provision of a film projector for Woodlands Sanatorium, on the understanding that 50 per cent. of the cost would be defrayed by way of grant from Hospital Trust Funds, the remaining 50 per cent. to be paid from the Patients' Comfort Fund; the cost of providing films, estimated to be £3 a week, to be defrayed by the Council.

7799. Child Welfare Scheme.—In reply to Mr. Brennan's notice of Motion, County Manager stated that a Child Welfare Scheme was adopted by Galway Corporation before its functions in this respect were transferred to the County Council. The Department on that occasion directed that the adoption of the Scheme be deferred until the provisions of the Health Act, 1947, in regard to Child Welfare were clarified.

7800. Houses for Health Service Employees.—Mr. Brennan proposed that the Council as Health Authority, take steps to erect houses for officers and servants employed by such Authority, in accordance with Section 105 of the Health Act, 1947.

The proposal was not seconded.

7801. Loan for Making of Certain Roads in Galway Borough Area.—Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £20,000, for the reconstruction of certain existing private roads in the Galway Borough area, from the Commissioners of Public Works; the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of 15 years, or for such period as may be sanctioned by the Minister for Local Government, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan to the Council."

7802. Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. Beegan and Resolved:—

"That Mr. Patrick Fahy, N.T., Kilbeacanty, Gort, be appointed a member of Gort Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee

to fill the vacancy caused by the departure to England of Mr. Martin Fahy, Church Street, Gort."

7803. Gort Latrine.—Report, 29/12/48, from the County M.O.H. was submitted, stating that, in his opinion, at least two latrines are required in Gort Town.

Proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. R. M. Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council recommend that the necessary latrines be provided in the town of Gort."

7804. Road to Cosmona Cottages.—Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Beegan and Resolved:—

"That the road serving 27 labourers' cottages at Cosmona be repaired, reconstructed and steamrolled." County Engineer reported that he will make provision for this work in the Road Works Scheme for next year.

7805. Infectious Diseases (Maintenance) Allowances.—At Mr. Carty's request, consideration of his notice of motion in connection with the above was adjourned until next meeting.

7806. Visiting Committee—Council's Institutions.—At Mr. Carty's request, consideration of his notice of motion in regard to above was adjourned until next meeting.

7807. Road from Loughatorick To Farran's Cross.—Mr. S. Burke proposed and Mr. Carty seconded:—

"That the road from Loughatorick to Farran's Cross through the village of Tourleitra, to the junction of Loughatorick-Moyglass road, be scheduled as a county road and be repaired. Distance 1½ miles (Link road)." After discussion, it was decided that consideration of this proposal be adjourned.

Mr. S. Burke stated that the road leading to 14 labourers' cottages at Gortahaha, Portumna, is in bad condition and requires attention.

7808. Galway Port—Liner Traffic.—Letter, 25/11/48, from the Galway Chamber of Commerce was submitted in regard to the efforts being made by the Chamber to secure the return of liner traffic to Galway Port.

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Kitt and Resolved:

"That representation be made by the Council to the responsible authorities with a view to securing the return of liner traffic to Galway Port."

7809. Auditor's Reports.—Auditor's reports and abstracts of accounts in respect of the following Authorities were submitted:—

River Suck Joint Drainage Committee for year ended 31/3/48.
Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board for year ended 31/3/48.

7810. Miscellaneous.—Minutes of Meeting of the County Council's General Council held on 26/8/48, were submitted. Proposed by Mr. O'Shea, seconded by Mr. Kitt and Unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council convey to His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, their sincere sympathy in the arrest and imprisonment of Cardinal Mindszenty."

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Kitt and Resolved:—
"That the Council congratulate Mr. J. Woods, B.E., on his recent appointment as Assistant County Engineer.

7811. Sympathy.—Resolutions of sympathy were passed with the following:—

His Lordship, the Bishop of Galway, on the death of Monsignor Hynes, and with the relatives of Monsignor Hynes.
Very Rev. P. Canon Glynn, on the death of his sister.
The relatives of the late Mr. Jack Ferguson, Tuam.
Widow and relatives of the late Mr. James Sarsfield, Dangan, Galway.

Fr. Keane, C.C., Portumna, on the death of his mother.
The Gallagher family, Forster Street, Galway, on the death of their mother.

Mr. Michael Silver, Rabane, Ardahan, on the death of his brother.

The Holland family, Roxboro, Kilchreest, Loughrea, on the death of their father.

Mr. Thomas Duddy, Athenry, on the death of his wife.
The family of the late Mr. P. J. Kyne, Ballymacward.

*Induced
G.H.*

*Submitted approved and confirmed
this 19th day of February, 1949.*

Maurice O'Curran, Chairman

MINUTES OF MEETING OF ESTIMATES COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS,
GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 22ND JANUARY, 1949.

In the Chair:— Councillor M. Quinn.

Also present:— Councillors M. A. Asho, P. Bogan, J. Brennan, S. Burko, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Colleran, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor and T. O'Connor.

Apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor R. M. Burko.

Draft of Estimate for year ending 31st March, 1950, and explanatory statement were submitted showing for County Charges, total expenditure £1,274,639 and total receipts £584,283.

It was pointed out in the explanatory statement that so far an assurance had not been received that the Road Maintenance Grant would be available in the year ending 31st March, 1950, on the same terms as in the current year.

A discussion ensued.

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Kitt recommended that provision be made for new road works proposed by Councillors and that after the adoption of the Estimate no supplementary estimate should be considered during the year 1949/1950.

Mr. Glynn proposed that the amount to be expended on lorries or lorry hire be limited to 5% of the total road expenditure for the year ending 31/3/50. His proposal was not seconded.

Mr. Glynn also stated that the system of employing surfacemen continually is wasteful and that this system does not exist in Roscommon, Mayo and Sligo.

Mr. Mannion recommended that carters, where available, be employed in lieu of lorries.

Mr. S. Burko recommended that local quarries be used instead of transporting gravel, etc., from large central quarries.

Mr. Cunningham proposed that the Estimate as submitted be approved and that in addition, provision be made for new road works.

This proposal was not seconded.

At this stage Miss Ashe left the meeting.

Messrs. Collins and Casey recommended that a system of piece-work payment for material delivered by carters be instituted.

Mr. Glynn proposed that the central quarry depots should not be used by the Council after 1/4/49.

This proposal was not seconded.

County Engineer stated that, to meet the wishes of the Council, he would consider opening extra quarries during the coming year.

Mr. S. Burko proposed that £12,000 be provided for Councillors road works.

This proposal was not seconded.

(2).

County Manager referred to an application which has been made to him by Dr. McConn, County Medical Officer of Health, for an increase in salary in respect of his services as Superintendent of Woodlands Sanatorium. The amount claimed by Dr. McConn, including arrears, is £1,200.

It was proposed by Mr. Ruano, seconded by Mr. O'Connor:-

"That the contribution to the Irish Tourist Association be increased to the amount granted in the year ended 31/3/48, viz., £1092."

Proposed by Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. King:-

"That the Council do not give any contribution for the year ending 31/3/50."

After further discussion Messrs. Ruano and Killilea withdrew their motions and it was decided to recommend the same contribution as for the current year, viz., £500.

It was then proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Ruano and **RESOLVED:-**

"That a sum of £1,200 be provided in the draft estimate to meet claim by Dr. McConn, County Medical Officer of Health, for increase in salary and arrears, and that subject to this alteration, the Committee recommend to the Council that the draft estimate as submitted by the Manager for the year ending 31st March, 1950, be adopted, provided road maintenance grant will be available on the same terms as in the current year."

PROPOSALS FOR NEW WORKS, INCLUDING ROADS. Chairman recommended that provision should not be made for new road works, etc., in view of the fact that the rate would already be up by at least 2/5d in £.

The Chairman stated further that Rural Improvement Schemes could be undertaken for such works if the people concerned would make the small contribution required.

Mr. Glynn proposed that £500 be provided for each Councillor.

Mr. King seconded this proposal, provided that the total amount should be £12,000.

Mr. Lambert proposed and Mr. Collins seconded:-

"That no provision be made for such works."

Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken, which resulted in 6 votes for and 6 votes against Mr. Lambert's amendment.

After further discussion it was decided to defer the matter until the Estimates Meeting, when, if necessary, it would be raised with the Council.

*Advised
S.H.*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

Oifig an Runaidhe,
Na Foirgnighthe Chonndae,
GAILLIMHE.

lIadh Feabhra, 1949.

A Chara,

Iarratar ort leis seo bheith i lathair an Cruinniu de Chomhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Conndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 19adh Feabhra, 1949, ag 12. 30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle:

Runai.

To Consider:-

GNO.

1. Minutes.
2. Circular letter R.G.M./201/49/50 of 7/2/1949 from Department of Local Government relating to alteration in grants for upkeep of Main and County Roads in year ending 31st March, 1950.
3. Letter 3/2/49 from County Manager stating that the Minister for Local Government has recommended that the firefighting services be organised on a whole county basis, including Urbans, under control of the County Council.
4. Application from Tuam Town Commissioners for loan £10,000 for erection of houses.
5. Application from Galway Harbour Commissioners for grant towards the cost of essential maintenance of Galway Harbour in year ended 31st December, 1948.
6. Report from Co. Engineer and other correspondence relating to the damaged sea wall at Inishboffin.
7. Letter 19/1/49 from Secretary, Shrule Joint Drainage Committee stating that some of the Council's representatives are disqualified by non-attendance at Meetings of the Committee.
8. Circular R.G.M./201W (W.T.) from Department of Local Government relating to payment of road workers laid off work due to inclement weather.
9. Making of Preliminary Orders under the Acquisition of Derelict Sites Act, 1940, for three sites at Tuam, viz:-

No.	Location	Area.
1.	M. N. Church Lane Junction	
2.	Sun Street	5½ pors.
3.	Cloontoon Road	5½ "
		7.8 "

10. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-

(a) Councillor B. Murphy: "That public town lighting be installed in Ardahan Town."

(b) Councillor P. Fury: "That the question of steam-rolling the road from Currandulla Barracks to Loughgeorge Barracks be considered."

- (c). **Councillor T. O Seaghda:** "Go ndeanfaidh an Chomhairle Condae 'Boithrin Baile Chonamara' nase-bhothar ata ag dul o phoinnte ar an mbothar mór ceathru míle taobh thoir de Theach Pobuil an Spideal siar o thuaidh go bothar Bhul Uisce, do dheasú agus do choinneal ruas mar bhothar Chondae. (Fad an bhoithrin $\frac{1}{2}$ míle)."
- (d). **Councillor P. Collieran:** "That a mile of road leading from Ballygar to O'eggs be steam-rolled and made suitable for present day traffic."
- (e). **Councillor M. Kitt:** "That the Co. Council agree to take over and maintain the link road through the townland of Dangan Oughter connecting the Tuam-Mountbellow main road Ref. 220 L.4. with the Horseshoe-Galway main road Ref. 100 T. 15 on the condition that the Board of Works give a full cost grant towards repairing it as the local people have applied for a Rural Improvement Scheme Ref. Galway 130, and the estimated cost is £336."
- (f). **Councillor J. J. Nestor:** "(1) That horses and carts be substituted for lorries where feasible; (ii) and that most of existing sandpits be re-opened so as to avoid long distance removals."
- (g). **Councillor J. J. Nestor:** "That Rate Collection Area No. 33 which comprises E.Ds. of Clarotum, Tuam Rural, Tuam Urban and Killcreegan be divided equitably and that two Collectors be appointed instead of one."
- (h). **Councillor M. Carty:** "That the Co. Engineer be asked (i) to report on the present condition of the road leading from Connolly's Cross (Craughwell) via Ballymana N.S. to the Fishpond (Kilchreest); (ii) to state the amount of money spent on this road during the present financial year and (iii) the amount of money he has allocated to this road for the coming financial year."

11. Resolutions.

12. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1949.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillors P. Beegan, J. Brennan, M. Carty, P. Collieran, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor and T. O'Connor.

Apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor R. M. Burke.

7812. **Minutes.**—Minutes of the Council to 7811, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7813. **Road Grant.**—Circular, RGM.201/49/50, of 7/2/49, from the Department of Local Government, was submitted, copies of the Circular having been already supplied to the members.

A discussion ensued.

Mr. Carty requested that the following information be supplied to him as soon as possible, and that it be made available to all members at Estimates Meeting on 28/2/49:—

- (1) Total grant expended, or to be expended, on:
 - (a) Improvement and
 - (b) Maintenance
 of main and county roads for year ending 31/3/1949, excluding the supplemental grant of £80,000 allowed by the Council.
- (2) Total amount contributed by rates towards the expenditure mentioned in (1) for improvement and maintenance of main and county roads for year ending 31/3/1949.
- (3) Mileage of main roads in the county.
- (4) Mileage of main roads in the county restored to normal condition in the following years:—

Year ended 31/3/1947
" " 31/3/1948
" " 31/3/1949.
- (5) Mileage of main roads not yet restored to normal condition.
- (6) Show percentage expended under the following headings for improvement of main roads in year ending 31/3/1949:—

- (a) Labour.
 - (b) Haulage.
 - (c) Materials.
 - (d) Machinery.
 - (e) Supervision.
- (7) Total grant expended, or to be expended, on:—
 - (a) Improvement and
 - (b) Maintenance
 of county roads for year ending 31/3/1949, excluding supplemental grant of £80,000.
 - (8) Total amount expended ex rates in year ending 31/3/49 on:—
 - (a) Improvement and
 - (b) Maintenance
 of county roads.
 - (9) Mileage of county roads in the county.
 - (10) Total number of workers, excluding surfacemen, employed on main and county roads for year ending 31/3/1949, and average weekly wages of these workers.
 - (11) Total number of gangers employed on main and county roads in year ending 31/3/1949, and average weekly wage of these gangers.
 - (12) Number of workers laid off work due to lack of sufficient funds for road works:—
 - (a) In quarter ended 31/12/48 and
 - (b) In period 1/1/49 to 12/2/49.
 - (13) Total amount to be provided ex (a) Grant (b) Rates per Local Government Department's Circular of 7/2/49 for improvement of main and county roads.
 - (14) Total amount to be provided ex (a) Grant (b) Rates per Local Government Department's Circular of 7/2/49 for maintenance of main and county roads.
 - (15) Mileage of county roads to be improved per Local Government Department's Circular of 7/2/49 and estimated cost per mile giving the percentage attributable to:—
 - (a) Labour.
 - (b) Haulage.
 - (c) Materials.
 - (d) Machinery.
 - (e) Supervision.

(16) Total amount of reduction in grant for road works in year ending 31/3/1950 as compared with year ending 31/3/1949.

(17) If the average number of workers employed weekly in year ending 31/3/1950 is the same as the average number of workers employed during year ending 31/3/1949, what will be the reduction in the number of working weeks in the coming year.

Mr. Fannon asked if in fact the roads are yet restored to the condition in which they were in 1939.

Mr. Collins protested against the reading out of Mr. Carty's list of questions instead of handing the list in to the official concerned.

Mr. King recommended that the Local Government Department take over the maintenance of the roads and that the Council contribute a fixed annual charge.

Mr. Nestor proposed, Mr. Carty seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Galway County Council strongly resent the drastic reduction in the total grant available for main and county roads in the year ending 31st March, 1950, and demand that the same amount of grant which was given for the year ending 31st March, 1949, be made available in the coming year. It is respectfully suggested that while the grant for the coming year should be of the same amount as was made available for year ending 31st March, 1949, the allocation of the grant between main and county roads could be varied to the advantage of county roads."

Mr. Nestor proposed, Mr. Collins seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That further consideration of Circular RGM.201/49/50, of 7/2/49, be deferred until the Estimates Meeting on 28/2/49."

7814. **Estimates Meeting.**—Mr. Kitt requested that the time of the Estimates Meeting be adjourned so that members of the Council who are also National Teachers may be able to attend it.

7815. **Fire Fighting Arrangements.**—Letter, 3/2/49, was submitted from the County Manager in regard to the proposed organisation of the Fire Fighting Services for the county.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Killilea, the Council unanimously approved of the arrangements set out in the County Manager's letter of 3/2/49.

Mr. Collins suggested that if the Council incur such considerable expense in provision of Fire Fighting arrangements, the Fire Insurance Companies should be required to make some contribution to the Council or to reduce their terms.

7816. Housing Loan : Tuam Town Commissioners.—Proposed by Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £10,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works so that this amount may be advanced by the Council to the Tuam Town Commissioners for erection of houses in the Tuam Town Commissioners' area, the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of loan to the Council."

7817. Sea Wall at Inishboffin.—County Engineer's report of 6/1/49, and previous correspondence, was submitted.

On the proposition of Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. O'Connor the Council directed that the Special Employment Schemes Office be again requested to make a substantial grant available for this work.

7818. Shrle Joint Drainage Committee.—Letter, 19/1/49, from the Secretary, Shrle Joint Drainage Committee, was submitted, stating that the Council's representatives, Messrs. Fury, Kyne, Donnellan and Killilea, have been disqualified for non-attendance at meetings of the Committee.

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Kitt, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That Messrs. P. Fury, P. Kyne, M. Donnellan and M. Killilea be re-appointed as representatives of the Council on the Shrle Joint Drainage Committee."

7819. Road Workers : Broken Time.—Circular letter, R/RM/201W (WT), of 27/1/49, from Department of Local Government, was submitted, together with report from the Co. Engineer, indicating that the arrangements already in existence were satisfactory for both the workers and the Council.

The circular and County Engineer's report were noted by the Council, and it was decided that no further action is necessary.

7820. Acquisition of Derelict Sites Act, 1940.—Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Carty, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the making of a Preliminary Order in respect of derelict site No. 1 at Mall-Church Lane Junction, Tuam, area 5½ perches."

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Carty, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the making of a Preliminary Order in respect of derelict site No. 2 at Sun Street, Tuam, area 5½ perches."

Proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Carty, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the making of a Preliminary Order in respect of derelict site No. 3 at Cloontooa Road, Tuam, area 7.8 perches."

7821. Ardrahan Public Lighting.—Proposed by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the provision of public lighting in Ardrahan town."

7822. Road Works.—Consideration of notices of motion from various Councillors relating to road works was adjourned in view of the decision in regard to the road grant, viz. :—

COUNCILLOR FURY.—Steam-rolling road from Currandulla Barracks to Loughgeorge Barracks.

COUNCILLOR O'SHEA.—Improvement of road from quarter mile east of Spiddal Church to Boliska road.

COUNCILLOR COLLERAN.—Steam-rolling Ballygar-Creggs road.

7823. Road in Townland of Dangan Oughter.—It was proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Collins, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council agree to take over and maintain the link road through the townland of Dangan Oughter connecting the Tuam-Mountbellew main road, Ref. 220 L.4, with the Horseleap-Galway main road, Ref. 100 T.15, on the condition that the Board of Works give a full cost grant towards repairing it, as the local people have applied for a Rural Improvement Scheme, Ref. Galway 130, and the estimated cost is £336."

7824. Carters and Sandpits.—Mr. Nestor's notice of motion in regard to the above was, at his request, adjourned.

7825.—Rate Collection District No. 33.—Mr. Nestor's notice of motion regarding the above was, at his request, adjourned.

7826. Road from Connolly's Cross, Craughwell, to Fishpond, Kilchreest.—In response to Councillor Carty's notice of motion, County Engineer furnished the information required.

7827. Bonus : Probationer Nurses.—Letter, dated 8/2/49, from the Department of Health was submitted, stating the Minister has no objection to the payment of a temporary bonus to Probationer Nurses in Galway Central Hospital. Secretary reported that the cost of the bonus at the appropriate rate for Probationer Nurses for one year would be £1,650.

On the proposition of Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Carty, the Council unanimously approved the provision of the additional funds necessary to enable payment of the bonus to be made, with effect from 29/5/48, it being understood that this expenditure would be recouped from Health Services Grant.

7828. Cottage at Pribbaun, Roscahill.—At Councillor Fury's request, the Secretary explained the reason for the delay in securing possession and appointing a tenant for vested cottage No. 9 at Pribbaun.

7829. Cottage Rents, Tuam.—Councillor Killilea asked for an explanation of the service of notice on the sureties of certain tenants in Tuam area, who, Councillor Killilea stated, had paid their rent on the date on which the notices were served.

7830. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with :—
Mr. G. Condon, Veterinary Inspector, on the death of his father.
Mr. M. J. Allen, Coroner, on the death of his mother.

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*Submitted approved & confirmed this 26th
day of April 1949*

Mairéad O'Brien Chairmen

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ESTIMATES MEETING OF
THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON MONDAY,
28th FEBRUARY, 1949.

In the Chair : Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present : Councillors M. A. Ashe, P. Beegan, J. Brennan, J. Casey, P. Colleran, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, P. Fannon, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell and T. O'Connor.

Apology for inability to attend was received from Senator R. M. Burke.

7831. Estimate of Expenses for Year Ending 31st March, 1950.—County Manager's estimate of expenses for year ending 31st March, 1950, was submitted, together with Minutes of meeting of the Estimates Committee, held on 22/1/49.

Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. Collins :—

"That the Estimate, as submitted, be revised so as to provide that the rate in the £ to be levied for road service be the same as that approved in the estimate recommended by the Estimates Committee."

Messrs. Casey and Lambert supported this proposal.

Mr. King suggested that consideration of the roads estimate be adjourned pending the making of further representations by the General Council of County Councils to the Department of Local Government in regard to road grants.

Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Kitt :—

"That the estimate, with the exception of the provision for road services, be adopted, and that consideration of the estimate for road services be adjourned pending meeting of the General Council of County Councils."

At this stage Mr. MacElhinney, Branch Secretary of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, was permitted by the Chairman to address the Council in regard to the revision of road workers' wages.

Mr. MacElhinney requested that the Council increase road workers' wages irrespective of the fact that the reduction in the road grants may involve a shorter period of employment for individual workers.

Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Collins :—

"That a sum of £12,000 be taken off the amount provided for main roads and that a similar amount be provided for new works proposed by members of the Council."

County Manager pointed out that this proposal was not feasible, as the amount provided for road works maintenance is

the minimum required to ensure that the special grant and maintenance grant will be made available.

Mr. Killilea recommended that road work be distributed evenly over the whole year, so that supplementary estimates should not be sought from the Council later in the year ending 31/3/1950.

Miss Ashe proposed and Mr. Curley seconded :-

"That the contribution to the Irish Tourist Association be increased from £500 to £750."

After further discussion, Messrs. Nestor and King and Miss Ashe withdrew their proposals, and it was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Estimate, as submitted, be adopted, subject to the following amendments, viz. :-

(1) That the amount provided for maintenance of county roads be increased by a sum equal to the produce of a rate of 4d. in the £ on the Galway County Health District.

(2) That the amount provided for contribution to Irish Tourist Association be increased from £500 to £600.

and that the Estimate of Expenses, so amended, as set forth in Tables A, B, C, D, and E, be adopted, and that the rates set forth in Tables C, D, and E be the rates in the pound to be levied for the several purposes specified in said Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1950."

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Glynn, and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Demands on the Galway Borough Council and on the Ballinasloe Urban Council be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and sealed with the seal of the Council."

7832. Wages of Road Workers.—Mr. Brennan proposed :-

"That wages of road labourers be increased to £3 a week."

Letter, R.G.M./11/48/49, of 10/2/49, from the Department of Local Government was submitted, stating that any increase in wages of road workers in respect of the current year would have to be paid out of the moneys already provided, i.e., that additional grant could not be made available by the Department in respect of such increase.

Proposed by Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Council recommend that the wages of road labourers in the County Health District be increased to 56/- a week from 3/1/49 to 2/4/49, inclusive."

Proposed by Mr. Fannon, seconded by Mr. Brennan :-

"That the Council recommend that the wages of road labourers in the Galway County Health District be increased to £3, with effect from 4/4/49."

Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Glynn :-

"That the Council recommend that wages of road labourers be increased to 56/- a week, with effect from 4/4/49."

A vote taken on Mr. Beegan's amendment resulted as follows :-

FOR: Messrs. Beegan, S. Burke, Collieran, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Murphy, Nestor, O'Connor and Quinn—15.

AGAINST: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Brennan, Casey, Collins, Cunningham, Fannon, Fury and Mannion—8.

A vote was now taken on Mr. Fannon's motion, which resulted as follows :-

FOR: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Brennan, Casey, Collins, Cunningham, Fannon, Fury and Mannion—8.

AGAINST: Messrs. Beegan, S. Burke, Collieran, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Murphy, Nestor, O'Connor and Quinn—15.

The Chairman declared Mr. Beegan's motion carried, and it was, therefore, decided to recommend to the County Manager that the wages of road labourers be increased to 56/- a week, with effect from 3/1/49.

7833. Grant to Galway Harbour Commissioners.—Proposed by Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Council hereby approve the making of a contribution of £521 0s. 10d. to the Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of deficit in the Commissioners' Accounts for year ending 31/12/48—provision for this contribution to be made in the Council's Estimate for year ending 31/3/1950."

7834. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with the following :-

Senator R. M. Burke, on the death of his mother.

Mr. J. Lynch, A.C.E., Gort, on the death of his mother.

Consideration of all other business was adjourned until next meeting of the Council.

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*Submitted, approved & confirmed the 2nd day of March 1949.
Mairin O'Curran Chairman*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1949.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillors P. Beegan, J. Brennan, S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. F. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell and T. O'Connor.

7835. Overdraft Accommodation.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Cunningham and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £70,000 on General Account, for period from 1st April, 1949, to 30th June, 1949."

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Cunningham and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for period from 1st April, 1949, to 30th June, 1949."

Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Cunningham, and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £4,000 on Capital Account, pending the raising of loan for purchase of premises for use as a dispensary residence and dispensary at Rosmuck, Lettermore No. 2 Dispensary District."

7836. Excess Expenditure.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. Cunningham and unanimously Resolved :-

"That the Council hereby approve the following excesses in actual expenditure over the amount already approved for the year ending 31st March, 1949 :-

Roads :	
Other Expenses	£ 2,500
Public Assistance :	
District Institutions	£ 31,000
Medical Assistance	2,000
Extern Institutions	800
Other Expenses	1,000
	34,800
HEALTH	1,000
HOUSING :-	
Labourers Acts	700
	£39,000

It was noted that the total savings on other heads of the Estimate would amount to £42,500, making a net saving of £3,500 in actual expenditure as compared with the amount already approved for year ending 31st March, 1949.

7837. Sympathy.—On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Glynn, the Council unanimously expressed their deep sympathy with the relatives of the late Mr. Patrick Fannon, County Councillor, and it was decided to adjourn all other business until 12.30 p.m., on Saturday, 2nd April, 1949.

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Submitted, approved and confirmed the 21st day of May, 1949.

Mairin O'Curran Chairman

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To Consider:-

1. Minutes.
2. Vacancy on Council resulting from the death of Mr. P. Fannon, G.C.
3. Overdraft arrangements for period 1.4.49 to 30.6.49:-
 - (a) General Account.
 - (b) Turf Account.
4. Excess in actual expenditure over estimate approved for the year ending 31.3.1949.
5. Raising of loan for purchase of an excavator for drainage work &c.
6. Completion of mortgage deed for loan £280 to be advanced to Tuam Town Commissioners for purchase of Tuam Meat Market.
7. Financial arrangements for provision of a home for nurses and maids at Woodlands Sanatorium.
8. Raising of loan for provision of a sewerage scheme for Glenamaddy town.
9. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Councillor P. Fury: "That the question of steam-rolling the road from Currandulla Barracks to Loughgeorge Barracks be considered."
 - (b) Councillor T. O Seaghdha: "Go ndeanfaidh an Chomairle Conndae Boitrin Baile Chonamara' nasc-bhothar ata ag dul o phoinnte ar an mbothar mor ceathru mile taobh thoir de Theach Pobuil an Spideal siar o thuaidh go bothar Bhul Uisce do dheasu agus choinneal suas mar bhothar Chonndae. (Fad an bhoithrin $\frac{3}{4}$ mile).

- (c) Councillor P. Collieran: "That a mile of road leading from Ballygar to Creggs be steam-rolled and made suitable for present day traffic."
 - (d) Councillor J.J. Nestor: (i) That horses and carts be substituted for lorries where feasible; (ii) and that most of existing sandpits be re-opened so as to avoid long distance removals."
 - (e) Councillor J.J. Nestor: "That Rate Collection area No. 33 which comprises E.D'S. of Claretuam, Tuam Rural, Tuam Urban and Killereerin be divided equitably and that two Collectors be appointed instead of one."
 - (f) Councillor S. Burke: "That the road from Loughatorick to Farran's Cross, through the village of Tourleitra, to the junction of Loughatorick-Moyglass road, be scheduled as a County road and be repaired. Distance $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles (Link road).
 - (g) Councillor J.J. Cunningham: "That I shall move at the next Council Meeting that a healthy and sufficient supply of water be provided for the townlands of Lettera and Patch (Glenamaddy Dispensary District) instead of the present dangerously infested supply now available by the construction of a new well or the sinking of a pump."
 - (h) Councillor J.J. Cunningham: "That at the next County Council meeting, I shall expect from the County Secretary, a complete statement of the progress made towards implementing the resolution providing a water supply for Kilkerrin, over three years ago - bearing in mind that over a year ago the County Manager undertook to make a special effort to secure sanction for it from the Department of Local Government."
 - (i) Councillor J. Brennan: "That I will ask that a report be made to the Council of the progress to date in the erection of the huts at the Central Hospital and the reasons for the occasional stoppages of work which have been taking place in respect of those huts."
 - (j) Councillor J.J. Cunningham: "That I shall move that the road from Fleming's sandpit to the Monastery School (about 400 yards long) be made a County road conforming as it does to the necessary conditions of being non-stop and shortening the distance to important centres."
10. Appointment of Rate Collector for No.3. Collection District.
 11. Proposed appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Central Hospital.
 12. Amendment of scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places.
 13. Revision of salaries of Clerks to Spiddal and Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.
 14. Proposed purchase of tolls, customs and fairgreen at Portunna.
 15. Letter 7.3.1949 from General Council of County Councils re road grants, 1949/50.
 16. Appointment of nominee to vote &c. at General Meetings of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.
 17. Letter 4.3.1949 from General Council of County Councils requesting notice of matters to be placed on Agenda for next meeting of the General Council.
 18. Letter 10.3.1949 from the Irish Society for the protection of birds requesting that Council apply for an order protecting the eggs of all birds except those of the magpie, hooded crow and wood-pigeon.
 19. Notice of Motion by Councillor P. Collins:

"That I or somebody on my behalf will move that Peter Sixx, Glynsk, Ballymoe, be co-opted a member of the Galway County Council in room of Councillor Fannon."
 20. Resolutions.
 21. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1949.

In the Chair: (1) Councillor M. Quinn.
(2) Councillor M. Carty.

Also present:—Councillors M. A. Ashe, P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell and T. O'Connor.

7838. Minutes.—Mr. R. M. Burke thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy in his recent bereavement and asked if the Council would reconsider the rate of wages fixed for road workers.

The Chairman informed Mr. Burke that it would be necessary for him to submit a notice of motion in regard to road workers' wages.

Mr. King drew attention to Minute 7831 at meeting on 28/2/49 and stated that his proposal was not withdrawn, as stated in Minute referred to.

It was agreed to amend the Minute accordingly to read that Mr. King's proposal was not accepted by the Chairman.

Minutes of the Council to 7834, having been circulated, were then signed.

7839. Toghermore House.—On the proposition of Mr. Carty, the Council unanimously thanked Mr. R. M. Burke for his generous offer of his house at Toghermore, Tuam.

On the proposition of Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Collins, it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the following be appointed as a Committee to investigate the purposes for which the house might be utilised. Messrs. Quinn, R. M. Burke, Ashe, Kyne, King, Casey, Killilea, County Manager, County Engineer, County M.O.H. and the Secretary.

7840. County Road Grant.—County Engineer submitted his list of proposed works to be defrayed from the County Road Grant for year ending 31/3/50, viz:—

Surface dressing of county roads	£7,036
Reconstruction of County roads	62,464
Total	£69,500

After discussion the Council, on the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Beegan, unanimously approved the County Engineer's proposals.

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7841. Vacancy.—Mr. Nestor proposed, Mr. Lambert seconded and it was unanimously resolved:—

"That, consequent on the death of Mr. Patrick Fannon, Glinsk, Ballymoe, the Galway County Council declares that a vacancy now exists on the Council, and directs that the appropriate notice be given of the existence of such vacancy." The declaration of vacancy was signed by Councillors Quinn, Nestor and Lambert.

7842. Mounthelwell Water Supply Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Kitt, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and Resolved.

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £1,000 on the Council's Capital Account pending the receipt of loan for Mounthelwell Water Supply Scheme."

7843.—Waterworks Extension—Carraroe, Leenane and Lettermore.—Proposed by Mr. Mannion, seconded by Mr. S. Burke and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £5,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for extension of water supply schemes at Carraroe, Leenane, and Lettermore, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan."

7844. Cinema Licence.—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Kitt and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the granting of a licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, to Mr. John Creagh, Abbey, Kylebrack, Loughrea, in respect of his Portable Cinema."

7845. Excavator.—Proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Casey and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £900 (in addition to the loan of £4,600 approved in Minute No. 7775) from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purchase of an excavator and trailer, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 10 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan."

7846. Tuam Meat Market.—It was proposed by Mr. R. M. Burke, seconded by Mr. Glynn and unanimously Resolved:—

"That pursuant to the letter of sanction of the Minister for Local Government, dated 14th day of February, 1949, the sum of £280 be borrowed from the National Bank.

Limited, Galway, for the purpose of advancing this amount to the Tuam Town Commissioners, for the purchase by the Commissioners of the premises known as "The Tuam Meat Market," said sum to be repaid within Ten Years with interest at the rate of one half per cent. under the Irish Bank rate rising and falling from time to time with a minimum of 4 per cent. per annum as in said Letter of Sanction provided, the said loan and all interest thereon to be secured by a Mortgage over the Rates and that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the said Mortgage to the National Bank, Limited."

7847. Woodlands Sanatorium Pavilions, Staff Home.—Secretary reported that tenders had been obtained for the provision of a Home for Nurses and Domestic Staff at Woodlands Sanatorium; that the estimated cost of the work is £39,000, 75 per cent. of which will be recouped from Hospital Trust Funds.

Secretary also stated that in addition to the expenditure already incurred the total estimated expenditure on pavilions, home, etc., at Woodlands Sanatorium would be £108,000. A loan of £25,000 had already been raised to defray the Council's proportion, viz., 25 per cent. of an estimated total expenditure of £100,000.

It was proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council press for a grant equivalent to the full amount of the expenditure on Woodlands Sanatorium pavilions and staff home in view of the fact that a full grant has been allocated for such purposes in some other counties."

7848. Glenamaddy Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Glynn, seconded by Mr. O'Connor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £8,200 from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of a sewerage scheme in Glenamaddy town, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan."

7849. Road Works.—In reply to Mr. Fury's notice of motion County Engineer reported that provision has been made in the current years' estimate for steam rolling of one mile of the road from Currandulla Barracks to Currandulla village.

In view of the fact that no monies are now available for the carrying out of additional new road works, it was decided that no action be taken in regard to the following:—

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Notice of Motion by:	Description of Works.
Mr. O'Shea	Link road at Spiddal.
Mr. Collieran	Ballygar-Cregg road.
Mr. S. Burke	Loughatorick-Farran's cross road.
Mr. Cunningham	Road from Fleming's sandpit to the Monastery School.

7850. Carters and Sand Pits.—Mr. Nestor proposed, Mr. Burke seconded:—

"That horses and carts be substituted for lorries where feasible; and that most of existing sandpits be reopened so as to avoid long distance removals."

County Engineer stated that he intends to travel to North Galway to discuss these matters with Mr. Nestor and Mr. Glynn.

7851. Rate Collection District No. 33.—In reference to notice of motion, Mr. Nestor stated that he agrees with the revised divisions of Collection Districts Nos. 33, 35 and 36, as set out in County Manager's Order No. 12589 of 16/3/49.

7852. Water Supply Leitra and Patch—Glenamaddy Dispensary District.—In reply to Mr. Cunningham's notice of motion reports from County Engineer and County Medical Officer of Health were submitted indicating that there is an existing pump at Lisheenaheltia capable of serving this area and that in view of the big list of pumps to be provided a new pump for Leitra and Patch area could not be recommended at present.

Mr. Cunningham maintained that Lisheenaheltia is at least two miles distant from the Leitra-Patch area, and that the only water supply available is a bad roadside well; that there is also a school in the area.

It was decided that the County M.O.H. be requested to reconsider this matter.

7853. Kilkerrin Water Supply.—In reply to Mr. Cunningham's notice of motion Secretary stated that the Engineer's report indicated that a suitable source for a piped water supply for Kilkerrin would be approximately 1½ miles distant from the village and that the cost of this scheme utilising this source would be approximately £10,000 to serve a population of 80; that in view of the high estimated cost of the work an alternative was considered, viz., to provide a second pump in the village; that there is a difficulty in regard to this as in view of the sulphurous nature of the strata it is possible that any water obtained may be very unpalatable.

Mr. Cunningham stated that he would raise the matter again at next meeting.

7854. Galway Central Hospital—Additional Accommodation for Patients.—Mr. Brennan proposed and Mr. Quinn seconded:—

"That the Department of Industry and Commerce be again requested to have an adequate supply of asbestos cement sheeting made available for the additional accommodation at the Central Hospital."

County Engineer's report was submitted indicating that approximately five-sevenths of the structure is now sheeted, that small quantities are still being obtained and that it now appears possible that the structure will be completed by 1st July, 1949.

7855. Rate Collection District No. 3.—Mr. Quinn stated that as a relative of his is a candidate for the post of rate collector for the No. 3 Collection District he wished to vacate the Chair.

Mr. Carty then took the Chair.

Mr. Beegan drew attention to the fact that one of the candidates is over 50 years of age and asked if that candidate was informed by the Secretary that he was not eligible for the appointment.

Mr. King stated that the name of an ineligible candidate should not be put before the Council.

Secretary stated that he had listed the applicants in alphabetical order and given all information available in the list submitted to the Council; that without an express direction to that effect he did not consider that he was entitled to reject an application before it had been submitted to the Council.

Mr. Collins proposed, Mr. Casey seconded:—

"That all candidates on the list be considered eligible for appointment."

Mr. Casey proposed, Mr. Carty seconded, and it was Resolved:

"That, in future, any candidate for the post of Rate Collector, who is not eligible in accordance with the published conditions of appointment be so informed and that his name be not placed on the list submitted to the Council."

The appointment of Mr. Patrick Quinn, Woodlawn, was proposed by Mr. Curley, seconded by Mr. Ruane.

The appointment of Mr. John C. Fallon, Derrymullen, Ballinasloe, was proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Nestor.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Quinn: Miss Ashe, Messrs. Beegan, Brennan, Carty, Collieran, Cunningham, Curley, Ruane, Kitt, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, King, Kyne, Murphy, Newell, O'Connor and Quinn. 18.

For Mr. Fallon: Messrs. R. M. Burke, S. Burke, Casey, Collins, Fury, Lambert, Mannion, and Nestor. 8.

The Chairman declared Mr. Patrick Quinn, Killaan, Woodlawn, appointed to the post of Rate Collector for the No. 3 Collection District.

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In regard to the conditions of appointment for the post of Rate Collector, Secretary pointed out that Circular No. G.115-47 of 15/9/47, from the Department of Local Government, was placed before the Council at Meeting on 27/9/47—Minute No. 7515. Messrs. S. Burke and Casey recommended that, in future, candidates for the post of Rate Collector be examined.

7856. Rate Collection District No. 22.—Secretary reported that Mr. T. Corbett, Rate Collector for the No. 22 Collection District, died on 16/3/49.

A vote of sympathy with the relatives of Mr. Corbett was unanimously adopted and the Secretary was directed to make the usual arrangements in regard to the filling of the vacancy. Mrs. Annie Corbett, widow of the late Collector, to close the Warrant for year ended 31/3/49, was unanimously approved.

7857. Rate Collection District No. 1.—Secretary reported that Mr. J. Colohan, Rate Collector for the No. 1 District, has submitted his resignation with effect from the closing of Warrant for year ended 31/3/49.

The Council approved the making of the usual arrangements for the filling of the vacancy.

7857 (a). Resident Medical Superintendent, Galway Central Hospital.—County Manager informed the Council of the contemplated appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Central Hospital with salary scale £1,000 by £50 to £1,200 a year together with an unfurnished residence.

Mr. Brennan requested replies to the following queries:—

- (1) Will an improvement in the treatment and care of patients result from the appointment?
- (2) Will the person appointed have higher qualifications in maternity, eye and ear work, etc., than the members of the existing Medical Staff?
- (3) Has there been any complaint in regard to the administration of the Hospital or in regard to negligence of the existing Medical Staff?

County Manager in reply, stated that the duties of the proposed Medical Superintendent will be of an administrative nature and that he will be engaged directly in treatment of patients; that in an Institution such as Galway Central Hospital it is very desirable that there should be individual administrative responsibility rather than collective responsibility as exists at present in regard to Medical Staff matters; that the Minister has directed that higher qualifications than those possessed by the existing medical staff will not be necessary for the post of Medical Superintendent, but that such qualifications should be stated to be desirable but not essential.

In regard to Mr. Brennan's query No. 3, the Manager referred to the lengthy enquiry into the administration of the Hospital which was held in 1945.

Mr. Collins and Mr. Nestor opposed the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent.

After further discussion it was proposed by Mr. Beegan, seconded by Mr. Nestor, and Resolved:—

"That consideration of the matter be deferred until next meeting, when it should be placed at the head of the Agenda."

7858. Loughrea Water Supply.—Report from County M.O.H. dated 2/4/49, was submitted indicating that the water supply at Loughrea has now improved considerably and that it is no longer necessary to continue the precautionary measures recommended by him on 7/3/49.

7859. Portumna Tolls, Fair Green, Etc.—Correspondence in regard to the proposed purchase of tolls and fair green at Portumna was submitted.

Mr. S. Burke stated that he had been asked by the Portumna Development Company to request that this matter be adjourned pending the outcome of negotiations between the tenants and the Harewood Estate.

County Manager explained that he had already taken considerable trouble in arranging this matter at the request of the Development Company and that a letter from the vendors' Solicitor indicates that if the matter is not disposed of as quickly as possible the fair green may be sold to some private individual.

After further discussion it was proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Ruane and Resolved:—

"That consideration of the matter be adjourned until next Meeting."

7860. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with the relatives of the late Mr. Richard Kenny, Ballymacward, and with the Kitt Family, Moylough, on the death of their mother.

All other matters on the Agenda were adjourned to next meeting of the Council.

*Submitted approved and confirmed
this 21st day of May, 1949.*

Mark O'Connell Chairman

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(Galway)
7adh Bealtaine, 1949.

A Chara,

Iarratar ort leis seo bheith i lathair an Cruinniu de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnithe Conndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 14adh Bealtaine, 1949, ag 12. 30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH

Chuir gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle.

Runai.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:-

1. Minutes.
2. Filling of Vacancy on Council resulting from the death of Mr. P. Fannon, Co.C., and notices of motion by:-
 - (a) Councillor P. Collins: "That I or somebody on my behalf will move that Peter Sarr, Glynsk, Ballymoe, be co-opted a member of the Galway Co. Council in room of Councillor Fannon."
 - (b) Councillor M. Carty: "That I or some other member acting on my behalf, shall propose Mr. Martin Concat, Turlough, Ballymoe, Castlerea, be co-opted a member of the Co. Council to fill the vacancy in the Tuam Electoral Area caused by the death of Councillor Patrick Fannon."
3. Resignation of Mr. Hugh O'Donnell from his office as a member of the Galway County Council.
4. Resignation of Mr. John Joyce, Ardrahan, from membership of the Ardrahan Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.
5. Proposed appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Central Hospital.
6. Recommendation of Committee appointed to consider offer of Toghermore House by Senator R. M. Burke.
7. Appointment of Rate Collector for Collection District No. 1.
8. Appointment of Rate Collector for Collection District No. 22 and
Notice of Motion by Councillor S. Burke:-
"That I will move at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the Electoral Divisions of Aille, Mountain and Derrylaur in the Collection District of the late T. Corbett be added on to the Collection District of J. Walsh, No. 24 Collection District."

9. Raising of loan of £50,000 for erection of cottages in the Galway County Health District.
10. Raising of loan of £23,000 for extension of County Buildings.
11. Cessation of work on Portunna Sewerage Scheme due to demand by workers for an increase in wages.
12. Letter R.P.A. 201 of 10/3/49 in regard to grant for carrying out of schemes for protection or relief from flooding of roads, bridges, embankments and other public works, etc; and County Engineer's proposals which have been submitted for approval to the Minister for Local Government.
13. Amendment of scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places.
14. Revision of salaries of Clerks to Spiddal and Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.
15. Proposed purchase of tolls, customs and fair-green at Portunna.
16. Letter 7/3/49 from General Council of County Councils re Road Grants 1949/50.
17. Appointment of nominee to attend and vote at General Meetings of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd.
18. Letter 10/3/49 from the Irish Society for protection of birds requesting that Council apply for an order protecting the eggs of all birds except those of the magpie, hooded crow and wood pigeon.
19. Confirmation of resolution in Minute No. 7833 of 28/2/1949 approving the making of a contribution of £521. 0. 10 to the Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of their deficit for year ended 31/12/1948.
20. Councillors Notices of Motion:-
 - (a). Councillor R. M. Burke: "I request Galway Co. Council to reconsider their decision taken on March 16th 1949 (Minute No. 7832) recommending a wage of 56/- per week to road-workers, and further request Galway Co. Council to recommend an increase to a wage of 60/- per week."
 - (b). Councillor M. Carty: "To enable the B.O.H. cottiers at Cosmona, Loughron, to cultivate their gardens that the Co. Council repair the wire fences dividing those gardens."
 - (c). Councillor S. Glynn: "That I or someone on my behalf will move that a special meeting be summoned to consider Waterworks schemes and Pumps."
 - (d). Councillor S. Glynn: "That the County Surveyor allocate £1,000 for the necessary repair of the road Williamstown-Castlerea."
 - (e). Councillor J. Brennan: "That this Council being of opinion that all vacancies occurring in the higher ranks of the clerical staff under its control should be filled by way of promotion of officers of that staff, and that the system, at present obtaining, of inviting applications from officers of outside local bodies for the filling of such vacancies is unjust and does not tend towards establishing efficiency or contentment, it is resolved that immediate representations be made to the responsible Minister to amend the existing regulations so as to provide that all such vacancies be filled by means of promotion of competent officers of the clerical staff where the vacancies arise.
It is further resolved that until a reply to this resolution has been received from the Minister no appointment to the rank of staff officer in the clerical staff of this Council be made."
21. Letter 22/4/49 from the Special Employment Schemes Office stating that the repair of road and sewerage at Inishboffin is unsuitable for consideration as an employment scheme.
22. Adoption of Town and Regional Planning Acts for Galway County Health District.
23. Report and statement of accounts of Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. for year ended 31/12/1948.
24. Minutes of Meetings of General Council of County Councils held 9/12/1948 and 3/3/1949.
25. Resolutions.
26. Other business.

A Chara,

Please note that the following is to be included as an additional item - 20f - in the Agenda for meeting of the Council to be held on Saturday, 14th May, 1949.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH

Chuir gach Bhaill de'n Chomhairle.

Runni.

Notice of Motion by Councillor T. O'Shea:-

- (1) So n-iarrfadh féin, nó so n-iarrfadh buine ar mo son, de'n Oaighistóir Condae, tuairisc a tabairt ar a bfuil béanna agus ar a bfuil dá béanna i btaob Sgeim Uisce Caisle.
- (11) So n-iarrfadh féin, nó buine ar mo son, ar an Rúnaí Comhairle Condae:-
 - (A) Faisnéis a tabairt ar an duálzas atá zlacá ag an zComhairle seo uirthi féin i btaob beasú, nó at-zéim, na nbroicéad atá "zuzé" i zceantar lezuir Mór.
 - (b) A iunsioc cé'n fáil na bfuil eada dá béanna i btaob beasú na nbroicéad seo ahois, ná le blianta ahuas, b'aimbéim so bfuil an ceantar mór ó ahaic Meáin so Galad Suaim zán aon zseirbís bus o'n mbliain 1939.

To:

17 MAY 1949

Each Member - County Council.

Proposed Sale of Kilcornan House and Lands.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 83 of the Local Government Act, 1946, I am directed by the County Manager to give you notice that, subject to the approval of the Council and of the Minister for Health, it is proposed that the property described hereunder shall be sold on the terms stated:-

LAND: Kilcornan House and Lands - Area: 128 acres 3 roods 19 perches or thereabouts Statute measure attached thereto.

FROM WHOM ACQUIRED: Mr. Thomas Wilson-Lynch and Others.

PERSON TO WHOM LAND IS TO BE DISPOSED OF: Brothers of Charity, Belmont Park, Waterford.

CONSIDERATION IN RESPECT OF DISPOSAL: £5,500 plus costs of conveyance of the property to the purchasers.

OTHER COVENANTS, CONDITIONS OR AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DISPOSAL: None.

SIGNED:

L. O'Luanaigh.

RUNAIDHE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER OFFER OF TOGHERMORE HOUSE, HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON 13th APRIL, 1949.

IN ATTENDANCE :-

REPRESENTATIVES OF POST SANATORIA, LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Miss Nora O'Sullivan, Captain Maher, Mr. Robert Scanlon, Mr. Brendan Casey, Mr. Stephen Deveney and Mr. Roderick Collins.

REPRESENTATIVES OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL: Senator M. Quinn, Miss M. A. Ashe, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Killilea and Councillors T. Casey and P. Collins, the County Manager, County Engineer, Mr. Cullinan, Chief Assistant Co. Engineer, the Assistant County M.O.H. and Secretary.

It was unanimously Resolved :- "That Senator M. Quinn take the Chair."

Mr. B. Casey gave a statement of the proposals of the Post Sanatoria League in regard to the use of Toghermore House in the event of the premises being obtained by that body.

Mr. King and Miss Ashe stated that, in their opinions, the Committee should first inspect the house before making any decision as to its use.

The County Manager stated that it was understood that the Minister for Health desires that if the house is to be used as a Rehabilitation Centre it should be run by an outside body such as the Post Sanatoria League rather than by the Galway County Council; that there would probably be accommodation in the House for 25 patients of one sex but that it is considered desirable to start with approximately 10 patients.

Senator Burke stated that, while the offer is in respect of the House and 4 acres of land, additional land could be made available, if required, but it would be desirable that a decision in regard to this aspect of the matter be made immediately in view of the fact that any tillage work should be completed in the near future. If the Council should wish to acquire ownership of the House and 4 acres of land outright he (Senator Burke) would be prepared to discuss terms.

Mr. Scanlon stressed the desirability of a rehabilitation Scheme which would not be a profit making undertaking and would start with a small number. He requested the Committee to recommend to the Council that they withdraw from the matter in favour of the Galway Branch of the Post Sanatoria League.

Mr. Scanlon thanked Senator Burke for his offer of the House.

County Manager, in reply to Mr. T. Casey, stated that grant would probably be obtained from Hospital Trust Funds for furnishing of the premises in the event of its being used as a Rehabilitation Centre.

Mr. Brendan Casey suggested that the Centre be managed by a committee from which would be appointed a small sub-Committee consisting of about five members, the sub-Committee to meet frequently in order to dispose of current business and to report to and have its proceedings approved by the main body.

Miss O'Sullivan stated it was the first occasion in the experience of the Post Sanatoria League that such an offer as that of Senator Burke was made, and expressed the gratitude of the League therefor.

It was proposed by Mr. Killilea, seconded by Mr. Quinn and Resolved :-

"That this Committee recommend to the Council, in regard to the offer of Toghermore House by Senator Burke, that the Council withdraw from the matter in favour of a Rehabilitation Committee and that, subject to the approval of the Minister for Local Government, the Council agree to make a grant of £500 towards the cost of equipping Toghermore House for use as a Rehabilitation Centre, and to pay at the rate of £3 13s. 6d. a week for each patient sent to the Rehabilitation Centre on the recommendation of the Galway County Medical Officer of Health."

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 14th MAY, 1949.

In the Chair: Councillor M. Quinn.

Also present: Councillors M. A. Ashe, P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R. M. Burke, S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Collieran, P. Collins, J. Cunningham, J. F. Curley, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, M. Killilea, T. King, M. Kitt, P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. J. Shiel.

The Chairman proposed that the meeting be adjourned as a mark of respect to the late Minister for Local Government, recently deceased.

Mr. Nestor seconded, and Messrs. Beegan, Kitt, Lambert, Killilea and other members joined in paying tribute to the late Minister for Local Government and it was unanimously decided to adjourn the meeting until 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, 21st May, 1949.

Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

The Cawley family, Craughwell, and His Lordship, Most Reverend Dr. Browne, Bishop of Galway, on the death of Rev. Fr. Cawley, P.P., Shanaglish.

Deputy Kitt, on the death of his uncle, Sir John Sheehy.

Mr. Maurice Manning, Woodford, on the death of his wife.

Mr. Kitt thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed this
29th day of June, 1949.*

Maurice Manning Chairman

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY
COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON 21st MAY, 1949.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also in Attendance: Miss M. Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillors J. Brennan, S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, J. Curley, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. J. Shiel.

Apology for inability to attend, owing to illness, was received from Senator R. M. Burke.

7861. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7860, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

The Chairman read letter from the Secretariate of State to His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, thanking the Council for the resolution of sympathy adopted by them and for their protest against the arrest and imprisonment of His Eminence Cardinal Mindszenty, and stating that His Holiness imparts to the Chairman and to the members of the County Council his Apostolic Blessing.

The following letters were also read:—

(a) From his Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Galway, thanking the Council for their resolution of sympathy on the death of Very Rev. T. Cawley, P.P., Shanaglish.

(b) From An Taoiseach, thanking the Council for their message of sympathy on the death of Mr. T. J. Murphy, Minister for Local Government.

7862. Mountbellew Water Supply Scheme.—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. 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 the repayment of the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

7863. Rosmuck Dispensary Residence.—Proposed by Mr. Nestor, seconded by Mr. 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 the repay-

ment of the sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Public Assistance Act, 1939."

7864. Rate Collector No. 3 Collection District.—Letter, 7/12H. G.2770/2/49, of 20/5/49, from the Department of Local Government, was submitted, stating that as a resolution in accordance with the terms of Article 26 (G) of the Local Government (Officers) Regulations, 1943, did not appear to have been adopted by the Council, the Minister is precluded from sanctioning the appointment of Mr. Patrick Quinn as Rate Collector for No. 3 Collection District.

It was proposed by Miss Ashe, seconded by Mr. Carty, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That, having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of those duties, and the qualifications for that office, the Council consider that the person to be appointed to that office cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination, and decide, therefore, that in the case of all such appointments the Council shall consider the qualifications of the applicants for each post and shall make an appointment after consideration of said qualifications—this resolution applies to the appointment of a Rate Collector in the No. 3 Collection District and also to all future appointments of Rate Collectors."

Mr. Casey proposed that in any future appointment of a Rate Collector, the candidates for the post should be listed in order of merit by the County Manager.

This proposal was not seconded.

Mr. Carty proposed, Mr. Glynn seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That having considered the qualifications of the applicants, the Council hereby appoint Mr. Patrick Quinn, Killaan, Woodlawn, to the post of Rate Collector for the No. 3 Collection District, in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

7865. Excavator.—Letter, L.3363/49, of 10/5/49, from the Department of Local Government was submitted, stating that while the Minister would be prepared to sanction the borrowing by the Council for this purpose, it is suggested that the loan should be obtained from the Council's Treasurer.

Proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Casey, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That in view of the higher rate of interest chargeable on loans by the Council's Treasurer than that charged on loans issued by the Commissioners of Public Works, the

Minister be again requested to grant his approval to the obtaining of this loan from the source proposed by the Council, viz., Commissioners of Public Works."

7866. Loughrea Town Commissioners: Housing.—Secretary reported that in order to enable the Loughrea Town Commissioners to proceed with the erection of houses pending the obtaining of a loan, it will be necessary to advance moneys to them from the Council's funds.

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Capital Account to enable the Council to make advances to the Loughrea Town Commissioners for the erection of houses in the Town Commissioners' area."

7867. County Management Act, 1940.—Letter, 9/5/49, from the County Councils' General Council was submitted requesting that the opinion of each County Council be sought on the amendment to the County Management Act.

It was ordered that copies of the letter be circulated to the members, and that a list of the reserved functions be circulated also with the letter.

7868. Kilcornan House and Lands.—Copy of notice which was sent to each member in regard to the proposed sale of Kilcornan House and lands was submitted.

It was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the sale of Kilcornan House and lands, area 128 acres 3 roods 19 perches, or thereabouts, statute measure, to the Brothers of Charity, Belmont Park, Waterford, for the sum of £5,500, plus costs of conveyance of the property to the purchasers."

7869. Partition.—It was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Mr. Collins, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council condemn and protest in the strongest possible manner against the action of the British Government in re-asserting its support of the Orange minority in the Six Northern Counties."

7870. Vacancies.—It was proposed by Mr. Collins, and seconded by Mr. Nestor:—

"That Mr. Patrick Sirr, Glynsk, Ballymoe, be co-opted a member of Galway County Council to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Patrick Fannon."

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Ruane :—
 "That Mr. Martin Concagh, Turla, Ballymoe, Castlereagh, be co-opted a member of Galway County Council to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Patrick Fannon."

A vote taken resulted as follows :—
 For Mr. Sirr—Miss Ashe, Councillors Brennan, S. Burke, Collins, Cooke, Lambert, Mannion and Nestor—8.

For Mr. Concagh—Deputy Beegan, Councillors Carty, Collieran, Cunningham, Curley, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, O'Connor, Senator Quinn and Councillor Shiel—16.

Mr. Casey did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Martin Concagh elected a member of the Council.

Mr. Concagh, who was present at the Meeting, signed the form of acceptance of office.

Letter, 25/4/49, from Mr. H. O'Donnell was submitted, resigning from his office as member of Galway County Council.

Mr. O'Donnell's resignation was accepted.

Senator Quinn proposed, Deputy Killilea seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved :—

"That, consequent on the resignation of Mr. Hugh O'Donnell, Mynish, Carna, the Galway County Council declares that a vacancy now exists on the Council, and directs that the appropriate notice be given of the existence of such vacancy."

The declaration of vacancy was signed by Senator Quinn, Deputy Kitt and Councillor Carty.

7871. Ardrahan Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Letter, 23/4/49, from Mr. John Joyce, Ardrahan, was submitted, resigning from membership of Ardrahan Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

Mr. Joyce's resignation was accepted, and it was decided that consideration of the filling of the vacancy be adjourned until the next Annual Meeting.

7872. Resident Medical Superintendent : Central Hospital.—Correspondence in regard to this matter was again submitted.

After a discussion it was proposed by Mr. Casey and seconded by Mr. Cooke :—

"That the Council approve the proposed appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Central Hospital."

As an amendment, it was proposed by Mr. Brennan, seconded by Mr. Carty :—

"That the Council do not approve the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent."

Mr. King recommended that the appointment be deferred until the new Hospital would be provided.

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken.

A show of hands for or against the proposed appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent resulted as follows :—

For the appointment—16.

Against the appointment—5.

The Chairman declared carried Mr. Casey's motion approving the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Central Hospital.

7873. Toghermore House.—Minutes of the meeting of the Committee to consider Senator Burke's offer of Toghermore House, which was held on 13/4/49, were submitted.

Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Mr. Collins, and Resolved :—

"That the Council adopt the recommendation of the Committee in regard to the offer of Toghermore House by Senator R. M. Burke and withdraw from the matter in favour of the Rehabilitation Committee; and that, subject to the approval of the Minister for Health, the Council agree to make a grant of £500 towards the cost of equipping Toghermore House for use as a Rehabilitation Centre and to pay at the rate of £3 13s. 6d. a week for each patient sent thereto on the recommendation of the Galway County Medical Officer of Health."

7874. Rate Collector, No. 1 Collection District.—Twenty-one applications for the vacant post were submitted.

Secretary also reported that two applications received after the closing date were not included on the list submitted to the Council, and that No. 19 on the list (Mr. John J. Regan) had now submitted certificates in regard to education and service with the Auxiliary Defence Services.

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Mr. Carty :—

"That Mr. Parnell Larkin, Kiltormer, Ballinasloe, be appointed Rate Collector for the No. 1 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Proposed by Miss Ashe and seconded by Mr. Fury :—

"That Mr. Anthony Goode, Beechlaw, Ballinasloe, be appointed Rate Collector for the No. 1 Collection District." Mr. Casey expressed disapproval of the system of appointment of Rate Collectors.

Mr. S. Burke proposed and Deputy Kitt seconded :—

"That Mr. Timothy Kelly, Killimor, Ballinasloe, be appointed Rate Collector for the No. 1 Collection District."

A vote taken resulted as follows :—

For Mr. Larkin—Deputy Beegan, Councillors Carty, Collieran, Cunningham, Curley, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors O'Connor, Kyne, Shiel and Senator Quinn—15.

For Mr. Goode—Councillors Ashe, Collins, Cooke, Fury, Lambert, Mannion and Nestor—7.

For Mr. Kelly—Councillors Brennan and S. Burke.

Messrs. Casey and Murphy did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Parnell Larkin appointed to the post of Rate Collector for the No. 1 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment.

7875. Rate Collector, No. 22 Collection District.—Eight applications for the vacant post were submitted.

Secretary pointed out that one application from a candidate who was over age was not included in the list submitted to the Council.

It was proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Senator Quinn, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council request the County Manager to transfer the Electoral Divisions of Aille, Mountain and Derrylaur from Collection District No. 22 to Collection District No. 24, and that the appointment of a Rate Collector to the vacancy in District No. 22 be made subject to the person appointed agreeing to the alteration in the area of No. 22 District."

Proposed by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. S. Burke :—

"That Mrs. Annie Corbett, Killeeneen, Craughwell, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for the No. 22 Collection District, in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Proposed by Mr. Carty, seconded by Deputy Beegan :—

"That Mr. Patrick John Finnegan, Dolphin Street, Loughrea, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for the No. 22 Collection District, in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

A vote taken resulted as follows :—

For Mrs. Corbett—Councillors Brennan, S. Burke, Collins, Cooke, Fury, Mannion and Nestor—7.

For Mr. Finnegan—Councillor Ashe, Deputy Beegan, Councillors Carty, Collieran, Cunningham, Curley, Ruane, Fury, Glynn, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Newell, Shiel and Senator Quinn—16.

Messrs. Casey and Lambert did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Patrick John Finnegan, Dolphin Street, Loughrea, appointed Rate Collector for the No. 22 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment, and subject to his agreeing to the transfer of the

Electoral Divisions of Aille, Mountain and Derrylaur from Collection District No. 22 to Collection District No. 24.

7876. New Cottages Loan.—It was proposed by Mr. Ruane, seconded by Mr. O'Connor, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £50,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for erection of labourers' cottages in the Galway County Health District, the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

Mr. O'Shea recommended that the Council consider the acquisition of portions of adjoining commonages for cottage tenants in some areas in Connemara.

7877. Extension of County Buildings.—Correspondence relative to the extension of the County Buildings was submitted together with report from Consulting Engineer, indicating that the estimated cost of the work is £23,000.

Proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Ruane :—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £23,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for extension of offices at the County Buildings, the loan to be repayable by instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

Proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Nestor :—

"That the Council do not approve the raising of any further loans until definite progress is made with the erection of labourers' cottages."

The Chairman directed that a show of hands be taken, which resulted as follows :—

For Mr. King's Amendment—3.

Against Mr. King's amendment—10.

The Chairman declared Mr. Burke's proposal carried. Mr. Cooke dissented from the resolution.

7878. Portumna Sewerage Scheme.—County Manager reported that the workers employed by the Contractor on the Portumna Sewerage Scheme have ceased work and are not prepared to resume unless an increase of 2½d. per hour is paid to labourers employed by the Contractor on this scheme; that the rate paid to labourers prior to the strike was 1/6d. per hour, which rate had been approved by the Council's representatives at a conference in August, 1948; that it appears the new rate had been agreed between the Union's representatives and those of the Builders' Federation without consulting the Council.

After a discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Collins, seconded by Deputy Beegan, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council do not approve the granting of an increase of 2½d. per hour for labourers, sought by the workers employed on Portumna Sewerage Scheme."

7879. Local Authorities (Works) Bill, 1949.—Letter, 14/4/49, from the County Engineer, and list of proposed works sent by him to the Department of Local Government were submitted.

It was ordered that when the County Engineer's second list is prepared copies of both lists of proposals should be circulated to the members of the Council.

7880. Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places.—Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the following amendments in the scheme of polling districts and polling places":—

Ballinasloe Electoral Area : Nil.

Galway Electoral Area :

Booth—House at Tomnahulla—ADD Polling District E.D. of Annaghdown (Tuam) (part of), excluding Townlands of Anbally and Cahervolla.

Delete Booth Carnaun N.S., Polling District E.D. of Aughrim (Galway) and substitute the following:—

(a) House at Moorpark, Athenry.

Polling District—E.D. of Aughrim (Galway) (part of) comprising the townlands of Ballinloughaun, Ballybackagh, Barrett's Park, Caherbrickaun, Carnmore, Carnaun, Cashla, Castlambert, Deerpark, Knocknagreeva, Lisheenkyle E., Lisheenkyle W., Moor and Peakroe.

(b) House at Mountain North, Athenry.

Polling District—E.D. of Aughrim (Galway) (part of) comprising the townlands of Ballydavid Middle, Ballydavid North, Castle Ellen, Carrowntober E., Knockbaun, Loughawnaghan, Montpelier, Mountain North, Pollagh, Pollagool, Saint Ellen and Shaughaderreen.

Ballinderry N.S., INCLUDE E.D. of Kilmoylan (part of), comprising the townland of Brockagh.

Brierhill N.S., INCLUDE E.D. of Galway Rural (part of), comprising the townland of Ballybrit.

Carnmore N.S. EXCLUDE the townland of Carnmore in E.D. of Carnmore. INCLUDE E.D. of Lisheenvalla (part of), comprising the townland of Carnmore.

Claregalway N.S. INCLUDE the townland of Carnmore, E.D. of Carnmore (part of).

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Corofin Female N.S. INCLUDE the townlands of Anbally and Cahervolla, E.D. of Annaghdown (Tuam) (part of).

St. Brendan's N.S., Galway. EXCLUDE the townland of Ballybrit, E.D. of Galway Rural (part of).

Annagh N.S. EXCLUDE the townland of Brockagh, E.D. of Kilmoylan (part of).

Lackaghbeg N.S. EXCLUDE the townland of Kiltroque, E.D. of Lackaghbeg (part of).

Change House at Cregcarragh to Cregmore N.S. EXCLUDE the townland of Carnmore, E.D. of Lisheenvalla (part of), and INCLUDE the townland of Kiltroque, E.D. of Lackaghbeg (part of).

Change Taidbhearc (Irish Theatre) to Ozanam House, Galway.

Loughrea Electoral Area :

House at Knockroe, Gort. EXCLUDE townland of Reyraver, E.D. of Ballycahalan (part of).

House at Ballingar. EXCLUDE the townlands of Commons East and Kyleagowan, E.D. of Ballinagar (part of).

Change House at Grange to House at Kylebeg, Newtowndaly.

Derrygoolin N.S. EXCLUDE townlands of Coose North and Coose South, E.D. of Coose (part of).

New Booth at Derryoover N.S.

Polling District—E.D. of Coose (part of), comprising the townlands of Coose North and Coose South, E.D. of Drummin (part of), comprising the townlands of Boleyanalag, Derryoover, Dooras, Drummin, Gorteeny, Oghilly and Rostullus.

Derrybrien N.S. EXCLUDE Polling District E.D. of Ballycahalan (part of), comprising the townlands of Bunnaglass and Inchamore.

House at Looscaun changed to House at Rossmore. Polling District, E.D. of Drummin (part of), comprising the townlands of Bauntra, Cloondadaun, Cloonoon, Derrygill, Kyleneamelly, Looscaun, Rossmore and Srah.

New Booth—House at Reyraver, Gort.

Polling District—E.D. of Ballycahalan (part of), comprising the townlands of Bunnaglass, Derrywee West, Derrywee East, Inchamore and Reyraver.

Woodford N.S. Change to Woodford Courthouse and ADD townlands of Commons E. and Kyleagowan in E.D. of Ballinagar.

New Booth at Kilbeacanty N.S.

Polling District—E.D. of Kiltartan (part of), comprising the townlands of Cloon, Cloondine, Kilbeacanty, Rakerrin, Russaun, Streamstown and Turramore.

Ballyturn N.S. EXCLUDE townlands of Derrywee East, Derrywee West in E.D. of Ballycahalan, and townlands of Cloondine, Kilbeacanty, Rakerrin, Russaun and Turramore, E.D. of Kiltartan.

Gort Courthouse 1 and 2. EXCLUDE the townlands of Cloon and Streamstown in E.D. of Kiltartan.

Courthouse, Kinvara, divided as follows:—

(a) Courthouse, Kinvara.

Polling District—E.D. of Kinvara (part of), EXCLUDING the townlands of Ardnagno, Ballybuck, Cahercon, Carrownamadra, Funshinmore, Inishroo, Leeha North and Leeha South, Roo Demesne and Trellick, and E.D. of Dooras (part of), comprising the townlands of Ballybrannagan, Croosooaha and Dooras Demesne.

(b) House at Carrownamadra, Kinvara.

Polling District—E.D. of Kinvara (part of), comprising the townlands of Carrownamadra, Funshin More, Inishroo, Leeha North, Leeha South, Roo Demesne and Trellick.

Gortanummera N.S. changed to Gortanummera Hall.

Oughterard Electoral Area :

House at Derrygimla changed to House at Ballinaboy.

Tuam Electoral Area :

House at Keade, Levally, Tuam, changed to House at Ballyedmond.

Ballyroe N.S. changed to Williamstown N.S., and Annagh East in E.D. of Templetogether to read Curragh East, and ADD townland of Kilnalag in E.D. of Templetogether.

Mountbellew N.S. EXCLUDE townland of Springlawn in E.D. of Ballinakill (Mountbellew).

Moylough N.S. EXCLUDE townlands of Annaghmore East and Annaghmore West in the E.D. of Mountbellew.

New Booth—House at Springlawn.

Polling District—E.D. of Ballinakill (part of), comprising the townland of Springlawn, and E.D. of Mountbellew (part of), comprising the townlands of Annaghmore East and Annaghmore West.

Polredmond N.S. Townland of Annagh East should be Curragh East, and ADD townland of Kilnalag in E.D. of Templetogether.

The Cinema, Tuam, changed to the Town Hall, Tuam.

7881. Spiddal and Oughterard Old Age Pensions Subcommittee.—It was unanimously decided that no alteration be made in the rate of salaries at present payable to the Clerks of Spiddal and Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.

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7882. Purchase of Tolls, Fair Green, Etc., at Portumna.—After discussion, it was proposed by Mr. S. Burke, seconded by Mr. Ruane, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That consideration of the purchase of tolls, customs and fair green at Portumna be adjourned."

7882a. General Council of County Councils.—Letter, 7/3/49, from the General Council re Road Grants, 1949/50, was noted.

7883. Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Limited.—As the date of the Annual Meeting was passed, it was not considered necessary to appoint a nominee to attend and vote at General Meetings of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances, Ltd.

7884. Protection of Birds.—Letter from the Irish Society for the Protection of Birds was submitted in regard to the protection of various species of birds.

It was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Deputy Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That the Council apply to the Minister for Justice for a County Order protecting the eggs of all wild birds, except those of the magpie, hooded crow and woodpigeon."

7885. Galway Harbour Commissioners.—Proposed by Mr. Cooke, seconded by Deputy Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby confirm the resolution adopted in Minute 7833, approving the making of a contribution of £521 0s. 10d. to the Galway Harbour Commissioners in respect of deficit in the Commissioners' accounts for year ended 31st December, 1948."

7886. Road Workers' Wages.—Consideration of Senator R. M. Burke's notice of motion in regard to increase of road workers' wages was, in his absence, adjourned until next meeting.

7887. Water Supplies and Pumps.—In regard to Councillor Glynn's notice of motion that a special meeting be summoned in connection with above matter, it was decided that the County Medical Officer be present at next meeting of the Council, and that all information relating to existing proposals which have not yet been carried out be available.

All other business on the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting of the Council.

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*Submitted, approved and confirmed this 25th
day of June 1949.*

Martin O'Connell, Chairman

COMAIRLE CONDAE NA GAILLIMHE.
(GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL)

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NA FOINSGHÍTE CONDAE
(County Buildings)
GAILLIMH
(Galway)

17adh Meitheamh, 1949.

A Chára,

Tarratar airt leis seo bhoith i lathair ag Cruinniú Bliantúil
de Chomhairle Condae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ina na
Foirgnighthe Chonndae, Gaillimh, Sía Sathairn, 25adh Meitheamh, 1949,
ag 12.30 p.m. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH
Rúnaí.

Chuis goch Dhaill de'n Comhairle.

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:-

1. Election of Chairman for year 1949/50.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman for year 1949/50.
3. Appointment of Committees for year 1949/50, viz:-
Education Committee.
County Libraries Committee.
National Monuments Advisory Committee.
Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.
Visiting Committees for Council's District Institutions.
4. Appointment of representatives on:-
Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.
County Councils General Council.
Irish Tourist Association.
5. Letter 13/6/49 from C.E.O. County Galway Vocational Education Committee-
requesting that the Council fill the vacancies on the Committee resulting
from resignations of Very Rev. T. Glennon and Aodh Uas O'Donnail.
6. Minutes.
7. To make the rates and to sign and seal the rate books for the financial
year ending 31st March, 1950.
8. Overdraft accommodation for period 1st July, 1949, to 30th September,
1949, on:-
(a). General Account.
(b). Turf Account.

(2).

9. Purchase of Excavator - Letter 8/6/49 from Department of Local Government
re obtaining overdraft on Capital Account pending receipt of loan.
10. Raising of loans for Loughrea Town Commissioners' Housing Schemes, viz:-
(a) Slum Clearance - £19,800.
(b) Relief of overcrowding - £19,400.
11. Raising of loan £5,000 for provision of residences for M.Wives in
Athenry, Spiddal (Furbough) and Gort Dispensary Districts.
12. Spiddal and Oughterard O.A.P. Sub Committees - Revision of Clerks'
Salaries.
13. Letter 22/4/49 from Special Employment Schemes Office stating that the
repair of road and sea-wall at Inishboffin is unsuitable for consideration
as an employment scheme.
14. Mass Radiography Service:- Letter 28/3/49 (PH./T.B.) from Department of
Health.
15. University Scholarship Scheme - Letter 9/5/49 from County Councils'
General Council recommending alteration in residence qualification date.
16. Purchase of Fair-green and Tolls at Portumna.
17. County Management Act - Letter 9/5/49 from County Councils' General
Council requesting views of Council on amendment of Act.
18. Council's Road-Workers in Galway Borough area - Letter 13/5/49 from
Irish Transport & General Workers' Union requesting extra week of
annual holidays.
19. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
(a) Councillor R. M. Burke: "I request Galway Co. Council to re-
consider their decision taken on March 16th 1949 (Minute No. 7832)
recommending a wage of 56/- per week to road-workers, and further
request Galway Co. Council to recommend an increase to a wage of
60/- per week."
(b) Councillor M. Carty: "To enable the B.O.H. cottiers at Coomona,
Loughrea, to cultivate their gardens that the Co. Council repair
the wire fences dividing these gardens."
(c) Councillor S. Glynn: "That I or someone on my behalf will move
that a special meeting be summoned to consider Waterworks Schemes
and Pumps."
(d) Councillor S. Glynn: "That the County Surveyor allocate £1,000 for
the necessary repair of the road Williamstown-Castlerea."
(e) Councillor J. Brennan: "That this Council being of opinion that all
vacancies occurring in the higher ranks of the clerical staff under
its control should be filled by way of promotion of officers of that
staff, and that the system, at present obtaining, of inviting
applications from officers of outside local bodies for the filling
of such vacancies is unjust and does not tend towards establishing
efficiency or contentment, it is resolved that immediate
representations be made to the responsible Minister to amend the
existing regulations so as to provide that all such vacancies be
filled by means of promotion of competent officers of the clerical
staff where the vacancies arise.

It is further resolved that until a reply to this resolution has
been received from the Minister no appointment to the rank of staff
officer in the clerical staff of this Council be made."

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(f). Councillor T. O'Shea:

(1) Go n-iarrfad fein, no go n-iarrfaidh duine ar mo shon, do'n Bhainisteoir Condae, tuairisc a thabhairt ar a bhfuil deanta agus ar a bhfuil dha dheanamh i dtaobh Sgein Uisge Chasla.

(11) Go n-iarrfad fein, no duine ar ma shon, ar an Ruanai Comhairle Condae:-

(a) Faisneis a thabhairt ar an dualgas ata glactha ag an gComhairle seo uirthi foin i dtaobh deasu, no ath-thogail, na ndroichead ara 'tligtho' i gceantar Leitir Moir."

(b) A insint co'n fath nach bhfuil tada dha dheanamh deasu na ndroichead seo anois, na le blianta amusa, d'aimhdeoin go bhfuil an ceantar mar o Anach Mheain to Caladh Guainim gan aon tseirbhais bus o'n mbliain 1939."

(g). Councillor J. J. Cunningham: Provision of water and sewerage schemes for Moylough.

(h). Councillor M. Carty: "Take notice that at next Meeting of Co. Council I or some other member acting for me shall propose that the Galway Co. Council make available the necessary funds to (a) connect the water mains on Main Street and Barrack Street, Loughrea, through King's Entry; (b) extend the Public Sewer Main down Athenry Road, Loughrea, as far as the end of the Water Main."

(i). Councillor T. King: "(1) This Council requests the County Manager to insist that all Co. Council work be closed down on Church Holydays as on Sundays.

(11) As this Council adopted a Labourers' Cottage Building Scheme some years ago, and in view of the disrepair for same, and as little or no progress has been made - or is intended to be made in the near future - this Council demands an enquiry be held into the cause of the unreasonable delay."

(j). Councillor J. J. Ruane: "I hereby give notice that I will move at the next meeting of the Co. Council that the Townlands of Decrpark, Killascaul and Rathgorgin in the E.D. of Kiltullagh (Loughrea) be transferred from Kiltullagh N.S. Booth to Esker N.S. Booth."

(k). Councillor M. Carty: "At next Co. Council meeting I shall ask the Co. Manager to inform the Council whether or not sanction has been given for the payment of salary to Dr. C. McCann in respect of his services as Superintendent of Woodlands Sanatorium."

20. Letter 14/6/49 from Department of Local Government in regard to the revision of increments on the salary scales for Secretary and Accountant to the Council.

21. County Councils' General Council - Letter requesting notice of matters for inclusion on Agenda for August meeting.

22. Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd - Report and Statement of Accounts for year ended 31/12/48.

23. Adoption of Town and Regional Planning Acts for the Galway County Health District.

24. Resolutions.

25. Other business.

To each member
of the Council.

Agenda for Meeting on 25/6/49.

A Chara,

Kindly note the following item is to be included on the Agenda for above meeting as Item No.6 (a):-

To fill vacancy on the Council resulting from the Resignation of Mr. Aodh O'Donnell, Mynish, Carna, (Oughterard Electoral Area).

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY,
25th JUNE, 1949.

In the Chair: (1) Senator M. Quinn.
(2) Councillor M. Carty.

Also Present: Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, P. Collieran, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor and J. J. Shiel.

7888. Election of Chairman.—Councillor Glynn proposed, Councillor Collieran seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—
"That Senator M. Quinn be re-elected Chairman of the Council for the year 1949/50."

7889. Election of Vice-Chairman.—Councillor Ruane proposed, Councillor Glynn seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—
"That Councillor M. Carty be re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the year 1949/50."

7890. County Galway Education Committee.—Deputy Killilea proposed, Senator Burke seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—
"That the existing County Galway Education Committee be re-appointed for year 1949/50."

7891. County Libraries Committee.—Deputy Killilea proposed, Senator Burke seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—
"That the existing County Libraries Committee be re-appointed for year 1949/50."

7892. National Monuments Advisory Committee.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor O'Shea, and unanimously Resolved:—
"That An t-Atair E. Mac Finn be appointed a member of the National Monuments Advisory Committee to fill the vacancy created by the death of Most Reverend Monsignor Hynes."

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy Beegan, and unanimously Resolved:—
"That Reverend K. Egan, C.C., Ballinasloe, be appointed an additional member of the National Monuments Advisory Committee, and that all other existing members of the Committee be re-appointed for year 1949/50."

7893. Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees :

LOUGHREA SUB-COMMITTEE.—Proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—
"That Mr. Hugh Melvin, Ganty, Craughwell, be appointed a member of the Loughrea Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

Proposed by Councillor S. Burke, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

"That Mr. Michael Hickey, Woodford, be appointed a member of the Loughrea Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

MOUNTBELLEW SUB-COMMITTEE.—Proposed by Councillor Collins, seconded by Councillor Cunningham, and Resolved :—

"That Father Delaney, C.C., Mountbellew, be appointed a member of the Mountbellew Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

HEADFORD SUB-COMMITTEE.—Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

"That Mr. Basil Glynn, Headford, be appointed a member of the Headford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

ARDRAHAN SUB-COMMITTEE.—Proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Collins, and Resolved :—

"That the following be appointed members of the Ardrahan Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee :—

Mr. Martin Dolan, N.T., P.C., Castletaylor, Ardrahan.

Dr. P. D. O'Beirne, Ardrahan.

Mr. Thomas Thompson, P.C., Caherduff, Ardrahan."

ROUNDSTONE NO. 2 SUB-COMMITTEE.—Proposed by Councillor O'Shea, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

"That the following be the members of the Roundstone No. 2 Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee for the year 1949/50 :—

An t-Athair Ro-oirmhidneach O Corcorain, S.P., Carna.

An t-Athair oirmhidneach T. Mac Lochlain, S.C., Carna.

Mairtin O Morain, Carna.

Mairtin O Clochartaigh, Carna.

Micheal Mac Oireachtaigh, Carna.

Peadar O h-Uaithnin (Greene), Mynish, Carna.

Peadar O Laidhe, Cill Chiarain, Carna.

Seosamh O Caola, O.S., Aird, Carna.

Sean Cug (Cooke), Cill Chiarain, Carna.

Seosamh O Caonaigh (Keaney), ~~Carna~~ *Letter and E. Castel*

Seosamh O Cualain (Folan), Dooyehir, Carna.

Sean Mac Eochagain, Carna.

Padraig O Domhnaill, Mynish, Carna.

Tomas Mac Eochagain, Caol Saile.

Fr. Tobin, Kilkerrin."

ORANMORE SUB-COMMITTEE.—Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Cooke, and Resolved :—

"That Mr. Michael Newell, Co.C., Breanloughaun, Galway,

and Mr. Peter Kelly, Ballyglass, Turloughmore, be appointed members of the Oranmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee for year 1949/50."

GENERAL.—Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Collins, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That, subject to the additions or amendments given above, all existing members of the Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee who are not disqualified by failure to attend meetings during the six months prior to 25/6/49, be re-appointed for year 1949/50."

7894. Visiting Committee for District Institutions.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Collieran, and Resolved :—

"That Councillor S. Glynn be appointed a member of the Visiting Committee for year 1949/50, to fill the vacancy created by the death of Mr. P. Fannon, and that all other existing members of the Visiting Committee be re-appointed for year 1949/50."

7895. Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board.—Letter, 7/6/49, from the Chief Clerk, Mental Hospital, was submitted, stating that the number of members which Galway County Council are entitled to appoint for the coming year is 16.

Councillor J. J. Shiel stated that it is not convenient for him to attend meetings of the Mental Hospital Board, and requested that another appointment be made in his place.

Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Shiel :—

"That Councillor P. Collieran be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Mental Hospital Board created by the death of Mr. P. Fannon; that Councillor S. Burke be appointed to fill the vacancy created by the withdrawal of Councillor Shiel, and that Councillor J. J. Ruane be appointed as an additional member of the Committee for the year 1949/50."

The appointment of Mr. H. O'Toole was proposed by Councillor Cooke.

Deputy Killilea pointed out that the Council had resolved on a previous occasion that representation on the Ballinasloe Mental Hospital Board be confined to members of the Council.

Councillor Cooke withdrew his proposal, and it was Resolved :—

"That, with the exception of Councillor Shiel, all existing members of the Mental Hospital Board be re-appointed for the year 1949/50, with the addition of Councillors Collieran, S. Burke and J. J. Ruane, as proposed by Councillor King."

7896. County Councils' General Council.—Proposed by Councillor Collins, seconded by Councillor Carty, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That Senator M. Quinn and Deputies Kitt and Killilea be appointed to represent the Council on the County Councils' General Council for the year 1949/50."

7897. Irish Tourist Association.—Proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor S. Burke, and unanimously Resolved :—

"That Councillor T. O'Connor be re-appointed to represent the Council on the Irish Tourist Association for the year 1949/50."

7898. County Galway Vocational Education Committee.

Letter, 13/6/49, from the C.E.O. was submitted requesting the Council to fill vacancies on the Committee resulting from the resignations of Rev. T. Glennon and Mr. H. O'Donnell.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Senator Burke :—

"That Councillors T. King and T. O'Shea be appointed to fill the vacancies on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee."

Proposed by Councillor S. Burke, seconded by Councillor Shiel :—

"That Mr. Frank Mullin, N.T., Woodford, be appointed to fill one of the vacancies on the County Galway Vocational Education Committee."

A vote taken resulted as follows :—

For Councillor King : Councillors Beegan, Brennan, S. Burke, Carty, Collieran, Collins, Cooke, Cunningham, Concagh, Ruane, Fury, O'Shea, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lambert, Nestor, Quinn and Shiel—19.

For Councillor O'Shea : Councillors Beegan, Brennan, Carty, Collieran, Cooke, Cunningham, Concagh, Ruane, Fury, O'Shea, Killilea, King, Kitt and Quinn—14.

For Mr. Mullin—Councillors S. Burke, Collins, Lambert, Nestor and Shiel—5.

The Chairman declared Councillors King and O'Shea appointed members of the County Galway Vocational Education Committee for year 1949/50, to fill the vacancies created by the resignations of Fr. Glennon and Mr. H. O'Donnell.

7899. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7887, having been circulated, were taken as read and were signed.

7900. Vacancy.—Consideration of filling of vacancy on the Council created by resignation of Mr. H. O'Donnell was deferred until next meeting.

7901. Rates for Financial Year ending 31st March, 1950.—Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Cooke, and Resolved :—

"That the Council do hereby allow and make the Rates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1950, as assessed in the Rate Books."

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Cooke, and Resolved :—

"That the Rate Books for year ending 31st March, 1950, be signed and sealed with the seal of the Council."

The Rate Books were then signed and sealed.

Rate Arrears Lists for year ended 31/3/49 were submitted and noted.

Proposed by Councillor Cooke, seconded by Councillor Brennan, and Resolved :—

"That the Valuation Office be requested to extend the time for receipt of appeals against revision of valuation, and that the Valuation Office be also requested to notify rated occupiers in any case when the valuation of their premises is increased by the Revising Valuer."

Councillors King and Collins both stated that the system by which the Valuation Office alters valuations is very unfair.

7902. Overdraft.—Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £150,000 on General Account for period 1/7/49 to 30/9/49."

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for period 1/7/49 to 30/9/49."

7903. Excavator.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £5,500 on Capital Account, pending receipt of loan, for purchase of Excavator."

7904. Loughrea Town Commissioners : Housing.—Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £19,800 from the Commissioners of Public Works to enable the Council to make advances up to this amount to the Loughrea Town Commissioners for provision of housing scheme by the Commissioners, for slum clearance area; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £19,400 from the Commissioners of Public Works to enable the Council to make advances up to this amount to the Loughrea Town Commissioners for provision of housing scheme by the Commissioners, for relief of overcrowding; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

7905. Midwives' Residences.—Proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Colleran, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £5,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of residences for the Midwives of Athenry, Spiddal (Furbo) and Gort Dispensary Districts; the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 10 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan."

7906. Spiddal and Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Mannion, and Resolved:—

"That the salaries of the Clerks of the Spiddal and Oughterard Old Age Pensions Sub-Committees shall be £27 11s. 8d. each, with effect from 1/7/49."

7907. Inishboffin Sea Wall, Etc.—Letter, 22/4/49, from the Special Employment Schemes Office was submitted, stating that the work of repairing the road and sea wall at Inishboffin, estimated to cost £5,400, must be regarded as unsuitable for consideration as an employment scheme.

County Engineer informed the Council that he was making provision for this work in his list of proposals to be carried out under the Local Authorities (Works) Bill, 1949.

7908. Mass Radiography Service.—Correspondence in regard to the provision of arrangements for mass radiography services for Galway and Mayo Counties was submitted, together with County Manager's report that the cost of the unit would be approximately £4,000, and that it would require to be staffed by a Doctor, Nurse, Radiographer and Driver.

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Deputy Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of Mass Radiography Service in accordance with the report of the County Manager submitted on the understanding that the expenditure will be apportioned between Galway and Mayo Counties (in proportion to valuation for a period of one year), and that the expenditure involved shall rank for recoupment from Health Services Grant."

7909. Regional Orthopaedic Services.—Letter, 30/3/49, from Department of Health, relating to the proposed appointment of an Orthopaedic Surgeon to serve the Counties of Galway, Mayo, Sligo, Leitrim, Roscommon and Donegal, was submitted.

The Department's suggestion was that the Surgeon should be appointed and paid by Galway County Council, and that the expenditure involved by his employment should be recouped by the Counties Mayo, Sligo, Leitrim, Roscommon and Donegal in the proportion which the valuation of each of these Counties bears to the total valuation of the region, including Co. Galway.

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Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the expenditure involved by the appointment of an Orthopaedic Surgeon on the terms stated, with salary at the rate of £1,500 a year plus vouched travelling expenses—the appointment to be temporary for a period of one year in the first instance."

7910. University Scholarship Scheme.—Letter, 9/5/49, from the County Councils' General Council was submitted, requesting that the Council reconsider the residence qualification for their University Scholarship Scheme.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve alteration of residence clause in the University Scholarship Scheme for year 1950 so as to provide that the children of parents whose homes have been situate in the County Galway for at least one year prior to 1st June immediately preceding the examination, and who are otherwise qualified, shall be eligible to compete for scholarships under the Council's University Scholarship Scheme."

7911. Portumna Tolls and Fair Green.—Correspondence relating to this matter was again submitted, including letter from the Tenants' Committee, stating that their negotiations with the Earl of Harewood have now been successfully concluded.

Proposed by Councillor Shiel, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the proposed purchase of the tolls, fair green and derelict site at Portumna."

7912. County Management Act.—Letter, 9/5/49, from the County Councils' General Council was submitted, requesting an expression of the Council's opinion on how the County Management Act should be amended.

Councillor Carty suggested that all appointments and the filling of vacant tenancies of cottages should not be taken from the County Manager, and that, in addition, the appointment of County Rate Collectors should be made an executive function.

Senator Burke agreed with Councillor Carty. Councillor Nestor stated he considered Councillor Carty's and Senator Burke's views a slur on the former Board of Health and Hospital and Dispensaries Committee; that, in his opinion, County Management has not been a success.

Councillor S. Burke expressed disagreement with the views of Councillor Carty and Senator Burke.

Councillor Collins stated he was of opinion that the Council should have more of a say in deciding where and how money provided in the estimate would be spent.

Deputy Beegan considered it would be desirable to appoint Committees or some such authorities to deal with Public Assistance and Health matters, and that an amendment of Departmental rules and regulations should be made so that more powers might be transferred from the Minister to Local Authorities.

Councillor Brennan recommended that a Special Meeting be called to consider amendments to the County Management Act.

County Manager suggested that the Minister arrange a conference between the Minister and the Chairman and Managers of all Local Authorities to consider desirable amendments in the Act.

Councillor Cooke proposed that the County Management Act be abolished.

The proposal was not seconded.

Deputy Killilea considered that a return to the system which prevailed prior to the County Management Act would not be desirable.

It was eventually decided that Deputy Beegan's suggestions be conveyed to the County Councils' General Council as representing the Council's views.

7913. Road Workers' Holidays: Galway Borough Area.—Letter, 13/5/49, from the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union was submitted, requesting that Galway County Council road workers in the Borough area be granted an additional week of annual holidays, such as is allowed to employees of Galway Corporation.

Councillor Brennan proposed, Senator Burke seconded:—

"That the Council approve the expenditure involved to grant an extra week's holidays to Council employees in the Borough area, viz., £140 per annum."

Deputy Beegan proposed, Councillor Collins seconded:—

"That consideration be deferred, as it is not desirable that workers in the Borough area be granted two weeks holidays while those in the Rural area would receive only one week."

A vote taken on Deputy Beegan's amendment resulted as follows:—

For: Councillors Beegan, S. Burke, Colleran, Cunningham, Concagh, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, King, Kyne, Lambert, Mannion, Quinn and Shiel—14.

Against: Councillors Brennan, R. Burke, Carty, Cooke, Ruane and Fury—6.

It was accordingly decided that consideration of this matter be deferred.

7914. Road Workers' Wages.—Senator Burke, in accordance with his notice of motion, requested the Council to reconsider their decision in regard to the granting of an increase of 6/- per week only to road workers with a view to granting an additional increase of 4/- per week, so as to bring the wages of road workers up to 60/- per week.

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After discussion, it was proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Glynn, and Resolved:—

"That further consideration of this matter be deferred until the August meeting, when it is possible that some information may be available in regard to the rate of wages paid to workers on Government Schemes in the County."

7915. Cosmona Cottage Fences.—Consideration of Councillor Carty's notice of motion was deferred so that the periods of tenancy of each of the existing tenants in the cottages might be investigated before anything further is done in regard to repairing the fences in question.

7916. Waterworks Schemes and Pumps.—In connection with Councillor Glynn's notice of motion, Dr. McConn, County M.O.H., informed the meeting that 95 applications for pumps had been approved and placed on the waiting list, while 9 further applications are being investigated.

Councillor Glynn requested information as to the reason for the delay in providing a water supply for Williamstown.

7916a. Repair of Road, Williamstown to Castlerea.—Councillor Glynn's notice of motion in regard to this matter was, at his request, withdrawn.

7917. Staff Officers.—Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Cooke:—

"That the Council consider the appointment of outsiders to the vacant posts of Staff Officer in the Council's offices a slur on the existing officers of the Council, and ask that the Minister be requested to amend the regulations relating to the appointment of Staff Officers so as to restrict the appointment to existing officers of the Authority in whose offices vacancies exist."

It was decided to defer further consideration of the matter until next meeting.

7918. Costello Water Supply.—In reply to Councillor O'Shea's notice of motion, the position in regard to objections relating to the taking of water from Cashla River was explained by the County Manager.

7919. Connemara Bridges.—In reply to Councillor O'Shea's notice of motion, the position in regard to repair of bridges in Connemara was explained by the County Manager.

7920. Moylough Water and Sewerage Schemes.—Consideration of Councillor Cunningham's notice of motion was, in his absence, adjourned.

7921. Water and Sewerage Services, Loughrea.—Councillor Carty's notice of motion was considered, and it was stated by the County Engineer that arrangements have already been made for the carrying out of the water main extension in Main Street and Barrack Street through King's Entry. The estimated cost of the requested extension of the public sewer at Athenry Road as far as the end of the water main is £560.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Cooke, and Resolved:—

"That the Council obtain a short term loan of £560 to enable the latter work to be carried out."

COUNCILLOR CARTY now took the Chair.

7922. Church Holydays.—Councillor King proposed, Councillor S. Burke seconded:—

"That the Council request the County Manager to insist that all Council work be closed down on Church Holydays as on Sundays."

After a discussion the County Manager stated that he was not prepared to accede to the request.

Councillor King stated that, in his opinion, the system of working on Church Holydays is very improper in a Catholic country.

7923. Housing.—In accordance with his notice of motion, Councillor King proposed and Senator Burke seconded:—

"That as this Council adopted a labourers' cottage building scheme some years ago and in view of the dire need for same, and as little or no progress has been made—or is intended to be made in the near future—this Council demands an inquiry be held into the cause of the unreasonable delay."

County Manager explained the position in regard to the making of compulsory purchase order and the appeal taken against it by Mr. Wade, of Aughrim, which has prevented it from coming into operation yet, although made in March, 1947. It was further explained that all possible endeavours are being made to obtain sites by agreement, whether these sites have already been included in compulsory purchase order or otherwise.

The chairman refused to accept Councillor King's proposal.

7924. Scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places.—Proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the townlands of Deerpark, Killascaul and Rathgorgin, in the E.D. of Kiltullagh (Loughrea), be transferred from Kiltullagh N.S. Booth to Esker N.S. Booth."

7925. Rate Collector, No. 34 District.—Secretary reported that Mr. P. M. Joyce, Rate Collector for No. 34 District, submitted his resignation, dated 22/6/49.

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The Council approved the issue of advertisement inviting applications for the vacant post; the applications to be considered at next meeting.

7926. Toghermore House.—Letter, 10/6/49, from the Department of Health was submitted, approving the payment of capitation rate for patients maintained in Toghermore with effect from 11/5/49, and stating that no objection will be raised to the proposed payment by Galway County Council of a sum of £500 by way of grant to the Committee of Management of the Reablement Centre, but that it should be noted that this payment will not be permitted to rank for recoupment from Health Services Grant.

The contents of the letter were noted and the Council approved payment of this grant of £500 for capital equipment.

7927. Cinematograph Licence.—On the proposition of Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Ruane, the Council approved the issue of a Cinematograph Licence to Mr. Henry O'Shaughnessy, The Square, Gort, in respect of his Cinema at Gort.

7928. Local Authorities (Works) Bill, 1949.—County Engineer's list of works, dated 14/4/49, and his report of 23/6/49, were submitted and approved.

7929. Bus Services.—Councillor Cooke requested that application be made to C.I.E. to divert the Taylor's Hill bus route through Shantalla and Maunsell's Road, and also to provide an excursion bus on Sundays from Galway to Castlerea, via Tuam.

7930. Sympathy.—A vote of sympathy was passed with the O'Malley family on the death of their brother, Dr. John Francis O'Malley, Bexhill-on-Sea.

Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 13th day of August, 1949.

M. Séamus Ó'Cuinn. Chairman

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GAILLIMH
(Galway)

29adh Iul, 1949.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Condae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Chonndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 6adh Lughnasa, 1949, ag 12.30.p.m. & chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'LUANAIGH.

Runai.

Chuid gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

(1) Minutes.

(2) Filling of vacancy on the Council resulting from the resignation of Mr. Aodh O'Donnell, Mynish, Carna (Oughterard E.B.).

(3) Councillors' Notices of Motion:—

(a) Councillor J. Brennan: "That this Council being of opinion that all vacancies occurring in the higher ranks of the clerical staff under its control should be filled by way of promotion of officers of that staff, and that the system, at present obtaining, of inviting applications from officers of outside local bodies for the filling of such vacancies is unjust and does not tend towards establishing efficiency or contentment, it is resolved that immediate representations be made to the responsible Minister to amend the existing regulations so as to provide that all such vacancies be filled by means of promotion of competent officers of the clerical staff where the vacancies arise."

It is further resolved that until a reply to this resolution has been received from the Minister no appointment to the rank of Staff Officer in the clerical staff of this Council be made."

(b) Councillor R.M. Burke: "I request Galway County Council to re-consider their decision taken on March 16th 1949 (Minute No. 7832) recommending a wage of 56/- per week to road-workers, and further request Galway County Council to recommend an increase to a wage of 59/- per week, and that I request the County Council to rescind the previous decision on the matter."

(c) Councillor M. Carty: "At next County Council meeting I shall ask the County Manager to inform the Council whether or not sanction has been given for the payment of salary to Dr. C. McConn in respect of his services as Superintendent of Woodlands Sanatorium."

(d) Councillor P. Colleran: "That I or a Councillor on my behalf will move at next Council Meeting that a dangerous corner at the entrance to town of Creggs be eased and the road from Ballygar to Creggs be steam-rolled."

(e) Councillor J.J. Cunningham: (1) "Provision of water and sewerage scheme for Moylough."

(ii) "For the protection of cattle going to and coming from the Mountbellew fairs, it is imperative that a fence of some kind be constructed from the Marley Cross to the Mountbellew Wood."

(iii) That, in the special circumstances of the case, the Council be requested to assume responsibility for the maintenance of the road (non-stop) from Fleming's sandpit to the Kilkerrin Boy's School, a distance of 500 yards."

(4) Letter 11/7/49 from C.E.O. Galway Vocational Education Committee re filling of vacancies on Committee resulting from resignation of Very Rev. T. Glennon and Adh O'Domhnaill.

(5) Appointment of Rate Collector for No.34 Collection District (List of applicants attached).

(6) Rate Collection District No.23 - Appointment of Deputy for Collector Flanagan during latter's illness.

(7) Rate Collection District No.22 - Letter 25/7/49 regarding appointment of Mr. P.J. Finnegan as Rate Collector.

(8) Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for year 1950.

(9) Scheme for University Scholarships 1950.

(10) Raising of loan of £18,000 for Clifden Sewerage Scheme.

(11) Ballygar Water Supply - Letter 23/7/49 regarding overdraft accommodation pending completion of preliminaries in connection with raising of loan.

(12) Legal adoption of children - Letter 1/7/49 from Adoption Society of Ireland.

(ii) Notice of Motion by Senator Burke:-

"That Galway County Council requests the Government to introduce suitable legislation with regard to the legal adoption of children, with as little delay as possible."

(13) River Suck Joint Drainage Committee - Appointment of representative in place of Mr. P. Fanmon, deceased.

(14) Loughs Corrib, Mask & Carrigrohane Joint Drainage Committee - Notification that three of the Council's representatives are disqualified owing to absence from meetings over a period of twelve months.

(15) Library Association of Ireland - Annual Conference 1949 - Appointment of delegates.

(16) Appointment of Contractor for supply of jams and marmalades to Galway Central Hospital and Woodlands Sanatorium.

(17) Carna Dispensary Residence - Council's approval required to proposal to purchase a site and erect a dispensary residence and a dispensary thereon.

(18) Road in townland of Dangan Oughter - Letter 9/7/49 from Special Employment Schemes Office stating that the utility of the road is not such as to warrant the issue of a full cost grant on the condition that the road would be taken over for future maintenance by the Council.

(19) Clifden Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee. Letter from Clerk to above Committee regarding membership for year 1949/50.

(20) Cinematograph Licence: Application of Mr. George McFadden for licence for his portable Travelling Cinema.

(21) County Councils' General Council - Minutes Meeting on 5/5/49 - (copy attached).

(22) Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. - Report and Statement of Accounts for year ended 31/12/48.

(23) Adoption of Town and Regional Planning Acts for the Galway Co. Health District.

(24) Resolutions. (26) Letter 14/6/49 from L.G.D. in regard to the revision of increments on the salary scales for Secretary and Accountant to the Council.

(25) Other Business.

To: Each County Councillor:

A Chara,

The Adjourned Meeting of the Galway County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, County Buildings, Galway, on Saturday, the 13th August, 1949, at 12.30 p.m.

The matters on the Agenda will be as previously advised.

Mise, le meas,

M.S. O'Maolruanaidh

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 6th AUGUST, 1949.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Furey, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor and T. O'Connor.

Sympathy.—On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Collins, the Council unanimously expressed their sympathy with Councillor J. Cunningham on the death of his wife, and it was decided to adjourn all other business until 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, 13th August, 1949.

Votes of sympathy were also passed with the following:—
Representatives of the late Dr. Douglas Hyde, First President of Ireland.

Mr. Frank O'Brien, County Home, Loughrea.

Mr. James Burke, Caheroyan, Athenry.

Representatives of the late Mrs. Turke, College Road, Galway.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, THE 13th AUGUST, 1949.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillor Miss Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. Cunningham, John T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Furey, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. F. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor and M. Newell.

Apology for inability to attend was received from Councillor M. Carty.

Councillor J. Cunningham thanked the Council for their expression of sympathy in his recent bereavement.

7931. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7930, having been circulated, were then signed.

7931(a). Dunmore Water Supply.—Mr. J. J. Nestor protested against the lack of water in the Dunmore Area. The County Manager explained the position, and said everything possible was being done.

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7932. Follamh.—Do mhol Tadhg O Seaghda agus cuidhigh Marc O Cillilea:—

"Go dtogfar mar bhall de'n Chomhairle Conndae Sean Mac Eochagain, Carna, in ionad Aodh O Domhnaill, Maoinis, Carna."

Do sighnigh Sean Mac Eochagain an fhuirm oifigiuil, agus gabh se buidheachas de'n Chomhairle as ucht a thoghadh.

7933. Staff Officers.—Notice of Motion by Councillor Brennan was submitted. It was proposed by Councillor Brennan and seconded by Councillor Cooke. After discussion, it was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and resolved:—

"That further consideration of this matter be deferred until the next meeting, and that the viewpoint of the Executive Committee of the Irish Local Government Officials' Union be obtained in the meanwhile for submission to the said meeting."

7934. Road Workers' Wages.—Notice of Motion by Senator Burke was submitted. Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Miss Ashe, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve payment of an increase of 4/- per week to road labourers and labourers on Sanitary Services, other than cottage repairs, together with a corresponding increase for other grades of such workers as from the beginning of the next fortnight, provided that the County Manager is satisfied that it can be done within the current year's Estimates."

7935. Loan for Making of Certain Roads in Galway Borough Area.—Mr. Brennan suggested Local Government Department be requested to expedite sanction as approved per Minute No. 7801.

7936. Salary, Dr. McConn as Superintendent, Woodlands Sanatorium.—Notice of Motion by Councillor Carty was moved by Deputy Kitt. Department of Health's letter, P.H.1112/49, of 26/5/49, and County Secretary's reply thereto, dated 2/6/49, were submitted. Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council endorse the contents of the County Secretary's reply, and that the Minister for Health be again requested to sanction an increase of £400 per annum as from 1st January, 1947, to Dr. McConn."

7937. Easing of Dangerous Corner at Entrance to Town of Creggs and Steamrolling of Ballygar-Creggs Road.—Notice of Motion proposed by Councillor Collieran not seconded. It was suggested that Mr. Collieran discuss the matter with the County Surveyor.

7938. Water and Sewerage Scheme for Moylough.—Consideration of Councillor Cunningham's Notice of Motion was adjourned to next meeting.

7939. Fence from Marley Cross to Mountbellew Wood.—Consideration of Councillor Cunningham's Notice of Motion was adjourned to next meeting.

7940.—Road from Fleming's Sandpit to Kilkerrin Boys' School.—Consideration of Councillor Cunningham's Notice of Motion was adjourned to next meeting.

7941. Co. Galway Vocational Education Committee.—Letter, 11/7/49, from the C.E.O. was read, pointing out in view of Minute No. 7898, nine members of the County Council were elected, whereas the maximum legal number was eight. Councillor King declared that he, accordingly, withdrew. Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Senator Quinn, and unanimously Resolved:—
"That Mr. Frank Mullins, N.T., Woodford, be appointed to fill the vacancy."

7942. Rate Collection District No. 22.—Letter, dated 25/7/49, E.L.2770/5/49, from L.G.D. was submitted, pointing out that Article 26(g) of the Local Government (Officers) Regulations, 1943, was not complied with in Mr. P. J. Finnegan's appointment. Proposed by Councillor Casey and seconded by Councillor Nestor:—

"That the person appointed be selected by competitive examination."

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For—Councillors Brennan, Casey, Collins, Cooke, Mannion and Nestor—6.

Against—Councillor Ashe, Deputy Beegan, Councillors Burke, Collieran, Curley, Concagh, Ruane, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Newell, Geoghan and Senator Quinn—15.

The Chairman declared Mr. Casey's Resolution lost.

Proposed by Councillor Ashe and seconded by Deputy Kitt:—

"That having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector to No. 22 Collection District, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of those duties and the qualifications for that office, the Council consider that the person to be appointed cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination, decide, therefore, that the Council consider the qualifications of the applicants for that post and make an appointment after consideration of said qualifications."

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For—Councillor Ashe, Deputy Beegan, Councillors Collieran, Cunningham, Curley, Ruane, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Newell, Geoghan and Senator Quinn—14.

Against—Councillors Burke, Mannion and Nestor—3
Councillor Brennan, Senator Burke, Councillors Casey, Collins, Cooke, Fury and Lambert did not vote.
Chairman declared Resolution carried.

Proposed by Councillor Casey and seconded by Councillor Nestor:—

"That Mrs. Annie Corbett, Killeeneen, Craughwell, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for No. 22 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Proposed by Miss Ashe and seconded by Councillor Ruane:—

"That Mr. Patrick John Finnegan, Dolphin Street, Loughrea, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for No. 22 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mrs. Corbett—Councillor Brennan, Senator Burke, Councillors Burke, Casey, Collins, Cooke, Fury, Mannion and Nestor—9.

For Mr. Finnegan—Councillor Ashe, Deputy Beegan, Councillors Collieran, Curley, Concagh, Ruane, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Newell, Geoghan and Senator Quinn—14.

The Chairman declared Mr. Patrick John Finnegan, Dolphin Street, Loughrea, appointed Rate Collector for the No. 22 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment.

7943. Rate Collector, No. 34 Collection District.—Proposed by Senator Burke and seconded by Councillor Casey:—

"That the person appointed be selected by competitive examination."

Proposed by Councillor Ashe and seconded by Councillor Ruane:—

"That having regard to the nature of the duties of the Office of Rate Collector to No. 34 Collection District, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of those duties and the qualifications for that office, the Council consider that the person to be appointed cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination, decide, therefore, that the Council consider the qualifications of the applicants for that post and make an appointment after consideration of said qualifications."
Senator Burke withdrew his motion.

The Chairman declared Miss Ashe's resolution carried. Councillor Casey dissented from the Resolution. Fifteen applications for the vacant post were submitted, Mr. P. J. Gavin having withdrawn by letter dated the 6th instant.

Proposed by Councillor Kyne and seconded by Councillor Ruane:—

"That Mr. Michael P. King, Balroebuck, Currandulla, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for No. 34 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Proposed by Councillor Casey and seconded by Senator, Burke:—

"That Miss Margaret M. Morris, Bridge St., Headford be appointed to the post of Rate Collector, No. 34 Collection District, in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Proposed by Councillor Collins and seconded by Councillor Fury:—

"That Mr. Arthur B. O'Connor, Beaghmore Lodge, Caheristrane, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector No. 34 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Proposed by Councillor Nestor and seconded by Councillor Mannion:—

"That Mr. Patrick Joseph Egan, Cloonsheen, Kilconly, Tuam, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector No. 34 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Proposed by Councillor Nestor and not seconded:—

"That Mr. Thomas Monahan, Prospect House, Headford, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector No. 34 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Mr. Nestor then withdrew the latter nomination.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. King—Councillor Ashe, Deputy Beegan, Councillors Brennan, Burke, Collieran, Cooke, Cunningham, Curley, Ruane, Fury, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Mannion, Newell, Geoghan, and senator Quinn—19.

For Miss Morris—Senator Burke, Councillors Casey and Nestor—3.

For Mr. O'Connor—Councillor Collins.

Mr. Egan received no vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Michael P. King, Balroebuck, Currandulla, appointed Rate Collector for the No. 34 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment.

7944. Rate Collection District No. 23.—Medical Certificate from Collector Flanagan was submitted, indicating that he would be unfit for duty for a period of six months from 4/7/49.

Mr. Flanagan nominated Mr. Christopher McNamee, St. Anne's, Moore St., Loughrea, as Deputy Rate Collector during his absence on sick leave.

It was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the appointment of Mr. Christopher McNamee, St. Anne's, Moore St., Loughrea, as Deputy for the Rate Collector for No. 23 Collection District for a period of six months from 4/7/1949."

7945.—Liam Mellows Memorial.—Councillor Cooke, on behalf of the Committee, appealed to the Council for moral support in furthering this ideal. It was pledged unanimously. He mentioned that they expected financial support from the members also.

7946. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1950.—Letter, Oil. (2) 77338, of 21/6/49, from the Department of Education and Minutes of meeting of Education Committee held on 6/7/49 were submitted. Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Shea, and Resolved:—

"That a scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools for the year 1950, similar to the scheme for 1949, with the following amendments, be submitted for the approval of the Minister for Education:—

(a) Means Qualifications—That Clause IV of the Scheme be amended by deleting section (2) of that Clause and by substituting the following section for the present section (3) of Clause IV:—

"(2) (i) That the inclusive earnings or income of the family for the year ending 31/12/1949 did not exceed £450 with an allowance of £50 for each child under 16 years of age on 1st January, 1950, or for any child between the ages of 16 and 21 years on that date who is receiving full-time education at a recognised educational establishment and who is not in receipt of annual income exceeding £30.

(ii) For the purpose of reckoning total income, in cases where the parents or guardians of the candidate occupy land, £1 Poor Law Valuation of land shall be deemed to be equivalent to an annual income of £4.

- " (b) The present section (4) of Clause IV to be numbered (3).
 " (c) The following sentence to be inserted at the end of Clause IV :—
 ' Allowances paid under the Children's Allowances Act, 1944, shall not be regarded as income for the purposes of this Scheme.'

7947. Scheme for University Scholarships 1950.—Minutes of meeting of Education Committee held on 6/7/49 were submitted. Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor O'Shea, and Resolved :—

" That a scheme for University Scholarships (Ordinary and Agricultural) for the year 1950 similar to the scheme for 1949, with the following amendments, be adopted :—

- " (a) Clause IV of the Scheme to be deleted and the following Clause to be substituted therefor :
 ' The parent or guardian of each applicant must make a sworn declaration to the effect :—

" (1) that he or she is unable to provide University education for the said applicant without the assistance of a scholarship.

" (2) That the inclusive earnings or income of the family for the year ending 31st December 1949, did not exceed £450 with an allowance of £50 for each child under 16 years of age on 1st April, 1950, or for any child between the ages of 16 and 21 years on that date who is receiving full-time education at a recognised educational establishment and who is not in receipt of annual income exceeding £30.

For the purpose of reckoning total income, in cases where the parents or guardians of the candidate occupy land, £1 Poor Law Valuation of land shall be deemed to be equivalent to an annual income of £1.

Allowances paid under the Children's Allowances Act, 1944, shall not be regarded as income for the purposes of this Scheme.'

- " (b) Clause I of the Scheme to be amended by substituting £540 for £360 as the amount to be provided for total value of scholarships to be awarded under the Scheme.

" (c) That a Clause be inserted in the Scheme providing that pupils of Preparatory Colleges for Teachers, provided by the Department of Education, shall not be eligible to compete for scholarships under the Scheme.

" (d) That Clause XIV of the Scheme be amended by substituting 'one year' for 'two years' as the period during which the homes of the parents or guardians of applicants must have been situate in the County of Galway."

7948. Loan : Clifden Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and Resolved :—

" That the Council approve the raising of a loan of £18,100 from the Commissioners of Public Works for provision of a Sewerage Scheme for Clifden—the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

7949. Overdraft Accommodation : Ballygar Water Supply Scheme.—Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Senator Quinn, and Resolved :—

" That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £5,000 on Capital Account pending the raising of a loan for the provision of a Water Supply Scheme for Ballygar."

7950. Legal Adoption of Children.—Letter from the Adoption Society Ireland together with Senator Burke's Notice of Motion were submitted. Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Casey, and Resolved :—

" That Galway County Council requests the Government to introduce suitable legislation with regard to the legal adoption of children with as little delay as possible."

7951. River Suck Joint Drainage Committee.—Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Deputy Beegan, and Resolved :—

" That Councillor M. Concagh be appointed to fill the vacancy on the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee created by the death of Mr. P. Fannon."
 Letter from Secretary River Suck Joint Drainage Committee submitted re further maintenance work.

Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved :—

" That this Council approve the advance of a sum of £361 10s. 9d. to the River Suck Joint Drainage Committee during the current year by way of an instalment of that Com-

tee's demand for the year 1950/51, and that application be made to the Minister for Local Government for refund of this amount under the terms of the Special Works (1949) Bill when the work has been completed.

7952. Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carrá Joint Drainage Committee.—Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and Resolved :—

" That Councillors Cooke, Newell and O'Connor be re-appointed members of the Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carrá Joint Drainage Committee."

7953. Library Association Conference.—Letter from the Library Association of Ireland was submitted, stating that the Annual Conference of the Association would be held in Limerick from the 26th—30th September, 1949.

Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved :—

" That the Council approve the attendance of Councillors Carty and Ruane and the County Librarian at the Annual Conference."

7954. Carna Dispensary Residence.—Proposed by Councillor Geoghan, seconded by Councillor O'Shea, and Resolved :—

" That the Council approve of the purchase of a site at Carna and of the building of a dispensary and dispensary residence thereon."

7955. Road in Townland of Dangan Oughter.—Letter, dated 9/7/49, from Special Employment Schemes Office was submitted and noted.

7956. Clifden Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor O'Shea, and Resolved :—

" That Rev. Fr. Ryan, C.C. ; Rev. Mr. Fairbrother, and Mr. Fenton Kavanagh be appointed additional members of the Clifden Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7957. Cinema Licence.—Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Fury, and Resolved :—

" That the Council hereby approve the granting of a licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, to Mr. George McFadden, Oranmore, in respect of his Portable Cinema."

7958. General Council of County Councils.—Minutes of meeting on 5/5/49, having been circulated, were noted.

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7959. Irish Public Bodies' Mutual Insurances, Limited.—Report and Statement of Accounts for year ended 31/12/48 were submitted and noted.

7960. Town and Regional Planning.—Consideration of this matter was deferred to the next meeting.

7961. Increments : County Secretary and Accountant.—Letter, G.40/49, of 14/5/49, from L.G.D. was submitted. Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and Resolved :—

" That the Council approve the additional expenditure necessary for the revision of the increments of the County Secretary and County Accountant as from 1/1/49 in accordance with the rates laid down in Circular Letter G.40/49, of 14/5/49."

7962. Headford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Deputy Kitt, and Resolved :—

" That Mr. John Joseph Kyne, Moneen, Headford, be appointed an additional member of the Headford Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7963. Bonus for Health Service Employees.—Circular Letter No. 50/49, of 3/8/49, from the Department of Health was submitted, authorising payment of a temporary bonus at revised rate with effect as from 1/11/48. Acting Secretary pointed out that the amount required to pay the bonus in accordance with this Circular from 1/11/48 to 31/3/50 would be £3,300. Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and Resolved :—

" That the Council approve the additional expenditure necessary for payment of the revised bonus at the rates authorised in Circular No. 50/49, of 3/8/49, from the Department of Health."

7964. Increases in Certain Superannuation Allowances.—Circular Letter No. E.L.48/49, of 8/8/49, was submitted. Consideration was deferred to next meeting of the Council.

7965. Mobile Mass Radiography Unit.—Letters P.H.5751/49 (8/107), of 30/7/49 and 11/8/49, from the Department of Health submitted, stating that cost of provision would not rank for recoupment from Health Services Grant nor from Hospitals Trust Fund, and that Mayo County Council agreed to proceed with the joint acquisition on those terms.

Acting Secretary reported that Galway County Council's proportion of loan charges for the acquisition would be £320 per annum approximately for a period of ten years on a valuation basis.

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Senator Quinn, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of a mobile mass radiography unit jointly with Mayo County Council, on the understanding that the expenditure will be apportioned between Galway and Mayo Counties (in proportion to valuation for a period of one year), and in accordance with letter P.H.5751/49 (8/107), of 30/7/49, and that Minute No. 7908 be amended accordingly."

7966. Proposed New Bridges across Canal in Galway City.—Councillor Cooke asked that the proposed erection of fixed bridges across the Canal in Galway City be deferred pending a full discussion by the Council. The County Manager replied that the matter had been fully discussed already with the County Council, Galway Corporation and Corrib Navigation Trustees, and that he could not give any such undertaking.

7967. Resolutions.—The Council adopted the following Resolution:—
From the Town of Sligo Vocational Education Committee, requesting the Government to use its influence re preservation of rights of Christians in the Holy Land.

7968. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with Mr. John Kelly, Bullaun, Loughrea, and Mr. William Keighery, Woodford, on the death of their sons.

*Induced
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*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 8th day of October 1949.*

Máireamh Ó Súilleabháin Chairman

A @hara,

Iarratar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniu de Comhairle, Condá na Gaillimhe, i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foinglithé Chomndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 10adh Foghmar, 1949.

Mise, le meas,

L. O LUANAIGH

Chuig gach Dhad de'n Comhairle:

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To consider:—

1. Minutes.
2. Letter 20/8/49 (G.2770/3/49 EL.7/12H) from Department of Local Government in so far as it affects the appointment of a Rate Collector for No.1 Collection District.
3. Letter 23/8/49 from Irish Local Government Officials Union re Union's views on appointment of Staff Officers.
4. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan £10500 for making a grant to Co. Galway Vocational Education Committee for providing and equipping a Vocational School at New Inn.
5. To complete Mortgage Deed for loan £3500 for water supply extensions at Carraroe, Leenane and Lettermore.
6. Letter 8/8/49 (E.L. 48/49) from Department of Local Government regarding increase in certain superannuation allowances.
7. Notices of Motion by Councillor J. Cunningham: (i) "Provision of water and sewerage scheme for Moylough."
(ii) "For the protection of cattle going to and coming from the Mounbellew fairs, it is imperative that a fence of some kind be constructed from the Marley Cross to the Mounbellew Wood."
(iii) "That, in the special circumstances of the case, the Council be requested to assume responsibility for the maintenance of the road (non-stop) from Fleming's sandpit to the Kilkerrin Boys' School, a distance of 500 yards."
8. Letter 11/8/49 from Irish Transport & General Workers' Union, Galway No. 1 Branch, requesting that Council reconsider the Union's previous request that Council workers in the Galway Borough area be granted two weeks annual holidays with pay.
9. Letter 4/8/49 from Galway Corporation requesting appointment of a Committee to discuss with the Corporation the financial relations obtaining between the Town and County.
10. Provision of funds for restoration of Athenry Town Walls — County Engineer's Estimate £480.
11. The advisability of adoption of Town and Regional Planning Acts for the Galway County Health District.
12. Notice of motion by Councillor Geoghegan:— "That he will ask at next Meeting of the Council when will work begin on:—
(i) Erection of new Bridge to replace Flannery Bridge, Loughcneera.
(ii) Carna Waterworks.
(iii) Road leading from O'Donnell's of Moyrush, Carna, to Half-Mace, also branch leading to Graveyard.
(iv) Continuation of Mynish Bridge, Carna.
(v) New Bridge at Oughterard and deepening of River."
13. Application from Mr. W. P. Kyne, 5 Walsh's Terrace, Wood Quay, Galway, for extension of the period of his University Scholarship.
14. Resolutions.
15. Other business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER, 1949.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Councillor M. Ashe, Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, P. Coleran, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, J. Geoghegan and J. J. Shiel.

7969. Minutes.—As printed copies of the Minutes of Meetings on 6th and 13th August, 1949, had not yet been circulated to the members, consideration of them was deferred to next meeting.

7970. Rate Collector, No. 1 Collection District.—Letters, 20/8/49 and 31/8/49, from the Department of Local Government were submitted.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and Resolved:—

"That having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector to No. 1 Collection District, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of those duties and the qualifications for that office, the Council consider that the person to be appointed cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination, and decide, therefore, that the Council consider the qualifications of the applicants for that post and make an appointment after consideration of said qualifications."

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Carty and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby appoint Mr. Parnell Larkin, Kiltormer, Ballinasloe, to the post of Rate Collector for the No. 1 Collection District in accordance with the published conditions of appointment."

Councillor Carty referred to the undesirable delay in receiving sanction to the appointments already made by the Council to the post of Rate Collector, and requested that the Department of Local Government be again pressed to speed up the issue of outstanding sanctions.

7971. Rate Collection District No. 33.—Letter, G.7/12D, of, 7/9/49, from the Department of Local Government was submitted sanctioning the proposed re-arrangement of Rate Collection Districts Nos. 33, 35 and 36.

The Council approved the issue of advertisements inviting applications for the vacant post of Rate Collector for the No. 33 Collection District, the appointment to be made at meeting on 8/10/49.

7972. Staff Officers.—Letter, 23/8/49, from the Irish Local Government Officials' Union, Dublin, was submitted, intimating the views of the Union in regard to the appointment of staff officers by local authorities.

It was proposed by Councillor Brennan and seconded by Councillor Curley:—

"That the Council recommend that future appointments to the post of staff officer be made from the existing staff of the Council, and that when a vacancy arises an efficiency test be applied to determine who is best entitled to promotion."

County Manager stated that he would be very pleased to promote members of the existing staff, but that in any case that may arise if he is satisfied that there is not available a member of the existing staff suitable for promotion, he shall proceed as heretofore, with the sanction of the Minister.

Councillor Nestor recommended that where other things are equal, preference should be given to a native of Galway.

Councillor Collins stated that he agreed with Councillor Nestor's suggestion, but that he agreed whole-heartedly with the Manager that efficiency should be the primary consideration.

Deputy Beegan stated that, in his opinion, there should be a uniform policy by all Councils in regard to this matter.

After further discussion, Councillor Brennan's resolution was declared carried.

7973. University Scholarships.—Letter, 25/8/49, from Mr. W. P. Kyne, 5 Walshe's Terrace, Wood Quay, Galway, was submitted, requesting that the Scholarship awarded to him under the 1944 University Scholarship Scheme be extended; Mr. Kyne stated that he is studying medicine, and that it is not possible to complete the course for a medical degree within six years.

Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Senator Quinn, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve extension for one year of the scholarship awarded to Mr. W. P. Kyne, 5 Walshe's Terrace, Wood Quay, Galway, under the Council's University Scholarship Scheme for year 1944."

7974. Loan for Provision of Vocational School at New Inn.—Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Pounds,

proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Vocational Education Acts, 1930 to 1936, and Article 22 of the Schedule to the Local Government (Application of Enactments) Order, 1898."

7975. Loan for Water Supply Scheme at Carraroe, Leenane and Lettermore.—Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Senator Burke, 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 Three Thousand Three Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

7976. Employment and Emergency Scheme Vote, 1949/50.—Letter, RU/216/3, of 29/7/49, from the Department of Local Government was submitted, notifying approval to a grant of £11,500 for roads rural works, subject to a contribution of £3,850 by the Council.

Proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor Kyne, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the expenditure of £15,350 for the carrying out of works under the Emergency and Unemployment Schemes Vote, 1949/50, as recommended by the County Engineer."

Councillor Collins referred to the undesirability of allocating grants on the basis of number of unemployed in the area, and stated there are many areas which are in urgent need of improvement works, even though there are no, or very few, unemployed persons in these areas.

7977. Increase in Superannuation Allowances.—Letter (EL.48/49), of 8/8/49, from the Department of Local Government regarding increases in certain superannuation allowances, was submitted.

Secretary reported that the amount required to pay the increase for a period of one year would be £780.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Senator Burke, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve provision of funds to enable payment of the authorised increase to be made, with effect from 1st April, 1949."

7978. Moylough Water and Sewerage.—In the absence of Councillor Cunningham, Deputy Killilea proposed, Senator Burke seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That the Council recommend the provision of a water and sewerage service for the town of Moylough."

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7979. Roads.—Deputy Killilea proposed, Senator Burke seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That the Council request the County Engineer to consider if improvement of the fences of the road from Marless Cross to Mountbellew Wood could be carried out as a drainage work under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949."

Deputy Killilea proposed and Senator Burke seconded:—

"That the Council assume responsibility for the maintenance of the non-stop road from Fleming's sand pit to Kilkerrin Boys' School, a distance of 500 yards."

After discussion, it was decided that the County Engineer be requested to place this work on his list of proposals for inclusion in next year's Estimate.

7980. Holidays for Road Workers.—Letter, 11/8/49, from the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union was submitted, requesting that the Council reconsider their previous decision and grant holidays to their employees in the Borough area similar to those granted to employees of the Galway Corporation.

Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Senator Burke:—

"That the Council recommend that holidays be granted to Council employees in the Borough area on the same basis as they are granted to Corporation employees."

Councillor King proposed, Councillor Collins seconded:—

"That Councillor Brennan's proposal be amended so that employees in the Borough area get Church Holydays with pay instead of additional annual holidays."

Deputy Beegan proposed, Councillor Nestor seconded:—

"That the Council defer consideration of the matter until they consider the position in regard to their employees in rural areas."

After some discussion, it was decided that the matter be adjourned until the preparation of next financial year's estimate, when the position in regard to employees in both urban and rural areas will be considered as regards holidays.

7981. Financial Relations with Galway Borough.—Letter, 4/8/49, from Galway Corporation was submitted, requesting the appointment of a Committee to discuss with the Corporation the financial relations obtaining between the town and county.

After a discussion, a vote was taken on the question of appointing a Committee, as requested by the Corporation, the result being as follows:—

For: Councillors Ashe, Brennan, Senator Burke, Councillors Carty, Ruane, O'Shea, King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Newell, Geoghegan and Senator Quinn—12.

Against: Deputy Beegan, Councillors S. Burke, Collieran, Collins, Curley, Fury, Glynn, Deputy Killilea, Councillors Lambert, Mannion, Nestor and Shiel—12.

It was consequently decided that the matter be adjourned until next meeting.

7982. Athenry Town Walls.—Letter, 18/6/49, from the National Trust for Ireland, relating to restoration of the town walls at Athenry, and County Engineer's report of 25/7/49, stating the estimated cost of the necessary work is £480, were submitted.

Proposed by Councillor Ruane, seconded by Senator Quinn, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of £480 for restoration of the town walls at Athenry."

7983. River at Dunmore.—Mr. Nestor referred to the dirty condition of the river at Dunmore town and the necessity for cleaning it.

7984. Town and Regional Planning.—File relating to this matter was again submitted.

Councillor Collieran proposed, Councillor Ruane seconded:—

"That the Council take the necessary steps to adopt the Town and Regional Planning Acts for the County Health District."

Councillor King stated that he would be opposed to Councillor Collieran's proposal unless it were restricted to towns of sufficient population.

After a further discussion, Councillor Collieran withdrew his proposition, and it was decided to adjourn consideration until such time as the views of the Loughrea and Tuam Town Commissioners on the matter would be obtained.

7985. Flannery Bridge.—Councillor Geoghegan was informed by the County Manager of the position in relation to the construction of Flannery Bridge.

7986. Carna Water Supply.—Councillor Geoghegan directed attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the water supply at Carna, and stated that there was an adequate source of supply at Callowfeenish Lake.

It was decided that the matter be referred to the County Engineer to investigate and report.

7987. Road from Moyrush to Half-Mace.—In reply to Councillor Geoghegan's notice of motion, Mr. Collins, A.C.E., suggested that application should be made for a Rural Improvement Scheme in respect of this work.

7988. Oughterard Bridge.—In reply to Councillor Geoghegan's notice of motion, Mr. Collins, A.C.E., stated that this work would be included in the next list of schemes under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, if a grant under that Act will be made available next year.

7988a. Mynish Bridge.—In reply to Councillor Geoghegan's notice of motion, Mr. Collins, A.C.E., stated that part of this causeway has already been widened and reconstructed; that there is no money available for completing the improvement of the remainder of this causeway in the present year, but that he would endeavour to provide for it in next year's estimate.

7989. Overdraft.—Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Senator Burke, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £100,000 on General Account for quarter ending 31st December, 1949."

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Senator Burke, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for quarter ending 31st December, 1949."

7990. Spiddal Public Lighting, Minna Water Supply and Lettermore Bridges.—In reply to Councillor O'Shea's notice of motion, County Manager explained the present position in regard to the erection of Lettermore Bridges.

It was decided to ask the County Engineer to report on the provision of public lighting of Spiddal and the provision of a water supply for Minna.

7991. Milltown Public Lighting.—Quotation, 26/8/49, from the Electricity Supply Board was submitted, for the supply and erection of four 200-watt lamps at Milltown, at a cost of £76 4s. 5d., plus an annual charge of £4 7s. 6d. for cleaning equipment and replacing lamps, together with cost of current consumed.

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Deputy Killilea, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the provision of public lighting at Milltown in accordance with quotation from the Electricity Supply Board."

7992. Galway Harbour Commissioners.—Letter, 25/8/49, from Galway Harbour Commissioners was submitted, requesting the Council's approval to the withholding of the proceeds of the sale of the s.s. "Cathair na Gaillimhe," viz., £1,000, from the Stock Redemption Fund. The letter explained that it was intended to place this sum of £1,000 in a special account for future capital expenditure.

Proposed by Senator Quinn, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That, subject to sanction by the Minister for Industry and Commerce, the Council hereby approve the withholding from Stock Redemption Fund of the sum of £1,000 received by Galway Harbour Commissioners for sale of their tender, s.s. 'Cathair na Gaillimhe'."

7993. Veterinary Inspectors: Temporary Bonus.—Letter, 15/8/49, from Department of Agriculture was submitted, approving payment of a temporary bonus to Veterinary Inspectors.

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Senator Quinn, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve provision of the funds necessary, viz., £100, for payment of temporary bonus to Veterinary Inspectors in accordance with the terms of Circular of 15/8/49 from Department of Agriculture."

7994. Dunmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby appoint Reverend Matthew J. Loftus, C.C., Dunmore, a member of the Dunmore Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

7995. Children's Home, Tuam.—Miss Ashe drew attention to the recommendation of the Visiting Committee that a water heating installation be provided at the Children's Home.

County Manager explained that application should be made by the Sisters of the Home to Hospitals Trust for a grant towards this work; that, in fact, it is understood that representatives of Hospitals Trust had inspected the Institution recently in connection with this matter.

Senator Burke stated that the Chapel floor at the Children's Home is in urgent need of repairs.

7996. Adoption of Children.—Letter, 3/9/49, from the Adoption Society of Ireland was submitted, thanking the Council for resolution at meeting on 13/8/49, and requesting that they would further assist the Society's work by conveying the Council's views on this matter to the County Galway representatives in Dail and Senate.

Proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council accede to the Adoption Society's request."

7997. Miscellaneous.—Auditor's report and abstract of accounts of the River Fergus Drainage District for year ended 31/3/49 were submitted and noted.

Councillor Carty asked if the Local Appointments Commission when recommending persons for appointment have waived the condition that a competent knowledge of Irish is necessary.

It was explained that the Local Officers (Irish Language) Regulations, 1944, apply to a case in which the person recommended for appointment in a Gaeltacht area has not at the time of such recommendation a competent knowledge of Irish; the effect of these Regulations being that the person concerned must acquire a competent knowledge of Irish within three years from the time of his appointment, or otherwise he shall cease to hold office.

7998. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Mr. and Mrs. John Canning, Barna, on the death of their son.
Mrs. P. Kelly, Galway Road, Loughrea, on the death of her husband.

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*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 8th day of October, 1949.*

Maíurín O'Curran. Chairman

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith l lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Conndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Conndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 8adh Deire Foghthair, 1949, ag 12.30. a chlog, p.m.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh.

Runaidhe.

Chuíg gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle;

GNO.

To Consider;

1. Minutes.
2. Appointment of Rate Collector for No.33 Collection District - Electoral Division of Tuam Urban and part of Electoral Division Tuam Rural.
(List of Applicants to follow)
3. Letter 4/8/49 from Galway Corporation requesting appointment of a Committee to discuss with the Corporation the financial relations obtaining between Galway Town and County.
4. Election of a representative of the Council on the Governing Body of University College, Galway - Senator Martin Quinn, Co.C. nominated.
5. Provision of public lighting for Spiddal Village.
6. Report of Visiting Committee on inspection of:
 - (a) Sanatorium on 9/7/1949
 - (b) Clifden Hospital on 24/9/1949.
7. Letter 1/9/49 from Mr. Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, requesting increase in wages of Tradesmen and Labourers employed at repairs &c. to County H one and repairs to Cottages in Loughrea Town.
8. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Councillor M. Carty: "That at the next Meeting of the County Council, I shall ask the Manager briefly to state:
 - (i) the position with regard to the provision of a water supply for Cranmore;
 - (ii) what steps have been taken with regard to the repair of water pump at Abbey, Kylebrack, Loughrea."
 - (b) Councillor J. Nestor: "That I or some member on my behalf will move at next meeting of the County Council that Mr. Patrick J. McHugh of Williamstown will be appointed a member of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."
- (c) Councillor J. Geoghegan: I will move -
 - (i) "To continue the Oughterard Watermain from Dr. Kirwan's House, Clareville, to the six B.O.H. cottages, Claremount, and to erect hand pump there - a distance of 400 yards.
 - (ii) To erect proper engine house other than the unsuitable one already there at the Oughterard Water Supply tank, so as to give more space to Caretaker, in case of fire accident such as happened there recently almost being fatal to the Caretaker.
 - (iii) To establish the mearing marks between the tenants of Glengowla on the Glengowla East turbary south of the disused Railway Line. These mearing marks had been cut away by the Council's employees during the emergency - since then most of the tenants have been unable to identify their plots of turbary or bogs. As the Council's employees were responsible for cutting away these marks, the Council is responsible to have them established again for the tenants."

9. Resolutions.

10. Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL, HELD ON SATURDAY, 8th OCTOBER, 1949.

In the Chair: Senator M. Quinn.

Also Present: Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collieran, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillor P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, M. Newell, T. O'Connor and J. Geoghegan.

The County Solicitor was also in attendance.

7999. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 7998, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed.

8000. Meeting Time.—Senator Burke suggested that meeting time be altered to 12.45 p.m.

After discussion, it was decided that no alteration be made in the meeting time, viz., 12.30 p.m.

8001. Rate Collector, No. 33 Collection District.—Fifteen applications for the vacant post of Rate Collector for No. 33 Collection District were submitted.

It was proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Killilea, and Resolved:—

"That having regard to the nature of the duties of the office of Rate Collector to No. 33 Collection District, the knowledge and experience necessary for the efficient performance of those duties and the qualifications for that office, the Council consider that the person to be appointed cannot be satisfactorily selected by competitive examination, and decide, therefore, that the Council consider the qualifications of the applicants for that post and make an appointment after consideration of said qualifications."

Councillor O'Shea proposed and Councillor King seconded:—

"That Mr. Michael J. Dillon, Springlawn, Mountbellew, be appointed to the post of Rate Collector for the No. 33 Collection."

The appointment of Mr. Michael D. Rush, Castle Street, Dunmore, was proposed by Councillor Nestor and seconded by Councillor Cooke.

The appointment of Mr. John F. Elwood, Woodquay, Galway, was proposed by Councillor Cooke and seconded by Councillor Brennan.

Senator Burke stated that he considered that a small Committee should be appointed to examine the applicants and place them in order of merit, but that since it was the opinion of the majority that the appointment should be made in accordance with Deputy Kitt's proposal, he would make no further objection.

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Mr. Dillon.—Messrs. Beegan, Carty, Collieran, Collins, Cunningham, Curley, Concagh, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, King, Kitt, Kyne, Newell, O'Connor, Geoghegan and Quinn. (18).

For Mr. Rush.—Messrs. S. Burke, Lambert and Nestor (3).

For Mr. Elwood.—Messrs. Brennan, Cooke, Fury and Mannion (4).

Senator Burke and Mr. Casey did not vote.

The Chairman declared Mr. Michael J. Dillon, Springlawn, Mountbellew, appointed to the post of Rate Collector for No. 33 Collection District, in accordance with the published conditions of appointment.

8002. Financial Relations with Galway Borough.—Letter, 4/8/49, from the Galway Corporation was submitted, requesting that the Council appoint a Committee from its members to discuss with the Corporation the financial relations obtaining between the town and county.

Councillor Brennan proposed and Councillor Carty seconded:—

"That a Committee be appointed, as requested by Galway Corporation."

Councillor King asked if the Corporation had satisfied themselves that they are entitled to some redress in this matter.

Deputy Beegan suggested that if the Council decide to appoint a Committee, Ballinasloe Urban District Council should also be represented.

Councillor Casey proposed and Councillor Brennan seconded:—

"That the Ballinasloe Urban District Council be invited to appoint representatives on the Committee."

Councillor Nestor stated that he would object to the Committee if it were formed with a view to imposing a greater burden on the County Health District.

After discussion it was decided that the Committee be appointed, as requested by the Corporation, and that it be composed of ten members, viz., five from Galway County Council, three from Galway Corporation and two from Ballinasloe Urban District Council.

On the proposition of Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Nestor, it was decided that Senator M. Quinn and Councillors P. Collins, T. King, P. Lambert and M. Carty be appointed to represent the Council on the Committee. It was further decided that the County Manager would arrange as to the date and time at which the Committee will meet.

8003. University College, Galway.—The nomination of Senator M. Quinn, County Councillor, Cloonacalis, Woodlawn, to represent the Galway County Council on the Governing Body of University College, Galway, for period of office commencing 1st February, 1950, was submitted.

Senator Quinn's appointment was proposed by Councillor Collins, seconded by Senator Burke and unanimously approved.

8004. Sale of Kilcornan Property.—Deputy Beegan requested that the Council hear a deputation in regard to the Notice to Quit served on Mr. William Corcoran, Kilcornan.

On behalf of the deputation, Deputy R. Lahiffe informed the Council that Mr. William Corcoran, now aged 61 years, was born in the house which he occupies at Kilcornan, and requested that the Council do something to ensure that Mr. Corcoran would be left in occupation of the house for the remainder of his days.

County Manager and County Solicitor explained the position in regard to the sale of the property to the Brothers of Charity and that it was a condition of the sale that vacant possession be given.

County Solicitor stated that he had appealed to the Brothers to allow Mr. Corcoran to remain there or at least to allow him to retain possession of the house but that he was informed it was not possible for the purchasers to agree to this.

After a discussion it was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and Resolved:—

"That the Brothers of Charity be requested to receive a deputation from the Council in connection with this matter, the members of the deputation to be Senator Quinn, Deputy Beegan and Councillors Nestor, Ruane and Cooke."

8005. Milk and Dairies Act, 1945.—Councillor Cunningham requested that the County Manager give an explanation of the reasons for the intended making of a Cancellation Order in respect of registration of Messrs. Nolan and McGrath, milk suppliers to Woodlands Sanatorium.

The County Manager replied that notices of intention to make Cancellation Orders were sent as a result of reports made by Inspectors of the Department of Agriculture and Department of Health on their inspection of the premises of Messrs. Nolan and McGrath.

Councillor Newell proposed, seconded by Councillor Cunningham:—

"That consideration of the matter be adjourned until next meeting and that, in the meantime, a report from the County Medical Officer be obtained."

County Manager pointed out that the County Medical Officer's report and the reports of the Departments' Inspectors were available and would be read to the members, if they so desired.

Councillor Casey proposed, Councillor O'Connor seconded:—

"That the Council ask the Minister to withhold approval to the making of Cancellation Orders and that an opportunity be given to Messrs. Nolan and McGrath to rectify matters." County Manager stated that in view of the terms of the reports from the Inspectors of Department of Agriculture and Department

of Health he is not prepared to take any action towards withdrawing the draft Cancellation Orders.

Councillor O'Shea proposed, Councillor Carty seconded:—

"That all reports on inspection of the premises be read." After a further discussion, Councillor Carty proposed, Councillor Nestor seconded, and it was Resolved:—

"That the Council do not interfere in the matter."

8006. Spiddal Public Lighting.—County Engineer's report, 14/9/49, and Quotation of 23/9/49 from the Electricity Supply Board were submitted. The quotation stated that the cost of installing three 200-watt lamps would be £46 13s. 11d., with an annual charge of £3 18s. 0d. for cleaning and replacing equipment, plus actual cost of current consumed.

It was proposed by Councillor O'Shea, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the provision of public lighting for Spiddal village."

8007. Electric Lighting of Labourers' Cottages.—Senator Burke enquired if any further progress has been made regarding the making of a grant for provision of electric light in cottages.

Councillor Carty stated he understood that in North Tipperary a grant of £5 per cottage is made by the Council for installation of electric light in non-vested cottages.

It was decided that particulars of the arrangements in North Tipperary be obtained.

8008. Visiting Committee.—Reports of the Visiting Committee on inspection of Woodlands Sanatorium and Clifden District Hospital were submitted and noted.

8009. Wages of Tradesmen and Labourers—Loughrea Town.—Report, 1/9/49, from Mr. Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, was submitted pointing out that the wages of tradesmen and labourers employed on housing scheme at Loughrea are 2/10½d. per hour, and 1/9½d. per hour, respectively, whereas tradesmen and labourers employed in repairs to County Home or repairs to labourers' cottages only receive 2/7d. and 1/7d. per hour, respectively.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of funds to enable payment of wages to be made at the rate of 2/10½d. per hour to tradesmen, and 1/9½d. per hour to labourers employed in connection with repairs to County Home and repairs to cottages in Loughrea town."

8010. Use of Lorries.—Councillor Concagh asked the County

Engineer for an explanation of the use of lorries for short "draws" in the Glynsk District.

County Engineer stated he understood the matter had been adjusted but that he would make further enquiries.

8011. Oranmore Water Supply.—Councillor Carty proposed Councillor Ruane seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of a water supply scheme for Oranmore village."

8012. Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Councillor Nestor proposed, Councillor Glynn seconded, and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Mr. R. J. McHugh, Williamstown, and Mr. Martin Concagh, Co.C., Turla, Ballymoe, be appointed members of the Glenamaddy Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

8013. Oughterard Water Supply.—In reply to Councillor Geoghegan's notice of motion, County Manager explained that the improvement of the water supply in Oughterard is necessary in view of the unsatisfactory pressure at present and the further demand on the supply which will arise from the provision of the sewerage system.

Councillor Geoghegan requested that the extension will be investigated along with the other improvement works.

In regard to the engine house, County Engineer stated that a second door is being provided at the rear of the pump which will facilitate exit from the engine house.

8014. Miscellaneous.—In reply to Councillor Geoghegan, the County Engineer stated that the tenants of the Glengowla Turbarry should take up with the Land Commission the question of marking the mearings on the bogs as they were unable to indicate to the Council's Engineers where these mearings should be.

8015. Galway Harbour.—Letter, 7/10/49, from the Galway Harbour Commissioners was submitted requesting that the Council appoint representatives to a conference to be held at the Harbour Office on 11/10/49, for the purpose of issuing an invitation to the Minister for Industry and Commerce to visit Galway for an inspection of the Harbour.

It was unanimously decided that Senator M. Quinn and Councillors T. King and T. O'Connor represent the Council at the meeting.

8016. County Committee of Agriculture.—Letter, 6/10/49, from the Secretary, County Galway Committee of Agriculture, was submitted stating that the Committee's estimate for the coming year would require a sum of £9,822 contribution from the Council. This demand was unanimously approved.

8017. Loan for Erection of Labourers' Cottages.—With reference to Minute 7876 approving the raising of a loan of £50,000 on account for erection of labourers' cottages, the Secretary reported that the Local Government Department point out that there are difficulties in sanctioning a loan on account. The Department suggested that either the loan should be related to a particular number of cottages or a loan for the full amount of the Council's requirements should be raised. The number of cottages required at present is 350 and the estimated amount of loan to meet the Council's share of the cost of providing 350 cottages would be £210,000.

It was proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £210,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for erection of labourers' cottages in Galway County Health District, the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

8018. Housing Loan, Tuam Town Commissioners' Area.—With reference to Minute 7816, the Secretary reported that the Department of Local Government point out that there are difficulties in sanctioning a loan on account and suggested that a loan should be raised for the full amount required to defray the Commissioners' share of the cost of providing 21 slum clearance houses. The latter figure is estimated to be £20,000.

It was proposed by Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Ruane, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £20,000 from the Commissioners of Public Works for erection of 21 slum clearance houses in Tuam Town Commissioners' Area, the loan to be repayable by annuity over a period of 50 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan."

8019. Cinematograph Act, 1909.—Application for a cinema licence from Mr. John McFadden in respect of his travelling cinema booth was submitted.

On the proposition of Deputy Kitt, seconded by Councillor Ruane, the Council unanimously approved the issue of the licence subject to satisfactory reports from the County Engineer and the Chief Superintendent, Garda Síochána.

8020. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with:—

The relatives of Councillor W. Carrick, Spanish Parade, Galway

Mr. Patrick Fahy, Eyre Street, Galway, on the death of his wife.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed this 19th day of Nov. 1949
Maurice O'Connor. Chairman*

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT THE COUNTY BUILDINGS, GALWAY, ON SATURDAY, 12th NOVEMBER, 1949, BY THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONSIDER FINANCIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN GALWAY COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT AND THE URBAN AREAS OF GALWAY BOROUGH AND BALLINASLOE.

PRESENT:-

On behalf of County Council - Senator M. Quinn, Mr. T. King, Mr. P. Collins, County Manager, Secretary and Accountant.

On behalf of Galway Corporation - Mr. M. O'Flaherty, Mr. M. Lydon, T.D., Mr. J. Brennan, the Town Clerk and Accountant.

On behalf of Ballinasloe Urban District Council - Mr. Staunton, Mr. M. Keane and the Town Clerk.

Messrs. M. Carty and P. Lambert apologised for their inability to attend.

It was unanimously decided that Senator M. Quinn be appointed Chairman.

The Chairman, opening the discussion, stated that it did not appear to him that much could be achieved in this matter pending an alteration in the existing legislation; that it was for the Committee to consider whether the present rating system was inequitable so far as the Urban Districts were concerned and if they thought so, to suggest how these inequities could be remedied.

Mr. Collins suggested that the Central Authority should be brought to realisation that the rates are at present at as high a level as can be borne by the ratepayers and that as matters stand the towns could only be relieved at the expense of the rural areas.

Mr. Brennan referred to the report of the County Manager circulated to the members of the Committee before the Meeting and stated that the discussion should not be based on this report, which was prepared in 1947 and is now out of date. Mr. Brennan further stated that at a meeting of Galway Corporation he requested information in regard to the number of patients in the Central Hospital from the Galway Borough area and that this information was not supplied.

The County Manager stated the circumstances had not changed materially since 1947 and that the report then prepared by him could be used as a basis for discussion by the Committee.

Mr. Lydon stated that the Corporation was aggrieved by the method of apportionment of the charges, i.e., on valuation basis, without regard to the services provided, for instance, the proportion of main roads in Galway Borough area is 1/40th of the total mileage, while the Borough's contribution to the cost of maintaining main roads is approximately 1/9th of the total cost; that it would be more equitable if charges were made for services rendered and only for that purpose.

Mr. Brennan quoted figures showing the % increase in the valuation of Galway Urban District since 1858.

Mr. O'Flaherty enquired if the amount of the demand on Galway Borough could be a fixed annual amount over the next five years.

At Mr. Staunton's request the Town Clerk read a statement prepared by him on behalf of Ballinasloe Urban District Council pointing out that the rate in the £. in Ballinasloe Urban District is 36/- of which 24/1d is in respect of County Council demand and 11/11d in respect of Urban services; that the levying of charges in Ballinasloe Urban District is inequitable as the Council's demand is based on the gross valuation, while the Urban District Council are not in a position to collect any rates on the portion of this valuation which is exempt from rating; that a reduction in the County Council demand is essential for the reasons that:-

- (1) The limit of the ratepayers' ability to pay has been reached in the Urban District of Ballinasloe.
- (2) A ceiling figure should be fixed above which rates should not be permitted to rise.

Mr. King pointed out that if population is substituted for valuation as a basis for levying rates it would operate unfairly towards Galway Borough area. He considered that while the Urban ratepayers may have cause to grumble, the rural ratepayer has more cause having regard to the services which he receives.

Mr. O'Flaherty enquired if the Urban Districts could pay/a capitation basis for non-paying patients in Institutions such as Mental Hospital and Galway Central Hospital.

Mr. Brennan stated that not more than 25% of the population of Galway pay rates, while everybody over 21 years is entitled to vote at local elections. He considered that if residents have a vote they should contribute to the cost of the local services.

Mr. Collins stated that if it is proposed that the rates be relieved by a greater contribution from the State this will only relieve one section of the community at the expense of another section of the community.

In regard to the suggestion that the County Council's demand on the Urban areas might be reduced, the Chairman stated that it is generally found at Estimates Meeting that the only service which might feasibly be reduced is Roads, and the condition of many by-roads at present is very bad, and, in his opinion, the Council would not be justified in reducing Road Expenditure still further.

Mr. Staunton suggested that the Town Clerks, Ballinasloe and Galway, the County Manager and the Secretary to the County Council should meet to discuss the possibility of stabilising the demand on the Urban Districts.

Mr. Keane suggested that a meeting of the Financial Relations Committee be held to discuss the County Council's estimate prior to the Estimates Meeting.

After a further discussion it was agreed that the County Council be informed of the views of the members at the meeting and that the following recommendations be made to the County Council:-

- (1) Proposed by the Chairman, and seconded by Mr. Keane:
"That District Institutions owned by Local Authorities should be assessable for rates."

- (2) Proposed by Mr. Lydon and seconded by Mr. O'Flaherty:
"That in calculating the demand by the County Council on Galway Borough and Ballinasloe Urban District Council, the charges should be apportioned on the nett valuations instead of on the gross valuations, as at present." (Particulars of the effect of this recommendation to be made available to the Council.)

In addition to the above recommendations, the following was proposed by Mr. Brennan:-

"That the Committee do not consider the present basis of assessment of rates on valuation either equitable or just and recommend that it be replaced by a system of local taxation."

Mr. Lydon thanked the Council for giving the Committee an opportunity to discuss this matter.

Sután: Gaillimh 55
(Phone: Galway 55)

12adh Samhain, 1949.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Comndae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Comndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 19adh Samhain, 1949, ag 12.30. a chlog, p.m.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh

RUNAIDHE.

Chuig gach Dhaill de'n Comhairle,

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes
2. Completion of Mortgage Deed for loan £19,800 for erection of houses by Loughrea Town Commissioners.
3. Obtaining sanction to overdraft £5,000 on Capital Account pending receipt of loan for erection of houses by Tuam Town Commissioners.
4. Obtaining sanction to overdraft £5,000 on Capital Account pending receipt of loan for extension to County Buildings.
5. Letter 7/11/49 (L.3363/10/49) from Department of Local Government requesting sanction to obtaining loan £5,500 from Commissioners of Public Works for purchase of Excavator.
6. Sale of Kilcornan Property:
 - (a) Report of Deputation re house occupied by Mr. W. Corcoran.
 - (b) Letter 9/11/1949 from the County Solicitor.
7. Reports of Visiting Committee on inspection of:-
 - (a) Galway Central Hospital.....15/10/1949
 - (b) County Home24/10/1949
8. Letter of thanks from the Italian Survivors of the Air Crash on 15/8/1949.
9. Letter 20/10/1949 from the Secretary, Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee re increase in membership of the Committee.
10. Letter from County Councils General Council requesting notice of matters to be placed on Agenda for Meeting 15/12/1949.
11. Councillors' Notices of Motion;
 - (a) Deputy P. Deegan: I will move at next Meeting of County Council that Public Lighting be provided for Killimor Village, Rural District of Portumna.

11. Councillors' Notices of Motion - Contd;

(b) Mr. P. Cooke: (i) I hereby give notice that I, or some member on my behalf, will move at the next meeting of the Galway County Council, that permanently fixed concrete bridges be not erected to replace any existing bridges over Eglinton Canal, Galway, and that plans and tenders be immediately invited for the erection of steel bridges, either swivel or draw, over Eglinton Canal where required, and that this work be proceeded with without any undue delay.

(ii) I, or some member on my behalf, will ask the County Manager, at next meeting of the Galway County Council, to state briefly the following, viz.:-

How many Public Assistance tickets were issued for the past year in the County? How many were acted upon for same period? Are reasons available for tickets that were not acted upon? Who is the governing authority to decide whether they should be cancelled or otherwise? On whose evidence does such authority arrive at a decision? If the issue of a ticket governs an urgent case, what happens then?

(c) Mr. M. Carty: At next County Council Meeting I shall move that new rates - 2/10³d. per hour for tradesmen and 1/9³d. per hour for builders' labourers be paid to all workers on B.O.H. scheme in County Home, Loughrea, and that the increases be retrospective as from the date these rates were first given to the workers on the Loughrea Housing Scheme.

(d) Deputy M. Kitt: (i) I will move at the next Meeting of Galway County Council that the Mountbellew Water Supply Scheme be extended from Ballinahattina Cross to St. Jarlath's Vocational School, Mountbellew, to serve the needs of the school and also the local residents of the village who are anxious to avail of it if it is extended.

(ii) I will move at the next Meeting of Galway County Council that the County Manager state what progress has been made to date to supply the village of Ahascragh with a water supply and sewerage scheme in view of the urgent necessity of both to the inhabitants of Ahascragh.

(iii) I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that a proper water supply be provided for the village of Menlough, Ballinasloe, to serve the needs of the residents of the locality and also the new National Schools which the Very Reverend Manager proposes to erect in the Village.

(e) Mr. J. Brennan: Please take notice that, at the next meeting of the County Council, I will request the Manager to state for the information of the Council if and when it is proposed to put into operation the 28-hour working week for the nursing staffs, domestic staffs and porters in the Central Hospital and Woodlands Sanatorium?

(f) Mr. P. Fury: That I or somebody on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the County Council that steam-rolling of the road through the village of Corofin be put on the Schedule of Road Works for next year 1950/51.

(g) Mr. P. Kyne: At the next County Council Meeting, let those responsible explain -

(i) delay of having the Clonbur Sewerage Scheme carried out for past fifteen years.

(ii) neglect to maintain the road from Clonbur main road to the graveyard by the agreement with the Forestry Department.

(h) Mr. J.J. Cunningham: That the Kilclough-Buggauns-Ballythomas road, in no place less than 13' wide, be taken over for maintenance by the Council, on the following considerations -

(1) that £400 grant was spent on it 25 years ago or so;

(2) that 5 years later the Council, per the late Councillor John Cunningham spent £250 on it;

(3) that 15 years ago another £50 secured by the late Councillor Cunningham was spent on it also;

(4) that last May, per the Rural Improvement Scheme, £400 of a grant and £40 tenants' contribution was spent on it.

(5) that it is now in a condition of plu-perfection, and it would be a pity to allow it to revert again to the jungle condition that neglect would bring it to.

11.(I) Mr. J. Geoghegan: Take notice that at the next meeting of the County Council I will move the following:

(i) repair of paths through Kilmummin Cemetery, Oughterard, and cutting and clearing of briars, etc. from same;

(ii) repair of pier at Turlough, Rosmuck;

(iii) that horse-carts be used for drawing sand and stones for road work.

12. Letter 11.11.1949 from Department of Education in regard to draft scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools 1950.

13. Resolutions.

14. Other business.

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8021. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 8020 were circulated to the members.

Councillor Carty stated that Minute No. 8007 was not a correct record of his statement in regard to the arrangements in North Tipperary for installation of electric light in non-vested cottages; that he understood that a loan was issued by the North Tipperary Council to the tenants for this purpose.

Secretary stated that, in the meantime, particulars of the arrangements in North Tipperary had been obtained and that, in fact, the assistance given by that Council is in the nature of a grant, as described in the Minute; that the County Manager had authorised provision of up to three lights, at a cost not exceeding £5 at the Council's expense, in the case of non-vested cottages in this County.

Councillors Nestor and Ruane requested to be informed of the reasons for the delay in proceeding with the erection of cottages.

An explanation of the reasons for the delay was given by the Secretary.

The Minutes were then signed.

8022. Housing Loan—Loughrea Town Commissioners.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy Beegan 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 Nineteen Thousand Eight Hundred Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government Act, 1946."

8023. Housing Loan—Tuam Town Commissioners.—Secretary reported that application for a loan of £20,000 for erection of houses in Tuam Town Commissioners' area was sent to the Department of Local Government on 9/11/49; that as money will shortly be required by the Commissioners it will be necessary to seek sanction to an overdraft pending receipt of the loan.

Proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Senator Burke, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £5,000 on Capital Account pending receipt loan for erection of houses in Tuam Town Commissioners' area."

8024. Extension to County Buildings.—Secretary reported that application for a loan of £23,000 for extension to the County Buildings was sent to the Department of Local Government on 4/10/49, but the mortgage deed has not yet been received. As work is in progress it will be necessary to seek sanction to an overdraft pending receipt of the loan.

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Carty, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £5,000 on Capital Account pending receipt of loan for extension to County Buildings."

8025. Excavator Loan.—Letter, 7/11/49 (L.3863/10/49), from the Department of Local Government was submitted, refusing to sanction the obtaining of this loan from the Commissioners of Public Works having regard to the nature of the loan and the short period of repayment.

After a discussion it was decided that the period of the loan be extended and that the matter be again referred to the Department of Local Government for approval.

It was, therefore, proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Councillor Collins, and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £5,500 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the purchase of an Excavator and Trailer, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 20 years, with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue to the Council of each instalment of the loan, this resolution to be in substitution for the resolutions in regard to this matter as set out in Minutes 7775 and 7845."

8026. Sale of Kilcornan Property.—Letter, 15/11/49, from Mr. J. P. King, Solicitor, for the Brothers of Charity, was read. The letter stated that the Council might take it that the Brothers of Charity would allow William Corcoran to go into the Gate Lodge on a Caretaker's agreement if the Higgins family are allowed to go into the house occupied by the Corcoran family.

Councillor Ruane stated that the Higgins family have actually gone into Corcoran's house.

As apparently the matter is adjusting itself, it was decided that no further action is necessary.

Letter, 9/11/49, from the County Solicitor was submitted, stating that the area of land transferred to the Brothers of Charity was set out as 128 acres 3 roods and 19 perches in the original resolution, while the correct area is 134 acres 3 roods and 34 perches. Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy Beegan, and unanimously Resolved:—

"That this Council hereby approve the sale of Kilcornan House and Lands, containing in area 134 acres 3 roods and 34 perches, statute measure, or thereabouts being (a) part of the lands of Kilcornan, containing 129 acres 0 roods and 6 perches or thereabouts, statute measure (b) part of the lands of Stradbally East containing 4 acres 1 rood and 28 perches or thereabouts, statute measure, and (c) part of the lands of Kilcornan containing 1 acre and 2 roods or thereabouts, statute measure, together with the right or easement of laying a main for conducting water from the lands described at (c) to the lands described at (a) to the Congregation of the Brothers of Charity, Belmont Park, Waterford, for the sum of £5,500 plus costs of conveyance of the property to the Purchasers, and that the seal of the Council be affixed to the conveyance thereof."

8027. Visiting Committee.—Reports of Visiting Committee to Central Hospital on 15/10/49, and County Home on 24/10/49, were submitted.

Deputy Kitt asked the County Manager to explain the position in regard to bed accommodation in the Central Hospital stating what number of patients are sleeping on the floors and why the huts recently erected have not been opened.

County Manager stated that patients are not sleeping on the floors; that where beds are not available, stretchers and mattresses have been provided; that the huts recently erected were not opened for accommodation of patients due to the fact that the heating installation had not yet been completed. This work is now nearing completion, however.

Deputy Kill read a report from the Donegal "Vindicator" of a statement made by Senator Burke at an Election Meeting at Ballyshannon, to the effect that during the Fianna Fail regime 90 patients slept on mattresses on the floor of the Central Hospital and that proposals by Senator Burke for improvement of conditions in the Hospital were opposed by certain Fianna Fail members of the Council.

Deputy Kitt denied that this statement was correct. The Chairman and Deputy Killilea and Councillors King, Ashe and Ruane also objected to the alleged statement by Senator Burke and asked him to give particulars of the proposals which he states were made by him, and opposed by Fianna Fail members of the Council.

After further discussion, Senator Burke stated that the report as read by Deputy Kitt did not appear to be a correct record of his speech; that he will study the report referred to and if there are inaccuracies in it he will be quite ready to contradict them; that, however, it is a fact that he was attacked in 1942 and 1943 by certain persons who suggested that he had ulterior motives in some proposals made by him.

Councillor O'Shea referred to a reply given by the Minister for Health to a Parliamentary question in regard to the appointment of a Resident Medical Superintendent at Galway Central Hospital, in which the Minister stated that Irish is not an essential qualification.

Councillor O'Shea stated that Irish is a most essential qualification for the proper discharge of the duties for the post of Medical Superintendent of the Hospital, and that he trusts that the Council will not concur in the appointment of a person who is not fully competent in Irish.

Councillors Ashe, Collins and Casey agreed.

After further discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor King, and Resolved:—

"That the Minister for Health and the Local Appointments Commissioners be informed that in considering the filling of the vacancy for a Resident Medical Superintendent for Galway Central Hospital a competent knowledge of Irish be an essential qualification for the post."

In regard to the reference to the vegetable supply position in the Minutes of the Visiting Committee meeting, the County Manager informed Senator Burke that the difficulty is to get suitable land convenient to the Hospital.

Consideration of the Minutes of the Visiting Committee's inspection of the County Home on 24/10/49, was adjourned until next meeting.

Councillor Ashe asked that the provision of hot water supply system for the County Home be expedited.

Councillor King stated that the Visiting Committee to the Central Hospital were of opinion that a greater quantity of fresh milk should be supplied instead of pasteurised milk.

County Manager pointed out that the quantities to be supplied are regulated by the contracts entered into.

8028. Italian Patients.—Letter from Mr. W. Sandys, Solicitor enclosing copy of a letter from the Italian patients who were maintained in the Central Hospital following the recent air disaster, was submitted and noted. The letter thanked the Council for their kindness and generosity.

8029. Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.—Letter, 20/10/49, from the Secretary of the above Committee was submitted requesting that the Council approve an increase in the membership of the Committee.

It was proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Senator Burke, and Resolved:—

"That, subject to sanction by the Minister for Local Government, the Council hereby approve an increase in the membership of the Lough Mask and River Robe Joint Drainage Committee from 5 members to 9 members—2 members of the enlarged Committee to be appointed by Galway County Council, and 7 members by Mayo County Council."

8030. County Councils' General Council.—Letter, 17/10/49, requesting notice of matters to be placed on the Agenda for meeting of above Council on 15/12/49, was submitted.

8031. Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949.—County Engineer's letter of 19/11/49, was submitted with schedule thereto, in respect of additional works proposed at a total estimated cost of £25,987.

On the proposition of Senator Burke, seconded by Deputy Kitt, the Council unanimously approved the provision of funds to meet the necessary expenditure, £25,987.

The Council directed that in cases such as this in future copies of the schedule of works should be circulated to them before the meeting.

Councillor Glynn stated that in former years a considerable sum of money was wasted by doing drainage works in Winter and requested that works under the Local Authorities (Works) Act, 1949, be carried out only where money could be usefully expended in the Winter period, that is, work to be carried out between now and 31/3/50.

8032. Diving Tower at Salthill.—County Manager stated that the existing diving tower having become unsuitable, is dismantled and it is intended to erect a new diving tower at an estimated cost of £6,000. It is expected that some small proportion of this cost will be met by contribution from the Salthill Citizens' Organisation and that as the tower would serve people from the County generally as well as from the Galway Borough area and visitors, it was requested that the Council consider making a contribution to the Galway Corporation equivalent to one-third of the cost of the loan repayment for this work.

After discussion, it was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the making of a contribution to the Galway Corporation equivalent to one-third of the amount of the annual repayment of the nett loan required for erection of diving tower at Salthill."

8033. Killimor Public Lighting.—On the proposition of Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Glynn, the Council unanimously approved the provision of public lighting in Killimor village.

8034. Garrafrauns Public Lighting.—On the proposition of Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor O'Connor, the Council unanimously approved the provision of public lighting in Garrafrauns village.

8035. Eglinton Canal Bridges.—Proposed by Councillor Cooke, seconded by Councillor Ashe:—

"That permanently fixed concrete bridges be not erected to replace the existing bridges over the Eglinton Canal, Galway, and that steel bridges, either swivel or draw, be provided instead."

After a discussion, Councillor Carty proposed and Deputy Killilea seconded:—

"That as a direct negative to Councillor Cooke's proposal, the Council consider that concrete bridges should be provided over the Eglinton Canal to replace the existing bridges."

A vote taken resulted as follows:—

For Councillor Carty's amendment: Councillors Beegan, R. M. Burke, Carty, Collins, Cunningham, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Geoghegan and Quinn—14.

Against Councillor Carty's amendment: Councillors Ashe, Casey, Cooke, King, Murphy and O'Connor—6.

Councillor Cooke's proposal was then put to the meeting, the voting being as follows:—

For: Councillors Ashe, Casey, Cooke, King, Murphy and O'Connor—6.

Against: Councillors Beegan, R. M. Burke, Carty, Collins, Cunningham, Ruane, Glynn, O'Shea, Killilea, Kitt, Kyne, Lambert, Geoghegan and Quinn—14.

The Chairman declared Councillor Cooke's motion defeated. Councillor Brennan did not vote.

8036. Scheme for Scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1950.—Letter OIL 2(7738) of 11/11/49, from the Department of Education was submitted—copies of the letter having already been circulated to the members.

The letter stated that the Minister was not prepared to approve the scheme as formulated but would be prepared to approve a scheme with an income limit similar to that set out in the 1949 scheme.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Collins and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the amendment of the scheme for 1950 in accordance with paragraph 2 of letter of 11/11/49 from the Department of Education, viz., that the income limit be set out as £350 with an addition of £50 for each eligible child, and that the scheme as so amended be adopted by the Council."

8037. Mountbellew Water Supply Extension.—Report from Consulting Engineer, was submitted, stating that the estimated cost of extending the water main to Mountbellew Technical School is £915 11s. 0d. and that the extension would serve six other houses in addition to the Technical School.

Proposed by Deputy Kitt, seconded by Deputy Killilea and Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the extension of the water main from Ballinahattan Cross Roads, Mountbellew, to the Technical School, at an estimated cost of £915 11s. 0d."

8038. Miscellaneous.—Councillor Cooke referred to the Council's request to C.I.E. to divert the Taylor's Hill 'bus route through Shantalla and asked that the County Engineer make Maunsell's Road suitable for 'bus traffic as it is understood this is the only matter holding up the diversion of the 'bus.

8039. Sympathy.—Resolutions of sympathy were passed with the following:—

The widow and family of the late Mr. Daniel Naughton, Menlo, Ballinasloe.

Widow and family of the late Mr. Michael O'Donoghue, Claretuam, Tuam.

Mrs. J. Staunton and family, on the death of her father, Mr. Michael Pahey, Moore Street, Loughrea.

Mrs. Keane, Bride Street, Loughrea, on the death of her son, Patrick.

Miss G. O'Leary, Forster Street, Galway, on the death of her mother.

Mrs. J. Dolan, Tomany, Abbey, Loughrea, on the death of her husband, Mr. Jack Dolan.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Murphy, Barrack Street, Loughrea, on the death of their daughter, Mrs. M. Melvin.

Relatives of the late Mr. Thomas Dervane, Church Hill, Ballinasloe.

The remainder of the business on the Agenda was adjourned until next meeting of the Council.

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*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 10th day of December 1949.*

Máire O'Connell Chairman.

Sután: Salliam 55
(Phone: Galway 55)

Zadh Nodlaig, 1949.

A Chara,

Iarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Comhairle Comndae na Gaillimhe i Seonra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Comndae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 10adh Nodlaig, 1949, ag 12.30. a chlog, p.m.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh.

RUNAI.

Chuig gach Baili de'n Comhairle;

GNO.

TO CONSIDER;

1. Minutes.
2. Letter 29/11/49 (L.3363/10/49) from Department of Local Government refusing sanction to obtaining loan £5,500 from the Commissioners of Public Works for purchase of Excavator and Trailer repayable over a period of 20 years.
3. Reports of Visiting Committee on inspection of:-
 - (a) County Home.....24/10/49
 - (b) Childrens' Home..... 9/11/49
4. Minutes of Meeting 12/11/49 of the Committee to consider financial relations between Galway County Health District and the Urban areas of Galway Borough and Ballinasloe.
5. Engineering Services; Proposed temporary appointment of Mr. S. Cullinan as Housing Engineer - Mr. M. Tracy to replace Mr. Cullinan, and a temporary Engineer to be appointed in lieu of Mr. Tracy.
6. Circular Letter P.79/49 from Department of Health in regard to the necessity for replacing unsuitable dispensaries by providing proper buildings.
7. Councillors' Notices of Motion:-
 - (a) Councillor P. Cooke; I, or some member on my behalf, will ask the County Manager, at next meeting of the Galway County Council, to state briefly the following, viz:-
How many Public Assistance tickets were issued for the past year in the County? How many were acted upon for same period? Are reasons available for tickets that were not acted upon? Who is the governing authority to decide whether they should be cancelled or otherwise? On whose evidence does such authority arrive at a decision? If the issue of a ticket governs an urgent case, what happens then?
 - (b) Councillor M. Carty; At next County Council Meeting I shall move that new rates - 2/10³d. per hour for tradesmen and 1/9³d. per hour for builders' labourers be paid to all workers on D.O.H. scheme in County Home, Loughrea, and that the increases be retrospective as from the date these rates were first given to the workers on the Loughrea Housing Scheme.

- (c) Councillor M. Kitt; (i) I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the County Manager state what progress has been made to date to supply the village of Ahascragh with a water supply and sewerage scheme in view of the urgent necessity of both to the inhabitants of Ahascragh.
(ii) I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that a proper water supply be provided for the village of Merlough, Ballinasloe, to serve the needs of the residents of the locality and also the new National Schools which the Very Reverend Manager proposes to erect in the village.
- (d) Councillor J. Brennan; Please take notice that, at the next meeting of the County Council, I will request the Manager to state for the information of the Council if and when it is proposed to put into operation the 48-hour working week for the nursing staffs, domestic staffs and porters in the Central Hospital and Woodlands Sanatorium?
- (e) Councillor P. Fury; That I or somebody on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the County Council that steam-rolling of the road through the village of Corofin be put on the Schedule of Road Works for next year 1950/51.
- (f) Councillor P. Kyne; At the next County Council Meeting, let those responsible explain -
 - (i) delay of having the Clonbur Sewerage Scheme carried out for past fifteen years.
 - (ii) neglect to maintain the road from Clonbur main road to the graveyard by the agreement with the Forestry Department.
- (g) Councillor J.J. Cunningham; That the Killoogh-Buggauns-Ballythomas road, in no place less than 13' wide, be taken over for maintenance by the Council, on the following considerations -
 - (1) that £400 grant was spent on it 25 years ago or so;
 - (2) that 5 years later the Council, per the late Councillor John Cunningham, spent £250 on it;
 - (3) that 15 years ago another £50 secured by the late Councillor Cunningham was spent on it also;
 - (4) that last May, per the Rural Improvements Scheme, £400 of a grant and £40 tenants' contribution was spent on it;
 - (5) that it is now in a condition of plu-perfection, and it would be a pity to allow it to revert again to the jungle condition that neglect would bring it to.
- (h) Councillor J. Geoghegan; Take notice that at the next meeting of the County Council I will move the following:
 - (i) repair of paths through Kilmummin Cemetery, Oughterard, and cutting and clearing of briars, etc. from same;
 - (ii) repair of pier at Turlough, Rossmuck;
 - (iii) that horse-carts be used for drawing sand and stones for road work.
- (i) Councillor P. Beegan; I will move at next meeting of County Council that road leading off the Loughrea-Ballinasloe main road near Mrs. Hogan's house, Kilrickle, and running through village of Newgrove and townland of Carramore connecting with the Bullaun-Eastwell main road be taken over and maintained by County Council, and that County Surveyor include in coming year's roads estimate the required amount to defray cost of maintenance.
- (j) Councillor M. Carty; At the next meeting of the County Council, I, or some other member acting on my behalf, shall as the County Manager -
 - (i) to submit the Department's proposals re Medical Superintendent, Woodlands Sanatorium, for the consideration of the County Council.
 - (ii) to acquaint the County Council of all communications received from the Department dealing with this subject. Furthermore, I shall ask the County M.O.H. and the Law Agent of the County Council, to give their views on the Department's proposals.
- (k) Councillor Tadhg O Seaghda; (a) go ndeantar Corus Solathar Uisce na Ceathrun Ruaidhe do shineadh chomh fada le Baile Doire Arta.
(b) go ndeantar uisce do sholathar do Foirneis Meallain).
(c) go gcuirtear caoi ar Cheibh Inis Seirc (Leitir Meallain).
- (l) Councillor P. Colleran:-
 - (i) To repair and maintain road through townland of Curravaughla;
 - (ii) To repair and maintain road through townland of St. Brendans.
 - (iii) To repair and maintain road through village of Muckinagh;
 - (iv) To make and maintain road through townland of Cloonlyon and Derrywood.
 - (v) To extend water main on the south side of the village of Ballygar to Messrs. Pettit's and Gunning.
- (8) Completion of Mortgage Deed for Loan £9,000 for provision of Sewerage Scheme for Clifden Town.
- (9) Resolutions.
- (10) Other Business.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 10th DECEMBER, 1949.

- In the Chair: (1) Deputy Killilea.
 (2) Senator M. Quinn.
 (3) Councillor M. Carty.
 (4) Deputy Killilea.
 (5) Councillor Carty.

Also present: Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, J. Casey, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Glynn, T. O'Shea, T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, P. Lambert, J. Mannion, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. Geoghegan.

Mr. L. E. O'Dea, County Solicitor, was also in attendance. In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Councillor O'Connor proposed, Councillor Glynn seconded and it was unanimously Resolved:—

"That Deputy M. Killilea take the Chair."

8040. Minutes.—Minutes of the Council to 8039, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

8041. Overdraft.—Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £75,000 on General Account for quarter ending 31st March, 1950."

Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor O'Connor and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the obtaining of overdraft accommodation not exceeding £10,000 on Turf Account for quarter ending 31st March, 1950."

8042. Excavator Loan.—Letter L. 3863/10/49 of 29/11/49 from the Department of Local Government was submitted refusing approval to the raising of a loan of £5,500 from the Commissioners of Public Works repayable over a period of 20 years, and stating the maximum period of repayment of the loan should be 10 years, and that it should be raised from the Treasurer.

Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Glynn and unanimously Resolved:—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of loan of £5,500 from the National Bank Limited, for the purchase of an excavator and trailer, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 10 years with interest at the rate of $\frac{1}{2}$ % under the current Bank Rate prevailing at date of issue of the loan to the Council."

8043. Visiting Committee to Institutions.—The reports of Visiting Committee on inspection of the County Home on 24/10/49 and Children's Home on 9/11/49 were submitted.

Councillor Carty requested that the County Manager consider the supply of farmer's butter to make up the difference between the quantity authorised on the diet and the quantity of butter which may be received on ration—for inmates of the County Home.

Councillor Carty also requested that Committee's recommendations in regard to the glass-house and heating of female attendants' quarters receive further consideration.

Senator Quinn then took the Chair.

Councillors Glynn, King and Casey stated that it was undesirable that a larger percentage of pasteurised milk than of ordinary milk should be supplied to the Council's Institutions.

Secretary pointed out that the milk is being supplied to the Institutions in accordance with the tenders accepted and that the Manager had no option but to accept the lowest tenders received while there was nothing to indicate that pasteurised milk was not at least as good in quality as the ordinary milk.

In regard to the Visiting Committee's report on inspection of the Children's Home, Senator Burke recommended and it was agreed that consideration of the report be put on the Agenda for next meeting, as a reply from the Department of Health may then be available in regard to the handing over of the Home to the Nuns.

Proposed by Councillor King, seconded by Senator Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Department of Health be requested to make a grant available from Hospital Trust Funds for carrying out the necessary work at the Children's Home, Tuam, viz., provision of heating, hot water system, etc."

8044. Regional Hospital.—County Manager stated that it was expected that a tender for the erection of the new Regional Hospital would be accepted during next week, viz., Messrs. Stuarts of Glasgow, and that the Department of Health has intimated that a grant for the full cost of erecting and equipping the Hospital will be made available from Hospital Trust Funds.

Councillor King referred to the question of availability of necessary workers for this work and referred to recent advertisements inviting workers to return from England.

Councillor King stated that he is aware of more than one case of workers who had been refused work on the temporary buildings at the Central Hospital due to the fact that they were not able to produce Union Cards; that cards would not be granted to them by the local branch of the Union and some of the workers had since left for England.

At this stage Senator Quinn wished the Council, the Manager and the Council's staff a happy Christmas—and left the Chair.

Councillor Carty then took the Chair.

Deputy Beegan enquired if Messrs. Stuart's tender was very much lower than the tenders of Irish Contractors, and regretted that it was not found possible to accept the tender of an Irish firm.

County Manager replied that the tender accepted was the lowest in amount and also provided for the carrying out of the work in the shortest period.

8045. Financial Relations with Urban Districts.—The Minutes of meeting of the Committee to consider this matter which was held on 12/11/49, were submitted.

Proposed by Councillor Lambert, seconded by Councillor Nestor:—

"That the representatives of the Urban Districts on this Committee be invited to attend the next Estimates Committee Meeting of the Council, but that all other suggestions of the Committee be adjourned for 12 months."

Councillor Brennan proposed, Senator Burke seconded:—

"That the Council do not consider the present basis of assessment of rates on valuation either equitable or just and recommend that it be replaced by a system of local taxation." Councillor Nestor proposed and Councillor Lambert seconded a direct negative to Councillor Brennan's proposal as no alternative arrangement has been suggested.

After further discussion, it was decided to take each of the suggestions in turn, and, therefore, Councillor Casey proposed and Senator Burke seconded:—

"That the Council recommend to the Minister for Local Government that District Institutions under all local authorities should be assessable for rates."

A vote taken on this proposal resulted as follows:—

For—Deputy Beegan, Councillor Brennan, Senator Burke, Councillors Casey, Cooke, Curley, Concagh, Ruane, Fury, O'Shea, King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, O'Connor and Geoghegan—15.

Against—Councillors Carty, Collins, Deputy Killilea, Councillors Lambert and Nestor—5.

The Chairman declared Councillor Casey's motion carried. It was decided that the recommendation that the County Council's demand on the Urban Districts should be apportioned on the net valuation instead of the gross valuation, be deferred.

Proposed by Councillor Brennan, seconded by Councillor Cooke:—

"That the Council do not consider the present basis of assessment of rates on valuation either equitable or just and recommend that it be replaced by a system of local taxation." Proposed by Deputy Beegan, seconded by Councillor Casey:

"That Councillor Brennan's proposal be adjourned until the reasons why it is considered unjust are specified and until details of an alternative arrangement be given."

A vote taken on Councillor Brennan's proposal resulted as follows:—

For—Councillors Brennan, Carty, Cooke, Fury and O'Connor 5.

Against—Deputy Beegan, Councillors Casey, Collins, Curley, Concagh, Ruane, O'Shea, Deputy Killilea, Councillor King, Deputy Kitt, Councillors Kyne, Lambert, Nestor and Geoghegan—14.

The Chairman, therefore, declared Councillor Brennan's motion defeated.

8046. Engineering Services.—Letter N.6182/5/49, of 1/11/49, from Department of Local Government was submitted sanctioning the proposal of the Manager to appoint, as a temporary arrangement:—

- Mr. S. Cullinan, Chief Assistant County Engineer, as Engineer in charge of housing matters in Galway County Health District.
- Mr. M. P. Tracy as Chief Assistant County Engineer in lieu of Mr. Cullinan and to perform the duties which Mr. Cullinan performs at present other than housing.
- A temporary Engineer to replace Mr. Tracy with salary at the rate of £550 a year plus travelling expenses and subsistence allowance at approved rates.

On the proposition of Senator Burke, seconded by Councillor Carty, the Council approved the provision of funds to enable the above arrangements to be put into operation temporarily. Councillor King requested an explanation of the long temporary employment of several Assistant County Engineers.

8047. Dispensary Buildings.—Circular P. 79/49 of 5/11/49 from the Department of Health was submitted.

The Secretary reported that a survey of the existing buildings is being carried out to determine what replacing is necessary and that further particulars would be submitted to the Council before any expenditure would be incurred in regard to new buildings; that, in the meantime, the Council's approval was requested to the appointment of an Architect to prepare a plan of a standard dispensary building which would be suitable for most areas.

After a discussion it was proposed by Deputy Killilea, seconded by Councillor Collins and Resolved:—

"That the necessary plan should be prepared by the Council's existing engineering staff and that the Minister be informed the Council consider the employment of an Architect for this purpose is not necessary."

Deputy Beegan stated that consideration should be given to the number attending each dispensary in deciding whether a new building is necessary.

At this stage Deputy Killilea took the Chair.

8048. Mountbellew Dispensary Residence.—Letters, 11/10/49 and 19/10/49 and report, 11/11/49, from Engineer were submitted indicating that a dispensary residence is required in Mountbellew and that a suitable site—area, 2 roods approximately—is offered by Dr. Crowe for £90 plus costs of transfer.

County Manager pointed out that tenders recently received for a dispensary residence at Turloughmore indicated that the cost of providing the residence will be almost £6,000.

On the proposition of Councillor Collins, seconded by Councillor O'Connor, the Council unanimously decided that the schedule of accommodation, as suggested by the Department of Health, should be amended so as to provide that a dispensary residence could be erected at a reasonable cost, say, within £3,000, and that until the schedule is so amended consideration of the provision of a dispensary residence at Mountbellew be adjourned.

8049. Public Assistance Tickets.—In reply to Councillor Cooke's notice of motion, the Secretary gave particulars of the number of public assistance tickets for each dispensary district in the County which were issued during the year ended 30/9/48 and also replied to the other queries.

Councillor **Collins** suggested that particulars in regard to the number of public assistance tickets issued be supplied to each member.

Councillor Cooke complained that a ticket was issued to a dispensary medical officer on 3/10/49 and that the officer had refused to act on it. Councillor Cooke stated he would give further particulars of the case in question to the County Manager.

8050. Wages Rates.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Senator Burke and Resolved:—

"That the Council approve the provision of funds necessary to enable the tradesmen and labourers employed on repairs to the County Home, Loughrea, and repairs to cottages in Loughrea town be paid at 2/10¹/₂d. per hour for tradesmen and 1/9¹/₂d. per hour for labourers from the date on which these rates of pay were granted to workers engaged on Loughrea Town Commissioners' housing scheme."

8051. Ardrahan Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy Kitt and Resolved:

"That Mr. Thomas Lahiffe, Peterswell, Loughrea, and Mr. Michael Fallon, Knockoure, Loughrea, be appointed members of the Ardrahan Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee."

8052. Loan for Clifden Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Councillor J. J. Nestor, seconded by Councillor P. Furry and Resolved:—

"That our Corporate Seal be affixed to the Deed of Mortgage of this date now read, whereby security is given to the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland for the repayment of the sum of Nine Thousand Pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878-1948."

8053. Miscellaneous.—Councillor Carty referred to press reports stating the amount of housing loans which had been granted to certain persons and requested that press should omit these particulars in future.

Councillor Carty also stated that he would give notice of motion for next meeting that the full Agenda be circulated to the press before each meeting of the Council in future.

8054. Sympathy.—Votes of sympathy were passed with the following:—

Members and relatives of the Fahy family, Dunmore, on the death of their mother.

Relatives of Mr. John Fahy, and the Chairman of the Council on the death of Mr. John Fahy.

All other matters on the Agenda were adjourned until next Meeting of the Council.

Induced 24.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed this 28th day of January, 1950.
Maurice O'Connell Chairman*

Sután: Gaillimh 58
(Phone: Galway 45)

(Galway)
13adh Banair, 1950.

A Chara,

Tarrtar ort leis seo bheith i lathair ag Cruinniú de Chomhairle Condae na Gaillimhe i Seomra na Comhairle ins na Foirgnighthe Condae, Gaillimh, Dia Sathairn, 21adh Banair, 1950, ag 12.30. a chlog.

Mise, le meas,

L. O'Luanaigh, *Chairman*

RUNAI.

Chuig gach Bhaill de'n Comhairle:

GNO.

TO CONSIDER:

1. Minutes.
2. Raising of Loans for,—
 - (a) Improvement of Roundstone Water Supply - £2600.
 - (b) Provision of Dispensary Residence at Turloughmore - £5900.
 - (c) Temporary Annexe at Galway Central Hospital - Supplemental Loan £1200.
3. Completion of Mortgage Deeds for loans for,—
 - (a) Extension of County Buildings - £23,000
 - (b) Glenamaddy Sewerage Scheme - £4,000.
 - (c) Provision of houses by Tuam Town Commissioners - £20,000.
4. University Scholarship Scheme, 1950.
5. Extension of appointment of deputy for the Rate Collector in No.23 District during the latter's absence due to illness.
6. Appointment of a committee to consider Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31.3.1951.
7. Letter 11.1.1950 from the Irish Tourist Association regarding contribution for year ending 31.3.1951.
8. Appointment of an additional representative on the Lough Mask & River Robe Joint Drainage Committee.
9. Letter 10.1.1950 from the Clerk requesting that the Council appoint Rev. Fr. John Cunnane, C.C., Kiltonan, a member of the Aran Islands Old Age Pensions Sub-Committee.
10. Issue of Cinema Licences to,—
 - (a) Town Hall Trustees - for Portunna Town Hall
 - (b) Mr. John McFadden - for travelling cinema.
11. Blind Welfare Scheme;—
Letter 26/49 of 7.12.1949 from Department of Social Welfare.
12. Appointment of Wardens in Dispensary Districts to replace Wardens not now available.
13. Report of Visiting Committee on inspection of Childrens' Home on 9.11.1949.
14. Councillors' Notices of Motion;—
 - (a) Councillor M. Kitt: (i) I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that the County Manager state what progress has been made to date to supply the village of Ahascragh with a water supply and sewerage scheme in view of the urgent necessity of both to the inhabitants of Ahascragh.
(ii) I will move at the next meeting of Galway County Council that a proper water supply be provided for the village of Menlough, Ballinasloe, to serve the needs of the residents of the locality and also the new National Schools which the Very Reverend Manager proposes to erect in the village.
 - (b) Councillor J. Brennan: Please take notice that, at the next meeting of the County Council, I will request the Manager to state for the information of the Council if and when it is proposed to put into operation the 48-hour working week for the nursing staffs, domestic staffs and porters in the Central Hospital and Woodlands Sanatorium?
 - (c) Councillor P. Furry: That I or somebody on my behalf will move at the next meeting of the County Council that steam-rolling of the road through the village of Corofin be put on the Schedule of Road Works for next year 1950/51.
 - (d) Councillor P. Kyne: At the next County Council Meeting, let those responsible explain —
 - (i) delay of having the Clonbur Sewerage Scheme carried out for past fifteen years.
 - (ii) neglect to maintain the road from Clonbur main road to the graveyard by the agreement with the Forestry Department.
 - (e) Councillor J.J. Cunningham: That the Kilolough-Buggauns-Dallythomas road, in no place less than 13' wide, be taken over for maintenance by the Council, on the following considerations —

- (1) that £400 grant was spent on it 25 years ago or so;
- (2) that 5 years later the Council, per the late Councillor John Cunningham, spent £250 on it;
- (3) that 15 years ago another £50 secured by the late Councillor Cunningham was spent on it also;
- (4) that last May, per the Rural Improvements Scheme, £400 of a grant and £40 tenants' contribution was spent on it;
- (5) that it is now in a condition of plu-perfection, and it would be a pity to allow it to revert again to the jungle condition that neglect would bring it to.

(f) Councillor J. Geoghegan: Take notice that at the next meeting of the County Council I will move the following;

- (i) repair of paths through Kilcummin Cemetery, Oughterard, and cutting and clearing of briars, etc. from same;
- (ii) repair of pier at Turlough, Rosmuck;
- (iii) that horse-carts be used for drawing sand and stones for road work.

(g) Councillor P. Beegan: I will move at next meeting of County Council that road leading off the Loughrea-Ballinasloe main road near Mrs. Hogan's house, Kilrickle, and running through village of Newgrove and townland of Carramore connecting with the Dullaun-Eastwell main road be taken over and maintained by the County Council, and that County Surveyor include in coming year's roads estimate the required amount to defray cost of maintenance.

(h) Councillor M. Carty: At the next meeting of the County Council, I, or some other member acting on my behalf, shall ask the County Manager -

- (i) to submit the Department's proposals re Medical Superintendent, Woodlands Sanatorium, for the consideration of the County Council.
- (ii) to acquaint the County Council of all communications received from the Department dealing with this subject. Furthermore, I shall ask the County M.O.H. and the Law Agent of the County Council, to give their views on the Department's proposals.

(i) Councillor Tadhg O Seaghdha: (a) to ndeantar Corus Solathar Uisce na Ceathrun Ruaidhe do shineadh chomh fada le Baile Doire Arta;

(b) to ndeantar uisce do sholathar do mhuintir Inis Seirce, Leitir Meallain; (c) go gcuirtear caoi ar Cheibh Inis Seirc (Leitir Meallain).

(ii) ...

(j) Councillor P. Collieran: (i) To repair and maintain road through townland of Curraughla; (ii) To repair and maintain road through townland of Sr. Brendan's;

(iii) To repair and maintain road through village of Muckinagh; (iv) To make and maintain road through townland of Cloonlyon and Derrywood; (v) To extend water main on the south side of the village of Ballygar to Messrs. Pettit's and Gunning.

(k) Councillor J.J. Cunningham: (i) That public latrines (or latrine) in the town of Glenamaddy be provided by the Council simultaneous with the Sewerage System now in operation in that town.

(ii) That three depressions in the Monastery-Parke Leitra, roads flooded for considerable periods in wet seasons be remedied - the cost of which would be comparatively small.

(l) Councillor John Geoghegan: (i) That the County Engineer make a report on condition of all bridges in Connemara;

(ii) That a new Pier be erected near Thomas Coyne's house, Mynish, Carna.

(m) Councillor P. Beegan: (i) That I or some member on my behalf will ask the County Surveyor to make a statement at next meeting of County Council as follows:- nature of work and cost of each scheme in each Rural District completed, and in course of completion under Local Government Works Act, 1949, giving total expenditure in each Rural District or alternatively per each Assistant Surveyor's area.

(ii) I will move at next meeting of County Council that road leading off the Ballinasloe-Laurencetown main road at Deatons house, Lismany and connecting with County Council road leading to Kylemore be taken over and maintained as a County Road.

(n) Councillor R.M. Burke: "That Galway County Council requests the County Surveyor to state whether he would recommend steam rolling certain roads during 1950/51 which had not been steam rolled in the past, in view of the heavy traffic on them, and in this connection whether he would recommend the steam rolling of portion or all of the road from Abbeyknockmoy to Tuam."

(o) Councillor T.O'Connor: At the next meeting of the Council, I will ask the County Manager to proceed immediately with the Barna Water Supply Scheme.

(p) Councillor J. Geoghegan: (i) that the County Council co-operate with the office of Public Works for the purpose of clearing rocks from the sea-channel known as Carraig A'Chumair at the entrance to Kylesalia Pier, in the E.D. of Owengowla.

(ii) that the County Council co-operate with the Office of Public Works for the purpose of raising and extending the pier at Loughconeera, E.D. of Owengowla, known as Aill na dTornog (Aill na dTornog).

(iii) that a loan be raised for the purpose of providing Sewerage for that part of the town of Roundstone not served by the existing system.

- 15. Litir o Connradh na Gaedhilge, Gaillimh, maidir le toghadh dochtura comhnaithe reachtaireachta don Fhríomh Ospideal, Gaillimh.
- 16. Litir o Connradh na Gaedhilge, Baile Atha Cliath, maidir le scruduithe le h-aghaid scoilreachtai Iontrala d'on Colaiste Ollscoile, Atha Cliath.
- 17. Resolutions.
- 18. Other Business.

COMAIRLE CONNDAE NA SAIBLIHNE

Suíón:
Saibhlinn 55:

OIFIS AN RÚNAÍOIR,
NA FOIRGNÍOIRTE CONNDAE,
SAIBLIHNE.

28ad Eanáir, 1950.

MION-CUAIRISÍ DE CRUINNIOÍ COMAIRLE CONNDAE
NA SAIBLIHNE A CIONOGLÁDÓDIA SAÉAIRN, 21ad
Eanáir, 1950

1 LÁÉAIR: Círs. P. Beegan, J. Brennan, R.M. Burke, S. Burke,
M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collins, P. Cooke, J.J. Cunningham,
J.C. Curley, M. Concaigh, J.J. Ruane, P. Fury, S. Flynn,
C. O Séaghdha, M. Killylea, M. Kirtz, P. Kyne, P. Lambert,
J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. Nescor, C. O'Connor,
J. Seoghegan and M. Quinn.

Mol M. Ó Carraigh, Uas., an rún seo leanas. Cuibhí C. Ó Séaghdha, Uas., leis, agus glac an Comairle leis an rún b'ádh suí:-

"O 's rub é go bfeair daoine bás le béanai go raib dlué-dáine aca le Comairle Conndae na Saibhline, molaímib rín coim-bróin le na n-aoite agus go gcuirfeair an Cruinnioí ar aé-ló go beí 12.30 p.m. Dia Saéairn, 28ad Eanáir, 1950, mar comarca omóis dóib eadhon:-

Séan Ó Corbáin, Uas., Saibhlinn.
Driofúir do 1.0. O Deagáib, Uas.
Aéair C. Mac an Ríoga, Uas. Co.C."

Glac an Comairle, freisin, le rún coim-bróin leis -

An aé. Ó h-Éannaigh ar bás a aéair;
Muinteoir Uí Suileabáin, Uachtar Ard, ar bás a máéair.
Seosán P. O Ceallaigh, Saibhlinn, ar bás a míc.

*Submitted, approved and confirmed
this 28th Day of January 1950.*

Muiris Ó'Cuinn, Chairman

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 Suidán:
 5aillín 55.

Óifis an Rúnaithe,
 Na Foirgníste Ónnbáe,
 5aillín,

23ab Eanáir, 1950.

Óuis gac baille ba'gh Comhairle:

A Óara,

Tionóipar Dia Saéairn, 28ab Eanáir, 1950,
 i Seomra an Comhairle ins na Foirgníste Ónnbáe, 5aillín,
 an Oruinníú a éuireab ar ab-16 Dia Saéairn seo caitece.

Mise, le meas,

L. Ó Tuathais

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF GALWAY
 COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ON SATURDAY, 28th
 JANUARY, 1950.

In the Chair :—Senator M. Quinn.

Also present :—Deputy P. Beegan, Councillor J. Brennan, Senator R. M. Burke, Councillors S. Burke, M. Carty, J. Casey, P. Collins, J. J. Cunningham, J. T. Curley, M. Concagh, J. J. Ruane, S. Glynn, P. Fury, T. O'Shea, Deputy M. Killilea, Councillor T. King, Deputy M. Kitt, Councillors P. Kyne, J. Mannion, B. Murphy, J. J. Nestor, T. O'Connor and J. Geoghegan.

8055.—Minutes.—The Minutes of the Council to 8054, having been circulated to the members, were taken as read and were signed by the Chairman.

8056. Fire Fighting Services.—Letter 19/1/50 from the Town Clerk, Galway, was submitted, requesting that representatives of the Council attend a meeting of Galway Corporation at 12 noon on 2/2/50, to discuss with the Corporation the provisions of the proposed agreement regarding fire fighting services.

It was unanimously decided that Senator M. Quinn, Councillor P. Cooke, and Deputy M. Kitt would represent the Council at the Corporation meeting.

8057. Loan—Roundstone Water Supply.—Proposed by Councillor Mannion, seconded by Councillor O'Shea and unanimously resolved :—

"That the Council hereby approve the raising of a loan of £2,600 from the Commissioners of Public Works for improvement of Roundstone Water Supply, the loan to be repayable in half-yearly instalments over a period of 25 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of each instalment of the loan to the Council."

8058. Turloughmore Dispensary Residence.—Secretary reported that the lowest tender received for provision of Dispensary Residence at Turloughmore is £5395, and that the total estimated cost of the work based on this tender would be £5900 ; if the Council approve proceeding with the work in accordance with this tender approval to the raising of loan is requested.

After a discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Collins, seconded by Councillor Nestor and unanimously Resolved :—
 "That the Council do not approve the raising of a loan of £5,900 for provision of Dispensary Residence at Turloughmore, and consider that such residence should be provided at a cost not exceeding £3,000."

8059. Temporary Annexe at Galway Central Hospital. Secretary reported that the total cost of providing the temporary annexe at Galway Central Hospital would be £16,260 approximately ; that 50% of the cost would be met by grant from the Hospital Trust Funds, the remaining 50% to be defrayed from Council funds. The raising of a loan of £7,000 has already been approved by the Council in Minute 7726 of 2/10/48. Approval is now requested to raising of a supplementary loan of £1,200.

Proposed by Councillor Nestor, seconded by Senator R. M. Burke and unanimously Resolved :—
 "That the Council approve the raising of a supplementary loan of £1,200 from the Commissioners of Public Works for the provision of additional accommodation for patients at Galway Central Hospital, the loan to be repayable by half-yearly instalments over a period of 15 years with interest at the rate prevailing at the date of issue of the loan to the Council."

8060. Loan—Erection of Labourers Cottages.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy 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 the repayment of the sum of Two hundred and ten thousand pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Labourers Acts, 1883 to 1948."

8061. Loan—Extension to County Buildings.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy 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 the repayment of the sum of Twenty-three thousand pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898."

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8062. Loan—Provision of Houses by Tuam Town Commissioners.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy 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 the repayment of the sum of Twenty thousand pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government Act, 1946."

8063. Loan—Glenamaddy Sewerage Scheme.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy 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 the repayment of the sum of Four thousand pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878-1948."

8064. Loan—Ballygar Water Supply Scheme.—Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Deputy 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 the repayment of the sum of Nine thousand one hundred pounds, proposed to be advanced by them to us under the Local Government (Sanitary Services) Acts, 1878 to 1948."

8065. University Scholarship Scheme, 1950. Secretary pointed out that since the Department of Education were not prepared to approve the scheme originally submitted for secondary and vocational schools the means clause in that scheme was amended, and asked the Council to consider whether a similar amendment should be made in the means clause for University Scholarships for year 1950.

Proposed by Councillor Carty, seconded by Councillor Cunningham and unanimously Resolved :—

"That the means clause in the University Scholarship Scheme for year 1950, as adopted by the Council at meeting on 13th August, 1949, be amended so as to provide means limits similar to those set out in the scheme for scholarships in Secondary and Vocational Schools, 1950, as approved by the Department of Education."

Letter from the Gaelic League, Dublin, regarding