



**LOUGHREA TOWN
COMMISSIONERS,
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ST. BRENDAN'S HOME
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Minutes of Proceedings of Adjourned Estimates Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wed. 26th. Jany., 1955.

Present:

In the chair; Mr. M. Carty

Others Messrs J. Devine, J. Kilboy, M. O'Regan and J. McDonnell

In Attendance: C. L. O'Flynn, County Manager and F. O'Brien, Acting Town Clerk.

Sanction for holding Meeting to consider Estimates. Consequent of the Estimates Meeting not being held on the 22nd. Jany it was necessary to obtain the Minister's sanction to have the Estimates Meeting held on the 26th. Jany. Accordingly the Acting Town Clerk submitted Order dated the 25th. Jany made by the Minister authorising the holding of the Estimates Meeting at which the estimate of expenses for the local financial year beginning the 1st. April, 1955, is to be considered, shall be the 26th. day of Jany, 1955.

Submitted 1955/56 Estimates. The County Manager informed the Board that there would be a considerable reduction in the amount to be demanded the figure being £556 as compared with £1264 for the current year or a reduction of $2/6\frac{1}{4}$ in the £1. There were a few items for which the members considered that there was overestimation but in view of the happy position the estimate was adopted as presented on the proposal of Mr. Carty seconded by Mr. O'Regan. At this stage the Acting Clerk apologised for the absence of the Town Engineer explaining that through an oversight he omitted to summon him to the Meeting. The Board unanimously adopted the Estimate and instructed the Acting Clerk to summon the Engineer for the next Meeting of the Board.

The Certificate was duly signed by the Chairman and Acting Clerk demanding £556. from the Galway County Council for the year 1955/56.

M. Carty 9-2-'55.

Minutes of Proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wed. 9th. Feby, 1955.

In the chair; Mr. M. Carty

Others Messrs Conlon, Kilboy, O'Regan, McDonnell and Devine.

In attendance Mr. F. O'Brien, Acting Town Clerk and Mr. A. D. Alton Town Engineer.

Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed also the Minutes of the Estimates Meeting were read and signed. The Engineer explained in detail the various items included in his Estimate for the coming year. The members were satisfied with the figures submitted but ordered the Engineer to obtain quotations for the Store Door and submit them to the Board before proceeding with the work.

Dumping of Refuse. Mr. Devine complained that there was unrestricted dumping of refuse in the vicinity of the Plantation. The Board deplored this conduct and instructed the Engineer to look into the matter.

Inspection of Commissioners' Houses. The Engineer was instructed to fix a month each year for the Annual Inspection of the insides and exterior of all the Boards Houses. The Rent Collector be asked to co-operate with the Engineer in this work and to give reasonable notice to the tenants.

Fair Green Sites. The Town Clerk was directed to request the County Manager to submit Sketch Plans of both Fair Green Plans for consideration by the Board.

Sewerage Scheme for Cosmona. The Board were gratified to know that the County Council had at last approved of the Scheme submitted for this work

Building Sites. No information was available but it was understood that the County Manager was doing all possible to expedite acquisition of the sites.

Vote of Congratulation. It was proposed by Mr Carty and seconded by Mr. Conlon that the Board extend their heartiest congratulations to Mr. O'Shea on his recovery from his recent serious illness and the Clerk was directed to write to Mr O'Shea informing him of their good wishes.

Sale of Tree. Submitted letter dated 19.1.55 County Secty stating that the correspondence in this case was being referred by the County Manager to the Local Govt. Auditor.

Dirty Streets. Submitted letter dated 1.2.55 Agnes Ryan disclaiming any responsibility for leaving the streets in a dirty condition.

Michael Carty

9-3-'55.

Minutes of Proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town held on Wed. 9th. March, 1955.

Present: In the chair; Mr. M. Carty,
Others Messrs Devine Conlon McDonnell, Kilboy and Morrissey.

I attendance Mr. F. O'Brien, Acting Town Clerk.

Minutes of last Meeting were read and signed.

Fair Green. The Acting Clerk informed the Meeting that he had written to County Manager for Sketch Plans and he expected a reply any day. Due to illness he was late in writing for them. The Chairman informed the Meeting that the County Council had provided the money for the development of the Fair Green. He was sure the Council would accept any recommendation made by the Commissioners with regard to location of site, etc.

Order. The Acting Clerk directed to consult with the Chairman when he receives the Sketch Plans with a view to calling a Special Meeting of the Board to discuss the Plans.

Resolution adopted by Galway Borough Council at Meeting of Council on 20/1/55 "That since the much discussed policy of Decentralization has been defeated by the attitude of the Dublin Civil Servants our efforts should be directed to persuading organizations to hold their conventions and annual Meetings at Provincial Venues and that to this end representations be made to such National Organizations" This resolution was read and unanimously adopted. The chairman commenting that Comhaltas Ceoltoiri should be congratulated on setting a headline in this matter. Improvements to Prom and Loughrea Streets by planting trees etc. The Chairman complimented the County Council on this work and asked the Gardai authorities to be vigilant in the protection of the trees. City and County Management (Amendment) Bill, 1954. A copy of the Bill together with explanatory notes were circulated by Cumann Bailte Chomhairle i nEirinn, for consideration by the members of the Board. Breaches in Wall, causing the river adjoining Walks to become unsightly. Mr. Kilboy raised this matter and stated that the wall was breached in 3 places viz. Hopes, Maddens and Chails.

Order. The County Manager to be written to and copy of letter be sent to Engineer. Mr. D'Alton to be invited to next ordinary Meeting of the Board.

Swimming Facilities. This matter to be re-examined and Plans to be again considered.

Erection of Road Signs. The Engineer to be asked what the position is with regard to the Danger points in the town being fully signposted.

Sympathy. The Meeting was originally called for 7.30 p.m. but was adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Patk Devine, father of J. Devine, Esq., T.C. Mr. Carty proposed and Mr. Conlon seconded passed unanimously that the Board adjourn business for one hour and extend to Mr. J. Devine the Sympathy of the Board on his recent bereavement. The Acting Clerk and the members extended sympathy to Mr. Devine.

The Board also passed votes of sympathy with the following on their bereavements. The Daniels Family, the Christian Family, and the Glynn Family Rathruddy.

William Conlon
13/4/55

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TELEPHONE:
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ST. BRENDAN'S HOME
LOUGHREA

Minutes of Proceedings of Special Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wed. 23rd. March, 1955.

In the chair ; Mr. M. Carty
Others: Messrs O'Regan, O'Shea, Devine, Conlon, McDonnell, Cronin, Kilboy and Morrissey.

Attendance; Mr. F. O'Brien, Acting Town Clerk.

The Acting Town Clerk submitted Draft Sketch Plans of Fair Green Sites. Order: The Board were unanimous in recommending the Old Fair Green as the location for the improved green. The Acting Clerk was directed to invite the County Manager, the Assistant Co. Engineer (Mr. S. Cullinane) and the Town Engineer to attend next ordinary Meeting so as to enable the Board to discuss the Plan in detail. The acting Clerk was directed to ascertain accommodation of Galway Fair Green Swimming Facilities. This matter to be re-examined and discussed with the County Manager and Engineers when they attend next meeting.

William Conlon
13/4/55

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS ON WEDNESDAY THE 13th April, 1955.

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:----- MESSRS J. KILBOY, J. DEVINE
S. Mc DONNELL, AND P. MORRISSEY.

IN ATTENDANCE : MR. E. P. D'ALTON, TOWN ENGINEER AND THE TOWN CLERK (Mrs. H. M. Kiely)

Minutes of last meetings were signed as correct.

The Town Clerk resubmitted draft sketch plans of the Fair Green sites also plans of the Galway Fair Green, which were considered at length by the members and Town Engineer.

Mr. D'Alton, expressed his views, in favour of having the new Fair Green at the Railway Site, giving his reasons as follows:

1. The Fair Green should be to the East of the town
2. If concrete wall erected will make the view of lake unsightly.
3. No room for expansion.
4. Not possible to connect drains into sewerage must go into Lake.
5. Existing site no shelter.
6. 70% approx. of cattle sent by rail .

Clerk read letter signed by C. I. O'Flynn, Esq., County Manager, dated the 29th March, 55, stating that, as the provision of the Fairgreen and the provision of Swimming facilities for the town, are functions for the Galway County Council, the Town Commissioners should appoint a deputation to attend a meeting of the Galway Co. Council at which the matter of selecting suitable site may be considered.

The Meeting unanimously agreed to adjourn the matter to a Special Meeting of the Board to be held on the 27th inst at 8 p.m. to which all local Reps. will be invited to give their views on the selection of the most suitable site for the new Fairgreen in the town.

Michael
26/4/55

MINUTES CONTINUED.

Referring to Breaches in wall on the right bank of the Walks River Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, informed the meeting that the Co. Council has no liability in the matter of maintenance of this wall.

Order- Adjourn to next monthly meeting in the meantime Advice to be got as to whom was responsible to have the necessary repairs carried out.

Report on Inspection of Board's houses to be submitted to next monthly meeting by Town Engineer.

Mrs. Margaret Toole's Arrears of rent: Clerk reported that this case was heard in Court today and adjourned for a further month.

Tenancy of Town Commissioners houses was discussed when Mr. J. Kilbooy suggested that the Differential Rent Scheme should not be applied to the tenants of the 25 old houses that the Tenancy should pass to the next of kin.

Order- Refer the matter to County Manager
Clerk reported that there was a Test case on these lines pending in Ballinasloe when it was agreed to wait their decision

Bordering of roads at Cross Street was referred to Town Engineer.

ON Mr. O'Donnell's suggestion the Board decided to draw the attention of the Public Health authorities to the exposure and handling of food stuffs in the public markets which the Board consider a danger to public health.

Mr. Devine gave notice that he would move at next meeting of the Board to query by what means the Local Loans Fund accumulate and get their ~~money~~ from what source they get their funds from?

Town Hall Cinema. The placing of loose chairs in the passageway during performances in the Town Hall was under discussion and the matter referred to the Town Engineer to take up with the Co. Fire Officer.

The Board protested against the great disorder caused when persons are queuing for admission to said Cinema and suggested that the Proprietors be requested to exercise proper supervision in future in this matter.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the Spillian and Mahoney families in their recent bereavements.

Michael Cab
28/4/55

Minutes of proceeding of special meeting of Loughrea Town Commissioners held, in conjunction with the Business people, local representatives of the town, and the farmers of the locality, in Temp. Hall on the 25/4/1955.

In the chair- Mr. M. Carty, Co. Co.
Members present - Messers W. Conlan, J. Devine, N. O'Shea, D. Cronin, M. O'Regan, P. Morrissey and S. MacDonnell.

Also present- Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan, Adm., Rev. Superior, De La Salle Schools, Inspector ~~De La~~ Garda Siocianna, Mrs. L. Duffy, The Square, Mr. E. P. D'Alton, Town Engineer, Messers P. Cawley and J. Ruane Co. Councillors, Representatives from Local Development Company, Show & Anglers Committees, Kilchreest, Kilreeckle and Kilimoredaly branches, of Macrna na Fermna. The Business people and farmers of the town were also represented.

Town Clerk read extract from minutes of meeting held 13/4/55, relating to selection of suitable site for fairgreen and submitted draft sketch plans of the proposed development of the existing Fairgreen and alternative site at Railway.

Letter signed Dr. M. J. Dyer, M.O., was read, regretting he was unable to attend & given his opinion in favour of the existing Fairgreen stating there is no objection to this site on Health Grounds.

Letters of apology for nonattendance were submitted from Messers P. Beegan, T. D. R. Laheff, T. D., and V. P. Shields, Solicitor.
Order- Noted.

Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, spoke at length, on the development of the existing Fairgreen into pleasure-grounds (in addition to Swimming Pool and Playground for children) for the people of the town and for the purpose of attracting visitors.

Mr. D'Alton recommended that a new site on the Eastern End of the town be developed as the new Fairgreen, it is owned by the Sisters of Mercy, who are prepared to sell, containing approx. 7 acres.

Town Engineer informed the meeting that the owners of the Railway site were not prepared to sell.

Mr. P. M. O'Glyan suggested a further site, owned by Mrs. O'Connor (Callanan) situated at old Galway Road, containing approx. 12 acres, for the new Fair Green. After lengthy discussions by all present, it was unanimously agreed, on the Chairman's proposition, to adjourn the selection of a suitable site for development as a Fairgreen, to a further special meeting (date to be fixed later) in the meantime Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, to inspect site suggested at old Galway Road and submit particulars & estimates of same, together with site at the eastern-end, owned by Sisters of Mercy.

Minutes Cont:

The Chairman then thanked all present in suitable terms for their co-operation and attendance at meeting.

Subsequently the members of the Board present viz- Messers W. Conlan, J. Devine, N. O'Shea, S. MacDonnell considered Auditor's report for financial year ended 31/3/55. Clerk read same and submitted Abstract of A/Cs to meeting (Form AD #4 of Public Bodies Order 1946 being published in Connacht Sentinel 26/4/55)

The members noted that the financial position was satisfactory and were satisfied there would be no loss when outstanding arrears were collected, and the necessary adjustments made in the rents.

Votes of sympathy were passed with the Relatives of the late Michael Flynn, Barrack St., who was a former member of the Board for many years, the Ryan family, The Rock, on the death of their mother and the Callanan family on the death of their mother the late Mrs. M. Callanan, Galway Road.

Michael Carty
11-5-55

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11th MAY, 1955, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, AT 7-30 P.M.
The MEETING OPENED WITH PRAYER AS HERETOFORE.

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

Members present--- Messers W. Conlan, J. Devine, W. O'Shea, J. Kilboy, S. MacDonnell. *p. murray*

Minutes of special meeting held on the 25/4/1955 were read, confirmed and signed.

Re-Town Hall Cinema. Read letter dated 21/4/'55 signed Mr. E. P. D'Alton, Town Engineer, stating that Fire Chief Officer informed him that placing loose chairs in the passageway of Town Hall during performances is a contravention of the Fire Brigades Act. Mr. D'Alton suggested that the Proprietors be written to pointing out that the Licence will be withdrawn if this practice continues. Clerk reported that she communicated with Secretary of Town Hall on the matter and also referred to the disorder caused when queuing up for performances.

Order-Noted & Approved.

Differential Rents. Read letter dated the 2/5/'55 signed by Co. Manager, stating he regrets he cannot acced to the Board's request, not to enforce the Differential Rent System on tenants of 25 old houses, where the next-of kin are appointed tenants.

After discussion the following N.O.M was handed in signed by Chairman & Mr. J. Kilboy-"That we shall move at next meeting "That when the next-of ken of a Tenant, of a T.Cs house, is a widow, rent shall remain the same for her lifetime as it was during the tenancy of her immediate predecessor "

Order"Put N.O.M on Agenda for next meeting."
Mr. Kilboy drew the Board's attention to recent increases made in Tenants rent. Clerk submitted particulars of rents referred to, under the D.R.S, when it was proposed by Chairman Seconded by Mr. Kilboy, and passed, that particulars of rent system operating with other local authorities be procured and considered at special meeting to which Co. Manager is to be invited.

Foodstuffs exposed for sale. Read copy letter signed by Co. Manager addressed to Co. M. O. H, referring to foodstuffs and meat exposed for sale on public markets stating "it would be well to have the public markets inspected by one of your Health Inspectors"

Order-"Noted & Approved"

Minutes Cont:

Re Breaches in wall at Walk's River. Read Co. Manager's letter dated 21/4/'55 which stated that the owners of the properties, are clearly the persons responsible for the repairs, and stated that they should be requested to carry out these repairs: the letter also stated that "although the breaches in wall appear unsightly the Sanitary Authority have no functions in the matter, unless it can be proved that a sanitary nuisance exists".

Clerk was instructed to communicate with the parties concerned. Chairman informed the meeting that one of the persons concerned informed him the breach occurred after the cleaning of the river, ~~when~~ the foundation of the wall was interfered with.

Order-Noted.

Town Engineer's report on repairs to houses was adjourned to next meeting.

Re National Development Fund- Mr. Devine moved his N.O.M "That I shall move at next meeting to inquire into the financing of the National Development Fund"

Chairman read extracts from Circular received from Dept. on this matter, afterwards handing same to Mr. Devine for his information.

Congratulations ~~were~~ extended by Mr. J. Devine to Mr. B. Glynn T.D., on his fine speech made in the Dail referring to the ~~Development~~ ~~Act~~ Undeveloped Areas Act.

Fairgreen site. It was agreed to have a Public Meeting ~~published to~~ be held on the 27th May, 1955, provided the date was suitable for Town Engineer to attend, and have plans prepared re alternative sites for Fairgreen in the town.

The members present protested against the Connacht Tribune not publishing a full report on the Special Meeting held on the 11/5/'55, which was a matter of concern to the people of the town. Connacht Tribune Reps. was requested to bring the matter to their notice.

Trespass on Walks Ground. An order was made to request Town Engineer to put locks on gates to prevent trespass of animals.

The Board's sympathy was extended to Mrs. M. Keller, Galway, on the recent lamentable death of her daughter Angela.

Michael Carthy
8-6-55

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held in the Temp.Hall on Wednesday the 3th June,1955.

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

Members present: Messers W.Conlan, J.Devine, D.Cronin, J.Kilboy, P2 MacDonnell ,P.Morrissey and N.Shea.

In Attendance: C.I.O'Flynn Esq., Councy Manager and Town Clerk.

Minutes of last meeting were read,confirmed and signed.

N.O.M dated 11/5/55 signed by Chairman and J.Kilboy was moved as follows viz:

"That when the next-of kin of a tenant of a T.Cs house is a widow, rent shall remain the same for her lifetime as it was during tenancy of her immediate predecessor"

Co.Manager explained that when a Tenant passes away the new Tenant comes under the Differential Rent System. Chairman & Mr.Kilboy stated that the particular tenant referred to was in Athenry Road they were of the opinion her rent had been increased since her husband's death which was not the case as now explained. The Members were satisfied with Co.Manager's explanation when N.O.M was withdrawn.

Co.Manager informed the meeting that when a Tenant was not in a position to pay the rent demanded it was a case for the H.A.Officer to apply for Assistance.

Order- Noted.

Re:Breaches in Wall of Walk's River: the following letter dated 20/5/'55 signed by Co.Manager was submitted- " As far as I am aware the Walks are not the property of the Galway Co.Co, & the Galway Co.Council has no responsibility in relation to the maintenance of the River. The Co.Council's obligation is merely to maintain the roadway and footpaths through the Walks. The Walks are,I think, the property of the Earl of Harewood. The Co.Council has no funds allocated for the repair of the banks of the river and it does not appear to be the obligation of the Co.Council to maintain these banks."

After discussion it was unanimously agreed to have the stones removed from the River,under the Town Engineer's supervision,in order to allow a free flow of water through the River.

Provision of new site for Fairgreen Mr.D'Alton,Town Engineer, informed the Board by letter, that he was directed not to proceed further in the matter without instructions from Mr.Lee,Co.Engineer.

The matter was unanimously adjourned until after the Elections.

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The Town Clerk reported that the 2 houses about to become vacant were allotted to Messers M.Kennedy Post Office Clerk and M.Fergus C.I.E employee, which was Noted & Approved.

Town Hall Cinema: Read letter dated 13/5/55 stating that the regulations referred to will be carried out the letter explained that the only occasion on which there was congestion was closing night of Annual Retreat and to avoid congestion the Cinema now opens at 30 minutes before the Show begins.

Mr.Devine drew the Co.Manager's attention to the necessity of a water-pump at Bohercommo, when the Co.Manager assured the meeting the matter would receive his immediate attention.

Nonattendance of members at meetings of the Board was discussed but no order made.

Sympathy of the Board was extended to Mr.Patrick Coy a former member of the Board on the death of his wife.R.I.P

Mr.Carty thanked the Co.Manager Members and Clerk for co-operation during his term of Office as Chairman and the Reps. of the press for discretion shown during his reporting.

Co.Manager thanked the Chairman and Members in suitable terms for co-operation during the discharge of his duties to the Loughrea Town Commissioners.

Vincent P. Smulders

13/7/1955

Minutes of proceedings of First Statutory Meeting of the newly Elected Town Commissioners held in the Temperance Hall on Monday the 4th July, 1955 at the hour of 12 Noon.

The Meeting opened with prayer as on former occasions.

Members present: Messers M. Carty, Co. Co., V.P. Shields, Solicitor, W. Conlan, T. Dervan, J. Kilboy, J. Barrett, D. Cronin and Patrick Morrissey.

All members signed the usual declaration of accepting Office as Town Commissioners before taking their places (as Town Commissioners).

Clerk read extract from Local Elections Act, 1927, stating the prescribed time for the Annual Meeting is Noon on the tenth day after the Election, the first business to be transacted being the Election of Chairman & Vice Chairman notice of which was given on the Agenda:

Mr. F. Devine Proposed that Mr. V.P. Shields be elected Chairman and it was Seconded by Mr. J. Barrett.

Mr. Conlan proposed the re-election of the out-going Chairman Mr. M. Carty, Mr. P. Morrissey Seconded.

On a vote being taken it resulted as follows:
For Mr. Shields: Messers F. Devine, J. Barrett, A. Dervan, J. Kilboy and V.P. Shields 5.

For Mr. Carty, Messers W. Conlan, D. Cronin, P. Morrissey and M. Carty 4.

The Clerk then declared Mr. V.P. Shields Elected Chairman of the Town Commissioners for the coming year when Mr. Shields took the Chair & thanked the members who elected him.

Proposals were then taken for the Vice Chairman Mr. Carty, Proposed that Mr. W. Conlan, outgoing Vice Chairman be re-elected and Mr. Morrissey Seconded.

Mr. Kilboy Proposed Mr. Dervan and Mr. Barrett Seconded. Mr. Dervan getting the majority of votes was Elected Vice Chairman for the coming year.

Mr. Dervan thanked the members for electing him and expressed the hope that politics would be left outside the Boardroom.

The election of two delegates to attend the ~~Municipal~~ Annual Meeting of the Association of Municipal Authorities was then considered Mr. Barrett proposed that the newly elected Chairman and Vice Chairman be nominated when Mr. Shields stood down and proposed Mr. Kilboy in his stead. Mr. Carty proposed the Town Clerk Seconded by Mr. Conlan when she also withdrew. Messers Dervan and Kilboy were then appointed delegates to attend the Municipal Conference meeting.

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Clerk referred the Board to Section 65 of L.G. Act, 1955, which came into operation on the 23rd May, which states that Town Commissioners as a corporate Body must now have an Official Seal.

Messers F. Devine ~~and~~ D. Cronin were nominated to attend on behalf of the Town Commissioners whenever the Official Seal is being affixed to documents.

Chairman read Co. Manager's letter dated 16th inst: referring to Sections 65 of L.G. Act also Sub-Section 4, and 5 which were Noted by the Board.

Toilet accommodation for bus-passengers was discussed when Clerk was directed to communicate with C.I.E. on the matter.

Mr. Kilboy handed in an urgent letter signed by Mrs. Shaughnessy and Barret referring to the position of the Water Pump in Bohercommo when it was ordered to refer same to Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, for attention.

The Sympathy of the Board was extended to the Town Clerk & relatives of the late Patrick Cahill^{R.I.} who was Chairman of the Town Board for a number of years, on the proposition of Mr. M. Carty, Seconded by Mr. V.P. Shields, all members stood as mark of respect to his memory.

Vincent P. Shields

13/7/1955

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WED. 13th JULY, 1955, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

In the Chair- V.P. Shields Esq., Chairman.

Members present: Messers M. Carty, T. Dervan, W. Conlan, F. Devine J. Kilboy, J. Barrett and P. Morrissey.

The meeting opened with prayer as was the practice heretofore.

Minutes of Monthly meeting held the 8th June, 1955 and of 1st Statutory Meeting held 4th July, 1955, were read, confirmed and signed.

New Fairgreen: Plans of existing and alternative sites were resubmitted. Clerk ~~stated~~ that Town Engineer reported that he could not proceed further in the matter of alternative sites without the Co. Engineer's permission, hence the public meeting was not called for the 27th May last.

After lengthy discussion it was proposed by Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Devine and passed that the existing site on the West end of the town be recommended (be recommended) to the Galway Co. Co., ~~for~~ the new Fairgreen. The Board agreed to raise no objection to the inclusion of the 2 groves if required.

Mr. Conlan ~~desented~~ stating that, ^{that part of} the Green nearest the lake should be left vacant, that no pens should be put down there.

Clerk was instructed to forward the Board's recommendation to Co. Council on the matter.

Differential Rent System: Replies were submitted from the following Local Authorities: who stated; no D.R.S, was in operation in their areas; Kilkee, Roscommon Birm T.Cs., and Mallow U.D.C.

Particulars of systems operating in Ballinasloe, Tuam Galway and Ennis were perused. The Board approved of the Birm U.D.C system, showing a scale of graded Rents.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, it was agreed that the Board's system of D.R.S be changed, with a view to allowing the lower Income Tenant, some concessions in the Minimum Rent, by way of reduction.

Mr. Kilboy desented stating "I refuse to have the rents reduced".

Cost of Building the new houses was discussed at length, when it was unanimously agreed, on Mr. Dervan's proposition, to have a House Purchase Scheme drawn up for the 34 new houses. The matter was referred to the Co. Manager.

Toilet accomodation: Read letter dated 7/7/55 from C.I.E, stating the matter was receiving attention and a further communication would be forwarded in due course.

Order- Noted.
Re: Water Fountain - Read letter dated 3/7/55 signed by Town Engineer, Mr. D'Alton, stating that letter from Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Shaughnessy had been forwarded to Co. Engineer.

Order-Noted.

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(Mr. Maurice Ahern's) Compensation ^{Claim} was discussed when some members ^{objected} against the paying of rates towards this Claim.

On Mr. Kilboy's proposition, Seconded by Mr. Morrissey and order was made, referring the matter to the Co. Manager, with a view to getting legal advice.

Walks River: Mr. Carty reported that the Co. Co. had allocated £30 towards the clearance of obstructions in the River.

Order- Noted & Approved.

Chairman drew attention to the bad repair of footpath on the Woodford Road, which was referred to Co. Manager.

Mr. Dervan referred to substantial grants available from ~~Local Funds~~ for Development of the Lake. An Order was made to refer the matter to the Co. Manager.

The possibility of converting the Old Castle, near the Cathedral, into a Museum was discussed. Mr. Dervan stated the Castle was Church property, and would be made available if required for development, as a local Museum.

No ORDER made.

Submitted Local Government Act, 1955, which was Noted.

V.P. Shields
10th August 1955

18.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY
10th August, 1955.

In the Chair- Mr.V.P.Shields, Solicitor, Chairman.

Members present- Messers Frances Devine, James Barrett
and Patrick Morrissey.

In attendance- C.I.O'Flynn Esq., County Manager and
the Town Clerk (Mrs.H.M.Kiely)

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Malicious Injury Claim - Maurice Ahern - Read letter
dated 13/7/1955, signed by Secretary Galway Co.Council
stating- " that the Circuit Court Judge fixed the area
of levy in this case off the Elevtoral Division of
Loughrea Urban.

The Galway Co.Council has no alternative but to levy the
Rate in accordance with the Decree given".

After some discussion it was referred to County Manager
to procure further legal advice in this case.

The following names of proposed Trustees for Bridewell
premises were submitted:

- (1) Thomas Robert Kelly, Cross St., Postal Official.
- (2) Thomas Fergus, Barrack Street, Garage Proprietor.
- (3) Michael Daniels, Bride Street, Boiler Attendant.

On the proposition of Mr.Barrett Seconded by Mr.Morrissey
the names of proposed Trustees were accepted with
County Manager's approval.

Clerk was directed to refer the preparing of the Lease to
the Board's Solicitor with a view to communicating with
the County Council on the matter.

Footpath leading to St.Brendan's Home and Board Failte
Grants for lake, were referred to the Co.Engineer, as
stated in Deputy Co.Manager's letter of the 13/7/'55.

Swimming Pool : County Manager stated that County Council
were in communication, with the National Development
Association, regarding Grant for this project. Co.
Manager also informed the meeting that there were
substantial grants available by Local Development
Associations for building boat-houses, supplying
boats on the lake etc.,

There was a discussion re Town Planning when Co.Manager
stated that the County Council were the responsible
party.

Clerk was directed to communicate with Mr.A.Dervan,
Vice Chairman & Hon.Secretary of the Local Development
Association, re available grants and point out that the
Town Commissioners are prepared to offer any assistance
they can in helping to procure said Grants.

Housing Requirements: County Manager stated that the
County Council are procuring sites on Athenry Road for
approx. 20 houses.

Order: Noted and Approved.

Differential Rents

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Differential Rents : County Manager informed the
members present that any reduction made in the
Minimum or Maximum Rents will fall on the local
Rates there being already a charge of 10/ weekly.

No Order Made.

Adjustments in rents for the 1955/56 year were
submitted and noted.

1954 Annual Report from Municipal Authorities
Association and Circ. Re date and place of Sept.
Conference, were submitted. An order was made
referring same to Messers A.Dervan and J.Kilboy
(deputed members) to attend the Conference.

Toilet Accomodation for bus passengers. Read letter
dated the 23/7/55 from C.I.E., which stated :
"all our regular services are scheduled to stop at
the premises of our Agent in Main St., where ample
accomodation is available to meet all normal requirements.
The 23 buses were operated on a private hire basis
and it is a matter for the hirer to decide where halts
should be made. Our crews have instructions to avoid
congestion and these will be renewed with a view to
eliminating any cause for complaint in the future".

Mr.Morrissey referred to bus-stop being a Licenced
premises, where passengers could not be accomodated after
licencing hours. Clerk was directed to point this
out to ~~the~~ C.I.E.:

Collection of Tolls - by Mrs.B.Ryan was referred to
County Manager with a view to having it published
that Mrs.Ryan has authority to collect same.

Widening of corner at Co.Home Road and Athenry Road
were discussed. Co.Manager stated these matters were
in the hands of the Co.Engineer and being included in
Road Widening Schemes.

Order: Noted.

*as per Dervan
p 14/9/55.*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE
14th SEPT. 1955.

In the Chair: Mr. T. F. Dervan, Vice Chairman.

In attendance: Messers Frances Devine, W. Conlan,
J. Kilboy and J. Barrett.

Also present: H. M. Kiely, Town Clerk.

The meeting opened with prayer as heretofore.

Minutes of meeting held on the 10/8/1955 were read, confirmed and signed.

Malicious Injury Claim. Read the following copy of letter addressed to the County Manager, signed H. Naughton, Solicitor, "I have your letter of the 13th instant. I discussed the contents of same with Mr. Frederick J. Roche, B.L., who appeared in the case on behalf of the County Council. He knows of no law under which proceedings can be instituted against Mr. Hession to recover the amount of the award granted to Mr. Ahern against the County Council."

On the proposition of the Vice Chairman, seconded by Mr. Kilboy, it was unanimously decided to refer the matter to the Board's Solicitor for further advice on the matter, seeing that some Ratepayers are raising objections to the payment of rates towards this Claim.

Footpath to St. Brendan's Home: Read letter addressed to Co. Manager signed by Co. Engineer, dated the 25/8/'55, stated that the footpath is in a very rough condition but arrangements are being made to have it dressed as soon as possible.

Order - Noted.

Provision of local Museum: Section 57, L.G. Act, 1955, was read which stated - "Council of a County or Corporation may with the consent of Minister contribute to the funds of a Society, Committee or other body providing a museum etc'."

Mr. Dervan explained to the meeting that the present tenant of the old Castle stated that he would vacate suitable accommodation was provided (alternatively).

After discussion on the matter it was proposed by Mr. Dervan seconded by Mr. Devine, to ask the County Manager what is the maximum grant available under Section 57, L.G. Act, for provision of Museum.

Passed unanimously.

Differential Rent System: A further discussion took place when it was proposed by Mr. Dervan, seconded by Mr. Barrett and passed unanimously, that the Differential Rent system as now operating in Loughrea be changed to correspond with that operating in Ballinasloe namely: by assessing the rents on One Eighth the Tenant's Income instead of One Sixth as at present.

Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the County Manager.

Cosmona Sewerage, Improvements to Fair Green and Sanitary Inspection of houses in the town, were discussed and an order made to request County Manager to expedite these schemes in order to create employment in the town.

Minutes Continued.

Repairs to Water-pipe at No. 7, house, Athenry Road, was noted, Mr. Kilboy drawing the Board's attention to the necessary repairs.

E.S.B Extensions Clerk was directed to communicate with the E.S.B with a view to requesting them carry out the extensions on the Galway Road as soon as possible, and point out that there are many patrons prepared to connect with the scheme but will not pay the cost of erecting polls.

Mr. Barrett inquired for the cost of the Rent Collection on the Board's 60 houses.

Clerk was directed to have the necessary information for next meeting.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the Mayor of Boston on the death of his Uncle the Late Tom Hynes, and with the Reilly family on the death of their father the late John Reilly who was Caretaker of the Temperance Hall for 49 years.

Vincent P. Dervan
14th Oct. 1955

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

The Monthly Meeting of the Town Commissioners summoned for Wednesday the 14th October, 1955, was adjourned as a mark of respect to the Chairman V.P. Shields, Esq., on the lamentable death of his son, the late Mr. h Shields, Solicitor, Athenry, R.I.P.,

Members present were Messers A.T. Dervan, Vice Chairman, Michael Carty, Co. Co., Joseph Kilboy, James Barrett Frances Devine and subsequently Mr. Patrick Morrissey.

On the proposition of Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Dervan, an Emergency Order was made directing that Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer be requested to have the Dublin/road sign post changed ^{from} opposite Abbey Street to its proper position.

No other business was transacted, when meeting was adjourned to the 19th October, 1955.

Y. Morrissey
19/10/1955.

① Minutes of proceedings of monthly meeting held on Wednesday, the 19th day of October, 1955, in the Temperance Hall.

In the Chair- Mr. V.P. Shields, Solicitor, Chairman.

(Members present)

Members present: Messers M. Carty, Co. Co., T. Dervan, N.T., W. Conlan, J. Barrett, J. Kilboy and P. Morrissey and F. Devine.

In attendance- The Town Clerk, (Mrs. H.M. Kiely.)
The meeting opened with prayer.
Minutes of meeting held on the 14/9/1955, ^{adjourned meeting 12/10/55} were read and signed.

Chairman expressed thanks & appreciation for the adjournment of the monthly meeting and for the Board's sympathy extended to him, Mrs. Shields and family, on the death of his son, the late Mr. T. Shields, Solicitor, Athenry.

Malicious Injury Claim: County Manager stated in his letter dated 20/9/1955, that this is a matter outside the functions of the Town Commissioners and it is not in order to refer same to Board's Solicitor, as any costs incurred will be liable to surcharge.

After discussion on the matter it was proposed by Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Dervan and passed "that this Board hereby protest against the levying of this Claim on the town of Loughrea, by the Galway County Council.

Clerk was directed to notify Co. Manager accordingly.

Provision of Local Museum: Read letter dated 20/9/55 signed by Co. Manager, stating that Section 57, L.G. Act, 1955, does not prescribe any maximum contribution to be made by Co. Council, towards provision of Museum. The Council would require information re the premises, the cost thereof and the possibility of accumulating a collection of material for display in the museum.

After discussion it was proposed by Mr. Carty, Seconded by the Chairman that Board Fálte be communicated with, with a view to inquiring if they have made any arrangements regarding the provision of a museum in Loughrea as this Board are prepared to help the project in any way possible.

Passed.
Read correspondence from C.I.E. addressed to the Chairman dated 14/9/55 referring to provision of services on the Loughrea Branch, to enable passengers to make the return journey from Loughrea to Dublin in one day - the letter stated that it has been decided that an experiment would be made for a trial period by providing a station wagon to give road connection from Loughrea with the 8.30, a.m. ex Galway, and with the 6.50, p.m. ex Westland Row. The latter train will make a stop at Attymon junction. The continuance of this arrangement will depend on the number of passengers availing of the experimental service, signed by F. Lemass, General Manager.

Mr. Devine stated that passengers were availing of the service the fare from Loughrea to Attymon being only 2/2d.
Order-Noted and Approved.

Minutes Continued. (3)

The Road Sign in its present position being misleading.

Order- Refer the matter to Co. Manager.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. M. Carty, Co. Co.,
Seconded by Mr. V. P. Shields, Solicitor, Chairman and passed
unanimously:

"That in view of the fact that Mrs. H. M. Kiely, proposes to r
to Retire shortly from the post of Town Clerk, Loughrea,
which she has filled with Tact, Courtesy and Efficiency
for the past 30 (Thirty) years, this Board respectfully
calls on the Minister for Local Government to sanction
either an Ex-gratia payment or an appropriate pension".

Clerk was directed to transmit copy of resolution to
Minister for Local Government.

Letter from E. S. B dated the 13/10/55 re extension
of Public Lighting System on the Galway Road was read
stating the matter had been referred to the Board's
District Engineer for attention.

Toilet Accomodation for Bus Passengers: Read reply from
C.I.E stating that their bus services operate through
Loughrea during ordinary Licencing hours.

No Order made.

Messrs A. Dervan and J. Kilboy submitted report on the
Municipal Conference held in Athlone Sept. 1955, which
was noted.

Building of new houses: Mr. Carty informed the Board that
the Co. Council were undertaking any further Housing Schemes
being formulated for Loughrea, and that persons anxious
to build their own houses could procure Grants by making
application to the States Officials Organisation.

(~~Mr. Devine's motion was not put to the meeting~~)

On the proposition of Mr. Devine, Seconded by Mr. Dervan
the Board passed a vote of sympathy with Mrs. Barry and
family on the death of her husband the late Patrick Barry
who was a members of the L.D.A and gave his unpaid
services in all the Organisations of the town, for a number
of years. The Chairman and Mr. Carty associated themselves
with the sympathy stating "the late Mr. Barry will be a
great loss to the town."

The Board's sympathy was extended to Mrs. Murray
and family, The Square, Loughrea, on the recent death of
her husband.

Letter of thanks for sympathy passed was read from the
Reilly family.

The following Resolution submitted from Fermoy U.D.C
was submitted and read:

"That we request the Government to introduce legislation
to provide for the observance of Church holidays in place
of Bank Holidays, as we consider that in this Christian
country it is only fitting that they should be observed."

No action taken.

Present P. Dineen 9/11/1955.

(2) The following report dated 8/10/'55 signed by Co. Engineer
addressed to the Co. Manager :

" I. Path to Co. Home: This was to be repaired some time
ago but the town gang has been fully occupied on Post
Office reinstatements. The path is a gravel path and will
receive ordinary maintenance. Any improvement to this path
cannot be carried out until the road is dealt with as it
is probable the path will then be reconstructed.
Corner at junction of Co. Home Road & Cross St., & Barrack
Street: The position in this has changed. Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan
Adm., states that the Diocesan Authorities will have no
objection to the improvement of the corner subject to the
usual compensation. I hope to put in a proposal for the
western side of this corner in next year's Main Road
Improvements."

Corner opposite Dr. Dyar's house:

Improvement will involve
the acquisition of two cottages known as Sweeney's cottages.
..... I intended that the improvement of this corner
should wait until it is dealt with under the Main Road
Grants. It would not be advisable to pick out the corner as a
separate scheme. I think, however, the houses should be acquired
when vacant."

Order- Noted and Approved.

Office accomodation for Assistant Co. Engineer: Co. Manager
states in his letter dated 20/9/'55, this being readvertised,
when provided, accomodation can be made available in the
Fire Station for the Town Commissioners at an agreed rent.
After discussion on the matter the Board expressed satisfaction
at the low rent charged for their present accomodation.

No Order made.

Differential Rents. Co. Manager stated in his letter 20/9/'55
he would write further re this matter. In the meantime the
scheme as operated at present is not to be altered.
Order- Adjourn pending Co. Manager's reply.

Particulars of Rent Collector's Commission was submitted and
Noted.

Correspondence signed "Fairgreen Protest Committee" dated
3/10/'55, after lengthy discussion on the subject was marked
"Read", the Board approving of the present site for the new
Fairgreen (Mr. Conlan objecting to the present site)
Clerk was instructed to notify the Secretary that the Town
Commissioners approve of the present site for the Fairgreen,
on the proposition of Mr. Carty, Co. Co., Seconded by Mr. A. Dervan
N.T.

Inspection of B.O.H cottages: On the proposition of Mr.
Morrissey, the Board recommended that Co. Manager have these
cottages inspected by the Co. M.O.H, as it is the opinion of the
Board that the repairs carried out are not satisfactory.

Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the Co. Manager.

Mr. Dervan stated he would have a report submitted to next
meeting referring to repairs of the Board's houses.

Order: Noted.

Discussion re Cosmona Sewerage Scheme was adjourned.

Caretaker of Graves at Fairgreen: Clerk reported that it was
necessary to appoint a new Caretaker owing to death of Mr.
Callanan when it was unanimously agreed that the appointment
of Mr. former Caretaker's son be recommended to Co. Manager.

The Board recommended that the road sign outside Mr. Clarke's
premises, Atherry Road, be removed to "Morrissey's Corner"

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF LOUGHREA
TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 9th NOVEMBER,
1955, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, LOUGHREA, AT 7-30 P.M.

In the Chair: V.P. Shields Esq., Solicitor, Chairman.

Members present: Messrs Michael Carty, Co. Co., Anthony Dervan, N.T., ~~William Conkay~~, Joseph Kilboy, James Barrett, and Frances Devine.

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

The meeting opened with prayer as heretofore.

Caretaker of Groves : Submitted Co. Manager's Order No. 704, appointing Mr. J.B. Callanan, Galway Road, Loughrea, Caretaker of 2 Groves situate at the Fairgreen in succession to his father the Late Michael Callanan, R.I.P., at the nominal rent of One Shilling per year.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Repairs to water pipe at No. 9, Athenry Road- Submitted Town Engineer's report on same stating that a washer in kitchen tap and W.C would be replaced within a couple of days.

Order-Noted.

Malicious Injury Claim- Submitted Co. Manager's reply re this claim which stated that the Galway County Council are obliged to levy amount of decree in accordance with decision of the Court.

Clerk read minute dated 14th Sept. as follows-
Malicious Injury Claim-Maurice Ahern- Read letter dated the 13/7/55 signed by Secretary Galway Co. Council, stating that the Circuit Court Judge fixed the area of levy in this case off the Electoral Division of Loughrea Urban. The Galway Co. Co. have no alternative but to levy the Rate in accordance with the Decree given.

Mr. Kilboy then handed in the following letter addressed to the Co. Manager " Please let us know what means can be taken to obtain a Decree re Claim of Maurice Ahern v Mr. Hession as regards Ratepayers as we refuse to pay same as Mr. Hession's means have never been tested."

Clerk was instructed to forward Mr. Kilboy's letter to County Manager, the Board stating that the case was not handled correctly.

Building of bridges across the Walk's River:

Submitted applications signed Patrick J. Smyth and John Keiran Kelly for permission to build bridge across the

Minutes Cont:

River at the rear of their houses at Dolphin Street. Submitted County Manager's approval to the building of the bridges providing that the work is carried out to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Order- Noted.

Reply from E.S.B dated the 29/10/55 was read stating that the houses in question are in the Kilconierin Rural area and work should commence within the next two or three months.

No Order made.

Re Adjustments in Differential Rent System- It was unanimously agreed to adjourn the matter to next monthly meeting and invite the County Manager to attend as great dissatisfaction is expressed by some of the tenants at the high rents charged. The consideration of assessing the Tenants Income on One Sixth instead of One Eight was therefore adjourned. *Great dissatisfaction was expressed with Co. Manager attitude towards the line of his letter & his failure to keep his promise -*
Letters of thanks for votes of sympathy passed were read from Mrs. P.J. Barry Main Street and the Mayor of Boston Mr. Hynes.

Noted.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, Seconded by Mr. Kilboy the Board unanimously recommended that "the" for the Townships of Loughrea and Tuam a special rate be levied by the County Council for the road workers who were originally employed by these public bodies before the roads were taken over from them so that these workers be paid an increase of 10/- weekly.

Mr. Barrett proposed that a recommendation be made to the County Manager to increase all the road workers wages in the County.

Clerk was directed to include Mr. Barrett's ~~proposition~~ in a covering letter to the Co. Manager, when forwarding above resolution.

On the proposition of Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Carty,

Clerk was instructed to write to Co. Manager and state that the Board consider it their duty to call his attention to the following:

1. Co. Council cottages in bad repair.
2. Cottages not having repairs carried out ~~to~~ satisfactory.
3. Some cottages in and around Loughrea being vacant, the Tenants gone to England.

The Board had under discussion the subletting of Boards houses using them as workshops and Offices and directed

YPS
Communi etc further in the matter

Minutes Cont:

* particulars of Tenants' Agreements be submitted to next meeting.

Right-of-way to the Lake: Mr. Barrett drew the Board's attention to a public Waterway between Mr. Marmion's and the Garda barracks which has now been closed and an Angler's boat-house erected there.

Clerk was directed to ask County Manager if any action can be taken to have this public right-of-way reopened?

X Messers Chairman, A. Dervan, and J. Kilboy were appointed to act on the Estimates Committee for the preparation of the 1956/57 year's Estimates as per P.B. Order, 1955, on the proposition of Mr. Carty, Seconded by Mr. Barrett, in conjunction with Co. Manager.

Pump at Bohercomm: Satisfaction was expressed by the members at the erection of Pump at Bohercomm when it was recommended to ask for a second water-pump there.

Clerk was directed to write to Co. Manager on the matter.

Provision of Museum: Chairman read the following letter addressed to him and signed by Revs. Frs. M.H.O'Callaghan and Patrick K. Egan, C.C:

" Dear Sir,

May we ask you for an indication of the attitude of the Town Commissioners to the projected diocesan Museum for Loughrea. You will have learned from an article in the Connacht Tribune that plans are now far advanced in this matter. It was stated that this project was contemplated for many years and that many items, chiefly (but not exclusively) objects of ecclesiastical origin which are in most abundance in this locality, were being accumulated for a considerable time. It was also stated that a building in the Cathedral grounds would house this collection. This site was inspected by the appropriate Government authority on the 30th March this year and plans were requested with a view to securing a grant. An Architect has been engaged to provide plans.

As this project should prove of considerable advantage to the locality we would hope for some evidence of at least goodwill from a local administrative body.

Published reports of the meetings of your Commissioners, however, do not suggest that anything of this nature is forthcoming. After our arrangements were far advanced and widely known, your Commissioners have on several occasions proposed the setting up of a second museum, without any mention or recognition, so far as published reports indicate of the projected museum in the Cathedral grounds.

MINUTES CONT:

" It was even suggested according to the report of one meeting that the building that we are to reconstruct in the Cathedral grounds would be handed over for the second Museum. From a published report of your last meeting it appears that it is now your intention to contact An Bord Failte, the authority with which we have been making arrangements since early this year. You will realise that such an approach from the same locality could be easily regarded as an attempt to interfere with our arrangements and might have the effect of preventing them from their assisting us - unless it is supposed that they would sponsor two Museums in Loughrea which seems hardly probable.

We hope that your Commissioners will agree that we may reasonably ask for a clarification of their attitude, to the project, of which we are in charge."

The meeting expressed great surprise at the contents of this letter and referred to a Minute dated the 19th October, 1955, which read as follows:

" Provision of Local Museum: After discussion it was proposed by Mr. M. Carty, Seconded by the Chairman and passed: That An Bord Failte be communicated with, with a view to inquiring if they have made any arrangements regarding the provision of a Museum in Loughrea, as this Board are prepared to help the project in any way possible."

Clerk was instructed to send copy of said minute to Very Rev. Father O'Callaghan, Adm., and point out that there was no intention of setting up a second museum but anxious to help the project in any way possible. The Commissioners were not aware of the contents of letter addressed to the Chairman on the 8th instant.

Vincent P. McAuliffe
14/12/1955

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE
14th December, 1955 at 7-30 p.m., in the Temperance Hall.

In the Chair: V.F. Shields Esq., Members: Messrs M. Carty, Co. Co., A. Dervan,
J. Kilboy, F. Devine, and P. Morrissey.

Minutes of last meeting were read when Clerk was instructed to have them amended so as to include the following which was omitted:

"Great dissatisfaction was expressed with County Manager's attitude and with the tone of his letter and his failure to keep his promise in communicating further on the matter of Differential Rents."

Minutes were then signed as correct when the above had been inserted.

Malicious Injury Claim: Read Co. Manager's reply dated the 14/12/55 to Mr. Kilboy's letter of the 07/11/55 which stated 'it has been explained that the Co. Co. is under legal obligation to levy the amount of Decree in accordance with the Award of the Circuit Court. The Co. Solicitor advises that the Co. Co. has no right to take proceedings against Mr. Ahern'.

Noted. No further Order Made.

Differential Rents: Consideration of the Differential Rent Scheme was adjourned to a Special meeting to which Co. Manager is to be invited to discuss same.

Increase in Road-workers wages: Read Co. Manager's reply stating he had no funds at present to increase road-workers wages.

Mr. Carty, Co. Co., informed the meeting that he made a case for the Loughrea workers at last meeting of Co. Co., who were to get more wages. Clerk was instructed to report at next monthly meeting what amt. of weekly wage was paid by the Board to the road workers prior to handing roads over to Co. Co., and request Co. Secretary to state what rate of wages was paid by Co. Co., at same time. Further discussion on the matter was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Co. Co. Cottage Repairs: Read Co. Manager's reply which stated this is a matter for Co. Council ~~is~~ requested.

- No. 1. particulars of cottages alleged to be in bad repair
No. 2. cottages on which repairs are carried out unsatisfactorily
and 3 cottages left vacant in and around Loughrea.

The Board after discussion agreed that this was a matter for the Co. Co. Rent Collector, and an Order was made on Mr. Carty's proposition to request from the Co. Secretary, a copy of the H.A. Officer's report on cottages, as far as it relates to Loughrea Urban.

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Right-of-way between Mr. Marnion's premises and the Garda Barracks: Submitted Co. Manager's reply which stated that this is something with which the Local Authority cannot deal with. After discussion the Board agreed they had no powers in the matter. No further order was made.

Collector's report and Co. Manager's ruling thereon ~~and~~ use of houses as Offices, Workshops and Subletting: Submitted Collector's report dated the 30/11/55 as follows:

Copy.

St Anne's,
Moore St.,
Loughrea.
30-11-'55.

C.I.O'Flynn Esq.,
County Manager.

As requested per letter of 21st No. 1955 re Loughrea Town Commissioners' houses, of offices, workshops etc:

1. Mrs Mary Carr No. 4, Convent Site, Moore St., Miss Mary Hoade, Vocational Teacher. Flat.
2. Mrs Halloran, 16 Mt. Carmel Crescent Electrician at factory and wife. Flat.
3. Mr. P.J.O'Connor, 2 Mt. Carmel Crescent Rates Inspector Office for checking rates and stationery.
4. Joseph Gannon, 3, Liam Mellews Terrace. Boot repairs and Brother-in-law Martin Kelly has a vacant cottage Board of Health The Hill.
5. Christy O'Loughlin 5, Liam Mellews Terrace. Sister-in-law carried on dressmaking.
6. J.J. Connolly, 6, Athenry Road. Tailor carries on repairs in one room to support wife and son.
3. Mrs. William Toole, 8, Athenry Road, room and use of kitchen to Michael Maher and wife newly married as he cannot procure a house.

Yours respectfully,
C. MacNamee.

Read Rent Collector's report re No. 3 house, Moore Street, "On the 19th July, 1935 I took up possession. From that date I have used the downstairs room as a "writing room". Since 1935 the Social Service Programme has increased as you are aware. The Department put an Office Notice outside the house. May I add that a similar notice has been displayed on the wall outside by the National Health Society since 1935.

I am not paid one penny from the Department for this room nor do I receive any kind of reward. No shelves nor fixtures have been erected. It is used by my family as a sitting room. This room may be inspected by the Town Commissioners at any time"

Your's Respectfully,
Christopher MacNamee.

copy.

6th December, 1955.

The Town Clerk,
Loughrea.

A Chara,

I return to you herewith the Rent Collector's report regarding Town Commissioners' houses used as offices and workshops, etc., and which to comment as follows:

1. Mrs. Mary Carr, No:4, Convent Site, Moore Street: It appears that this lady has a flat let to Miss Mary Hoade, a vocational teacher. She should be informed that she is not entitled to sub-let any portion of the premises, and if she does not get rid of the sub-tenant, notice to quit must be served.
2. Mrs. Halloran, 16, Mount Carmel Crescent: Apparently the tenant has a flat let to an electrician and his wife. She should be similarly be informed that she is not entitled to sub-let any portion of the premises, and that notice to quit must be served if she does not get rid of the sub-tenants or alternatively, that she must pay the full economic rent.
3. Mr. P.J.O'Connor, 2, Mount Carmel Crescent, Rates Inspector; This is not a case of carrying on a business. He is entitled to do his official duties in his house. I think, however, notice to quit has already been served on him by reason of non-payment of rent. Has he made any effort to pay the rent since?
4. Joseph Gannon, 3, Liam Mellews Terrace.: It appears that this man is carrying on a boot repairing business and has his brother-in-law residing with him. Is the brother-in-law the Martin Kelly referred to in the Rent Collector's report who has a vacant cottage owned by the County Council at The Hill, Loughrea? If the tenant does not occupy the cottage rented to him at the Hill, Loughrea, notice to quit will be served on him by the County Council. With regard to the boot-repairing business I do not think that there is any serious objection to it, provided that the tenant has not made any structural alterations to the house, and that the premises are not being abused in any way in consequence of the trade being carried on there.
5. Christie O'Loughlin, 5, Liam Mellews Terrace: There is no serious objection to his sister-in-law carrying on a dressmaking business. I presume that no structural alterations have been made to the premises in consequence of this, and that the premises are not being abused by reason of the business being carried on.
6. John Joseph Connolly, 3, Athenry Road: I note that he carried on repairs in one room to support his wife and son. There is no objection to this.
7. Mrs. William Toole, 8, Athenry Road, 3, Athenry Road, it appears that she has let a flat to Michael Maher and his wife, and she should be informed that she is not entitled to sublet any portion of the premises and that if she does not get rid of the sub-tenants notice to quit must be served on her.

With regard to the carrying on of businesses, the position is that the Retail Traders' Association has made representations to the Minister time and again against the carrying on of retail business in premises which are subsidised from public funds in competition with the owners of businesses occupying premises which are not so subsidised. Under no circumstances therefore, may any tenant be allowed to open a shop, but there is no objection to the carrying on of a business such as dressmaking or boot repairing, provided that the premises are not being abused

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and that the living accomodation in the premises is not over crowded in consequence of the carrying of the business in question.

Mise, le meas,
C.I.O'Flynn,
County Manager.

P.S.

There is no objection to the use in his house as a writing room by Mr. Christopher MacNamee, who works for the Department of Social Welfare.

C.I.O'F.

MINUTES CONTINUED

There was lengthy discussion on the Rent Collector's report and Co. Manager's Orders thereon - when it was unanimously agreed that the Board look on these Tenants as having Temporarily convenience. Mr. Carty proposed that there be no further discussion re these Tenants stating that ~~this matter~~ ~~should~~ that he regretted that this matter should turn up at all.

No further order was made.

Public Street lighting: Mr. Dervan spoke on behalf of the L.D.A stating that ~~Co. Co. recommended to have repairs~~ ~~to the street lighting~~ it be recommended to Co. Co., to have better lighting system in the town from Nov. to February; Mr. Barrett recommended Pilot lights be provided. Clerk was directed to communicate with Sec. of Co. Co. on the matter ~~draw attention to~~ *draw attention to Bad Street-lighting on Fair morning.*

Weighing Scales: Mr. Morrissey drew the Board's attention to the need for new scales when Mr. Carty informed the meeting that they were being purchased.

Publication of List of Fairs was discussed when Mr. Dervan informed the Board that the Toll Keeper had ~~power~~ authority to publish the List.

No Order Made.

Appointment of suitable Tenants for Town Commissioners' houses was discussed at length. Clerk outlined the procedure regarding the applications received ~~with~~ with which the Board did not agree. On the proposition of Mr. Dervan it was unanimously agreed that Clerk retain any applications received for houses until such time as Co. Manager attends a special meeting to discuss the procedure of granting tenancies of Town Commissioners' houses.

Clerk was instructed to call special meeting on a date suitable for Co. Manager to attend.

Overflow of water in Cross Street: Clerk was directed to draw Town Engineer's attention to this matter.

The Development of the Kilnadeemna Road (around the lake) was brought to the Board's notice, by Mr. Dervan, when he was informed that Board Failte will not spend money on any Co. Co. roads.

It was agreed unanimously to recommend this road for repairs to Co. Manager, in order to enhance the beauty of the Lake.

Clerk was directed to submit reports on the following

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1. Amount of money borrowed on the I9 house scheme.
2. The Annual Loan Repayments for I954/55.
3. Amount of money borrowed on the I6 house scheme.
4. The Annual Amount of Loan repayments on this scheme for I954/55.
5. Annual Amount of Rents received for each scheme, less Rates.

On the proposition of Mr. Devine the Board Congratulated Mr. D'Alton and staff, on erection of beautiful Christmas Tree in Main Street.

Provision of Local Museum: Read letter dated the 3/II/55 from Board Failte, Eireann, stating the matter did not as yet come formally before the Board for consideration.

No Order made.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the relatives of the Late Joseph O'Loughlin, Fairfield.

V. P. Shields
17/12/55

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON THE 19th DAY OF DECEMBER, 1955.

IN THE CHAIR- V.P. SHIELDS ESQ., SOLICITOR. MEMBERS PRESENT: MESSRS A. DERVAN, W. CONLAN, J. KILBOY, D. CRONIN, P. MORRISSEY AND JAMES BARRETT.

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

THE MEETING OPENED WITH PRAYER.

Co. Manager apologised to the members present for his unavoidable absence at last meeting of the Board stating he had to attend a meeting in Dublin on that particular date. The Board accepted the apology when the business of the Board proceeded.

Clerk submitted the following particulars as directed at last meeting:

1. Amt. of money borrowed on the I9 House Scheme £ 20,950

Advanced by Co.Co. 500 Total £21,450

2. Amt. Annual Loan repayment 1954/55 on this scheme 873.3.7

3. Annual amt. of rent received per I9 house Scheme: 1954/55 yr. less rates £599-5-10d

4. Amt. borrowed on I6 House Scheme £19,400 Advanced by Co.Co. 7,000

Total £26,400

5. Annual repayment on I6 house scheme £374-3-9d

6. Annual amt. of rent received 1954/55 on I6 house scheme £715-13-2d

Co. Manager explained in detail all particulars of figures received & expended on both schemes showing an approximate loss of £5-4-11d per house per annum and pointed out that the basic rents could not be reduced

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without an increase on the Rates. After some discussion on the matter Mr. Dervan withdrew his motion and it was unanimously agreed by the members present to let One Eight the Tenant's Income stand and not interfere with the basic rents as at present in operation.

Passed Unanimously with Co. Manager's approval.

In reply to Mr. Barrett's question regarding the cost of the 2 Housing Schemes Co. Manager submitted the Total All-in-cost of the I9 House and I6 House schemes There was no order made.

Mr. Barrett drew the Board's attention to cracks on the walls of the Mount Carmel Crescent houses when Clerk was instructed to draw Mr. D'Alton's report refer the matter to Mr. D'Alton Town Engineer for his report.

Mr. Kilboy drew attention to amount of repairs being carried out to No. I, house Moore Street, occupied by Mr. McLoughlin, N.T.

Mr. Dervan stated that these 4 houses were being subsidised to the extent of £26 per annum or 10/- weekly while other houses were receiving less subsidy. There was a lengthy discussion it was suggested to increase the rents on the 4 houses to meet any deficit.

Clerk was instructed to furnish to next meeting the following:

- 1. Rents of houses and Rates of the 4 Houses.
2. Amt. spent on repairs
3. Purchase price and amt. of annuity.
4. Incomes of each Tenant.

Letting of the Board's houses was discussed at length, when the members present raised objection to the granting giving tenancy of No. II house Mt. Carmel Crescent to Mr. Mitchell, he being a stranger in the town.

Clerk read list of applicant's names for houses which was forwarded to the Co. M.O.H for recommendation.

After considering the matter further the Co. Manager recommended, and it was unanimously agreed, that a Waiting List be drawn up with for 3 tenants, to be revised from month to month.

It was finally decided unanimously, to leave the decision regarding tenant for No. II house, Mt. Carmel Crescent to the County Manager, when he will communicate with Chairman on the matter the Board recommending Messers

Messers J.O'Rourke or M. Curley as suitable Tenants.

A. O'Dearbhain 23/11/56.

Minutes of Special Estimates Committee Meeting
was held at 6-30 p.m on Monday the 23rd January
1956.

Present - C.I.O'Flynn Esq., County Manager,
Messrs A. Dervan, N. F., Vice Chairman, Joseph
Kilboy, P.C, Mr. E.P. D'Alton, Town Engineer and
the Town Clerk : (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

Letter from Mr. V.P. Shields, Chairman, was read
stating he feared he could not attend meeting;
the letter stated that he (Chairman) had no
comments to make re estimate of expenses except
that the figure re repairs to houses seems high.

Order: Noted .

Statements referring to receipts & expenses for
the 4 Convent Site houses were submitted and
considered at length. Estimates as circulated
were also considered and approved by the Committee,
for the financial year ending 31st March, 1957.

Vincent P. Shields
8/2/1956.

Minutes of proceedings of Estimates Meeting
of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Monday
23rd January, 1956, and also of Monthly Meeting.

In the Chair: Mr. A.T. Dervan, Acting Chairman .
Members present Messrs Joseph Kilboy, Frances Devine,
James ~~Kilboy~~ and Patrick Morrissey.

In attendance: C.I.O'Flynn Esq., Co. Manager, Mr. E.P.
D'Alton, Town Engineer, and the Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)
Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were signed as correct.

Repairs to Co. Co. Cottages: Read letter dated the
29/12/55 signed County Secretary stating that he
regretted that copies, as requested, of repairs to
Co. Co. cottages, in so far as they relate to Loughrea
Town, cannot be made available.
Order-Noted.

Mr. Kilboy drew the Co. Manager's attention to the following
Co. Co. cottages in the town being vacant :

Murphy's Galway Road, Dwyer, Galway Road, Keeney,
Cuscaric, Kenny, Galway Road, Kelly, The Hill, and
Lally's, Cosmona.

The Co. Manager assured the Board that he would attend
to this matter.

Public street lighting.; Read Letter dated the 29/12/55
signed Co. Secretary stating that arrangements are
being made for provision of an improved public lighting
system and this provides for 6 pilot lights which
will be lighted from dusk to dawn.

Order: Noted and Approved

Official Seal : Quotation submitted from Messrs
Brown & Nolan, Printers, for the supply of "Official
Seal" for the Town Commissioners as sketch supplied
was unanimously accepted on Co. Manager's approval .

Receipts & Expenditure on 4 Convent Site Houses		
for the past 5 years was submitted and considered		
showing a deficit in	1951	-- 538-II-5d
"	1952	-- 571-IO-Id
"	1953	-- 39-13-3
"	1954	-- 103-14-9
"	1955	-- 67-2-10

Mr. Dervan, Acting Chairman, proposed that the Rents
of the 4 houses be increased to meet any loss in the
rates, Mr. Kilboy seconded.

Mr. Devine proposed that ~~that~~ to leave the rents as they
are.

Mr. Barrett seconded, Mr. Devine.
The motion was put to the meeting when there voted
against the motion Messrs Devine, Barrett & Morrissey
for Messrs Dervan and Kilboy. The
Acting Chairman then declared his motion lost, and no
further Order was made re increasing rent.

The Co. Manager informed the members that the Differential
Renting System would be applied to all new Tenancies.

The Board Approved of this action.

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Appointment of Mr. Patrick Mitchell as Tenant of No. II house, Mt. Carmel Crescent instead of Mr. J. O'Rourke, was explained by Co. Manager, which was noted by the Board.

Clerk was directed to request Co. J. O. H to submit a "waiting List" comprising of 3 names for housing purposes to be adjusted from month to month.

Opening of the National and Hibernian Banks on the 11th rebby, it being a Fair Day, was recommended by the meeting, and Clerk directed to communicate with the Managers on the matter.

Devine
Mr. ~~Barrett~~ raised the question of remuneration for Town Clerk's services on her retirement when Co. Manager replied in the negative.

Mr. Barrett asked Co. Manager if the Board had power to write to Dept. of Posts & telegraphs regarding the ~~posting~~ off unemployment of 3 men at Post Office. Co. Manager replied in the affirmative.

Discussions took place re improvements to the Lake shore etc, and applying for grant for footpath on the eastern side of the lake, when Mr. D'Alton advised that the existing lake shore, be retained for improvement by the Co. Co.

Co. Manager stated that he was attending to the provision of bathing facilities in the town, and was in communication with the Dept. on the matter.

Order : Approved.

Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, reported that there are cracks in the walls of three of the houses at Mt. Carmel Crescent. He proposes to carry out repairs, when he is satisfied, that there will be no further settlement, unless the cracks result in dampness, in which case he will do the necessary repairs to keep the house dry.

Order: noted.

Town Clerk
(Mr. Mitchell)

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There was no Order made re Traffic Wardens regulations 1955.

Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, reported that the firm concerned, was replacing the defective Cisterns, in the Mount Carmel Crescent houses.

Order: noted.

Submitted 1956/57 Estimates, copies of which were circulated to each member of the Board. Each item of Expenditure & Receipts was perused by the members present, Estimated Expenditure being £4541 - Estimated Receipts £3509 - Nett Estimated

Expenditure £1032- Estimated Credit Balance £ 440. (allowing for £30 Housing Repairs to Cr. as explained by Town Engineer) leaving Amount to be Demanded for the services of the year ending 31st March, 1957, £592- equal to 2/0^d in the £ as compared with 2/1^d the previous year showing a decrease of One Half-penny in the Pound.

On the proposition of Mr. J. Kilboy, Seconded by Mr. A.T. Dervan, Vice Chairman, the Board unanimously adopted the estimates of expenses as set out in Tables A .B. and C, and determined that the sum of £592- be Demanded from the Galway Co. Council, for the financial year ending 31st March, 1957.

Passed .

Kilnadeemna Road : Co. Manager informed the meeting that he was taken this matter (re repairs to said road) up with the Co. Engineer .

Order: Noted.

Re Christmas tree: Mr. D'Alton submitted the following report regarding responsibility of same- Galway Co. Council- Labour for erection & removal . Mr. J. Coughlan- Loan of lights, equipment and services. Mr. T. MacGuire- Installation of lights & wiring. Mr. D. Nolan - Facilities for connecting to electric supply. Traders in vicinity- Payment for electricity used. E.P. D'Alton - Payment for tree supplied by the Forestry Dept.

Order: noted.

Submitted application for a F. Co's house signed Ciaran O'Sheehan New Inn, which was not considered by Co. Manager as preference must be given to persons of the Working Classes.

Purchase price of Convent. Site houses was outlined by Co. Manager stating that a discount of 10% will be allowed where the entire purchase price of £441 is paid at the date of purchase, being subject to Ground Rent of 10/- per annum.

No Order made.

Vincent P. O'Connell
8/2/1956.

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, THE 3th FEBRUARY, 1956.

In the Chair: V.P. Shields Esq., Solicitor, Chairman.

Members present: Messers A.F. Dervan, N.T., J. Barrett and J. Kilboy.

The Meeting opened with prayer as heretofore.

Minutes of last meetings were read, confirmed and signed.

Appointment of member on Fire Advisory Service Committee

On the proposition of Mr. Dervan, seconded by Mr. Barrett, Mr. Joseph Kilboy, was unanimously appointed to represent the Loughrea Town Commissioners on the Fire Advisory Service Committee of the County Council.

Clerk was instructed to notify the Secretary County Council of said appointment.

County M.O.H'S priority List: Clerk reported that the required list had not been received.

Order- Adjourn to next monthly meeting.

Auditor's Report and Clerk's Statement of Accounts were submitted for the year ended 31st March, 1955. Chairman read the Report and the members perused the Abstract of Accounts.

A discussion took place regarding the Auditor's Charges. There was no order made.

On the proposition of Mr. Kilboy it was unanimously agreed to suggest an increase of 10% more than the Board's former road-workers of 3 labourers & one ganger, in order to bring up the difference in their wages that existed in 1936, prior to the handing over of the roads to the Galway County Council; the cost of living of town workers being higher than that of the rural workers. Clerk was instructed to communicate with the County Manager on the matter.

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Submitted Temporary Allowance, 1955, proposing to increase the remuneration of officers as follows: (a) for Officers whose remuneration is less than £300 per annum an increase of 10% on remuneration.

(b) for officers whose remuneration is £300 per annum or more an increase of 10% on the first £300 and 6 1/2% on the balance.

X Read letter dated 23rd January, 1956, signed C.I. O'Flynn Esq., County Manager Esq., directing that above Resolutions be submitted to the Board for approval, subject to Minister's sanction, for 10% increase in Town Clerk's salary.

On the proposition of Mr. Dervan, seconded by Mr. Barrett the Board unanimously approved of the 10% per annum T.I. to the Town Clerk. The Clerk thanked the Board in suitable terms.

Flooding on the Hill road (near Mr. Robinson's) was brought to the notice of the Board by Mr. Kilboy when it was ordered that the matter be referred to Co. Manager also defective water supply at Mrs. Munt's premises, Barrack St: and leakages in the Hill pump.

Discussion regarding removal of Electric lights at Cross Street was adjourned pending the completion of the work there.

The Board's sympathy, on the proposition of Mr. Dervan, seconded by Mr. Kilboy, was extended to Mr. & Mrs. Madden, Guscarric, on the lamentable death of their son in England and to Mr. Fears of the Hibernian Bank, on the death of his mother. The Kelly Family, Dinkelli Street, and Egan Family, Mason Brook on their recent bereavements.

Vincent P. Shields
14/3/56.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY,
the 14th March, 1956.

In the Chair- V.P. Shields Esq., (Sol.) Chairman.

Members present- Messers A.T. Dervan, N.T., W. Conlan,
J. Kilboy, P. Morrissey, J. Barrett and
F. Devine.

The meeting opened with prayer as heretofore.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Co. Manager's letter of apology for nonattendance was
read and noted.

Remuneration of road-workers: Submitted letter dated
13/2/56 signed by Co. Manager which stated "that the
remuneration of road-workers has recently been determined
on the recommendation of the Co. Council & I do not propose
to revive it further".

After discussion on the employment of labour by Mr.
D'Alton, Town Engineer, Mr. Kilboy proposed that it be
suggested to Co. Manager, to have the work distributed more
evenly, and that no favouritism be shown during the
employing of workers.

Passed unanimously.

Kilnadeemna Road: Submitted Co. Secretary's letter
dated the 7/2/56, stating "that the request in this case
would involve the improvement of approx four miles of road
& according to Co. Engineer's report the estimated cost
is £11,000, it is regretted that this work cannot be
undertaken at present as the improvement of roads is
carried out from Government Grants, and the roads in this
case are not listed in the present five-year programme".

The meeting expressed disappointment at reply. No further
Order was made.

Water Supply: Read Co. Manager's reply stating that
complaints of re this matter should be referred to
Co. Secretary, who will in turn notify the Co. Engineer.
Water pump on the Hill Road, flooding and alleged defective
water-supply at Mrs. Hunt's premises is having attention,

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OF Co. Engineer.

Mr. Dervan drew the Board's attention to complaints made
regarding Water-supply to House-holders in the town,
when it was unanimously agreed to recommend to Co. Manager
to have an investigation of the Town's water-supply
generally.

Co. M.O.H.'s priority list for Housing: dated the 13/2/56
was considered which stated:

- There are now only six applicants on our Lists for
Housing in Loughrea. Of these (P. Shiel) requests
a cottage in Kilnadeemna. The others are:-
1. Francis Callanan, Coscorrig-In lodgings with Patrick Burke.
 2. Owen Comber, Dalway Road, Husband & Wife only, living
in a reasonably good house.
 3. John O'Donoghue, Knockinima, Husband, Wife & 3 children,
living in a fairly good house, but rent is too high for him.
 4. Michael Maher, C/O O'Tooles, Athenry Road, Husband & Wife
only. Living in one room and use of kitchen.
 5. Thomas Callanan, Barrack St., Husband & Wife only, living
in a reasonably good house.

I therefore recommend the following be given priority:-

1. Francis Callanan,
2. Michael Maher.
3. Owen Comber.

Signed Dr. C.F. McConn,
Co. M.O.H.

After discussion it was unanimously decided on the prop.
of Mr. Dervan, seconded by Mr. Kilboy, the names of Francis
Callanan and Michael Maher, pointing out that it is the
Board's opinion that these 2 applicants would prefer Co.
Co. cottages, which are now vacant in the town.

It was also agreed to request Co. M.O.H. to submit a
fuller list of applicants with Messers Curley, Brude St.,
& O'Rourke, Mt. Carmel Road, included thereon.

Planting of Trees- Chairman reported that Mr.
Kelly mor complained about the trees in Cross St., etc
being an obstruction.
Clerk was directed to refer the matter to Co. Manager.

Weigh-bridge at Barrack Street: An order was made recommending
to Co. Manager the necessity of procuring a new weigh-bridge
on the site of the old one at Barrack Street.

New Fair Green: After lengthy discussion on this matter

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it was unanimously agreed to recommend to Co. Manager the need for expediting the work on the new Fair-green or any other ~~schemes~~ schemes planned by the Galway Co. Council in order to relieve unemployment in the town of Loughrea, as set out in the I.T.C.W.U Petition submitted to meeting.

The provision of a Cattle Mart in the town was discussed No. Order made.

L.G. Superannuation Bill, 1955 was submitted & Noted.

Gaming & Lotteries Act, 1956, was adjourned to next meeting.

Engineer's Estimate for Housing Repairs which showed an overexpenditure of £11-3-0 for the year ended 31/3/'56 was submitted, when Mr. Conlan proposed, Seconded by Mr. Barrett; that the Board sanction an overexpenditure of £20- for this period.

It was passed unanimously.

Pilot Lighting -) The members present directed that the provision of Pilot Lights at the Cathedral & Abbey Church be recommended to the Co. Manager, and that the lights removed from Cross St., and Liam Mellews Terrace be replaced, also that a surplus light outside Fahy's Garage be removed further West on the Athenry Road.

The Board's sympathy on behalf of the Townspeople was extended to His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. Philbin, Bishop of Clonfert, and the death of his Mother, and to the Keoghan Family, The Square, on the death of their father, R.I.P.

*Vincent P. Smith
11/4/1956.*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th APRIL, 1956.

IN THE CHAIR: V.P. SHIELDS ESQ (Solicitor) CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messers M. Carty, N.T., A.T. Dervan, N.T., J. Kilboy, J. Barrett and Francis Devine.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Submitted the Gaming & Lotteries Act, 1956, after discussion on same it was proposed by Mr. Carty, Seconded by Mr. Kilboy, that the Board consider the adoption of Part 3 of the Act in so far as it relates to the town of Loughrea.

Mr. Dervan proposed that the Act be not adopted, there was no Seconded, when Mr. Carty's proposition was carried.

Clerk was directed to proceed with the necessary instructions regarding the adoption of Part 3 of the Act submitted.

X Co. M.O.H's Amended Priority List dated 3/4/1956 was submitted & perused by the members present when some dissatisfaction was expressed as the Board were not in agreement with remarks thereon.

Co. M.O.H's letter dated 3/4/'56 which accompanied the report stated "The List of applicants referred to me for consideration are given on the attached list with the Health Inspector's report & are listed in order of priority. It is not possible to make a recommendation on behalf of Curley as the Health Inspector informs me that he could not gain admission to the house to inspect although he called on several occasions to do so"

After discussion it was unanimously decided to call a special meeting and invite Co. Manager, Co. M.O.H or Health Inspector and H.A. Officer to attend and submit further lists for T.Cs houses and Co. Co. cottages (there being 6 Co. Co. cottages vacant at present) for the purpose of delating names which may be duplicated.

Date of meeting to be arranged by Chairman. Clerk was directed to point out to Co. Manager that Creaman was housed; Donoghue leaving town; O'Rourke left town, and that Hynes was promised a Co. Co. cottage.

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Read Co. Manager's letter dated 21/3/56. which stated that it was open to Francis Callanan & Michael Maher to apply for Co. Co. cottages, if and when, one becomes vacant.

Clerk reported that she notified these two applicants xxx accordingly.

Order Noted.

Erection of Public Street lights and Planting of trees

WAS REFERRED TO BY MR. CARTY, WHEN IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY decided to inform Co. Manager, that it is the wishes of the Board to be consulted by Town Engineer, prior to carrying out of these works in the town.

Mr. Barrett reported that: it was his opinion that Cross Street was not properly lighted, outside Messers Cunningham's and B. Kelly's.

Clerk was directed to draw Co. Manager's attention to the matter also to the location of water-pump in Bohercomma.

Lawn Tennis Club. Read copy letter signed by Co. Manager, dated the 23/2/'56, addressed to Mr. P. MacCarthy Solicitor, stating that he, Co. Manager, has no objection to the erection of a temporary nisson hut on the understanding that the hut will be erected on the site which has been leased to the Tennis Club.

Order-Noted.

The Board's sympathy was extended to Mr. P. J. Finnegan, Rate Collector, on the death of his sister Hanna and to the Gaffney family on the death of their father the late John Gaffney Ex R.I.C, Barrack Street.

*A. O. Dearbain
9/5/58*

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON WED. 9th MAY, 1956, AT 7-30 P.M.

IN THE CHAIR- Mr. A. T. Dervan, N.T., (Acting Chairman)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messers J. K. L. boy, P. M. Marrissey and

subsequently Mr. L. Carty, Co. Co.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed, and Signed as correct.

Re Planting of trees in Cross Street : Submitted detailed report signed Mr. D'Alton, Asst. Co. Engineer, which stated "The trees planted in Cross Street, occupy from 12" to 15" from the outside of the kerb, and leave a minimum of 4' 3" for pedestrians. In one case the path is only 4' 6" wide, outside the Rectory the path is only 2' 6" wide and beyond this there is only 2' 3" between E.S.B. poles & the inside of the path. In view of the small amount of traffic on this path & its restricted width in places I cannot agree that any obstruction is caused.

Order: (Noted) Clerk was instructed to send copy of Engineer's report to Mr. Kelly for his information on the matter.

Re- Priority List for Houses:

Read Co. Manager's letter dated 23/4/'56, stating he would not be able to attend meeting proposed to be held on the 25th inst; the letter pointed out that the selection of tenants for houses is primarily a function for Co. Manager and that houses must be let in accordance with the Letting Regulations and regard must be had to the recommendations of the County Medical Officer. Co. Manager also pointed out that a List of applicants for Co. Co. cottages is being rechecked and until investigations have been completed he cannot make a definite decision regarding the Priority List for Town Commissioners houses.

Order: After some discussion it was unanimously decided to adjourn the proposed meeting pending submission of Priority List.

Clerk was directed to notify County Manager that the Board strongly recommend Messers Callanan &

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Gardiner, Cuscarric, to be housed in Co. Co. cottages .

Public Lighting & Planting of Trees: Read Co. Manager's letter dated 23/4/'56, pointing out that the Town Engineer should not be required to consult with the Loughrea Town Commissioners in relation to matters which are functions of the Galway Co. Council. These include roadside planting of trees & erection of public lights. It is open to the Town Commissioners to make recommendations to me from time to time and I shall bring the matter to the notice of the Engineer, but the Town Commissioners should not lose sight of the fact that they have certain functions and that their functions are limited and that the other functions of local Government in relation to the town of Loughrea are matters for the Galway County Council.

I am enquiring into the complaint regarding lighting in Cross Street and the location of the water pump in Bhercomm.

No Order made.

Weigh-bridge at Barrack Street: Copy letter dated the 30/4/'56 signed by Hon. Secretary, Loughrea Agricultural Show Society, pointing out the inconvenience to the people attending the Markets, due to lack of Weigh Bridge, the Society appealed on behalf of the local farmers that the matter receive urgent attention.

Clerk reported that she forwarded letter referred to to Co. Manager.
Order-Noted.

Adoption of Section 7I, of the Towns Improvement Act, 1854,
Letter signed by Mr. D'Alton, Asst. Co. Engineer, dated the 30/4/'56 was read, drawing attention to the habit of Pinkers turning their horses out to graze not only on the roads but into private gardens & the Abbey Walks causing damage to trees & scrubs there. Mr. D'Alton suggested the implementation of Section 7I of Towns Improvement Act, 1854, to controll this nuisance.

After discussion it was agreed to adjourn consideration of Mr. D'Alton's report pending Co. Manager's advice on the matter.

Garrybridea Wood : Town Engineer's letter dated 1/5/'56 was read which stated that Rev. Fr. O'Callaghan, Adm., was anxious to have statue erected in centre of Wood and it will be necessary have a dead fir tree removed.

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Clerk reported that Co. Manager had given his approval for the removal of the tree and the matter was receiving attention.

Order- Noted & Approved.

Gaming & Lotteries Act, 1956. Clerk stated that the prescribed 30 days notice re its adi option, was given on the Connacht Tribune and Sentinel, and that the Special Meeting would be held on the 30th May, 1956.

Order-Noted.

Mr. Carty, (who attended at this stage) apologised for the Co. Manager's nonattendance at meeting, and stated that the provision of Weigh Bridge is having the Co. Manager's attention, that an Engineer is being sent out to examine the existing Weigh Bridge, as only One Tender had been received.

Clerk was instructed to notify Sac. of Agricultural Society accordingly.

Vincent P. O'Connell
13/6/1956.

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

The Special Meeting called for the 30th May, 1956 - regarding the Gaming & Lotteries Act, 1956, was not held due to absence of a quorum, Messrs M. Carty, Co. Co., and James Barrett, being the only members present. Chairman wrote apologising for not attending as he had business on the same date in Dublin.

Clerk was instructed to adjourn this business to the monthly meeting to be held on the 13th June, 1956.

Vincent Shields
13th 16th / 1956.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 13th June, 1956.

IN THE CHAIR: MR. V. P. SHIELDS, SOLICITOR, CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSRS A. T. DERVAN N. T. & F. DEVINE, The meeting adjourned ^{AND} for some time as a mark of respect to their member Mr. D. Cronin, on the death of his brother Mattew.

MEETING OPENED WITH PRAYER.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING WERE READ, CONFIRMED AND SIGNED.

Submitted Gaming & Lotteries Act, 1956, Notice of which was given on the Agenda. On the proposition of the Chairman, Seconded by Mr. Devine it was decided to adjourn consideration of same to a more representative meeting of the Board.
Order-Passed.

Section 71, Towns Improvement Act, 1954 together with correspondence referring to same was submitted for consideration.

On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Dervan, it was decided to refer the matter to the Board's Solicitor for advice as to its adoption. Clerk was also instructed to forward copy of Local Government's letter dated the 6/6/56 to Solicitor which stated that the Section referred to has already been adopted by the Board: the Act being adopted with the exception of water.

Water Supply at rear of Hunts premises: Engineer's report dated the 7th May, 1956, was read, which stated that "if there is any fault at rear of Mr. Scully's house, Mrs. Hunt has no authority to excavate there to rectify matters. Mrs. Hunt's daughter, Mrs. E. Glynn, appears to be agreeable that a separate water connection to the main in Barrack Street is the only satisfactory remedy".

Order- Adjourn owing to Mrs. Hunt's illness.

Dumping of Rubble: Clerk was instructed to bring to notice of County Manager the dumping of rubble from the ruins of a demolished house at Galway Road into one of the cottages

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gardens there. Mr. Dervan stating that the matter should receive serious attention.

Relieving Officer for town of Loughrea: The Board expressed dissatisfaction that this official is not resident in the town and recommended that the County Manager's attention be drawn to the necessity of having the Relieving Officer residing in the town. The members present also recommended that the system of Rent Collection of Co. Council cottages be improved. Clerk to notify Co. Manager accordingly.

Annual Meeting of the Board: Clerk was directed to call said meeting for 7-30 p.m. on Wednesday the 27th June, '56. for the purpose of Electing Chairman & Vice Chairman for the coming year.

Sympathy of the Board was extended to Mr. D. Cronin, esteemed member of the Board and to his sister, Mrs. Kitty Nolan and families on the recent lamentable death of their brother Matthew Cronin. Sympathy was also extended to Mrs. J. Hanafin, on the death of her father the late Mr. Taylor, Rahem, Loughrea.

*A. O'Dearbáin
11/7/56*

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 28TH JUNE, 1956.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Members present: Mr. V.P. Shields, outgoing Chairman

Messrs A.T. Dervan, D. Cronin, J. Kilboy, J. Barrett and F. Devine.

Clerk explained that according to L.G. Act the statutory annual meeting of the Town Commissioners should be held between the 23rd June and 30th for the purpose of electing Chairman & Vice Chairman to the Board for the coming year.

Due notice having been given on the Agenda propositions for Chairman were taken as follows;

The outgoing Chairman Mr. V.P. Shields thanked the Board for co-operation during his term of office as stated that he was not prepared to go forward for election this year. He, Mr. Shields, pledged his full support to the incoming officers.

On the proposition of Mr. Devine seconded by Mr. J. Kilboy Mr. A.T. Dervan, N.T., outgoing Vice-Chairman was elected Chairman and Mr. F. Devine was elected vice-chairman on the proposition of Mr. Kilboy seconded by Mr. Dervan. There were no other propositions. Messrs Dervan and Devine thanked the members insuitably for electing them.

Mr. D. Cronin, who was present at meeting, submitted a letter of thanks to the Board on behalf of himself and family and Mrs. K. Nolan and family for vote of sympathy passed with them on the death of their brother the late Matthew Cronin R.I.P.

No other business was transacted.

*A. O'Dearbáin
11/7/56*

DECLARATION

TO BE MADE

ON ACCEPTANCE OF A CORPORATE OFFICE

I Frank Dore having been chosen* VICE CHAIRMAN for the
 TOWN COMMISSIONERS of LOUGHREA, hereby declare that I take the
 said office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfill the duties thereof according to
 the best of my judgment and ability.

(To be subscribed before two members or Secretary or Clerk of the Council).

* Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Councillor.

Witnessed - H. M. Kiehl -
 Town Clerk
 11/7/1956.

DECLARATION

TO BE MADE

ON ACCEPTANCE OF A CORPORATE OFFICE

I Anthony Conran having been chosen* CHAIRMAN for the
 TOWN COMMISSIONERS of LOUGHREA, hereby declare that I take the
 said office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfill the duties thereof according to
 the best of my judgment and ability.

(To be subscribed before two members or Secretary or Clerk of the Council).

* Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Councillor.

Witnessed - H. M. Kiehl -
 Town Clerk
 11/7/1956.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE
HALL, LOUGHREA, ON WEDNESDAY THE 11th DAY OF JULY, 1956.

Read Letter from Mr. V.P. Shields, Sol. apologising for nonattend-
ance at meeting.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. A.T.DERVAN, CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT - MESSRS FRANCES DEVINE, MICHAEL CARTY,
CO.CO., JAMES BARRETT AND JOSEPH KILBOY.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: G.I.O'FLYNN ESQ., COUNTY MANAGER AND
THE TOWN CLERK (Mrs.H.M.Kiely)

The Meeting opened with Prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Adoption of Towns Improvement Act, 1354 : Letter dated 11/7/'56
signed by Board's Solicitor was submitted and read which stated
"our Town Agents inform us that there is a file of the
1361 issues of the Dublin Gazette in the National Library.
Their assistant is searching the file for the copy we require".

Order- Noted.

Mr.Carty moved his motion which was on Agenda and dated the
5/7/'56 as follows:

- " (1) That this Board strongly deplores the failour of the
CoBnty Manager to accede to request made to him two months
ago for a special housing meeting at which the Co.Manager
& Co.M.O.H or his Reprs. would attend to explain the inaccuracies
& inconsistencies of the Housing Priority List for Loughrea
submitted some time ago."
" (2) That this Board refrain from recommending the creation
of the Office of Town Sergeant".

County Manager replied to No.1 of Mr. Carty's motion by
submitting the Priority List and perusing same with the
members present, the results being as follows:

1. Mrs. Francis Callanan/ Gardiner- To be housed in Co.Co.Cottage
2. Patrick Shield, Cappanagh, - Crossed off T.C's List.
3. John Donoghue, - Left Town.
4. Owen Comer, Galway Road, Granted tenancy of No.2, Liam Mellews
Terrace when same becomes vacant.
5. Michael Maher, " " Will be considered for Co.Co. cottage when
he submits application for same.
6. Thomas Callan, Barrack Street, -- Left town.
7. Thomas Craven, West Bridge, --- Housed
8. Joseph O'Rourke, Mt.Carmel Rd., - Left Town.

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9. ANNIE McGuire, Kelly's St., Housed.
10. John O'Rourke, Rathruddy, Housed.
11. Michael Curley, Bride St., Housed in Dispensary.

Co.Manager explained that there was a cottage vacant & that
the Co.M.Officer's recommendations are being sought and that
it is possible that the Mrs.F.Callanan & Gardiner family
will get the tenancy of this cottage.

The Board pointed out that there was a vacant cottage in Galway
Road occupied by the Late Margaret Martyn and that a Miss Fahy
is in possession.
Order-Referred to Co.Manager for attention also Martin Kelly's
vacant cottage in the Hill and any Co.Co.cottages that are left
vacant for a long period by persons who go to England and
continue to pay rent.

Repairs to Jack Shaughnessy's cottage Bride Street and
the provision of a range for Michael Ryan, Galway Road, were
referred to County Manager for his attention.

The Board unanimously agreed with the disposal of the Priority
List as ruled on above and agreed that there was no need to
hold the proposed special meeting.

Mr.Carty's N.O.M No.2. was moved by him (Mr.Carty) seconded
by Mr. J.Kilboy and it was passed unanimously that "this
Board refrain from recommending the creation of office of
Town Sergeant" seeing that there was a Town Engineer already
employed by the Board.

Gaming & Lotteries Act, 1956. On the proposition of Mr.Carty,
seconded by Mr.Kilboy, the Board unanimously agreed to adopt
this Act, statutory notice of which, was given on the local
papers and to each member of the Board.

Clerk was directed to advertise the adoption of the Act in
2 local papers and notify Minister of Justice accordingly.

County Manager advised the Board to refer matters concerning
Co.Council business to their Reprs. Mr.Carty, Co.Co.:

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The matters concerning Co. Co. Rent Collection & location of Relieving Officer's Residence were referred to Co. Manager for attention.

Alleged Dumping of Rubble. Read letter from County Manager which stated that the matter was referred to the Co. Engineer for his report on the matter.

Order- Noted.

Appointment of 2 members to attend Municipal Conferences and meetings notice of which was on Agenda - Messrs A.T. Dervan Chairman and Mr. J. Kilboy were unanimously appointed to represent the Board.

Light at Bohercomme The Chairman recommended to Co. Manager need for further lighting and recommended that the extra light outside garage in Athenry Road be put there. Extra light in Cross Street was recommended by Mr. Barret same was referred also to Co. Manager.

Proposed increases by E.S.B were considered and it was agreed to send a letter of protest to the E.S. Board.

Clerk was instructed to draw Minister of Posts & Telegraphs attention to the delay in delivery of parcels in the town which is a cause of great inconvenience to the business people.

Francis Devine
8/7/56

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8TH August, 1956.

In the Chair: Mr. Frances Devine, Acting Chairman.
In attendance- Mrs. H.M. Kiely, Town Clerk.

Members present: Messrs M. Carty, Co. Co., and Joseph Kilboy.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed as correct.

Submitted letter of apology from Mr. A.T. Dervan, Chairman for nonattendance at meeting, which was noted.

Re Towns Improvement Act, 1954. Read letter dated 4th Aug. 1956 signed on behalf of the Board's Solicitor, stating that the National Library is closed for holidays to the 13th instant. When it reopens for the their Agents will resume their search for ~~for~~ copy of the relevant portions of the Dublin Gazette re adoption of Towns Improvement Act, 1954.

Order: Noted and approved.

Mr. Carty again opposed the suggestion of appointing a Town Sergeant.

Mr. E.P. D'Alton's letter dated the 12/7/56 referring to Mr. Richard Connolly's Boundary wall and removal of name plate at Mount Carmel Crescent was considered, when the following resolution was adopted, after the members receiving 10 Days notice of the proposal under the L.G. Act, 1954, - Proposed by Mr. Frances Devine, seconded by Mr. M. Carty, and passed unanimously: "That this Board ~~unanimously~~ agree on the approval of Mr. D'Alton, B.E and County Manager, the taking by Mr. Richard Connolly, an area of about 3 sq.yrds. at front of Commissioners' property, in exchange for about 33 sq.yrds. at rear of property. Mr. Connolly to be responsible for removal and reinstatement of name plate and any other costs involved."

Passed unanimously.

Cutting of a tree at Mount Pleasant was referred to by Mr. Kilboy, which is considered a danger to the general public, the tree being cut but not knocked.

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Clerk was instructed to refer the matter to Mr. D'Alton, Town Engineer, without delay.

Cleaning of name plaque at Liam Mellews terrace WAS REFERRED TO BY Mr. Carty, who stated that same had been destroyed by tar.

Order- Clerk to bring Mr. D'Alton's attention to the matter.

Position of street lights in the town which the members were not in agreement with, were ~~was~~ discussed at length, when it was unanimously decided that Messrs M. Carty, P. Devine and J. Kilboy, meet, prior to next monthly meeting, re suitable positions of lamps and submit suggestions to the meeting on the matter.

Mr. Carty drew the board's attention to the throwing of waste papers and litter on the streets of the town when he, Mr. Carty suggested, seconded by Mr. Kilboy, the provision of wire baskets as receptacles for litter with a view to keeping the streets clean.

Order- submit suggestion to County Manager.

Mr. Devine, ~~reported~~ reported that that complaints had been received regarding the emptying of dust-bins during the road-men's holiday period, when it was suggested by the Board, that County Manager be requested to have increased labour employed, when necessary, to have this work carried out regularly.

Mr. Carty drew the board's attention to the necessity of having a large room included in the Co. Co. plans for offices in Loughrea, suitable for a branch Library.

Clerk was instructed to submit this suggestion to Manager for attention.

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Flooding in Cross Street and Bride Street were under discussion when it was suggested on the proposition of Mr. Kilboy, seconded by Mr. Devine, to refer the matter to the County Manager to have the necessary repairs carried out to the shores, during the fine weather, in order to prevent this flooding.

Time of delivery of parcels in Loughrea town.

Read reply from Dept. of Posts & Telegraphs dated 27/7/56, stating: "arrangements were being made whereby all parcels for the town are being delivered between 10 a.m. and 11.15 a.m. as from the 15th June". The letter added that "it is understood that few shops in Loughrea town open before 10 a.m."

Order- voted & approved.

Circ. No. 4.10/56 dated 19/7/56 from Dept. L.G., regarding the improvement in the standard of Arts stating An Uonhairle Salaion, is prepared to advise local authorities on any matter on which knowledge & experience of the Arts have a bearing.

No Order made.

The board's sympathy was extended to the families, relatives and friends, of the late senator Fred Hawkins, John Leo Ryan, formerly of Loughrea, Patrick Healy, Junkellin Street and Mrs. C. Kearnan.

A. O'Dearbáin
12/9/56.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS' HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 12th day OF SEPTEMBER, 1956.

IN THE CHAIR - MR. A. T. DERVAN, CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE MESSRS M. CARTY, Co. Co., V. P. SHIELDS, SOLICITOR, J. KILBOY AND J. BARRETT. In Attendance - The Town Clerk (H. M. Kiely) and Mr. O'LOONEY, ASSISTANT CO. MANAGER ATTENDED SUBSEQUENTLY.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Appointment of Assistant Co. Manager:

Submitted Order No. 56317 appointing Mr. Liam O'Luanaigh, County Secretary to the office of Temporary Assistant County Manager for the County of Galway for the period from the 22nd August, 1956 to 31st December, 1956, inclusive or to the date on which this office will be filled permanently, if earlier, with salary at the rate of £1150 a year plus temporary allowance at prevailing rate.

Order - Noted and approved.

Submitted circular No. 52/56 'Need for Economy' from L. P. Department.

Clerk stated that Co. Manager had given this matter his attention. Mr. Dalton, Town Engineer, had reported to Co. Manager on the subject that no further economy could be recommended.

Order - Noted.

Tree at Mount Pleasant. Clerk reported that she brought the matter to the notice of Town Engineer who replied that the matter had been taken up with the owner and it is having his attention. Mr. Kilboy reported that the tree had been felled but the butt of tree was left there which is considered a danger to the public.

Clerk was instructed to refer the removal of the butt of tree to Town Engineer for his attention and point out that same is considered by the Board a danger to the public.

The appointment of Mr. Gardiner as Tenant to Co. Co. cottage at Caherwaler was discussed.

Mr. O'Looney, Asst. County Manager attended at this stage

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OF THE meeting when the matter was referred to him.

The Chairman, Mr. A. T. Dervan, N. T., welcomed Mr. O'Looney, as Assistant County Manager, on behalf of the Board and Officials, when Mr. Looney replied to the hearty welcome given by all members, in suitable terms.

Street Lighting: Read Co. Manager's letter dated the 20/3/56 which stated that that it is open to Mr. Carty to submit any recommendations he may wish to submit re street-lighting, but he should bear in mind, that in view of the demand for economies during the current year it is not my intention to authorise any extension of street-lighting for the present.

Further correspondence was read signed by the A/Co. Engineer dated the 3/10/56 stating that arrangements are being made to dispense with the superfluous light on the Athenry Road. There are four lights on poles 66, 68, 70 and 72 on Cross Street. Lights were rearranged and are quite adequate at present.

The matter of street-lighting was referred to Asst. County Manager when the Board remarked that the Pilot lighting was not properly spaced and recommended One at Athenry Road, One at West Bridge and One at top of Abbey Street. One opposite Dr. Dyar's, ~~and~~

The matter was left to the County Manager for attention.

Mr. Barrett pointing out that Cross Street was not yet sufficiently lighted.

Mr. D'Alton's letters dated 17/3/56 and 6/9/56 were read, referring to his attendances at Meetings of the Board, and Noted, also his letter referring to straying animals which stated - "When I suggested the appointment of some person to look after the sale of the animals I did not intend the creation of a new post. It is my belief that

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the Town Engineer is liable for the execution of any duties assigned to him by the Commissioners and I assumed that the Commissioners would make use of their existing staff for the implementation of the Act, in this case. The attendance of the Engineer at meetings would do much to obviate misunderstandings.

The County Manager stated that the attendance of Town Engineer at meetings of the Board was not necessary only when so required. County Manager directed that the question of straying animals on the roads and fair green be referred to the Superintendent of the Gardaí, on the proposition of Mr. Carty, seconded by Mr. Kilboy.

C. I. O'Flynn Esq., Co. Manager wrote on the 20/3/56 that he was taking up with the Co. Engineer the suggestion regarding the provision of wire baskets as receptacles for litter, the provision of extra labour for the emptying of dust bins and the repairs of the gulleys at Cross St., and Bride St. where flooding occurs.

Order- Noted.

Repairs to Mr. MacLoughlin's house at Convent View was referred to by Mr. Carty when an order was made to get Town Engineer's report on the repairs needed.

Official hours for collecting fees by E.S.B was discussed and an order made to recommend to the E.S.B to extend the such hours to facilitate the public.

Clerk was directed to communicate with Town Engineer as to what the position is regarding the tenders for the painting contract of Board's houses.

Submitted Municipal Authorities Annual Report.

No Order made.

Read letter of thanks for vote of sympathy passed from Mrs. C'Dea family and friends on the death of the late John Leo Ryan, R.I.P.

A. O'Dearbáin

10/10/56

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, LOUGHREA, ON WEDNESDAY THE 9th day of OCTOBER, 1956.

In the Chair- Mr. A.T. Dervan, N.T., Chairman.

(IN Attendance: The Town Clerk, (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

Members present: Messers M. Carty, Co. Co., W. Conlan, J. K. Iboy, J. Barrett and F. Devine.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Clerk apologised on behalf of Asst. Co. Manager for his unavoidable absence from meeting which was accepted.

The A/Co. Engineer reported as follows-

(a) "Complaints re delay in emptying dustbins probably arose from the fact that during annual holidays domestic bins were left unemptied for 2 weeks. I have arranged with Mr. Mitchell A/Co. Engineer to arrange collection during holidays next year."

Order- Noted.

(b) "Mr. Cauffield reports that litter baskets which were erected in Tuam were a failure. They were abused and damaged. The E.S.B refused to allow us erect baskets on poles but the Dept. of Posts & Telegraphs agreed. In view of above I cannot recommend their erection in Loughrea."

Order-Noted.

(c) "The flooding in Cross Street and Bride St. occurred on a night of exceptionally heavy rain and was caused by the clogging of the existing grating. I have arranged for alterations which should reduce the liability of a recurrence."

Order- Noted & Approved.

Town Engineer, Mr. Mitchell A.C.E. reported:

(a) Removal of tree butt at Mt. Pleasant is receiving Mr. F. Sweeney's attention.

Order-Noted.

(b) "Repairs to Mr. MacLoughlin's house receiving my attention"

Order- Noted.

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Tenders for Painting Contract were submitted with Asst. Co. Manager's Order, accepting Mr. P. Barrett's Tender @ £90-7-6d for 9 houses at Athenry Rd. and 4 houses at Moore Street, and Mr. P. J. Kelly's Tender @ £55-7-0 for 8 houses at Doulphin Street.

Order- Noted & Approved.

Submitted copy of list of provisional amendments to the existing Polling Scheme in accordance with Article 6 (2) of Local Elections (Polling Districts and Places) Rules, 1928, received from Galway Co. Council.

The Board approved of the Scheme in so far as it relates to the town of Loughrea.

Reply from E.S.B. dated the 4/10/'56. was read, stating that a receipting machine was installed in the office and that quicker service is afforded to callers, and that on inquiries made, do not support the view, that the attendance hours, presently need extending.

On the proposition of Chairman Seconded by Mr. Kilboy Clerk was instructed to reply to E.S.B. and state that this Board are of opinion that the office hours are not sufficient to facilitate the public.

Re Straying Animals: Letter dated the 27/9/'56 signed D.O. Sullivan, Inspector Gardai was read stating "the attitude of the Gardai towards this aspect of law enforcement, shall, in future, as in the past, be influenced by the best interests of the public coupled with the circumstances of each ~~xxx~~ individual case."

Order- Noted.

Mr. Kilboy drew the Board's attention to Tinkers etc., settling in the Green, and objected, from a sanitary point of view, he also referred to substantial grants available from Board Failte, when a discussion followed re: development of the Green. Mr. Carty proposed Seconded by Mr. Devine, that the L.G. Department be respectfully requested to sanction Loan applied for by the Galway Co. Co., for the development of the existing Fair Green, as a Fair Green. Mr. Kilboy objected, when the proposal was put to the meeting and carried.

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The provision of a Weighing Scales was referred to Mr. Carty to bring to notice of Co. Co., at their next meeting.

Dumping Grounds: The members discussed the provision of a new Dumping Ground stating that the present one was filled.

Order- Refer to Asst. Co. Manager and request report on the matter.

Residence and hours of H.A. Officer was discussed when it was unanimously agreed to recommend to Asst. Co. Manager the advisability of having days and hours of attendance of H.A. Officer displayed in the Dispensary for the information of the public.

Clerk was directed to communicate with Asst. Co. Manager on the matter.

Purchase of Bridewell Premises: Read letter from Board's Solicitor stating that there was a possibility that the G.A.A. may not purchase the premises.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, Seconded by Mr. Kilboy, it was agreed to communicate with Secretary of G.A.A. with a view to finding out if they are proceeding with the purchase? and inform them that the sale in question, will be left open, not later than the 1st Dec. 1956.

Clerk was directed to communicate with the Secretary on the matter.

After some discussion of the D.R.S, Clerk was directed to forward fresh Income Forms for completion to Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Broderick and Thomas Tierney, with a view to revising their weekly rents.

Mr. Carty informed the meeting that plans for Cosmona & The Hill Sewerage Schemes, were sent for approval to the L.G. Dept.

No order made -
Congratulations were extended to the Galway 1956 All Ireland Football Champions and to the Editor of the Connacht Sentinel. The Board's sympathy was extended to the relatives of the Late Miss Annie Fallon, The Hill, Loughrea, and the Late Mr. J. Gilchrist, Cahir, Loughrea, also to Mr. M. Sweeney, Bride St., on death of his wife the Late Mrs. M. Sweeney.

A. O'Dearáin
14/11/56

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD
IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON WED. 14th Nov. 1956.

In the Chair- Mr. A. T. Dervan, N.T., Chairman.

Members present * Messers Michael Carty, Co. Co.,
V. P. Shields, Solicitor, W. Conlan, F. Devine, K. Barrett
and J. Kilboy, and Donald Cronin.

In Attendance: L. O'Looney Esq., Asst. Co. Manager (& Town Clerk)

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting was read, confirmed and signed.

Residence of H.A. Officer & Hours of attendance.

Asst. Co. Manager informed the meeting that Mr. M. J. McNaghan, H.A.O., had now taken up residence in Kilreeckle, which is within his area, and attends Loughrea 2 days a week and that his hours of attendance are displayed in the Dispensary.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Straying Animals: Mr. Carty drew the Board's attention to straying horses entering a certain lady's garden in town on the 13th inst. and destroying same. After a lengthy discussion regarding the destruction done by straying horses on the public highways, Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the Gardai with a view to giving their attention to the prevention of wandering animals on the public roads and streets of the town.

Extension of present Dumping Ground: Read letter dated 11/10/56, signed by Asst. Co. Engineer, stating that the present dumping ground is now almost full; the letter inquired if an extension of the present area could be obtained.

Clerk informed the Board that the land adjoining is let on the 11 mts. system to the 31st March, 1957, it being Town Commissioners' property.

It was unanimously agreed on the proposition of Mr. Carty, to give an extension of the present area after the 31st March, 1957 to the County Council, as requested.

Extension of E.S.B Office Hours: Letter dated 25/10/56

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was read stating "that from a review of the number of accounts receipted on each Monday over a period of two months it is quite evident there is ample collection time available; if the need arises I shall certainly extend the time."

After lengthy discussion on the matter the Board expressed dissatisfaction with the hours and recommended that the time be extended from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and point out that complaints have been received from Consumers. Clerk was directed to communicate with the E.S.B on the matter.

Postponement of Painting Contract to next Spring owing to weather conditions was noted and approved.

Removal of tree-butt at Mount Pleasant: Letters were submitted from Mr. Mitchell, Asst. Co. Engineer and Mr. F. Sweeney, who sold the tree, stating the matter is receiving their attention.

The matter was referred to the Asst. Co. Manager to contact Engineer with a view to finding out who cut the tree, which the Board stated was outside Mr. Sweeney's boundary wall.

Fair Green and Weighing Scales: Asst. Co. Manager stated that proposals for development of existing Fair Green have been submitted, and loan applied for that purpose. Sanction has not been received and until a definite sanction is received it is not possible to proceed with the provision of a weighbridge.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty it was agreed to refer the Barrack Street Scales to Asst. Co. Manager to have them inspected by an Engineer as the existing weighbridge at Fair Green was not fit to be repaired.

Asst. Co. Manager stated he would attend to the matter.

Referring to recent Rent reductions as appeared on local press, by Athlone U.D.C., Clerk was instructed to communicate with the Athlone Town Clerk for information as to how said reductions were procured? Asst. Co. Manager explained in detail how the differential rent system was operating in Loughrea and went into rents chargeable to Messers Thos. Tierney, Mrs. Broderick and Mrs. Morgan.

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The Board expressed satisfaction on the system adopted. Clerk was directed to have information for next meeting from Athlone U.D.C regarding reductions referred to.

Parking of cars at West Bridge, Castle St., and Bride St., was adjourned for discussion pending new regulations being drafted by the L.G. Department.

All night street lighting was referred to Asst. Co. Manager the Board recommending provision of extra light for Liam Mellews Terrace between Dr. Dyar's and the filling station, and also at the top of Abbey Street

The restoring of Water Pump at West Bridge was recommended to Asst. Co. Manager who stated the matter would have his attention also the Water Pump on the Hill and Repairs to Bohercomm road.

Mr. Devine referred Asst. Co. Manager's attention to Kelly's cottage, Bride Street, being vacant, when the Board on Mr. Barrett's proposal recommended that Mrs. Kennedy, Cross Street, be housed there. Asst. Co. Manager stated the matter would receive his attention.

Clerk reported that no reply was received from St. Brendan's G.A.A. Club regarding sale of Bridewell.

Order- Send Reminder to Hon. Secretary.

Rubble dumped in Toolé's garden, Galway Road, was again referred to Asst. Co. Manager, for attention, also the removal of Water Pump on the Balkinasloe end of Bohercomm.

The dates of All night street lighting on eve of fairs was referred to Asst. Co. Manager, the Co. Co. being they responsible for arrangements of said dates.

Mr. Barrett referred to C.I.E Service on last excursion to Athlone.
No Order made.

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 12th December, 1956, in THE TEMPERANCE HALL, AT 7.30 P.M.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. A. T. DERVAN, N.T., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT- MESSRS M. CARTY, CO. CO., J. KILBOY, W. CONLAN, F. DEVINE AND P. MORRISSEY.

IN ATTENDANCE-: The Town Clerk, (Mrs. H. M. Kely)

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last meeting held on the 9/XI/'56 were read, confirmed and signed.

Sale of Bridewell Premises-: Read letter dated 21/II/'56 signed Fergus Benson Secretary St. Brendan's Hurling Club stating "I beg to inform you that above named Club at a general meeting decided to withdraw from purchase of Bridewell.

X I have informed Mr. Crowley, Solicitor, of our decision and understood he would inform the County Manager."

Clerk reported that Asst. Co. Manager directed that any legal expenses incurred in this matter be recovered from St. Brendan's Club and that the Board's Solicitor was notified accordingly.

The meeting Noted and Approved of the action proposed to be taken in this matter.

Re-: Straying Animals - Lengthy letter dated 26/II/'56 signed T. J. MacNamee, Superintendent Gardai, was read stating that thirty two prosecutions against owners of animals found wandering on the public streets & surrounding areas, have been entered and in all cases fines have been imposed. The letter pointed out that the unfenced Fair Green is a convenient camping ground for travelling dealers, tinkers and gipsy class, who release their animals to graze and wander at will. The letter ended by stating "the Gardai will continue to prosecute owners of animals found wandering and will do everything within their limits of the law to stamp out or reduce the abuse complained of."

Order- Noted.

A lengthy discussion followed relative to the terrible nuisance caused on the Fair Green, by dealers, tinkers and gipsies camping there. It was proposed by

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Mr. Carty, C.C., and Seconded by Mr. Kilboy and unanimously recommended "That the Co.M.O.H be invited ~~and~~ immediately to carry out a sanitary inspection of the Green from a sanitary point of view and that a report of its condition be submitted, as this Board strongly condemn the nuisance caused there, and fear pollution of the water in the Lake .

It was also recommended that the Public Lavatory be closed at midnight, same being abused by these initerants.

E.S.B. Office Hours :- Read letter dated 21/11/56 from E.S.B. which stated that the matter was most care fully investigated which disclosed that over a period of ten opening days the average No. of receipts issued daily was 79, which is below the capacity of cash receipting machine, etc., and that any unnecessary extension of hours would reduce the time available to attend to service needs in the town.

Mr. Kilboy reported that an official, from the E.S.B, interviewed him on the matter, and that members of T.Cs are now satisfied that the hours are sufficient. No order made.

Mr. Carty drew the Board's attention to outages made by E.S.B on Saturdays & Sundays, when it was agreed to recommend that any essential outages should be made on Wednesday the half-holiday, in order to avoid causing inconvenience to Consumers.

Clerk was directed to communicate with the E.S.B, on the matter.

Objection to removal of lamp on the Athenry Road WAS ADJOURNED TO NEXT MONTHLY MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION.

Removal of light at Staunton's corner was referred to by Mr. Devine, when Clerk was instructed to recommend to Asst. Co. Manager the restoring of said light also one lamp on the Cosmona road.

Reply from Athlone U.D.C regarding rents was read, which stated that there was no reductions in Council Rents made, and submitted details of how their rents were calculated ~~and~~ submitted. After comparing the Athlone system with the Board's it was unanimously agreed not to take any further action, the members being satisfied ~~and~~ their present D.R. System .

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Read Reply from L.G.D. dated 20/11/56 Ref. L.7/46/2 relative to sanction ~~to~~ the raising of a Loan for provision and improvement of the Fair Green, stating that the Minister's views on the proposals have been conveyed to the Galway Co. Council.

No Order made.

Repairs to Loading Bank at quarry on the Woodford road was discussed, when it was recommended that Asst. Co. Manager be requested to have it repaired.

Clerk was instructed to write to Asst. Co. Manager on the matter.

The Board's sympathy was extended to Miss Bee Supple relatives and friends on the death of her Aunt the Late Miss Annie Supple, Bride Street, and to the relatives of the Late Martin Kelly and T. Hawkins, R.I.P.

*Asst. Co. Manager
(Ruairi)
9/1/57.*

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wednesday the 9th January, 1957, in the Temperance Hall.

In the Chair- Mr. A.T. Deryan, N.T., Chairman.

Members present were: Messers-: V.P. Shields, Solicitor, Joseph Kilboy, William Conlan, James Barrett and Francis Devine.

In Attendance: The Town Clerk. The Meeting opened with prayer.

Clerk informed the members that the Asst. County Manager would be present at the Estimates meeting to be held on the 22nd instant.

Order: Noted.

Minutes of last meeting held on the 12/12/'56 were read confirmed and signed.

Reply from E.S.B dated the 21/12/'56 was read stating that the District Engineer has been advised to discuss the matter with the Board before any voluntary outages are arranged by the E.S.B.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Read letter dated the 27/12/56 signed by Asst.Co.Manager stating that the E.S.B have been requested to restore the light which has been out on the Cosmona Road.

Order- Noted.

Clerk stated that Asst.Co.Manager reported that the light outside Fahy's Garage, Athenry Road, had been restored.

Order- Noted.

Pilot Lamp : Read Asst.Co.Manager's letter dated the 21/12/56 which stated as follows- Further clarification, from the Town Commissioners is requested regarding the Pilot Lamp at Staunton's corner as this lamp has not been removed, etc.

Clerk was directed to notify Asst.Co.Manager that the E.L.Lamp is required at the junction of Main St. 1 and Abbey Street, and to leave the Pilot lamp at the corner of Staunton's.

Nuisance on Fair Green-: Letter dated the 4/1/1957 signed by Co.M.O.H, was read, stating that an inspection of the Fair Green was carried out on the 21st Dec.'56 It was found that there were eleven caravans parked there which were occupied by eleven families with an average of five persons to each caravan. There were no sanitary

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facilities attached it was presumed that the public Lavatories were used. The surface of the Fair Green was littered with Straw, Hay, Horse Manure, old tins and buckets feathers, rags parts of mattresses and pillows. I am recommending to the Co. Secretary that this nuisance be abated forthwith and steps taken to prevent its recurrence.

The Board noted action taken by Co.M.O.H and approved of same.

The Reps. of Press was requested to have Dr. MacConn's letter published.

Asst.Co.Manager's reply dated the 15/12/56 was read referring to the Nuisance on the Fair Green stating "it is impossible to proceed against Tinkers under the Sanitary Act If we serve Notice they can defeat us by moving out and thereby terminating the nuisance, we might succeed by proceeding for trespass. It would be for the Co. Council to institute proceedings."

Clerk was instructed to inquire from the Gardai the names of the offenders and forward same to Co. Council.

Tenancy of No.1 house, Mount Carmel Crescent. Clerk reported that proceedings were being issued against Mr. P.J. O'Connor for recovery of rent arrears and possession of house and that Co.M.O.H was asked to recommend a suitable Tenant for said house.

Letter dated the 4/1/'57 signed by Dr. MacConn, Co.M.O.H was read as follows- "There are now only three names on the waiting list I recommend that the house be given to Mr. Brendan Barrett, Galway Road, and that the house he at present occupies be demolished".

The Board approved of Co.M.O.H's recommendation in granting tenancy to Brendan Barrett.

Mr. Kilboy drew the Board's attention to vacant Co.C. cottages, when a discussion followed.

No order made.

Clerk was directed to remind Asst.Co.Manager of repairs to Weighing Scales at Barrack Street and the provision of List of Fairs.

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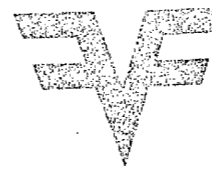
On the Proposition of Mr. W. Conlan, Seconded by Mr. F. Devine sympathy was voted to the relatives of the Late Sean South and Fergal O'Hanlon and also to the other Irish man from the other side of the Border who lost their lives in the recent incidents in the Six Counties. Mr. V.P. Shields Solicitor, associated himself with the vote of sympathy.

Meeting of Estimates Committee was held after monthly meeting on the 9th January, 1957, and Estimated Expenditure and Receipts on General and Housing Accounts for the Financial year ending 31st March, 1958, were perused by the Estimates Committee: Messrs A.T. Dervan N.T., Chairman, V.P. Shields, Solicitor, and Joseph Kilboy, T.C.

The Committee were satisfied with figures estimated for all items by the Asst. Co. Manager except those for under the heading for "Repairs to houses" as the Committee were of opinion there could be a savings of £48 on same thereby making the figure for repairs read £352- instead of £400 as Estimated by Asst. Co. Manager.

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All other items were accepted by the Committee to be submitted to Annual Estimate Meeting to be held on the 22nd January, 1957.

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28th September, 1959

Mrs. H. M. Kiely,
Town Clerk,
Loughrea,
Co. Galway.

Dear Madam,

Further to correspondence regarding development of lakeside, we have considered the matter and it is regretted that we are not in a position to assist the Commissioners. It is hoped that the local interest that has initiated these proposals will do what it can to improve the facilities in the town.

Yours faithfully,

G. Bagnall
G. Bagnall

GB/CC

James Barrett
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Minutes of proceedings of Annual Estimate's Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on the 22nd day of January, 1957, at the hour of 7-30 p.m.

In the Chair- Mr. A. T. Dervan, N.T, Chairman.

Members present : Messers James Barrett and Joseph Kilboy.

In Attendance- L. O'Looney Esq., Asst. Co. Manager, J. Mitchell Esq., Asst. Co. Engineer and the Town Clerk.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Submitted 1957/'58. Estimate, copies of which were circulated to each member of the Board.

Each item of Expenditure and Receipts was perused by all present at meeting.

There was some discussion on the amount to be expended on Repairs and Painting houses when it was finally decided to reduce the Asst. Co. Manager's Estimate of £400 to £376, thereby increasing the Estimate of Committee by £24 - leaving the amount to be expended at £376.

Total Estimated Expenditure being £4550 - Estimated Receipts £ 3485 - Net Estimated Expenditure = £1065, Estimated Credit Balance £500, leaving the Amount of £565, to be Demanded for the Year ending 31st March, 1958.

On the proposition of the Chairman, Mr. A. T. Dervan, Seconded by Mr. J. Kilboy, the Board unanimously adopted the Estimates as set out in Tables A, B and C and Determined that the sum of £ 565 be the amount to be demanded from the Galway County Council.

Messers Dervan and Kilboy suggested to Asst. Co. Manager that a trial - of a scheme for painting of houses by the tenants themselves and allow a small sum such as £5 to each tenant for the work, under the supervision of the Engineer. The Asst. Co. Manager agreed with this suggestion and stated he would look into the matter.

Mr. Barrett, Disagreed with the recommendation.

James Barrett
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MINUTES OF PROCEEDING OF MONTHLY MEETING OF LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 13th Feby. 1957.

Members present:- Messers W. Conlan, J. Kilboy J. Barrett and Frances Devine.

In Attendance - J. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and the Town Clerk (Mrs. H. M. Kiely)

In the absence of the Chairman & Vice Chairman Mr. J. Barrett was moved to the Chair on the Proposition of Mr. Conlan Seconded by Mr. Kilboy.

The Meeting opened with prayer. Clerk read County Manager's Order No. 706, appointing Mr. J. MacDermott as Asst. Co. Manager for the Loughrea Town Commissioners.

The Presiding Chairman welcomed Mr. MacDermott as Asst. Co. Manager on behalf of the Board promising every co-operation for the working of the business of the Town Commissioners.

Mr. MacDermott replied in suitable terms.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Re:- Voluntary Interruptions- Loughrea Town:- Lengthy explanation dated 1/2/57 was read from District Engineer E. S. B. Galway, regarding the most suitable day & time for any essential interruptions in Electric Supply to Loughrea Town. A List of Industrial Consumers showing days and hours for which electric supply is essential was also submitted by the E. S. B.

After carefully persuing particulars submitted, it was proposed by Mr. Kilboy that Wed. the half-holiday, be suggested as being the most suitable day for any essential outages in the town.

Mr. Conlan proposed that the matter be left in the hands of the E. S. B. and that any outages be as recommended by them viz:- being 3 A.M to 9 A.M on Saturdays and similar hour Sunday mornings. Mr. Barrett Seconded Mr. Conlan's proposition, which was carried, Mr. Kilboy having no Seconded.

Reply from Sec. Co. Co., was read, referring to Dumping Rubble on Plot attached to Mrs. Tool's cottage, which stated

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THAT SAME IS A MATTER FOR THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Mr. Conlan suggested that the plot be levelled, when it was agreed to leave the matter to the Asst. Co. Manager to consult with Town Engineer.

Read letter signed L. O'Looney Esq., Asst. Co. Manager, referring to Board's recommendation at last meeting in supplying Paint, Brushes and Oil to Tenants of Board's houses and recommending a trial by some of the tenants.

There was a lengthy discussion on the matter, Messers Barrett and Conlan objecting to the recommendation, Messers Kilboy and Devine agreeing with giving the matter a trial.

Asst. Co. Manager stated he doubted the legality of making an allowance to tenants concerned, but he would go into the matter with the Town Engineer regarding the expense and supervision of the work.

Order- Approved.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the Family of the Late Mick Fallon, The Hill, on the proposition of Mr. Barrett Seconded by Mr. Devine.

Provision of Public Weighbridge -

The Members brought to the notice of the Asst. Co. Manager the great want and necessity for the provision of a Public Weighbridge in the town of Loughrea. After some discussion on the great inconvenience caused for want of same, Mr. MacDermott, Asst. Co. Manager, undertook to see if an adequate Weighbridge can be provided without any further undue delay.

Order- Approved.

A. O'Donoghue
13/3/57.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WED.
13th MARCH, 1957, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, LOUGHREA.

In The Chair- Mr. A. T. Dervan, N.T., Chairman.

Members present- Messrs J. Kilboy, W. Conlan,
and James Barrett.

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

Meeting opened with prayer.

(Mr. MacDermott) Asst. Co. Manager's apologies for inability to attend meeting was accepted by the Board and noted.

ASST. Co. Engineer's report regarding dumping of rubbish on Mrs. Toole's plot, dated the 28th Feby. 1957, was considered, which stated that the rubbish consists of the remains of a cottage & some spoil from the housing scheme excavations, and it would appear, that the Commissioners are responsible for the dumping. The report added that the cost of ~~the~~ removing the spoil would be considerable as there are approximately 20 loads ~~of~~ on the plot.

After some discussion of the matter the Board unanimously agreed to suggest to the Asst. Co. Manager to have the plot levelled by a ~~bulldozer~~, when it is in the area.

Painting of Tenants' houses- The Engineer's report dated the 27th Feby. 1957, was read, which stated, that if tenants are supplied with paint etc. to paint their own houses, the greatest difficulties to be encountered would be the supervising of such a scheme also the question of Insurance and the possibility of a protest from the Painters Union. Engineer's report suggested, carrying out the work by Direct Labour which would reduce the cost ~~by~~ to approx. to £7 or £8 per house.

Asst. Co. Manager's report on the suggestion that tenants paint their own houses was read, which stated that he, Asst. Co. Manager, is very slow to ~~admits~~ the suggestion, that the painting of houses should be carried out by the Tenants, the legality of the entire proposal being very doubtful, etc. The report ended by stating that "the suggestion of the Engineer that the work could be carried out at a reduced cost, if done by direct labour, might be submitted"

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And I shall be glad to have the views of the meeting on this matter".

After some discussion on the Asst. Co. Manager's and the Engineer's reports, it was decided on the Proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Barrett, that the painting of the Board's houses be ~~be~~ given a trial by having the work carried out by Direct Labour on condition that all Tradesmen be employed.

Clerk was instructed to notify Asst. Co. Manager accordingly.

Purchase of Ladder : Submitted Mr. Mitchell ASST. Co. Engineer's application, for Board's permission to purchase an Extension Ladder at approx. cost of £30- for the carrying out of repairs to the Tenants' houses.

The Members were not in agreement with this application and ordered that it be referred to the Asst. Co. Manager for his observations on the matter.

Auditor's report and Abstract of A/Cs for the 1955/56 financial year were read and Noted.

Clerk was instructed to draw Co. Secretary's attention to the fact that Kelly's cottage on the Hill is still vacant and that Sean Murphy has gone to England and left his cottage vacant.

Clerk was also directed to inquire from Co. Secretary how many, if any, Board's Tenants have applied for Co. Co. cottages?

On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Barrett sympathy of the Board was extended to Mr. P. J. Keilty and family on the recent lamentable death of his wife, the Late Mrs. Kiely, of Abbey Terrace.

Congratulations - Mr. W. Conlan, proposed a vote of Congratulation to Mr. M. Carty, a member of the Board for 9 years, on his election to Dail Eireann, adding that it was only fitting that they should congratulate him and wish him many happy and useful years.
Mr. J. Barrett: "I will second the proposition but I would like to include in it our other local T.D."

Mr. Conlan replied stating you might as well include the third T.D., when Mr. Barrett agreed to include all three in the proposition. Mr. Conlan stated that "This Board is only concerned with the town".

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The Chairman agreed with Mr. Barrett that both of the local T.O.s be included.

There was no Seconded to the two propositions, therefore no vote of congratulation was passed and the discussion ended.

No other business was transacted.

Frank Bennett
10/4/54

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held in the Temperance Hall on Wednesday the 10th April, 1957.

Members present were Messers V.P. Shields Solicitor, F. Devine, Vice Chairman, James Barrett, and Joseph Kilboy.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Read letter of apology for nonattendance at meeting signed by Mr. A.T. Dervan, Chairman, which was Noted,

Mr. Devine Vice Chairman was then moved to the Chair.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Extension Ladder: Asst. Co. Manager informed the members present that a suitable ladder was being provided for St. Brendan's Home by the Galway County Council; and would be made available for the Town Commissioners when required, at a reasonable charge.

The Board agreed to this on Mr. Barrett's proposition, Seconded by Mr. Devine provided that the charge would be reasonable.

Votes of congratulations were passed on the Proposition of Mr. Devine, Acting Chairman, with Miss Hogan, T.D. and Mr. M. Carty, T.D. on their recent success in the recent Dail Eireann Elections.

Passed unanimously.

Clerk referred to previous correspondence from County Council regarding an extension of the Dumping Ground at Follerebuck WHEN A DISCUSSION TOOK ~~took~~ place regarding same.

The matter was referred to the Asst. County Manager to confer with County Council, Sanitary Services Section, regarding the area required and any regulations in connection with same.

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Mr. Kilboy drew attention to the provision of Weighbridge in the town when Asst. Co. Manager explained to the Board that a Weighbridge was being provided at the estimated cost of £300 plus £140 for cost of foundation AND it is decided by Co. Council to proceed with its erection on the old site, arrangements being made so that it can be transferred at any time.

The members expressed satisfaction at this project.

Arising out of the minutes Clerk informed the meeting that Co. Secretary, stated that Martin Fergus, Tenant in No. 10 Mt. Carmel Crescent, had applied for tenancy of Martin Kelly's cottage on The Hill, also Michael Maher, Galway Road, and that the report that Sean Murphy's cottage is vacant is receiving attention.

Mr. Devine Act. Chairman proposed and J. Kilboy Seconded that M. Fergus be recommended for Kelly's cottage. The matter was further referred to Asst. Co. Manager.

Mr. Devine referred to provision of proper dust-bins by householders in the town. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Asst. Co. Manager for a report from the Co. Council, regarding the provision of dust-bins.

On the proposition of Mr. Devine A/Chairman, Seconded by Mr. V.P. Shields, Solicitor, the Board's sympathy was extended to the relatives of the Late Miss Mary Duffy, R.I.P., Main Street, Loughrea.

A. O. Deane
22/5/57

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Owing to the absence of a Quorum, Messers W. Conlan and F. Devine, Vice-Chairman being the only members present with Mr. T. MacDermott, Asst. Co. Manager and the Town Clerk, the Business of the Board was adjourned to Wednesday the 22nd May, 1957.

A. O. Deane
22/5/57

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th MAY, 1957.

In the Chair: Mr. A. T. Dervan, Chairman.

Members present - Messrs F. Devine, D. Cronin, J. Kilboy, J. Barrett, P. Morrissey and

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of last monthly meeting held on the 8th May were read, confirmed and signed.

Submitted letter of apology signed M. T. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager, addressed to the Chairman, apologising for nonattendance at meeting which was accepted and noted.

Sketch map from Co. Co. showing extension of Dumping Ground at Polloreback was submitted - area to be acquired being 1 A, 0 R, 17. 5 pers.

Clerk reported that remaining portion of field was let on the II mts. system to Mr. P. Loughnane for £10 to the 31/3/1958, the Co. Co. paying £20 for entire Dumping Ground for same period.

Order - Noted and Approved.

All night lighting on Eves of Fairs: Submitted letter from Co. Co., requesting dates on which All-night lighting would be required on Eves of Fairs during the year ending 31/3/1958.

On the Proposition of the Chairman Seconded by Mr. Morrissey the Board directed that the following dates be forwarded to Galway Co. Co., viz:

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On the Eves of :	Oct. 10th, 1957	Sheep Fair	= Thursday
" "	" 11th "	Cattle	" Friday
" "	Nov. 11th "	Sheep & Cattle	Monday
" "	Dec. 5th "	"	Thursday
" "	Jan. 9th 1958	"	Friday
" "	X Feb. 11th "	"	Saturday
" "	March 7th "	"	"
" "	March 29th "	"	"

All night lighting to left on until 8 a.m together with Pilot lamps already in operation.

Vacant Co. Co. cottages were discussed at length when it was proposed by Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Devine, to have vacant cottages owned by Messrs Kelly, Murphy, Fahy and Meehan, referred to Asst. Co. Manager, with a recommendation to have said Co. Co. cottages occupied by persons requiring houses in the town.

Wandering Horses and Trespass on the Walks Ground was considered when it was recommended by the Board that a strong spring lock be put on the Walks east-end of the Walks Gate for the purpose of preventing Wandering Animals on the Grounds.

Clerk was instructed to refer the matter to the Asst. Co. Manager.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding Trespass on the Fair Green. No Order made.

Unemployment in the town and delay in proceeding with Cosmona Sewerage Scheme & Erection of Weigh-bridge was referred to by Mr. Devine, when Clerk was directed to bring those matters to the attention of the Assistant Co. Manager

Read letter dated 20/5/'57 signed by Mr. M. Carty, T. D., regretting "he will be unable to attend any meetings of the Town Commissioners held on Wednesdays until Dail Eireann Recesses for the Summer vacation."

The Board discussed Mr. Carty's absence from meetings and agreed to consider at next monthly meeting changing the day of their meetings in order to give Deputy Carty an opportunity of attending."

A. O'Donnell
12/6/57.

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Wednesday the 12th June, 1957.

In the Chair - Mr. A. F. Dervan, Chairman.

Members present - Messesrs F. Devine, W. Conlan, J. Kilboy, J. Barrett, and P. Morrissey.

In Attendance- T. F. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager, and the Town Clerk.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of adjourned meeting held on the 22nd May '57 were read, confirmed and signed.

On the proposition of Mr. J. Kilboy, Seconded by Mr. Morrissey, the Board unanimously agreed to change the days of monthly meetings from the second Wednesday to the second Monday in each month to facilitate Mr. M. Carty, T.D.

Clerk was instructed to apply for Minister's sanction in the matter.

Submitted Resolution from Birr U.D.C protesting against the Irish Banks Committee changing the Bank's half holiday from Thursday to Saturday. The resolution was marked "Read".

There was lengthy discussion regarding trespass of tinkers on the Fair Green. The Board reminded Asst. Co. Manager of their previous action taken in the matter with the Co. M.O.H when they were promised that this continued nuisance would discontinue.

The matter was further referred to Asst. Co. Manager, who is to take immediate action regarding the Trespass on the Green.

Mr. Dervan drew Asst. Co. Manager's attention to complaint made by a Mt. Carmel Crescent Tenant complaining of high rent charged. A lengthy discussion followed regarding hardship caused when O.A.P is taken into account when assessing rent. The Asst. Co. Manager finally stated that it would be advisable to leave the D.R. System as it stood, when this was agreed to.

Sewerage Scheme- The question of extending the Sewerage

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Scheme to the 33 cottages in Cosmona and the Hill was discussed when Asst. Co. Manager informed the members that the extension for the 33 cottages at a cost of £9000 is being considered by the Co. Manager and that the majority of cottiers will be asked to pay an increased rent from 2/- weekly to 4/-. The matter to be considered at a Co. Co. meeting.

Order- "Noted"

Tenancy of Co. Co. cottages was referred to Asst. Co. Manager to look into the matter of vacant cottages.

Provision of Dust Bins- Asst. Co. Manager ~~stated~~ it was being considered in regulations regarding scavenging, that the provision of dust-bins for all Council houses be included in Agreements.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Trespass on Wakks Grounds was further referred to Asst. Co. Manager for attention.

Mr. Devine referred Asst. Co. Manager's attention to the old structure at site of Weigh Bridge in Barrack Street as a danger to children playing there.

Repairs to Mr. Monaghan's house, Athenry Road, was referred to by Mr. Conlan, when Clerk was instructed to request the Asst. Co. Engineer, Mr. Mitchell, to have same inspected and report thereon.

On the proposition of Mr. Dervan, Seconded by Mr. Barrett the Board's sympathy was extended to Mr. & Mrs. Jack Joynt, Church Street, on the lamentable death of their eldest daughter "Antoinette" R.I.P.

M. Dervan
S/:

Minutes of proceedings of Annual Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Monday the 24th June, 1957, in the Temperance Hall,

Members present - Messers A.Dervan, N.T., outgoing Chairman, V.P. Shields, Solicitor, W. Conlan, J.K. Kilboy, J. Barrett and Francis Devine.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Mr. Dervan ~~Chairman~~ ^{Mr. Dervan N.T.} thanked the members, Asst. Co. Manager, and the Town Clerk and the Press for their co-operation during his term of Office.

Mr. J.K. Kilboy proposed and Mr. Devine Seconded that Mr. A. Dervan, N.T., be re-elected to the Chair for the coming year.

Mr. Conlan proposed that Mr. M. Carty T.D., be elected Chairman there was no Seconder to Mr. Conlan's proposition therefore Mr. Dervan declared himself Elected Chairman for the coming year, when he thanked the members in suitable terms.

On the proposition of Mr. V.P. Shields, Solicitor, Seconded by Mr. Dervan, N.T., Mr. F. Devine was unanimously re-elected Vice-Chairman for the coming year.

Mr. Devine thanked the members for re-electing him as Vice-Chairman.

Chairman read lengthy letter signed by the Asst. Co. Manager, Mr. MacDermott, referring to the preventing of Trespass on the Fair Green by Tinkers camping there. The letter concluded as follows-

" It is understood that even the imposition of a sign may not be an immediate deterrent but if it is once established that proceedings will automatically follow against any person, who is encamped on the Fair Green without Council's permission, it will only be a matter of time before trespassing will cease."

Order - "Noted and Approved"

No other business was transacted.

A. Dervan
S.M.

DECLARATION

ACCEPTING OFFICE AS CHAIRMAN OF
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

I, Anthony Dervan having been Re-Elected Chairman for the Loughrea Town Commissioners hereby Declare that I take the said Office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfill the duties thereof according to the best of my judgement and ability.

Signed this 8th day of July, 1957.

Witnessed by

B. M. Kelly

Anthony Dervan Chairman

Town Clerk.

DECLARATION

ACCEPTING OFFICE AS VICE CHAIRMAN OF
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

I M. Devine having been

Re Elected Vice Chairman for the Loughrea Town
Commissioners in the County of Galway hereby take
upon myself the said Office and will duly and
faithfully fulfill the duties thereof according
to the best of my judgement and ability.

Signed this 8th day of July, 1957.

Vice Chairman.

Witnessed by D.M. Killy

Town Clerk.

Date 8/7/1957

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY THE 8th I
JULY, 1957.

IN THE CHAIR : MR. F. DEVINE, ACTING CHAIRMAN

MEMBERS PRESENT - MESSRS J. KILBOY, J. BARRETT

AND P. MORRISSEY.

IN ATTENDANCE : T. MacDERMOTT ESQ., ASSISTANT CO. MANAGER.
MEETING OPENED WITH PRAYER.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD 12th AND 24th JUNE, 1957 WERE
RE-AD, CONFIRMED AND SIGNED.

TENANCY OF NO. 1 HOUSE, ^{Abbey Terrace} AND OFFER OF PURCHASE, (ABBEY TERRACE)
AS HOUSE WAS NOT VACATED AND APPLICATIONS WERE IN HANDS
OF CO. M.O.H THE MATTER WAS NOT DISCUSSED.

DISPOSAL OF BRIDEWELL : ACTING CHAIRMAN STATED THAT
THE PREMISES WERE INSPECTED DURING THE WEEK AS A SITE
FOR A FACTORY & HAVING NO INFORMATION ON THE MATTER
IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED TO ADJOURN DISCUSSION ON
DISPOSAL OF THE PREMISES UNTIL NEXT MEETING.

CLERK REPORTED THAT CO. CO. WERE PREPARED TO PAY 10/-
WEEKLY FOR USE OF STORE, THIS WAS APPROVED OF.

PROVISION OF WEIGHBRIDGE : ASST. CO. MANAGER INFORMED
THE MEETING THAT A QUOTATION FOR ONE 3 TON CART
AND CATTLE WEIGHBRIDGE AT THE PRICE OF £236, HAD
BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE CO. CO., FROM MESSRS W & T
AVERY'S LTD.

THE SECOND HAND WEIGHBRIDGE OFFERED BY KILRUSH
URBAN COUNCIL BEING TOO OLD AND WOULD BE A VERY DOUBTFUL
PROPOSITION.

THE BOARD UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED OF THE ACTION
TAKEN IN THIS MATTER.

BYE LAWS REFERRING TO DUMPING GROUND WAS REFERRED TO
ASSISTANT CO. MANAGER FOR ATTENTION. THE BOARD RECOMMEND
ING THAT PUBLIC NOTICE BE ERECTED REGARDING DAYS FOR
USING DUMPING GROUND.

MINUTES CONT.

DATES OF LOCAL FAIRS : MR. MORRISSEY SUGGESTED THAT FAIRS FALLING ON WEDNESDAYS IN FUTURE BE CHANGED SO THAT THEY WILL NOT CLASH WITH THE DUBLIN CATTLE MARKET.

CLERK STATED THAT LIST OF ESTABLISHED FAIRS UP TO / 31st MARCH, 1958 SUBMITTED BY COUNTY COUNCIL WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD AT THEIR MEETING HELD ON THE 3th MAY, 1957.

THE MATTER WAS ADJOURNED TO NEXT MEETING FOR DISCUSSION.

LORRIES AND CATTLE ON THE STREETS; BLOCKING THE THOROUGHFARE, WAS REFERRED TO BY MR. F. DEVINE, ACTING CHAIRMAN, WHEN ASST. COUNTY MANAGER STATED THAT THERE WAS A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION REGARDING THE SITE FOR THE PROPOSED FAIR GREEN.

FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE MATTER WAS ADJOURNED TO NEXT MEETING.

TRESPASS BY TINKERS ON THE FAIR GREEN : MR. KILBOY RECOMMENDED TO ASST. CO. MANAGER THAT THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY SHOULD PRESS FOR prosecutions TO GET THEM OUT OF THE GREEN.

The matter was further referred to the Asst. Co. Manager.

Mr. F. Devine

12/8/57

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Monday 12th August, 1957.

In the Chair- Mr. Francis Devine Acting Chairman.

Members present were: Messers Michael Carty, T.D., Joseph Kilboy and James Barrett.

In attendance- T. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and the Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of meeting held 12th July, 1957, were read, Confirmed and signed as correct.

Proposed change in dates of fairs- After discussing the matter it was proposed by Mr. Kilboy, Seconded by Mr. Barrett and passed unanimously: not to interfere with the dates of the established fairs for the town of Loughrea.

Proposed Increase in rents of Co. Co. cottages: The members present discussed the matter with the Assist. Co. Manager, who explained to the meeting that Tenants of Co. Co. cottages were now given the opportunity of Vesting. It was proposed by Mr. Carty, T.D. and unanimously agreed: to leave the matter in abeyance until further information was available. This was agreed to.

Re Bridewell Premises. Proposals for the conversion of the Bridewell into a Town Hall were placed before the Assistant Co. Manager by the members present. The Asst. Co. Manager informed the meeting that a Demolition Order was being made by the County Council, who with the Town Commissioners were joint owners of it. Mr. Devine, Acting Chairman, said he was informed that certain persons were prepared to pay £ 450 for the Bridewell as it stood. The Asst. Manager requested that this proposal and figures be submitted to the Galway Co. Council when it would be considered by the Co. Council & Town Commissioners.

in writing

The matter was adjourned pending the submission in writing of said offer.

Minutes Continued.

Provision of Plaque in commemoration of Seamus O'Kelly

poet & playwright who was born and lived in Mop Hill, Loughrea, was proposed by Mr.M.Carty, T.D. It was unanimously agreed that application be made for a grant towards the cost of a suitable Plaque to commemorate this great man.

Correspondence re forthcoming Conference of Municipal Bodies was submitted and noted. Messers A.Dervan, Chairman and Joseph Kilboy, were deputed to attend next Conference as Deligates from the Board.

Order signed by Minister for Local Government was submitted and Noted fixing the Board's meetings for the second Monday in each month at 7-30 p.m. instead of the second Wednesday as heretofore.

Mr.Carty,T.D., thanked the members for changing the day of meetings to suit him..

Submitted circular signed by Secretary, Ard Comhairle, Sinn Féin, Dublin, addressed to the Irish People. On the proposition of Mr.Carty,T.D., Seconded by Mr.Devine Acting Chairman, the Board unanimously decided to mark it Read.

Re Official Guide; Submitted correspondence from The Irish & Overseas Publishing Co. Ltd., Dublin requesting the Board's authority to publish an Official Guide for the town of Loughrea. The letter stated that they do not accept contracts for producing Guides,unless authorised to do so for two years.

The proposals as follows:-

(1) To supply & deliver,free of all cost, during the two years of our proposed contract,a minimum of 1,000 copies of the Guide to the Council.

(2) To submit all editorial matter,photographs and advertisements,for approval .

(3) To undertake the cost of, and include in the Guide, such photographs,drawings and Street Plans as may be necessary.

(4) To place the Guide on sale with Booksellers.

MINUTES CONT.

(5) T carry out any additional suggestions as may be necessary ,in relation to local conditions appertaining to the town of Loughrea.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty,T.D., Seconded by Mr.Kilboy, with the approval of the Asst.Co.Manager, the Board unanimously agreed to give the necessary authority to have the Official Guide published for the towh of Loughrea.

Clerk was directed to notify the Publishing Co. acco accordingly.

Matters concerning the removal of iron gate and tenancies of Co.Co. cottages were referred to the Asst.Co.Manager. Mr.Kilboy to furnish further information regarding the iron gate.

On Mr.Devine's proposition, the Board recommended to the Asst.Co.Manager, that Bob Horgan be granted tenancy of Miss Hickey's cottage on the Hill provided that Mrs.Kelly refuses tenancy.

The Clerk was instructed to refer to the E.S.B the non lighting of street-lamps on the Co.Home road, Cross Street,Abbey St., and Cosmona.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the relatives of the Late John Fallon, Easpector O'Sullivan and Michael Hardiman R.I.P.

*A. S. Deasbáin
9/2/57.*

Minutes of proceedings of monthly meeting of the
Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Monday the 9th Sept.
1957, in the Temperance Hall.

In the Chair- A.T. Dervan Esq., N.T., Chairman.

Members present Messers M. Carty Esq., T.D., V.P. Shields Esq.,
Solicitor, James Barrett and Joseph Kilboy.

In attendance- T. MacDermott Esq., Asst. County Manager and
the Town Clerk.

Minutes of meeting held 12/8/'57 were read, confirmed and signed.

Board Bailte Sireann: Read letter dated 10/8/'57 addressed
to M. Carty Esq., T.D., regarding proposed Plaque for Seamus
O'Kelly, The Poet & Playwright, stating that the general policy
is to supply Plaques & Historic information notices, only for
buildings up to and including the 18th century, the letter
added that the matter would be pursued further.

It was unanimously agreed to adjourn the matter pending receipt
of further correspondence on the project.

(Mr. J. Barrett left the meeting at this stage)

Disposal of Bridewell was under discussion when Mr. Dervan
Chairman stated that application was made by Local Development
Association to the County Manager, Mr. O'Flynn, to purchase the
Bridewell for the purpose of starting an Industry there.

Mr. MacDermott Asst. County Manager, stated that both the Town
Commissioners and the Galway County Council are open for
suggestions re disposal of the building and advised that the
County Manager be informed by the Local Development Association
as to what Industry is proposed to be established by this
unnamed body who propose starting an Industry in the town.

This was agreed to.

Official Guide: Mr. Carty, T.D., informed the meeting that
he interviewed the Reprs. of The Irish & Overseas Publishing
Company Ltd., (who propose to supply the Guide) on the 26th August
1957, who stated that they canvassed the town & were not satisfied
with the number of advertisements received.

After some discussion ~~of the matter~~ it was decided to adjourn

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The matter until the Company writes further. ~~on the matter.~~

Clerk stated that Rev. Fr. K. Egan, C.C., Ballinasloe was prepared
to offer his assistance in the preparation of the Guide.

The members thanked Rev. Fr. Egan, C.C., for his co-operation
in the matter and directed that Rev. Fr. Phair, D.D., Galway
University, be asked also to help in the matter.

E.S.B: Mr. Kilboy stated that he was informed by an official
of the E.S. Board that no instructions had been received
regarding All-night public street-lighting for the coming
period from the Town Commissioners.

Asst. County Manager explained that the Galway County Council
was the Street-lighting authority.
Clerk was directed to write County Council and confirm that
dates of fairs for which All-night lighting was required
was sent to Mr. K. Doyle, 23rd May, 1957.

Sympathy of the Board was extended to the relatives of the
Late Walter Morgan, Tom Cussick, Mrs. Mahony.

A. S. Dearbain
14/10/57

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY THE 14th OCTOBER 1957.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE MESSERS M. CARTY ESQ. & T.D. J. BARRETT AND J. KILBOY.

IN THE CHAIR----- A. DERVAN ESQ., N.T., CHAIRMAN.

IN ATTENDANCE- T. MacDERMOTT ESQ., ASST. COUNTY MANAGER, AND THE TOWN CLERK (H.M. Kiely)

MEETING OPENED WITH PRAYER.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON THE 12/9/'57 WERE READ, CONFIRMED AND SIGNED.

DISPOSAL OF BRIDEWELL PREMISES : MR. DERVAN CHAIRMAN, REPORTED THAT THE LOCAL DEVELOPEMENT ASSOCIATION WERE PLEASED TO STATE THAT ~~THEY~~ THEY WERE INFORMED BY THE COUNTY MANAGER THAT BOTH THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS AND COUNTY COUNCIL WERE ~~IN~~ IN AGREEMENT TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSION RE DISPOSAL OF BRIDEWELL AS A SITE FOR AN INDUSTRY IN THE TOWN .

ORDER; NOTED AND APPROVED.

PROVISION OF OFFICIAL GUIDE WAS ADJOURNED TO NEXT MEETING WHEN IT IS HOPED TO HAVE SOME INFORMATION ON THE MATTER .

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF BOARD'S RESOLUTION ON THE PROVISION OF A PLAQUE FOR THE LATE SEAMUS O'KELLY POET AND PLAYWRIGHT, WAS READ FROM BOARD FILE, WHICH STATED THAT THE MATTER WAS RECEIVING ATTENTION.

ORDER: ADJOURN PENDING THE RECEIPT OF FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE FROM BOARD FILE.

SUBMITTED SKETCH-MAP OF ROAD WIDENING AT ATHENRY ROAD AND COPIES OF LETTERS FORWARDED TO MESSERS T. FINNEGAN AND J.J. MONAGHAN TOWN COMMISSIONERS' TENANTS CONCERNED.

ORDER; NOTED.

MR. CARTY, T.D., DREW THE ASST. CO. MANAGER'S ATTENTION TO A SHARP BEND ON THE ATHENRY ROAD, CAUSED BY A HIGH WALL OF MOUNT CARMEL COMMUNITY, WHICH PREVENTED MOTORISTS HAVING A BETTER VIEW OF THE ROAD.

THE MATTER WAS REFERRED TO ASST. COUNTY MANAGER FOR ATTENTION.

MINUTES CONTINUED.

CAMPING AND TRESPASS BY ITENERANTS ON THE FAIR GREEN AND WALKS GROUNDS WAS DISCUSSED AT LENGHT BY THE ASST. COUNTY MANER AND THE MEMBERS PRESENT.

ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR. CARTY, T.D., SECONDED BY MR. KILBOY, IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED WITH ASST. COUNTY MANAGER'S APPROVAL, THAT IT BE RECOMMENDED TO THE GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL TO HAVE WARNING NOTICES ERECTED PROHIBITING ITENERANTS FROM TRESPASSING ON THE GREEN, AND THAT ONE OF THE CO. CO. EMPLOYEES (MR. HOLLAND) BE APPOINTED TO REPORT DIRECT TO ASST. CO. MANAGER, WHENEVER HE FINDS THEM TRESPASSING OR CAMPING THERE.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CLEANING OF STREETS ON FAIR DAYS WAS ADJOURNED TO NEXT MONTHLY MEETING FOR THE BOARD'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE MATTER.

CLERK WAS DIRECTED TO PUT THE MATTER ON AGENDA FOR NEXT MONTHLY MEETING.

ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR. CARTY, T.D. SECONDED BY MR. KILBOY THE SINN FEINN RESOLUTION WAS "MARKED READ".

HOUSING SURVEY WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE MEMBERS WHEN THE TOWN CLERK WAS DIRECTED TO ENQUIRE FROM THE CO. M.O.H, WHAT THE HOUSING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TOWN ARE ?

MR. BARRETT ASKED THE ASST. CO. MANAGER IF RENT COLLECTOR HAD AUTHORITY TO DEMAND ~~TO~~ A TENANT'S PAY-PACKAGE TO PROVE HIS INCOME. ASST. CO. MANAGER REPLIED IN THE NEGATIVE, AND STATED THAT TENANTS UNDER THE D.R.S MUST SIGN A DECLARATION FORM BEFORE A P.C., SETTING OUT THEIR INCOME.

MR. BARRETT DREW ASST. CO. MANAGER'S ATTENTION TO A PUMP AT END OF CROSS STREET BEEN CLOSED IN, WHICH PREVENTED CATTLE BEING WATERED THERE.

CLERK WAS DIRECTED TO COMMUNICATE WITH CO. CO. ON THE MATTER.

SYMPATHY OF THE BOARD, ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR. CARTY, T.D. SECONDED BY THE CHAIRMAN, WAS EXTENDED TO THE RELATIVES OF THE LATE JOHN WALSH, MAIN ST., WALTER MEERS, GALWAY ROAD, AND GUS LARKIN, Ballinakil, IN THEIR RECENT SAD BEREVEMENTS.

A. O'Donnell
11/11/57.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY THE 11th
NOVEMBER 1957.

IN THE CHAIR: MR. A. DERVAN, N.T., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messrs M. CARTY, T.D., J. KILBOY,
J. BARRETT AND F. DEVINE.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 14th 10/57 were read,
confirmed and signed.

Cleaning of Streets on Fair and Market Days : Clerk submitted
the following report received from the Asst. Co. Engineer-

Scavenging Carried out 2 days weekly, Mondays and Tuesdays.
1 Labourer & 1 Carter employed. When work is heavy it
takes 3 days.

Street Cleaning done every day - a different section being
cleaned every day. In Summer time there are papers and
shop-cleaning swept on the streets, after the street-cleaning has
been done. It is a problem to keep streets clean when
this happens.

Cleaning on Fair Days : Heavy Cleaning to be done every
Market Day about 8 men employed.

Order Noted.

Following this report there was a lengthy discussion *re*
obstruction to Traffic on Market Days in Main Street,
when it was suggested that the Cattle and Street Traders be
removed from the main thoroughfare.

Asst. County Manager informed the members that these matters ~~could~~
could be dealt with under the By-Laws which were now
about to be adopted by the Galway County Council.

Mr. Barrett recommended King's Entry as a suitable place
for Street Traders and Hawkers. After lengthy discussion
it was proposed by Mr. F. Devine, seconded by Mr. Carty, T.D.,
to adjourn the matter to next meeting, when any trader who
is interested would be welcome to express his views on the
suggestion that Cattle, Street Traders and Hawkers be
removed from Main Street to a fixed Market Place.

The matter was then adjourned to next Monthly Meeting.

MINUTES CONTINUED.

Erection of Plaque for the Late Seamus O'Kelly : On the
proposition of Mr. Carty, T.D., seconded by Mr. Devine,
it was unanimously agreed to refer the matter to the
Local Development Association for subscriptions seeing
that Board Finance could only contribute a small
subscription towards the project.

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A. O. Devine
9/12/57

Minutes of proceedings of monthly meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held in the Temperance Hall, Loughrea, on Monday the 9th Dec. 1957.

In the Chair- A.T. Dervan Esq., N.T., Chairman.

Members present were Messers M. Carty, T.D., Co. Co., F. Devine, J. Barrett, J. Kilboy, and Donald Bronin.

In Attendance- J. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and The Town Clerk.

Minutes of last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

The adoption of By-Laws and the advisability of chaning Street Hawkers, Dealers and the Fowl Markets to another part of the town was discussed at length when it was unanimously decided on the proposition of Mr. Carty, T.D., Seconded by Mr. Barrett; to recommend to the Galway County Council for inclusion in their Bye Laws, being drafted, the removal of all Street Traders, Hawkers and Fowl Markets from the principal thoroughfare of the town to the side street known as "Kings Entry" in order to allow a free flow of traffic through the Main Street of the town.

The provision of a Cattle Mart for Loughrea was referred to by Mr. Carty, T.D., and Mr. Dervan, N.T., No Order made.

The Development of the Fair Green was again discussed when the members present informed the Asst. Co. Manager, that they were in favour of having the question of the Fair Green Site opened up again by the Galway Co. Co.,

Closing of Railway Branch Line was considered when Mr. Carty, T.D., informed the meeting that such Lines as Loughrea were now being put on a five years trial and will stay open for that period.

Order-Noted.

Official Guide- Read letter from the Irish & Overseas Publishing Co., Ltd., stating that the new Official Guide to Loughrea would be ready for distribution in approx.

MINUTES CONT.

seven weeks.

Order-Noted.

Mr. Barrett drew the Asst. Co. Manager's attention to reppairs needed to the window glass in the Board's houses. The matter was referred to Mr. Mitchell, Asst. Co. Engineer.

On the proposition of Mr. Carty, T.D., Seconded by Mr. Devine the Board extended sympathy to the relatives of the Late Sean Mylan, Minister for Agriculture, Mrs. Murray, Cross Street, and the Town Clerk on death of her brother -Patrick R.I.P (Asst. Co. Manager associated himself with sympathy extended to the Town Clerk)

A. O'Dearbáin
12/1/58

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL ON MONDAY THE 13th JANUARY, 1958.

In Attendance- J. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager & Town Clerk.

IN THE CHAIR----- Mr. A. Dervan, N.T., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT- Messers Michael Carty, T.D., James Barrett, Francis Devine and Joseph Kilboy. Meeting opened with prayer. Minutes of Meeting held on the 9/12/1957 were read, confirmed and signed.

Bye-Laws- Read letter dated 14/12/57 from Secretary County Council which stated "that Resolution of Loughrea Town Commissioners will be borne in mind when the locations of the Market Places at Loughrea will be fixed"

Order- "Noted"

Tidiest town or village in the State Letter dated 1/1/58, from Board Failte was read stating that their Board is sponsoring, in conjunction with An Tostal 1958 (May 11th to the 26th inclusive) a competition for the tidiest town or village in the State. The letter added that the Local Development Association has been fully advised of the competition.

After some discussion on the matter tribute was paid to the Co. Council staff for keeping the town in such excellent condition. It was unanimously recommended that Loughrea Town enter for the competition. Derelict sites in Bride Street and Barrack Street were referred to Asst. Co. Manager with a view to having a survey of Derelict sites carried out.

Resolution from Municipal Authorities Association re official spelling of Dun Laothaire was marked Read.

The following Resolution from the Municipal Authorities Association was adopted on the proposition of Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Barrett "that having regard to the complexity and inequity of the present system of property valuation, we call on the Government to consider the revision of the whole system."

A resolution from Birr U.D.C calling on the Government to increase the Old Age Pensions and the Unemployment Assistance and Widows and Orphans Pensions was adopted

Minutes Cont.

on the proposition of Mr. Barrett, Seconded by Mr. Kilboy.

Date of Estimates Meeting was fixed for 7-30 p.m 23rd Jan. 1958 (Committee to meet at 6-30 p.m same date)

Mr. Carty, T.D, drew the Board's attention to complaints brought to his notice by different Associations in the town WHO STATED THAT they have been refused by the Directors the use of the Town Hall Ballroom for ceili dancing.

After a lengthy discussion on the matter it was proposed by Mr. Carty, T.D, Seconded by Mr. J. Kilboy, that a resolution be sent from this Board to the Directors strongly protesting against the banning of Ceili dancing from the Loughrea Town Hall.

The sympathy of the Board was extended to the families of the Late Mrs. J. Curley-(Hickey) Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Mulcair.

No other business of the Board was transacted.

A. O'Dearbáin
10/2/58

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of Estimates Committee meeting held at 6-30 p.m. on the 23rd January, 1953 in the Temperance Hall, Loughrea.

Members of Committee present - Messers A. Dervan, Chairman and Joseph Kilboy, T.C.

In attendance:- T. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and the Town Clerk (Mrs. H. M. Kely)

Estimates of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1959 were submitted, particulars of which were circulated to all members of the Board.

The members present recommended that ~~that~~ the figures submitted in respect of Legal Costs be reduced by £10. Repairs & Painting Houses by £3. and Contingencies by £3 amount of reduction recommended being £24, which would make the total Expenditure £4154.

There were no other changes proposed in the circulated figures for the financial year ending 31st March 1959.

Langheer

TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Estimate of Expenses and Demand by the Commissioners of a Town of Rates in the Pound

FOR THE LOCAL FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING ON THE 31st DAY OF MARCH, 1959.

Adjusted Copy

TABLE A.—EXPENDITURE

NATURE OF EXPENDITURE (1)	AMOUNT ESTIMATED	
	Estimated by Manager (2)	Adopted by Commissioners (3)
Special Rates :—		
Housing of the Working Classes	4154	4154
Tourist Development	—	—
School Meals	—	—
Allotment Schemes	—	—
Other Expenses	361	361
TOTALS	4515	4515

TABLE B.—RECEIPTS

NATURE OF RECEIPT (1)	AMOUNT ESTIMATED	
	Estimated by Manager (2)	Adopted by Commissioners (3)
Special Rates :—		
Housing of the Working Classes	3424	3424
School Meals	—	—
Allotment Schemes	—	—
Other Receipts	94	94
TOTALS	3521	3521

TABLE C.—CALCULATION OF THE SUM TO BE DEMANDED

Estimated Expenditure (1)	Estimated Receipts (2)	Net Estimated Expenditure (3)	Estimated Debit Balance (if any) (4)	Estimated Credit Balance (if any) (5)	Amount to be Demanded (6)	Rate in the Pound (7)
15 4537	3521	994	—	450	544	£ s. d.
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CERTIFICATE

I hereby Certify that at (an adjournment of) the Estimates Meeting of the *Langheer* Town Commissioners held this *23rd* day of *January* 1958, the Commissioners did by resolution adopt the estimate of expenses set forth in Tables A. B. and C. and did also by resolution determine in accordance with the said estimate the sum set forth in Column (6) of Table C. to be the Sum to be demanded for the financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1958.

Dated this *23rd* day of *January* 1958
Signed *Anthony Dorrain* Chairman.
Countersigned *A. M. Keely* Town Clerk.

DEMAND

To the Council of the County of *Yamson*
The *Langheer* Town Commissioners hereby transmit to the above-named Council the annexed estimate of expenses and calculation of the sum to be demanded for the ensuing financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1958. The Commissioners hereby demand that the sum of *£ 544* shall be supplied to them by the said Council.

Dated this *23rd* day of *January* 1958
Signed *Anthony Dorrain* Chairman.
Countersigned *A. M. Keely* Town Clerk.

Minutes of proceedings of Annual Estimate Meeting held on the 23rd January, 1958, in the Temp. Hall at 7-30 pm

Members present- Messers A. Dervan, N.T., Chairman, Joseph Kilboy and James Barrett.

In attendance T. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager, and Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of Estimates meeting held 22 Jan. 1957, were read and noted, in respect of 1957/1958 financial year.

Submitted 1958/1959 Estimates of Receipts and Expenses particulars of which were circulated to each member of the Board.

Every item of Expenditure and Receipts was perused and considered when the proposed reduction of £24 was unanimously approved making total estimated expenditure £ 4515, estimated receipts £3521, net estimated expenditure £994, estimated Cr. balance £450 leaving £544 as amount to be Demanded for year ending 31st March, 1959.

On the proposition of the Chairman Seconded by Mr. Barrett the members unanimously adopted the amended estimates as set out on Tables A, B and C and determined that the sum of £544 be the amount to be Demanded from the Galway County Council in respect of financial year ending 31st March, 1959.

*Adrian
10/2/58*

After Estimates Meeting held on the 23rd Jan. 1958
Clerk submitted to the Chairman, James Barrett and
Joseph Kilboy, the District Map for the proposed
Loughrea Guide received from The Irish & Overseas
Publishing Co., Ltd., The members were dissatisfied
with said map stating that the publishers attention
should be drawn to the omission of Craughwell village
on the map and the desirability of having indicated
whether there is coarse fish or trout to be found in
the different waters. Clerk was instructed to
return the map with the remarks thereon and state that
this would be valuable information for the Tourists
visiting our district.

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10/2/58

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of monthly meeting of the
Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Monday the 10th
February, 1958, in the Temperance Hall.

In the Chair- Mr. A. Dervan, N.T., Chairman.

Members present- Messrs. M. Carty, T.D., J. Barrett and
subsequently Mr. J. Kilboy.

In attendance- T. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager, and
the Town Clerk. (H.M. Kiely)
Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of previous meetings held on the 13th and 23rd
January, 1958, were read, confirmed and signed.

Mr. M. Carty, T.D. proposed Seconded by Mr. J. Barrett, that
the meeting be adjourned as a mark of respect to the Late
Patrick Beegan, T.D., Parliamentary Secretary, who was
such a great loss to all sections of the Community, very
high Tributes were paid to the Late Mr. Beegan by Mr.
Carty, T.D., with which Asst. Co. Manager and Chairman
associated themselves.

Votes of sympathy were also passed to the Hanafin Family
on death of their mother the Late Mrs. J. J. Hanafin, and
to the Fallon and Morgan families in their recent bereavements.

No other business was transacted.

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10/2/58

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF
THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY
10th MARCH, 1958, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

IN THE CHAIR----- A. DERVAN ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT : MESSRS J. KILBOY, W. CONLAN
J. BARNETT, D. CROMIN AND P. MORRISSEY.

IN ATTENDANCE - T.F. MacDERMOTT ESQ. ASST. P. CO. MANAGER,
AND TOWN CLERK.

The meeting opened with prayer.

I.S.P.C.A. & Correspondence from the Central Council of
Irish Societies, Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny for the prevention
of Cruelty to Animals dated 14/2/1958, was read, enclosing
a subscription of £5. from their Council towards the erection
of a Drinking Trough for animals. The letter suggested
that a small Plaque be erected and that the lettering
I.S.P.C.A. be cut out in cement of the wall of the trough.

Asst Co. Manager informed the members that the Galway
Co. Council had received a further sum of £15. for
same project. The two amounts received been lodged to the
Credit of the Galway Co. Council who are erecting the trough
at a cost of £36.

Order- Noted and Approved.
The Board expressed thanks to the Societies concerned.

I.P.B.M.I. Submitted correspondence from the Irish
Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd., Dublin, inquiring
if any member of the Board will be authorised to attend
General Meetings of their Company?

After discussion on the matter it was agreed that it was
not necessary to send any Reps. of the Board to said
meetings. This was agreed to.

Auditor's Report together with Abstract of A/Cs for the
year ended 31st March, 1957 were submitted and noted.

MINUTES CONT.

Mr. Barrett referred to a Rent Defaulting Tenant
stating that "he is unemployed and had to pay
for food for his family whenever employed"

Referred to

Asst Co. Manager stated that the Tenant referred
to accept on two occasions a lower-rented house
offered to him and that every consideration was
given in his case.

After discussion on the matter by the members,
the Chairman ruled "that it be left in the hands
of the Asst. Co. Manager." This was agreed to.

Drinking Water in Moore Street: In reply to a
query made by one of the members Asst. Co. Manager
informed the Board that there was no danger in
drinking the water in Moore Street and that notice
to the residents there, regarding same, was having
his attention.

Order- Noted.

List of Applications for houses was submitted and
ruled on by the Board, who deleted the names of
persons now housed or left the town, reducing the
number of applicants now listed, to 6.

Order: Noted.

*A. D. Dearbairn
14/4/58.*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY THE 14th APRIL, 1953, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

In the Chair: A.T.Dervan, M.P., Chairman.

Members present: Messers Joseph Kilboy, James Barrett and Francis Devine.

In Attendance- T.F. MacDermott Esq., Asst. County Manager and the Town Clerk.

Meeting opened with prayer..

Mr. Patrick Morgan, Tenant of No. 12 house, Mount Carmel Crescent attended the meeting regarding his weekly rent and stated that the figures returned by him on Income Form was amount received by him. He objected to Rent Collector not accepting these figures.

Asst. County Manager explained the procedure of accessing rent under the D.R.S and stated that his (Mr. Morgan's) rent had now been adjusted to 25/- weekly. After some discussion Mr. Morgan thanked the Asst. Manager and the Members for granting him tenancy of house and then left the meeting.

Minutes of meeting held on the 10/3/'53 were read and signed as correct.

Official Guide for the Town : The Editorial for the Guide was submitted and perused when it was noted there were errors and omissions in same. After discussion on the omission of the Diocesan Museum, Mount Carmel Convent, the Golf Course and particulars of Architecture & Stained Glass in St. Brendan's Cathedral the Board declined to accept the Editorial as at present, and agreed to refer it to Rev. Fr. P.K. Egan C.C., Ballinasloe for suggested improvements.

This was unanimously agreed to.

MINUTES CONT.

Tidiest Town Competition : Submitted acknowledgement for entry form in this competition from Board Faight, which was "Noted."

Mr. Kilboy drew the attention of the meeting to the danger of the Derelict site at Bride Street when Asst. Co. Manager stated that the Cleaning of all public property including Derelict Sites and the Fair Green would be referred to the Town Engineer for attention. Asst. Manager also stated that a Review of all Derelict Sites in the town is to be brought up to date, by the Co. Engineer.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Water Supply in the Town : Arising out of the Minutes Mr. Kilboy drew Asst. Co. Manager's attention to the adverse reports on this matter when Asst. Manager stated that the Reports of the Analysis available, at last meeting, showed that there was nothing wrong with the water, since then reports showed that the water, particularly, at Moore Street and Abbey Street, was not satisfactory and the matter was receiving the attention of the Co. E.O.H. After discussion on the matter the Asst. County Manager stated he would put the whole series of Analyst's reports before next meeting.

This was agreed to.

Extension of Water supply and Sewer-Connections to Main Sewer. Submitted letter addressed to Mr. J. Kilboy and signed by "The Hill Residents" stating there are twelve families in Co. Co. cottages, who require their houses connected to the Main sewer also the sports ground and G.A.A. require same.

The matter was referred to the Asst. Co. Manager. Chairman stated there were some private individuals also on the "Hill Road" with sites available, but will not avail of them, until the Water extension is carried out.

Noted.

Cottage Repairs: Mr. Barrett drew attention to repairs needed to Mr. Shaughnessy's Co. Co. cottage

Minutes.Cont.

Bride Street, which was referred to Town Engineer.

Water Rates: Asst.Co.Manager, in reply to Chairman who raised the matter, stated that Householders under the Differential Rents were taken off the Collector's Warrant because he, Asst.Manager, would include it in their rents in future. *his amount was included in the equal Rent.*

Order- Noted.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the relatives of the Late Mrs. B.Farrell and John Moloney, Galway Road and T. Dowling, Abbey Street, in their recent sad berevements.

*Code as before
12/5/58.*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY THE 12th MAY, 1958.

In the Chair- A.T.Dervan Esq., N.T., Chairman.

Members present :- Messers Vincent P. Shields, Solicitor, James Barrett and William Conlan.

Mr. Carty T.D., submitted a letter of apology for his unavoidable absence, which was accepted and noted. Minutes of meeting held on the 14/4/1958 were read when the Chairman made the following amendment- "would include in their rents in future" to read "already was included in the original rent" the minutes were then signed as correct.

Official Guide- Chairman reported. that he interviewed the Publishing Manager regarding certain omissions recommended by the Board in the editorial for the purpose of including Rev. Fr. Egan's introduction regarding the Cathedral, Museum and Mount Carmel, which were accepted with no charge to the Board.

Thanks and appreciation was expressed by the members to Rev. Fr. Egan, C.C., Ballinasloe, for assistance given in the preparation of the Official Guide for Loughrea town, which will be published middle of June.

Derelict Sites - Asst. County Manager reported on the Derelict Sites in the town and stated that Bride Street site was being taken as a special case and would receive attention as soon as possible.

Order- Noted and approved.

Ornamental Trees and Flowering Shrubs- When the Chairman and members expressed praise for the planting by the Galway Co. Council, of trees and shrubs along the sidewalks of the town, Asst. County Manager stated that more permanent fixtures will be erected for the protection of the trees and plants, and will be freshly painted.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Analysis of Water- Asst. County Manager, T.F. MacDermott Esq., submitted and read the whole series of Analyst's reports on the drinking water in the town, when there was lengthy discussion on the matter. Asst. Manager informed the meeting that the boiling of water before use was a routine precaution and that the Co. M.O.H was satisfied that the water was safe to use if boiled before hand and that the water was not contaminated by sewage as good results were coming in from the examinations.

The Board unanimously agreed that every precaution is being taken in the matter and no further order was made.

MINUTES CONTINUED.

Mr. J. Mitchell, B.E., Asst. Co. Engineer, (and Town Engineer) notified the Board of his transfer from Loughrea and expressed his appreciation for the kind co-operation received during his employment as Town Engineer for the Town Commissioners.

The Chairman and Mr. Barrett paid glowing tributes to Mr. Mitchell for his co-operation during his services by the Board and wished him every success in his new position.

Mr. S.O. Neill, B.E., is succeeding Mr. Mitchell as Town Engineer, was reported by Asst. Co. Manager.

Extension of water and sewerage: After some discussion on the extensions of water & sewerage the following resolution was passed: Proposed by Chairman, seconded by Mr. W. Conlan, that it be recommended to the Galway Co. Council, the demand and need for extension of sewerage and water supply to Cosmona, Athenry Road, and the Hill - the Hill area in particular to have the necessary extensions, where there are 12 Co. Co. cottages & 9 private houses with the possibility of more new houses being erected there, waiting on these badly needed connections.

Clerk was directed to forward resolution to Co. Council.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the relatives of the Late Joseph Coniffe, Lake Villa and Mrs. D. Hunt Barrack Street in their recent sad bereavements.

No other business was transacted.

A. S. O'Sullivan
2/5/58

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY THE 9th JUNE, 1958.

In the Chair- A.T.DERVAN Esq., Chairman.

Members present- Messers James Barrett,
William Conlan, and Joseph Kilboy.

In attendance- The Town Clerk.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Clerk apologized for nonattendance of Asst. County
Court Manager, who was on holidays, which was
accepted and noted.

Read letter dated
Re: Derelict Sites; Read letter dated 12/5/'58
signed J. Collins, A/Co. Engineer which stated that
that instructions have been given for review of
Derelict Sites, report to be furnished before
end of month. Clerk stated no report
had been received, when the matter was adjourned
to next monthly meeting.

Extension of sewer and water; A deputation
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Messers P. Coy, J. Morgan, and A. Connaghton, attended
the meeting regarding the extension of water &
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A/Co Engineer was read by the Chairman, which stated
that Plans & Estimate for extending the main sewer
700 yards, at the cost of £2353 have been forwarded
to the secretary of the Co. Council for attention.
The deputation queried the cost for each individual
cottier and resident who is prepared to avail
of the extension; when the matter was referred to
the Engineer to have the necessary information
for July meeting.
Mr. Coy then thanked, on behalf of the deputation,
the Board for the progress made and stated that the
extension would also serve the show and G.A. A
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Co. Co. Cottage: Clerk was instructed to inform
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this tenant was in England, and admission to cottage
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their names on the Waiting List.

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LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Loughrea,

25th August, '58

To The Secretary,
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Your kind consideration in the matter would be
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CO THE RELATIVES OF THE LATE MRS. ...
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14/9/58

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Handwritten: *Hand F. Donegan 14/11/58*

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hands of the Co. M.O.H.

Bord Failte Bireann- Letter of thanks was read
for assistance & co-operation re Tidy Town &
Village Competition, 1958, the letter added that
judging arrangements will be completed within
the next few weeks.

Order- Noted.

Official Guide: Read letter dated 20/5/'58
signed by J.F. Fitzgerald Advertisement Manager,
stating that ~~the~~ the Guide for Loughrea town
will be ready before the middle of June, 1958,
and thanking all for assistance in its preparation.

Letter signed Joseph Gannon, Tenant No. 3, Liam
Mellews Terrace, was read, complaining that Rent
Collector refused to accept Rent from him, and
required to know the reason why?
Clerk ~~explained~~ explained that Rent Collector, J. MacNamee,
reported that Mr. Gannon's sons earned £29-14-8
for 3 weeks in May 1958, & that Contractor was
prepared to prove that this amount was paid.
Clerk stated that the matter had been referred to
the Asst. Co. Manager.

Order- Adjourn to next meeting.

Chairman read lengthy circular from Sinn Fein
Publicity Committee referring to imprisonment &
interment of prisoners; which was marked "Read"
on the proposition of Mr. Conlan Seconded by Mr. Kilboy.

Mr. Kilboy drew the Board's attention to the sale
of Electric Razors by a Salesman from outside the town
to persons employed in the Loughrea Cotton Factory
Mr. Conlan informed the members that the Salesman
had no authority from the Management on this matter.
Mr. Kilboy proposed Seconded by the Chairman
that this Board protest against any outsider
entering the Factory during working hours to make
sales therein".
NO Order made.

On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by
Mr. Barrett the Board extended sympathy to the
relatives of the Late Austin M. Toole, Bride Street,
who was for many years a member of this Board also.
to the relatives of the Late Mrs. Cunniffe,
Galway Road and Mr. Flaherty, Cosmona.

Met F. Dervan
14/6/58

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON THE 30th JUNE, 1958, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL, LOUGHREA.

Members present messers A.T.Dervan, N.T., outgoing Chairman, Francis Devine, outgoing Vice Chairman, James Barrett, Patrick Morrissey and Joseph Kilboy.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Clerk explained that according to L.G.Act, the Statutory Annual meeting of the Town Commissioners should be held between the 23rd June, 1958 and 1st July, 1958 for the purpose of electing Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the coming year. Due notice of which was given on the Agenda to each member of the Board. Propositions were then taken:-

On the proposition of Mr.Barrett, Seconded by Mr.Devine Mr. A.T.Dervan, was re/elected Chairman, and Mr.Devine was re-elected Vice/Chairman for the coming year on the proposition of Mr. Barrett, Seconded by Mr.Kilboy. There were no other propositions for Chairman or Vice Chairmans.

Messers A.T.Dervan, and F.Devine then thanked the Board for unanimously re electing them for the coming year and also thanked the Asst.Co.Manager and Members for co-operation in the past to enable them carry out their duties.

The meeting then proceeded to select delegates to attend the Conferences of the Municipal Authorities Associations when Mr. Barrett proposed, Seconded by Mr.Devine, proposed that the same delizates Messers A.Dervan and J.Kilboy, be re elected to attend for the coming year.

This was unanimously agreed to.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the widow and family of the Late Thomas Tierney, Abbey Terrace, Loughrea in their recent sad berevement.

No. other business was transacted.

John T. Devine 16/6/58

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

I, Anthony Dervan having been chosen ~~Commissioner~~ ^{Chairman} for the Electoral Area of Loughrea Urban District declare that I will take the said Office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Signed, Anthony Dervan

Declared before me this 14th day of July 19 58

Town Clerk.

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

I, Francis Devine having been chosen ~~Commissioner~~ ^{Vice Chairman} for the Electoral Area of Loughrea Urban District declare that I will take the said Office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Signed, Francis Devine

Declared before me this 14th day of July 19 58

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY
JULY 14th 1958 in the Temperance Hall .

Members present - Messers V.P. Shields, Solicitor,
James Barrett and William Conlan.

In the Chair- Mr. Francis Devine (in absence of Chairman)

In attendance- F.F. MacDermott Esq., Asst. County Manager and
Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kely)

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of meetings held 9th and 30th June, 1958, were read, confirmed and signed.

Deputation who attended meeting representing Hill Residents regarding extension of Water & Sewerage Supply was Mr. Connaghton.

Asst. County Manager explained the procedure regarding the extensions which were set out in the County Secretary's letter dated July 10th 1958 stating that the total cost of making the connections would be within the region of £300- The tenants were requested to pay Two thirds of this amount over a period of 5 years payable at the rate of 4/- weekly. (a total of £52.)

Asst. Co. Manager explained that nothing further could be done until this proposal was considered at next meeting of County Council.

This procedure was Noted by the Board when Mr. Connaghton left the meeting.

A/Co. Engineer's report dated 20th June '58 on Derelict Sites in the town was perused and Noted.

Result of Tidy Town Competition from Bord Failte, was submitted and read- Loughrea obtaining 167 marks out of a total 300 (max.) "Glenties" winning the Competition. It was unanimously agreed to ask Bord Faite, Aireann, for the allocation of the marks, which would be a guide for further competitions.

Clerk was directed to communicate with Bord Failte on the matter.

Minutes Cont.

Mr. Barrett queried the Rent payable by Mr. Joe Gannon, stating Rent Collector had not called to collect same for some weeks past. Asst. County Manager explained that the maximum rent is being charged until such time as Tenant submits a correct statement of his Income when his rent will be adjusted accordingly.

Order- Noted .

Mr. Barrett drew Asst. Co. Manager's attention to repairs of window-glass needed in 9 Athenry Road houses, which was referred to Town Surveyor for his report on the matter.

The Board extended sympathy to Mr. Treacy, Main Street, in his recent berevement.

W. Conlan 11/8/58

XXXXXXXXXX
XXXXXXXXXX MPT/GH

20th June, 1958.

Assistant County Manager:

Derelict Sites, Loughrea.

With reference to your letter dated 11th April, 1958, the present position regarding derelict sites in the town of Loughrea is as listed hereunder. Sites A and B refer to those of interest recently to the Town Commissioners and the remainder refer to the 1952/'53 survey list with report of inspection carried out last month.

No.	Owner	Site at	Report
A.	Galway Co. Council	Barrack Street	Used as Co. Council yard. Wall built up with concrete blocks. Appearance reasonably presentable.
B.	Wm. McDonnell, Moore Street, Loughrea	Bride Street	This was an old pumping Station and a river runs through the basement and is open at a ground level. The walls of the house are knocked and access is possible to the site from the street. The site is both unsightly and dangerous as it is. Should be closed off with wall at least 7' high.
2.	Patrick Murray, Main Street, Loughrea.	Athenry Road	The wall on roadside has been built up and the site is reasonably presentable.

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XXXXXXXXXX MPT/GH

20th June, 1958.

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No.	Owner	Site at	Report
4	Albert McNamara Galway Road, Loughrea.	Galway Road	This site has been cleared and a new house has been erected on it.
13	P.K. Corcoran, Main Street, Loughrea. (former owner Teresa Doherty, Castle Street, Loughrea)	Castle Street	Frontage wall uneven. Build up wall to height of gate pillars for length of 30 lin. ft. Present height varies from 5 to 8 feet
15	Joseph Greene, Main Street, Loughrea.	Abbey Street	Site has been cleared and frontage built up to give pleasing appearance.
25	Bridget Farrell, Galway Road, Loughrea.	The Hill	Frontage wall uneven and broken. Height varies between 2' and 4'. Build up wall to height of 7'.
28	Mrs. A. Divine, Cross Street, Loughrea.	Cross Street	Frontage of old dwelling-house. Build up one doorway and one window to close off site.

I shall arrange to have the other reports requested sent to you as soon as possible.

A/County Engineer

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners held on Monday the 11th August, 1958, in the Temperance Hall, at 7-30 p.m.

Members present were Messers William Conlan, James Barrett and Joseph Kilboy.

On the proposition of Mr. Barrett Seconded by Mr. Kilboy, Mr. Conlan was moved to the Chair in the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

Meeting opened with prayer.

In attendance - T.F. MacDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and the Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)

Minutes of last meeting was read, confirmed and signed.

Re Traffic approaching Main St., from Abbey Street. Asst. County Manager explained to the meeting that this matter has been referred to the Gardai who are considering what road-signs should be erected at this point and until agreement has been reached no further information on the matter is available.

Order- Noted and adjourned until further report is submitted on the matter.

Increase in weekly rents of Boards Tenants was reported by Town Clerk which stated that due to increase in County Rate the following increases took effect dating from 1st Aug. 1958-

1d Weekly increase -	8	tenants	Mount Carmel Crescent
"	5	"	Liam Mellews Terrace
"	1	"	Lake View
"	9	"	Athenry Road.
"	4	"	Convent Site.
"	8	"	Barrack Street Abbey Terrace

2d weekly increase. 1 * Barrack Street - Max & Min. Rents.
Minimum rents and Maximum rents increased by 1d weekly

Minutes Cont.

Minimum & Maximum Rents increased Barrack Street by 2d weekly.
Order - Noted and Approved.

Submitted from Board Failte Eireann the following particulars of markings for Tidy Town & Village Competition -

Effort involved:	35
Overall Effect	39
General Cleanliness & tidiness	28
Conditions of streets & sidewalks:	22
External appearance of business houses	19
Colour and/or colour harmony:	14
Absence of unsightly objects:	10
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Total	167

After discussion on the matter it was agreed to refer the marks to Town Surveyor with a view to having improvements made in matters Local Authority is responsible for.

It was also agreed to replant trees where necessary in the town. Submitted Engineer's report dated 8/8/58 on repairs needed to 9 houses at Athenry Road, stating 280 panes of glass cracked. After discussion on the matter Asst. Co. Manager with Board's approval agreed to instruct Engineer to arrange for replacements in accordance with report as the Tenants cannot be held liable according to Engineer's report. Clerk was directed to communicate with Town Engineer on the matter.

Sympathy of the Board was extended to Mr. O'Neill, Town Surveyor, on death of his father R.I.P and to Mrs. Keary and family on death of her husband the late Mr. Keary, Fire Chief for the town of Loughrea, R.I.P.

Circular letter was submitted from the Municipal Authorities Association stating that the Annual Conference will be held in Waterford, 16th 18th & 18th Sept. next. Clerk was instructed to notify Chairman accordingly to consult with Mr. Kilboy regarding motions for said Conference.

MINUTES CONTINUED.

Mr. Kilboy drew the Asst. Co. Manager's attention to a burst water main in Main Street and a sewer burst in Church Street.

An order was made to refer the matters to the Town Engineer for attention.

The question of having Boat-building classes in the new Technical School was discussed by the Asst. Co. Manager and the members present when it was proposed by Mr. Barrett. Seconded by Mr. Conlan, Acting Chairman, and passed, that the matter be suggested to the Vocational Authorities to have Boat-building Classes, where boat facilities are available, included in their programme for Technical Schools.

Congratulations were extended to ~~Rev.~~ Very Rev. Bernard Bowes P.P. V.F., TYNAGH, LOUGHREA, on his being created a Domestic Prelate by His Holiness the Pope and also in being one of Ireland's oldest priests.

Very Rev. Timothy Glennon P.P., V.F. Kilconnell, B'Sloe., was also congratulated on his appointment as Vicar General for the Diocese by His Lordship the Bishop of Clonfert, Most Rev. Dr. Philbin.

A. O'Dearbain
8/9/58.

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners Meeting held on Monday the 8th Sept. 1958 in the Temperance Hall.

In the Chair- A.T. Dervan Esq., N.T., Chairman.

Members present Messers M. Carty, T.D., F. Devine, J. Kilboy, J. Barrett and D. Cronin.

In attendance- T.F. McDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager, and the Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kely.)

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of meeting held on the 11/3/58 were read, confirmed and signed.

Bridewell Premises - Read letter dated the 1/9/1958 signed Florence McCarthy, Solicitor, stating that a client of his was interested in the purchase of the Bridewell Premises and made an offer of £40 to the Secretary of the Galway Co. Council for same which was not accepted.

Read letter from the County Council referring to above communication and enquiring if the Town Commissioners would be prepared to transfer their interest in the property to the Co. Council so that it would be possible for one local authority to deal with the disposal of the building. The letter also stated that the offer of £40 will not be considered.

Asst. Co. Manager explained that the Co. Council and Town Commissioners were involved in the (premises) Bridewell and both Bodies held an interest in a long-term lease. After discussion it was proposed by Mr. Carty, T.D., Seconded by Mr. Barrett and approved by Asst. Co. Manager that the County Council be asked to surrender its interest in the property to the Town Commissioners - and failing that - it was suggested that the Board hand over their interest to the Galway Co. Council. Clerk was directed to communicate with the County Council on the matter.

Minutes continued

Official Guide. Clerk reported that 500 copies of the Guide had been received from the Printers.

Order Noted-

Dissatisfaction was expressed by some members at the omission of the new Vocational School and other items of interest in the Guide.

No Order made.

Road Signs. The necessity of having "Stop" signs erected for traffic emerging from Abbey Street to Main St., was discussed, and the erection of a sign-post at West Bridge denoting Mount-Bellew - Roscommon Road.

It was also recommended that sign post or illuminated arrow directing the traffic to Dublin and Galway be placed at Bride Street opposite ~~Bridge~~ Street.

Clerk was directed to refer the matter of road-signs to the Galway Co.Council for attention.

Dust-Bins - After discussing the days and hours for local scavenging services the matter was referred to the Asst.Co. Manager to take the matter up with the Town Engineer re regulations referring to same.

Bye Laws for Fairs & Markets - Asst.County Manager informed the members that the Bye Laws had been drawn up and would be displayed for inspection by the Galway County Council.

Order- Noted and Approved.

Housing Needs of the town- Mr.Carty T.D. proposed that an up-to-date Survey of the Housing Needs of the town be compiled. Asst Co.Manager pointed out that it was the function of the County Council to deal with Housing and suggested that the Board apply to the Co.Council to carry out a Survey, in the meantime an advertisement to be issued in local press inviting applications for houses.

Clerk was directed to issue advertisement and communicate with Co.Council and Co.M.O.H on the matter.

MINUTES CONT.

Seating Accomodation at The Walks and Lake-side was considered. On the proposition of Mr.Carty T.D., Seconded by Mr.Devine with Asst.Co.Manager's approval, it was agreed to recommend to the Galway Co.Council the necessity of procuring extra seats on Promenade at Lake side and The Walks Grounds. Asst.Co.Manager drew the Board's attention to having these places of amenities brought to the notice of Bórd Fáilte with a view to having same sign-posted. Clerk was directed to communicate with Bórd Fáilte on the matter.

The necessity of having some trees cut or pruned on the Mount Carmel Crescent road was referred to Town Engineer for a report on the matter.

Votes of sympathy were passed with the families & relatives of the Late Michael Joe King, Bride Street, Martin Lee, Athenry Road, and Mrs.Patrick Hogan, , Kilreeckle.

A. B. Deabain
20/10/58

Owing to the death of His Holiness Pope Pius ~~XII~~ the Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners was adjourned from the 13th to the 20th October, 1958.

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON MONDAY THE 20th OCTOBER, 1958, IN THE TEMPERANCE
HALL.

In the Chair:- A.T. Dervan Esq., Chairman.

Members present were Messrs William Conlan, Joseph Kilboy and
Josep James Barrett.

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

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes were read, confirmed and signed as correct.

Bridewell Premises:- Read letter dated the 3/X/58 from Galway County Council which stated "the Co. Co. has provided a Pound on the Premises leased to the Council. If they surrender their interest in the Bridewell it would be necessary to provide a Pound elsewhere which might cost anything up to £500. As it is desirable that one Authority should have control of the entire Premises the County Council having considered the matter at a meeting on the 29th ultimo directed to enquire if the Loughrea Town Commissioners would be prepared to surrender to the Galway County Council the Lease of the portion of Premises which the Town Commissioners hold."

After some discussion on the matter it was proposed by Mr. William Conlan Seconded by Mr. James Barrett and decided to ascertain what plans the Galway County Council have for the Premises before this Board consider the matter further.

Clerk was directed to write Galway County Council on the matter.

Housing Needs of the town: Disappointment was expressed by the members present at result of advertisement inviting applications for houses - 4 only applications being received.

- (1) Frank Rafferty, Dunkellin Street, Married, 7 children.
- (2) Cpl. E. Wade, F C A Heah Qtrs. Loughrea, 5 "

Minutes Continued.

- (3) Miss Donoghue Cappagh, Ballyshruel, Ballinasloe (Single)
- (4) Anthony Fahy, Gurtymadden, requires house for brother who is returning from U.S.A.

Clerk reported that she forwarded list of applications to Co. M.C.H.

Order- Noted

On the proposition of Mr. Kilboy it was decided to suggest to the Galway County Council to have the 2 vacant cottages in Cosmona filled also at Cuscarric.

Read letter dated 15/9/58 from Bord Failte, Mireann, stating that they are prepared to supply the required signs -

The following signs and poles were recommended by S.O'Neill Esq., Town Surveyor and Engineer-

- (1) Two signs and poles indicating The Lake ; one at corner of Moore Street and One at West Bridge.
- (2) Two signs and poles indicating The Walks - One at corner of Dolphin Street and one at corner of Station Road.
- (3) Two signs (no poles needed) indicating the Carmelite Abbey, one to be erected at corner of Dolphin Street, and one at Station Road.

Town Engineer's report was approved, and an order made, on the proposition of the Chairman, Seconded by Mr. Kilboy to ask Bord Failte for ~~three~~ extra Signs as follows-

- (1) One at Abbey Street/ Main Street corner, indicating Carmelite Abbey.
- (2) One opposite Church Street, indicating The Cathedral.
- (3) One at Abbey Street corner & One at Mount Carmel Crescent, indicating The Golf Course Club.
- (4) One at West Bridge on existing sign-post indicating The Tennis Club.

Clerk was instructed to communicate with Engineer regarding the extra signs suggested.

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Extra Seating Accomodation Copy of letter signed S. Cullinane, Asst. Co. Engineer, dated the 8/X/58 addressed to the Secretary Co. Council which stated " it is considered desirable that 2 extra seats be provided at the Lake side and 2 in the walks. An estimate will be submitted at a later date."

After some discussion on the substituting of timber for cement when preparing estimate, it was proposed by Mr. Conlan and passed that engineer submit report on type of seat ~~is~~ proposed before preparing estimate for same.

Building near Lines. Submitted circular from E.S.B., Galway District, drawing attention to the provisions of Sections 19 and 20 of the Electricity (Supply) (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1934, respecting the prohibition of the erection of buildings within twenty-five yards on either side of the Board's transmission or distribution lines. Attention was also drawn to the provisions of Section 100 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1927,

Copy of sections 19 and 20 of the Electricity (Supply) (Amendment) (No 2) Act, 1934 prohibition of buildings under transmission wires, was also submitted and Noted.

Minutes Continued.

Collection of Dust Bins. Submitted Town Engineer's report dated the 8/X/58 which stated " the collection of Dust Bins is normally carried out every Monday and Tuesday - Mondays:-Dunkellin Street, and Main Street and Bride Street. Tuesdays- Barrack Street and side streets. If collection is very heavy it may carry on until Wednesday."

Order- Noted and Approved.

Trees at Mount Carmel Road- Read Town Engineer's report dated the 8/X/58 stating that he "cannot find any ground for the complaint that the trees interfere with the Board's houses" his letter recommended that the Carmelite Convent be notified and requested to have the trees on their grounds pruned.

Clerk was instructed to notify Engineer to procure from the Mount Carmel Convent the necessary permission to have the trees pruned.

Erection of Railings outside the 3 Barrack Street houses- Mr. Barrett referred to the necessity of having these Railings erected; and reported that a window had been broken there during last Fair. Chairman pointed out that the cost of railings was not included in the Estimates. After a lengthy discussion on the matter it was proposed by the Chairman Seconded by Mr. W. Conlan and passed; that the matter be adjourned to next meeting for Asst. County Manager's advice.

Game Protection Clubs Mr. Barrett proposed that the Gardai be asked to co-operate as far as possible with this Association in its work of protecting Game, it being its first season in operation, and point out that the area has been preserved. The Chairman seconded Mr. Barrett's proposition: after an assurance was given to Mr. Kilboy, that there was no criticism of work of the Gardai implied in the proposition. Clerk was directed to write to the Gardai on the matter.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the families and relatives of the Late Mrs. Edward Kelly, Dunkellin Street, and Michael Sweeney, Bride Street, Loughrea, in their recent sad bereavements.

A. O. Dearbin
10/11/58.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY 10th
NOVEMBER, 1958, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

In the Chair- A. Dervan Esq., N.T., Chairman.

Members present- Messers V.P. Shields, Sol., William
Conlan, Francis Devine, Joseph Kilboy and James Barrett.

In attendance- M.F. McDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and the
Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kely)

The meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of meeting held 8th Oct. 1958 were read, confirmed
and signed.

Disposal of Bridewell Premises } The following reply
from County Council was read " The intention is that the
County Council would retain the Bridewell Premises so that
the premises on the site would be available ^{if} any time
in future the premises would be required by the Council or
by the Town Commissioners. When the Council seek a site in
any town, the price sought is usually very high. It would be
prudent therefore to retain any site which is available
rather than dispose of it for a small sum. Furthermore
retention of the Bridewell Premises would obviate the
necessity for provision of another pound by the Galway
Co. Council".

Asst. Co. Manager explained the position to the members present

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and stated that one of the two bodies concerned should
have control of the premises and suggested that the
Commissioners should ask the Co. Council to hand over to
them their interest in the place.

After discussion on the matter it was proposed by the
Chairman Seconded by Mr. Barrett and unanimously agreed
to ask the Galway Co. Council to surrender their interest
in the premises to the Town Commissioners.

Re Game Protection- Letter dated 29/X/'58 was read
stating the Gardai will be only too willing to co-operate
with the members of the Loughrea Game Protection Club
in enforcing the Game Laws in Preserved Area.
Mr. Kilboy, being a member of the Coursing Club, drew
attention to the shooting of hares in Caheronaun and
suggested that the Gardai be requested to help to protect
the hares on the Club's Preserves.

Order- Noted and agreed to..

Extra Seating accomodation- Submitted Engineer's report
dated 8/XI/'58 which stated that quotations for cast
iron ends & precast concrete-end seats had been requested
and will forward descriptions of same when quotations
come to hand.

Order- Adjourn for further report on quotations.

Minutes Cont.

Extension of sewerage to The Hill- Mr. Kilboy proposed ~~suggested~~ that it be suggested to the Co. Council to proceed with this Scheme without delay which had been planned some months ago and point out that this work would act as a Relief Scheme for the Unemployed of the town.

The matter was referred to the Asst.Co.Manager.

Erection of Railings outside the 3 houses at Barrack Street :
was discussed - Engineer's report stated that no damage was done to these houses during the Fair.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding expenditure for this project when it was agreed by Asst.Co.Manager and members (Mr.Barrett excluded) to accept Engineer's report and not incur this unnecessary expense.

Sweeping of litter on to the sidewalks - It was unanimously agreed to appeal to the shop-keepers to refrain ^{from this} objectionable practice with a view to gaining more points in the "Tidy Town Competition" next year.

Derelict Site at Bride Street was referred to by Mr.Kilboy WHO STATED THAT NOTHING HAD been done to improve the site since for past six months .

The matter was referred to Engineer for immediate attention.

Bord Failte signs : : Engineer's report dated 10/XI/ 58 was submitted agreeing with erection of sign at Church Street

Minutes Continued.

indicating the direction to "The Cathedral" and signs at Bride Street and West Bridge indicating "The Lake" . Engineer in his report did not agree with the erection of signs for the Golf & Tennis Clubs.

After some consideration it was agreed with Asst.Co. Manager's approval to ask Bord Failte to include the following extra signs-

2 signs at corner of Station Road indicating the direction to "The Carmelite Abbey" and "The Walks" and 1 sign at Mount Carmel Crescent indicating the "Golf Club" and 1 sign on existing pole at West Bridge indicating the "Tennis Club."

Mr. Barrett suggested that a design be put on the Lake signs indicating Trout Fishing . This was noted.

Dangerous Tree overhanging McGees, ^{The Hill} ~~Bride St.~~, was referred to Engineer for attention.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the family and relatives of the Late Mrs.Edward Kelly, Dunkellin Street, R.I.P.

R. O'Donoghue
15/12/58

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED MONTHLY
MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD
ON THE 15th Dec. 1958.

In the Chair- A. Dervan Esq., Ashairmanaty Manager

Members present- Messers V.P. Shields Sol. William
Conlan, James Barrett and Joseph Kilboy.

In attendance- T.F. McDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager.

and the Town Clerk (Mrs. H.M. Kiely)
meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of meeting held 10/XI/'58 were read
confirmed and signed.

Derelict Site at Bride Street: Submitted Engineer's
report dated 13/12/'58 which stated that Derelict Sites
are being handled by Public Health Dept. The present
position of this particular site was referred to the
Co. Engineer on the 4th instant.

Mr. Kilboy reported that wall has now been built up and he
(Mr. Kilboy) considers the Site improved and not so
dangerous.

Order- Noted.

Sewerage extension: Submitted the following reply
from Galway County Council " Drawings have now been prepared
by Co. Engineer and he is asked for specification
which will require the approval of the L.G. Dept. It is
proposed carrying out this Scheme on the Hill immediately

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the Documents are sanctioned and the necessary arrangements
made for financing the Works "

Order- Noted.

Preservation of Game: Reply was read from Supt.
Gardai referring to the protection of Hares on the Club's
Preserves which stated that such assistance will be
extended by the Gardai on all suitable occasions.

Order: Noted & Approved.

Tree at The Hills: Submitted Engineer's report dated
12/12/'58 estimating cost of tree at 35/- and drawing
attention to possible damage which may be caused in the
felling of same. Engineer recommended that the tree be cut
in sections.

After discussion of the matter it was agreed to refer the
felling and disposal of said tree to the Engineer.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the Jennings Family
Main Street and relatives of the Late Miss Ellen Kennedy,
R.I.P., who was one of the oldest and most respected residents
in town.

A. O'Dearbain
12/1/59

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ESTIMATE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD 7 P.M MONDAY THE 12th Jan. 1959.

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE PRESENT WERE MESSERS A. DERVAN,
CHAIRMAN AND V.P. SHIELDS SOLICITOR.
IN ATTENDANCE- T.F. MCDERMOTT ESQ., ASST. CO. MANAGER N
AND THE TOWN CLERK (Mrs.) H.M. Kiely.

ESTIMATE OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDING
31st MARCH, 1960 WERE SUBMITTED AS PREPARED BY ASST.
CO. MANAGER.

THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED INCREASES IN EXPENDITURE WERE
APPROVED -
PAINTING & REPAIRS TO HOUSES £77. INCREASED BONUS TO
OFFICIALS £ 248. INSURANCE £7.

ASST. CO. MANAGER EXPLAINED THAT DUE TO ESTIMATED INCREASES
IN SUBSIDY, RENTS AND BANK INTEREST A REDUCTION OF
APPROX. 2d in the £ COULD BE EFFECTED, LEAVING THE
THE PROPOSED RATE FOR 1959/60 AT 1/9½d IN THE £.

THIS WAS APPROVED BY THE COMMITTEE . CLERK WAS INSTRUCTED
TO SEND PARTICULARS OF PREPARED FIGURES TO EACH MEMBER
TO BE CONSIDERED AT ESTIMATE MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 23rd
JANUARY, 1959.

A. O. O'Connell
23/1/59.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY THE 12th JAN. 1959 at 7-30 p.m

In the Chair- A.Dervan Esq., Chairman.

Members present were - Messers V.P.Shields, James Barrett and William Conlan.

In attendance- R.F.McDermott Esq., Asst.Co.Manager. and The Town Clerk.

Minutes of meeting held on the 15/12/'58 were read, and Signed.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Submitted Co.M.O.H's report dated 20/12/58 on applicants for tenancy of houses in Loughrea which stated - " IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO REPORT ON WADE'S PRESENT HOUSING CIRCUMSTANCES AS HIS FAMILY ARE HOUSED IN MULLINGAR . AS HE IS NOW STATIONED IN MULLINGAR vv LOUGHREA AND SO SEPARATED FROM HIS FAMILY HE SHOULD IN MY OPINION RECEIVE PRIORITY OVER THE OTHER APPLICANTS".

After persuing and discussing the other applications Dr. McConn's report was noted and Accepted.

Re Tourist Association- Submitted circular requesting that a rate of 3d be considered for by the Board when preparing Estimates for the Tourist Association's advertising. After the matter was discussed by the members it was agreed that this rate was included by the County Council and decided that no rate be included for this purpose.

Submitted lengthy circular from Irish Republican Publicity Bureau referring to Curragh Concentration Camp and the treatment of prisoners.

The contents of circular were discussed and noted no order was made.

The Board's sympathy was extended to the ~~wives~~ and relatives of the Late Francis Kennedy, New Road, and Michael Daniels Bride Street, R.I.P

Handwritten note: A.D. Dervan 21/1/59

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(Loughrea Town Commissioners).

n. m. ni CAOLA (H. M. KIELY) Town Clerk,

BAILE LOGA RIA6 Loughrea.

A CHARA,

A meeting of the above Board will be held on

Mon. 9th inst. at the hour of 7-30 p.m.

for the purpose of transacting the Ordinary and Financial Business of the Board.

At which Meeting you are requested to attend.

Dated this 5th day of Nov. 1959

Signed:-

n. m. ni CAOLA,

Handwritten signature

Town Clerk

TO EACH TOWN COMMISSIONER.

AGENDA:-

- 1. Submit minutes of last meeting.
- 2. submit engineer's report & amended plan for bathing facilities at Lakeside. *grant Refer*
- 3. To consider engineer's report referring to danger of high wall on Co.Home road. *d*

Any other business of the Board.

Minutes of proceedings of Annual Estimates Meeting of the Langhem Town Commissioners held in the Temperance Hall on Friday 23rd January, 1959.

In the Chair: A. Deveron Esq., Chairman.

Members present: Messrs Joseph Kilbary, James Barrett and Donald Brown.

In Attendance: J. J. Mc Dermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and the Town Clerk. (A. M. Kelly)

Meeting opened with prayer,

Minutes of Estimates Committee meeting with Asst. Co. Manager held on the 12th Jan. 1959. Referring to 1959/60 Estimates were read & signed.

Submitted particulars of Estimated Receipts & Expenditure, particulars of which were circulated to each member of the Board -

Every item was perused & considered.

On the proposition of Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Kilbary it was unanimously agreed to adopt said Estimates as prepared by Asst. Co. Manager and approved by Estimates Committee - as follows:

Estimated Expenditure: £4659.
Estimated Receipts: £3764.
Net Estimated Expenditure: £895 -

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Credit Balance: - £400 - leaving amount to be demanded from Galway Co. Council £495 - Showing a reduction of approx. 2% in the £ Rates for year ending 31st March 1960.

On the proposition of Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Kilbary the Estimated figures submitted were unanimously adopted and determined that the sum of £495 be the amount to be demanded from the Galway Co. Council for the year ending 31st March 1960.

Mr. Barrett drew attention to cost of painting Board Houses by District Labourer & stated that he was of opinion that the work could be done cheaper by Contract. After some discussion it was unanimously decided to place the matter on agenda for next meeting.

Mr. Kilbary drew attention to some of the window panes in the Abbey Road Houses requiring repairs, when Asst. Co. Manager stated that Town Engineer had covered these repairs in his Estimate for the 1959/60 period.

Order - Noted & Approved -

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9/2/59

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF THE LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY THE 9th FEBY. 1959, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

In the Chair- T.F.Dervan Esq., Chairman.
Members present were - Messers Joseph Kilboy, James Barrett and Francis Devine.

In Attendance- T.F.McDermott Esq., Asst.Co.Manager, and The Town Clerk. (Mrs.)H.M.Kely.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of meetings held 12th and 23rd Jan. 1959, were read, confirmed and signed.

Painting of Board's houses : Submitted Engineer's report dated the 5/2/59 as follows-

" (i) 1956/'57 year work was carried out by Contract (labour only) Paint being supplied by the Commissioners: cost was as follows-

Contractor P.Barrett -	£61-17-6d	-----9	houses	Athenry Rd.,
"	28-10-0	-----4	"	Moore St.

Contractor P.Kelly	55-7-0	-----8	"	Dolphin St.
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Total Contract	145-14-6d	Labour
Paint etc;	44-1-2	

Total Overall Cost	189-15-8-	- 21 houses -	being an
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average cost of £9-0-9 per house. "

" (ii) 1957/58 year : This work was carried out by Direct Labour as follows-

Labour & Insurance	£38-14-8
Materials	44-18-2
Total cost 19 houses	£133-12-0

being an average of £7-0-8 per house .

There was a £230 allowed, leaving a balance of £96-7-2. "

Minutes Cont.

" (iii) 1958/59 year - A sum of £192 has been allowed for current year - 16 houses to be painted - its more than likely a saving will be effected"

The members were pleased to note that a saving of £2 . per house under the estimate had been effected by having the work carried out by Direct Labour.

It was agreed with Asst.Co.Manager's approval, to have the 1959/60 painting advertised for tender and have the work completed by Contract if a saving could be effected.

1959 National Spring Cleaning Campaign : SPONSTERED BY Bord Failte, Mireann, was considered, correspondence outlining same was discussed by Asst.Co.Manager and members present. Details, including regulations, were submitted - the marking of scheme being as follows-

Efford involved	-----	25	marks;
Overall effect	-----	20	"
General cleanliness & tidiness	-----	15	"
Condition of streets & side walks	-----	10	"
Appearance of industrial and Commercial premises	-----	10	"
Colour & Colour Harmony,	-----	10	"
Absence of unsightly objects	-----	10	"

Maximum 100

Adjudication 30th April to 30th July 1959.
 Group award (D) £400.

On the proposition of Mr.J.Kilboy, Seconded by the Chairman, it was unanimously agreed, with Asst.Co.Manager's approval, to enter the 1959 Competition for Tidy Towns. Clerk to notify Bord Failte and Town Engineer accordingly.

Chairman drew attention to the streets being littered with refuse after Hawkers on Market days. Asst.Co. Manager informed the meeting that such offenders could be prosecuted under the 1854 Act.

This was Noted by the Board.

Minutes Cont.

Unightly Derelict Sites in Bride Street were again referred to the Engineer for attention also the Plantations in the town.

On the recommendation of Mr. Barrett it was unanimously agreed with Asst. Co. Manager's approval, to have the frontage of the 9 Athenry Road houses improved with a new colour scheme in preparation for the Competition.

Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the Town Engineer.

Damage to trees : Clerk was instructed to request Engineer's report as to what action was taken re damage done to trees on the Walk, Ground by a Gipsy's horse, before proceeding further in the matter.

Removal of Elec. Lamp in Church Street : Engineer reported * The replacement of the existing 25 m.m Low Tension Cable by a 70 m.m cable involved the erection of an additional pole. This work was carried out by E.S.B after consulting with me. *m

After some discussion on the matter it was agreed to refer back to Engineer and state that the Board consider it is an obstruction.

Work on path at Cross Street. - Engineer reported that ~~that~~ the construction of the new path was an E.S.V grant and the money had been expended.

Order- Noted.

New Weighbridge- Mr. Devine drew attention to bad repair of same when Asst. Co. Manager stated that it was agreed by Co. Co., not to expend much money as there was a possibility that it may be removed to another site.

Order -Noted.

The site for the new Fair Green was discussed when Asst. Co. Manager, stated that a motion was adopted by Co. Co., that the present site be availed of.

Further discussion on the matter was adjourned.
~~Minutes made.~~

Minutes Cont.

The Board's sympathy was extended to their esteemed member Mr. V.P. Shields, Solicitor, on the death of his brother (Asst. Co. Manager and Clerk associating themselves with same) also with the relatives of the Late John Finlay and James Hayes -Joynt, Cross Street. R.I.P.

No other business of the Board was transacted.

*ASD Carstairs
9/3/59.*



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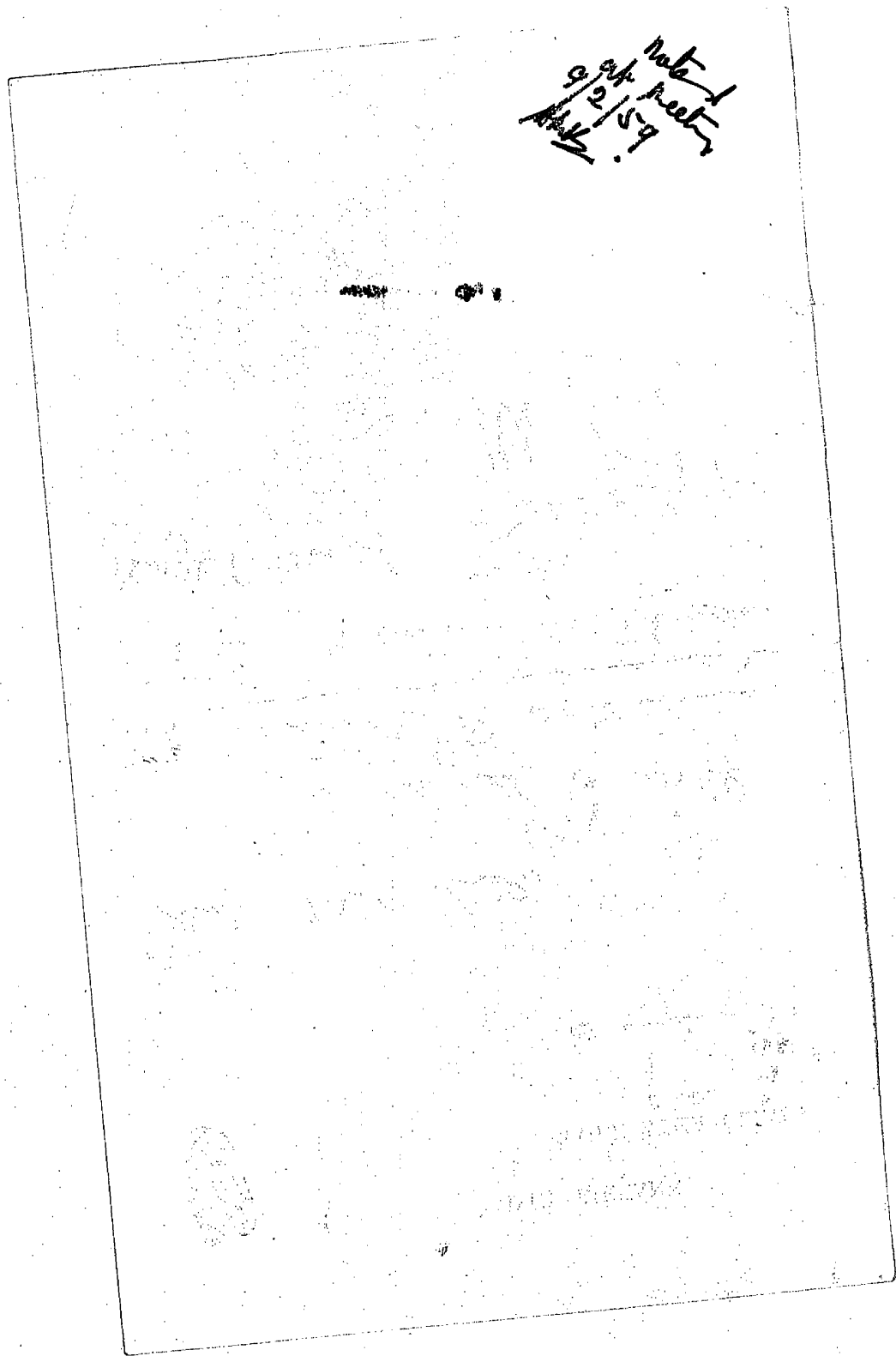
6-2-59

Dear Mrs. Kelly,

I regret I will
be unable to attend
T.C. meeting on Monday
night next.

Sincerely yours,
M. Carr

note
9/2/59
H.H.



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY THE 9th MARCH 1959, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

IN THE CHAIR----- A DERVAN ESQ., CHAIRMAN

MEMBERS PRESENT-- MESSERS W. CONLAN, F.DEVINE, J.BARRETT

J. KILBOY AND P.MORRISSEY.

IN ATTENDANCE-- T.F.MCDERMOTT ESQ., ASST. CO. MANAGER,

AND THE TOWN CLERK (H.M.KIELY)

MINUTES of meeting held 9/2/'59 were read ,confirmed and signed.

Town Engineer's reports dated 7/3/'59 were considered- which stated-

Derelict Sites -- "Mr.Lynch, B.E. Public Health Engineer has been asked to give priority to the Derelict Sites at Bride Street".

Order- Adjourn to next meeting for further report on the matter.

GARRYBREEDIA WOOD -- "Work on the boundry wall will be carried out before the 30th April, 1959 with a view to improving the appearance of surroundings."

Order- Noted and Approved.

Elec.Light Pole at Church Street- -"Owing to the necessity of having shorter spans, resulting from the use of a heavier overhead cable, the provision of the additional pole was unavoidable. I agree that the effective width of the footpath would be greater if the poles were not erected, the present position is unavoidable".

No order made.

MINUTES CONTINUED.

Footpath on Co.Home Road → will be repaired in the course of ordinary maintenance work.

Order- Noted.

Wandering Horse in Walks - This matter has been reported to the Gardaí authorities and to the Co.Solicitor for appropriate action .

Order- Adjourn to next meeting for further consideration.

Erection of seats at Lake-side - Clerk was directed to send reminder to Town Engineer on this matter.

Erection of Bord Failte signs - Engineer reported that eight finger-post indicators as per schedule received from Bord Failte, were erected. Only One sign for the walks had been received. No poles were received. Seven being required.

Clerk was directed to notify Town Engineer: that Board are not satisfied with erection of signs on the West Bridge pole WHICH ARE CONSIDERED CONFUSING AND REQUESTS TO HVE THEM erected as originally agreed on.

Clerk reported that Bord Failte stated there were no poles supplied with these signs, which was Noted.

Auditor's Notice of Time and Place of Audit for the 1957/58 period was submitted, and noted by the Board.

Tidy Town & Village Competition - Submitted acknowledgement of Entry Form from Bord Failte for this Competition + wishing the entry every success.

Order- Noted.

Sympathy of the Board was extended to the wife & family of the Late Joseph Moran, Athenry Road. Letters of thanks for sympathy passed by the Board were received from V.P.Shields Esq., Solicitor, The Jennings family, the wife & ^{relatives} family of the Late Francis Kennedy and and the wife and family of the Late James Hayes, Cross Street.

On the proposition of Mr.Barrett, a vote of congratulation was passed wtoh Mr.Maurice Sweeney, a native of Loughrea, on his survey of the Corrib Fishery as published recently. Mr.Barrett added that he hoped Mr.Sweeney would maintain his great interest in the Loughrea Fishery which had already benefited greatly from his expert advise.

W.D. Brennan
8/6/59

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THE 13th April, 1959, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

IN THE CHAIR ----- A.DERVAN ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT - MESSERS J. BARRETT, J.KILBOY, V.P.SHIELD SOL., F.DEVINE & D.CRONIN .

ON THE PROPOSITION OF MR. DEVINE, THE BOARD DECIDED TO ADJOURN ALL BUSINESS TO NEXT STATUTORY MEETING AS A MARK OF RESPECT TO THE LATE MARTIN WARD R.I.P, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS FOR MANY YEARS .

SYMPATHY WAS EXTENDED TO THE RELATIVES OF THE LATE MARTIN WARD & ASST.CO.MANAGER, AND TOWN CLERK ASSOCIATED THEMSELVES WITH SAID RESOLUTION, AFTER WHICH THE MEETING ENDED.

*A.Dervan
8/4/59.*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON THE

Statutory Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners summoned for the 11th May, 1959 was unanimously adjourned to the 13th May, 1959 as a mark of respect towards the Late Laurence Carty R.I.P., who was a most highly respected resident of the town and a member of the Town Commissioners for many years. The Board's sympathy was extended to their esteemed member Mr. Michael Carty, T.D., Sisters, Brothers and Relatives in their berevement. Asst.Co.Manager and the Town Clerk associated themselves with said vote of sympathy.

*A.Dervan
8/6/59.*

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners was not held on the 13th May, 1959, owing to no Quorum been present, Messers William Conlan and Joseph Kilboy being the only members present together Mr. Mr. McDermott Asst. Co. Manager and the Town Clerk. The business of the Board was further adjourned to next monthly meeting to be held on the 8th June, 1959 on the proposition of Mr. Kilboy Seconded by Mr. Conlan.

*A. O. Deerebain
8/6/59.*

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of Town Commissioners' meeting held on Monday 8th June, 1959, in the Temperance Hall.

In the Chair- T. Dervan Esq., Chairman.

Members present- Messers M. Carty, T.D., Francis Devine, James Barrett, William Conlan and Patrick Morrissey.

In Attendance- T. F. McDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager. and the Town Clerk.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of monthly meeting held on the 9th March, 1959 13th April '59 and 13th May '59 were read and signed.

Markets and collection of tolls

A Deputation consisting of Messers P. Coy, J. Burke and J. Morgan attended prior to the meeting and interviewed Asst. Co. Manager regarding the provision of Sewerage and water supply by the Galway Co. Council for the residents of the mill. The Asst. Co. Manager assured the Deputation that these matters were receiving attention and that the work would commence as soon as possible, when the Deputation withdrew.

Bye Laws made by Galway Co. Council with respect to Markets and collection of tolls were adjourned to Conference to be held at 8-15 p.m with Co. Council and other Representatives.

Fair Green site Mr. Carty, T.D. stated that there was a persistent demand for a fair Green in the town, £16,000 being available for same. The Board recommended that the Galway Co. Council should avail of this grant. Asst. Co. Manager informed the meeting that the Dept. was not in favour of the present site as a fair Green as it was not considered suitable. Mr. Morrissey stated the existing fair Green should be developed.

Mr. Carty, T.D., proposed that it be recommended to the Co. Council that the existing fair Green be developed and the Department be asked to sanction this site. This was

Conclusion: unanimous decision of the board that no other alterations for fair arrangements other than developing the existing site be recommended.

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Seconded by Mr. F. Devine.

Mr. Conlan proposed seconded by Mr. Barrett that a fair Green be developed and leave it to the Co. Council to provide a fair Green provided the present one is not suitable.

This was unanimously agreed to.

Painting Board's houses - submitted engineer's report dated 8/6/59 stating "that in view of the reasonable cost of painting the houses last year by Direct Labour I would recommend the same procedure this year. I attach details of last year's work for comparison with tenders received"

Unit cost per house.	Material	Total
Labour		
£4.16.0	£2.3.3d	£6.19.3d
Tenders received 1959/60-	(Paint supplied)	
Contractor	Total of tender	Av. Cost per house.
Mr. P. J. Kelly	£139.10.0	£6.12.0
Mr. J. Feeley	£252.0.0	£12.0.0

It was unanimously agreed with Asst. Co. Manager's approval to carry out the painting of the 21 houses by Direct Labour.

Derelict Sites- Asst. Co. Manager reported that this matter is receiving the attention of the County Engineer and that rubble in front of site at Bride Street is being removed this week.

Order- Noted.

Inquiry regarding May Fairs held on the 19th May instead of the 24th & 25th May was referred to Asst. Co. Manager.

wandering horse- no further report submitted.

Changing hour of meetings - It was unanimously agreed with Asst. Co. Manager's approval not to change the present hour of 7-30 p.m for holding the statutory meetings of the Board.

Auditor's report year ended 31st March, 1958 was submitted and read by Asst. Co. Manager which stated that the Gross Expenditure

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DURING THE YEAR AMOUNTED TO £4483. Receipts being £4619. The Credit Balance on the 31st March 1958 amounted to £2,102. The percentage rent collected dropped from 91.3 in 1957 to 90.37 in 1958.

The members present expressed satisfaction on hearing amount to Credit of the Board, when it was suggested by Mr. Carty, T.D to invest £100 of this money in Prize Bonds. The matter was referred to Asst. Co. Manager to inquire if the Board have authority to do so.

votes of sympathy were passed on the deaths of the Late Mrs. Mintan Sweeney, Mrs. Lee and the Mrs. W. Joseph, R.I.P.

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LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

I, Anthony Dervan N.P., having been chosen Chairman for the Electoral Area of Loughrea Urban Declare that I will take the said Office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the Duties thereof according to the best of my judgement and ability.

Signed

A. Dervan

Declared before me this 13th day of July, 1959.

Witnessed by

A. M. Kelly
Town Clerk.

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

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DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.

I, Francis Devine, having been chosen Vice Chairman for the Electoral Area of Loughrea Urban Declare that I will take the said Office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgement and ability.

Signed

Francis Devine

Declared before me this 13th day of July, 1959.

Minutes of proceedings of Annual Meeting of the Loughrea Town Commissioners Held on 30th June, 1959 in the Temperance Hall.

Members present were Messers A. F. Dervan Outgoing Chairman, Francis Devine Outgoing Vice Chairman, V.P. Shields, Sol., Joseph Kilboy, James Barrett.

In Attendance- The Town Clerk.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Clerk explained that according to Local Government Act the statutory annual meeting of Town Commissioners should be held between the 23rd June and 30th June for purpose of electing Chairman and vice Chairman for the coming year.

Due Notice having been giving on Agenda propositions for Chairman were taken as follows-

On the proposition of Mr. Devine Seconded by Mr. Kilboy, the outgoing Chairman Mr. Dervan was re-elected Chairman for the coming year. Mr. Devine was re-elected Vice-Chairman on the proposition of Mr. Barrett, Seconded by Mr. Shields.

Messers Dervan and Mr. Devine then thanked the members present for their re-election as Chairman and Vice Chairman for the coming year.

No other business was transacted.

*Addressed
12/7/59*

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON THE 13th day of JULY, 1959, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL.

In the Chair- T.F. Dervan Esq., Chairman.

Members present- Messers Francis Devine, James Barrett and Joseph Kilboy.

In attendance- T.F. McDermott Esq., Asst. Co. Manager and H.M. Kiely, Town Clerk.

Meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held 8th June '59 were read when Chairman proposed Seconded by Mr. F. Devine, that the following decision which was omitted in Minutes be inserted:- "that it was the unanimous decision of the Board that no other alterations for Fair arrangements other than Marketing be recommended until Fair Green be decided on".

The necessary amendment was made by Chairman when the Minutes were signed as correct.

Minutes of Annual Meeting held 30th June, '59 were read, confirmed and signed as correct.

Application from local Tennis Club to build Club-house dated 13/6/'59 was considered. Plan of same was submitted by Mr. Sweeney, B.E., to be erected on the property already leased until 1964, to the Local Tennis Club.

On the recommendation of Town Engineer, with Asst. Co. Manager's approval, the Board unanimously granted the necessary permission.

Submitted correspondence from Bord Fáilte Éireann referring to development of Caravan sites ^{also} a compiled List of sites.

The matter was considered and noted. List of sites was referred to Town Clerk by Asst. Co. Manager for the inspection of persons interested.

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Submitted Co.M.O.H's recommendations dated 23/6/'59 for vacancy at No.7, Athenry Road, recommending that the Tenancy be given to John Forde. Co.M.O.H also submitted copies of Health Inspector's reports on the following applicants for re housing-

(1) Sean Maher (2) John Forde (3) James Robinson
(4) Michael McCormack .

Order- Noted. Clerk to submit List of all applications received for housing purposes for next monthly meeting.

Mr.Barrett inquired what the position was regarding the decision of Fair Green . Asst.Co.Manager stated that the matter had not yet been discussed by the County Council .

Mr. Kilboy queried the cost of installing Electric Light in Co.Co.cottages at Bohercomm .

Order: Clerk to request report from Town Engineer re cost of connecting and installing Electric Light in Mrs.Tommie Barrett's Co.Co. cottage, Bohercomm .

Mr. Barrett proposed, Seconded by Chairman that recommendation be made to Co.Co. through Town Engineer to have Temporary Seating Accomodation and Shelter erected at the Lake side .

On the proposition of Mr.Devine and Asst.Co. Manager's approval, it was unanimously agreed to have Tennis Court footpath repaired . It was also suggested to extend the existing footpath to meet the new footpath at the Lakeside.

Clerk was directed to procure Town Engineer's reports on these matters.

Mr.Barrett drew the Asst.Co.Manager's attention to the muddy state of the River flowing from Morrissey's towards the Walks. The matter was referred to Town Engineer for attention.

Read letter of Thanks to Mr.Barrett & Commissioners from Mr.Sweeney B.E., Civil Engineer, Galway dated 2/7/'59 for vote of Congratulation passed at last meeting

Order- Noted.

A Vote of sympathy was passed with the Late Mrs. Timothy R.I.P.

A. Dearbairn
14/9/59

LOUGHREA TOWN. COMMISSIONERS.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10th AUGUST, 1959, IN THE TEMPERANCE HALL .

IN ATTENDANCE- MR. MICHAEL CARTY, T.D., AND JOSEPH KILBOY, T.C.

IN ATTENDANCE- T.F.MCDERMOTT ESQ., ASST. CO. MANAGER AND H.M.KIELEY TOWN CLERK

As there were not sufficient members present to form a quorum the Monthly meeting was adjourned to 14th Sept. 1959.

The following Notice of Motion was handed in signed by Mr.Michael Carty, T.D And Joseph Kilboy T.C, dated 10/8/ 1959. as follows-

" That the Board consider a Development Scheme adjacent to the ~~Walks~~ promenade near the Co.Home, with a view to providing Childrens' Bathing Place, Bathing facilities for Adults & suitable Shelters, and that the support of Bord Fáilte and Co.Council be enlisted towards this end."

Notice to be put on Agenda for Sept. Monthly Meeting.

A. Dearbairn

14/9/59

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON MONDAY THE 14th SEPTEMBER, 1959.

IN ATTENDANCE - A. DERVAN ESQ., CHAIRMAN.
MEMBERS PRESENT - MESSERS M. CARTY T.D., AND DONALD CRONIN.
ALSO PRESENT - T.F. MacDERMOTT ESQ., ASST. CO. MANAGER AND H.M. KIEELY, TOWN CLERK.
Meeting opened with prayer.

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 13th JULY AND ADJOURNED MEETING HELD ON THE 10th AUGUST 1959 WERE READ CONFIRMED AND SIGNED.

Submitted lengthy correspondence from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland also dates for Conference of said Association to be held in Galway on the 15th 16th 17th Sept. 1959. After some discussion regarding Street Trading etc. it was decided to refer all correspondence to the Chairman for consideration at the Galway Conference.

Submitted Engineer's report regarding repairs to footpath and provision of shelter at Lakeside near Tennis Court.
No. Order made.

Engineer reported that the stretch of River at the West Bridge referred to at last meeting has since been cleaned.
Order- Noted.

MINUTES CONTINUED.

Resolution from Tipperary U. Council referring to Housing Repairs Grant was marked 'Read' on Mr. Carty's proposition Seconded by the Chairman.

Notice of Motion handed in on the 10/8/1959 regarding the Development Scheme at Lakeside was moved by Mr. Carty T.D when Engineer's report together with 25" map were submitted by Asst. Co. Manager- Report read as follows-

(1) Extension of Promenade- This involves the laying of 160 L yds. of concrete footpath (6' 0") extending from end of existing promenade, through plantation and ending at existing entrance gate opposite the Co. Home. Lay-out of path is marked yellow on map. This will necessitate the removal of 5 No. trees and it is proposed to prune and thin out, where necessary, the existing bushes and trees on the actual lake-edge to improve the light and view. A minimum of 4 seats to be provided on this footpath.

(2) Childrens Bathing Place:- I have shown, marked Green, the proposed site this being what I consider to be the most suitable and safest location. I suggest that the area as shown be enclosed with a concrete and stone surround and the bed of this enclosure to be made up as required. A small shelter on the shore as indicated, could be provided at this point also.

(3) Bathing Facilities for Adults. I suggest that the present site of diving board be improved by providing new spring-board. This will also involve enlarging gang-way approach to the diving board, providing hand-rail surround, and providing iron ladder from platform to water.

MINUTES CONT.

A very small shelter at present exists near the diving-board site I suggest a new shelter be provided (20'0" X 3' 0") at this point. The legal position re right-of-way to site of diving-board would need to be clarified before any work could be carried out.

I would estimate, as a preliminary figure pending finalising of details, the cost of the above improvements at £300.⁰⁰.
Sand. S. O'NEILL
After discussion on above matters. It was unanimously agreed with Asst. Co. Manager's approval, to proceed as planned and recommend the development as outlined in Engineer's report with the addition of a Shelter for Females. It was agreed that recommendation be made to County Council to devote annual Grant from Employment Vote to this work and that Bord Failte be also approached in the matter.

Messers Chairman, M. Carty, T.D., D. Cronin, T.C and J. Kilboy T.C., were deputed to interview the Town Engineer and Mr. Silke B.E., with a view to visiting the site and go into the matter further.

Clerk was directed to arrange a suitable date with Engineers for interview.

New Appointment On the proposition of Mr. A. Dervan, Chairman seconded by Mr. Carty, T.D, the Board congratulated Mr. T.F. MacDermott, Asst. County Manager, on his new appointment as Limerick City Manager. The Board also expressed their regret that Mr. MacDermott was leaving Galway as he had always been most courteous and helpful in all matters. .

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The Board's sympathy was extended to Mrs. Dermody and relatives, Barrack Street, on the death of her husband, and to Mrs. O'Regan, Abbey Terrace, on death of her mother R.I.P.

U. O'Keefe
12/10/59.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY THE 12th OCTOBER, 1959.

IN THE CHAIR- A.T.DERVAN ESQ., CHAIRMAN.

MEMBERS PRESENT } MESSRS V.P.SHIELDS SOLICITOR,
F.DEVINE, J.BARRETT AND JOSEPH KILBOY.

IN ATTENDANCE- L.O'LOONEY ESQ., ASST.CO. MANAGER AND THE TOWN CLERK (Mrs.H.M.Kiely)

Meeting opened with prayer.

All members of the Town Commissioners present and the Town Clerk, welcomed Mr.O'Looney, ~~Asst.~~ as Assistant County manager to the board.

Mr.O'Looney replied in suitable terms.

Minutes of September meeting were read and signed as Correct.

Development at Lake-side- Chairman reported that the appointed deputation with Town Engineer, visited the Lake-side regarding improved bathing facilities and a report will be furnished by Engineer to next meeting when all items have been finalised.

Order- Noted & Approved.

A letter from Bord Failte was read which stated that said Bord are not in a position to assist the Commissioners in Development of Lake-side and hoped that the local interest that has initiated these proposals will do what it can to improve the facilities in the town. Disappointment was expressed by the members at Bord Failte's

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REPLY WHEN IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT CO.CO. BE ASKED TO help in this matter by way of free grant. After further discussion on the matter it was agreed to refer the provision of a grant to Asst.Co.Manager for advice. The matter to be further considered when plans are resubmitted to next meeting.

Reduction in rent of £5. charged by Co.Co; to the Anglers Association for the new Boat Shelter containing 18 pers. of ground was referred to Asst.Co.Manager with a view to having rent reduced.

On the proposition of Mr.Shields, Solicitor, Seconded by Mr.Devine Messrs Chairman & Joseph Kilboy were deputed to attend Town Planning Conference in Galway.

Mr.Devine drew the Board's attention to the high wall on the Co.Home road, falling out, it being a danger to the public. It was unanimously agreed to refer same to the Town Engineer for his report on the matter.

Tidy Town Competition : submitted particulars of marks awarded by Bord Failte being 67 out of a possible 100 marks as follows-

25	-----Efford involved	15
20	----- Overall effect	13
15	----- General Cleanliness & Tidiness	11
10	----- Condition of Streets & Sidewalks	8

MINUTES CONT:

10	-----Appearance of industrial & Commercial Premises	8
10	----- Colour and colour harmony	6
10	----- Absence of unsightly objects	6
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	Total	67

Board Failte in a letter addressed to the Commissioners expressed their sincere thanks for co-operation given in the competition.

The members were pleased with result by being "Commended" and hope for higher marks in 1960 .

Votes of sympathy were passed with Mr.D.Duffy and relatives of the Late Mrs.Lily Duffy, Lake view, widow of the Late Wlm.Duffy, former Chairman of the Board and with the relative of the Late Mrs. Patrick Fahy, Dunkellin Street, and with the wife and relatives of the Late M.P.Joseph, Late of Bride Street, whose death occured at Mayo Abbey, Claremorris, and also with the relatives of the Late John Bowes who dies in London, late of main Street.

Francis
9/11/1959

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON THE 19th NOV. 1959.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. FRANCIS DEVINE, ACTING CHAIRMAN (IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN)

MEMBERS PRESENT -- MESSERS WILLIAM CONLAN, JAMES BARRETT AND JOSEPH KILBOY (SUBSEQUENTLY MR. A DERVAN CHAIRMAN.)

IN ATTENDANCE- L.O'LOONEY ESQ., ASST.CO-MANAGER AND THE TOWN CLERK (Mrs.H.M.Kiely)

minutes of meeting held 12th Oct. were read, confirmed and signed.

(meeting opened with prayer)

Engineer's Report dated the 9/11/'59 referring to the Development of scheme at Lake side was read, which stated-

" The lay-out as shown provides the minimum amenities which are immediately desireable and which can be provided at the minimum cost . I estimate the total cost as follows--:

- A. Provide 2 No. Shelters-
 - No.1 20' X 10'- Ladies & Childrens
 - " " 16' X 10'- mens
 £350.
- B. Improve men's Bathing Place 100.
- C. Provide Childress' Paddling Pool 45' X 12'
 - Maximum depth 2' 0" £ 80

MINUTES CONT:

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	Commercial Premises	8
10	----- Colour and colour harmony	6
10	a----- Absence of unsightly objects	6
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Francis Devine
9/11/1959

LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING OF LOUGHREA TOWN COMMISSIONERS HELD ON THE 10th NOV. 1959.

IN THE CHAIR- MR. FRANCIS DEVINE , ACTING CHAIRMAN (IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN.)

MEMBERS PRESENT -- MESSERS WILLIAM CONLAN, JAMES BARRETT AND JOSEPH KILBOY (SUBSEQUENTLY MR. A DERVAN CHAIRMAN.)

IN ATTENDANCE- L.O'LOONEY ESQ., ASST.CO.MANAGER AND THE TOWN CLERK (Mrs.H.E.Kiely)

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 £ 80

MINUTES CONT.

- D. Provide Green Bay on existing Promenade and clear foreshore £70.
- E. Provide new concrete walk through plantation and improve lay-out £240

Total Cost £340.

It is more than likely that part of the above general scheme will be put in hands during the month of December next. I have submitted a scheme for this year's E.S.V work which embraces Part E (Footpath) of the listed details and while sanction has not yet been received I do not anticipate any objection to the granting of same. It is also possible, unless other funds become available in the meantime, to set aside next year's E.S.V allocation for the carrying out of the bulk of the remaining work.

Yours faithfully,
S.O'Neill.

After some discussion of the matter it was unanimously agreed with Asst.Co.Manager's approval to forward copy of Engineer's report to Secretary, Galway Co.Council, with a view to said Council procuring the necessary grant to enable the work to be carried on.

Engineer's report dated the 9th Nov. '59 was also read which stated- "In connection with the Boudry Wall of the Co. Home I wish to report that there is no immediate danger of any collapse of this wall. While at a few points the wall appears to be off vertical, the wide base preserves the stability. Structurally the wall is quite sound. The question of lowering or replacing this wall is a matter which should be referred to the Public Health Department"

Order- noted. Clerk to forward copy of Engineer's report to Public Health Dept. as recommended.

A Deputation representing the Hill Residents attended the meeting when Asst.Co.Manager informed the members that he for the town Clerk, received no notice that said Deputation was attending and therefore had no information on the subject, but would hear their views on the matter. Mr.P.Coy spoke on behalf of the Hill Residents and outlined the position as previously explained to Mr.MacDermott, Asst.Co.Manager regarding the extension of sewerage.

CONT. MINUTES OF MEETING.

Asst.Co.Manager stated that he would give the matter his immediate attention.

Clerk was directed to forward reply to Mr.P. Coy, when received back from County Secretary regarding the present position of the sewerage Extension.

The deputation then withdrew from the meeting thanking the Asst.Co.Manager and members for hearing them.

Clerk reported there was no reply received from Bord Failte regarding the "cost of pot of tea"

An order was made to send a further reminder to Bord Failte.

A discussion took place regarding no sewerage accomodation in Moloney's or Shaughnessy's Co.Co.cottages when Asst.Co. Manager stated he would look into the matter.

Mr.Conlan drew Asst.Co.Manager's attention to the necessity of having a tap erected for Co.Co.Cottiers, on the Athenry Road, who had to draw water a long distance.

The Board voted sympathy to the wife, family and relatives of the Late Francis A Fallon, Galway, and to the family of the Late Kelly More, Loughrea, and Mrs.P.J.Greene and family in their recent sad berevements.

W Conlan
14/12/59