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TROUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting  
 of the Langheer Town Commissioners held  
 in the Temperance Hall, at 8-30 p.m.  
 Wednesday the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 1952.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty Co. Co. Chairman -

Members present - Messrs W. Conlan, J. Maylan Sal;  
 J. Devine, M. Shea, M. V. Regan, W. Conin,  
 J. Kilbuck and P. Morrissey.

In attendance - The Town Clerk - R. M. Kelly -

The meeting opened with prayer as on former  
 occasions -

Minutes were signed as correct -

E. S. B. quotation for extension of street-lighting  
 to the sports field Caherwaltan, and Cosmona.  
 @ £126-2-3 was submitted. 3/200/watt  
 lamps will be supplied together with 2 similar  
 lamps at Cosmona, where switch wire already exists.  
 The charge for maintenance and lighting  
 will be £4-19-8 per lamp, per annum.

Consideration of the acceptance of quotation  
 was adjourned to Estimates meeting on the 22<sup>nd</sup> inst.



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Deputy from unemployed men -

Mr. Dawson attended the meeting and complained that he and other (married + single) men were let off work on the Housing Scheme and requested the Board on behalf of himself and the other unemployed men, to give them employment -

After some discussion the Board unanimously agreed to ~~recommend~~ <sup>recommend</sup> the Co. Manager -

(a) To give married men preference of work on the Housing Scheme -

(b) ~~That~~ To have all outside work commenced such as laying of footpaths - foundations for Boundary wall and widening of road, in order to employ the maximum amount of labour -

It was also recommended to request Co. Manager to have extension of sewerage on the Hill, Gabray Road and Cosmona expedited in order to keep the men employed -

Water supply for 3 new Co. Co. Cottages on the Athony Road was considered & an order made to recommend to the Co. Manager

E H.

the erection of a pump convenient to the cottages by bringing the water ~~to~~ extension from Finistepi -

Ranges for 2 new Houses viz: O'Shea's and Gately's -

Submitted applications for 2 new Ranges when an order was made to request Co. Manager to have the defective Ranges removed and 2 ~~Stanley~~ <sup>Stanley</sup> Ranges installed in their place.

It was also decided to refer the delay in having the name plaque erected at the "Linn Mellers Terrace" to Co. Manager -

Mr. Levine congratulated the newly formed Development Association Ltd. and wished them every good luck in the future -

Contribution towards Band -

Chairman reported that the Co. Co. had agreed to contribute £20. for 10 public performances of 1 hrs. duration towards Langhears Band -

Order "Noted":

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Sympathy - The Board extended sympathy to Mr. J. Monaghan <sup>family</sup> Attorney Road, on the death of his father the late Mr. Monaghan who was a most highly respected resident of the town -

Estimates meeting - Clerk reported date of Estimates meeting was 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1952 - and that the Audit of A/c's for the 1950/51 year would open on the 14<sup>th</sup> inst. at 12 o'clock -

Order - noted -

1952 Allotments Scheme - Clerk informed the Board that advertisements had been issued for suitable land for the plots & notice had been given inviting employed & unemployed to make early application -

Order - noted and approved -  
Michael McCauley  
22-1-1952

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Minutes of proceedings of Annual Estimates meeting held in the Temperance Hall at 8-30 p.m. on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 1952.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty, Chairman.

Members present - Messrs M. V. Regan, W. Cronin, J. Kilbay and Mr. J. Maylan Sals:

Also present - C. J. O'Flynn Esq., County Manager - W. M. Kelly, Town Clerk.

Minutes of last meeting were read confirmed and signed -

Estimates for the 1952/53 year -

Clerk explained that the usual statutory notice had been given in Form E 4 - Article 53, to the public and that copies of Form E, together with particulars of Estimates had been furnished to each member of the Board -

County Manager dwelt at length on the estimated figures circulated and informed the Board it was necessary to increase the Expenditure by £49 - owing to increase proposed in the County Rate - and deduct £241 from Receipts, due to the full subsidy on the Nunney Lane House rate being payable within the period -  
Mr. Maylan left at this stage

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Co. Manager stated this would necessitate an increase in the Demand by £320-  
 plus including Debt Balance of £101 - which would show an increase of approx One Shilling in £ on Rates. 1951/52 Demand being £1119 - as compared with 1952/53 Demand of £1439 -  
 Mr. O'Regan left the meeting at this stage +

On the proposition of Mr. M. Carty, Chairman seconded by Mr. W. Cronin J.C. the amended Estimates for 1952/53 year as prepared by Co. Manager were unanimously adopted -

Certificate on Form E, was duly signed <sup>by Chairman</sup> and countersigned by the Town Clerk -  
 demanding from Galway Co. Co. the sum of £14,39 for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 1953.

Rent Collector's Commission -

Submitted letter signed C. Mrs Name Rent Collector requesting that payment of Commission @ 4½% be paid to him on all Rents collected on the new Houses -

The Chairman referred the matter to the County Manager who stated he would take the question of paying 4½% up with the R. of Dept.

Mr. M. Carty returned to meeting +

The Board assured the Co. Manager they were prepared to pay the 4½% Commission to their Rent Collector -

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Extension of Elec. Light to the Sports field Caherwatten - at the estimated cost of £126-2-3 - was unanimously accepted.

Lease and Counterpart Lease for the Bridewell yard to the Galway County Council was submitted and signed by County Manager, Chairman and Mr. Joseph Kilbay -

Micéal Mac Carraig  
 13<sup>th</sup> Febroc, 1952.



9.

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Rangmahar Town Commissioners held in the Temp. Hall on Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> day of Feby. 1952. at 4-30 p.m.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty - Chairman.

Members present - Messrs J. Kilbuck, M. O'Regan, P. Morrissey - J. Hutton Devereux, J. Maylan Sal., and N. O'Shea -

The meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed -

### Extension of Water + Sewerage Services.

Read letter dated 30/1/52 signed by Co. Manager stating "that the plans for the extension of the water + sewerage services to the cottages Cosmona + Galway Road will not be ready for approval another fortnight when they will have to be submitted to the L.P. Dept. for approval. In the meantime, work will commence on the extension of the sewer to Athenny Road + this may give some temporary relief to unemployed in the town."

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The Board expressed dissatisfaction with long delay in having Schemes commenced and directed that all outstanding matters be referred to Co. Surveyor + Engineers to be discussed at a special meeting if suitable to be held on the 20/2/52 - 4-30 p.m.

### Employment on N. L. Housing Scheme.

Read <sup>copy</sup> letter signed Co. Engineer dated 14/1/52 to Co. Manager, stating "the Scheme reached a stage recently when it was necessary to leave off men but before doing so the selection of such men + their circumstances were given careful consideration. The laying of foot paths has been held up owing to the difficulty in getting a plumber to joint watermain's but Mr. Burke will commence to Banding wall work etc next week + at least three men will be taken on. Married men will be given preference."

The Board again expressed dissatisfaction + adjourned the matter to special meeting.

Suitable site for proposed Housing Scheme.

Read Extract from Actg. Co. Sec. dated 3/1/52 asking if the Board have any information regarding a suitable site for the Scheme proposed -

Order - Adjourn to the special meeting -

Gately's & O'Shea's Ranges -

Read Copy letter signed by Co. Manager & addressed to above Tenants stating "The 'Nurf' Range installed in their houses are new ones and he <sup>County Manager</sup> was not prepared to scrap them."

Submitted letter signed J. Gately asking the Board to request Co. Manager to reconsider his decision Re Range.

Clerk was instructed to refer letter to Co. Manager with the Board's recommendation that he reconsider his decision in these 2 cases regarding the "Nurf Ranges."

"Notice to Quit" served on Tenant No. 5 - A. J.

One of the members drew the Board's attention to "Notice to Quit" ~~being~~ served on Mrs. Gool, No. 5 Abbey Terrace - when the Board queried the matter -

Clerk read Co. Manager's letter dated 4/2/1952 as follows -

"I return letter re Mrs. Gool No. 5 Abbey Terrace who alleges that she is unable to pay her Rent & who has tendered only 4/- per week on account of her Rent. I have received a letter from her stating that she was not able to pay her Rent & I asked the Superintendent Assistance Officer to report on her case."

I note, however, from Rent Collector's report that this woman & her son bought a wireless set shortly before Xmas for £25-0-0. & that they are paying an instalment of 10/- per week in respect of it. In these circumstances, the case does not appear to be one either for the giving of Home Assistance or for reduction of Rent. The Collector may serve Notice to Quit."

On the proposition of Mr. Kilroy seconded by the Chairman the Board

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unanimously ordered - "To refer the matter back to the Co. Manager for his special consideration seeing that Mrs. Toole is a widow & her son unemployed - It was recommended that "Notice to Quit" be withdrawn and Rent of H/- weekly be accepted until such time as her son gets employment".

### Rent Collector's Commission -

Clerk was instructed to inform Co. Manager that it was the unanimous wish of the Board that Mr. McNamee, Collector, receive  $4\frac{1}{2}\%$  Commission on all Rents collected for new and old Houses during his employment as Rent Collector, and that the Board are not in favour of applying the terms of Cir. E. L. 60/50 in his case.

Special Meeting - On the prop. of Mr. Kilbey, Seconded by Chairman the Board unanimously agreed to hold special meeting (the 20/2/51 being suggested) & invite Co. Surveyor - Co. Engineer, Town Surveyor & Resident Engineer to attend to discuss the following (1) procuring of suitable Housing site - (2) Repairs to the following (a) Co. Home prom. (b) Footpaths on Hill (c) old & new Houses - 3. Employment on N. L. Scheme.

No. 4 - Delay in having Water & Sewerage Scheme proceeded with - Deputation appointed to meet Co. Surveyor & H. Engineers on N. L. Scheme at 4 p.m. - Messrs Chairman, M. O'Regan, J. Devine, W. Corbett. Co. Manager invited if he so desires to attend - 1952 Allotments Scheme -

Clerk reported <sup>that</sup> advertisements were inserted in "Connacht Tribune" and "Western Herald" also posters were displayed in the town, inviting applications for plots and offers of land, as result of same no offer of land was received and only one applicant for a plot.

There was no order made re procuring land. It was unanimously decided not to adopt the Scheme unless at least 12 Applications <sup>for plots</sup> are received. It was decided to leave the ~~the~~ decision re adopting Scheme over until next meeting - adjourn to

Langhera next meeting  
Resolution from, Craob Clann na Pablachta -

Submitted Resolution dated 23/1/52 -

- (1) Calling on Co. Co. and Town Commissioners to proceed with the work on hand without delay so as to relieve unemployment
- (2) To formulate a further Building Scheme, to be proceeded with at the earliest possible date in order to relieve Housing Congestion & to provide further employment.

Order - "Noted" - matters already attended to -



Sympathy - The Board extended sympathy to Rev. Fr. Celestine O. W. C. on the death of his Uncle -

Mr. Morgan - on death of his father -  
 Mr. Martin Shinghnessy on death of wife -  
 Mrs. Hanberry on the death of her

Michael Carty  
 12-3-52

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Fungheer Town Commissioners held on Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> March 1952 -

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty - Chairman -

Members present - Messrs J. Maylaw, J. Devine, P. Morrissey W. O'Leary -

The meeting opened with prayer -

Minutes of last meeting were read confirmed and signed -

Read County Managers reply dated 23/2/52 regarding the various schemes as follows:-

C. Home Promenade - "The E. Engineer is arranging to carry out the necessary repairs & is in communication with Messrs Hayes & Hayes, Contractors to ascertain what contribution they will make towards the cost. He proposes to do a more substantial job than would be involved in mere restoration - Messrs Hayes & Hayes are only liable for cost of restoration."

Footpaths on the Hill - "The Chairman of the Town Commissioners can ascertain the information sought from Co. (Surveyor) Engineer at any meeting of the County Council"

Old and New Houses - "The maintenance of the houses is a matter for the Town Commissioners and for Mr. O'Keefe Town Engineer."

Employment on New House Scheme  
It is inevitable that on the completion of <sup>certain</sup> work in any housing scheme, <sup>certain</sup> tradesmen have to be laid off and the Co. Engineer must be given a free hand in the selection of the men whom he wishes to retain."

Delay in having water + sewerage schemes proceeded with

"The extension of the sewerage scheme on the Attorney Road will be commenced it is hoped, next week. The extension of the service to the cottages in Common cannot be undertaken until the authority of the County Council is received + further information asked from R. G. Dept. supplied. This scheme is going to be an exceedingly costly one and will be the subject of a discussion by County Council when water extensions are generally being discussed."

"In conclusion I should like to say that a Club of works should not be

Requested to attend any meeting of Town Commissioners. He is answerable ~~directly~~ directly to the County Engineer + a subordinate officer should not be required to attend without the permission of the County Engineer under whom he is working."

Chairman explained that Co. Engineer informed him that the footpaths on the Hill were included in next financial year's expenditure.

Order - noted -

Cliff was instructed to reply to Co. Manager and state that the Board are not satisfied with his replies and request that Co. Surveyor and his Engineers attend a special meeting to be held on a date suitable for Co. Surveyor.

Boys' Club Commitment to Galsway Road new Houses - Mr. Wilson drew the Board's attention to repairs needed to this Boys' Club when it was decided to refer same to Co. Engineer - also the stretching of the wires was again referred to by Mr. Dennis.

Thomas Lee's application for House

On the proposition of Mr. Maylan



Seconded by the Chairman it was unanimously agreed to recommend J. Tierney for No. 2 House "Abbey Terrace" and request Mrs. E. Powell to take No. 10 House - "Linn Mellows Terrace".

Clerk was directed to communicate with B. Managers on the matter.

Re Construction Grants - Mr. Devine requested that the Board make application to the Department for increase in the Reconstruction Grants of £80 - to enable persons to carry out necessary (repairs) reconstruction when it was pointed out by Chairman that it would mean further increase on the Rates -

No order made

The granting of right of way to P. J. Shanahan between his plot & Nunney Lane House was recommended by the Board - subject to W. Manager's approval.

### Allotments Scheme

Clerk reported that 4 applications for plots were received and to offer of land - Mrs. V. Connor replied stating she had no land to let for allotment purposes.

The Board unanimously agreed in favour of allotments scheme for the 1952 Season.

Read letter dated ~~18/2/52~~ <sup>18/2/52</sup> signed Leo Gannon - stating he tendered for painting of Houses on the Nunney Lane Scheme and received no reply. He also stated he is leaving the matter in abeyance pending the Board's consideration - a lengthy letter dated 18/2/52, also signed Leo Gannon No. 3 Linn Mellows Terrace, was read - "Requesting the Board to see that all public work committed to your care & responsibility should be carried out in an impartial manner".

devoid of all traces of favoritism  
 irrespective of political affiliations  
 etc. etc. "

After some discussion on the matter  
 Clerk was instructed to transmit  
 the correspondence to the Co. Surveyor <sup>to Manager</sup>  
 also a letter signed Thos. Dunoghue  
 the Bill, dated 20/2/52, complaining  
 that he was 'knocked off' work on  
 the N. L. Housing Scheme,  
 after he had been employed for past  
 3 yrs. or so.

Read letter dated 12/3/52 - signed  
 Joseph Tierney, Patrick Hannon,  
 Michael O'Leary, Paddy Flanagan  
 as follows -

We wish to bring to your notice -  
 rates of pay when making road at Mount Carmel  
 at new Houses - We received Co. Co. wages  
 at rate 12/- per day - How is it that  
 Joseph O'Brien who worked for Co. Co. for past  
 few years came on the road last week  
 and received Town Commissioners' pay 2/2 1/2 d  
 per hour - He also got employment  
 on Houses since, while to men who  
 worked there a considerable time

were let go - We demand the Balance  
 of wages due - also to see that Joseph  
 O'Brien goes back to where he worked  
 for Co. Council & reinstates the men who  
 were 'knocked off'."

Clerk was directed to forward all  
 correspondence received to Co. Manager  
 with a view to receiving Co. Surveyor's  
 attention.

The Board's sympathy was extended to  
 Mrs. W. Duffy - Kate Villa and the Marnion  
 family in their recent bereavement on  
 the death of Mrs. Marnion, Dunkellin  
 Street, Kaghreea -

Mícheál Mac Cárthaigh  
 9<sup>th</sup> Abrón, 1952.

23.

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting of  
the Langheer Town Commissioners held on the  
4<sup>th</sup> April 1952.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty - Chairman.

Members present - Messrs M. U. Regan, J. Devine,  
W. Conlan, N. U. Sheu, J. P. Maylan Esq.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed  
and signed -

Les Gannon's employment on Housing Scheme.

Submitted the following Report signed by  
Mr. M. P. Burke, Resident Engineer, and Mr. Sean Cullinane  
C. A. C. E. dated 31/3/52.

"In reply to letter Les Gannon re employment of men  
on Langheer Housing Scheme, I wish to state that no men were  
employed or dismissed without my approval and that my  
approval was given in all cases without any political  
consideration interfering into the matter. Furthermore, since  
I took over the work on the Housing Scheme I have never  
been approached by anyone political or otherwise in  
connection with employment on the scheme. I think that  
Mr. Gannon should be asked to give more specific  
particulars of the wide allegations he makes in his letter."

The Board unanimously decided that copy of  
report be forward to Mr. Les Gannon, No. 3 Leam Mellows Terrace.

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Read the following reply signed Mr. M. P. Burke, Resident  
Engineer - dated 31/3/52.

"In reply to the letter from Les Gannon (No. 2) re painting on Langheer  
Housing Scheme. I wish to state that I got tenders varying  
from £10-10-0 to £14-14-0 per House for painting.

After careful consideration I came to the conclusion that I would  
have a better job done by direct labour and that the cost  
per House would be in the region of £10-10-0 - £11-11-0.

I therefore ignored the tenders and took on Barrett a  
painter who had worked under my supervision for two  
years giving every satisfaction as regards quality and cost  
during that period. My instructions to Barrett were that  
I would hold him responsible for any defective work  
& also for cost of work. I allowed him one assistant

@ 2/6 per hour and after careful consideration  
and enquiries I employed a Mr. Gannon as his  
assistant & Impover. This man is a brother of the  
gentleman who wrote the letter.

"I would like to add, I think painting should never be let  
in piecework except where you have a very reputable  
firm - as it is impossible to check the number of coats  
of paint etc..

"I am quite definite that I will do the painting by direct  
labour as cheap as the lowest tender, & not any  
dearer than 10/- per House.

"As regards the allegation that he was not  
employed because he had a brother working on the  
scheme I wish to say that this is untrue, he was  
not employed because I have no work for additional  
painters -

"Concerning employment in the B. Home - I  
made no changes in the Staff there since



except to employ a plasterer ~~for~~ who is a brother of Mr. Connolly who is employed there as a Carpenter.

The only other Brothers working there <sup>are</sup> the Foreman J. Murray and his brother E. Murray who is a labourer.

The maintenance staff in the Co. Home were laid off owing to lack of funds and are at present working on the extension to the Dispensary Residence in "Kanghaea".

No order made —

Read the following Report signed M.P. Burke Resident Engineer. dated 31/3/52 -

"Mr. Cullinan, in reply to yours and to Mr. O'Donoghue re painting, I wish to say that Mr. Donoghue was dismissed from the Housing Scheme when the glazing was completed. I dispensed with his services for the following reasons:

1. The quality of his glazing work was not satisfactory.
2. The cost of his work was too high.
3. He was most irregular in that he hardly ever worked a full week and came on the job and left at any hour that suited himself.

The only painting done by this man was done when I allowed him to do inside work when the weather was too bad for glazing outside."

No order made —

Read the following Report signed M.P. Burke Resident Engineer dated 31/3/52.

"Mr. Callinan, in reply to letter re rates of pay on making road at Housing Scheme

I expected a grant for the road & started work with a County Council gang.

The work was in progress for 10 days when I found out that ~~the~~ it was doubtful if we could provide enough money to meet the costs. Accordingly I transferred Coen on to the road but he was paid by Town Commissioners as we had no County Council money to pay him. Coen worked for 2½ or 3 days and I paid him the rate he was getting on the Housing Scheme i.e. 2½ per hour.

His experience in road work was the only factor that influenced me in transferring him on to the road. I doubt if it would be legal for me to pay Coen anything less than 2½ per hr. in view of the fact that he was working on a Housing Scheme.

The other people were employed by County Council and paid the current wage i.e. 12/- per day.

Concerning the re-employment of these men on the Housing Scheme. They were laid off as work is coming to a close and Coen was retained because he is the best labourer on the job."

No order made.

Resolution Re Ard Chomhairle of Clann na Poblachta -

Mr. O'Regan  
Approved

Read Resolution from Ard Chomhairle of Clann na Poblachta referring to cuts made in Estimates for the coming year in Capital Development projects which will effect gaeltacht services, Housing, drainage & afforestation.

Mr. O'Regan proposed that the Resolution be adopted  
Mr. Deane seconded.

The Chairman proposed an Amendment that the Resolution be marked "Noted".  
Seconded by Mr. N. Shear.

On a vote being taken the Amendment was carried  
Messrs O'Regan & Deane against the Amendment  
Messrs Chairman, Shear and Conlan For the Amendment.  
Mr. Maylan refrained from voting.

The Chairman then declared the Amendment carried and the Resolution was marked "Noted".

Read letter signed Michael O'Langhin and Paddy Flanagan dated 8/4/52. stating they did not give permission for their names to be signed on a letter objecting to Joseph Coen.

No Order made -

Circ. H. 4/1952. Read Circular from H. Y. Dept.  
Re Cultivation of Cottage plots.

Mr. O'Regan  
Approved

Clerk was instructed to bring the matter to the notice of the Rent Collector with a view to keeping of plots in a proper state.

Housing sites -

The procuring of suitable Housing sites for the County Council's proposed Housing scheme was discussed and the following sites suggested -

1. Mr. P. Carlys field Athony Road, containing 1 1/2 acres of suitable land
2. Mrs. Conna's field on Goat Road (facing the Court House) accommodation for approx. 4 Houses -
3. Tom Coen's land Gaboy Road accommodation for approx. 20 Houses.

Town Engineer's appointment -

Read letter & submitted order signed by Co. Manager dated 4/4/52. appointing Mr. E. P. Dalton B.E. as Town Engineer as from 1/4/52, who will be resident in Funghean and be given

Temporary office accommodation in the fire station.

The Board is accup to the Galway Co. Council one-seventh of the annual remuneration paid Mr. Dalton B.E. as Assistant C. Engineer - (in quarterly instalments.)

Order - Noted and approved.

Mr. U. Regan proposed seconded by the Chairman & passed that a letter of welcome be forwarded to Mr. Dalton on his appointment as Town Engineer.

Garrybreedia wall -

Clerk was directed to draw Town Engineer's attention to repairs needed to wall at Garrybreedia Wood, with a view to having it repaired.

Erection of Vocational School.

It was agreed to request Minister for Education to expedite the erection of school, which would relieve unemployment in the town.

Extension of Elec. lights & erection of a third wire -

It was decided to request estimate for extension of 3 lamps <sup>at the hall</sup> extra on Galway Road - and request the erection of a third wire on the line from Garrybreedia to the sports field -

Mr. MacNamee's Commission.

Submitted letter from R. G. Dept. Ref. E.L. 4/50 dated 31/3/52 - stating Minister is not prepared to sanction payments of 5% Commission in respect of new houses, payment should be in accordance with the terms of Circ. E.L. 60/50. as from 1/4/52 -

The Board expressed dissatisfaction at this reply and directed that the matter be referred back for reconsideration -

The Board's sympathy was extended to Mr. Patrick Realy & family, on the death of his sister Mai - the late Mrs.

14-5-52

Edward O'Leary



Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting of  
the Langhew Town Commissioners held in the  
Temperance Hall on Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup> 1952. at  
7-30 p.m.

Members present - Messrs J. Maylam, Solicitor,  
~~Mr. Shear~~ Mr. Shear and Joseph Kilbey,

In the absence of Chairman and Vice Chairman  
Mr. W. Shear was moved to the Chair -

(Messrs Chairman, Vice Chairman and Mr.  
Shear subsequently attending -)

on the proposition of Mr. Maylam, seconded by  
Mr. Kilbey -

A. M. Kelly, Town Clerk. In attendance -

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed, and  
signed -

E. S. B. Election of a third wire on Hill Road -

Read reply from E. S. B. dated 9/5/1952.  
regretting the applicants cannot be connected  
owing to the distance from nearest transformer  
station. The letter further stated  
that ~~that~~ a line is about to be erected  
on this route and if sufficient applications  
are received it would be possible to have a  
transformer erected -

Order - Request E. S. B. to Reopen the question  
of installing the lights in the cottages =

Referring to extension of public light on fairway  
Road Mr. Conlan reported he accompanied the  
Electrical Engineer and pointed out to him  
where lights were required -

Order - Adjourn until consultation is  
received -

In reply to a question Clerk stated that Mr. Mac Conn's  
report on applications for houses had been  
referred to Mr. Dalton, Town Engineer <sup>9/5/52</sup> for  
his inspection of the premises + for his reports  
and recommendations thereon, as directed by  
County Manager -

Order - "Noted"

The Board expressed the opinion that no applicant  
who be entered a condemned house or who  
resided outside the area should get a new  
house -

After some discussion on the matter  
it was unanimously agreed to adjourn further  
consideration of the matter until the list  
of applicants is submitted to the Board.

Further Housing site -

It was unanimously decided to refer Mr. Keely's field at Cosmona to Co. Manager as a suitable site for the erection of approx - 20 low rental houses on the same plan as Co. Co. Rural cottages - which would be consistent to the Co. Co. cottages already erected there in Cosmona area -

The Board congratulated the Architect, Co. Engineers and staff on the success of the Housing Scheme in Nunnery Lane -

It was decided to put on Agenda for next meeting the official opening of these houses.

Heretic sites were again discussed and Clerk was instructed to draw Co. Manager's attention to them - also the repairs to prom. on Co. Home Road -

Dumping of Rubbish at Lake side opposite Co. Home prom. was discussed, Mr. Keely's agreeing with having it dumped there in order to reclaim the land -

The matter was referred to Mr. Carty, Chairman, to get Co. M.V.H.'s views on the matter from a public Health point of view -

Repairs to Houses -

The Board decided that all houses requiring repairs and painting be referred to Town Engineer for attention -

Read letter signed Mr. F.P. Walter dated 18/4/52 conveying his appreciation of the Board's congratulations on his appointment as Town Engineer -

Order - "Noted"

Sympathy - On the proposition of Mr. Carty (Chairman) the Board extended sympathy to the family and relatives of the late Nurse K. Homley, Caher, Langhara, Secured by Mr. T. Maylan and passed in silence -

Michael Carty <sup>112</sup> 12/6/52



Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Linn Commissioners held on Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> June 1952.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty Esq. Chairman -

Members present - Messrs N. Coulson, J. Maylan, Solicitor, N. Shear, J. Kilbuck, P. Morrissey.

In Attendance - C. J. O'Flynn Esq. Linn Manager, and H. M. Killy, Linn Clerk. and Mr. Dalton, Linn Engineer.

Minutes of last meeting were read confirmed and signed.

Submitted E. S. B. Quotations as follows - dated 20/5/52

1. Extension from pole No. 1 (existing E. P. of L. T. Network) to Mr. P. Kelly's cottage - Cost £68-13-8.

2. Extension from pole No. 1 to Yulla Hill Cross Roads - Cost £133-15-3.

After some consideration on above Extensions - the Board unanimously decided to reject No. 2 Extension and adjourn No. 1 Extension to October for further consideration -

On Mr. Dalton's Linn Engineer's recommendation - with Linn Managers approval - the Board directed that quotation for the erection of 2 additional public lights on Nunney Lane. be obtained from E. S. B.:

Repairs to House - adjourned to next monthly meeting for Linn Engineer's Report -

Jumping at Linn House from ..  
Chairman reported that Linn Engineer will submit his report on the matter to next meeting of the Board.

Order - Noted -

Submitted Auditor's Report + Abstract of A/c's for years ended 31/3/1951 - which were noted -

Office accommodation at Linn Station.  
Read letter signed Linn Secretary dated 9/6/52 - stating the sanction for the Minister for L. G. has been obtained for the use of

lecture room at Fire station on a rental basis for the purpose of holding meetings of the Town Commissioners and for the Town Clerk's use -

G. Manager informed the Board that this room cannot be availed of until the Town Engineer gets accommodation in the G. C. office which is being erected -

Order - Noted -

The Board on the proposition of the Chairman unanimously approved of application being made to the Galway C. Council for sufficient (supplementary) loans to complete the 19<sup>th</sup> House Scheme and the Nunnery Lane Scheme. (16 Houses.)

The following applicants were selected for the 16 Houses at Nunnery Lane -

- (nearest Gal. Road.)
- (1) P. O'Connor - Rates Inspector.
  - (2) T. Daly - Batt. Officer - R. D. F.
  - (3) Guards Clancy - Garda -
  - (4) Guards Davis - "

- (5) J. Moran - Carpenter -
- (6) William Broderick - Widows -
- (7) P. Finerty - Motor Mechanic
- (8) J. Connally - .. ..
- (9) J. Scully - Blacksmith -
- (10) L. O'Flaherty - Electrician -
- (11) John Heegan - Bank porter -
- (12) Mrs. Morgan - Widows -
- (13) P. O'Shea - Barber -
- (14) J. Finn - Bishop's Driven -
- (15) J. Finerty - O. A. P.
- (16) Mrs. O'Balloran - Bakeress.

Albert Devine to get O'Shea's House - Galway Road -  
Christopher O'Laughlin to get Connally's House, Abbey Terrace.

Clerk was instructed to have the Statutory Declaration Forms completed in respect of all successful applicants -

Official opening of Housing Schemes -

The Board unanimously decided with approval of G. Manager, to invite the Minister for L. F. & his Secretary to open the new houses officially and invite His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. Dignan to Bless the Houses.

It was unanimously agreed to also invite the following on this occasion -

Rev. Fr. O'Callahan Adm.  
 Rev. Prior, O.D.C. The Abbey,  
 Co. Manager - (C. J. O'Flynn Esq.)  
 Mr. O'Sheahan, Architect -  
 Mr. Lee, Co. Engineer -  
 Mr. Callinan, Ins. Asst. Co. Engineer -  
 Mr. Dalton, Law Engineer -  
 Mr. Beale, Resident Engineer -  
 Mr. Siggins, former Clerk of Works -  
 A. M. Kelly, Law Clerk.  
 Mr. O'Brien, Quantity Surveyor.  
 Nine Law Commissioners -  
 Mr. P. Beegan, Parl. Secretary.  
 Mr. J. Fahy, J.D.  
 Mr. P. Cawley, J.D.  
 Mr. V. P. Shields - C.D.  
 and 2 from the press viz - Mr. B. Donoghue & Mr. Keenan -  
 Reprs. Connacht Tribune & Western Herald Reprt..

County Manager to make arrangements re suitable date and the issuing of Invitations etc..

Naming of Nunsey Lane Scheme -

The following propositions were made -

Mr. M. Carthy proposed -  
 that it be named - "Seamus O'Kelly" Terrace.

Mr. Wexine proposed - it be named - as an amendment -  
 "Brendan Donnellan Terrace"

Mr. Maylan proposed a further amendment -  
 that it be named -  
 "M. Assumpta Terrace".

It was decided to adjourn the matter to next month - to be held Wed. July 9<sup>th</sup> 52 -

Michael Carthy.  
 9-7-'52



Declaration accepting office as Vice Chairman  
of the Loughrea Town Commissioners.

I, William Conlan, being a person

Re Elected as Vice Chairman of the Loughrea  
Town Commissioners in the Co. of Galway, hereby

Declare that I take the said office upon myself and

will duly and faithfully fulfill the duties of

said office to the best of my judgement and

ability.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1952.

Signed William Conlan

Declared before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1952.

Signed:

A.M. Kiely,  
Town Clerk.

Declaration accepting office as Chairman of the  
Loughrea Town Commissioners -

I, Michael Corty, being a person

Re Elected as Chairman of the Loughrea

Town Commissioners in the County of Galway, hereby

Declare that I take the said office upon myself

and will duly and faithfully fulfill the

duties of said office to the best of my judgement

and ability.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1952.

Signed Mr Michael Corty

Declared before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July 1952.

Signed - A.M. Kiely,  
Town Clerk.

Minutes of proceedings of Annual Meeting  
of the Langheer Linn Commissioners held on  
Monday the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June 1952 - 4-30 p.m.

Members present Mr. M. Carty (outgoing Chairman),  
Mr. W. Conlan, (outgoing Vice Chairman)  
Messrs Mr. U. Regan, J. Henne, J. Kilbuck, Mr. Shear,  
D. Cronin and P. Morrissey.

In Attendance The Linn Clerk (A. M. Keely in the Chair.)

Clerk informed the members present the Business  
of the Board to be transacted was

The Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman  
for the coming year - notice of which was given  
on the agenda.

Mr. W. Conlan proposed the Re-election of Mr. M. Carty  
as Chairman Seconded by Mr. M. Shear -  
as there was no other proposition Mr. Carty was  
unanimously Re-elected Chairman for the coming year.

On the proposition of Mr. D. Cronin, Seconded by  
Mr. P. Morrissey - Mr. W. Conlan was Re-elected  
Vice Chairman for the coming year.

Messrs M. Carty, Chairman and W. Conlan v.c.  
then thanked the Board in suitable

terms for their Re-election.

The Board's sympathy was extended to District  
Justice S. Keely on death of his wife -

Mrs. T. O'Brien, Main St., on death of her  
father the late Michael Fahy, Clonafallem,  
Langheer -

Vote of sympathy was also passed with  
Michael Keely Society Street, Ballinashue, on the  
death of his sister the late Mrs. K. Fitzsimons,  
Mallons, Co. Cork - on the Chairman's proposition  
Seconded by Mr. U. Regan -

Michael Carty  
9-7-52.

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting of Housing Loans Commissioners held in the Temperance Hall on Wed. 9<sup>th</sup> July 1952. 7-30 p.m.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty, Chairman -

Members present - Messrs M. O'Regan, W. Conlan, M. O'Shea, P. Morrissey, J. Quinn, J. Kilbary.

also present - C. J. O'Flynn Esq., County Manager -

In Attendance The Loan Clerk - D. M. Kieley -

Minutes of last meeting were read confirmed & signed -

Messrs M. Carty and W. Conlan signed their declaration accepting their seats as Chairman & Vice Chairman Respect. before meeting started -

Naming of Mummy Lane Housing Scheme was unanimously adjourned to next monthly meeting -

Official opening - County Manager stated the Blessing of houses & official opening of same would take place the first week in August -

Order Noted -

Statement showing the Maximum and Minimum Rents proposed for the 16 new houses Mummy Lane was submitted - viz -

Maximum weekly Rent = 35/11

Minimum " " = 19/10 -

Summary of Weekly Rents.

Variable Municipal Rates (payable by all tenants)	5-6.
Fixed (Minimum) portion of cost of houses " "	14-14.
Maximum state assistance varying with tenants incomes =	4-4.
" assistance by housing authority varying with tenants incomes =	4-4.

Maximum Rent = 15/-

County Manager explained that the erection of the 16 houses would mean <sup>if possible</sup> of 4/4 per week or Rates to be met by the Rate increase.

After some discussion regarding the reducing of rents it was unanimously agreed to leave the Max. Rent 35/11 and Min. Rent 19/10 weekly -



Submitted correspondence received from  
Vantona Textiles Ltd. Bolton, England,  
inquiring for information re Electricity supply,  
Water supplies - Gas - and Fuel  
Supplies available in the town of Langhwa  
and stating said Company are drawing  
up a scheme for consideration & require  
this information -

Clerk reported that she was attending  
to matter and forwarding the required  
information -

Bridwell premises -

Submitted letter from Messrs Rogan & Co.,  
Solicitors Ballinasloe, inquiring if the  
Bridwell is for sale and what price  
and or Rent subject to a long term  
lease would be granted? -

Notice of which was put on agenda -

After discussion on the matter it  
was decided with Co. Manager's approval  
to advertise the Bridwell premises on  
a long term lease of 999 yrs. Tenders  
to state for what purpose it is to  
be used for.

Clerk was directed to procure the necessary  
information passed and have the advertisements  
issued in local papers -

Submitted Mr. Dalton Engineer's statement  
on maintenance of roads which  
was not considered -

Repairs and unfinished work on the  
2 Bungalows Raues Galway Road was  
referred to County Manager by Mr.  
Conlan -

Dumping on prom and repairs to path  
were referred to Co. Manager for  
attention -

Herlihy Sites

Co. Manager informed the meeting  
that this was a reserved function of  
the County Council - Chairman was  
requested to raise the matter. Re  
preliminary Vesting Order to be made  
at next Co. Co. meeting -

Michael Mac  
Carrick  
20-8-52

Minutes of special meeting of the  
Langheer Farm Commissioners, held on  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> July 1952 in Temp. Hall -  
Regarding the official opening  
ceremonies of new houses -

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty C. B.

Members present - Messrs John Devine and  
Joseph Kilbuck and Martin O'Regan -

In attendance The Clerk - M. Killy -

Clerk reported that the houses fixed  
for blessing of the houses was 12 noon  
and lunch 1-15 p.m. - on Wed.  
August 6<sup>th</sup> 1952 - (in Railway Hotel.)

Thirty eight invitations had been  
issued - & twenty four pounds eighteen  
shillings had been subscribed up to date -

Orders noted -

No. 1 House No. 14 was selected for the blessing ceremony -  
Clerk to notify all tenants to have houses decorated -

The letting of two vacant houses in  
Nunery home was discussed - it  
was unanimously agreed to offer  
Mr. A. Devine one of these houses

and give him the option of transferring to  
a low-rented house when same would  
be available.

Chairman reported that Mr. Daly  
who is being transferred, would be vacating  
No. 2 House Nunery home.

The Board unanimously approved of  
appointing tenants of vacant Nunery  
Home Houses to  
Mrs. Mac Laughlin, N. T. Kilchrist -  
Mrs. T. Hyane, N. T. Carmel Road and  
Mr. J. Mac Laughlin, N. T. Carmel Road -

Clerk was directed to communicate with  
Co-Manager on the matter -

Clerk reported that all tenants  
allotted houses in N. T. had accepted  
some except John Scully, and Patrick O'Shea -

The Board recommended that all tenants  
be liable for rent from date of notification  
July 1951. and all arrears  
be cleared by the 1<sup>st</sup> Aug. 1952 -

Michael McC  
20-8-52



Street lighting - It was unanimously decided to have the street lighting restored immediately during the summer period - owing to wide spread complaints -

C. J. E.

Clerk was instructed to send a strongly worded protest to C. J. E. Co. in view of their failure to make adequate provision for intending pilgrims to Croak Patrick on the night of the 26/4/52; and request an assurance that this will not happen again -

Michael  
Mice  
20.8.52  
Centhurst

Minutes of proceeding of Monthly meeting of the Pangheer Town Commissioners held on Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> Aug. 1952. at 4-30 p.m. - in Temperance Hall -

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carthy C. C. Chairman.

Members present were - Messrs M. V. Regan, W. Conlan, J. Devine.  
In attendance - The Town Clerk -

Minutes of last meetings were read confirmed and signed -

Financial statement regarding official opening of new houses was submitted, noted and approved - Subscriptions received covering all expenses.

On the proposition of Mr. V. Regan the Board congratulated the Town Clerk - (Mrs. H. M. Kieley) on the way arrangements were carried out re official opening and blessing of the 16 new houses at Nunney Lane.

The Town Clerk replied in suitable terms -

Read letter dated 11/8/52 signed Galway Co. Secretary stating a complaint was received from Mr. M. J. Dyan, M.D.H., stating that the

Public Right-of-way between the houses of Mr. V. Reilly and Mr. A. Hunt, Main St., is improperly used, as a nocturnal latrine - and recommended that a lamp be provided in the passage.

After some discussion on the matter Clerk was directed to reply to C. Secretary & state that the Board are not prepared to expend money on the erection of the necessary lamp.

Naming of Nunney Lane Houses -

The Board unanimously agreed to name <sup>the 16 new houses</sup> "Mount Carmel Crescent", and a plaque bearing the new name with the date of the official opening to be erected on the site -

passed -

of protest  
Read acknowledgement from C. J. E. re Bus service for pilgrims to Crook Patrick stating & further correspondence would follow -

Orders - Noted -

Repairs to Houses - Clerk stated that the Town Surveyor, Mr. W. Alton, would have his Report submitted for next monthly meeting -

Order. "Noted" -

Submitted Notice from F.S.B. - Re removal of Saw Pension pole No. 83 at Dolphin St., from its present position & re-erecting it on the grounds of plot No. 4 -

The Board unanimously approved of the re-erecting of pole No. 83 on the grounds of No. 4. Town Surveyor and Tenant approving of same.

Bridewell premises - Clerk reported that the advertisement Re leasing of said premises would appear on the local papers during the coming week -

Mrs. Goble Tenant of Abbey Terrace -

After some discussion regarding her arrears of Rent the Board unanimously decided on the Chairman's proposition

to Request County Manager to accept two Shillings weekly from her until such time as her arrears are cleared -

passed -

Sympathy - On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. M. O. Regan a vote of sympathy was passed on the death of the late Patrick Cullinane, a former Resident of Langhua.

Michael Carty 10-9-52



Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting of the Rathfriland Land Commissioners held at 7-30 p.m. in the Temperance Hall, on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1952.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty, Chairman.

Members present - Messrs M. O'Regan, W. Conlan, J. Devine, J. Kilbey and M. O'Shea.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

C. I. E. Reply - signed J. B. Martin Esq. Manager -  
Read letter dated 22/8/52, re adequate provision for intending pilgrims to Croagh Patrick on the 26<sup>th</sup> July - stating that "the services provided on this occasion was the same as on previous years and more passengers were accommodated than on previous occasions - Having regard to this fact and bearing in mind that all available vehicles in the district were on definite schedules to Croagh Patrick, I am sure you will agree that no blame attaches to my Board on this occasion. This matter will be borne in mind when making next year's arrangements."

Reply was noted & Clerk was directed to state notify C. I. E. that no blame was attached to the conductors or drivers on this occasion -

Dumping of Rubble at the promenade and repairing same.

County Manager stated in his letter dated 18/8/52 that there was a matter for the County Council -  
Read copy letter dated 16/8/52, addressed to Co. Manager signed by County Engineer - stating that the amount of rubble dumped by Messrs Hayes & Hayes was small & partly removed by Co. Council & remainder levelled off at the water edge which was clean and formed a protection from the action of the water.

The letter stated that application was made to Messrs Hayes & Hayes for £10 = towards repairs of damage - They replied offering £1 -  
I am with holding payment of 65 tons of stone @ 3/6 until agreement has been settled re damage done to promenade -

Chairman informed the meeting that County Council were putting down a new promenade when Mr. Devine suggested that the Road could be widened during this work -

Repairs to Houses -

Read letter from Town Engineer dated 9/10/52 regretting he cannot foresee being able to complete his inspection & report on repairs for some weeks to come.

The Board expressed dissatisfaction and directed that Town Engineer be requested to treat the matter as urgent.

Nomination of member on joint advisory Committee of Fire fighting Services -

Mr. John Dennis was unanimously nominated - Clerk to inquire from Co. Secretary if Mr. Dennis is eligible owing to his being a member of the Fire fighting Brigade. Chairman to act on the Committee in the meantime -

Sale of Bridewell -

Clerk reported that disposal of Bridewell premises had been advertised on the local papers viz - Connacht Sentinel, Western Herald and Connacht Tribune as directed -

One Tender had been received and transmitted to the County Manager - for £150 - signed W. Simblin -

Order - Noted -

No. 10 House "Mount Carmel Crescent"

Clerk reported that Mrs. J. Liberty had refused tenancy of this house - same being vacant since July -

On the Chairman's proposition Peter Murphy Barrack Street, was recommended for the tenancy -

Clerk was instructed to notify W.R. McConor, B. M. D. H. accordingly -

Shore at Church Street being blocked was referred to the Health Inspector -

Erection of extra light midway in 'Liam Mellows Terrace' was considered and an order made that application for quotation be made to E. S. Board for erection & maintenance of same -

Tolls and Customs -

Chairman reported that Galway County Council had purchased the Tolls and Customs from Mrs. Ryan for the sum of £4,250 -

The nett takings from the Tolls for the last three years were - £349 - £441 - & £438 respectively -

The Ryan family had leased the tolls in 1859 from Earl of Harwood & 15 years ago bought out the lease from the landlord -

The Board expressed satisfaction and congratulated the Chairman in the great interest taken by him in this transaction.

Chairman also stated that he suggested to County Council that the Fair Green be concreted, shelter beds be erected and pins be put down - also that a new weigh bridge be erected -

The Board were in agreement with Mr. Lewis in having the Fairs moved off the streets and held on the Fair Green.

Sympathy - The Board extended sympathy to Mr. & Mrs. Mae Nance, Bridge Street and the Jolly Family, Rathandy, in their recent sad Bereavements -

Michael Carty  
8-X-'52



Date.....

REPLY.

Minutes of Special Meeting Longhorn Town  
Commissioners held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 1952.

Present.

In the chair: M. C. Carty Esq M.C.C.

Others: Messrs Weirne Wynnem O'Kien Condon Kilboy

The Chairman considered this Meeting necessary in order that himself and the other delegates Mr Condon attending the Fernoy Municipal Conference would have instructions and the views of the members as to the subjects to be discussed.

On the proposition of Mr Weirne seconded by the Chairman it was unanimously agreed that the following subjects should be raised and have the support of the delegation.

1. Demand Legislation to enable local authorities to remove fairs from the streets.
2. Demand that Insurance Co's contribute to cost of maintaining local authority Fire Brigades.
3. Demand that total amount of Rates & Taxes collected amount and rate of interest payable annually by local and central authority be published annually for each county in the State.
4. Call for amendment of laws to permit improvements to houses and property without increase in valuation.

In view of Mr Weirne's interest in the subjects discussed it was unanimously decided that he be asked to accompany the delegation to the Conference.

Date.....

REPLY.

Correspondence Letter dated 17/9/52 Mr D'Acton Esq. a.c.e. re Town Commissioners Stone attached to Bridewell asking if the Town Commissioners proposed to retain same and notifying Commissioners that the alteration of the position of the Eastern wall of the New pond had increased the area around the Bridewell by 6 per 16 sq yds. To give a new total of 15 per 26 sq yds which does not include any of the buildings on the site. This letter caused a lengthy discussion and Mr Wynnem expressed his regret that the Commissioners should consider selling the site to anyone except for the purpose of an industry or some purpose that would benefit the town. The Chairman ruled that further discussion on the sale of the Bridewell was out of order until the County Manager had submitted the tenders received. Further consideration of Mr D'Acton's letter was adjourned to the next ordinary monthly meeting.

Congratulations! The Chairman congratulated the local Fire Brigade on their excellent work in connection with an outbreak on the 14<sup>th</sup> Sept and had brought the matter to the notice of the County Manager and the Firechief. He was very impressed by the expedition and courageous manner in which they tackled the very dangerous work. Mr Weirne on behalf of the Fire Brigade thanked the Chairman for his remarks.

Michael Carty,

9-X-52.

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wednesday the 9th October 1952 in the Temperance Hall at 7-30 p.m.

In the Chair - Mr. Michael Carty, Chairman.

Members present - Messrs D. Cronin, J. Maylan, Sub. J. Devine, W. O' Shea.

In Attendance - The Town Clerk, (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

Minutes of last monthly meeting and of special meeting held on the 22/9/52 were read, confirmed and signed.

Adjourned Consideration of Town Engineer's letter regarding the disposal of the Bridewell premises was discussed -

The Clerk submitted and read the tender received from Messrs Hogan & Co. Solicitors acting on behalf of Mr. Michael Simlin, offering £150 for the Bridewell premises.

The tender was conditional of Mr. Simlin securing the shed formerly used as a Temp. Fire station adjoining the Bridewell premises. The tender stated the purpose for which the premises is to be used is <sup>namely</sup> as

Cinema, and for plays, concerts and other entertainments.

Clerk reported that a further tender was received late, signed Thomas Rafferty Junr. offering £10 per year for the purpose for which he required the Bridewell premises was for a private dwelling.

Read County Manager's letter dated 6/10/52, stating he was not prepared to authorise the sale of the Bridewell premises for human habitation as it had been condemned as being unfit for such purposes.

The letter also stated that the fire station and stores are not included in the description of the premises as advertised and it was his (County Manager's) opinion that these stores should be retained by the Board and that Mr. Simlin's tender cannot be accepted on the basis on which it is submitted - (The letter continued) County Manager also stated that he would have no objection to the reconstruction of the premises as a cinema provided Mr. Simlin adheres to his offer of £150 exclusive of the fire station and stores.

After a lengthy discussion on



the matter Mr. D. Cronin gave notice seconded by Mr. T. Maylan, J. C. that he would move at next monthly meeting "to have order made on the 9<sup>th</sup> July last, disposing of the Budewell premises, rescinded, and that the premises be retained by the Board, unless disposed of as a site for a Factory or Industry - (that would benefit the town) or as a site for loading banks - when the Fair Green would be reconstructed".  
Order - Noted -

Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Simlin that Co. Manager had no objection to the reconstruction of the premises as a Cinema provided that the work is properly carried out and that Mr. Simlin adheres to his offer of £150 exclusive of the fire station and store -

It was unanimously agreed to wait result of Mr. Cronin's N. O. M., and Mr. Simlin's reply before making a final decision in the matter of disposal of the Budewell premises -

Chairman's Report Re Attendance at Min. Conference in Jersey -

Chairman reported that he with Mr. W. Cronan, attended the conference on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Day - when problems of Local Councils re Allotting of houses was discussed & defeated. It was decided at said conference to send a deputation to the E. S. B. - re fixed charges for consumers - and refer to next conference the removal of Fair off streets also

the question of Insurance -

Chairman also reported that he was enjoined (at conference) that lists are available for Taxes and Rates collected, and that a motion was adopted Remitter Rates on new Houses. (Mr. Maylan left at this stage of the meeting)

Town Engineer's Report on Repairs to Houses not submitted - It was decided to wait (Report) Report - Clerk to Request Engineer to give the matter his early attention -

Circular received from R. G. Dept. re Warlick sites was referred to Chairman who had a N. O. M. handed in to Co. Co. Re same for consideration, at next meet-  
of County Council.  
Order - Noted -

## Removal of Lairs off Streets -

Mr. Denis gave Notice that he would move at next monthly meeting to consider the advisability of adopting Section 103 Public Health Act 1848 with a view to having Lairs moved off the streets and confined to the Lair Green -

Order - Noted -

## Bridewell Expenses -

Clerk was instructed to have amount expended for past 10 yrs. on Bridewell premises submitted for next meeting -  
Michael Carty 12-XI-52

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Sanquhar Town Commissioners held in the Temperance Hall on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 1952 - at 4-30 p.m. -

In the Chair - Mr. Carty Esq. Chairman -

Members present - Messrs M. O. Regan, W. Coulson, J. Dennis, M. O. Shear, J. Maylor, Sol. & P. Morrissey -

In attendance - The County Manager & Town Clerk -  
Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed -

Mr. Cronin N.O.M. -

Mr. Maylor moved in the absence of Mr. Cronin. No. 2 item on the agenda, that the Order made re disposal of Bridewell premises be rescinded unless the premises are retained used for site as a Factory or Loading Banks,

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1952. 7.30 p.m. in Temperance Hall -

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty, Chairman

Members present - Messrs W. Conlan, M. O'Regan, W. O'Shea, J. Maylan, J. Devine and J. Devine P. Morrissey -

present - C. J. O'Flynn Esq., County Manager & Town Clerk -

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed -

Bridewell Premises -

Read letter dated 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 1952, from Messrs Hogan & Co. Solicitors, on behalf of their Client, Mr. Michael Limlin, stating Mr. Limlin would adhere to his offer of £150 for the premises inclusive of the temporary fire station and store.

The letter stated that Mr. Limlin had brought to their notice the report relating to the matter contained in the Western Herald in which Mr. Maylan was reported as stating "I think it should be known that the Directors of the Loughrea Hall Cinema Ltd offered Mr. Limlin the Managership of the Cinema on a salary basis and he refused it"

The letter added that they had been instructed by Mr. Limlin to contradict the statement & to inform the Town Commissioners he was never at any time offered the position -

The Board noted these remarks and referred the matter to Mr. Maylan Solicitor for his attention.

The following suggestions re the Bridewell site were contained in a letter dated 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. 52 from the Local Development Company Ltd.

- (i) That in view of the future development of the Town there that Loading Banks be erected there
- or (ii) That a 20 ton weigh bridge be erected to facilitate heavily laden trucks.
- or iii That the present building be converted into stores -

After some discussion on the matter Mr. Maylan moved a motion in the absence of Mr. Cronin, asking that a previous order be rescinded unless the premises was used as a site for a factory or loading banks.

Mr. Conlan seconded -

On a subsequent vote it was decided to retain the premises - the vote being as follows.  
For the motion - Messrs J. Maylan, W. Conlan, J. Devine, M. O'Regan & P. Morrissey 5 -  
Against - Messrs Chairman & Mr. Shea - 2 -



Expenses for past 10 yrs. on Bridwell premises -

Clerk submitted statement of Expenses for 1942/52 amounting to £ 89-3-4 - Receipts being £ 141-10-0 - leaving to Credit £ 81-16-8 - after allowing for £ 7-10-0 Inconceivable Rents -

Order - Noted -

Local Tennis Club -

Read letter dated 6/11/52 - signed by Mrs. F. Mac Carthy Solicitor for the Tennis Club - stating his Clients hope to erect at least two Courts and a Pavilion on the Children's playground -

A deputation from the Club also attended the meeting -

After some discussion on the matter it was proposed by Mr. M. O. Reegan, seconded by the Chairman - and passed "That position of the Children's playground field be leased to the Loughrea Local Tennis Club at a nominal Rent of £1 (One pound) per year for Ten years, for the purpose of laying Courts and erecting pavilion - subject to Minister's sanction -"

Approved by County Manager -

Removal of Fairs off streets -  
Mr. Dennis N.O.M. - their Section 103 - Public Health Act 1848 - be adopted, was ruled out of order - County Manager stating it was the powers of the County Council and it will be County Council's Rights, when Fairs and Markets are purchased, to control Fairs and Markets of the town of Loughrea - under Section 1 of Public Health Act 1846 (Ireland) as set out under Section 103 of Public Health (Ireland) Act 1848 -

Order Noted -

Repairs to Houses -

The Report was submitted by Town Engineer - it being an executive function of the County Manager -

Clerk submitted statement of cost of Repairs as follows: on the 25 old Houses -

Expended in 1944 -	£ 146-0-0
1948 -	88-18-0
1949 -	33-15-0
1950 -	28-19-0
1951 -	nil
1952 -	84-5-2

Total £ 384-17-2 approx £3 per annum per House -

Order - Noted -

## An TOSTAL -

Chairman reported that the Local Development Association were prepared to plant the "Garry Breedia Wood" in preparation for An Tostal - free of cost to the Board.

permission was granted with C.M. Manager's approval -

The erection of a sign at "Garry Breedia Wood" that "trespassers will be prosecuted" was referred to Mr. W. Alton, Town Engineer, also the cutting of the old trees in the Wood -

## Unemployment Grant for Langhera -

Chairman reported that he moved at C.M. meeting that a relief grant be available for Langhera during the Xmas period -

County Manager informed the meeting that such grant will be available -

Uslem - Noted and approved -

## No. 10 House Mainst Carmel Crescent -

The Board presented the grant of Tenancy to an Army Officer, who was only a short period in the town, when other residents of the town were refused viz. Mrs. Murphy Barrock Street, and recommended that a Residents Clause be inserted in the Agreement -

County Manager informed the meeting that such a clause was included in the 1950 Letting Regulations -

No order made -

Sympathy - On the proposition of Mr. O'Regan, seconded by Mr. O'Shea, the Board's sympathy was extended to Mrs. Barrett, Athony Road on the death her husband the late Michael Barrett,

Michael Mc  
Cathay  
10<sup>th</sup> Nov 1952

MINUTES

MINUTES OF PROCEEDING OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, LOUGHREA, ON WEDNESDAY the 10th December, 1952, at 7-30 P.M.

INTHE CHAIR- MR.M.CARTY, CO.CO., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT } MESSERS W. CONLAN, M.O'REGAN,  
J.DEVINE AND J. KILBOY.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING WERE READ, CONFIRMED AND SIGNED.

Mr.Devine gave the following N.O.M dated the 9/12/52 "THAT I SHALL PROPOSE AT NEXT MEETING OF THIS BOARD THAT THIS BOARD CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITIES OF SECURING A GRANT EITHER FROM THE STATE OR THE COUNTY COUNCIL TO HELP TO CONVERT THE BRIDEWELL INTO A TOWN HALL, AS A MEETING PLACE FOR THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS AND OFFICE FOR TOWN CLERK (2) IF ASSISTANCE IS FORTHCOMING ADDITIONAL MEETING ROOMS BE ALSO PROVIDED IN THE BRIDEWELL SO AS TO MAKE VALUABLE RECREATIONAL AND OTHER USEFUL AMENITIES FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN"

ORDER - PUT N.O.M ON AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING.

RELIEF GRANT .-

THE PROVISION OF A RELIEF GRANT FOR THE TOWN WAS DISCUSSED AND IT WAS DECIDED TO REFER THE MATTER TO THE COUNTY MANAGER WITH A VIEW TO SECURING A FREE GRANT FOR THE RELIEF OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE TOWN DURING THE CHRISTMAN PERIOD .  
DEVELOPEMENT OF SPORTS FIELD

MR. O'REGAN POINTED OUT TO THE BOARD THAT THE LOCAL DEVELOPEMENT ASSOCIATION HAD MADE APPLICATION TO THE BOARD OF WORKS FOR £7000 WHICH WAS THE ESTIMATE DRAWN UP FOR THE DEVELOPEMENT OF THE SPORTSFIELD, THE SAID ASSOCIATION BEING PREPARED TO OFFER £1000 TOWARDS THE WORK .

THE BOARD CONGRATULATED THE ASSOCIATION ON THEIR OFFER AND MADE AN ORDER THAT THE BOARD OF WORKS BE REQUESTED TO EXPEDITE THE MATTER WHICH WOULD BE A GREAT MEANS OF RELIEVING UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE TOWN .

MR. DEVINE DREW THE BOARD'S ATTENTION TO THE RECLAIMING OF MORE LAND AT THE CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND FIELD  
NO ORDER MADE.

MAJOR ROAD FROM GALWAY TO DUBLIN.

CHAIRMAN DREW THE BOARD'S ATTENTION TO THE MAKING OF THIS ROAD VIA LOUGHREA , WHEN IT WAS CONSIDERED ADVISABLE TO HAVE CERTAIN STREETS IN THE TOWN MADE "ONE WAY STREETS" AND HAVE "CATS EYES" AND DANGER SIGNS PLACED AT ALL DANGEROUS STREET CORNERS IN THE TOWN.

THE MATTER WAS REFERRED TO THE COUNTY MANAGER FOR ATTENTION.

THE CLOSING IN OF THE WALKS RIVER & THE TAKING DOWN OF THE BATTLEMENT AT THE WEST BRIDGE WAS ALSO DISCUSSED.

THE BOARD PASSED A VOTE OF SYMPATHY ON THE DEATH OF MRS. MELLEWS, Mother OF LIAM MELLEWS WHO WAS EXECUTED IN MOUNTJOY ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR. CONLAN SECONDED BY MR.O'REGAN. 1922  
CONGRATULATION THE BOARD ON MR.O'REGAN'S PROPOSITION SECONDED BY THE CHAIRMAN ~~CONGRATULATED~~ CONGRATULATED MOST REV. DR.D'ALTON, CARDINAL-ELECT, AND PRIMATE OF ALL IRELAND, ON THE GREAT HONOUR BESTOWED UPON HIM BY HIS HOLINESS POPE PIOUS XII, IN SELECTING HIM AS IRELANDS SIXTH CARDINAL .

Michael Carby 14/1/53



Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting of the Loughrea Sanatorium Commissioners held on ~~Monday~~ <sup>Wednesday</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> day of Jan. 1953.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty, B. B.

Members present - Messrs M. V. Regan, J. Devine, J. Kilbany, W. Cronin.

In Attendance - The Sanatorium Clerk.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed -

Mr. V. Regan drew the Board's attention to the great unemployment in the town -

After a lengthy discussion on the relief of unemployment it was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. V. Regan, that a deputation consisting of Messrs Chairman, V. Regan and Kilbany interview the Parliamentary Secretary Mr. P. Beegan (J. W.) and Mr. P. Conley J. W. with a view to requesting them <sup>also</sup> relieve the unemployment in the town, and raise the question regarding the provision of factory so badly needed in Loughrea -

Passed unanimously

Mr. J. Devine moved his motion seconded by the Chairman that the Bridewell premises be reconverted and used as a civic centre

After discussion on the proposed project it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the matter to Estimates meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> inst. when County Managers would attend and advise the Board on the matter of reconstructing the premises into a Civic Centre, a library, head quarters and Sanatorium office -

Order - "Adjourn to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 1953"

Re Traffic Bye Laws -

Mr. W. Cronin suggested that the Garda authorities be requested to have a guard on duty at the West Bridge on Fair Way for the purpose of directing the traffic into Barrack Street in order to improve arrangements regarding the traffic problem -

It was agreed to bring these suggestions to the notice of the Garda Superintendent with a view to getting his advice on the matter -

An Postal.

Read letter dated 9/1/53 Ref. Y. 1/53 L. G.  
 Stating the Minister proposes including in a  
 forthcoming P. G. Bill a section empowering Law  
 Commissioners etc to incur expenditure not exceeding  
 in any year 3% in the pound on the decoration  
 of their areas for occasions of public rejoicing.  
 The Minister will have his objection incurring  
 expenditure Re An Postal.

Order - Noted.

Cardinal D'Alton -

Read letter of thanks and appreciation  
 for congratulations offered Cardinal D'Alton.

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for making of letter X

Letter-Kenny Resolution -

The following Resolution was unanimously  
 adopted on the Chairman's proposition seconded  
 by Mr. O'Regan -

"That the Letter-Kenny W.D.C. deplors the  
 growing tendency to appoint to lucrative  
 positions those who are already in receipt of  
 substantial pensions from the State. The Council  
 calls upon the Government to ensure that  
 no one in receipt of a state pension of more  
 than £400 per annum is again employed  
 in any position rewarded out of Public funds."

Audit - Clerk notified the meeting assembled  
 that Audit of A/c's takes on the 20<sup>th</sup> inst - for  
 year ended 31/3/52 -

Sympathy -

The Board's sympathy was extended  
 to Mrs. Craven & Family on death of husband -  
 Messrs. Davis & Connolly on death of Uncle  
 and Mrs. Allen on death of her father -

Minutes of Annual Meeting of the Sanghua  
Law Commissioners held on Thursday  
22<sup>nd</sup> January 1953 -

In the Chair - Mr. Carty, Chairman -

Members present - Messrs O'Regan, W. Conlan,  
J. Devine

also present - C. J. O'Flynn Esq., County Manager  
A. M. Kiely Town Clerk - & Mr. O'Alton  
Town Engineer -

Estimates for 1953/54 year

Clerk explained that the usual Statutory  
Notice had been given in Form E 4  
Article 53 to the public & that copies of Form E  
together with particulars of Estimates - had  
been furnished to each member of the Board

County Manager dwelt on the circulated  
figures and informed the Board it was  
necessary to increase the Expenditure for  
Rates by £40 - and deduct from Receipts  
£93. due to the full subsidy on houses  
some houses not been received within the  
period -

After some discussion it was agreed to  
increase the figure for repairs to houses by  
£200 -

County Manager stated this would show  
a reduction in the Demand for 1953/54 year  
of £120 - as compared with 1952/53 year -

On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by  
Mr. Conlan, the amended Estimates were  
unanimously adopted -

Certificate E, was duly signed by the Chairman  
and countersigned by the Clerk. Demanding from  
Yahony Co. B. the sum of £1018. - for 1953/54 year

Re Conversion of Bredwell into Civic Centre -

After a lengthy discussion on this matter it  
was decided that Mr. O'Alton Town Engineer,  
prepare a Report on the suitability of the premises  
and report to B. Manager, when Mr. O'Sheehan  
Architect's opinion on the matter could be  
got -

Repairs of Houses was also referred to Mr. O'Alton

Michael Carty 11-2-53



85 Minutes of Monthly Meeting of Kunguensis C.  
held on Wednesday 11th <sup>July</sup> 1953.

Present: In the chair: Mr Mc Garty (Chairman)  
Others Messrs J. Kilboy, Wm Condon,  
J. Alfime and Ed O'Shan

In Attendance J O'Brien Acting Clerk.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Bridewell. Detailed Report from Engineer  
in connection with development of Bridewell  
was considered. It was decided to  
ask Mr O'Alton if the County Council  
would purchase the building for demolition  
and at what price. The question of erecting  
a new building be considered when the  
site is cleared.

Exercise Sites. The chairman informed the  
Meeting that the County Council had  
passed Prelim. Vesting Order to take them  
over.

Garrybreedin Wood. Engineer's letter dated  
9/2/53 was considered and the Clerk  
was directed to inform Mr O'Alton that  
they do not require a new plan but  
are anxious to proceed with the planning  
of the centre of the plot in accordance with  
the approved plan and that the townsmen  
carry out the work. The Commissioners to be  
responsible for labour and the costs. Mr O'Alton  
he also asked to submit Estimate for costs  
of trees, fencing centre and erection of warning  
notices.

Unemployment The chairman reported 86  
that work on a £4,000 Relief Scheme  
had commenced in the area. The men employed  
were being offered work on the Scheme  
and he hoped that it would be fully  
availed of. He also informed the Meeting  
that he was arranging a date to meet  
Deputies Beagon & Bowley and a Special  
Meeting of the Board would then be  
convened to discuss the question of local  
employment in general.

Municipal Conference Report was read  
and payment of annual Contribution approved.

Anti-Partition Association Business done  
July '53 inviting participation in Easter  
Monday Parade was read. Further  
consideration was adjourned until March  
Meeting when they would have information  
with regard to plans of the local authorities  
relating to the County Council. The Town  
Clerk was directed to inform the Hon Sec  
of the organization that the business would  
be fully considered at next meeting.

San Costal. The Town Clerk was directed to  
arrange that the Fire Engine be used to  
hose the streets after the fair held during  
San Costal.

Noalgerism on the streets at late hours was  
discussed and the Town Clerk was directed  
to contact the Guards with a view to having it  
eliminated.

Sympathy On the proposition of Mrs Kilbey  
seconded by Mrs Gusty votes of sympathy  
were entered to the following on recent  
bereavements.

- Mrs Sinely St Brendan's Ave on death of brother
- Mrs Sheehey Bride St on death of brother
- Michael Daniels Bride St on death of father
- Mrs Cosgrove Bride St on death of husband
- Greider Family Galway Rd.

Mick Ross  
11/2/57

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting of the Keshmoo Lawn Commissioners held in the Impresario Hall on Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> day March 1953-

In the Chair - Mr. M. V. Regan,  
(In the absence of Chairman & Vice Chairman)  
Mr. Conlan, Vice Chairman subsequently attended - Members <sup>also</sup> present - Messrs J. Devine, & M. V. Shea,

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed -

Re Budwell premises -

Read letter dated 21/2/53 - signed by C. J. O'Flynn Esq. County Manager stating "that the Galway Co. Co. could not purchase the Budwell premises for demolition. If the Lawn Commissioners are prepared to proceed with the building of a Lawn Hall on the site of the Budwell, I am prepared to ask Co. Council to consent to the demolition of the building by the Lawn Commissioners, the accommodation for the new ground will have to be reserved."

The Board unanimously decided to refer the matter to a more representative meeting - there being only 4 members present.

Re planting of Harry Budwee Wood -

In letter dated 21/2/53, Co. Manager stated that Mr. W. Altan, Lawn Engineer, would require to be advised by the Co. Committee of Agriculture re the type of trees to be planted, time of planting, & the density of the planting - & an estimate of the cost to be submitted by Mr. W. Altan, including erection of warning notices and the fencing of the trees -

Clerk reported that Mr. W. Altan had been notified accordingly. Order - Approved -  
On the proposition of Mr. V. Shea -  
Seconded by the presiding Chairman,  
the Board unanimously agreed to give the old trees when felled, to the St. Vincent de Paul's Society for the poor -

Cleaning of Streets during An Postal -

Co. Manager in his letter 21/2/53, informed the Board, that he was asking Co. Engineers to arrange to have the streets cleaned after fair during an Postal - Co. Manager did not recommend the use of the Fire Engine for such cases but stated that the streets could be scoured from the hydrants without the use of the hydrants - Fire Engine  
Order - Noted & Approved -



Mr. O'Shea, drew the Board's attention to an article headed "Pity the Doctor" inserted in the Evening Mail dated Thursday February 26<sup>th</sup>, 1953, which made reference to Mr. J. Hillon<sup>9.10</sup> during a discussion in the Dail on the 25/2/53, as stating that Langhrea referring to "Langhrea as an obscure settlement in the Co. Galway & stating Langhrea is not an Irish-speaking place, as the golden old native speech had not resounded in its neighbourhood for over half a century -

On the prop. of Mr. O'Shea, seconded by Mr. O'Regan, Clerk was directed to inform Mr. Hillon, I.D., that the Board resented his remarks, as Langhrea is not an obscure settlement and that Irish is spoken in the locality.

Mr. J. Devine disassociated himself with this order of the Board =

Read letter dated 12/2/53. from Sinn Fein Headquarters, describing an "Fostal" as "an English festival held in Ireland".

The letter was adopted on the proposition of Mr. O'Shea, seconded by Mr. Conlan - Mr. J. Devine disassociating himself with same -

A further letter from Sinn Fein Headquarters dated 20/2/53, was adopted - (with Mr. Devine disassociating himself with the matter) protesting against any Irish participation in the Coronation Ceremonies of the Queen of England -

Street Traffic - Read letter dated 13/2/53 - Signed J. J. Mac Namee - Garda Superintendent - referring to the diversion of traffic from Main St. to Barrack Street - on Fair days - stating the Garda can only direct traffic when the Minister has made a Closing Order or under the Fire Brigade Act - he suggested that the Fair Green be put in order for the holding of Fairs - the overflung of animals then from the Fair Green could be allowed into Barrack Street -

The Board directed that Co. Manager be requested to have the plans for

The Improvement of the Fair from expedited in order to solve the Traffic problem on Fair and Market days in the town of Sanghera.

Re Road Sign -

Clerk was instructed to draw Co. Manager's attention to the dangerous crossing at the "Main St. End" of the Bus's National School, and recommended that a "School Sign" be erected at this dangerous junction - for the safeguarding of school-children -

On the proposition of Mr. Hevise the Board unanimously Resented the County Council's long delay in having the new Sec. School erected in Sanghera, and directed that the laying of the pavers at Co. Home Road and Cook Lane, together with erection of Road signs and "Cats eyes" at dangerous corners - be expedited. Co. Manager's attention to be drawn to the matter -

1953 Allotments Season -

The Board agreed with advertising for land and applicants for plots and ordered that ~~that~~ the scheme be abandoned if no applications are received up to the 25/3/53 -

Deputations Interviews Re Unemployment -

Mr. U. Regan reported that the deputation appointed had not yet interviewed the Deputies regarding the question of unemployment.

Orders - Noted -

The Board ~~also~~ extended sympathy to Mrs. E. Maloney <sup>Family Co.</sup> Home Road, on the recent lamentable death of her husband the late Con Maloney, who was a highly respected Resident of the town -

Joseph Kelly T.C.  
8-4-1953

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1953.

Members present -

Messrs Mr. O'Shea, J. Heine and J. Kilbay -

In attendance - The Town Clerk -  
On the proposition of Mr. O'Shea. Seconded by Mr. Heine, Mr. Kilbay was moved to the Chair in the absence of Chairman & Vice Chairman.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Adjourned consideration of building a Civic Centre on the Bicknell site was not discussed but further adjourned to a meeting when more members of the Board would be present to discuss the matter.

1953 Allotments Scheme.

It was unanimously agreed to abandon the scheme, seeing there were no offers of land or applications for plots received - in reply to public advertisements in local press -

Auditors Report and Abstract of A/cs 1952 year -

Abstract of A/cs were submitted and perused, Clerk explained that copy of report would be furnished to each member.

The Board expressed satisfaction with the A/cs submitted, and were pleased to learn there were no surcharges -

Clerk was directed, on the proposition of Mr. Heine, seconded by Mr. O'Shea, to request Radio Eireann to play Ceilidh music at least for half an hour every night, and more traditional songs including Tom Moore's melodies, especially during the An Tostal period.

Survey of Sewerage and Drains -

It was unanimously decided to recommend to G. Manager the necessity for having a survey made by Sanitary Authority of the sewerage and drains in the town, as they (Commissioners) are not satisfied at the delay in having sewerage extension carried out to the W. W. Cottages and other houses within the township.



## Repairs to promenades -

Clark was instructed to inquire from C. Manager when will proms be on C. Home Road and how he can be made secure for use by children?

## Leasing of playground field -

Mr. Kilbay referred to the leasing of part of playground field to Tennis Club, when Clark advised that the matter be adjourned until Minister's sanction be received in the matter.

Submitted letters of thanks for notes of sympathy passed from -  
Mrs. M. Sweeney, Main St.  
Mrs. Con Maloney, Park Road,  
Mrs. T. Scully, Barnack Street -

Order - Noted -

Michael Corb  
12/5/53

Minutes of Special Meeting of Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 1953 - in the Temperance Hall.

## Members present -

Messrs M. Carty, Chairman,  
W. Corbett, Vice Chairman, J. Maylan,  
M. O'Regan, M. O'Shea, J. Devine,  
P. Mondissey, W. Cronin, & J. Kilbay.

The meeting opened with prayer as on former occasions -

Chairman explained to the members ~~was~~ that meeting was summoned to express the townspeople's sympathy on the death of the Bishop of Clonfert, Most Rev. Dr. Higgins, which occurred at his residence, St. Brandon's, Coonkeen, Loughrea on the 12<sup>th</sup> inst.

On the proposition of the Chairman, Mr. M. Carty, seconded by Mrs. M. O'Regan, the Board's sympathy was extended to Sister M. Angela, Convent of Mercy, Portlanna, the late Dr. Higgins' sister, and to relatives, ~~and~~ friends, and clergy on the great loss ~~to~~ sustained in ~~the~~ the diocese by the

Passing away of such a great patriot  
and Churchman -

Arrangements were made for the attendance  
at High Mass, and Funeral -

It was unanimously agreed to have  
mass offered for the repose of his  
lordship's soul, at which all members  
of the Board would be present, and  
defray expense of same -

Town Clerk associated herself with  
the vote of sympathy passed -

Michael Carby  
13/5/1953

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly meeting  
of the Rathfriland Town Commissioners held in  
Temperance Hall, on Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> May, 1953 -

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carby, Chairman.

Members present - Messrs M. O'Regan, J. Wexler,  
J. A. Maylan, J. Kilbay - (Town Clerk in attendance)

(Meeting opened with prayers as heretofore -)

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and  
signed -

Clerk informed the members that C. Manager offered his  
apologies for non-attendance owing to important meeting in Dublin.  
Consideration of converting the Bridewell into a  
Civic Centre was further adjourned to a  
meeting when County Manager would be present  
to discuss the matter -

Chairman informed the members present that  
the C. Architect approved of the Bridewell site  
and also recommended the rear of the Temperance  
Hall grounds as another suitable site for a  
Civic Centre it being more centrally situated.  
No order made -

Reply from Radio Eireann dated 15/4/53,  
stating the Board's request Re Irish music over  
the air had been noted -

No order made -

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On Mr. Dennis's proposition seconded by the Chairman the Board's congratulations were extended to Williamstown Junior Band for music supplied over the air and also to Mrs. Les Byrne -

Congratulations were also extended to the Langheer Bay's Band - who are a credit to the town -

Re old trees in Garry Brechin Wood -

Read C. Manager's letter dated 4/4/53 - which stated that a local authority cannot give away anything of value without receiving value for it - & that St. Vincent de Paul's Society be asked to offer a reasonable sum for the trees -

Clerk ~~at~~ reported that contents of C. Manager's letter had been forwarded to St. Vincent de Paul's Society -

Order - approved.

Repairs to promenade -

Read letters from C. Manager and C. Engineer dated 4<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> April - Resp: C. Engineer reported that he had

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provided in the Road Works Scheme for the re-laying of the promenade opposite the C. Home - that the amount to be paid by Messrs Hayes & Hayes is £30 or £40 -

Order - noted & approved -

On Mr. Dennis's proposition, seconded by the Chairman, it was agreed to suggest to the C. Manager the widening of the C. Home Road at this point, by reclaiming land from the lake & having a dwarf wall erected, and have the path extended along the edge of lake through the groves -

The flooding of the drain at "Brogan's Corner" was referred to by Mr. Hillbay - Clerk was instructed to bring the matter to C. Manager's attention -

Re ~~the~~ school sign -

C. Engineer in his report dated 10/4/53, stated he will have school sign at Bay's National School erected forthwith, if there is nothing against the proposal -



### Allocation of money from Road Funds.

Chairman reported that C. Engineer had agreed to expend £5,000 to 6 thousand pounds from the Road Funds on the widening of the road at the Sports field.

Clerk was instructed to request C. Manager to have this work carried out as soon as possible to relieve the unemployment in the town.

### Leasing of field to Local Tennis Club.

Read letter dated 23/3/53, Ref. No. 4459/53 P. G. Dept and letter dated 30/4/53 - Ref. No. P. 105/34/1. stating Minister will raise no objection to lease to local Tennis Club that part of field as shown on sketch map submitted 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. 52. The letter added "an annual Rent of at least £4 should be charged for the lease of the plot."

Clerk was directed to forward copy of Minister's letter to Secretary, Tennis Club with a view to getting their observations re increased Rent of plot.

Read letter dated 15/4/53, signed James Wills J. W., stating -  
"I am at a loss to know why the Langhwa Farm Commissioners should address a letter to me relative to an article in the Evening Mail, which is a publication for which I have no responsibility."

A discussion on the matter took place but no order made.

### Provision of Industry.

The provision of an Industry in the town was discussed, when it was unanimously agreed to call a joint meeting of the Local J. Ws, C. C. Reps; Mr. Lynch J. W., together with the Development C. and Farm Commissioners, to consider the project of securing a factory for Langhwa.

Clerk was instructed to communicate with Mr. Beegans J. W. Secretary to the Minister for Finance, and Mr. Lynch J. W., as to what date would be convenient for them to attend a meeting.

Raising of Loans by Galway Co. Co.,

The following Resolution was unanimously adopted on the prop. of Mr. Carty - Chairman, seconded by Mr. Heune J. C.,

"That we, the members of the Langhrea Loan Commissioners, hereby request from the Galway Co. Council, the following Supplementary Loans in respect of:-

(A) 16 House Scheme - Numeary Lane, £ 6,540 -

(B) 19 House Scheme - Galway Road, Attorney Road and Barrack St. - £ 1,460 - together with further supplementary Loans on 19 House Scheme of £ 1,150 -

passed -

Letters of Thanks -

Read letter dated 18/4/53 - signed Most Rev. Joseph Walsh, Archbishop of Tuam, addressed to the Loan Clerk -

"To you & all the members of the Langhrea Loan Commissioners I offer my sincere thanks for your kind resolution of sympathy on the death of Most Rev. John Wigham, Bishop of Clonfert.

His death is a loss both to the

Church and to Ireland - All of us regret his passing very much.

Thanking you and with Best Wishes -

Read letter of Thanks dated 20/4/53 - from Sister M. Angela St. Mary's School, postmaster, for sympathy extended on the death of her Brother Most Rev. W. W. Wigham, R. S. P.

Sympathy of the Board was voted to Mr. Sean MacBride J. W. on death of his mother the late Madam Maude from MacBride.

Mrs. Monaghan & relatives on death of her father the late Edward Cullinane.

The Rubison Family, The Hill, on the death of the late Mrs. M. Rubison -

On the proposition of Chairman, seconded by Mr. V. Regan the matter of providing Houses for at least 1/2 doz. Families or newly weds. he referred to G. Manager -

The Board suggested that an advertisement be inserted in local papers inviting persons in need of houses to submit applications -

Michael Mac  
Carthach  
Meitheamh 13<sup>th</sup>, 1953

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting held in the Temperance Hall, Langhean, of the Langhean Town Commissioners, on Wednesday ~~10th~~ ~~11th~~ ~~12th~~ ~~13th~~ - 10<sup>th</sup> June, 1953 -

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty, Chairman -

Members present - Messrs W. Conlan, ✓ J. Devine, J. Moylan, M. O'Shea, W. Cronin,

In attendance - The Town Clerk -

Minutes of last meetings were Read, Confirmed and signed.

County Manager attended subsequently -

Consideration of converting the Bridewell into a "Civic Centre" was fully discussed - when it was unanimously decided to Rescind the order made 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1952, ~~when it was agreed to retain the building.~~ It was then proposed by Chairman <sup>seconded</sup> by Mr. Conlan, that the <sup>leasing of the</sup> Bridewell premises be advertised for sale on the same terms of 999 years lease as heretofore - Lessees must state the purpose for which it was to be <sup>used</sup> ~~used~~ - This was approved by C. Manager.

Submitted Tender signed by Mrs. Moylan, Solicitor, on behalf of a Client offering £75 for the Bridewell for the purpose

of Building a private house and to use the premises as a Dairy -

Chairman informed the meeting that C. Manager did not recommend the sale at that amount -

C. Manager stated if the Board were to build a Hall on the Bridewell site it would cost approx. £14,000 -

This suggestion was ruled out, when the previous order was made re advertising the premises -

Members attendance at meetings -

Clerk submitted list compiled of members names and no. of attendances at meetings since Sept. 1950.

Chairman ruled that the names should be omitted this time as an act of mercy -

On Mrs. Devine's proposition, seconded by the Chairman, it was unanimously agreed that a yearly list be published with the names from dating from this meeting. Passed -

Chairman then Read the attendances without mentioning the names - as follows -  
No. of meetings held - 50.  
The highest attendance was - 48 -  
after that 45, 39, 38, Two had 36,  
31, 29 and 21 -



### Camping on the Fair Green -

Camping by gypsies & tinkers on the Fair Green, especially during the Eucharistic procession, was strongly condemned by the Board.

Co. Manager regretted to state no action for their removal by the Authorities can be taken.

Order noted -

### Non lighting of street lamps -

It was unanimously approved on the Chairman's proposition, seconded by Mr. Conlan, that the Co. Manager's recommendation, he accepted in having the non-lighting of street lamps dating from 10<sup>th</sup> June to 10<sup>th</sup> August 1953 - an allowance for same to be made by E.S. Board.

Messrs P. O' Shea, Tenant of Bungalows, Galway Road, and Peter Murphy applicant for a P.C.'s House, attended the meeting, when it was unanimously agreed, with Co. Manager's approval, that No. 14 House "Maunt Carmel Crescent" be let to Peter Murphy, it being agreed by O' Shea to accept tenancy of Murphy's House in Dunkellin Street -  
Passed -

### Executive meeting of Municipal Authorities -

On the proposition of Mr. Conlan, seconded by Mr. O' Shea, the Board approved of Chairman's attendance at Executive meeting of Municipal Authorities held in Dublin 30<sup>th</sup> April 1953 -

### Radio Reception -

Clerk was directed to draw the attention of the Engineer in Charge Dept. of Posts & Telegraphs, regarding ~~at~~ complaints of interference with wireless reception in the town - with a view to eliminating such interference -

The erection of a water tap at The Rock was referred to Co. Manager -

The Board's sympathy was extended to Mr. Edward Realy who ~~was~~ ~~was~~ Attorney Road, on the lamentable death of his son, who was accidentally killed in England.

Special Meeting of Town Commissioners held on Wed. 10<sup>th</sup> June, 1953, at 8-30 p.m., in connection with provision of an Industry for the town -

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty, C. C.

Members present - Messrs W. Conlan, T. Maylan, J. Devins, N. O' Shea, J. Cronin -

In Attendance - Co. Manager & Town Clerk -

Also present - Rev. Fr. O' Callahan and Mr. John Coughlan, Deputator from Local Development Association -

The following letter dated 23/5/53, signed P. Beegan Esq., J. D., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance, was read, copies of which were transmitted on the 5/6/53 to Co. Manager, Chairman and Mr. A. Devins, Secretary Local Development Association -

"I received your letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> instant conveying an invitation from the Town Commissioners to attend in company with Mr. J. Lynch, J. D., Parliamentary Secretary to the Government, a meeting to consider the possibility of procuring a factory for the town of Sanghrea.

Mr. Lynch has informed me that owing to the many week-end appointments already made he would be unable to attend any meeting in Sanghrea during the present session of An Dail.

He also pointed out that the securing of an industry

is in the first place instance a matter for local initiative by way of contacting people who either by technical or financial assistance or both combined would be prepared to put forward proposals for the establishment of an industry in Sanghrea. A Body known as "Foras Tionnscail" has been set up under the Undeveloped Areas Act to assist and advise in the establishment of industries in the areas scheduled under that Act. I would like to suggest that before any meeting of the nature mentioned, the Sanghrea Town Commissioners and Sanghrea and District Development Company would appoint a few of their members to form a Deputation to "Foras Tionnscail" to discuss the matter with them -

I would feel very pleased to make arrangements with "Foras Tionnscail" to fix a date suitable for the Deputation to attend -

To Mrs. H. M. Kelly,

Town Clerk - Ref. No. P. S. 16/1/53.

After a lengthy discussion on the matter of procuring a factory for the town it was unanimously agreed on the Chairman's proposition seconded by Mr. Conlan, that a Deputation consisting of 2 Town Commissioners together with two members from the Development Association be appointed to discuss the matter with "Foras Tionnscail" as suggested by Mr. Beegan, J. D.

Development Association to make arrangements regarding date Deputation is to attend & submit all data in the matter -

Michael Carty

8-9-53

Declaration accepting office as  
Chairman of the Langheer Town  
Commissioners -

I, Michael Carty, being a  
person Re-Elected as Chairman of the  
Langheer Town Commissioners, in the  
County of Galway, hereby declare that I  
take the said office upon myself and  
will duly and faithfully fulfill  
the duties of said office to the best of  
my judgement and ability.

Dated this 25 day of June 1953.

Signed - Michael Carty

Declared before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of

Signed H. M. Kelly -  
Town Clerk.

Declaration accepting Office as Chairman  
of the Langheer Town Commissioners -

I, William Conlon, being a  
person Re-Elected as Vice Chairman  
of the Langheer Town Commissioners  
in the County of Galway, hereby declare  
that I take the said office upon myself  
and will duly and faithfully fulfill  
the duties of said office to the best of  
my judgement and ability.

Dated this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 1953 -

Signed William Conlon

Declared before me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
June 1953 -

Signed H. M. Kelly -  
Town Clerk.



Minutes of proceedings of Annual Meeting of the  
Langhwa Law Commissioners held in the  
Empress Hall, at 4-30 p.m. - Thursday  
25<sup>th</sup> June, 1953.

Members present - Messrs M. Carty  
(outgoing Chairman) Mr. Conlan, (outgoing  
Vice Chairman) Mr. O'Shea, P. Morrissey,  
D. Cronin - & J. Kilby.

Clerk submitted L. Elections Bill, 1953, together  
with Circ. letter No. 5/53 dated 19/6/53, which  
stated "according to Sec. 2 of this Act. Elections  
of members of Law Commissioners, will not be held  
until 1955 - and the term of office of existing  
members is extended accordingly -

The Annual meeting to be held between 23<sup>rd</sup> June  
1953 and 1<sup>st</sup> July -

Order Noted -

minutes of the  
Annual meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 1952 were  
taken as read -

On the proposition of Mr. O'Shea, seconded by  
Mr. Kilby, Mr. Carty was unanimously  
re-elected as Chairman for the coming year.

Mr. Conlan was unanimously re-elected Vice  
Chairman on the proposition of Mr. D. Cronin,  
seconded by Mr. P. Morrissey.

The Chairman & Vice Chairman thanked  
the Board in suitable terms for their re-election,  
and then signed the usual declarations  
accepting their office -

Chairman and Vice Chairman were  
unanimously appointed as delegates to the  
Annual Conference for the next two years -  
Mr. Kilby was appointed as alternate  
delegate - on Chairman's proposition seconded by  
Mr. O'Shea -

Clerk notified the meeting that the Annual  
Conference of the Municipal Authorities Association  
will be held in Clonmel, on Tues, Wed, & Thurs.  
the 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1953 -

Order Noted -

No other Business was transacted -

Michael Carty  
8-7-53

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of Rathfriland Town Commissioners held on Wed. 8<sup>th</sup> July, 1953.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Barty - Chairman

Members present - Messrs W. Conlan, M. O'Regan, J. Devine, D. Cronin, J. Kilbary.

In Attendance - The Town Clerk.

Minutes of last monthly meeting and Special meeting held on 10/6/53, together with Annual meeting held on the 25/6/53 - were read confirmed and signed.

Discharge of Sewage into Street Drains at Church St. Main St.

Submitted lengthy correspondence signed by Mr. Mac Conn, Co. M. O. H. & Mr. O'Alton, Town Engineers referring to above discharge.

Mr. Mac Conn in his communication dated 1/6/53 to Mr. O'Alton, stated -

"From my inspection I am satisfied that the only nuisance that exists at this corner arises from the public gully & I recommend that the repairs to the defective sewer be undertaken immediately to abate the nuisance"

Clerk was directed to Request Co. Manager to have these repairs recommended by Co. M. O. H.

Carried out immediately -

Road Fund -

The Board on Chairman's proposition, agreed to Recommend to Co. Manager to have £10,000 ~~and~~ expended in the Rathfriland area out of the £15,800 Road Fund allocated for the Rathfriland area, seeing that large sums have been expended for past two years in this area on Road Repairs.

Clerk was directed to Communicate with Co. Manager on the matter -

Tumbling Cart -

The provision of a suitable Cart for Scavenging purposes was discussed, it was unanimously agreed to refer the matter to Co. Manager seeing that the present Cart in use is not suitable from a public Health point of view -

Extension of Sewerage in Galsway Road was referred to Chairman. also Repairs to Bookbeen known as "Ma Halloran's" -

Employment in Quarry at Earls park -

The Board expressed appreciation for the employment given in this Quarry. The Chairman assured the meeting that there was no danger of Quarry closing down.

Deputation appointed -

It was unanimously decided on Chairman's proposition to rescind the order made on the 10<sup>th</sup> June last - and send 4 members of the Board instead of 2, to "Foras Linnseail" Re provision of a Factory for the town.

Chairman reported that a suitable date would be arranged for the deputation, to suit Town Commissioners & Reps. from the Local Development Company.

Tenders for Bridewell -

Chair reported that 4 Tenders were received & transmitted to G. Manager.

The meeting strongly recommended that the Tenders submitted by the Y.A.A. be

accepted for the Bridewell premises, which would help towards the improving of the social & cultural ideas of the youth of the town. Y.A.A. to appoint a Board of Trustees consisting of Chairman & Vice Chairman of Town Commissioners. Together with one of the De La Salle Brothers -

Interference with Wireless Reception -

Query Form received from Dept. Posts & Telegraphs referred to Chairman -

Sympathy -

On the proposition of Mr. O'Ryan, seconded by Chairman the Board's sympathy was extended to Mrs. D. Ryan, Bride St. on the lamentable death of her brother & to the Costello family on the death of their father the late Michael Costello, Farna Lynch, Faghra.

Michael Mac Carthaigh  
12<sup>th</sup> Linnasa, 1953



Minutes of proceedings of monthly meeting of Langhlea Town Commissioners held in the Longrance Hall on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 1953.

In the Chair - Mr. M. Carty - Chairman.

Members present - Messrs M. U'Regan, J. W. Waine, and P. Morrissey -

In Attendance - The Town Clerk -

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed & signed -

Tenders for Bridewell - were left in hands of County Manager for his consideration, who stated in his letter dated 4/8/53 submitted to meeting, that he (C. Manager) should require to be satisfied that the Y.A.A. are going to make a good job of the premises renovation of the premises.

Development of Harry Bredia Wood -

Submitted plans and estimate drawn up by Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer - which estimated cost of development as listed in his letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> July last at £320- with the provision of a vertical Bar instead of a continuous Bar fence would be £393-

Mr. D'Alton outlined the following stages of the work as follows -

1. Removal of trees indicated.
2. Levelling & cleaning
3. Replanting of wood.
4. Planting of Hedge -
5. Preparation of rock garden and erection of Grotto.
6. Fencing of front wall & provision of Railings thereon & gates -
7. Planting of flowering ~~shrub~~ shrubs -
8. Seeding of lawn and walk -
9. Provision of seats -

Town Engineer stated that if the Commissioners approve of the plan in principle he will supply estimates for the various stages of the work -

The Board unanimously decided to adjourn the adoption of plans & estimates pending information from C. Manager regarding a long-term loan to cover expenditure -

Circular letter dated 4/4/53 Re Short Birth Certificates Regulations, 1953, was read and noted -

Circular letter from P. J. Dept. Referring to  
 (1) Sale of Urban Houses -  
 (2) Review of existing Rents -  
 was submitted and Read.

Clerk was directed to send copy of said letter to each Tenant concerned & to each member of the Board.

### Removal of glass from Windows of Houses

Read letter dated 11/8/53. Signed by Mr. J. Kilbey, apologising for his non attendance at meeting and referring to the removal of several panes of glass from the windows of the Attorney Road houses - the letter requested that the Board have the matter attended to immediately -

Chairman submitted letter signed by the Co. Secretary, stating that the work on the replacement of the glass is commencing on the 11<sup>th</sup> inst. that the delay was due to the workmen being on their annual leave -

The Board expressed dissatisfaction at the delay in having the glass replaced in their tenants' houses.

### Expenditure on Roads -

County Manager stated in his letter dated 4/8/53. that arrangements are being made to have a substantial sum expended on Road improvements in the vicinity of Langhrea -

Order - Noted and Approved -

### Leasing of part of field to Tennis Club -

Clerk reported that the necessary notice under Section 83, of the Local Government Act 1946, had been given to each member of the Board - Notice expires on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug. 1953 - and that Mr. Langhman, Tenant of field had also been duly notified -

Order - Noted and Approved -

### Trees in Garry Breedia Wood for Sale -

Mrs. Walter reported that trees proposed to be disposed of to St. Vincent de Paul's Society, wanted be marked with a Band of white paint - for identification purposes -

Order - Noted -

Sympathy -

On the proposition of the Chairman,  
 Seconded by Mr. O'Regan - the Board  
 tendered sympathy to the widow and  
 family of the late Frank Fahy, J.D.,  
 who occupied the position of Census  
 Compiler for many years in Wall  
 Eireann, & who rendered valuable service to  
 Ireland during the Civil War -  
 a vote of sympathy was also passed  
 with the Rurley family in their sad  
 bereavement on the death of their father  
 R. J. P.

Scavenging Cart.

Co. Manager stated in his  
 letter dated 4/8/53, that he was  
 writing to the County Engineer regarding  
 this matter.

Order - Noted -

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Edward O'Keefe.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON WEDNESDAY THE 9th SEPTEMBER, 1953.

MEMBERS PRESENT - MESSRS JOHN DEVINE, EDWARD O'SHEA, AND JOSEPH KILBOY.

IN ATTENDANCE- THE TOWN CLERK, (Mrs.H.M.Kiely)

ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR DEVINE, SECONDED BY MR. KILBOY, MR O'SHEA, WAS MOVED TO THE CHAIR IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN.

DISPOSAL OF PART OF PLAYGROUND FIELD TO LOCAL TENNIS CLUB

SUBMITTED SECTION 83, LOCAL GOVERNMENT 1946 ACT, WHICH WAS UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR. DEVINE, SECONDED BY MR. KILBOY AND RESOLVED TO DISPOSE OF PART OF FIELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS SPECIFIED IN RESOLUTION CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD ON THE 10th AUGUST, 1953. CLERK WAS INSTRUCTED TO HAVE THE NECESSARY TRANSFER CARRIED OUT AND LEASE COMPLETED BY THE BOARD'S SOLICITORS.

PROPER BRASS BAND IN THE TOWN . MR. DEVINE DREW THE BOARD'S ATTENTION FOR A PROPER BAND IN THE TOWN WHICH WAS NOTED AND HOPES EXPRESSED TO HAVE SUCH A BAND AS PROPOSED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

BRIDEWELL PREMISES SUBMITTED PARTICULARS REGARDING PROPOSED RENOVATION AND EXPENDITURE ON BRIDEWELL SIGNED BY SECRETARY OF ST. BRENDAN'S HURLING CLUB G.A.A., WHICH WERE NOTED AND APPROVED . COUNTY MANAGER'S ORDER NO. 584 WAS ALSO SUBMITTED AND APPROVED ACCEPTING THE TENDER OF £100 SUBMITTED BY THE G.A.A CLUB .

ADOPTION OF PLAN AND ESTIMATE FOR DEVELOPEMENT OF GARRYBREEDIA WOOD FOR COUNTY MANAGER'S ADVICE ON THE MATTER.

CLERK SUBMITTED LIST OF MATERIALS LEFT OVER AFTER COMPLETION OF HOUSING SCHEMES, WHICH WERE PURCHASED BY THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THE SUM OF £625-5-0.

ORDER NOTED AND APPROVED.

SUBMITTED NOTIFICATION OF PAYMENT OF GRANT NO .

MINUTES CONT.

A. 62718 TO MR. FRANCES QUINN, LOCATION OF HOUSE- POLLOREBUCK, LOUGHREA, INSTALMENT PAID £145-

MR. DEVINE THANKED THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ON BEHALF OF THE LOCAL TENNIS CLUB FOR HANDING OVER FIELD TO THEM AND ALSO ON BEHALF OF ST. BRENDAN'S CLUB FOR ACCEPTING THEIR TENDER FOR THE BRIDEWELL PREMISES. MR. DEVINE BEING MEMBER OF BOTH CLUBS.

MR. KILBOY DREW THE BOARD'S ATTENTION TO THE DELAY IN HAVING THE REPAIRS CARRIED OUT TO THE MAINS AND SEWERS AT CHURCH STREET CORNER .

CLERK WAS INSTRUCTED TO REFER THE MATTER TO CO. MANAGER ~~FOR~~ AND ALSO THE DELAY IN HAVING DWARD WALL ERECTED AND REPAIRS TO PROM AT LAKE-SIDE CARRIED OUT. ALSO ERECTION OF SCHOOL-SIGN AND 'CATS EYES' AT DANGEROUS CORNERS IN THE TOWN .

CLERK WAS INSTRUCTED TO DRAW THE ATTENTION OF THE E.S.B TO THE DANGER OF HAVING AN E.S.B. POLE IN CROSS STREET FOUR FEET OUT ON THE PUBLIC ROAD WITHOUT SOME DANGER SIGN OR REFLECTOR THEREON.

SYMPATHY OF THE BOARD WAS EXTENDED TO THE HUSBAND, DAUGHTERS AND RELATIVES OF THE LATE MRS. DESMOND DUFFY, MAIN STREET, MR. DERMOT RYAN ON DEATH OF HIS MOTHER, SISTERS OF MERCY ON DEATH OF SR. ALBERT, MRS. P. KEANE, BRIDE STREET, AND FAMILY, ON DEATH OF HER SON CON. ALSO TO THE RELATIVES OF THE LATE THOMAS O'SHEA, FORMERLY A RESIDENT OF THIS TOWN WHO DIES IN U.S.A, AND TO MR. & MRS. FAHY, BALLYGASTY, ON THE DEATH OF THEIR DAUGHTER.

*Michael Carly*  
14-x-53

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY THE 14th OCTOBER, 1953.

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSRS M.CARTY, CHAIRMAN, IN THE CHAIR,  
MARTIN O'REGAN, WILLIAM CONLAN, JOHN DEVINE, AND EDWARD  
O'SHEA, Town Clerk in Attendance.

Minutes of last meeting were read confirmed and signed.

Disposal of Bridewell Premises.

Submitted Section 23, L.G. Act, 1946, which was  
unanimously adopted on the proposition of Mr. Carty, Chairman,  
Seconded by Mr. J. Devine, and Resolved - that the Premises  
known as the Bridewell be disposed of to St. Brendan's  
Hurling Club G.A.A., in accordance with the terms specified  
in advertisement and Resolution circulated to each members of  
the Board on the 3rd Sept. 1953.

Mr. Devine Proposed & seconded by the Chairman, that a Clause  
be inserted in the Lease, that a room be reserved in the  
Bridewell by the G.A.A. for the use of the Town Commissioners,  
whenever same may be required.

*Order - Approved -*  
Clerk notified the members that it was necessary to have  
Minister's sanction and Co. Co's permission, for the disposal  
of the premises - which was Noted.

Erection of school-sign and "cats eyes" at dangerous corners  
in the Town, also consideration of removing the West-Bridge  
Battlement, and having it replaced by a railing, was adjourned  
to a special meeting to be held on the 21/10/53.

Delay in having repairs carried out TO Prom; at Lake-side,  
and erection of dwarf-wall, was also adjourned to special  
meeting.

Knocking down wall.

Mr. O'Regan, was deputed to interview Rev. Fr.  
O'Callaghan, Adm., regarding the removal of wall, which is  
Church Property, at the dangerous junction of Co. Home road,  
for the purpose of giving a better view to motorists etc;

N.O.M.

Chairman moved his motion handed in on the  
8/10/53, "That an up-to-date Survey of Housing requirements  
in the town be carried out without delay"

Minutes Cont:

It was unanimously suggested that a Notice be inserted  
in the local press inviting persons in need of houses  
within the township, to make application on or before  
next monthly meeting, 11th Nov 1953.

The Board expressed opinions that there was need for  
12 more houses in the town -(6 One-Store & 6 Two-Store)

Clerk submitted ~~Co. M.O.H's~~ List of persons whose houses  
were considered in Co. M.O.H's opinion, capable of correction,

Order-Noted.

Suitable Building Sites.

The provision of suitable building sites  
was adjourned to a later date.

"Painting of houses" and "Sale of Urban Houses" was adjourned  
to Special Meeting on the 21st inst, when Co. Manager and  
Town Engineer would be present.

Resolution of Protest.

The Board protested in very strong terms against  
the recent action against (Cardinal Wyszynski)  
Archbishop of Warsaw and Gniesen, by the Polish authorities,  
and directed that a copy of resolution of protest be sent  
to the Papal Legate, (Proposed by Chairman Seconded  
by Mr. O'Regan.)

Mayor' of Boston visit to Loughrea.

Discussion took place regarding the  
Mayor's proposed visit to Loughrea, when it was unanimously  
decided to extend to him a Civic Welcome - in the form  
of a Lunch at the Railway Hotel, followed by an Address  
of Welcome.

Chairman was deputed to interview Mr. Thomas Hynes,  
Main Street, Uncle of the Mayor, as to date of his nephews  
visit to the town.

Municipal Conference 1953.

Chairman reported that he and Mr. W. Conlan, T.C.,  
attended the Municipal Conference in Clonmel,  
on behalf of the Board.  
Order Noted & Approved.

Minutes Cont:

Sympathy of the Board was extended to Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan, Adm., on the recent death of his father the Late Mr. O'Callaghan, Kiltormer, and also to Michael Callaghan on the death of his father.

Provision of

Extra Lamp on the Hill was adjourned to next meeting.

*Michael Carty*

11-11-53

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING

OF THE LOUGHREA TOWNSHIP COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 22nd OCTOBER, 1953.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. M. CARTY, CO. CO., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSRS W. CONLAN, M. O'REGAN,

J. DEVINE, N. O'SHEA, J. KILBOY and D. CRONIN.

IN ATTENDANCE THE COUNTY MANAGER, C. I. O'FLYNN ESQ., AND MR. D'ALTON, B.E., TOWN ENGINEER. AND TOWN CLERK.

PAINTING OF HOUSES.

Mr. J. Devine referred his Mr. D'Alton, Engineer, to his refusal to employ Mr. Kean, painter, on the work of painting the houses, at Athenry Road. There was a lengthy discussion of the matter when County Manager ordered that the employment of workers for repairs to houses be left in the hands of Mr. D'Alton Engineer, as employment on Schemes is a function for the Co. Manager.

ERECTION OF DWARF WALL, REPAIRS TO PROM, REMOVAL OF BATTLEMENT AT WESTBRIDGE AND ERECTION OF DANGER SIGNS - CO. MANAGER informed the Board, that these matters had been referred to Co. Engineer Mr. Lee, for immediate attention.

Order- Noted.

Wall at corner of Road leading to Co. Home,

Mr. O'Rogan reported that he interviewed Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan Adm., as requested on the matter, and that he (Fr. O'Callaghan) was agreeable to have the wall removed. Co. Manager referred the matter further to Mr. D'Alton B.E., to interview the Tenant concerned and report back to Co. Manager.

Repairs to Mains and Sewers at Church Street corner, was discussed, Co. Manager directed that the work be carried out, under the Local Authorities Act, at the Estimated cost of £80- Mr. D'Alton to give the matter his attention.

Tumbling Cart for the town.

Co. Manager informed the meeting that the County Council would provide a suitable cart for the town, this was Noted and Approved.

Dangerous corner at Dr. Dyar's Athenry Road.





Minutes of proceeding of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wednesday the 11th November, 1953.

In the Chair- Mr. Michael Carty, Co. Co.

Members present- Messers William Conlan, Martin O'Regan, John Devine, and Joseph Kilboy.

In Attendance - The Town Clerk.

Minutes of last monthly meeting and of special meeting held on the 22nd October, 1953, were read, confirmed and signed.

Applications for houses

Sixteen applicants names were submitted for houses in reply to recent advertisement on local papers.

It was proposed by the Chairman, Seconded by Mr. Devine to recommend to the County Manager the erection of Ten- One storie-houses and Ten- Two storie-houses to satisfy the needs of the 20 applicants whose names were entered on the List. Scheme to be carried out by the Galway County Council for the Town Commissioners.

Supplementary Loans

On the proposition of the Chairman, Seconded by Mr. M. O'Regan, T.C the following resolutions were unanimously adopted-

"That we, the members of the Loughrea Town Commissioners, hereby make application to the Galway County Council to raise two supplementary Loans as follows in respect of our Housing Schemes-

16 House Scheme - £5,940.

19 House Scheme - £1,340.

which were carried out under the Direct Labour Scheme"

Repairs to Promenade on Co. Home Road.

Chairman report that £300 (Eight HUNDRED POUNDS) had been expended on the repairs and extension of the Promenade which was Noted.

Minutes Cont:

Resolution of Protest.

On the Chairman's Proposition Seconded by Mr. Conlan, the Board protested against the treatment meted out to workers by sending them 10 miles distance in an open lorry to work in Cregg Quarry, the workers having to set out at 7-30 a.m.

The Board considered this a great hardship during the winter months and recommended that the townsmen be employed within the township and the country-men in their own area.

Memorandum to be prepared.

On the proposition of the Chairman Seconded by Mr. Devine it was decided to have a Memorandum prepared at next monthly meeting of all orders made by the Board but not carried out by the Responsible Officials.

Co. Council Indebtedness on the 31/3/52 and 31/3/53.

On the Proposition of Mr. Devine Seconded by the Chairman Clerk was directed to procure these figures from the Galway Co. Council also what interest was paid during said periods to Banks, Insurance Companies and Local Loans Funds?

Clerk reported that the Leasing of the Bridewell Premises to St. Brendan's Hurling Club was approved by the Galway Co. Council in their letter dated the 2/11/53, and that a Query Form received from L.G. Department referring to the Statutory for Leasing of Bridewell was referred to the Board's Solicitor.

Order- Noted.

Letter of Thanks from the Apostolic Nuncio, dated the 7/11/53, was read and noted. Clerk was directed to have same inserted in the Minutes-

*Michael Carty*

13/1/54

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE  
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE  
9th DECEMBER, 1953.

PRESENT-

In the Chair- Michael Carty Esq M.C.C; T.C. ,

Others- Messers John Devine and William Conlan.

In attendance- Mr.F.O'Brien, Acting Town Clerk.

Minutes- The reading of the minutes of the November  
meeting was postponed until next meeting.  
Resolution of protest.

Correspondence was read from Co.  
Manager, and Engineer relative to resolution passed at  
last meeting. Mr.Carty informed the Board that he had taken  
the matter up with the Department direct and he expected  
an official inquiry would be held.

Promenade on Woodford Road -The Town Clerk was directed  
to inquire from Co.Engineer if a Plan was prepared for this  
work before it commenced and if so the Board would be glad  
to have a copy for next meeting.

Loan Indebtedness of Co.Council-  
Submitted letter dated 20/II/53 from Secretary County Council  
giving the following information-

I. Capital Indebtedness of Galway Co.Council at  
at 31/3/52 -- £777,928-15-7  
" 31/3/53 --- £1,018,124-13-3

2. Interest on Loans paid by Co.Council during financial year  
ended

31/3/52----- £20,459 -14-0

31/3/53----- 23255-16- 4

Applications for Housing- Submitted copy of letter dated 16/II/53  
Co.Manager to Staff Officer Galway County Council.

Importation of Russian Timber-Submitted copy of resolution  
by Limerick City Council calling on all local authorities  
to discontinue purchase of Russian Timber after 1/I/54.

Resolution was marked Read.

Michael Carty  
13/1/54

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE  
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE  
HALL ON WEDNESDAY THE 14th JANUARY, 1954.

In the Chair----- Mr.M.Carty,C.C., Chairman.

Members present- Messers Wlm.Conlan, Edward O'Shea,  
Joseph Kilboy, Martin O'Regan, John Devine and  
Donald Cronin.

Minutes of Meetings held on the 11th November and  
9th December, 1953 were signed as correct.

Mr.Moylan's non-attendance at meetings under Article  
12 Towns Improvements Act, 1884 was discussed and an  
order made on the Proposition of the Chairman, Seconded  
by Mr.Conlan that Mr.Moylan be notified to attend next  
monthly meeting and if not the matter of his nonattendance  
would be considered further.

House Purchase Scheme. Minister's sanction dated  
14/12/53 Ref. No. H.2344 to said Scheme was submitted  
and approved.

Co.Manager stated the time limit for receiving  
applications from tenants to purchase their houses was  
limited to 12 months *dating from 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1954 -*

Clerk reported that all tenants were notified on the  
21st Dec.53, and also the members of the Board.

Erection of Danger signs ~~at~~ Gats eyes and relief to  
flooding at Church St. corner, was reported by County  
Manager as being attended to, and repairs to road known  
as "Ma Halloran's Borheen" was referred to Co.Engineer  
for attention.

Resolution from Old Age Pension Committee was submitted  
and read referring to the release of Liam Kelly from  
prison and congratulating him for the stand he has taken  
for the rights of the people of Ireland.  
After some discussion on the adoption of said resolution,  
the Chairman ruled that the first part of said resolution  
be adopted. viz- " That we tender our deepest sympathy  
----- to their rightful seats in Dail Eireann".



Minutes Cont:

Co. Manager informed the meeting that the Development of the Garrybreedia Wood would be referred to the Tourist Board with a view to obtaining the necessary Grant.

Order-Noted and Approved.

N.O.M. Mr. Carty, Chairman moved his motion, notice of which was given to each member-

(1) " That the Town Commissioners grant a two thirds remission of rates to each and every industrial project established in their functional area under the terms of the Undeveloped Areas Act, the remission to be operative for the maximum period of years allowed for the Act.  
(2) That a special meeting of the Town Commissioners be held before the end of the month to consider suitable schemes for submission under the National Development Fund Bill and in particular laying down of a new Fair Green, Housing Scheme etc."

It was decided to consider the matters at estimates meeting on the 2 2nd inst :  
Co Manager stated that the remission of rates was a matter for the Co. Council, the Town Commissioners not being a Rating Authority.

Order Noted.

Clerk was directed to apply for estimate to E.S.B for the erection of 4 Pilot lamps to be erected in the town.

Clerk was also directed to have for next meeting the cost of painting and labour of each house in Moore Street, the matter to be referred to Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, for his attention.

The Board extended sympathy to Mr. M.O'Regan, and relatives, on the death of his Aunt -  
to Mr. Christie Kelly, on death of his father the late Edward Kelly, Dunkellin St., and James Finnerty.

Repairs to Finnerty's and Broderick's houses, Nunnery Lane, were referred to Co. Manager.

On the proposition of Mr. M. Carty, Chairman, Seconded by Mr. M.O'Regan, the Board extended Heartiest Congratulations to Most Rev. Dr. Philibin, on his appointment as Bishop of Clonfert.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL ESTIMATES MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON ~~WEDNES~~ FRIDAY THE 22nd DAY OF JANUARY, 1954.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. M. CARTY, CHAIRMAN. Co. Co.

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSRS M.O'REGAN, J. DEVINE,

J. KILBOY AND MR. T. MOYLAN, SOL.

IN ATTENDANCE- C.I.O'FLYNN ESQ., COUNTY MANAGER, AND TOWN CLERK.

Mr. MOYLAN APOLOGISED TO THE MEMBERS PRESENT FOR HIS NON-ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS FOR PAST SIX MONTHS OWING TO HE BEING OUT OF TOWN, WHICH COULD NOT BE AVOIDED, AND ASKED THE BOARD TO ACCEPT THIS APOLOGY.

ON THE PROPOSITION OF THE CHAIRMAN THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED MR. MOYLAN'S EXPLANATION, UNDER SECTION 12 OF THE TOWNS IMPROVEMENT ACT 1954.

MR. MOYLAN THEN THANKED THE BOARD IN SUITABLE TERMS, AND TOOK HIS SEAT AS MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

CHAIRMAN REFERRED TO THE UNDEVELOPED AREAS ACT, CONTAINED IN HIS N.O.M FOR LAST MEETING, NOTICE OF WHICH WAS PUT ON THE AGENDA.

AFTER SOME DISCUSSION ON THE MATTER IT WAS AGREED TO REFER THE CONCRETING OF THE SIDES OF THE RIVER, RUNNING THROUGH THE WALKS, AS ONE OF THE SCHEMES UNDER THE ACT, AND ASK THE ANGLERS ASSOCIATION FOR THEIR VIEWS ON THIS PROJECT, AND IF THEY HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS TO OFFER IN THE MATTER.

THE ERECTION OF A DWARF WALL FROM OPPOSITE KILBOY'S FIELD TO END OF PROM, ON THE CO. HOME ROAD, TOGETHER WITH THE DEVELOPEMENT OF GARRYBREEDIA WOOD, LAYING DOWN OF FAIR-GREEN, AND ERECTION OF SWIMMING POOL, WAS DISCUSSED WITH CO. MANAGER, WHO IS GIVING THESE PROPOSALS HIS ATTENTION.

THE ESTIMATES FOR 1954/55 YEAR WHICH WERE CIRCULATED TO EACH MEMBER, ~~WERE~~ CONSIDERED, WHEN COUNTY MANAGER EXPLAINED THERE WERE SOME ADJUSTMENTS NECESSARY REGARDING THE REPAYMENT OF HOUSING LOANS AND SUBSIDY. IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO ADJOURN FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FIGURES TO SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 3rd FEBY: 1954.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED ESTIMATES.  
MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON  
~~FRIDAY~~ WEDNESDAY THE 3rd FEBY. 1954.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. M. CARTY, CHAIRMAN.  
MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSRS W. CONLAN, M. O'REGAN, W. CO  
J. DEVINE, J. KILBOY AND D. CRONIN.

IN ATTENDANCE- C. I. O'FLYNN ESQ. CO. MANAGER.  
MR. D'ALTON, TOWN SURVEYOR AND MCM. KIELY, TOWN CLERK.

SUBMITTED 1954/55 ESTIMATES WHICH WERE ADJOURNED FROM  
LAST MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION. WHEN CO. MANAGER  
EXPLAINED TO THE BOARD THAT AN INCREASE IN DEMAND WAS NECESSARY  
OWING TO LESS SUBSIDY FOR HOUSES BEING RECEIVED FOR THIS  
PERIOD.

CO. MANAGER AND CHAIRMAN THEN WENT INTO EACH ITEM OF RECEIPTS  
AND EXPENDITURE SEPARATELY WHEN IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY  
AGREED NOT TO INCREASE THE FIGURE OF £300 FOR STREET-  
LIGHTING WHILE THE REPAYMENT OF LOANS WAS INCREASED BY £65-  
IT WAS DECIDED TO ALLOW THE ESTIMATED FIGURE OF £220  
FOR PAINTING AND REPAIRS OF THE HOUSES. TOWN SURVEYOR  
TO PROVIDE AN ESTIMATE FOR THE WORK AND INVITE TENDERS  
IF WORK CAN BE DONE LESS THAN THE LOWEST TENDER TOWN SURVEYOR  
TO HAVE IT DONE BY DIRECT LABOUR.

MR. DEVINE PROTESTED AGAINST THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN  
TOWN RATES WHEN CO. MANAGER INFORMED THE BOARD THERE WOULD  
BE NO TOWN RATE OF 4/7½ IN THE POUND IF THERE WERE NO  
TOWN COMMISSIONERS. CHAIRMAN WHO WAS IN FAVOUR OF ABOLISHING  
THE BOARD STATED THAT AN INCREASE OF ½d IN THE £ CO. RATE  
WOULD BRING IN THE AMOUNT NOW DEMANDED..

THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION ON THE MATTER WHEN IT  
WAS AGREED TO CONSIDER THE ~~PROPOSAL~~ PROPOSAL AT NEXT MEETING.

ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR. O'REGAN, SECONDED BY MR. CONLAN  
THE AMENDED ESTIMATES FOR 1954/55 WERE UNANIMOUSLY  
ADOPTED SHOWING AN INCREASE IN DEMAND OVER LAST YEAR OF  
£146 (approx. rate increase of 6½d in £)

CERT. E WAS DULY SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN AND TOWN CLERK  
DEMANDING FROM THE GALWAY CO. CO. THE SUM OF £1264 FOR THE  
1954/55 YEAR.

*William Conlan 17/2/54*

142.  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE  
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE  
HALL ON WEDNESDAY THE 17th FEBRUARY, 1954.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. W. CONLAN, VICE CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE MESSRS M. O'REGAN, T. MOYLAN,  
E. O'SHEA, J. DEVINE AND D. CRONIN.

IN ATTENDANCE - C. I. O'FLYNN ESQ., COUNTY MANAGER,  
AND TOWN CLERK (Mrs. H. M. Kiely)

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING WERE READ, CONFIRMED AND  
SIGNED.

Read letter dated 15/2/54 signed by Chairman offering  
his apologies for non-attendance at meeting and stating  
"Re proposal to abolish the Town Commissioners I am of  
opinion that a special meeting should be summoned for an  
early date to discuss the matter. Both the Co. Manager and  
Law Agent should be requested to attend. This meeting might  
also consider whether Urban Status, if it could be secured  
for the town, would improve matters for the Ratepayers of  
Loughrea."

On the proposition of Mr. O'Regan, seconded by Mr. E. O'Shea  
it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the matter of abolishing  
the Board to monthly meeting to be held on the 10th March.  
County Manager, stated he would be present at said meeting.  
Clerk was directed to invite the Board's Solicitor to attend.

Letter from Anglers Association - dated the 5/2/54 was  
read which stated that concreting of the sides of the  
river running through the Walks would be a great help to the  
flow of water therein as this river has been the principal  
spawning ground for trout from Loughrea. The Committee  
stated in said letter that the natural bed of the river  
should not be interfered with and that when the work of c  
concreting the sides is being carried out it will be at the  
proper season so as not to disturb spawning trout.

Order- Clerk to send copy of letter to Mr. D'Alton, Town  
Engineer, and request him to interview the Secretary  
Anglers Association, on the matter.

Letter of Thanks was submitted and read as follows-  
St. Patrick's College,  
Maynooth,  
23rd Jan. 1954.

"Dear Mrs. Kiely,

"I had great pleasure in receiving your  
letter conveying to me the resolution of congratulation  
of the Loughrea Town Commissioners and your own greeting.

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" May I ask you to return my Cordial Thanks to all concerned and to offer my best wishes for prosperity of all your enterprises"

I am,  
Your's Very Sincerely,  
W.J.Philbin."

On the proposition of Mr.Conlan, Vice Chairman, it was unanimously agreed that the Board on behalf of the people of the town, present an "Address of Welcome" to Rev.Dr.W.J. Philbin, D.D; on the occasion of his Concretation as Bishop of Clonfert on the 14th day of March,1954 to be prepared by the Chairman,Mr.Carty, and the Town Clerk.

*Michael Carty*  
*10-3-54*

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 10th MARCH,1954, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL,LOUGHREA.

IN THE CHAIR- MR.M.CARTY, CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSERS W.CONLAN, M.O'REGAN, J.DEVINE, ✓ and EDWARD O'SHEA.

IN ATTENDANCE- THE BOARD'S LAW AGENT MR. CROWLEY SOLICITOR FOR MESSERS A.COMYN & CO; AND THE TOWN CLERK ( Mrs.H.M.Kiely)

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING WERE SIGNED AS CORRECT.

ABOLITION OF THE BOARD BEING NO.2 ITEM ON THE AGENDA WAS DISCUSSED, WHEN MR.CROWLEY SOLICITOR INFORMED THE MEMBERS PRESENT THAT AT LEAST FOUR TOWNS,PREVIOUSLY ADMINISTERED BY COMMISSIONERS, HAD VOLUNTARILY CEASED TO HAVE TOWN COMMISSIONERS AND WERE INSTEAD, NOW BEING ADMINISTERED BY COUNTY COUNCIL .

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO REFER THE MATTER FURTHER TO THEIR SOLICITOR FOR ADVICE AS FOLLOWS:-  
(1) IF, AND WHEN, THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS ARE ABOLISHED, WOULD THE EXPENSES BE A COUNTY-AT-LARGE CHARGE OR LEVIED ON THE TOWN ONLY?

(2) IF THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS BECOME A URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL WOULD THE RATEPAYERS OF THE TOWN BENEFIT FINANCIALLY?  
MR.CROWLEY, SOLICITOR, TO REPORT BACK ON THE MATTER.

E.S.B STREET-LIGHTING QUOTATION OF £300.12.3 FOR PERIOD ENDING 31/3/55. WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED OF .

NONLIGHTING OF STREET LAMPS DURING THE MONTHS JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 1954. WAS ALSO APPROVED OF .

THE PROVISION OF ALL-NIGHT LIGHTING ON THE NIGHTS OF 13th AND 14th MARCH,1954, FOR BISHOP'S CONSECRATION, WAS RECOMMENDED IN THE INTEREST OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

READ LETTER DATED THE 25th FEBY.54, FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARTS COUNCIL DUBLIN RE PICTURES BY AN IRISH LIVING ARTIST.

THE BOARD REGRETTED THEY COULD NOT ACCEPT THE OFFER OWING TO HAVING NO OFFICE ACCOMODATION.

THE DRAFT COPY OF ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO BE READ ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN ON THE OCCASION OF THE BISHOP'S CONSECRATION WAS READ BY THE CHAIRMAN AND APPROVED BY THE



MINUTES CONT:

MEMBERS PRESENT.

HOUSING CHARGES - MR. DEVINE SUGGESTED THAT THE LAST TWO HOUSING SCHEMES IN THE TOWN SHOULD BE MADE A COUNTY-AT-LARGE CHARGE AND NOT LEVIED ON THE TOWN, IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT MANY OF THE TENANTS CAME FROM OUTSIDE THE TOWN AREA.  
ORDER- THE MATTER TO BE FURTHER DISCUSSED AT NEXT MEET-ING .

AUDITOR'S REPORT AND ABSTRACT OF A/CS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31/3/53 WERE SUBMITTED AND READ .

THE BOARD EXPRESSED SATISFACTION ON REPORT AND FIGURES SUBMITTED. THE CHAIRMAN CONGRATULATED THE TOWN CLERK.

THE BOARD'S SYMPATHY WAS EXTENDED TO THE RELATIVES OF THE LATE MISS MARY CANAVAN MAIN STREET, MR. LARRY KELLY ON DEATH OF WIFE, JAMES HEHR, TULLAHILL, AND THE GATHLY FAMILY ON THE LAMENTABLE DEATH OF THEIR SISTER DOLLY WHO WAS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED, REVEREND MOTHER MOUNT-CARMEL CONVENT, ON THE DEATH OF SISTER M. ALBERT (DOYLE)

*Michael Carty  
14-IV-'54.*

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON WEDNESDAY THE 14TH APRIL, 1954.

IN THE CHAIR-----MR. M. CARTY, CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT-----MESSERS EDWARD O'SHEA AND JOHN DEVINE.

IN ATTENDANCE-----THE TOWN CLERK, (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

MINUTES of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Read County Managers letter dated the 15/3/54 regarding orders made at last meeting as follows-

" There appears to be no method by which a Town having Town Commissioners can be completely de-commissionerized .

The County Council could be made the Commissioners for the Town but that would affect the area of charge. I would not, therefore, recommend that anything should be done in relation to this matter unless and until the law is altered"

There is no legal method by which the Town Commissioners can relieve themselves of their obligations in respect of houses built by them under their statutory powers .

The matter in relation to public lighting, I propose to ask the Galway County Council to agree to take over the public lighting as from the 1st April, 1955 if the Town Commissioners so approve.

Experience shows that rates tend to be higher in urban districts than in towns which are not urban districts because in the latter case the sanitary services/ charges are spread over the entire county health district. I would not recommend the Town Commissioners to seek Urban District Council status."

On the Proposition of Mr. Carty, Chairman, Seconded by Mr. Devine the Board unanimously agreed with the Co. Manager's proposal to ask the County Council to take over the Public Lighting of the town of Loughrea.

Housing Charges- On the Proposition of the Chairman Seconded by Mr. Devine it was suggested that the Minister for Local Government be written to regarding Housing Charges within the township of Loughrea and inform him that as well as providing houses for the needs of the town the Board also relieved the Co. Council by housing tenants from outside the area. The Board feel that they should get greater assistance either by reducing the Charges or requesting the County Council to contribute towards the annual Housing Charges. .

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MINUTES CONT:

ABOLISHING THE BOARD- It was agreed to adjourn this matter for six months dating from this date 14th day of April, 1954.

Harewood Estate- On the proposition of the Chairman Seconded by Mr. Devine the following resolution was adopted and Clerk instructed to forward to copy of same to Messers Osborne & Sweeney, Solicitors, for the Estate, "That we, the members of the Loughrea Town Commissioners, request the present Agents of the Harewood Estate to allow any unpurchased Tenant, in Loughrea, the same terms as were allowed to those who purchased their houses in the General Scheme some years ago viz 10 Years".

B.O.H Cottages. Clerk was instructed to ask County Manager what progress was made towards provision of sanitary facilities in the Board of Health cottages Loughrea?

Mobile Canteens and Travelling Shops.

Mr. Devine informed the meeting that objections had been raised by proprietors of Motels and Restaurants, also shopkeepers, regarding the above, they being a great hardship on the business people who are burdened with such heavy rates.

It was decided to ask the County Manager if anything could be done to have them restricted under the Public Health Act?

Housing Bye-Laws - Submitted Model Bye Laws with correspondence from the Local Government Department referring to same, made with respect to houses intended or used for occupation by the Working Classes under Section 27 of the 1952 Act. Notice of which was given on the Agenda. Copies being circulated to the members present.

Read letter signed County Manager dated the 25th March, 1954 stating "that the Model Bye Laws appear to be suitable for adoption by the Loughrea Town Commissioners".

On the Chairman's proposition Seconded by Mr. O'Shea, it was decided to adopt said Bye Laws and have the necessary Public Notice published in the local press as approved by County Manager.

Road Work on the Hill - Clerk was instructed to ask the County Surveyor why this work was held up? as the Board are at a loss to know, while Road Works all over the country are continuing.

*Michael Carty*

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 12th May, 1954.

In the chair- Mr. M. Carty, Co. Co., Chairman.

Members present - Messers W. Conlan, M. O'Ragan, E. Shea, and J. Kilboy.

In attendance The Town Clerk (Mrs. H. M. Kely)

The meeting opened with prayer as heretofore.

Minutes of last meeting were signed as correct.

Read letter signed Co. Manager stating that the Road Work on the Hill had terminated as money had been fully expended.

Chairman informed the members that he had taken the matter up with the County Council.

Order- Noted.

Housing Charges correspondence from County Manager was read stating that Town Commissioners being a Housing Authority are responsible for their own housing charges and also liable for part of Co. Health District - but special legislation may be sought from the Minister -

Order-Adjourn to meeting when County Manager will be present.

Erection of houses in future - Co. Manager states, will be carried out by the Galway County Council also the public lighting of the town.

Order-Noted and Approved.

County Manager reports that there is nothing in the Health Act that prohibits Hawkers, Mobile Canteens and Travelling Shops from operations under a Hawkers Licence from the State.

Order-Adjourn for County Manager's further attention when he attends the Board's Meeting.

Co. Manager also reports that Sanitary Facilities in B.O.H cottages on the Hill and Cosmona ~~are~~ having the attention of Co. Engineer who is having plans prepared, the report stated there is difficulty in relation to Cosmona, due to the levels of the sewers, and the matter is being attended to.

Transfer of part of P.G field to the Local Tennis Club -

MINUTES CONT:

Lease to be completed-to date from the 1st June,1954--  
Submitted List of Leasees on behalf of the Club Viz-

- 1. Sean Sweeney, Esq., B.E., Engineer.
- 2. Dermot Ryan Esq. Farmer.
- 3. Thomas Hope, Baker Proprietor.
- 4. Kevin Hayes Esq., B.E., Engineer.
- 5. Sean King " Postmaster.
- 6. John Duffy " Shopkeeper.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Submitted 1953 Mun. Conference Association (Associations) Report which was Noted.  
Mr. M. Carty, Chairman and W. Conlan, Vice Chairman, were deputed to attend the next Conference in Wexford from the 21st to the 23rd Sept. 1954.  
Messrs J. Kilboy, J. Devine or M. O'Regan to attend in the event of Chairman or Vice-Chairman not going.

Order Noted and Approved.

On the Proposition of Mr. M. Carty, Seconded by Mr. M. O'Regan the Board unanimously passed a vote of Welcome to Rev. Fr. Patrick Payton, Rosary Crusade Priest, on his visit to Loughrea.

Clerk to draft out Address of Welcome -The Chairman, and Vice Chairman with Mr. M. O'Regan to extend Welcome on behalf of the townspeople.

*Michael Carty*  
16/6/54

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

OWING TO THE ABSENCE OF A QUORUM ON WEDNESDAY

JUNE, 9th 1954 NO MEETING WAS HELD MR. JOHN DEVINE, BEING THE ONLY MEMBER PRESENT

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED TO WED. 16th JUNE, 1954.

*Michael Carty*  
16/6/54

ADDRESS OF SECRETARY:

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Adjourned  
 MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING  
 HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16th June, 1954.

In the Chair- Mr. M. Carty, Chairman.

Members present- Messrs M. O'Regan, J. Devine and Patrick Morrissey.

In Attendance- H. M. Kiely, Town Clerk.

The Meeting opened with prayer.

MINUTES of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed as correct.

Mr. Morrissey apologised to the members present for his nonattendance at previous meetings and expressed his wish to remain as member of the Board.

On the proposition of the Chairman Seconded by Mr. O'Regan Mr. Morrissey's apology was accepted under Section 12 of the Towns Improvement Act, 1954.

N.O.M, signed J. Devine, was moved by Mr. Devine regarding further grant for the development of the lake, when he suggested that further improvements be carried out to the Promenade at Lake-side and that particulars of Grant expended already on Improvements be submitted. Read letter signed County Manager stating that Representations have already been made for a Grant for the provision of Bathing Facilities from the National Development Fund.

Order- Adjourn the matter to next monthly meeting when County Manager and Town Engineer be invited to attend to discuss the question of expenditure of £300 grant, and further grants being applied for.

CONCRETING walls of WALKS RIVER - Read letter from the Anglers Association requesting that the bed of the River be not interfered with etc., also letter from County Manager stating "that in view of the view expressed by the Anglers Association he is of opinion that the work should not be proceeded with I think it unlightly that any grant would be given for the purpose" County Manager also stated that the estimate of £1,050 for the concreting of the left wall of the river entirely too high.

The Board unanimously agreed with County Manager's opinion and agreed that this work be not carried out.

ADVERTISING of Fairs and Markets was discussed when Board expressed dissatisfaction in not having them duly advertised in and outside the area of the town.

MINUTES CONT:

Clerk was instructed to communicate with Mr. B. Ryan, Toll Keeper,, on the matter of the importance of having the Fairs and Markets of the town of Loughrea properly advertised.

A discussion took place regarding Coal in Roxboro Area when it was unanimously agreed that Clerk communicate with Dept. of Industry and Commerce on the matter and inquire if there are any coal deposits there capable of development, by having a survey of the area carried out.

ANNUAL MEETING for Election of Chairman was fixed for Wednesday the 30th June, 1954.

HOUSING BYE LAWS- On the Proposition of Mr. M. Carty, Chairman, Seconded by Mr. M. O'Regan, T.C., the Board unanimously adopted a resolution applying to the Local Government Department for confirmation of the Housing Bye Laws made with respect to houses intended or used for occupation by the Working Classes under Section 27 of the 1952 Act as adopted by the said Board on the 13th April, 1954, and duly advertised in local papers as per Minister's instructions.

On the Proposition of Mr. Devine Seconded by Mr. O'Regan, the Board unanimously agreed in recommending Galway County Council to accept responsibility for public lighting in the town of Loughrea from 1/4/1955.

The Board extended sympathy to the Griffen family, on the tragic death of their ~~son~~

*W. Conlon 14/7/54*

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

DECLARATION ACCEPTING OFFICE AS CHAIRMAN OF  
THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

I, Michael Carby being a person  
Re elected as Chairman of the Loughrea Town Commissioners  
in the County of Galway, hereby Declare that I take the  
said Office upon myself and will duly and faithfully  
fulfill the duties of said Office to the best of my  
judgement and ability.

Dated this 30th day of ~~July~~<sup>JUNE</sup>, 1954.

Signed Michael Carby  
Chairman.

Declared before me this 30th day of ~~July~~<sup>JUNE</sup>, 1954.

Signed H. M. Kelly  
Town Clerk.

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

DECLARATION ACCEPTING OFFICE AS VICE CHAIRMAN  
OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS .

I, William Conlon BEING A PERSON  
Re Elected as Vice Chairman of the Loughrea Town  
Commissioners in the County of Galway, hereby Declare  
that I take the said Office upon myself and will  
duly and faithfully fulfill the duties of said Office  
to the best of my judgement and ability.

Dated this 30th day of June, 1954

Signed William Conlon  
Vice Chairman.

Declared before me this 30<sup>th</sup> June, 1954.

Signed H. M. Kelly  
Town Clerk.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, ON WEDNESDAY THE 30th DAY OF JUNE, 1954.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE- Messers Michael Carty, (outgoing Chairman) William Conlan, (outgoing Vice Chairman) Martin O'Regan, Edward O'Shea, Donald Cronin, Joseph Kilboy and Patrick Morrissey. In Attendance- The Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kately) The Meeting opened with prayer.

Clerk read Minutes of Annual Meeting held 25th June 1953 referring to Local Election Bill, 1953 and Circ. letter No. 5/53 dated the 19/6/53 which stated-

" according to Section 2 of the Act Election of members of Town Commissioners will not be held until 1955 and the term of office of existing members is extended accordingly". The annual meeting to be held between the 23rd June and 1st July"

The Board then proceeded to elect Chairman and Vice Chairman for the coming year when it was proposed by Mr. E. C. Shea Seconded by Mr. M. O'Regan that Mr. M. Carty Co. Co., be reelected. Mr. Carty who was then unanimously reelected Chairman of the Town Commissioners for the coming year thanked the members for their kind co-operation and his election.

Mr. W. Conlan was unanimously reelected Vice Chairman on the proposition of Mr. D. Cronin Seconded by Mr. P. Morrissey. Mr. Conlan also thanked the members in suitable terms.

Chairman & Vice Chairman were deputed to attend the Municipal Conferences on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

Tree in Walks- Mr. Kilboy drew the <sup>members</sup> ~~members~~ attention to the sale of a tree in the Walks ground est. value being £20- when Clerk was instructed to inquire from County Manager by whose authority it was sold and why it was not advertised?

Steamrolling of road at the Hill and Coorheen - Chairman stated he referred this matter to the Co. Surveyor for attention Order - Noted and Approved.

Resurfacing and Steamrolling private road from Railway to Station was referred to by Mr. Devine and an order

MINUTES CONT:

MADE TO DRAW THE C.I.E attention to the necessity for same.

No other business was transacted.

W. Conlan 14/7/54



LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 14th JULY, 1954, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL AT 7-30 P.M.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. W. CONLAN, VICE CHAIRMAN (in the absence of Chairman)

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSERS MARTIN O'REGAN AND JOHN DEVINE,

IN ATTENDANCE- THE TOWN CLERK (Mrs. H. M. Kiely)

MINUTES of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

BRIDEWELL PREMISES- Submitted sanction received from Minister for Local Government re sale of Bridewell to Brendan's Hurling Club for the sum of £100-

ORDER- Noted and Approved .

Clerk reported that the matter of transfer was in the hands of the Board's Solicitor.

RESOLUTION - Submitted resolution from Ceanannus Mór U.D.C. re legislation to compel ground landlords to sell their interests at a valuation not exceeding £15-

ORDER- Mark "Read."

REPAIRS TO PROMINADE- Submitted Co. Engineer's report as follows- to be carried out during the current year- (1) Ease the bend east of the promenade.

(2) Regrade the road for a distance of about 700 yds.

(3) Widen road to ~~approx.~~ 20 ft. for approx; 700 Yrds.

(4) It is intended to plant Flowering Trees in a small earthen verge 4 ft between the path and the road.

Co. Engineer's report was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC MOUNTAIN- The provision of a water pump at Boorheen-Comm, Moore St., was discussed, and an order made that a reminder be sent to Co. Manager on the matter.

COMPLETION OF "CATS EYES" Signals, was considered and and it was suggested that a white water-paint line

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Be put down between each signal on the roads.

Clerk was instructed to communicate with Co. Manager on the matter.

HOUSING SITES- Clerk was instructed to ask Co. Manager what action was being taken in the procuring of Housing sites for the future Housing Scheme and what action is being taken regarding the derelict sites in the town?

Clerk reported that the Town Engineer had made survey of derelict sites and had reported to Co. Manager on the matter.

Order-Noted.

REPAIRS TO HOUSES- Mr. Devine drew the Board's attention to some minor repairs needed in Messers Connolly's and Kearns' houses, Athenry Road, which the tenants could not afford to do.

Order- On the proposition of Mr. Devine, the Board suggested that County Manager be requested to have these repairs carried out by the Town Engineer.

DEPUTY CO. MANAGER'S NONATTENDANCE- Submitted letter of explanation from Deputy Co. Manager re his non-attendance at meeting of the Board which was accepted.

SELLING OF TREE IN WALKS- Clerk reported that this was referred to Co. Engineer.

The Board congratulated the Minister for Local Government on his suggestion to have wider powers given to Local Authorities on Mr. Devine's proposition, Seconded by Mr. O'Regan.

On the proposition of Mr. O'Regan, Seconded by Mr. Conlan, the Board's sympathy was extended to Mrs. Beatty and family, on the recent lamentable death of her husband the Late Joseph Beatty of Main Street, Loughrea.

Clerk stated that List of Attendances of members at meetings would be submitted to next monthly meeting.

Order- Noted.

Michael Conlan

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON WEDNESDAY THE 11th AUGUST, 1954. (Hour of meeting 7-30 p.m)

In the Chair - Mr.M.Carty, Chairman.

Members present - Messers J. Devine, J.Kilboy and P.Morrissey and subsequently Mr. M.O'Regan.

Meeting opened with prayer.

MINUTES of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

REPLY from C.I.E- Read letter dated the 31/7/54 from C.I.E stating that the condition of the road leading to the Railway Station had been investigated and it had been found that some repairs were necessary but it is not intended to steamroll the road.

Order- Notify C.I.E that the Board think it necessary to have the road steamrolled.

WATER PUMP IN BOCRHEEN-COMM Submitted Act.Co.Secretary's letter (dated the ) stating that this matter had been referred to the Co.Engineer, when the matter would be further considered.

ORDER- Noted.

HOUSING SITES. Read letter dated 3/8/54 from Act.Co.Secretary as follows-

"We are communicating with a land-ownee in Lrea; with a view to acquiring a site for housing scheme but no definite decision has been reached on the matter"

Chairman reported that he had a N.O.M handed in for Co.Co., meeting referring to the erection of houses, when this matter would be discussed.

Order- Noted.

LIST OF MEMBERS ATTENDANCES - was submitted dating from June 1953 to 16/6/1954 as follows-

Names	No.of meetings held	No.attend ed	No. absent	Result
J.Devine	19	17	2	1st
M.Carty; (Chairman)	"	16	3	2nd
W.Conlan	"	13	6	3rd
M.O'Regan	"	12	7	4th

CONT. MINUTES.

Names	Meetings	No.attended	No.Absent	Result
E. O'Shea,	19	11	8	5th
J.Kilboy	"	19	10	6th
D.Cronin	"	3	11	7th
T.Moylan	"	4	15	3th
P.Morrissey	"	3	16	9th

Mr.T.MOylan tendered his resignation as member of the Board thanking the Chairman, Members, and Town Clerk for consideration & courtesy extended to him during his term of office as Town Commissioner.

Order- Accept resignation and notify Co.Manager, that the Board wish to leave seat vacant until the June elections 1955, if in order.

NOTICE OF AUDIT was submitted and Noted for 24/8/54.

PAINTING OF NEW HOUSES. Clerk reported that tender of Messers Barrett & O'Reilly, Painting Contractors, for the painting of 19 houses for EI49-3-C had been accepted and approved by Co.Manager,

ORDER- Noted & Approved.

THE ERECTION OF A ROAD SIGN at West Bridge was discussed and an order made that Co.Manager be requested to have one erected directing traffic on different routes viz- Dublin, Galway or Limerick etc:

LOCAL INQUIRY. On the proposition of Mr.J.Devine, Seconded by Mr.J.Kilboy, the Board unanimously agreed in holding a sworn inquiry into the following matters-

1. Circumstances surrounding the sale of a tree in the Walks Grounds.
2. Examination into the expenditure of current grant for promenade on Co.Home Road including cost of stones.
3. The delay in having water and sewerage installed in all Co. cottages in the town

Clerk read Abstract from Minutes dated the 14/4/54 as follows-

"Co.Manager reports that sanitary facilities in Co.Co. cottages on the Hill and Galway Road are having the attention of Co.Engineer who is having plans prepared etc:"

ORDER- Refer the question of holding inquiry to Co.Manager for his directions in the matter.

CONFERENCE WITH MINISTER FOR L.G.Dept., Chairman reported that he and Mr.Conlan, V.C., would attend Conference on the 13th inst with a view to discuss Amendments to the Co.Management Act! It was unanimously agreed to hold a special meeting on the 17th

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inst at 7-30 p.m to discuss matters referring to Amendments of Co.Management Act.

RABBIT DESCEASE The Board protested against the R. D M which was spreading throuth the country.

SYMPATHY OF THE BOARD was extended to Mr.Patrick Beegan,T.D on the death of his mother the late Mrs.M.Beegan Oatfield, Cappatagle and with the Duane family, Galway Road, on the death of their father the late Patrick Duane who was for many years a member of this Board.

8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1954

*Joseph Killop*

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON TUESDAY THE 17th AUGUST,1954 AT 7-30 p.m.

IN THE CHAIR----- MR.M.CARTY, CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT)----- MESSERS W. CONLAN, J. DEVINE

and P. MORRISSEY.

Copy of County Management Act,1940, and Reserved Functions of the Board were submitted by the Clerk.

CHAIRMAN EXPLAINED THE BUSINESS THE MEETING HAD TO DISCUSS.

NAMELY:- AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY MANAGEMENT ACT, 1940.

NOTICE OF WHICH WAS GIVEN ON THE AGENDA.

ON the Chairman's proposition Seconded by Mr. Devine, the following Amendments were proposed for discussion at conference with Minister for Local Government, regarding the County Management Act,1940- that

" SECTION 19 of the Act be redrafted, with a view to having copies of orders, proposed to be made by County Managers, circulated to members in advance, and that provision be made for having objections lodged by members of Local Authorities, to any such proposed Orders"

"SECTION 20 of The Act be Amended so - "No Office, Temporary or Permanant, be created without the prior consent of the Council concerned, That no Architect or Professional, be appointed, without the prior consent of the elected body, wh- which will select, if necessary, the Architect or Professional, whose services are required. "

That Section 20 be further Amended, so as to permit members of a Local Authority, to have well-founded grievances of Officers or Servants of the Authority, redressed.

"And that \_ copy of the New Act with a Memorandum, Explanatory Paper, attached, be circulated to each Local Authority concerned." Order- "Chairman and Vice Chairman to discuss these points raised at Conference to be held on the 18th August, 1954.

No other business was transacted.

8<sup>th</sup> Sept 1954

*Joseph Killop*



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON WEDNESDAY, THE 8th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1954.

MEMBERS PRESENT - MESSRS JOHN DEVINE, PATRICK MORRISSEY

JOSEPH KILBOY, EDWARD O'SHEA.

The meeting opened with prayer.

On the proposition of Mr. Morrissey, Seconded by Mr. J. Devine, Mr. Kilboy was moved to the Chair in the absence of Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Subsequently Mr. W. Conlan, Vice-Chairman attended.

In Attendance - The Town Clerk, (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

Minutes of last monthly meeting and special meeting were read, confirmed and signed, as correct.

Read County Manager's letter dated the 16/3/1954 which stated -

"With regard to the <sup>sale of</sup> tree in the Walks, it was a matter for the County Council and not the Loughrea Town Commissioners to dispose of it. The Assistant Co. Engineer would appear to have acted in good faith in selling the tree for the sum of £2. Accordingly the value of the tree would not have been more than 43/- and the Town Commissioners appear to be wrong in estimating its value at £20."

"Regarding the Promenade, any work done on the promenade is being done by the County Council as the Roads Authority, regarding the manner in which the money allowed for this work is expended, it is a matter for investigation by me in the first instance, and the Loughrea Area have representatives on the County Council who are entitled to raise any queries concerning it, but it is not a matter for the Town Commissioners to investigate the affairs of the Galway County Council."

"Re the Sanitary Services of the cottages, the plans for the Loughrea area are completed, and the remaining portion is being attended to. It is intended to finance the provision of sanitary services for the Loughrea cottages jointly with the provision of sanitary services for cottages in the Gort area and as soon as the Gort schemes are ready, the matter will be proceeded with."

"It is not in order to postpone the election of Mr. Moylan's successor until the June, 1955, elections."

MINUTES CONTINUED.

Read copy of Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer's report, dated 5/3/1954, referring to Sale of Tree in Walks as follows "Poplar of sound condition, commercial quality and standing in open ground is worth 1/6 per cubic foot.

"The tree was extensively decayed and was standing in a confined situation. Mr. Morgan had to give me an undertaking to make good any damage caused in the felling of the tree. In the circumstances I valued the timber at 9d per cubic foot and on the reckoning that there would be about 50 cubic feet of useable timber in the tree, I priced it at £2.

"Felling showed that there was about 56 cubic feet of good timber which raised its value to 43/- somewhat higher than I had estimated but reasonably accurate, in view of the fact that the extent of the rotting could not be foretold with accuracy." "If the tree had been in perfect condition and standing in open ground its value would have been £7-10-0. I did not recommend advertising because of the small amount involved."

After some discussion regarding the sale of the tree in the Walks, as set out in County Manager's and Town Engineer's letters, the Board expressed dissatisfaction with Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer's value of the tree, when it was proposed by Mr. J. Kilboy (Acting Chairman) Seconded by Mr. J. Devine and passed - "That this Board ask for the sworn inquiry regarding the sale of the tree and the fact that it was not advertised for sale."

Co. Manager's remarks regarding the provision of sewerage in the cottages was Noted.

The appointment of a Clerk in Town Engineer's office, without having the position advertised, was also discussed, and the Clerk was directed to bring the matter to the notice of the County Manager.

Expenditure on the promenade and sale of stones in Gortnabheeban were adjourned for consideration to next meeting, when the local Representatives on the Co. Council viz, Messrs M. Carty, and V.P. Shields Sol., Co. Co., are to be invited to discuss with the Board grievances regarding Co. Co. expenditure in the town.

Proposed by Mr. J. Devine, and passed unanimously.

MINUTES CONTINUED.

It was unanimously recommended by the Board to have the seven trees in Garrybreedia Wood advertised for sale seeing that the St. Vincent De Paul Society had no interest in them. Submitted Town Engineer's report on same stating there were 6 dead trees and 1 live tree (in a dangerous position) the cost estimated for the 7 trees being £6-

Submitted Minister's Confirmation of Housing Bye-Laws dated the 25th August, 1954 Ref. No. 105/3/I which was noted.

Co-opton of member as Mr. Moylan's successor

It was unanimously agreed to put co-opton on Agenda for next monthly meeting, being due notice under Section 42 of Local Government Act, 1941.

Submitted Town Engineer's report referring to Repairs to Water fittings in Town Commissioners Houses, dated the 7/9/54, when it was agreed to have tenants concerned notified of the necessary repairs.

Names of Trustees for signing Lease of Bridewell on behalf of the St. Brendan's Hurling Club G.A.A, were not submitted to meeting. Mr. Devine was deputed to have names submitted to Solicitor's office.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the relatives of the Late Laurence Smyth and Michael Fahy in their recent sad berevements.

*Michael Carly 13-10-54*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 13th OCTOBER, 1954 IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL AT 7-30 P.M.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. M. CARTY? CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSERS W. CONLAN, M. O'REGAN, J. DEVINE, N. O'SHEA? J. KILBOY? D. CRONIN AND PATRICK MORRISSEY.

ALSO PRESENT- MR. C. I. O'FLYNN COUNTY MANAGER, RENT COLLECTOR AND TOWN CLERK.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING WERE READ, CONFIRMED AND SIGNED.

Read letter from Mr. V.P. Shields Co. Co., regretting he could not attend the meeting owing to pressing business in Dublin but would be pleased to do anything he could if particulars were furnished to him.

Order- Noted.

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Sale of Tree. Read letter dated the 20/9/54 signed County Manager as follows- "I respectfully submit for consideration by the Loughrea Town Commissioners that they should have more regard for the Minister & Local Government than to ask him than to ask him conduct inquiry into the sale of a tree. The Commissioners would probably be requested to pay the expense of such an Enquiry. It would be unreasonable to incur the expense of issuing an advertisement for the sale of a single tree. I suggest that the request for the enquiry should be withdrawn."

On the Proposition of Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Conlan it was unanimously agreed to demand the enquiry into the sale of the tree in the Walks Ground.

Appointment of Clerk in Town Engineer's Office.

Co. Manager stated that he had no observations to make re this appointment as it is not a matter for the Loughrea Town Commissioners. Co. Engineers may employ ganger Clerks with Co. Manager's approval no competitive examination being required.

No further order made.

Town Engineer's attendance at meetings of the Board was proposed by the Chairman Seconded by Mr. O'Regan with the Co. Manager's approval.

Clerk to notify Mr. D'Alton Town Engineer, accordingly.

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Repairs to Water -fittings . Co.Manager stated in his letter dated 20/9/54 that the tenants concerned should be requested to have the repairs carried out to the satisfaction of the Engineer and if not done after a reasonable notice the repairs to be done by Engineer and cost of same charged to the Tenants . Clerk reported that the tenants had been notified. The Board adjourned this matter to next meeting

Road Signs . Submitted and read Co.Engineer's letter dated 20/9/54 stating that additional road signs are being erected at West Bridge showing:- Dublin 112 miles Limerick 53 miles .

Order-Noted and Approved.

in Main Street  
White Lines on Roads / was not approved by Co.Manager Co.Engineer or Civic Guard Authorities as stated by Co.Manager .

The Board noted these remarks and recommended that white lines be put down on roads at dangerous corners (Mulcairs corner and Dr.Dyers) .

Dangerous corner- Messers Chairman and M.O'Regan were deputed to interview Mrs.FitzMorris on this matter.

Repairs to Connolly's and Kearns ranges in Athenry Road The Board agreed to provide funds for the provision of grates and frames for these tenants ranges . (Proposed by Mr. Devine Seconded by Mr.Conlan)

Trustees names for Bridewell Premises were not submitted to meeting.

Co-optation of member in Mr.Moylan's seat notice of which was given on the Agenda- took place as follows- Mr.Devine proposed P.Lally Seconded by Mr.O'Regan.

Mr. O'Shea proposed Mr.MacDonnell Seconded by Mr. Conlan, the voting was as follows- For Lally- Messers Devine, O'Regan and Kilboy - 3

For MacDonnell- Messers Chairman, Conlan, Cronin and O'Shea 4 Mr.Morrissey did not vote

Chairman declared Mr.MacDonnell co-opted as member of the Board under Sec. 42 L.G.Act. 1941.

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Deputation from the Three Tenants in the Barrack St. houses namely Messers P.Fahy, N.T., J.Clery, N.T and A.Dervan, N.T attended the meeting and was heard by Co.Manager and members of the Board, on the matters of rent charges and repairs.

Mr.Clery, N.T, spoke on behalf of the deputation when he suggested that the rate be One Eight and not One Sixth of the Tenants Income when determining the rents. Chairman suggested that a flat rate rent of 36/- weekly be charged on these three houses.

( Mr.O'Regan left at this point)

After a length discussion on the matter Co.Manager agreed to look into the matter of repairs and the provision of front railings . It was unanimously decided that no change be made in their rents.

Congratulations were extended to Mr.O'Sheahan, Architect Limerick, on the recent honour conferred on him by His Holiness The Pope .

Tender for Garrybreedia Trees was submitted by John Joynt at £4-10-0 which was accepted by the Board on Co.Manager's approval .

Michael Carty  
10-11-'54



LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

DECLARATION ACCEPTING OFFICE AS MEMBER OF  
THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

I Seamus Mc Donnell being a person  
Co-opted as member of the Loughrea Town Commissioners  
in the County of Galway, hereby declare that I take the  
said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully  
fulfill the duties of said office to the best of my  
judgement and ability.

Dated this 10th day of Nov. 1954. Time

Signed Seamus Mc Donnell

Member.

Declared before me this day of Nov. 1954.

Signed R. M. Kelly

Town Clerk.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE  
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY  
THE 10th day of NOVEMBER, 1954.

IN THE CHAIR - MR. MICHAEL CARTY, CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT - MESSRS W. CONLAN, J. DEVINE, N. O'SHEA,  
J. KILBOY, AND SEAMUS MacDONNELL.

MR. MacDonnell signed the usual declaration accepting his office  
as Town Commissioner before taking his seat as member of the  
Board.

Minutes of last meeting was read, confirmed and signed.

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Submission of names for the Bridewell Trustees for the  
necessary transfer of the premises to the St. Brendan's Club  
of the G.A.A. was discussed.  
The meeting expressed dissatisfaction that the names of Trustees  
were not yet submitted and on the Chairman's proposition it  
was decided to notify the Board's Solicitor that the offer  
will be withdrawn unless the transfer is complete within a  
month from this date the 10th Nov. 1954.

Widening of the road known as "Mulcair's Corner" was considered  
when Chairman reported that Mrs. Kennedy is agreeable that the  
County Council take over her house for the widening of said  
road.

Clerk was directed to notify County Manager accordingly.

It was unanimously agreed not to discuss the Malicious  
Compensation Claim submitted on behalf of Mr. Maurice Ahern  
Victualler, Dunkellin Street, after receiving legal advice on  
the matter.

Re Sewerage Scheme - The Board unanimously agreed to ask  
the Galway County Council to reconsider their decision  
regarding the sewerage scheme for Loughrea and have the matter  
speeded up.



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LOUGHREA 3

ST. BRENDAN'S HOME  
LOUGHREA

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Bridewell Premises . Mr.T.R. Kelly attended Meeting on behalf of the Hurling Club.He explained that a misunderstanding arose between the Board's Solicitor and his Club through no fault of the latter in connection with the transfer of the Bridewell. He submitted the following Trustees (1) T.Fergus,Barrack St., (2) T.R.Kelly,Cross St., (3) M.Daniels,Bride St., Order. Trustees approved and Solicitor to be notified to proceed with transfer.

Sewerage Scheme. The Chairman informed the Meeting that a Notice Of Motion in connection with the Loughrea,Gort and Headford Schemes was on the Agenda for the Jany Meeting of the County Council.

A vote of thanks was passed to the County Manager for his efforts in trying to get the Loughrea Scheme approved by the Co.Council.

Complaint regarding Tractors having Streets in a dirty condition.

Order. THE clerk was directed to warn Miss Ryan Main St., that the Board would take serious notice of any future recurrence of this practice.

Tenants of Vacant Houses.The County Manager after consulting the members of the Board appointed the following tenants.

Barrack St., Garda Andrew Cryan.

Abbey Tce. Francis Duane.

Cumann Comaltas Ceoilteoiri Na HEireann The members were pleased to learn that Loughrea was selected as the venue for the Annual Festival of the above and promised to do everything to make the visitors happy during their stay in the Town for the Festival

Notice of Motion. Mr.Devine handed in Notice that he would move a resolution opposing any increase in the salaries or allowances of members of the Oireachtas.

Sympathy.Mr.Carty proposed and Mr O'Regan seconded a vote of sympathy to the Connaire family,Church St., and Gallinan Family,Galway Rd., on their recent ~~and bereavements~~ bereavements.

Local Loans Fund.Circular No.H. 12/54. 25/11/54. Dept of L.G.

Stating that a direction under Sec.12 of the Act fixing 4 1/2% as the rate if interest payable in respect of issues from Local Funds made on and after 1/12/1954.

Michael Carty 12-1-1955

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea T.C. held on Wed. Jany.,12,1955.

Present

In the chair: Mr.M.Carty,  
Others Messrs O'Regan, Conlon, Devine, Kilboy and Morrissey  
I attendance Mr.F O'Brien, Acting Town Clerk.

Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

Sworn Inquiry re sale of tree. Submitted letter dated.....Dept of Local Gov. refusing Commissioner's request for sworn Inquiry also stating that this was a matter for the County Council.The Dept however pointed out that objection could be lodged during the Audit of Accounts of that body and the Auditor would consider the matter.  
Order.It was proposed by Mr.Kilboy and sec. by Mr.Carty that the Manager be informed that the Commissioners objected to the manner in which the tree was disposed of and he was requested to bring the matter to the notice of the Auditor.

Arrears of Bonus to Officials.The Board unanimously agreed to authorise the Manager to submit proposals for the payment of arrears of bonus for the period 1/11/53 to 31/3/53 to any official under the Boards control who would be entitled to such bonus.

Repairs to No.11 Dolphin St.Submitted letter dated 16/12/54 - Town Engineer requesting approval for expenditure of £21.2.0 for this work which was unanticipated and not included in 1954/55 Estimate.  
Order. Expenditure approved.

Arrears of Rent. It was noted that considerable arrears of rent was permitted to accumulate in the case of C.O'Loughlin a former tenant of No.11, Dolphin St.The Acting Clerk produced a file in this case showing the amount of rent due and also explaining that some of the large arrears in this case was due to the Court putting a stay of three months on the execution of the Order for Possession.During the prolonged legal proceedings no rent was paid by the tenant. The meeting was also informed by the Acting Clerk that a Civil Bill was now issued against O'Loughlin for the arrears of rent together with an amount of £11.13.0 for damaged caused in ~~the~~ to the house by him.Order; In future the Board should be informed of tenants E.S.B. Pole.Submitted letter dated the 5/1/55 county Engineer stating that the E.S.B. will set back the Pole in Cross St., at their own expense.  
Technical School.Submitted letter dated..... Dept of Ed. acknowledging Telegram of the 20/12/54 re siting of Technical School and stated that they had nothing further to add to their communication of 27/11/54 but that a decision in this matter would be sent to the County Voc.Com. in due course

Cinematograph Licence was granted to The Town Hall,Ltd., for the year ending the 31st.December,1955.

Increase in Remuneration to members of the Oireachtas. Mr.Devine moved his Notice of Motion handed in at the last Meeting in this connection.There was no seconder for the ~~resolution~~ proposal and the matter was not discussed further.

Dangerous Bends. Very Rev.Fr.O'Callaghan attended the Meeting to seek the support of the Board in having the exit from Piggotts Lane to Main St., properly signposted to avoid accidents to children during School hours. He also impressed on them the necessity for having the corner leading from Cross St. to St.Brendans Home removed and suggested that Cross st and Barrack St. be signposted as Main Roads and that Stop Signs be ~~erected~~ erected in Moore St., and on the County Home Road.The Commissioners assured Fr.O'Callaghan of their support in this matter.

Order.It was decided to invite The Very Rev.Adm ~~and~~ Supt of the Guards to the next Meeting when the County Manager would be available to discuss the whole subject in detail with a view to having some action taken.  
Sympathy It was proposed by Mr.O'Regan and seconded by Mr.Carty that the sympathy of the Board be extended to the following on their recent bereavements: Mrs Kerins,Oranmore on the death of her husband,Mrs Dyar on the death of her aunt and Mrs Timony on the death of her husband.

Michael Carty  
9-2-'55



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TELEPHONE 1  
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ST. BRENDAN'S HOME  
LOUGHREA

Minutes of Annual Estimates Meeting of the Loughrea  
Town Commissioners held in the Temperance Hall on  
Saturday the 22nd. Jany., 1955.

In the Chair: Mr. M. Carty.  
Others: Messrs Kilboy, O'Regan and McDonnell.  
I attendance; F. O'Brien, Acting Town Clerk.  
The Chairman who had previously given notice that he would move to have  
the Meeting adjourned owing to the unsuitability of the night asked the  
members present to agree to the adjournment.  
The Acting Clerk informed the Meeting that he had given notice of the  
proposed adjournment to the County Manager and the Manager had requested  
Departmental sanction for the adjourned Meeting to be held on Wed. 26th.  
inst at 7-30 p.m.  
The Meeting was accordingly adjourned without transacting further business.

M. Carty 9-2-55

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Loughrea Lane

Is the terminus of the Branch line, 9 miles long  
from Altymon Junction on the main line of Co. Ros  
Loughrea Circum. Western Section.  
Wednesdays  $\frac{1}{2}$  holidays - Thursdays - Markets.

Area - 1,052 acres - population 1951 =  
2,853.

Valuation = 1936 = £4,838.

Houses in 1911 = 491.

64/200 Watt Elec. Lamps for 1953/54 year  
at the Exchange charge of £290-6-0 -  
approx. £4-10-8 per lamp =

Address of Congratulation  
to

The Rev. Mother and Sisters of St. Raphael's Convent  
on the occasion of  
The Centenary of their foundation in Langhrea.

~~The~~ Rev. Mother,

On the occasion of the Centenary of the coming of the Sisters of Mercy to Langhrea, we, the Langhrea Town Commissioners, on behalf of the people of the town, respectfully offer you cordial Congratulatory wishes and express the wish of the citizens that you and your community may be spared to continue the magnificent services your community has rendered during the last hundred years - to the people amongst whom you have lived and laboured, and to our Divine Master, whose mercy you so faithfully interpret in your lives and work.

The Sisters of Mercy came to the town at a time when mere elementary education was confined to the few. The fact that education has reached such a high standard in the town and district, is in a very large measure the result of your community's persistent and well-directed efforts over the long years to make it available to many. Your service to the sick, the poor and the afflicted can never be forgotten and we pray that you and your community may receive the full spiritual reward promised to the good and faithful servants.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners:

- Michael Carty - Chairman
- Martin O'Regan - Vice Chairman
- William O'Sullivan - Member
- John Devine - "
- Joseph Kelly - "

- Donald Cronin - Member
- Patrick Morrissey - Member
- Red Shea - Member

(Mrs.) H. M. Kelly - Town Clerk

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 1951.

Town Rate = and C. Rate  
1953/54 yr.

Sanction Town Charges =  $49 \frac{1}{4}$  in  $\frac{1}{2}$   
County General Rate =  $466$  d. " "  

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 $42 \frac{1}{4}$  d. in  $\frac{1}{2}$  =  $5 \frac{1}{5}$  in  $\frac{1}{2}$

Town Rate & C. Rate  
1954/55 year.

Sanction Town Charges =  $58 \frac{1}{10}$  in  $\frac{1}{2}$   
County General Rate =  $480$  d. in  $\frac{1}{2}$   

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Town Rate =  $4 \frac{1}{10}$  in  $\frac{1}{2}$   
C. Rate =  $40$  " "  
Total Rate =  $44 \frac{1}{10}$  in  $\frac{1}{2}$

1955/56

Town Rate =  $2 \frac{1}{4}$  in  $\frac{1}{2}$   
(C. Rate =  $46 \frac{3}{4}$  "  $\frac{1}{2}$  Total Rate)  
Co. Co. Rate =  $44 \cdot 0 \frac{1}{2}$

Rent Receipt Books issued

No. 6	-	9/3/50-
" 7	-	19/5/50-
" 8	-	22/6/50-
" 9	-	15/7/50-
" 10	-	31/8/50-
" 11	-	25/9/50-
" 12	-	26/10/50-

Grants for Housing -

Under the G. C.'s Scheme persons building or purchasing houses for their own (accommodation) occupation are entitled to a free grant not exceeding £245 in addition to the state grant of £245-

The annual income of the applicant cannot be in excess of £325 - or in case of farmers the valuation of their holdings cannot exceed £10 -



Bank Collectors Bank Receipt Books -

Nos.	date of Issue -	C. Mac Name -
<del>1-2</del> 2501/2601 -	<del>9/3/50</del> 20/9/50	30/4/51 = 00901/01001 Nos. 10/12/12 = 01101 =
3-4-5 -		
2401/2801/2901 -	24/11/51 -	Nos. 1 & 2 Book - 2501/2601
6-7 -	15/1/52 -	20/9/51
8-9 -	6/3/52 -	
10-11 -	2/4/52 -	
12 = + No. 1 -	29/1/52 -	
<del>3</del> No. 9 odd Book -	30/Oct./52 -	