

August September 7th 1920

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs W. Dwyer Chairman of the Board presiding Patrick Walsh, Jas boogan, Patrick Murphy, F. B. McDonagh, John Walsh, John Burke, Mrs Costello, G. Guy, Martin booney, James Moran.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Paying Orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr P. Walsh and Mr Joe boogan

For the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 123. 18. 11

Roads Account £ 50. 7. 6

Only one Tender was received for Printing and advertising that of the Tuam Herald Co Tuam viz which was unanimously accepted

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|---------------------------------------|----------|--|
| Printing | £ 15.0.0 | per annum |
| adv | 15.0.0 | do |
| brave Dockets | 4.6 | per Book as per sample 500 docket & duplicates |
| Auditors report and abstract of ac | 13.3.0 | |

Sureties Michael Hession and John Flanagan =

Only one application received for collector of Tolls and Customs at £36.0 per week. that of Hugh Roddy Bishop Street Tuam offering as his sureties John Burke Dublin Road and Wm Quinn near street both of Tuam.

The chairman proposed and Mr Walsh seconded that Mr Roddy be appointed.

passed unanimous

Tenders for Printing and Advertising

appointment of Toll Collector

September 1920

appointment of assistant Collector

Mr Patrick Bolger, John Shine, John Daly applied for position of assistant Collectors -

It was unanimously decided to appoint Mr P. Bolger as a whole time Office to assist Mr Roddy in collecting Tolls & Customs at one pound five shillings per week.

Another assistant to be appointed at next monthly meeting

no tenders were received for Gravel. the clerk undertaking to have it quarried and Carted from bloomasera.

John clerk and Braner applied for increase of salaries. It was unanimously decided to increase the clerk's salary from £80 - to £100 - per annum -

And the Braner salary from £60 - per annum to £2/0/0 per week -

Increase of Salaries Tamberk and Braner

As option of Commissioner

Messrs The chairman and Mr Murphy were appointed to inspect the concrete wall at Parkmore Terrace and get the necessary repairs done -

Mr Patrick Walsh proposed and Mr James Moran seconded that Mr John Garvey the Mall be Co-opted instead of Mr S. Browne disqualified - No other candidate being proposed Mr Garvey was declared elected =

Tender for Column for Potatoe Market brave

Only one Tender received for column for Potatoe market crane that of Michael McElgunn viz To supply, erect, Paint and put in order one Column as advertised for Oak £18.10.0
bards £17.10.0
It was unanimously decided to have have the Oak Column erected

September 7th 1920

| Revision of Tolls and Customs | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|----------------------|---------------------|
| Asses and Mules | 2 | Each | Timber |
| Booths | 5 | - | - |
| Butter | 1/2 | 1 lb to 3 lbs | Vegetable |
| " | 1 | 3 to 7 " | " |
| " | 2 | 7 to 14 lbs | " |
| Boorhams | 2 | Each | " |
| Bricks | 3 | Per load | Worked Timber Roads |
| Bullocks & Heifers | 6 | Each aged | " |
| do do | 4 | 1 1/2 year old | Wool |
| Bows | 6 | Each | " |
| Calves & weanlings | 2 | " | " |
| " sucklings | 2 | " | " |
| Carcasses | 10 | " | " |
| Eggs | 120 | Free | " |
| " | 1/2 | upto 6 hundred | " |
| " | 1/2 | per hundred upwards | " |
| Fish | 1 | Cart, Box or Barrel | " |
| Fowl Ducks & Chickens | 1 | Per Pair | " |
| " Geese | 2 | Each | " |
| " Turkeys | 2 | " | " |
| Fruit | 1 | Per Basket | " |
| Grain, oats etc | 2 | per cwt | " |
| Horses and foals | 6 | Each | " |
| Hides | 2 | " | " |
| Hay & Straw | 6 | per horse load | " |
| " | 4 | Donkey load | " |
| Mealsters | 2 | per week | " |
| Onions | 2 | per cwt | " |
| Pigs | 4 | Each | " |
| Potatoes | 1 | per cwt | " |
| Sheep and lambs | 2 | Each | " |
| Standings | 2 | Covered or Uncovered | " |

September 7th 1920

The clerk was directed to advertise for a Contractor to keep in repair the weigh bridge on the square and the Crane at potatoe market for twelve months from the 1st October 1920 to 30th Sept 1921 all necessary repairs to be included.

The clerk was directed to advertise in Daily papers that motor Cars would meet the train from Dublin at Athenry on Thursday evening to convey buyers for the fair.

Notice of motion by Murphy that the rents of Artisan Dwellings be considered at next monthly meeting.

The chairman suggested that Mr Guy would get the best volunteers to do duty during the fair.

The Town clerk and Mr Jas Moran were deputed to see the horses at Moate lodge.

Messrs Thomas Dwyer and John Shie applied for position of enumerators for Sept fair.

The Board did not think that it was necessary as the Tolls were being collected by the Board in future.

Dail Eireann

Ministry of Labour - Conciliation Boards

Messrs Patrick Walsh and James Moran were appointed arbitrators on behalf of the Board.

Notice of motion by Mr Guy to record the resolution of the packing of the town on May 20th -

Declaration of Mr John Garvey Co-opted

J. John Garvey having been Co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare, that I take the said office on myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof, according to the best of my judgment and ability
Made and Subscribed before me this 12th day of September 1920

John Garvey

Patrick Banavan Town Clerk

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Chairman M Dwyer

October 1920

September 18th 1920

Special Meeting By Requestion

We the undersigned being members of the Tuam Town Commissioners do hereby require the Town Clerk to summon a special meeting of the Commissioners for 8 O'clock PM Thursday Sept 18th 1920. To Consider Tuam's Trading and Banking relations with Ulster? Signed

J.P. Whelehan. Martin Cooney. E. Costello. Patrick Walsh. W. Reapy

Commissioners Present? Messrs. Mr E. Costello. P. Murphy. Martin Cooney. J.P. Whelehan. James Coogan. James Moran. John Garvey. John Walsh. John Burke.

On the proposition of Mrs Costello. Seconded by Mr Cooney Mr Whelehan took the Chair.

The Chairman at length explained the object of the meeting, and it was unanimously decided to hold a public meeting on the Cathedral grounds on Sunday the 19th inst after last mass.

The Clerk in the meantime to see the administrators get permission for holding same. get posters and have same announced.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr Whelehan seconded by Mr Coogan passed unanimous. Same to be put on poster announcing the meeting -

It is hereby resolved that this meeting of The Tuam Town Commissioners does hereby appeal to all the inhabitants of Tuam and district to

- (a) cease from all trade with Belfast firms and firms which purchase from Belfast. and
- (b) to withdraw all accounts deposits and otherwise from northern banks and
- (c) to refuse to accept all notes issued by northern banks. pending the termination of the present persecution of Catholics in Belfast and other

Sept 18th 1920

Northern Towns, and the removal tests on the right to work signed

J.P. Whelehan
James Coogan

Signed on Behalf of The Board.

October 1920

Mr Dwyer Chairman

October 5th 1920

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs W. Dwyer Chairman of the Board presiding Mrs Costello, F. B. McDonagh, Patrick Byrne, J. B. Whelehan, James Moran, John Walsh, Martin Cooney, Patrick Walsh, William Reapy, James Coogan

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman. Mr Pat Walsh and Mr J. B. Whelehan for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 139.17.4
Roads a/c £ 41.13.4

On the motion of the chairman seconded by Mrs Costello. the resolution on the minutes re. the packing of the Town on July the 20th was cancelled of the minutes

Two applications were received for No 14 W. Hale Terrace Messrs Richard Dumphy, Martin Costello, Edward O'Brien, William Cruise. Mr Cooney proposed and Mr John Walsh seconded that Martin Costello gets the vacant artisans dwelling. Mrs Costello proposed and Mr Whelehan seconded that Mr Richard Dumphy get it. no other candidate being proposed a vote was taken?

for Costello? Messrs. Martin Cooney, John Walsh, James Moran, F. B. McDonagh, James Coogan, Patrick Walsh, Patrick Byrne, William Reapy and the Chairman. 9

for Dumphy? Messrs Mrs Costello and Mr Whelehan - 2

The Chairman declared Martin Costello tenant.

Quising out of the above tenancy it was unanimously agreed that in order to stop canvassing for dwellings in future, that those parties applying in future that their names be submitted to the Board and if approved if to be put on a waiting list each candidate to be supplied in rotation the following having first preference 1st. W^m Cruise 2nd Richard Dumphy, 3rd Edward O'Brien

The following Committee were appointed to look after collection of Tolls for fairs? Chairman, Cooney, McDonagh, Pat Walsh, J. B. Whelehan, and the Clerk. In the absence of Mr Roddy

October 5th 1920

Mr Cooney proposed and Mr Whelehan seconded that enumerators be appointed for October fairs at the usual remuneration.

Mr Murphy's notice of motion to increase the rents of the artisans dwellings. The chairman proposed and Mrs Costello seconded that the rents be increased from 3/9 to 5/- per week and to date from the 1st November next. passed unanimous.

application for
keeping weigh
bridge in repair

Only one application was before the Board for keeping the weigh bridge in repair for 12 months from the 1st October 1920 to 30th Sept 1921. that of James Kelly Blacksmith Team for the sum of £15/0/0 (fifteen pounds) accepted unanimous.

A Telegram was received from Mr Reid stating he would accept £120 in full discharge of his contract, the Board decided to send him a paying order for £115

A letter was read from The Agent of the Bank of Ireland stating that he would not allow the overdraft on the Road a/c to be increased as it now stands at £421.10.5 It was suggested that the chairman and clerk should interview him on the matter.

~~Resolutions of sympathy~~ The clerk was directed to send a copy of the letter to the County Surveyor and ask him to grant the 25% allowed to other contractors until such time as the streets would be steam-rolled.

Resolutions of sympathy were proposed - To Mrs Walsh and Family on the death of her husband.

To Mr John Burke T. C. on the death of his son

To Doctor Costello and Mrs Costello & Family on the death of Doctor Michael Costello Dunmore.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

Nov 2nd 1920

W Dwyer Chairman

November 2nd 1920

Monthly Meeting?

Commissioners Present. Messrs Mrs Costello John Burke. Jas Boogan
John Garvey. John Walsh. Patrick Walsh. James Moran

Mr Boogan proposed and Mr Burke seconded that Mrs Costello take the chair

It was unanimously decided that the Board adjourned without
transacting any business as a mark of respect in honour of the
late Lord Mayor of Cork (Clerman MacBride) and Kevin Barry
who was executed in Mountjoy Prison on Monday morning.

adjourned meeting to be held on Tuesday 9th inst.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

Nov 1920

Mr Dwyer Chairman

November 8th 1920

adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Mr Dwyer Chairman of the Board
presiding F. B. McDonagh John Burke, John Garvey, Patrick Walsh

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the chairman
Mr McDonagh and Mr Garvey. for the following amounts

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| Revenue | £ 198-14-9 |
| Roads etc | £ 49-13-10 |

Mr B. Dwyer was unanimously appointed toll collector pro-tem in
stead of Mr Roddy at same place

The chairman and clerk were directed to have the Gas lamps and
pillars taken down and disposed of

The clerk was directed to have hand bills printed and distributed
at the Bonham market stating any person exhibiting bonhams
for sale beyond Haneco's corner of the opposite side of the street
would be prosecuted.

The following notice of motion was
handed in by Mr Garvey. Take notice that I or some Commissioner on
my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting that the
resolution increasing the artizans dwellings rents from 3/9 to
5/- per week be rescinded

The clerk was directed to write to
Mr Daly secretary of electric light Co to have a lamp erected
on Blount's Road -
a letter was read from Dail Eireann re. Auditing the accounts
the clerk was directed to forward a copy of last audit and
report -

The clerk was also directed to have the fairs for 1921 advertised
in Purdon's almanac for the sum of two pounds -

appointed Toll
Collector pro-tem

Galway County Council

Nov 9th 1920

Gap returns for October fairs

| | | Sold | unsold | Total |
|-------|-------------------|------|--------|-------|
| Sheep | T. Daly Road Gap | 6966 | 307 | |
| | B. Gaddy Road Gap | 1741 | 205 | |
| | | 8707 | 512 = | 9219 |

| | | Sold | unsold | |
|--------|----------------|------|--------|------|
| Cattle | T. D. Road Gap | 2460 | 372 | |
| | B. G. Road Gap | 1163 | 175 | |
| | | 3623 | 547 = | 4170 |

no action was taken as regards Income Tax assessment £75 -

The clerk notified the Board that the draft on the Roads etc was £462 - and the Treasurer would not allow it to be increased. The clerk was directed to pay wages to scavengers from Revenue etc until the quarterly amount is received from the County Council -

Signed on behalf of The Board

Dec 1920

Mr Dwyer

Chairman

December 7th 1920

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Dwyer Chairman of the Board presiding. P. Murphy, John Burke, Calvert Walsh, John Walsh, James Cogan, Mr Larkin, John Garvey, F. B. McDonagh, & Byrne

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman, John Burke & P. Walsh for the following amounts.

Revenue etc £ 58-1-8
Roads etc £ 11-19-1

Notice of motion by Mr Garvey to rescind resolution increasing the ^{of} Sweeping Rates from 3/9 to 5/- per week -
Mr Garvey proposed that it be rescinded but got no second - motion fell through

Mr Patrick Murphy drew attention to the stones on the footpath at Canny's Corner the clerk was directed to write to Mr McDonnell to have the footpath cleared or to give permission to the Commissioners to have the stones etc taken away

The clerk was also directed to write to Mr Daly Secretary Galtonic Light Co. about the lamp on the square as it should be lighted at night.

Resolutions of sympathy were proposed by Mr John Burke seconded by the Chairman with Mr Moran Carramonee and Mr Griffin on the death of their sons.

A letter was read from Mr Poncanon Solicitor re. Solicitor Dublin for the sum of £ 39-11-11 Taxed costs in reference to sewerage on Strahan Estate at Uffale Terrace.
adjourned for next meeting.

A letter was read from Dail Eireann Department of L. Government re. furnishing minutes etc. The clerk was directed to write and state the minutes of this Board had never been furnished to the L. Government Board

December 7th 1920

A letter was read from the Secretary Teachers Organisation (Tuam Branch) thanking the Commissioners for the use of the Town Hall Board Room for many years

The local Government Board applied for auditors £415/0 -

A letter was read from Mr Daly Secretary Tuam Race Committee to know if the Board would see the metal rollers.

The clerk was directed to find out what a roller similar would cost and have it for next meeting

Signed on Behalf of the Board

January 1920

Mr Dwyer Chairman

January 4th 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs Mr. Dwyer Chairman of the Board presiding. Patrick Murphy. John Burke. John Garvey. James Moran Mrs. Costello

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Laying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman. Mr Murphy and Mr Garvey for the following amounts.

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|-----------------|---|---------|
| Revenue Account | £ | 37.16.8 |
| Roads do | £ | 10.7.8 |

arising out of the increased rent of artisans dwellings. On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr Murphy. That the clerk hand over to Mr Poncanon a list of rent due by each tenant for collection Mr Garvey dissenting from above proposition. all other Commissioners present were in favour of same.

The clerk was directed to advertise of an assistant Toll Collector. for next meeting - 7/6 per day two days each week

Michael Murphy Assistant Grammar applied for an increase of salary the Chairman proposed and Mr Murphy seconded that his salary be increased from £24 to £30 per annum. passed unanimously

The clerk was directed that before getting the Ballygaddy road footpath gravelled to have the stones hacked and taken away.

The clerk was also directed to write to the County Surveyor re- the condition of Galway Road footpath.

On the suggestion of Mr Murphy the clerk was directed to put on agenda for next meeting that a finance committee be appointed

Chairman

Costello

Increase of Salary for Cost Grammar

Feby 1st 1921

Galway County Council Archives

Annual Statutory Meeting January 24/1921

Commissioners present? Messrs M. Dwyer Chairman of the Board presiding. John Walsh. Patrick Walsh. John Burke. Mrs Costello

Mr John Walsh proposed and Mr Patrick Walsh seconded, that Mrs Costello be appointed chairman for the ensuing year.

no other candidates being proposed the chairman declared Mrs Costello elected.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

February 1921

Chairman

I, Eileen Costello having been chosen chairman of the Commissioners of the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed before me
this 24th day of January 1921

Patrick Lanagan Town Clerk

Eileen Costello

February 1st 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present. Messrs Mrs Costello Chairman of the Board presiding. Mr P. Murphy Patrick Walsh. John Walsh. John Burke.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. for the following amounts:

by the chairman Mr John Walsh and Mr John Burke

Revenue Account £152-6-5

Roads Account £70-13-4

The consideration of Artizans Dwellings Rents were referred to a Committee of Messrs the chairman Mr Murphy and Mr John Walsh. The Clerk was directed to summon a Committee of three of the tenants and meet at the Clerks office on Thursday the 2nd inst at 8 o'clock P.M.

The following were appointed Finance Committee. The chairman Mr Murphy and Mr John Walsh. To meet at the Clerks office the last Tuesday of each month at 8 o'clock P.M. and go into all matters relating to the finance of the Board.

Election of
assistant
Toll collector

Two applications were received for assistant Toll Collector at 7/6 per day two days each week. Wednesday's and Saturday's

The chairman proposed and Mr Patrick Walsh seconded that John Shine be appointed.

The other candidate John Daly was not proposed. The chairman declared John Shine elected.

Mr Boncanon's account for costs was before the Board
Mr John Quinn solicitor was appointed to Tax same.

Letters were read from the local Government Board in reference to standard specification of Concrete for construction of houses also that the Turf (Maximum) Trees ceased from ~~11th~~ November 11th January 1921

A letter was read from Mr Boncanon the Boards solicitor asking to have paid Messrs Stapleton's solicitors costs in reference to the Strahan estate at Uthale Terrace

Signed on Behalf of the Board
E. Costello Chairman

March 1921

March 1st 1921

Monthly meeting?

No quorum.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday March 8th

March 8th 1921

No quorum

Meeting adjourned to March 15th 1921

March 15th 1921

Adjourned Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Mrs Costello Chairman of the Board presiding
John Burke, Patrick Walsh, Michael Dwyer, John Garvey

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman, Mr Burke and Mr Walsh
for the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 89-4-1

Roads Account £ 52-15-2

On the proposition of the Chairman seconded by Mr Dwyer that the National Health Insurance of
the employees be paid -

The following was received from Mr Concanon the Boards Solicitor

To Patrick Concanon Town Clerk

Dear Sir

Mr William J. Concanon called on me in reference to the Commissioners
dispute with the Occupiers of the Artizans dwellings for all of whom he is acting
He informs me that his clients are prepared to pay the increased
rent of 5/- If the houses are put into repair, or an undertaking given
that they will be put into repair within a reasonable time. It pointed
out to him that the Commissioners could not put the premises into repair
as the rents had not been paid, and I do not see how they can bind
themselves to repair them, but I was quite sure for their own sakes they
would do so. It seems to me that the parties are not inclined to settle
and the only course open to the Commissioners is to serve notice to quit
and proceed to put them out.

Yours Faithfully
Henry Concanon

March 16th 1921

The chairman proposed Mr Dwyer seconded. That the tenants be asked to pay 2/9 per week up to the end of the financial year ending March 31st and that the dwellings be repaired in April and that 5/- per week be charged from the 1st April. Mr Dwyer suggesting that a committee of the Board wait on their Treasurer, to allow an overdraft on the account to meet same.

Resolutions of Sympathy were passed unanimously with Patrick Murphy and M. Henry Murphy on the death of Mr Lindsay Murphy, also on the murder of the Mayor and Ex Mayor of Limerick, and the Lord Mayor of Dublin, and Mrs Melan mother of Thomas Melan blifden.

It was decided that some action should be taken to reduce the rates on the Tolls and Customs.

Signed On Behalf of The Board
E. Costello

April 5th 1921

April 5th 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Mrs Costello Chairman of the Board presiding. Pat Walsh Michael Dwyer, Patrick Murphy, John Burke

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed for the following amounts by the Chairman Mr Murphy and Mr Dwyer

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|-------------|----------|
| Revenue a/c | £ 50-6-4 |
| Roads a/c | £ 22-5-1 |

The clerk was directed to write to the County Surveyor as regards how they are situated with the Roads account and he might allow the 25% granted to other contractors.

Along letter was read from Mr W^m Boncaroni solicitor in reference to the increase of artisan dwellings rents.

The clerk was directed to forward it to Mr Boncaroni the Board's solicitor for his observations, and if necessary convene a special meeting?

The clerk was granted permission to collect rents due to the Commissioners in his office on each Monday from 11 o'clock to 4 o'clock.

On the suggestion of Mr Murphy the clerk was directed to the Secretary of the Council to have a revision of the rates on the Town Hall and Tolls and Customs, which was considered mooted.

The clerk was directed to notify the fish mongers, that if the practice of throwing rotten fish about was not discontinued, drastic steps would be taken by the Commissioners to put an end to the nuisance.

Also to notify the parties responsible for the sweeping of road stuff and straw at the head of Chapel Lane as it is most disagreeable to persons living in the neighbourhood.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

E. Costello Chairman

May 1921

Special Meeting

April 15th 1921

Re. Mr Henry Boncanon's letter, and Artizans Dwellings Rents

Commissioners present. Messrs McKeello chairman of the Board presiding Patrick Murphy, John Burke, John Walsh, Mr Dwyer.

The following letter was read

I am
April 11th 1921

P. Boncanon Town Clerk

Dear Sir

Re. Artizans Dwellings

Yours to hand with letter from Mr H. G. Boncanon solicitor. I still adhere to my version of the conversation with him namely that if the Commissioners repair or undertake to repair the houses, his clients would agree to the increase of rent, but I don't see any good in quarrelling over the matter. Apparently his clients are now not prepared to carry out this or any other arrangement as to the increase without binding the Commissioners, in a way, that in my opinion they should not bind themselves. I don't think it is necessary to enter into the other matters mentioned in Mr Boncanon's letter, and in my opinion no course is open to the Commissioners other than serving notice to quit, the real understanding of course being, that should the tenants agree to the increase arranged by the Commissioners namely from the present rent of 7 per week, the notice to quit will not be proceeded with, but that if this arrangement is not come to on the expiration of the notice, proceedings shall be taken to get up the houses. I have already informed the Commissioners that in my opinion there will be no answer to the proceedings to put the tenants but on the expiration of the notice to quit and the magistrates must make an order for possession - ?

Yours faithfully
Henry Boncanon

Consideration was adjourned to next monthly meeting

Signed on Behalf of the Board

E. Costello Chairman

May 3rd 1921

May 3rd 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs McKeello chairman of the Board presiding Patrick Murphy, Pat Walsh, John Walsh, Michael Dwyer, John Burke, John Garvey

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the chairman, Mr Pat Walsh and Mr John Burke for the following amounts.

Revenue account £ 42-7-11
Roads account £ 72-13-1

Artizans dwellings rents were allowed to stand at the old rent for the present

The clerk reported that one of the meat stalls was sublet to a saddler name Donaghy. The clerk was directed on the proposition of Mr Dwyer seconded by Mr Murphy that notice to quit be served on both of them and get possession of the stall.

The clerk was directed to have on the agenda for next monthly meeting, Co-Option of Commissioners for those disqualified for non-attendance.

The Bill for Public lighting was before the board adjourned to next meeting in the mean time the clerk to write to Mr Daly as ask him to have the lamps on the square left lighting for a longer period than contracted for.

Resolutions of sympathy were passed with Sir Joseph A Glynn on the death of Lady Glynn and with Mr J. Sloyan on the death of his wife

Signed on Behalf of the Board

E. Costello Chairman

June 1921

June 7th 1921

Monthly meeting

Commissioners present. Messrs M. Costello chairman of the Board presiding
 Pat Walsh, John Walsh, John Garvey, Patrick Murphy, John Burke.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Buying orders were made and signed by the Chairman M. Costello
 and Mr John Garvey for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 158.12.8
 Roads a/c £ 16.13.4

The clerk having brought before the Meeting the necessity of having something
 done to the sewerage at 11 Hale Terrace, M. Kiowan the agent on Strahan
 estate having complained of same. no action was taken.

Messrs. P. Murphy, M. Dwyer & John Walsh were deputed to inspect the
 concrete wall at Parkmore Terrace and have same put in order.

The clerk was directed to get repairs done to the roof
 of meat Stalls.

The clerk informed the board that he got a decree
 for possession of the meat Stall granted by P. Ponnor. He was ordered
 to take up possession and have same advertised for next meeting.

M. Costello having given notice of motion to revise the rents at ~~next~~ same
 meeting

Mr John Burke proposed and M. Costello seconded a resolution of
 sympathy with the relatives of the late Doctor Hession copies of same to
 sent to Mr J. J. Hession and Mrs Lee Blifden.

Letters were read from Sir Joseph A. Glyn and Mr Thomas Hegan acknowledging
 resolutions of sympathy passed at last meeting

Three applications were received for the supposed vacant meat Stall
 adjourned to next monthly meeting

June 7th 1921

Mr James Smyth applied to get the neat athian dwelling vacant. it was decided
 to put his name on the waiting list

M. Kennedy The Curragh applied for £10.0.0 for allowing the scavenging on the
 Curragh Road.

The clerk was directed to advertise for a Depot above amount considered too much

Messrs J. W. Whelan, Martin Booney, and G. Luy being disqualified for non
 attendance. were again unanimously Co. Opted Commissioners.

The clerk notified the Board that Messrs F. B. McDonagh, Patrick Byrne, James Boogan
 and William Reapy, were disqualified for non attendance for six months
 he was ordered to ^{bring} same on agenda for next meeting

Town Commissioners Office
 Tuam June 6th 1921

M. A. Neale Esq
 General Manager
 G. S. & Western Railway
 Dublin

Dear Sir

I am directed by the Tuam Town Commissioners to ask your Company, that
 when revising the train service between Tuam and Athlery. They will take into consideration
 the advisability of running the 4.15 P.M. Sligo train to Athlery, returning to Tuam after the
 arrival in Athlery of the 7.45 P.M. from Galway. This would of course necessitate the departure
 of the train from Tuam at about 7.30 P.M. and the Sligo train a corresponding time
 earlier, or be accelerated, which would not seem impossible. Considering it takes over four
 hours to cover a distance of 69 miles between Tuam and Sligo. This alteration would
 be a great benefit to the people of Tuam and the surrounding districts. It would
 give passengers for Galway nearly 1/2 hour there instead of three hours as at
 present, as well as affording them an opportunity of a late train to Dublin.

I am requested by the Commissioners to express the hope that your Company
 will on this occasion accede to their request, and not give, as they have invariably
 done in the past, a refusal to every request made by my Board.

Yours faithfully
 P. Lanagan Town Clerk

Signed on behalf of the Board

M. Costello

Chairman

July 5th 1921

July 5th 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present: Messrs Mrs Costello Chairman of the Board presiding
John Walsh, Pat Walsh, John Garvey, Michael Dwyer, James Moran
John Burke.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying were made and signed for the following amount by the Chairman
Mr Garvey and Mr Pat Walsh
Revenue a/c £48.4-1

Roads a/c nil

notice of motion by Mrs Costello to revise the meat stall rents, on the proposition
of Mr Pat Walsh seconded by Mr J. Garvey and unanimously agreed that
the rent be fixed at 2/6 per week for incoming tenants, and a deposit
of half year's rent in advance
Four applications were received for the vacant stall, Messrs George Donaghy
saddler, John Kelly saddler, Patrick O'Connell, William O'Connell

Mr Patrick Walsh proposed and Mr John Garvey seconded that George Donaghy get
the stall -
no other applicant being proposed he was declared tenant -

Co. Option of Commissioners in room of Messrs F. B. McDonagh, Patrick Byrne, W. M. Leary
and James Boogan disqualified for non attendance.

Mr John Burke proposed and Mr J. Garvey seconded that they be co-opted, the
clock in the meantime, write to each of them, that if they did not
intend attending to send in their resignation, passed unanimous.

A letter was received from Mr Has Keane complaining about
the wall extending over the footpath at his place being dangerous to
life and property. The clerk was directed to forward a copy of same
to Mr James McDonnell.

July 5th 1921

arising out of a discussion on the insurance of the Citizens Dwellings Policy the
clerk was directed to write to the agent and state if the premium would not be paid
until same would be endorsed, covering all risks ~~against~~ ^{against} fire.

The following was read from the Superintendent G. S. & N. Railway

Kingsbridge Station
Dublin

8th June 1921

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 6th addressed to Mr Neale, has been passed to me, and in
reply I beg to inform you that the suggestion put forward by you will have full
consideration, when we are in a position to revise the train service in the west.

The 4.15 P.M. train Sligo to Tuam is a passenger and goods train
and cannot be very much improved, and it also has to wait the G. N. train
from Westport to Keshornis, but the latter service may be somewhat altered, when
the best possible will be done

Your truly
P. J. Flood

Patrick Banavan
Town Clerk

no action was taken as regards a letter received from the Surveyor of Taxes
asking for a copy of the accounts.

The clerk was directed to caution the
assistant Craner about complaints received by the board, and prevent a
repetition of same.

I Patrick Byrne being Co. Opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby
declare that I take the said office on myself and will do, and faithfully
fulfil the duty thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me
this 12th day of July 1921

Patrick Banavan
Town Clerk

Patrick Byrne

July 5th 1921

I Frederick B McDonagh being Co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this
12th day of July 1921

Patrick Banavan
Town Clerk

Frederick B McDonagh

I Martin Booney being Co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me
this 20th day of July 1921

Patrick Banavan
Town Clerk

Martin Booney

Signed on Behalf of The Board

John Burke Chairman

Aug 2nd 1921

August 2nd 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present Messrs. F. B. McDonagh, John Burke, John Walsh, Martin Booney, John Garvey, James Moran

Mr McDonagh proposed and Mr Booney seconded that Mr John Burke take the chair.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

paying Orders were made and signed for the following amount

Revenue etc £ 34-4-2

Roads etc nil

And signed by the Chairman Mr John Walsh and Mr Booney -

Re. nuisance etc deposited at the potatoe market. The clerk was directed to write to the landlord and tenants having access to the potatoe market stating that if the practice of depositing nuisance was not stopped, the Board would take steps to have the doors leading to the potatoe market closed up.

The clerk informed the Board that notice to quit had been served on John O'Connor and French Bros for non payment of rent. John O'Connor came before the Board it was decided that both be given one month to pay whatever they could off amount due.

The following was received from Mr McDonnell relative to the wall overhanging the footpath on Dublin Road as complained of by Mr Gas Keane at last meeting.

I do not see what the Commissioners have to say to this. If our mutual friend Francis is afraid of getting killed, I have no objection to his protecting himself at his own expense.

No action was taken as regards Income Tax ap's before the Board. Mr Boogon wrote to the Board resigning his position as Town Commissioner. It was decided to Co-opt a person in his stead at next monthly meeting

Continued

August 2nd 1921

The following letters were read

Secretarys Office
Court House
Galway
14th July 1921

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 11th Inst. I regret that it is quite impossible for me at present to say when the County Council will be in a position to make payments.

I am Sir

Your obedient servant

W. G. Seymour
Secretary

P. Lanavan Town Clerk

The Hibernian Fire Insurance Co. Ltd.

Re. Fire Policies No 25466 The Tuam Town Commissioners

£10,000

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of Mr Lanavan's letter of the 11th Inst. and in reply we beg to say that our Policy covers accidental loss or damage by fire or lightning, but does not cover loss arising through riot, rebellion, civil commotion etc.

If the latter extra risks are required to be covered, we understand that the current rate for same is about £4 per cent. Should the matter be considered we would probably be able to place the business for you, if you so desire.

We return renewal notice

Yours faithfully

W. A. R. Bourie

General Manager

To

D. J. Butler, Tuam.

August 2nd 1921

The Clerk was directed to renew the insurance, he first to inform the Chairman and any members at last meeting, that the decision of this meeting was to renew.

Mr Cooney proposed and Mr James Moran seconded a resolution of sympathy with Mrs Murphy and family on the death of her husband Mr John Murphy late Tool Harmer.

A Committee of the Commissioners got estimates for re. construction or repairs to the Cross on the square knock down by the military by Thomas W. Hugh £130 — James Stockwell £24.0.0 It was decided that Mr Stockwell's tender be accepted and same was handed over to the military? The Commissioners unanimously approved of the Committee's decision.

Signed on behalf of the Board

E. Costello Chairman

Sept 6th 1921

August 18th 1921

Special Meeting? To consider advertising Tolls and Customs, also Public Lighting

Commissioners present. Messrs F. B. McDonagh, John Burke, Michael Dwyer, James Moran, Patrick Walsh,

Mr McDonagh proposed and Mr Walsh seconded that Mr Dwyer takes the chair

The Clerk having put before the board the receipts and expenditure of the Tolls from 1st October 1920 to 13th August 1921. it was considered satisfactory taking into account how the fairs were hampered with by the Railway Company during the year.

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| Receipts | £ 707. 3. 5 | |
| Expenses | 177. 10. 0 | £ 529. 13. 5 nett |

It was unanimously decided to advertise. Tenders to be considered at next monthly meeting.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

E. Costello Chairman

Sept 6th 1921

I Gabriel Guy being so. Opted commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare, that I take the said office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability.

Made and subscribed
before me this 5th day of
Sept 1921

Gabriel Guy.

Patrick Banavan
Town Clerk

September 6th 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present Messrs Mes Costello Chairman of The Board presiding John Walsh, Patrick Walsh, John Burke, Michael Dwyer, James Moran Gabriel Guy, Martin Cooney, John Garvey.

Mr Dwyer proposed and Mr Cooney seconded that we the Tuam Town Commissioners, adjourn this meeting without transacting any business, as a mark of respect to our colleague the late Mr Murphy, and convey our sympathy to his brother Mr H. M. A. Murphy and his sister Mrs Moran and regret very much in having to do so, as he was an able member of this board and devoted a lot of his time to the wefare of this town —

The meeting adjourned to Tuesday the 13th Inst.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

E. Costello Chairman

Sept 13th 1921

September 13th 1921

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Mrs Costello chairman of the Board presiding. John Burke, Patrick Walsh, Michael Dwyer, James Moran, John Garrey, Gabriel Gury, Martin Cooney

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr Dwyer, Mr Moran for the following amounts

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| Revenue Account | £ 216. 18. 2 |
| Roads Account | £ 88. 7. 5 |

Co. option of Town Commissioner in room of Mr Boogan resigned. was unanimously adjourned to next monthly meeting. in order that two Co. options come off at next meeting that is to replace the late Mr Murphy deceased and Mr Boogan resigned.

Tender for
Tolls and
Customs

Only one tender was received for Tolls and Customs that of P. J. Dwyer for £600. 0. 0 six hundred pounds. consent of sureties enclosed Peter McHugh Merchant Tuam and Edward Banan High Street Tuam. The board considering his tender too low. Mr Dwyer amending his tender to £625-0-0 (six hundred and twenty five pounds) was unanimously accepted.

Tender
for
Public
Lighting

Two tenders were received for Public Lighting. Tuam Electricity Company and Gas Company. Only one being considered that of Tuam Electricity and unanimously accepted. which read as follows

Gentlemen, On behalf of the Electricity Co limited. I James Daly Secretary of the said Company hereby tender for the lighting of the Town of Tuam, and repair of Electricity lamps from the 6th September 1921 to the 15th May 1922, at a flat rate of four pounds per lamp and £2 extra for any lamps required for all night, during period of said Contract, as may be specified by the Town Commissioners with the exception of the lamp on the square, which will be left in light for all night for the sum of four pounds. The lamp at the square to will be 300 Candle power and all lamps through the town and roads to be 200 Candle power. All lamps to be lighted and extinguished at the time mentioned in the advertisement. There will be consent of sureties. Peter McHugh and Michael Hynes, accepted unanimous

September 13th 1921

Tender
for
Printing
and
Advertising

Tender for Printing and Advertising. Only one tender was received that of Tuam Herald Company. offering as sureties Michael Hession and John Hanagan

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| General printing | £ 15. 0. 0 |
| ~ Advertising | £ 15. 0. 0 |
| Abstract of Accounts | £ 3. 3. 0 |
| Docket Books | 4. 6 Each |

As per advertisement in Tuam Herald = accepted unanimous

Arising out of a discussion of the Rates. The clerk was directed to write Mr Cosgrave T. D. Dail Linnam for instructions as to re-valuation of Tolls and Customs for the borough of Tuam. also arising out of an account due to Harry Brighton for building a concrete wall at Parkmore Terrace. The clerk was directed to draft a notice and have it served on each of the tenants about having turf built against the wall.

The clerk was also directed to write to Mr Hanagan re - The fair green for road sweepings.

A letter was read from the agent Bank of Ireland for £9. 7. 3 interest on PD on road account and stating 5 1/2 % interest would be charged from the 1st July last.

Mr James Stockwells account of £26. 0. 0 was before the Board. the clerk was directed to have it sent to their solicitor he to have it sent on to the military.

The clerk explained to the Board that Gravel cost last year 6/10 per ton delivered. this year it's offered for 4/- per ton delivered. he was ordered to get whatever quantity he required at that price.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

E. Costello Chairman

October 11th 1921

October 4th Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present?

Messrs Mrs Costello chairman of the Board presiding. Patrick Walsh. Patrick Byrne James Moran. John Burke. Gabriel Gury Martin booney. John Garvey.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Sparing Orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr Walsh and Mr Moran. for the following amounts

Revenue ac £ 72-1-2
Roads ac £ 69-13-4

The chairman proposed and Mr booney seconded that Messrs Anthony O'Malley and Martin J. Walsh be co-opted Commissioners in room of Mr Bogan resigned and Mr Murphy deceased.

Mr James Kelly appeared before the Board and submitted an account for the balance of his Contract £15- for keeping in repair the weigh bridge on the square, the account was allowed to stand until after next monthly meeting.

In the meantime the clerk was directed to advertise for a contractor for the coming twelve months

The clerk's application for remuneration for supervising Tolls and Customs for the past twelve months was adjourned to next monthly meeting-

arising out of a discussion on the finance. Mr booney proposed Mr Walsh seconded that a horse be bought for working on the streets. Messrs Moran and booney were unanimously appointed to purchase one also harness the sum of £20- being sanctioned for same.

The clerk was directed to see Mr O'Mahagan again and arrange if possible for the fair green as a depot for road sweepings.

The following were appointed as a finance Committee Messrs P. Byrne. M. booney. P. Gury and the chairman and go into the accounts as soon as possible. the clerk to have a list of all arrears due on a/po drawings etc.

Monthly Meeting October 4th 1921

One of the Commissioners reported that John Rowland's meat was subject to a man named Kelly. The clerk was directed to find out if same was correct and if so to demand possession from Rowland, and in the event of not getting possession summon for possession to Dail Eirann Court.

A letter was read from John Meehan Foster Row complaining about the footpath at his place. The clerk was directed to see to it at once, and if Meehan provided the necessary quantity of cement to proceed with the work, the Commissioners supplying sand and labour, and in the event of Meehan not supplying cement, to have it done with sand.

Replies to resolution of sympathy passed at last monthly meeting with the relatives of the late Mr Murphy, were received ^{and read} from Mr H. M. A. Murphy and Mrs Moran

A letter was read from Dail Eirann Co. G. Board Department re. superannuation of local officers, also quotations from Healy's Dublin for Measurers, advice notes

The following resolution was proposed by Mr booney and passed unanimous, that in connection with the scheme of the amalgamation of Union Workhouses. The Board desire to call the attention of Dail Eirann and District Council.

That they consider the Tuam Union Workhouse the most central and convenient for a County nursing Home for the above object. Copies to be forward to Dail Eirann and District Council

Resolution proposed by Mrs Costello seconded by Mr booney to Doctor Mark Ryan on the death of his wife.

At their monthly meeting on October 4th the Town Commission of this your native Town of Tuam, expressed their regret at hearing of the death of your wife and they desire me to convey to you this expression of their deep sympathy with you in your bereavement.

I Anthony O'Malley being co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this 17th day of October 1921
Patrick O'Mahagan Town Clerk

Anthony O'Malley

October 4th 1921

I Martin Joseph Walsh being co-opted Commissioner for the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office upon myself, and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties of same according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me
this 17th day of October 1921

Martin Joseph Walsh.

Patrick Banavan Town Clerk

Signed on Behalf of The Board

E. Costello Chairman

Nov 10th 1921

Monday October 23rd 1921

Special meeting?

To consider the advisability of sending a deputation to Galway on Wednesday 26th at 12 noon on behalf of the Town, to press the claim of Tuam as the most suitable locality for a county home.

Signed Mrs Costello
Gabriel Guy
Fred B. W'Donogh
Martin Booney
Patrick Walsh

Commissioners present? Mrs Costello chairman of the Board presiding, F. B. W'Donogh & Guy, Anthony Malley, James Moran, Patrick Byrne, Patrick Walsh.

The following was proposed by Mrs Costello, seconded by Mr Guy?

Tuam would particularly be the most convenient centre for the Unions of Tuam, Glenamaddy, M. Kelloe. The Union of Tuam is, as regards population, the largest in the County. The population is 29,127, exceeding the next largest (Galway) Rural by nearly 9000. The total population of the above three Unions is 58,593. The total population of the Unions, Ballynacloe, Gort, Doughra and Portumna is 57,487.

As well as being the most convenient for the three Unions of Glenamaddy, M. Kelloe and Tuam, with a population of 58,593, and an area of 393,937 statute acres, Tuam would be as convenient as Doughra for Galway Union, and by road or rail would be more convenient for the Unions of Ballynacloe and Oughterard. The population of these two Unions is 21,061 and an area of 367,388 acres statute.

It has been contended that Tuam is unsuitable owing to the military occupation of the workhouse. Well, the continued and successful working of the scheme is naturally dependent on a settlement and the military will disappear with the settlement. Tuam is situated in the centre of the County, and a glance at the map would convince any reasonable man, that it is preeminently a place for a County Home. A special meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners was held on October 20th, to consider the question of sending a deputation to the meeting of the Committee for the abolition of workhouses to be held in Galway on Wednesday 26th October, at 12 noon. The Commissioners

October 23rd 1921

decided that as the claims of Team were so apparent and so just that there was no reason for sending a deputation.

Signed on behalf of The Board

E. Costello Chairman

Nov 1st 1921

November 1st 1921

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs Mrs Costello Chairman of Board presiding John Burke, Michael Dwyer, Gabriel Guey, Patrick Walsh, Anthony O'Malley James Moran

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Laying Orders were made and signed by The Chairman. Mr Walsh and Mr Burke. For the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 80-9-3

Arising out of the minutes of last meeting. Mr John Keelan refused to procure cement for repairing the footpath at his place. The clerk was directed to have it covered with sand.

Mrs Costello proposed and Mr Walsh seconded that Mr O'Malley be appointed on the Finance Committee instead of Mr Byrne who did not attend passed unanimously Committee to meet on Wednesday the 9th inst at 8 o'clock P.M.

Two Tenders were received for keeping in repairing and supplying all parts when necessary of the weigh bridge on Market square, and for shoeing the horse for a term of twelve months.

Thed Forc For weigh bridge £ 10-0-0 } Surties Peter W. Hugh and Michael Cahill
- Horse shoeing 3-10-0 }

James Keely Tended for £13-0-0 his tender being informal was not entertained Mr P Walsh proposed Mr Guey seconded that Thed Forc's tender be accepted. (unanimous)

The Clerk's adjourned application for remuneration supervising the collection of Tolls and Customs year ending 30/9/21

Mr Burke proposed Mr Dwyer seconded that he get £20-0-0 same amount that had been given for the year 1917 when last collected by the Board

A letter was read from Neil Egan stating there was no machinery at present for re-valuation and that future minutes should be forward to the Department. The clerk was directed to forward minutes of each meeting. The re-valuation of Tolls etc allowed to stand for the present.

applications for quit rent and income Tax were marked read

Tender for Repair
To
Weighbridge
And Horse shoeing

Galway County Council Archives

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November 1st 1921

A. letter was read from Doctor Mark Ryan London thanking the Board for resolution of sympathy on the death of his wife

The chairman proposed Mr Guy seconded, that the accounts for year ending 31/3/1921 have not yet been audited. That the Local Government Board Department Dublin should send an Auditor

Signed On Behalf of The Board

J. Costello Chairman

Dec 1921

Galway County Council Archives

Dec 2nd 1921

Special Meeting. By requisition signed by Messrs. S. Guy, M. J. Walsh, A. O'Malley & Patrick Walsh.

To present an address of welcome to President Canon Declan in Galway on Sunday next.

Commissioners present? Messrs M. Costello Chairman of the Board Presiding John Burke, Martin Booney, John Walsh, A. O'Malley, Pat Walsh, James Moran M. J. Walsh

Proposed by Mr. Booney seconded by Mr. Pat Walsh, that an address be presented, to be drawn up by the Chairman, M. J. Walsh and John Burke, ~~to translate it into Irish.~~

It was unanimously decided that the Chairman James Moran, Patrick Walsh and the clerk present the address

Signed on Behalf of the Board

Dec 6th 1921

S. Costello Chairman

Tuesday Dec 6th 1921

Monthly Meeting ?

Commissioners Present. Messrs Mrs Costello chairman of the Board presiding
A. O'Malley, John Burke, John Garvey, Pat Walsh, James Moran, F.B. McDonagh
Martin Rooney, P. Byrne

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the chairman, Mr Moran and Mr McDonagh
for the following amounts.

Revenue a/c £ 96-13-0
Roads a/c £ 67-2-11

Mr James Moran proposed the chairman seconded that the Board get possession
of the work shop and yard at present in possession of French Bros as its
required for the Commissioners own use.

The clerk was directed to summon
all tenants who owes arrears of rent.

Mr John Burke proposed Mrs Costello see
that a lamp be erected at bloomthor road. The clerk to communicate with Mr Daley
to have the lamp put up at once

An application was read from the assistant crane for an overcoat for
the winter months. no action was taken on the matter.

The following ~~resolution~~ ^{note} was proposed by address read at the special meeting
held on the 2nd inst was presented to Mr Deane on his visit to Galway ~~by~~
by the chairman, Mr Moran Mr Walsh and the clerk.

The Committee of Management having decided that only one address was to be presented
that of the Galway County Council. The clerk was directed to have it inserted
on minute book and copy sent to Dail Eirann —

Dec 6th 1921

Διλέαζνα ὁ Κομμουνιστῆν Τύμα :

Ἄ Χαίταρῆν

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Ἄχῆταρῆν.
Κομμουνιστῆν Τύμα.

Signed On Behalf of The Board
G. G. G. G. G.
Graham
Jany 1922

Dec 27th 1921

Special meeting? By Requisition

To P. Canavan Town Clerk

Please convene a special meeting to be held in a. O.H. Hall at 6 O'clock tomorrow evening for the purpose of giving the members of the Board an opportunity of giving their views on the Treaty between Ireland and Gt Britain

Signed Martin booney Patrick Walsh a. O'Malley
James Moran John Walsh

Commissioners present at above meeting?

Messrs. G. Guy, F. B. McDonagh, Martin booney, John Walsh Patrick Walsh
James Moran a. O'Malley, P. Byrne, John Burke, Mr Wryer

Mr Wryer proposed, Mr booney seconded that Mr Guy takes the chair.

Mr McDonagh proposed and Mr booney seconded the Ratification of the Treaty, and

The following resolution was unanimously adopted. That this meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners, hereby calls on the representatives of Co. Galway in P.B. Soil to support the motion for ratification of the Treaty between Ireland and Gt Britain, and demands, that the view of the vast majority of the people of this County be not misrepresented by the County representatives, and it is further resolved that copies of this resolution, be immediately forwarded to Messrs. J. B. McKeelan, Bryan Russell, P. Hogan G. Kehdas P. O'Malley, Frank Foley, Co. Meador, also to Messrs Arthur Inghill, E. Devera and Michael Coeuis T.D.

Mr Guy proposed Mr P. Walsh seconded the following resolution
To Mr B. Cuskell = At a special meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners held this evening, it was stated that you were going to vote against the Ratification of the Treaty. The Commissioners wish to inform you, that the people of Tuam, who were amongst your most ardent supporters in the 1918 election, are almost unanimously in favour of the Treaty Ratification. By opposing the Treaty you are acting in direct opposition to their wishes, and to the wishes of the men who worked so hard for your return at that time. The Commissioners demand that you do not misrepresent the views of your Constituents in Tuam.

The Clerk was directed to forward above resolutions to the press and each individual mentioned -

Chairman

G. Guy

Signed On Behalf of the Board

January 31st 1922

Monthly Meeting?

Commissioners Present? Messrs Mr. Dwyer, G. Guy, John Walsh, Pat Walsh John Burke
M. J. Walsh, Mr. Cooney, Pat Byrne, James Moran

Mr Cooney proposed and Mr P. Walsh seconded that Mr Guy takes the chair.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. paying orders were made
and signed by the chairman Mr John Walsh and Mr Mr Dwyer for the following
amounts - by

Revenue Account £ 30.9.2
Roads Account £ 50.10.4

The clerk reported that notice to quit had been served on John O'Connor and The
French Brothers.

both defendants appeared before the Board. Mr Cooney proposed
and Mr Moran seconded that the full amount due be paid before next monthly
meeting. If not the clerk to proceed for possession.

The clerk reported to the Board the unsatisfactory state of the road at back of Wallace
Terrace.

It was decided that the matter be reported to Dr Costello -
The clerk was directed to get quotations for wheels for the mud cart -

The following notice of motion was handed in by Mr Cooney on behalf of Mr Costello
Take notice that I or some Commissioner on my behalf will move at
next monthly meeting that all wages be reduced.
* Z. Costello

The assistant brewer applied for a coat. The clerk was directed to get him a coat not
to exceed 2/-

Two applications were received for allowances when
vacant. that of Michael Mulleney Rows Grove and John Steacy Barrack St
The clerk was directed to put names on waiting list. also one from Mrs Kinton Bishop St
and Nurse Ryan
The clerk was directed to write
to Mr John Hession high St to cease collecting or leaving heaps of straw at the corner of Chapel Lane

Signed on Behalf of the Board

G. Guy

Chairman

July 1922

Special Meeting

January 5th 1922

To P. Banavan Town Clerk

Please convene a special meeting of the Town Commissioners to consider about applying for a loan to the White Cross Association for re-building the Town Hall.

Signed

Michael Dwyer, A. O'Malley, Pat Walsh, John Walsh, James Moran & Byrne

The following commissioners attended. A. O'Malley, Mr. Rooney, John Garvey, F. B. McDonagh, Pat Walsh, Mr. J. Walsh, Mr. Dwyer, John Burke, P. Byrne

Mr. McDonagh proposed Mr. J. Walsh seconded that Mr. Burke takes the chair.

Proposed by Mr. O'Malley seconded by Mr. J. Walsh that the full amount of £7000 be applied for.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Dwyer seconded by Mr. Burke. That we the Town Commissioners beg to apply to the White Cross Association for a loan of a sum of £7000 (seven thousand pounds) to re-build the Town Hall burnt down during the recent war in Ireland.

The Hall is a great loss to the people of the Town and district, who have no place to hold public or other meetings, and the business of the Town Commission is ~~transacted~~ transacted in a private house at great inconvenience. If the money were got, the work could be proceeded with immediately and thus afford a certain amount of much needed employment to the workless

Signed on Behalf of the Board

G. Guy

Chairman

7th 1922

January 23rd 1922

Statutory Meeting

Commissioners Present Messrs Pat Walsh James Moran Patrick O'Byrne A. Mallory
John Walsh Mrs Costello M. J. Walsh, John Burke, Martin Cooney Gabriel Guy F. B. McDonagh

Mrs Costello outgoing Chairman presided

Mr Cooney proposed Mr Patrick Walsh seconded that Mr Gabriel Guy be elected chairman
for the ensuing year no other candidate being proposed. The chairman declared
Mr Guy elected.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

G. Guy
Chairman

February 1922

Declaration of Chairman

I Gabriel Guy having been chosen chairman of the Commissioners of the Town
of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and
faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and
ability

Made and subscribed before me }
this 23rd day January 1922 }

Gabriel Guy

Patrick Canavan Town Clerk

February 7th 1922

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Guy Chairman of the Board presiding. A. O'Malley
 W. J. Walsh. Pat Walsh. John Walsh. McBooney Mrs. Costello. James Moran. J. O'Donoghue

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. arising out of the minutes the clerk stated that French Bros had paid £ 2/0/0 on account of arrears of rent. John Connor had paid nothing.

Mr Mc. Booney proposed and Mrs Costello recorded the the original order stand, that is possession be got up from French Bros and when Connor be served with notice to quit =

~~recorded by W. J. Walsh~~

~~The following resolution was proposed by A. O'Malley~~

A letter was read from Mr Thomas Dwyer cranes resigning his position as cranes as follows

Bishop St James

Feb 7th 1922

To the Chairman and Team Town Commissioners

Dear Sirs

I beg to tender my resignation as cranes to your Board, my age and health compels me to do so, as I have given you 40 years (forty years) services, I trust you will consider my services worthy of remuneration for the time without complaint

I beg to remain Gentlemen

Yours faithfully
 Thomas Dwyer

The above resignation was accepted unanimous, after some discussion, they clerk was directed that in case the cranes did not remain at his post, he to appoint a suitable person until a permanent man would be appointed — The following resolution was proposed by Mr O'Malley recorded by W. J. Walsh. That any further business of the Board be adjourned until Tuesday the 14th inst the following resolution was proposed that this meeting be adjourned without transacting any further business as a matter of respect to our colleague Mr John Burke on the death of his son David, and we beg to tender to him and members of his family our sincere sympathy. Messrs Booney and O'Donoghue associated themselves with the resolution.

March 1922

Signed On Behalf of the Board G. Guy Chairman

February 16th 1922

Adjourned monthly meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs B. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board presiding
 M. J. Walsh, John Walsh, Patrick Walsh, Mrs Bostello, John Harvey
 James Moran, Martin Cooney.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr Cooney and
 M. J. Walsh for the following amounts

Revenue etc £ 29-0-7
 Roads etc £ 53-5-4

Reduction of
 wages etc

Arising out of discussion re. forage for the horse, the clerk was directed to
 instruct the man in charge that one stone each day and 2 cut hay each
 week is sufficient.

Notice of motion by Mrs Bostello re. wages and salaries. Mr Guy proposed
 Mr Cooney seconded that the scavengers wages be reduced from 7/6 to 5/6
 per day the man in charge of the horse to be allowed 5/- per week extra
 to start from Monday 20th inst.

Mrs Bostello proposed Mr Cooney seconded that
 the branners wages be reduced from £2/0 to 2/- per week to start from the 1st
 March.

All other salaries were allowed to stand at the old figure —

The following
 were unanimously appointed as roads Committee Messrs. Martin Cooney
 John Harvey and James Moran, —

A letter was read from the Tote farmer complaining about the practice of persons
 plucking hay, straw etc from carts exposed for sale on the market. The clerk
 was directed to report same to the officer in charge of D.R.A. and prosecute if
 necessary.

~~A letter was read from the Craner dated 7th Feb resigning his position as Craner and
 a second letter dated 14th, with drawing same —
 no action was taken —~~

Contd

February 16th 1922

A letter was read from Mr James Daly Secretary Electricity Company for a payment of £85/10 on account of Public Lighting Contract.

Consideration was adjourned to next

monthly meeting.

Mr Toft applied for and was granted the use of the potatoe shambles at the usual rate of 10/- per night -

Two estimates were received for mud carb wheels viz Harry Brighton £23.10.0. City wheel works £17.10.0

Consideration adjourned to next meeting to get fuller details -

The following applications were received for artisans dwellings

Domnick Keane, Bishop's Street, Eddie Faley Curranebeg, Simon Quinn High St
P. Farrelly Circular Road, Sam Elliott G. & W Railway Quam John Cahill Cummas

The following was read from Mr John Burke -

Galway Road Quam

Feb 15th 1922

Dear Mr Chairman

Will you please convey to the members of the Town Board my grateful thanks for their kind note of sympathy passed with me on the death of my son David, their sympathy and indeed that of the people of the Town generally has been a great solace and consolation to my family and myself in the bereavement which it has pleased God to send to us

Yours sincerely

John Burke

A letter was read from Mr M. Cahill blaming damage to his field at Bally Gaddy Road re. sewerage from McHale Terrace.

The roads Committee Messrs Cooney, Moran and Harvey together with Mr Hartym & Co were appointed to inspect the place and devise some means to abate the nuisance.

The Clerk was directed to again notify the tenants on Park more Terrace to have the turf removed that is placed against the boundary wall.

~~Signed on Behalf of the Board,~~

~~March 1922~~

~~Chairman~~

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Contd Febry 16th 1922

A letter from the braver as follows

Bishop's Street
Tuam
7-2-22

To the Chairman Board
Tuam Town Commissioners

Dear Sirs

I beg to withdraw my resignation as braver to the Board and
trust to continue for some time further in the Commissioners employment trusting
you will say this before the Commissioners

I beg to remain
Yours faithfully
Thomas Dwyer

To P. Lavanau Town Clerk

Arising out a discussion of Artizans Dwellings Rent Mr. Booney proposed and
Mr. Babels seconded that the rent be increased from 3/9 per week to 5/ Per week
from 1st March next.

The Board was decided to advertise the Gas lamps for

Sale

Signed On Behalf of The Board

March 1922

G. Guy. Chairman

February 27th 1922

Special meeting? By requisition

Please convene a special meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held this evening in the A.O.H. Hall at 5 O'clock. To consider applying for a loan to the Provisional Government for re. Building the Town Hall.

Signed

Martin booney
John Burke
James Moran
E. Costello
Mr. Dwyer
E. J. Walsh

The following commissioners attended - Messrs S. Guy, Pat Walsh & Costello
Martin booney. A. O'Malley.

Mr Guy presiding - Mr booney proposed Mr O'Malley seconded that the clerk with the assistance of the chairman write the Minister of financial affairs for a loan of £7000 to be used the Town Hall, and enclose a copy of the original Deed obtained for this amount.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

March 1922

S. Guy. chairman

Tuesday March 7th 1922

Monthly Meeting?

Commissioners Present? Messrs G. Gury Esq. Chairman of the Board
presiding, James Moran, Michael Dwyer, John Burke, Pat Walsh, A. O'Malley,
Mrs. Costello, Mr. Booney, John Garvey.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed -

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman, Mr. Booney and
Mr. Dwyer, for the following amounts

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|-------------|------------|
| Revenue a/c | £ 151-17-9 |
| Roads a/c | £ 32-2-4 |

Arising out of the large amount due for Rates the clerk was directed to write to
the County Council and state the amount was paid under protest and to
ask that a revisor be sent immediately and have a valuation of Tolls
etc, also to write to Dail Eirian on the same subject -

Mr Thomas Dwyer Craner appeared before the Board, re. the withdrawal of his
resignation at last meeting, he now declared he would resign forthwith and
expected the Board would allow him some remuneration after his 40 years as
craner.

The Chairman explained that nothing could be done at present as they had
not funds, Mr. Booney suggested and it was unanimously adopted that
consideration of the Craner's remuneration be adjourned for six months
remuneration to date from the date of his resignation -

Only one estimate was received for Jumbling Cart that of Mr. Denis
Toght, Headford for the sum of Twenty five pounds Complete -

Mr James Moran proposed and the Chairman seconded that the order be given
at once as it was badly needed and considered cheap -

Continued

march 8th 1922

Mr John Burke proposed Mr Cooney seconded the following resolution - That we the Tuam Town Commissioners respectfully call the attention of the ministry of labour of the Irish provisional government, to the great loss and inconvenience caused to the people and traders of Tuam and district by the curtailment of Railway facilities owing to the strike of coal heavers, at Limerick Station. We think that as the provisional government has guaranteed to make up any deficiency in revenue, suffered by the Railway Co pending the settlement of their labour troubles. That it is the duty of the ministry of labour to intervene and bring about a settlement of the strike on fair terms to the labourers, and so restore the full railway service from the loss of which the people suffer so much in postal and other facilities for the past four weeks -

John Burke. Mr Cooney.

Copy of above resolution to be sent to the ministry of labour.

A letter was read from H. M. quit rent office for 11- decr since last sept no action was taken -

One application was received for an allowance that of Mrs D. O'Hagan having Tuam, ordered to be put on the list, also Mrs Joyce Tommy Jordan and Michael Murphy -

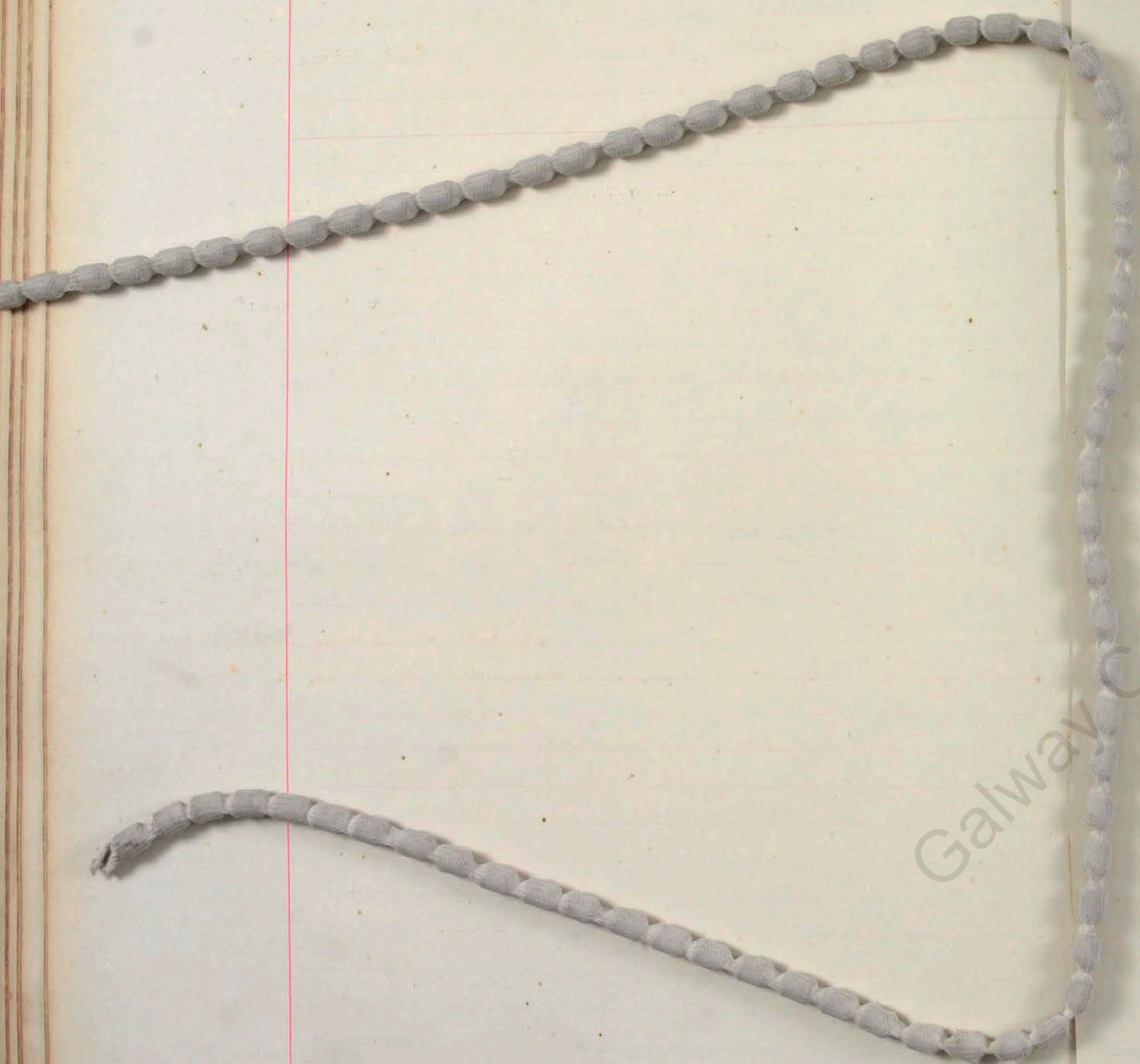
The clerk was directed to claim for knocking down of the Potato market wall and damage to Gate River, by brown forces

Mr Cooney proposed and Mrs Burke seconded a crane be advertised for and applications be considered at next monthly meeting for the term of the present Toll Farmers contract ending 29/9/22 and that the next Toll Farmer pay beaver and Assistant beaver's salaries

Signed on behalf of the Board

G. Gay.
Chairman

April 1922



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April 11th 1922

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present 2 Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board, John Walsh James Moran, Patrick Walsh.

There being no quorum the meeting adjourned to ~~Monday~~ ^{Tuesday} the 11th Inst.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

G. Guy.
Chairman

April 11th 1922

April 11th 1922

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present. Messrs B. Guy Chairman of the Board presiding
John Walsh. Pat Walsh. M. J. Walsh. John Burke. M. Dwyer. John Barry
James Moran Mrs Bostello. A. O'Malley.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. paying orders
were made and signed by the chairman Mrs Bostello. Pat Walsh
for the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 24-15-1

Roads Account £ 30-9-0

The following resolution was proposed Mr Mr. Walsh seconded by the chairman
That we the Duam Town Commissioners call attention of the
Galway County Council or other public bodies who may have authority over
the L.O. Board as to their action in manufacturing egg cases, and offering
them for sale in this district, to the detriment of two small firms, who's
whole support is in this industry, and causing unemployment to at least 20
workmen of this town. We are under the impression that all government
institutions are prohibited from interfering with or competing in any
Commercial undertaking being constituted and supported by public funds
and therefore trust you will support this resolution.

Pat Walsh.

The clerk was directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the
ministers of agriculture.

Mrs Bostello proposed Mr Booney seconded
that their solicitor be instructed to take action to recover from the tenants
of a sweedings rent at rate of 5/- per week since 1st March

Two applications were received for the position of graner. Peter Kenny
Simon Quinn. before the appointment took place the wages on
the proposition of Mrs Bostello seconded by the chairman was
unanimously fixed at 35/- per week

April 11th 1922

Mr Pat Walsh proposed Mr Jas Moran seconded that Peter Kenny be appointed

Mr John Walsh proposed and Mr John Burke seconded that Simon Quinn be appointed

On a vote being taken their voted for Kenny, Messrs. Mr. Bostello. Mr J. Walsh
Mr. Rooney, A. O'Malley, Mr. Dwyer Pat Walsh the Chairman. = 7

for S. Quinn. Messrs. John Burke, John Carvey, John Walsh = 3

The Chairman declared Mr Kenny elected for the term ending according to adv
30/9/22

The following letter was read from Mr Martyn re. Sewerage at
Uthale Terrace -

A baarde

I inspected the above lands in company Messrs Banavan
Cooney and O'Malley on Tuesday 28th January

The nuisance complained of
is evidently due to the defective drainage from the row of Cottages known as
Uthale Terrace. This drainage is effective so far as the piping runs which is at
the end of the gardens adjoining the houses on the opposite side of the road.
Since the piping stops and I am told a French drain substituted
which is evidently not able to carry the surface water from the Cottages which
consequently forces itself up through the soil.

It seems to me the obvious thing to do is to continue the piping of
the shore right down to the stream at the foot of the hill; this would
effectively get rid of the nuisance complained of. In addition it would
be advisable to seal the manholes adjoining the Cottages to prevent any
extraneous matter other than pure surface water being allowed into the pipes.

The cost of the work would be approximately £80 -

J. M. M. M. M.

M. Martyn & Co
Tuan

To P. Banavan
Town Clerk

April 11th 1922

The clerk was directed to find out the exact measurement and size of piping required, get quotations etc. also that Mr O'Malley and the clerk see Mr Kirwan and put Mr Matyn's letter before him

A letter was read from Mrs Coleman, ^{174th Terrace} stating she had sublet the cottage to Mr Jos Synth for a few weeks at the same rent as she was paying. The clerk was directed to see Mr Synth and get possession in the mean time if he was prepared to pay 5/- per week the Board would sanction him as tenant

The same ruling was done as regards No 7 W Hall Terrace Martin Burke being allowed as tenant at 5/- per week instead of Thomas Aquino who has taken over Martin Burke's House,

An application from the postmaster to remove the picnic box from the Down Hall Corner to Butlers Corner. Granted -

French Bros were allowed to remain undisturbed in their workshops they paying all rents due to date,

Mrs Bakello proposed the chairman recorded the following resolution.

That we the Inam Town Commissioners beg to tender to our colleague Mr O'Malley our sincere sympathy on the death of his sister -

A letter was read from the G. S. Board Dail Eirann stating that notice of pension should be sent to the Minister of Finance -

A letter was read from the minister of labour stating that everything possible to settle the coal heavers strike had been done -

Mr Peter O'Hausgan applied for the sum of £1-10-10 for rates due on the small fair green the clerk was directed to see the agent Bank of Ireland, they being landlords and report on same next meeting. Patrick McHugh Gardenfield applied for an offticering. ordered name to be put on waiting list.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

G. G. G.

May 1922

April 20th 1922

Special meeting

The Chairman Team Town Commissioners: Please convene a special meeting of the Board to consider a grant of £250 or thereabouts from the County Council for repairs of footpaths etc and appoint a small committee to meet the County Surveyor at the quarterly meeting of the District Council to point out what is materially necessary.

Signed Mr Dwyer
John Garvey
Patrick Byrne
John Walsh
John Burke -

A meeting was held on Friday the 21st inst.

Messrs Mr. Dwyer, A. O'Malley, G. Guy, John Burke, F. B. McDonagh, Pat Walsh

Mr Guy the Chairman of the Board presided and the following were appointed Mr Dwyer, A. O'Malley and the Chairman to meet the County Surveyor on Saturday and arrange what was best to be done.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

May 1922

G. Guy Chairman

May 2nd 1922

Monthly Meeting?

Commissioners Present? Messrs G. Gery Chairman of the Board presiding, John Burke Mrs Costello, Martin Cooney, James Moran.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman, John Burke, Mrs Costello for the following amounts.

Revenue Account £ 21.5.8
Roads Account £ 54.18.4

arising out of the minutes of last meeting re. sewerage at Uthale Terrace. The clerk reported that Mr O'Malley and himself had not met Messrs Kiwan, Shahan and Cahill when one or two were available you could not find a third, the block was again directed to see the gentlemen above referred to with Mr O'Malley, and if necessary summon a special after the interview.

A letter was read from Richard Mathews, Solicitor for Inland Revenue, giving seven days notice to pay the sum of £119-14-0 due for Income Tax for two years 1919/20 and 1920/21, no action was taken.

Quotation from Spaight & Co. Limited for sewerage pipes 46 per yard. The clerk was ordered to get quotations from Messrs J. G. Martin and Woods Thomas 180 Dublin or firms recommended by "Dail".

A letter was read from Local Government Board (Provisional Government) stating they had made arrangements with Irish Banks to advance loans to Municipal Authorities for the purpose of the Housing Scheme at 4 1/2 per cent interest per annum, re-payment to be made by way of annuity within a period of 15 years by equal half yearly instalments.

Miss Nora Murphy, Bishop's Street (Dressmaker) applied for an Artisan's Docket and her name be put on the list.

Mr A. O'Malley reported thanking the Commissioners for resolution of sympathy passed at last meeting.

G. Gery.

Signed on Behalf of The Board
Chairman

May 15th 1922

A special meeting held this day to consider a letter from the Local Government Board re. Housing Scheme. G. Guy Esq. Chairman of the Board presiding also present Mrs Costello, F. B. McDonagh, A. O'Malley, John Burke, Martin Cooney, John Garvey, James Moran.

The clerk was directed to write asking for an explanation re - following

points.

1. Is the grant by L. Government entirely free
2. Can commissioners bid at a lesser price than £750
3. Can the rate of 4- 6 or over be continued for more than one year.

The commissioners never before struck a rate, but are desirous of availing of the scheme and would be thankful for directions re - striking rate. The rateable valuation of the Borough is in or about £5000 —

Signed on Behalf of The Board

G. Guy

Chairman

June 1922

May 17th 1922

An opportune meeting was held this day to meet Mr O'Maile, Inspector Local Government Dept Housing Scheme, and hear what he had to say about the free grant made by the Provisional Government

Commissioners present Messrs Mrs Bookello, Patrick Byrne, John Burke, Martin Cooney, Patrick Walsh.

Mr Byrne proposed Mr Burke seconded that Mrs Bookello takes the chair

Mr O'Maile explained at length the advisability of adopting the scheme, and said the grant was a free grant and gave the following example

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|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Valuation of the Borough | | £ 5598.0.0 |
| Rate of 1/- in the £ | £ 279.0.0 | |
| Broughing power | <u>837.0.0</u> | 1116.0.0 |
| Free Grant 2 + 1116 | | <u>2232.0.0</u> |
| Total | £ | 3348.0.0 |

Mr Byrne proposed Mr Burke seconded

1. That the scheme be adopted
2. That all the members of the Board form a sites Committee
3. That all the members of the Board, meet as such sites Committee, at the Q.V.H. Hall on Sunday next after last mass, and proceed to select suitable sites for building.

Signed on behalf of the Board
G. Guy.

June 1922

Blackman

May 21st 1922

Special meeting as arranged at last meeting.

Commissioners Present. Messrs? Mrs Costello, Patrick Byrne, Patrick Walsh, John Garvey, John Burke, Michael Dwyer, A. O'Malley, Martin Cooney, James Moran

Mr O'Malley proposed Mr Byrne seconded that Mrs Costello takes the chair

The following correspondence was read

Irish Provisional Government

12th May 1922

A bhara

With reference to your wire and Telegram

I desire to confirm the following sent you today: - Housing Grant free gift. Subject terms circular letter 16th March. Commissioners not bound expend £750 per house. Minister will consider on ~~terms~~ type of House proposed by Commissioners. Special rate to obtain grant limited at present to current financial year. Consult neighbouring Town blocks regarding procedure for making rates. Inspector sent.

"Housing Dublin"

Mr O'Malley, Housing Inspector, has been instructed to confer with you and the Town Commissioners in regard to the matter

The Town Clerk
Tuam

Messrs. L. Meas

Minister for L. Government

The following sites were visited owned by Mr M. Dwyer Bishop's Street, Ballysaddy Road owned by Mrs. Hooley. Old Road owned by Mr M. Stewart. Mrs Costello stated she would make inquiries about the farm yard at the Palace. The block was decided to communicate with the owners of the plots visited and get the required information

Signed on Behalf of the Board
G. Gray. Chairman

June 1922

May 29th 1922

Special Meeting?

Commissioners present? Messrs John Burke, A. O'Malley, John Garvey, M. Dwyer, Mrs Costello, M. Rooney, James Moran, F. B. McDonagh

Mr O'Malley proposed Mr Dwyer seconded that Mrs Costello ~~take~~ take the chair -

The following resolution was adopted unanimously. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners earnestly request the Galway County Council to postpone the sale of the Tuam Workhouse including Hospitals, mess premises etc for 12 months. As there is a scheme on foot at present by the people of Tuam to start an industry for the benefit of the people of Tuam and district, and when about being sold that they get preference.

Re. Housing Scheme?

The clerk was directed to write to Father Cunningham addl re site on Mallygraddy Road, and to Bishop Ross re site on Palace grounds

Signed on behalf of The Board

June 1922

Ch. Guy.

Chairman

June 6th 1922

Monthly Meeting?

Commissioners Present? G. Guy Esq. Chairman of the Board presiding
 R. Walsh, John Garvey, A. O'Malley, P. Byrne, John Burke, M. Dwyer
 M. Cooney, James Moran, Mrs. Foster,

The minutes of last meeting read and signed -

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman, Mrs. Foster,
 Michael Dwyer - for the following amounts:

Revenue Account £ 100-13-5
 Roads Account £ 28-9-9

Chasing out of W.T. Avery's account and they offering to keep the Cattle weigh bridge
 in repair for the sum of £ 5/10 per annum two visits annually. The clerk was
 directed to state that when the present contract for the weighbridge on market
 square would expire we would then ask them to contract for both.

A letter from read from Boghlan Briscoe relative to the increase of rent on
 artizan Dwellings and wanted to know if the Commissioners would
 deal to the Tenants -

The following was also received and signed by the Tenants on Ullale Terrace

To
 The Town Clerk

Yours

June 6th 1922

Sir

Will you please bring this communication before your Commissioners
 at their meeting this evening and inform them that -

1. The tenants are willing to pay such a rent as will indemnify the Commissioners
 in respect of a loan now due on the artizans Dwellings -
2. The tenants are prepared to purchase their Houses by taking over liability of the
 Commissioners for the outstanding balance of loan due to the Board of Works
 if this can be arranged through Trustees or otherwise to the satisfaction of all
 concerned.

Your Obedient Servants

all Tenants on Ullale Terrace Except Mr. Phelan

June 6th 1922

Continued =

The clerk was directed to write to the Tenants and see to Mr boghlan Brice stating that it was the unanimous wish of the Commissioners, that the tenants would buy the Houses, but in the meantime to ask the tenants to pay the rent from the 1st march last at 5/- per week pending negotiations - also that the clerk see Mr boucannon solicitor to know how it can be arranged

Mr O'mally proposed Mr Moran seconded that at rate be struck of 1/6 in £ for Housing scheme. that the clerk write to the B. Government Board Wicklow and ask them to instruct the Galway County Council to have same included on next Collection by means of a supplementary list for Collector -

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Stewart and others who had not replied re sites for building -

A letter was read from Mr P. Hogan ministry of agriculture stating that under existing contracts egg cases have yet to be delivered from the saw mills - when this has been done the Board would cease making boxes

The clerk was directed to find out if there was any existing contracts in Tuam. and reply to Mr Hogan stating the reply was considered unsatisfactory arising out of a discussion of Road contract. The clerk was directed with the assistance of the chairman to have a resolution sent to the district Council asking the Council to allow the 25% extra allowed to Contractors during the term of Contract when steamrolling was not done -

Mr Thomas Moran applied for permission to have a kerbside pump for petrol erected opposite his Garage. The Board were unanimous in granting same, but recommended him write to the County Surveyor he being the proper authority -

A letter was read from Mr Thomas Dwyer late graner asking for remuneration of his 40 years service. it was unanimously decided to consider same after his six months term according to resolution Page 362 March 7th

The clerk was directed to write to John Rowland that if he did not get up possession of his meat stall, notice to quit would be given for subletting

It was unanimously decided that Messrs Moran and booney get a shed erected at the end of Potatoe Market for sets -

Continued

June 6th 1922

A letter was recd from (Deputy Quarter Master General) Ireland stating that the sum of £24 - payment in respect of damage will be forwarded in a few days.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

July 1922

G. Guy. Chairman

June 21st 1922

Special Meeting. To consider list of Fairs for 1923 —

Commissioners present? Messrs G. Guy chairman of the Board presiding
John Burke. Pat Walsh. A. O'Malley. M. Cooney.

The clerk explained that there was no sheep and cattle fair from Dec 15th to March 10th, and that several farmers were anxious that a fair should be held in February.

Mr O'Malley proposed Mr Walsh seconded that the 2nd Tuesday in February be a permanent fixture for a sheep and Cattle fair to commence Feby 1923 —

A letter was read from Mr James Stewart Galway offering a site for housing scheme on the old Road for £150 —

Consideration was adjourned pending a reply from Father Cunningham re site at Sallee Gaddy Road and Bishop Ross re site at Bishop's Street — The chairman read a letter he had received from the Secretary Transport Workers Union, applying for Trade Union wages for the men employed in the improvement of the streets. As the Commissioners had nothing to do with payment of wages, the chairman on receipt of the letter showed it to Mr Mathys Asst C. E. who said as the work was for relief of unemployed, they were not entitled to Trade Union wages, and the wages paid was agreed on before the men were employed.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

G. Guy Chairman

June 1922

June 27th 1922

Special Meeting.

To meet Mr O'Malley Inspector Housing Scheme.

Commissioners present Messrs G. Guy chairman of the Board presiding Mr Costello
A. O'Malley. F. B. McDonagh, Martin Cooney,

The chairman explained that the only difficulty was in connection of striking the rate. ~~The clerk~~ The clerk having already written to the L. G. Board asking them to instruct the County Council to strike a rate of 1/6 £ on Tuam Borough, no acknowledgement was received. Mr O'Malley stated he would write himself and mention the matter in his report —

was received from Mr Mathys B. E. The following

Tuam

June 27th 1922

The Tuam Town Commissioners

Mr Chairman and Gentlemen

With reference to the grant from the County Council I have to report there has been some friction between the Town Clerk and Mr Adair and I will endeavour to fix up matters between them, and I hope I have succeeded and if not I would recommend the Commissioners to find somebody to carry out the work.

There are one or two things which I would like to point out to the Commissioners, I do not approve of so much gravel and paving stones being put upon the sides of the streets, and in future only that which is absolutely necessary should be put there. The road crossings should be taken up if possible and material used for the channels.

The money should be allotted as follows? 400 yds of paved channel on the Galway road, but £40. reconstruction 100 yds foot path in streets, pitching and gravel of Galway Road Cost £80. repairs to flagged foot paths in the Town Cost £80 — Total £200. — It was understood in the beginning that I was to receive weekly pay sheets to be certified, and I would be obliged if the pay sheets reached this office every Saturday night in future. I have sent to Mr High of Galway the sketch plan and dimensions of the Town Hall, also estimate of cost of re-construction

June 29th 1922

On instructions received from your solicitor

Is misic

W. A. Hartmann B. E.

The clerk was directed to note on this report the date on which he received same, and that £111 off the £200 — had been expended when report was received.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

July 1922

G. Guy Chairman

July 4th 1922

Monthly meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board presiding
Martin Cooney, A. O'Malley, John Lavery, Mr. Catello, Patrick Walsh, W. J. Walsh
Patrick Byrne, John Burke, Mr. Dwyer —

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman, Mr. Catello, Mr. Dwyer
for the following amounts

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| Revenue ac/c | £ 65-10-8 |
| Roads ac/c | £ 28-14-8 |
| H. Behene ac/c | £ 7-10-0 |

The clerk was directed to correct rent due on cottages dwelling at 3/9 per week
with prejudice pending negotiations.

The clerk was also directed to write to
The Minister of L. G. Board not to have the workhouse sold or any portion of
same in view of an industry being started, and that Messrs O'Malley and
Walsh be appointed as a deputation from this Board to attend next meeting
of the Galway County Council in connection with same.

A letter was read from the Contractor
for repairs to weighbridge stating that one side of the frame had given away
and required to have it replaced. The Clerk was directed to find out when Mr. Beatty
Galway would be in town, have him to examine same, and if necessary to get
one best to fit same.

The following resolutions were proposed by Mr. O'Malley
seconded by Mr. Walsh. That we the Town Commissioners hereby ask the
Postmaster General to provide for a later posting of letters here by sending them
by train to Athenry to connect with the night mail leaving Galway at 8.11 P.M. After that
they are dispatched by a train leaving at 4.30 P.M. although another mail had only
left a little more than one hour before, and a mail car leaves the town empty every
evening for Galway? Also to provide connections for this town with the trunk
Telephone to Dublin —

July 4th 1922

Continued

That we the Tuam Town Commissioners request the G.S. & N.R. Co to run a special Market Train from Blackmore, as before reaching Tuam Station at 9.30 A.M. and leaving in the evening at 6.30 P.M. These trains to run on Saturdays, church holidays and Fair days. We know that they will be a great convenience and a considerable benefit to the Town and Country.

A. O'Malley
S. Walsh

Copy of report from the Medical Officer of Health to the Tuam District was received was received from the clerk of the B. Council for the Commissioners observations on same re - Sewerage, Housing accommodation etc -

The Commissioners recommend that a sewerage scheme should be started immediately -

Signed on behalf of the Board

August 1922

G. Gray Chairman

Special Meeting

July 25th 1922

Commissioners Present? Mrs Costello Mr. Cooney, S. O'Malley Mr. Wryer John Burke
S. Byrne also Mr Stephen Keane.

Proposed by Mr Byrne seconded by Mr Wryer that Mrs Costello takes the Chair. The
object of the meeting was to appoint a guard for the Town until such time
as other provisions were made as the irregulars had vacated the Barrack.

After some discussion the chairman ~~declared~~ proposed that a
public meeting be held at 4 o'clock next day and that the same men that were on
~~duty~~ duty the previous night.

~~striking a rate have same inserted~~ The Clerk was directed to see Mr Conneron Solicitor re-
striking a rate for Housing Scheme have same advertised and not get Council
opinion.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

August 1922

E. Guy Chairman

Monthly Meeting August 1st 1922

Commissioners Present?

Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board presiding, Patrick Walsh
 M. J. Walsh, Martin Rooney, John Burke, Michael Dwyer

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. paying orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr Burke and Mr Dwyer, for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 60-6-8
 Roads a/c £ 53-3-10

A letter was read from the Board of Public Works having sanctioned a loan of £4200 for the purpose of re. building the Town Hall. The original Deed of £7000 be forward in order that the necessary Deed of Assignment may be prepared for execution by them

The above was adjourned until next monthly in order that the clerk may find out from the solicitor the following points

- 1 - If the commissioners build the Hall for £4200 it is unlikely that the Commission will grant more.
- 2 - If £6000 is expended, the Commission may only grant £5000 -
- 3 - Any chance of claim being before Commission in the near future

The following was read

To Mr P. Banavan
 Town Clerk

St Jarlath's Tuam
 July 15th 1922

Dear Mr Banavan

With regard to the sale of the piece of land near the Presbytery His Grace the Archbishop directs me to say, that he has consulted the Chapter in accordance with the Canon Law, and he is now in a position to say, that he will be glad to sell the land to the Town Commissioners at a fair price

Yours faithfully
 Joseph S Walsh
 Secretary

Contd.

August 1st 1922

The following were appointed to wait on His Grace the Archbishop and find out the lowest price he will take for the land.

Messrs Dwyer, Cooney and Patrick Walsh.

Mr Byrne proposed and Mr M. J. Walsh seconded that the clerk be directed to write to His Grace the Archbishop to thank him on behalf of the Board for offering at a fair price the site selected by them for the Housing Scheme, and also for the great interest he has taken in the Town throughout the troubled times —

Communications were read from the Midland Great Western Railway and G. S. & M.R. offering to do their utmost to have stock taken if a fair were held, to substitute for the May fair abandoned.

Mr John Burke proposed and the Chairman seconded that a fair be held on Tuesday 8th August and have it well advertised.

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Birmingham Contractor for Mr Casey that any damage done to flags or footpath would have to be made good.

The clerk was also directed to have the channels at Banack Street and Chudkew looked after.

The following were appointed to collect the Town to pay Civic Mice who done duty on the Town for two nights —

Ship Street? Messrs Cooney & McDonagh
 Wallin Road? Messrs McCallisto & McEug
 Great Street? Messrs Dwyer & Byrne
 High Street? O'Malley & M. J. Walsh

The following resolution from Cookhill Urban was read and approved of? That we call upon the Provisional Government, to amend the law in regard to Rating liability, and to provide for the relief from payment of Rates of occupants of all premises valued at and under £4 as formerly, and to make landlords of such premises liable, as it is our experience that the occupants of Houses, valued at £4 and under, are unable to pay the rates (of late years much increased), which are consequently levied or re-appointed in the following year on the already over-burdened Ratepayers in the Urban Districts —

Contd

August 1st 1922

Patrick Flanagan applied for the position of Billpater in room of Daniel Busham (deceased) he was unanimously appointed. From the clerk directed to advertise for next monthly meeting.

S. Elliott Tullinadaly Road applied for an artisans dwelling ordered his name to be put on list.

A letter was read from L. G. Board stating the Work Houses are vested in the Minister for L. G. Board and are held in trust for him by the County Board of Health -
General Post Office and The G. S. Western Railway to acknowledge resolutions passed at last meeting.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Sept 1922

G. G. G. Chairman

Special Meeting ?

August 14th 1922

Revision of Tolls and Customs ?

Commissioners present. Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board presiding. A. O'Malley, Patrick Byrne, Michael Dwyer, John Burke, John Walsh, Pat Walsh.

A letter was read from the Toll Farmer complaining about farmers seeing stocks on the land convenient to the town and refusing to pay Tolls.

The Clerk was directed to see the Boards Solicitor and find out if Tolls could be made payable on such stocks.

Mr Senny Craner came before the Board and resigned his position. Mr O'Malley proposed Mr Pat Walsh seconded that the Toll farmer be allowed £1- per week to provide for a crane until his contract as Toll farmer expires.

The Sites Committee reported that Father Cunningham had offered the site on the Ballybaddy Road for £175-

Mr Byrne proposed Mr Pat Walsh seconded that the plot be accepted at above price unanimous.

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr Kennedy County Surveyor and ask him draft plans etc of houses. The whole Board to form a Committee.

The following resolution was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Mr Burke

That we the Inam Town Commissioners express our appreciation and sorrow of, at the loss Ireland has suffered at the death of President Griffith, and we extend our deep sympathy to Mrs Griffith and family, and his colleagues in the Government. On this occasion we further express our sorrow for the deaths of Cathal Brugha and Harry Boland, and we earnestly hope that all their deaths may have the effect of ending the present horrible Conflict and restoring the Country to a state of peace and prosperity.

Revision of Tolls etc were adjourned to Monday next next. The Clerk in the mean time to hand round copy of old Schedule of Tolls.

Signed on Behalf of the Board

Sept 1922

G. Guy

Chairman

August 21st 1922

Adjoined ^{Special} ~~Monthly~~ Meeting? Revision of Tolls etc

Commissioners present. Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board presiding Mr. Bostello
Michael Dwyer, John Burke, Patrick Walsh, Patrick Byrne

In reference to the letter received from Toll Farmer re. Stock being sold outside the
borough the clerk was instructed to get the solicitor to write to Mr. Rishworth and
Mr. Patrick Bostello for lambs sold by Mr. Rishworth and to Messrs Doyce and Brady
for lambs sold by Doyce for the amount of Tolls on Stock sold. Doyce case 140
lambs sold at Gaeragh. Rishworth lambs sold at Ballymote.

And if in future Tolls to be collected in such Cases -

Tolls to remain as they are with the exception of Oats - viz 15 pence per cut in lots not less
than 5 cut to be weight on cart. 2 pence per cut for weight on scale -

egg Dealers ^{or buyers} to be charged 2/6 per week for Tolls on eggs -

Public lighting as usual =

Printing and advertising as usual =

Tolls to be advertised so that the Toll Farmer will have to pay all expenses in connection with same. ^{and all bills including}
Messrs the Chairman, Mr. Bostello, Mr. Dwyer, Patrick Walsh and P. Byrne were
appointed to meet Mr. Kennedy the surveyor re. Road etc for Housing Scheme

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Sept 1922

G. Guy Chairman

September 5th 1922

Monthly Meeting ?

Commissioners Present? Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of The Board presiding
A. O'Malley, John Burke, Mrs E. Costello, Martin Cooney, Patrick Walsh, M. J. Walsh
John Garvey, Mr. Dwyer, Patrick Byrne

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed
by the Chairman Mr O'Malley and Mrs Costello. for the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 25.2.5

Roads Account £ 62.9.7

Two tenders were received for the Tolls and Customs by Patrick Dwyer Great Street
The sum of £ 475 and offering as his surties Peter Ullugh Bishop's Street
and Edward Banavan High Street. — And
Joseph Cooney Bishop's Street offering the sum of £ 555 — Surties
James Stockwell Waterslade Tuam and John Burke Dublin Road Tuam
A discussion arose as to letting the Tolls for either one or three years, it
was decided to let them for one year only?

On the proposition of the Chairman
seconded by Mr O'Malley Mr Cooney's Tender for (five hundred and fifty five
pounds) was accepted —

Only One Tender was received for Public lighting that of Mr James Daly on
behalf of The Electric Light Co. at a flat rate of £ 4-0-0 per lamp
and £ 2/0/0 extra for alnight lamps from the 1st September 1922 to 15th
May 1923 for all lamps required during said period. The lamps
on the square to be 300 candle power. All lamps to be lighted and
extinguished at the time mentioned in the advertisement. The lamps on
the square to be alnight. Should the Military Authorities order the
lights to be put out earlier than specified the company are not
to be held responsible. Surties Michael Hoftus and Peter Ullugh

Sept 5th 1922

Signed James Daly

Tender for
Tolls and CustomsTender for
Public lighting

Continued

September 5th 1922

Mr Dwyer proposed Mr Cooney seconded that Mr Daly reduce the tender by 10% perhaps
Mr Dwyer withdrew his proposition?

On the suggestion of the Chairman Mr Daly was asked to bring the matter before
his directors. The Contract to stand adjourned to next meeting. unanimous

The following was unanimously accepted for Printing and advertising from
The Tuam Hotel Co Tuam.

Printing £ 15-0-0 per annum

adv £ 15-0-0 100

Abstracts 3-3-0 100

Crane Socket Books 4/6 per book of 500 Dockets =

Tender for
Printing and
Advertising

Bill Poster

Patrick Flanagan was unanimously appointed Bill poster at the salary
£ 5/0/0 per annum. his appointment to date from the 1st August =

Plans submitted by Mr J. Kennedy for the Housing Scheme were
approved of and ordered to be forwarded to L. S. Board Housing
Dept to be sanctioned =

Mortgage ^{of £ 4200} on the Dece of £ 7000 granted by the Recorder for re-building
the Town Hall was proposed by the Chairman seconded by Mr O'Malley
and signed. same being handed to the Board's Solicitor for completion.

The Clerk was directed to get the Board's Solicitor to get up possession of the
4 Dwellings lately occupied by Harrison and now in possession of the
taken over from R. Harrison — also

The same to apply with Mrs Ullugh unless the instalment on Rent promised
was paid —

Michael Rowland and John Tigh appeared before the Board re-
Meat Stall occupied by Rowland. It was unanimously agreed that
Tigh take over possession from Rowland? Tigh to pay 7/6 per
week rent —

Continued

September 5th 1922

County Surveyors Office
Galway
4/19/22

Proposed Artisan's Dwellings - Tuam

Dear Sir

I send you under separate cover today Ground Plan layout showing six houses on the site and drain and section of the run of the drain. I also send complete plans of proposed five roomed houses designed in accordance with Schedule D. L. S. B. -

You will note that the plans provide for Hall, Parlour living room, Pantry and Scullery on ground floor; and landing, three bedrooms (One small) and bath room space on ground floor, also yard and lean to shed in same for W.C. and fuel store

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|-----------------------|--|-------|----------|
| I estimate as follows | 6 - Houses | £ 460 | 2760.0.0 |
| | 6 - Front walls, back yard and walls and shed | £ 60 | 360.0.0 |
| | 300 yds dry stone drain | 10/- | 150.0.0 |
| | 240 yds Road way | 4/- | 48.0.0 |
| | Total | £ | 3318.0.0 |

If plans are approved of. Please return to me so that I may prepare tracings, etc for L.S.B. Dublin

To
The Town Clerk
Tuam

Yours Faithfully
W. J. Kennedy

Continued

September 5th 1922

General Post Office Dublin
10th August 1922

A bhara

With reference to your letter of the 4th Ultimo enclosing copy of a resolution, passed by the Town Commissioners. I have to state for the information of the Commissioners that the time for posting at Tuam for the night mail despatch cannot be extended in the absence of a later train, than that now available for the conveyance of mails to Athenry Junction.

It is regretted that the present arrangements should cause inconvenience, but as the post office has no control over the working of the trains from Tuam, it is not in a position to improve matters in the manner desired by the Commissioners

Mise, le, meas

J. Keaveel

Kunaidhe

Acknowledgments of resolution was received and read from Mrs Griffith and H.T. Cosgrave acting chairman Irish Provisional Government.

Copy of Resolution from Dungarven. was read.

Proposed by Mr John O'Ryan seconded by Mr John Butler. That we adjourn this meeting as a protest against the wanton war of destruction that is being waged without the sanction of Dail Eirann, and that the meeting stand adjourned until Dail Eirann meets. That we further call on all public bodies in Ireland to take like action and that copies of this resolution be sent to all public bodies as far as can possibly be done. marked read

Signed On Behalf of The Board

October 1922

L. Costello Chairman

September 11th 1922

Special Meeting To Consider amended Tender for Public Lighting and Tolls and Customs
Mr booney who was declared Contractor at last meeting wants to have it for three years instead of one as decided by The Board?

Commissioners present? Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board presiding. M. J. Walsh
M. Dwyer, James Moran, Patrick Byrne, A. O'Malley, M. booney John Burke, Pat Walsh.

Mr Walsh's Tender for Public lighting adjourned from last meeting amended to £3-15-0 per lamp was on the proposition of Mr booney seconded by Mr Pat Walsh accepted.

Mr Quinn solicitor ~~appeared~~ acting on behalf of Mr booney re. tender for Tolls and Customs argued that Mr booney was entitled to the Tolls for three years, on the suggestion of the Chairman the matter was adjourned pending the decision of The Board's solicitor a special meeting to be convened when he is available.

Mr O'Malley drew attention to the Tenant of No 15 Ullale Terrace and suggested that the clerk get the key for a week and that he be allowed back as tenant at the end of that term. Mr booney proposed and Mr Moran seconded that Mr O'Malley suggestion be carried out. Carried unanimous.

The clerk was directed to see the Contractors of the Dublin Road buildings Messrs Ullugh and Burke to ask them have lamps put on the heaps of sand opposite the buildings at night, as they are dangerous to the public.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

G. Costello Chairman

October 1922

Tender for Public lighting accepted for year at £3 15 0 per lamp

September 22nd 1922

Adjourned Special Meeting? - Re - Tolls and Customs -

Commissioners Present. Messrs G. Guy Esqr Chairman of the Board presiding. Pat Walsh Martin booney. John Garvey, A. O'Malley, John Burke, M. Dwyer, James Moran, M. J. Walsh

Also H. D. Concanon Esqr Solicitor to the Board and Mr J. J. Quinn Solicitor. On Behalf of Mr Joseph booney -

Mr Concanon expressed the opinion that he did not wish to advise the Board and Mr Quinn present after a long discussion Mr Quinn argued that his client was entitled to have the Tolls and Customs for three years according to his tender. by a show of hands Mr Quinn was asked to leave the room while Mr Concanon was advising the Board, but before leaving expressed to the Board that his client would not accept the Tolls for one year, it should be either three years or none.

Mr Concanon was of the same opinion as Mr Quinn that Mr booney's Tender was for ~~three years~~ instead of one. Mr Concanon advised the Board, stated that as the question was a very technical one he could not advise the Board to accept or reject the tender. ~~was~~ The Chairman proposed and Mr O'Malley seconded that Mr booney's Tender for £555 be accepted for three years.

Mr Dwyer proposed an amendment Mr Burke seconded that it be accepted only for one year.

Heir voted for the amendment. Messrs Dwyer and Burke (2)
against. Chairman, O'Malley and Walsh M. J. (3)

Messrs Patrick Walsh, James Moran

and John Garvey did not vote,
The amendment was declared lost, and Mr booney declared Contractor for three years - Rates payable as follows - October 24th 1922 £150, Jan'y 1st 1923 - £81 - March 10th - £81 - May 10th £81 - July 6th £81 - Sept 10th £81 = £555-0-0

Signed On Behalf of The Board

G. Costello Chairman

October 1922

Tender for Tolls and Customs accepted for three years at £555-0-0 per annum

September 27th 1922

Special Meeting

Requisition. Please summon a special meeting of the Town Commissioners to consider sending a resolution to the Government to ask them to insist upon the Railway Company repairing bridges in this neighbourhood and thus enable the October Fairs to be held

Mr. J. Walsh, A. O'Malley, John Walsh, John Garvey
Patrick Byrne, James Moran.

The following attended? Messrs G. Guy Esq Chairman of the Board presiding
Pat Walsh, A. O'Malley, James Moran, John Burke, P. Byrne, Mr. Costello,
John Garvey.

Mr. Guy proposed Mr. Costello seconded the following resolution: That we the Tuam Town Commissioners, call on the Government, to order the G. & W. Railway Co to repair the Railway Bridges near Tuam. It is of utmost importance to the Town that this should be done at once, in order that the October Fairs may be held. Apart from this, nearly 100 Railway men in the Town are unemployed owing to the closing down of this line, and a considerable number of them are married men with families. The Town has already lost heavily, owing to lack of Railway facilities and abandonment of fairs would be a severe blow to the locality.

The above was forwarded to Mr. Whelehan T.D.

Signed on behalf of The Board

October 22

P. Costello Chairman

October 3rd 1922

Monthly Meeting?

Commissioners Present = Messrs Mr. Costello, A. O'Malley, Patrick Walsh, M. J. Walsh
Michael Dwyer, James Moran, John Burke, M. Cooney,

Mr. O'Malley proposed and Mr. Pat seconded that Mr. Costello takes the chair

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed for the following amounts by the chairman, Mr. O'Malley and Mr. P. Walsh

Revenue a/c £121-11-8

Roads a/c £66-8-9

The County surveyors offer of Steam-toller, ^{with driver free of charge} to toll in material on hands was accepted the Fodds Committee Messrs Cooney, Moran, O'Malley and Garvey with the clerk to conduct operations.

The following letter was read from the Office of Public Works. to Mr. O'Malley Solicitor.

Re. Construction of Town Hall

In connection with ^{the} Reconstruction of loan of £4200 approved in the case of the Tuam Town Commissioners, we have to state that they can now commence building operations and the money will be issued in instalments as the work proceeds

J. Healy
Secretary

The clerk was directed to call a meeting of the inhabitants of the Town to be held at the Christian Brothers School on Sunday next after last Mass. To consult the people as to what improvements it might be possible to make in the re-construction of the Town Hall

October 3rd 1922

Notice of motion by Mrs Costello to consider at next monthly meeting a letter received from Mr P. J. Dwyer late Toll Farmer, asking for an allowance on Tolls for year ending 29th September last.

Notice of motion by Mr O'Malley to consider a letter from Mr Thomas Dwyer late crane asking to have or determine the amount of a pension after 40 years service.

A letter received from Michael Murphy late assistant crane asking the Board to consider his position as he was now unemployed (marked read)

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Nov 1922

G. Guy

Chairman

October 8th 1922

As arranged at last monthly meeting, that a public meeting of the people of Tralee be held at the Christian Brothers School on Sunday the 8th Inst. To consider about the re-building of the Town Hall.

The following attended. Mrs Costello, Canon Eaton, Mr J. Quinn Solicitor, S. M. Harty Solicitor, F. Guy Solicitor, Doctor Costello, W. B. Shie, Wm Burke, M. Cooney, A. O'Malley, James Moran, Richard Murphy, Thomas McHugh, Patrick Byrne, Pat McHugh, Mabechy Duggan, Joe O'Connor, James Daly, Francis Keane, Peter Brown, Dan Commons, M. Heild, W. J. Farrell, M. W. O'Mara, Wm Smyth, W. B. Shie etc

Mr O'Malley proposed Mrs Costello seconded that Mr Guy takes the Chair. Mr Guy having addressed the meeting a discussion ensued in which Mrs Costello, Canon Eaton, Messrs Quinn, Harty, McHugh and Daly, took part when it was finally decided to adjourn the matter until after the result of the Shaw Commission becomes known, when another public meeting of the Town's people will be called to consider the matter.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

Nov 1922

G. Guy

Chairman

November 7th 1922

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs G. Gury Esqr Chairman of The Board (presiding)
 J. B. W. Donagh. John Burke. Martin Cooney. Patrick Byrne. Daniel Walsh
 M. J. Walsh. Mrs Costello. M. Dwyer. John Garvey, James Moran

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Buying Orders made and signed by The Chairman. M. Dwyer and Mrs Costello
 for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 26.17.4
 Roads a/c £ 69.10.4

adjourned application from Mr Thomas Dwyer late brewer for the grant of a pension
 for past services, notice of motion to consider same having been given at last meeting
 by Mr O'Malley.

Tuam 2nd October 1922

Gentlemen

I beg to make application to you in the hope that you may
 favourably consider me for a pension as an appreciation of reward for
 40 years faithful service rendered by me to you and your predecessors as
 Commissioners of the Town of Tuam.

Having regard to your present financial position as Commissioners in the present
 financial national crisis, it would be unreasonable on my part to expect to direct
 payment to me here & now of such pension as you may favourably consider my
 past services deserve. I therefore merely seek & desire that you presently determine
 the amount of such pension as you may graciously consider me entitled to
 and that you defer the question of payment thereof to an indefinite future
 date -

Your obedient servant

Thomas Dwyer

November 7th 1922

Continued?

Mrs Costello proposed Mr Gury seconded. That we recommend that a
 pension of 10/- (ten shillings) per week be granted as soon as the Commissioners ⁱⁿ ~~in~~
 position to pay (unanimous)

adjourned application ^{was} also read from Mr P. J. Dwyer late Toll farmer for
 an abatement of the amount paid for Tolls for the year ending Sept 1922
 Fairs and markets for the past six months being very small.

Mrs Costello proposed Mr Byrne seconded that he be allowed the sum of £25
 as when his tender was accepted the Board forced him to give £25/10 more than the amount
 of his ^{original} tender. A vote being taken on the proposition of

Mr Cooney proposed Mr W. Donagh seconded that the amount be not
 allowed. a vote being taken. They voted for Mrs Costello's resolution Messrs.
 Costello, Burke, Byrne, Walsh Esq. Garvey Moran, Dwyer and the Chairman - 8
 against Messrs W. Donagh and Cooney - 2
 Mr J. Walsh did not vote

The Chairman declared Mrs Costello's resolution Carried.

A letter was read from Mr J. Kennedy County Surveyor stating he had
 forwarded plans and specification for dwellings under the Housing Scheme
 asked to have them forwarded to L.G. Board for sanction.

Notification was received from the Surveyor of Taxes stating the assessment
 on Tolls etc was £250 - or £62.10. payable. The clerk stated he had
 appealed against this amount.

A letter was read from The Board of Public Works stating three instalments
 were due on 1st May last and asked to have an early discharge of same
 The clerk was directed to write for a statement of
 the account.

A letter was read from L.G. Board stating that all solicitors fees
 be fixed by the L.G. Board for taxation -

A letter from Mr Lamont Maile
 Inspector Housing Scheme. stating he would be in Tuam on Wednesday
 the 8th inst.

A letter from The Agent Bank of Ireland asking to have the Road a/c reduced by
 least £50 - per annum. It was decided to reduce it annually by that amount

November 7th

Continued

Two applications were received for No 19 Whale Terrace that of Mrs Stapleton Electric Works and Thomas Forde Blasterd.

A resolution on the minutes dated 5/10/20 that the name first on the waiting list gets the House. Edward O'Brien whose name was first on the list unanimously got the House.

Arising out of the above tenancy Mr John Burke gave notice to have the resolution dated October 5th 1920 and referring to applicants for Cottages decided at next monthly meeting

A letter from the G.P. Office acknowledging a letter dated July 4th in reference to extending the telephone system to Tuam. The matter will however receive consideration when circumstances become normal, and a further communication will be sent to you in due course.

Mr Booney drew attention to the Railway between Tuam and Sligo not working and that something should be done, either working the Railway to or through Sligo T.D. The chairman stated he would see to matter

Signed On Behalf of The Board

John Burke Chairman

Dec 1922

Nov 14th 1922

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Special Meeting

Please convene a special meeting of the Town Commissioners this evening at 8 o'clock. To consider making application to the Galway County Council at their meeting to be held on Saturday next the 18th inst. for 25% on amount of our Contract for Tuam Streets as promised when Contract was signed July 1920 in the event of the Streets not being steamrolled.

Signed M. J. Walsh, John Walsh, A. O'Malley, Pat Walsh, James Moran
Mrs Bastello -

Commissioners present? G. Guy Esq, Chairman of the Board presiding
Martin Booney, M. J. Walsh, Pat Walsh, John Burke, M. Dwyer,
A. O'Malley.

After a long discussion the Chairman proposed Mr O'Malley seconded that the Clerk attend the meeting of the County Council, also notify the County Surveyor and County Secretary

Signed on Behalf of the Board

John Burke Chairman

Dec 1922

December 5th 1922

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs. John Burke, F. B. McDonagh, M. Dwyer
A. O'Malley, James Moran, John Garvey Pat Walsh.

Mr McDonagh proposed Mr O'Malley seconded that Mr Burke takes the Chair

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman Mr Dwyer
and Mr Moran for the following amounts

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| Revenue | of | £ | 40-18-8 |
| Roads | of | £ | 132-0-2 |
| H. Scheme | of | £ | 147-6-5 |

notice of motion by Mr Burke to rescind resolution dated October 1920 dealing with
the selection of Tenants for artisan Dwellings. Mr Burke proposed and
Mr McDonagh seconded that the resolution be rescinded and that in future tenants
be appointed by the Board due notice to be given -

The following letters were read.

From the Ministry of Local Government.

A. O'Malley

With reference to the entry in the minutes of proceedings of
the Team Town Commissioners on the 7th inst respecting the proposal
to allow Mr P. J. Dwyer late Toel farmer, the sum of £ 25 -
I desire to inform you that this payment would appear to be
without legal authority, and will in due course be a matter for the Auditor
The members of the Council who authorized the payment must
be prepared to accept personal responsibility if so decided by the Auditor

Mise le Meas

Town Clerk

Dec 5th 1922

The Board decided to refer the matter to the Auditor on his next visit

A letter was read from Mr Thomas Dwyer late brewer for a few pounds
on account of his pension.
adjourned and same to be put on agenda for next monthly meeting

A letter from the Toel farmer drawing the attention of the Board to the
markets held at Bordfin and Brumlin, and if allowed to continue
will interfere considerably with Team Markets

The clerk was directed to inquire
from the Board's solicitor if markets can be stopped and if a patent exists for holding
above markets -

Application for £ 119-14-0 from the solicitor for Debenture Revenue
for income tax for years ending 1919/20 and 1920/21 =

The Board decided they had no funds in the meantime refer the matter to the
Auditor on his next visit. They ~~will~~ will then decide what to do.

A letter was read from the ministry of local Government re. Housing Scheme, and that
he understands from the Inspector that the House design and specification is in
the hands of the Architect. In the meantime the minister would be glad to
know what the sum of £ 175 is the inclusive cost agreed upon for the
requisition of the site, and what arrangements were made in regard to
the making of a rate and the raising of a loan have been made by
the Commissioners. The Commissioners themselves are the rate making
Authority for the purpose of the Housing fund.

The clerk stated he acknowledged the letter and stated that £ 175 was cost
of the site only and did not include cost of conveyance. he also
wrote to the secretary of the County Council asking him to have a
special rate of 1/6 £ for the Borough of Team for Housing Scheme
he was also directed to inform the District
Council of same rate.

A letter from local Government re elections in
January next. according no steps need at present be taken in regard
thereto.

Dec 5th 1922

Contd - -

letter from Ministry Local Government stating £15-11-2 was their portion of Housing Fund for year ending March 31/22 and instructions having been given for payment of the amount to the Treasurer of Local Authority.

The clerk was directed to write Sergeant Roddy and ask him to have his men at Bishop and the square on market days to have the road kept clear opposite Hosty's and also between the Town Hall and market square. also to prosecute any person found clipping hay from barbs

Signed on Behalf of the Board

E. Costello
Chairman

Dec 6th 1922

January 2nd 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present. Messrs A. O'Malley, Patrick Walsh, Martin Cooney, John Burke, James Moran, M. Dwyer, Mrs Costello

Mr O'Malley proposed Mr Walsh seconded that Mrs Costello takes the chair

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Paying Orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr O'Malley and Mr Dwyer for the following amounts

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| Revenue | afc | £ | 18.3.4 |
| Roads | afc | £ | 36.18.4 |
| Housing | afc | £ | 148.10.0 |

Letters were read from the Ministry of Local Government dated Dec 12th and 19th respectively. They desire to be informed under what statutory authority, and under what circumstances the Town Commissioners propose to grant a pension to Mr Thomas Dwyer.

The clerk was directed to inform them that he was granted a pension on account of his forty years faithful service to the Board as (Clerk) that they were not acting under statute but they thought he was rightly entitled to a pension after 40 years service. The late town clerk was granted a pension of £20/0/0 per annum in 1913 and had only twenty years service. They would desire to know if there is any statute to debar them from granting same

letter dated Dec 22nd regarding elections and casual vacancies

letter dated Dec 19th requesting information as to what arrangements were being made by the Commissioners with regard to making a rate and the raising of a loan for the purpose of the Housing Scheme

The clerk was directed to state that arrangements are being made with the local authority, ^{and C. Cooney} to strike a rate of 1/6 for the scheme.

January 1923

A letter from Mr M. J. Kennedy stating he had forwarded plans etc to the Ministry of Local Government for approval

A further letter dated Dec 22 requesting information as to cost of site etc

Copy of letter to Mr Kennedy from the Ministry of Local Government (Housing Dept) recommending the plan showing the long-fronted through lighted house as the most suitable for the site selected by the Commissioners and should be definitely adopted by them. Duplicate copies of the plan and specification (amended) should be forwarded to this department with an estimate showing under the heads of buildings drainage land fees etc. The total cost of carrying out the scheme.

On the basis of local contribution of £ 1.116. the grant towards the scheme would be £ 2.232 making a sum of £ 3.348 available, and, with the information contained in the correspondence, it does not appear that more than five houses can be provided by the Commissioners under this year's scheme.

The plans and specification which accompanied your letter are returned herewith.

Mil le Meas
Agat
E. P. Wharow R. Unaidie

A letter from Mr M. J. Kennedy Engineer asking for cost of site including cost of conveyance etc by site £ 175 probable cost of conveyance £ 55,
Total £ 230. 0. 0

letter from Ministry of Local Government. That all clerical appointments in the service of Public Bodies should be filled by competitive examination and further that no person shall be appointed to any professional position under a Public Board unless they have adequate qualifications for such positions —

letter dated 1st January from Office of Public works
Awards of loan instalments. The Ministry of Finance have decided to waive the claim for penal interest accruing in respect of awards provided that the local authority discharge same without unreasonable delay. Remittances on account preferably for even

January 1923

Instalments - may be made direct to this office or alternatively, where a Council holds receivable orders, may be lodged in a Bank to the credit of the Commissioners —

copy of Resolution from Cork Harbour Commissioners

Dec 15th 1922

Resolved: - That we ask the Government to take immediate steps to appoint three members of the present Dail to act in conjunction with the Seanad Peace Committee and meet three neutral Irishmen (acceptable to forces in opposition to the Government) to discuss the best means firstly, to bring about a cessation of hostilities and finally to establish a peace on firm basis. —
approved of.

Mr Martin Rooney applied for permission to install a Petrol Pump Storage Tank outside his premises at Ship St.
application referred to County Surveyor.

Mr Dwyer proposed and Mr Rooney seconded that a lamp be lighted at the corner of Banack Street opposite the Railway Gates passed unanimously

The Clerk was directed to call Mr Kelly's attention to the lamp at Hytes Corner being left unlighted.

Arising out of the minutes of last meeting re Corfen Markets. The Clerk was directed to find out from Mr Conahan (Boards Solicitor) if he has amongst the papers received from Messrs Conway Quinn in January 1896 Council's opinion re. above markets

The Clerk was directed to advertise Gas lamps and metal posts for sale

Signed on Behalf of The Board
Chairman

Feb 1923

January Thursday 11th 1923

Special Meeting ?

To Consider Mr. Rooney's application to have a petrol tank ^{placed} ~~erected~~ under the Footpath opposite his premises at Ship Street.

Commissioners Present Messrs. Mr. Wryer, F. B. McDonagh, Mr. Cooney, Pat Walsh, Mr. J. Walsh, John Garvey
also present Mr. Rooney and a representative of the Petrol Co
Mr. McDonagh proposed, seconded by Mr. Walsh that Mr. Wryer takes the Chair.

The clerk stated that at the last meeting of the Board Mr. Rooney applied for permission to erect a petrol tank opposite his premises same as Mr. Moran has at his place at Vicar Street

his application was ruled refer to the County Surveyor.

It afterwards turned out that Mr. Rooney wanted to place the tank referred to, underneath the footpath the clerk in the meantime notified him not to go on with the work until he at first consult the Commissioners here this special meeting.

On hearing Mr. Rooney's explanation as to the safety of same, and that the work would be completed in a satisfactory manner.

The Board unanimously decided in allowing the work proceed.

The clerk drew the attention of the Board to the unsanitary state of the Potato market at the entrance to the Houses on the Mall, after a long discussion as to whether the door would be closed or not, it was unanimously decided to notify Mr. Patrick Donnor that in the event of his depositing any stuff at the place mentioned, that he be summoned for trespass.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

July 6th 1923

G. Guy

Chairman

Special Meeting

January 23rd 1923

The following letter was received from the Ministry of Local Government

In regard to the 1/6 rate to be levied in connection with the housing scheme, the Ministry states that neither the County Council nor the District Council had power to act in the manner suggested by the Commissioners (to levy and strike a rate for the Commissioners) the Commissioners themselves being the rate levying authority for the purpose of the Housing Act. As the current financial year is so far advanced and the Commissioners have not yet made the necessary rate, the Ministry will be prepared, in order that their claims may not be excluded on that ground from participation in this year's Government Grants to consider the propriety of having them obtain a temporary overdraft not exceeding £279— in addition to the required loan on the distinct understanding that the Commissioners will make a sufficient rate for the financial year ending 31st March 1924 and pay them the overdraft by 31st October next if necessary—

Having received the above the clerk summoned a special meeting to consider same.

Commissioners present? Mr. Costello, F. B. McDonagh, A. O'Malley, Pat Walsh, John Burke, Mr. J. Walsh, Mr. Cooney—

Mr. Costello proposed Mr. Burke seconded that Mr. O'Malley takes the Chair.

It was unanimously decided to strike the rate of 1/6 £. The clerk was directed to see the Board's solicitor and get Counsel Spinlon as to the rating and procedure of same. Mr. Cooney proposed and Mr. Costello seconded that Messrs. F. B. McDonagh, A. O'Malley and Pat Walsh act as a committee— and make arrangements. See Treasurer about the overdraft etc

Signed On Behalf of The Board

July 6th 1923

G. Guy

Chairman

February 6th 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present - Messrs G. Guy chairman of the Board presiding, F. B. McDonagh, John Burke, Patrick Byrne, M. Dwyer, Pat Walsh, A. O'Malley.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Payng Orders were made and signed by the chairman, Mr O'Malley and Mr P. Walsh for the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 21-4-0
Roads Account £ 108-5-0

The Boards Solicitor not having received Counsels Opinion - re. levying of the rate for Housing scheme. Consideration of same was adjourned for a day or two.

A letter was read from The Toll Farmer complaining about the Corfen Markets. The clerk was directed to see the Boards solicitor and get notices sent to the parties buying corn there

The clerk was directed to see the Boards solicitor and have notices sent to the parties buying oats there, to cease buying or else action would be taken immediately against them

Mr John Burke proposed that Mr Pat Walsh seconded that formal application be made to the ministry of local Government to have the boundary of the Borough of Suam adjusted and extended

Letters were read from two tenants from Parkmore Terrace complaining about each other, re. abuse etc.

The Board decided that they should settle their differences in Court, and if the Commissioners decided in doing anything it could be dealt with afterwards - Re. Thomas Dwyers Pension

A letter was read from the ministry of local Government stating that no payment could be made out of the rates without statutory authority.

The Ministry are not aware of any authority under which the Commissioners could grant a pension in this case.

The clerk was directed to write and state that the Commissioners do not strike or collect a rate and that his pension would come out of our Revenue collected from Tolls and Customs

February 6th 1923

Arising out of obstruction on footpath and barrels the clerk was directed to have notice served on all traders etc and also parties having trucks on the footpath. Offenders to be prosecuted

By Order

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Frank M. Dowd ChairmanMarch 1923Monthly Meeting March 5th 1923

No Commissioners attended The clerk adjourned to Tuesday March 12th -

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Frank M. Dowd ChairmanMarch 1923

March 13th 1923

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present. F. B. McDonagh. A. O'Malley. Martin Cooney. Pat Walsh
John Burke.

Mr Burke proposed Mr O'Malley seconded that Mr McDonagh takes the chair

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Buying Orders were made and signed by The Chairman Mr O'Malley and
Mr Cooney for the following amounts

Revenue $\text{£} 24-10-3$

Roads $\text{£} 42-6-9$

The following letters were read - The Ministry of Local Government wrote with
reference to minutes of Proceedings of Tuam Town Commissioners on the 6th inst the
Ministry of Local Government are not aware of any Statutory Authority which
would enable the Commissioners to grant a pension to Thomas Dwyer, and if
any payment be made, it will be dealt with by the Auditor

The Clerk was directed to bring this matter before the Auditor on his
visit -

A letter from Mr Bonecon Boards Solicitor stating notices had been
sent to each of the parties who were buying Corn at Bordfenn Markets -

The Clerk was directed to instruct Mr Bonecon to get an undertaking
from each of those parties namely (John Raftery. Murty Hanly.
Thomas Cosello, and John Mulloy) not to buy Corn there in future
and if such undertaking was not given to take action against
against ^{them} the Toll Farmer to visit the place next Tuesday and see
if the market is held -

Letter acknowledging resolution for extending the Borough
Boundary

March 13th 1923

Resolution from H. of the Neutral F.R.A members association was
marked read -

Letter from Mr Bonecon Boards Solicitor intimating that the Shaw Commission ^{vacation}
will be sitting in Tuam on the 21st of this month and as he had not Mr Waiters
at the time the case was ^{heard} read, it would be necessary to get an estimate and that
Mr Kennedy County Surveyor would do it.

The Clerk was directed to write
to Mr Kennedy and get him to do it immediately -

Also a letter asking a copy of the resolution of the Commissioners according
to the purchase of the site from the Archbishop for artisans Dwellings

Signed On Behalf of the Board

April 1923

4. 4. 23 Chairman

Tuesday 3rd April 1923

Monthly meeting

Commissioners present - Messrs John Burke. A. Maelly -

no quorum meeting adjourned to Tuesday 17th

Signed on Behalf of The Board

April 1923

G. G. G. Chairman

Tuesday April 10th 1923

adjourned monthly meeting

Commissioners present. Messrs A. Maelly. John Burke John Kervey

no quorum. adjourned to Tuesday April 17th

April 1923

Signed on Behalf of The Board

Chairman G. G. G.

April 18th 1923

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present 7. Messrs G. G. G. Chairman of the Board presiding
Martin Cooney. Patrick Walsh. Patrick Byrne. Michael Dwyer. John Kervey.
James Moran. John Burke. E. J. Walsh

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman Mr. Cooney and Mr. Patrick Walsh.
for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 90-19-2
Roads a/c £ 18-11-10

The following letters were read from the Ministry of Local Government

A Dhuine Uasail

With reference to the application of the Tuam Town Commissioners for sanction of a loan of £537 for the purposes of a Housing Scheme I am directed by the Ministry of Local Government to state that he has sanctioned the loan in question under section 237 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act 1878 the Housing of the working classes (Ireland) Acts and the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Act 1921 as amended the loan to be obtained from the Bank of Ireland and to be repaid in fifteen years on the annuity system at 4½ per cent interest.

The loan is sanctioned on the understanding that a sum of £279. sanction to raising of which by way of temporary overdraft was given in this department's letter on the 23rd of February last, is applied towards new construction.

On the basis of a local contribution of £1.116 between overdraft and loan, the Government grant will be £2.232, making in all a sum of £3.348 available for provision of five houses in the town.

If the Commissioners have not already done so, they should immediately advertise for tenders so that the work may be commenced without further delay. Enclosed signed duplicate should be transmitted by to the Bank

Misc le Mass

E. J. Wharton
Renaiche

To
Town Clerk Tuam

April 18th 1923

A Dhuine Naisil

I am directed by the Ministry of Local Government, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th inst., relative to the Housing Scheme of the Tuam Town Commissioners; and I am to state that he has authorized the Commissioners in pursuance of section 99(4) of The Housing of the Working Classes Act, 1900, to exceed their statutory rating limit of 1/- in the £ by 9d in the £ for the financial year ending on the 31st March 1924.

The Minister is not empowered to authorize the Commissioners to assess rates on the full valuation of land etc., as described in section 62 of The Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854, and section 226 of the Public Health Act 1878.

Mise le Meas

E.P. McBarron

Mr. Jas. Moran

The following resolution was proposed Mr. John Burke seconded by ~~Mr. W. Booney~~ ^{Mr. W. Booney} passed unanimously.

That we the Tuam Town Commissioners hereby record our disapproval and sorrow at the executions carried out in this Town on Wednesday morning last and we equally condemn attacks on the National Forces and reprisals by whomsoever committed.

That we respectfully request His Grace the Arch Bishop of Tuam and through him the other Bishops of Ireland, to use their influence with the Irish Government to have a stop put to such executions in future, as already more than enough blood has been spilt, and young lives sacrificed in this unholy war. Further, that we join with other public bodies in the suggestion that Mr. Luigi Papal Envoy be invited to act as intermediary between the two contending parties to negotiate an honorable peace, and thus bring to an end the horrible conditions now existing, which are a disgrace to the name of Ireland. That we tender to the bereaved parents and relatives of the deceased young men young men our heartfelt sympathy, and we are of opinion that as Liam Lynch one of the heroes, was accorded a public funeral this week that the bodies of these young men should be given over to their relatives for interment.

The Chairman proposed and Mr. Booney seconded that the sympathy of the Board be expressed to the relatives of the men killed at Beauford.

April 18th 1923

A letter was read from the secretary of the Secondary Teachers Association enclosing copy of resolution passed by the Dublin Corporation, stating that the Council approved of the claims in regard to salary, security of tenure pensions etc. claimed by the secondary teachers, and desiring to impress on the Government the urgent necessity for taking into consideration these teachers claims for higher remuneration etc. The chairman proposed the adoption of the resolution seconded by Mr. Booney, and was unanimously approved.

On the suggestion of the chairman it was decided that in future, when the clerk or a member of the Board observed a trader having the roadway or pathway outside his premises blocked with goods exposed for sale, the matter be reported to the Civic Guard.

Mr. Booney drew attention to the furious driving of Motor Cars and Lorries through the town, ^{and through} Mr. Wryer suggested that the clerk write to the Civic Guard calling attention to the furious driving of motors through the streets and that the speed limit should be not more than 10 miles an hour.

The clerk was directed to write to the secretary of the Race Committee calling attention to the state of the footpath at the Entrance to the Race Course.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Mayor

Cuthbert O'Malley

Chairman

May 1st 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs A. O'Malley, John Burke, Pat Walsh, John Garvey
Mrs Costello, Martin Cooney, M. J. Walsh,

Mrs Costello proposed and Mr Cooney seconded that Mr O'Malley takes the chair

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. paying Orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr Cooney and Mrs Costello. for the following amounts

REVENUE A/c. £64-1-8

HOUSING SCHEME A/c. £147-6-5

ROADS A/c. £18-15-10

were read

letters of acknowledgement re. Mr John Burke's resolution condemning the executions recently carried out in Guam. from His Grace The Archbishop, Padric O'Malley, T.D. P. J. Hogan T.D. T. J. Donnell T.D. also

a letter from The Minister of Education re. claims of secondary teachers -

from the Secretary Housing Dept stating that the tenders received for building to be forwarded to the Housing Dept as soon as possible after the meeting on the 15 proximo.

From Mr Kennedy enclosing plans and specification of dwellings -

The clerk drew attention to the balance due in Bank of the Relief etc as the County Surveyor may be asked to return any unexpended balance. Messrs Cooney, O'Malley and Moran, were deputed to have it expended in a proper manner. re. repairs to footpaths etc -

The clerk was directed to tender for the roads and streets advertised at the full amount

June 1923

Signed on Behalf of The Board
E. Costello Chairman

May 15th 1923

Special Meeting To Consider Tenders for Five Houses

Commissioners Present? Messrs F. B. McDonagh, A. O'Malley, John Burke, Pat Walsh
Patrick Byrne, M. Cooney, Mrs Costello, M. Dwyer,

Mr McDonagh proposed and Mr O'Malley seconded that Mr Burke takes the chair -

Mr Walsh proposed Mr O'Malley seconded that a clerk of works be appointed if approved of by the local government and if funds are available. passed unanimously

The Tenders were received

| | | |
|-------------------|--------|-----------------|
| 1. Patrick Dooley | Galway | £ 3420 . 1 . 2 |
| 2. David Dwyer | Luam | £ 3857 - 10 - 0 |
| 3. Thomas McHugh | Luam | 3190 . 0 . 0 |

minutes

Mr O'Malley proposed Mr McDonagh that the tenders be forwarded to the Housing Dept and state that the amount of the tenders exceeds the amount for expenditure, and ask the Dept to amend the plans and specification. They also recommend a solid concrete wall instead of Block Cement.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

June 1923

E. Costello Chairman

May 25th 1923

Special Meeting. Mr O'Malley presiding

Commissioners Present. A. O'Malley. M. J. Walsh. Mr Weyer. Mr. Cooney. P. Byrne

The following resolution was proposed by Mr O'Malley seconded by Mr M. J. Walsh. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners, on behalf of the people of Tuam, express our deepest ~~best~~ sympathy on the death of the Bishop of Tuam. Telegram conveying the members sympathy was sent to Mrs Ross

Signed On Behalf of the Board

J. Costello Chairman

June 1923

June 5th 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs A. O'Malley. M. J. Walsh. P. Byrne. John Burke. James Moran.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr Walsh seconded by Mr O'Malley. That the Board adjourn without transacting any business until June 11th. also. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners, wish to record the loss that the Town has sustained on the death of the very Revd Canon Eaton. During his stay amongst us, he was always ready and willing to give his support to any movement for the betterment of the Town or its citizens, as he took a particularly keen interest in their welfare, we know we are speaking for all of the inhabitants of this ancient Borough when we convey to his relatives our deep and respectful sympathy.

Signed On Behalf of the Board
J. Costello

June 1923

June 12th 1923

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Mr Costello. A. O'Malley. Patrick Walsh. M. J. Walsh. John Burke. Mr. Cooney.

Mr O'Malley proposed and P. Walsh seconded that Mr Costello takes the chair.

The minutes of last meetings were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the Clerk Mr. Cooney and John Burke for the following amounts

Revenue \pounds 56-5-11
Roads \pounds 88-8-7

The Clerk was directed to advertise for 300 Tons Gravel at per Ton weight and delivered in the town, also to arrange about getting stones for brushing. In the meantime write to the

County surveyor re - the following -

- To know if he is going to continue the steamrolling through the town via High Street, Railway Road, Bishop Street on to the Dunmore road
- To put a stop to the military and others from dumping rubbish etc on the weir road, Ballygaddy road, and Cloonascra road.
- To take steps to have the surface water removed from opposite Mr Pray's house on Terboy road.

Write to Comdt Ballaghnan about the military dumping rubbish on old road and Cloonascra road -

Mr Cooney notice of motion to Co-Opt a Commissioner in room of Mr John Walsh disqualified for non attendance.

Mr Cooney drew attention to one of the tenants in Parkmore Terrace taking in lodgers and getting rooms at 8/- per week. The Clerk was directed to see our solicitor about same and report at next meeting.

Mr M. J. Walsh proposed Mr Pat Walsh seconded that the Clerk be directed to write to the Civic guards to have a stop put to cycling on footpaths either by civilians

June 13th 1923

or Military.

The clerk was directed to get fresh quotations for wheels for mud Cart -

The following letters were read

Resolution from the Galway Urban Council - Resolved that we the Galway Urban District Council desire to bring under the notice of the Minister of Local Government the number of waste and incinerator premises in Urban Areas, and that we ~~would~~ suggest the advisability of bringing in legislation at an early date, to compel the owners of same to pay rates on them.

Passed unanimously

adopted -

acknowledgement read from Mrs Ross re. resolution of sympathy with her on the death of the Bishop of Tuam

From the Ministry of Local Government

Albana

With reference to your communication of the 11th Febry last transmitting copy of the resolution of the Town Commissioners relative to the adjustment of the boundary of the Borough, the Ministry of Local Government desire to be informed if this resolution was adopted on notice being given. If not steps should be immediately taken to put the resolution in order

Misc le Meas

Mr M. J. Walsh handed in the following notice -

That I or some Commissioners on my behalf will move at the next monthly meeting that the borough be extended.

Signed M. J. Walsh

June 13th 23

To P. Banaran

Town Clerk

Albana

I am not aware of any statutory regulations that would enable the Commissioners to

1. Grant a pension to Mr Thomas Dwyer
2. Allow a refund to Mr Patrick Dwyer any payments, herefore, made by the Commissioners in respect of these two cases would be disallowed by an Auditor

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Joseph Busher

Local Gov Auditor

The Clerk was directed to write to the Local Government and ask them state definitely their reason for not granting a pension

Local Gov Housing Dept

29th May 23

A. Shuine Masall

With reference to the minutes of Proceedings of the Town Commissioners on the 16th Inst, relative to the Commissioners Housing Scheme I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to state that, as the tenders received are too high. The Commissioners should invite alternative tenders for solid concrete walls ~~walls~~ not less than 9" thick, constructed in accordance with the enclosed standard specification, having at least 2 six rows of No 6 S.W.G. mild steel wire carried continuously around over door and window sills and through party walls to prevent cracking. Floor joists should not enter the concrete but should rest on corbelled out projections. Reticular rails may be omitted and alternative prices asked (a) for cement asbestos slates for ~~roof~~ roofs and (b) Majors interlocking tiles

Misc le Meas

Town Clerk
Them

E. P. McEarm

June 18th 1923

Letter read from Mr Kennedy to Surveyor with amended specification, stating it would be most expeditious to ask each of the three Contractors to amend their tenders according to the amended specification.

The Board decided to re-advertise the amended specification —

Signed On Behalf of The Board

July 1923

Anthony O'Malley Chairman

June 18th 1923

Special Meeting? To consider Tenders for five houses as advertised

Commissioners present? Mrs Bartlett. F. B. McDonagh. A. O'Malley. M. Dwyer. P. Walsh John Burke
John Garvey. Mr. J. Walsh. P. Byrne James Moran. M. Cooney. also present. A. Concanon Esq
Boards Solicitor & Esq. M. J. Kennedy Engineer
On the proposition of Mr Walsh. Sec by P. Walsh Mr O'Malley Presided

Mr Concanon explained at length the amount of interest etc to be paid to the Bank on £837 Interest and principal to be paid back in 15 years at 4 1/2 %

Three tenders were received for building five houses as advertised, according to the amended specification =

| | |
|---------------|----------------|
| Thomas McHugh | £ 2900 — |
| David Dwyer | 2971 - 3 - 9 |
| Martin Burke | 2895 - 0 - 0 * |

Mr Cooney proposed and Mr Pat Walsh seconded that the lowest tender that of Martin Burke for the sum of £ 2895-0-0 be accepted. passed unanimous.

The clerk was directed to forward the three tenders to local Government Housing Dept.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

July 1923

Anthony O'Malley Chairman

July 3rd 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present Messrs. James Moran, Martin booney, John Garvey, Pat Walsh and M. J. Walsh.

Mr M. J. Walsh Presiding?

On the proposition of the chairman seconded by Mr Pat Walsh. it was decided to adjourn without transacting any business in respect to the memory of the late Mr Thomas Fahey Galway Road, brother-in-law of Messrs John Burke and Michael Dwyer members of the Board.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

July 1923

Anthony O'Malley Chairman

July 11th 1923

Adjourned

Monthly Meeting of Commissioners present Messrs A. O'Malley, Martin booney, James Moran, Patrick Walsh, Martin J. Walsh, John Burke, M. Dwyer, John Garvey, P. Byrne
Mr Anthony O'Malley Presiding On the proposition of Mr M. J. Walsh seconded by Mr booney
The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the Presiding Chairman, Mr James Moran and Mr Patrick Walsh for the following amounts

| | | |
|----------------|---|---------|
| Revenue a/c | £ | 58.16.4 |
| Roads a/c | £ | 8.13.2 |
| Relief a/c | £ | 7.10.0 |
| Housing Scheme | £ | 3.2.0 |

Mr Martin Burke contractor submitted the names of Richard Burke blude and Michael Monaghan Pulletchella as surties for the performance of his Contract. Both parties were unanimously approved of.
The clerk was directed to instruct the Boards Solicitor to prepare bonds etc and have them completed.

The Mortgage deed to the Bank of Ireland re. Housing loan £837 was signed by the presiding chairman Mr O'Malley and Messrs Patrick Walsh, James Moran and the clerk

Only One Tender was received for Gravel that of Michael Coeman Tolak at 4/9 per Ton delivered this being considered too high the clerk was directed to re. advertise

The clerk submitted a list of Fairs for 1924. A letter was read from the Secretary of the pig Dealers Society advising the Board to hold pig Fairs on the 1st and 3rd, Wednesday of each month. Messrs M. J. Walsh, John Burke and the Toll farmer were appointed to go over the list and fix above days referred except on such weeks as an old pig Fair falls.

On the proposition of Mr booney seconded by Mr Byrne Mr John Walsh was Co-opted a Commissioner, as he has disqualified for non attendance

The clerk was directed to write to the district Council about the entrance to Carragh river at Bishop Street to have it cleaned up and freed from nuisance in order that horses and cattle can take water there, also to call

July 12th 1923

to call their attention to the plot on Bloomscrow road ^{now} used as a depot for liffish etc

Mr. M. J. Walsh proposed according to his notice of motion that the borough be extended seconded by Mr. John Garvey passed unanimous.

The clerk was directed to again write to the Military authority re. furious driving of Military lorries through the Town.

arising out of the finance re. wages of two men Messrs Healey and Curley the clerk having to pay them on Saturday evening a long discussion ensued eventually it was decided to pay the men Messrs Dwyer and Burke dissenting. The work to be continued on Dublin Road.

Only one Tender received for gravel that of Michael Coleman Toner at 4/9 per Ton delivered any place in town. The Board considered the price too high decided to re-advertise.

Mr. M. J. Walsh proposed seconded by Mr. O'Malley that the clerk see Mr. Dore Insurance Inspector re. employees both St. Health and re-employed.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Rooney seconded by Mr. Byrne. That we The Tuam Town Commissioners request the G. S. & W. Railway Co. to run a special market train from Beaumont's reaching Tuam Station at 9. or 9.30 o'clock AM? and leaving Tuam in the evening at 6. or 6.30 those trains to run on Saturdays and church holidays also to run an evening train on race days. to connect with Sligo, Drogheda etc

Mr. O'Malley proposed Mr. M. J. Walsh seconded that they present an address of welcome to President Cosgrave on his visit to Galway on Sunday. Mr. Dwyer proposed an amendment that no address be presented Mr. John Garvey seconded. A vote was taken then voted for the amendment Messrs Das Moran, John Garvey, Mr. Dwyer, John Burke. Against Messrs A. O'Malley, M. J. Walsh, A. O'Malley, Pat Walsh, Mr. Rooney, J. Byrne (5) - The Amendment was declared lost.

Letters were read from the following. The Big dealers Society Limerick requesting to have a fortnightly fair first and third Wednesday every month. Messrs M. J. Walsh, John Burke and the Toll Farmer were appointed to check over list of fairs and fix 1st and 3rd Wednesday except on such weeks as an old pig fair falls. Mr. J. Kennedy County Surveyor re. Steam rolling. I shall endeavour to roll through the Town either by means of supplementary grant or if existing funds are sufficient. to utilise these for the purpose - Pat O'Connor asking for the grazing of Presbytery field what portion remains after the Housing being built. granted rent to be left to Commissioners to be fixed

July 12th 1923

From John O'Connor asking ~~being~~ to be allowed back to his meat stall. he paying £3-10-0 balance of arrears to be paid in six months he offering two sureties. The clerk was directed to accept same and get a joint bill with sureties for balance due -

From the District Council to have the stones removed from the old cemetery wall. four are getting over the wall and trespassing in the burial ground -

The clerk was directed to meet the Committee and do as they suggest -

From Mrs. McGarry, 11 Hall Terrace stating she had allowed Simon Quinn into her house as a boarder, and would be back in Tuam again in a few months -

The clerk was directed to instruct the Board's solicitor to get up possession from Mrs. McGarry and allow Simon Quinn in as tenant -

Mr. John Burke drew the attention of the Board to owners of House property in town allowing the roofs to fall in, and pigs are allowed to be kept in those houses. particular housing accommodation being so scarce -

Mr. Concanon's reply to query re. subletting the premises, the agreement does not provide that the subletting the tenancy is determined. therefore I think the Commissioners must serve a notice to quit.

J. John Walsh having been co-opted a commissioner for the Town of Tuam do hereby declare that I will take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability Made and subscribed before me

this 20th day of July 1923

Patrick Banagan
Town Clerk

John Walsh

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Aug 1923

Anthony O'Malley

Chairman

July 16th 1923

Special Meeting - Re - County Surveyors suggestion steamrolling

Commissioners present. Messrs A. O'Malley, James Moran, John Garvey, Patrick Walsh and Mr. J. Walsh.

Proposed by O'Malley, seconded by James Moran that Mr. J. Walsh preside.

The clerk explained the object of the meeting and County Surveyors suggestion that the square be steamrolled, also a light coat to be added on to the Dublin Road as far as Doctor Thompsons, and continued with a heavier coat as far as our meeting on Dublin Road. Mr. O'Malley proposed Mr. Moran seconded that the County Surveyors suggestion be carried out passed unanimously. It was decided to get a pair of new wheels for the mud cart and have cog wheel repaired -

list for fairs for 1924 were ordered to be advertised as per estimate £4/0/0 per annum in *morris's almanac* (full page).

Signed On Behalf of The Board

August 1923

Anthony O'Malley Chairman

August 7th 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs A. O'Malley, John Walsh, Patrick Byrne, Mr. J. Walsh, John Burke, Martin Booney, Patrick Walsh, James Moran.

Mr. Booney proposed Mr. ^{Patrick} J. Walsh seconded that Mr. O'Malley preside.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding chairman Mr. Byrne and Mr. J. Walsh for the following amounts

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|---------|----|---|---------|
| Revenue | of | £ | 8.6.8 |
| Roads | of | £ | 6.19.10 |
| Relief | of | £ | 1.13.11 |

Mr. J. Walsh proposed Mr. Byrne seconded that the clerk be directed to write to the minister of defence case attention to the furious driving of military particularly with *Crossley Cars* ^{of above} through the town but more especially on country roads.

also to write to the County Council to make an order regulating the speed limit, and ^{requiring} not to grant motor driving licenses without the applicant being recommended by the local authority.

write to the Civil Guards to take action in case of excessive speed. =

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Booney seconded by Mr. O'Malley that we the Tuam Town Commissioners request the G. S. & W. Railway Co to facilitate the cattle dealers of Tuam and surrounding districts by running the 2.30 P.M. mixed train from *himerick* to Ennis and Port on to Tuam. At present there is no train convenience for cattle dealers to get their stock removed from *himerick* later than 11.30 A.M. from the southern fairs, and it is impossible for dealers to have their stock in *himerick* so early to connect with this train.

Several complaints have been received from the dealers who do not think they are getting fair consideration from the Railway Co for the £200 per week which they leave them, as it almost takes three days for stock purchased south of *himerick* to reach Tuam. Copies to be sent to the G. S. & W. Railway Co and the minister of commerce & industry =

August 7th 1923

The foregoing letter was read from the Minister of Local Government.

The Town Clerk
Tuam

A. O'hara

Referring to your communication of the 13th inst. I am directed by the Minister for Local Government to state that the resolution of the Town Commissioners of the 6th inst. is not sufficiently definite to enable the Minister to take any action thereon.

Any proposal to alter or extend the boundaries of the Township should set forth clearly a description of the old boundaries and a description of the proposed new boundaries and should be accompanied by an Ordnance Map with the old and proposed new boundaries clearly marked thereon.

The Commissioners' reasons for the proposed alteration should be set out at length. Particulars should also be furnished of the state of the Commissioners' finances together with the valuation of the old and proposed new area.

In applying to the Minister for his consent to the alteration of the boundaries, it will be necessary to submit certified copies with dates of the notices sent to the Commissioners and of the minutes of the proceedings of the Commissioners in order to show compliance with the terms of the Town Commissioners (Clauses) Act, 1847. Special attention is directed to sections 43, 45 & 47 of that Act. The names of the Commissioners present at each meeting should be set out in the minutes together with the names of those voting. The total number of Commissioners for the township should be stated together with the existing number of qualified Commissioners.

Miss E. Meas
E. P. Mearron
Ruralist

Consideration of above was adjourned to a special meeting to be held on Tuesday the 14th inst. the whole board to form a Committee. in the meantime the clerk to get the necessary Ordnance Maps etc.

Letter from the Minister of Local Government stating that Insurance premiums in future be paid direct to the Companies and not to agents -

Acknowledgment of resolution from the Minister for Agriculture re. Coonesara hill passed at last meeting and stating it was not in his power to interfere with the sale rights of the owner of land especially when exercised for public utility purposes

August 7th 1923

From the Minister for Local Government notifying the date of elections -

acknowledgment of resolution from Military Authority Tuam re. furious driving, the matter was having their attention, but they cannot be held responsible for Army cars from other Areas.

a letter from Mr. Sney resigning the chairmanship of the Board which was accepted, no person being appointed until after the election -

a letter from the Traffic Manager Kengolridge acknowledging receipt of resolution stating the matter was having attention.

application from Mr. Menogue for one of the new houses which are being built, no action was taken

The clerk was directed to send six day notices to parties who had returned demand notes and take action immediately if not paid.

Messrs O'Malley, Cooney and M. J. Walsh were deputed to wait on the Shaw Commission and urge on the claim for building the Town Hall.

Mr. M. J. Walsh proposed Mr. O'Malley recorded that we the Tuam Town Commissioners voicing the feelings of the people of the town desire to congratulate the Right Rev. Dr. Ott on his elevation to the Bishopric of Tuam. Since his appointment as Dean of Tuam, he has always shown a kindly interest in the welfare of the town and has won for himself by his charity and benevolence the esteem of all classes and we wish him many years of happiness in this well merited promotion.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

Sept 9 23

P. J. Costello

Chairman

August 14th 1923

Special Meeting. To consider extension of the Borough Boundary. Also letter from Mr. Boreanon Boards Solicitor re. award made by the Shaw Commission for re-building the Town Hall

Commissioners present? A. O'Malley, Patrick Walsh, John Garvey, John Burke, M. J. Walsh James Moran

Mr John Burke proposed Mr M. J. Walsh seconded that Mr O'Malley preside

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Kennedy and find out when he would be in town in order that he would assist the Commissioners in defining the extension of the Boundary to the extent of one mile radius from the square. also

A letter from Mr Boreanon Boards Solicitor in reference to the claim for compensation for the burning of the Town Hall. Two inspectors of the Shaw Commission went into the claim and are prepared to recommend a sum of £3350. Having an interview with Mr Kennedy Co. Surveyor and on the whole he thinks the Commissioners had better accept this offer. Mr O'Malley proposed Mr Garvey seconded that the amount £3350 be accepted. Passed unanimous. The clerk to inform Mr Boreanon of the Boards decision

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Eileen Costello Chairman

Sept 1923

August 28th 1923

Special Meeting.

To consider Mr Kennedy's report re. extension of Borough Boundary also to affix seal to deed re. Housing scheme.

Commissioners present. Messrs Patrick Walsh, A. O'Malley, John Walsh, John Burke and M. J. Walsh
also present H. Boreanon Boards Solicitor, Mr Kennedy Engineer

On the proposition of Mr Patrick Walsh seconded by M. J. Walsh Mr O'Malley presided

Mr Boreanon produced the deed of transfer of the land re. Housing scheme. It being sealed and signed on behalf of the Board by Mr O'Malley presiding Chairman, Mr Patrick Walsh and the Clerk.

On the proposition of Mr Burke and unanimously adopted that the extension of the boundary be adjourned to give Mr Boreanon an opportunity to see if he had the map of the old proposed boundary in his possession, after a discussion on the Artisan dwellings. The clerk was directed to write to the Board of Public Works and find out the instalments due on the loan, also what amount would redeem the loan.

On the proposition of Mr Burke the County Surveyor was asked if he would apply at next meeting of the district Council to have a foot path continued from the post office on to the Dublin Road.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Eileen Costello Chairman

Sept 1923

September 4th 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present Messrs A. Malley, Patrick Walsh, John Burke, James Moran, M. Cooney, Patrick Byrne and Mrs Bateello.

Mr O'Malley proposed seconded by Mr P. Walsh that Mrs Bateello preside.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.
 paying orders were made and signed by the Chairman, Mr O'Malley and Mr John Burke for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 58-9-8
 Roads a/c £ 36-12-9
 Working a/c £ 175-0-0

Only one tender for Public lighting as follows from The Tuam Electricity Company from the 1st May 1923 to 15th May 1924 at a flat rate of £ 3-15-0 per lamp and £ 2/0/0 extra for any lamps required for all night during period of said contract, as may be specified by the Town Commissioners.

The lamps at square to be 300 candle power, and all the lamps through to town to be 100 candle power, all lamps to be lighted and extinguished at the time mentioned in the advertisement. See James Daly Secretary

Mr Walsh proposed Mr Walsh seconded that the tender be accepted.
 Mr Burke suggested that in future the date should be altered to 15th August to 1st May.

Mr Cooney drew attention to our revenue and some of the lamps should be cut off.

Consideration was adjourned to a special to be held when the Clerk would hear from the Auditor.

Only One Tender received for Printing and advertising that of Tuam Herald as -

General Printing £15/0/0 Advertising £15/0/0. Grain Docket Books 46 per Book of 500 dockets
 Auditor report and abstract of £15/0/0. Surveys Michael Nassim, Patrick Bradley
 Tuam Herald also

Mr Byrne proposed Mr Walsh seconded that it be accepted (unanimous)

Tender
 for
 Public
 lighting

Tender for
 Printing
 and
 advertising

September 4th 1923

A letter was received from the G. S. & Western Railway Co in reply to a resolution asking for increased facilities for the transit of passengers and live stock for Tuam District stating that the Company were unable to further increase the train service at present existing.
 The Clerk was directed to send copy of the Company's letters to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and to ask their intervention.

The Ministry of Public Works wrote setting forth the amount now due on the Artizans Dwelling up to the 1st November next is £ 5629. 6-9. This was in furtherance of a former meeting to see the dwellings to the occupying tenants if they could be got to buy.

The Clerk was directed to call a meeting of the tenants for Sunday 16th to put the matter before them and find out if they would be willing to purchase their houses.

The following resolution was received from Macroom District Council calling for the release of the prisoners.

Resolved that we call on the Government to release all political prisoners immediately and unconditionally.

Mr Burke proposed the resolution be adopted Mr Moran seconded Mr Byrne proposed an amendment that the resolution be adjourned for a month to see what the government would do, but got no seconders.

after a long discussion the resolution was passed, Mrs Bateello dissenting Messrs Malley, Cooney, Walsh were neither for or against.

A letter from the Bishop of Tuam
 Dear Mr Canavan

Will you please convey at your earliest convenient opportunity my heartfelt thanks to the Tuam Town Commissioners for their kind resolution of Congratulation on my appointment as Bishop of Tuam.

I appreciate greatly the goodwill which prompted the passing of the resolution and I need hardly say that I shall be always ready to do anything I can to promote the welfare of our ancient Town

Sincerely Yours
 John Tuam

A letter from the Military re funerals driving, General Head Quarters Park Gate Street
 21st August 23

If you will let me have specific complaints giving date, time No of bus etc, the matter will be looked into, and you may rest assured that where an offence of this matter is brought home to any particular man, no opportunity will exist for its recurrence.

J.P. M. boxer Capt.

September 4th 1923

The clerk was directed to acknowledge the letter and state the "White Chief" Claremorris Command was the latest and worst offender

The clerk was directed to put on the agenda for next meeting to consider paying the special police appointed by the Board before the civil guards came to town.

An application from Mr D. J. Butler for one of the being built at Ballybaddy Road was marked read.

A letter from Mr M. Cahill re. sewerage at Uthale Terrace, stating an action would be taken against the commissioners if the nuisance was not abated within one month unless a satisfactory explanation was received as to what steps would be taken to have it remedied.

The clerk was directed to write ~~the sewerage would be connected with~~ that pipes would be laid from Uthale Terrace and connected with the sewerage from the new cottages which are being built as soon as possible.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

October 1923

Anthony O'Malley Chairman

October 2nd 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present - Messrs A. O'Malley, John Burke, Patrick Walsh, Jas Moran and John Walsh

Mr P. Walsh proposed Mr John Burke seconded that Mr O'Malley preside.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed? paying orders were made and signed by the Presiding Chairman, James Moran, P. Walsh, for the following amounts:

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| Revenue | ofc | £ 114-11-9 |
| Roads | ofc | 8-9-2 |
| Working | ofc | 203-6-0 |

The following resolution was proposed by Mr O'Malley seconded by Mr Burke. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners, ask the Agent of the Bank of Ireland to change their half holiday from Tuesday to Thursday, as other Banks in Town have agreed to same, owing to some of the principal fairs throughout the year falls on Tuesday a good deal of inconvenience is caused to both buyers and sellers, by the Banks being closed on Tuesdays -

Mr A. O'Malley proposed and Mr John Burke seconded a resolution of sympathy with ~~Mr Patrick~~ their colleague Mr Patrick Byrne on the death of his brother.

after which the meeting adjourned.

~~over~~

~~Signed On Behalf of the Board~~

Nov 1923

Presiding Chairman

October 2nd 1923

A letter dated Sept 10th from Minister of Commerce and Industry acknowledging receipt of resolution regarding train service to Tuam with the G. S. Western Railway Co. he hopes to write further at an early date

A letter dated Sept 26th from the Housing Dept with reference to an entry in the minutes of the proceedings of the Commissioners on the 10th inst, relative to the sale to the tenants of the houses provided by the Commissioners under the Housing of the Working Classes Act. And to furnish particulars of the Commissioners proposals in the matter

The clerk stated he had replied stating the Commissioners were prepared to see to the tenants at their liability up to the first November next the amount being £5629-6-9.

Four applications were read from parties applying for the houses which are being built. no action was taken by. Martin Marnion, Michael Mulvihill, Michael Cornaughton, Daniel Bonnis. a certificate in favour of the contractor for £200 - (Two hundred pounds)

E. Costello

Signed On Behalf of the Board

Residing Chairman

Nov 1923

November 6th 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Mrs Costello, M. Dwyer, James Moran, Patrick Walsh, M. J. Walsh, Martin Cooney.

Mr M. J. Walsh proposed Mr Dwyer seconded that Mrs Costello preside.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed paying orders were made and signed by the chairman Mr Cooney and Mr Dwyer for the following amounts:

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|--------------|----------|
| Revenue ac | 42-6-6 |
| Roads ac | 22-10-4 |
| Working ac | 150-0-0 |
| Wages etc ac | 148-18-0 |

arising out of the condition of the streets Mr M. J. Walsh proposed and Mr Cooney seconded that a working gang be advertised for and consider applications at next monthly meeting.

Mr Dwyer drew attention to the obstruction on the square reported to him by Sergeant Roddy Bivguards. The clerk was directed to write to Sergeant Roddy to use his own discretion, and to get the small loads unloaded on the square and loads from 15 to 20 to be unloaded and left convenient to the square

Mr Moran proposed Mr M. J. Walsh seconded that out of the shambles or potato market be used as a depot for street sweepings, same to put into heaps and afterwards soed.

Messrs Moran, Cooney and the clerk were appointed to see that the shed at the potato market be protected by a chain or Galv Tubing.

The clerk was directed to have the water cask removed from Messrs Murphy's yard.

Mrs Costello was asked to see the ministry of local Government re - the late board's pension. The clerk to supply particulars to Mrs Costello -

The clerk was directed to get quotations for sewer rods a few of the Commissioners to consider, and order one -

November 6th 1923

Arising out of the amount due for Income Tax. Messrs O'Malley, M. J. Walsh and the Clerk were deputed to interview the Inspector of Taxes Galway, also in the meantime the Clerk to write to the Inland Revenue Solicitor ~~to stay proceedings~~ stating a deputation of the Commissioners were appointed to interview the Inspector at Galway. The following letters were read.

Resolutions were read re. Hunger strikers and release of Political prisoners from the County Borough Council of Limerick. And Macroom Rural District Council. marked read no action was taken.

From the Ministry of Industry and Commerce re. Great Southern and Western Railway about market train from Milltown and Ballinacorney on Market days. stating the Company regrets that their financial position will not permit of the train to be restored.

The Clerk was directed that so far as the Commissioners were concerned, the trains referred to are remunerative and to refer to their Inspector or Station Master here, and if they would even give a morning train from Milltown, the baremoneis train from here at 3 o'clock would take back passengers.

A Certificate was received from Mr Kennedy Engineer for £150 in favour of Mahon Burke Contractor for Cottages.

Letter from the Ministry of Finance relative to Compensation claim for Town Hall £3150 and Auditor's report were adjourned to special meeting to be held on Sunday after last mass.

Tenders were received from Jas Keely and Ned Jore for shoeing horse for 12 months ^{for} ~~by~~ 14/10/23 Keely £50/0. The Clerk was directed if he could not get it done at last year's price £30/0 to get horse shod as required.

A letter was read from Mr Byrne acknowledging resolution of sympathy. M. W. Walsh, 22, Bond and Joseph Cooney St Mary's Terrace applied for a new Cottage.

A letter from Mrs Donnan complaining about the water on Clonliffe road entering her field it was referred to County Surveyor and Sanitary Authority.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Dec 1923

Anthony O'Malley Presiding Chairman

Tender for shoeing horse for 12 months

November 12th 1923

Adjourned Special Meeting

Commissioners present - Messrs A. O'Malley, M. Warger, M. Cooney, John Garvey, Patrick Byrne, F. P. McDonagh, John Burke, James Moran, Mrs Bartello.

Mrs Bartello proposed Mr McDonagh seconded that Mr O'Malley preside.

The Clerk read a letter from the Ministry of Finance stating that the Compensation for the Town Hall premises was awarded the amount being £3150 - subject to the condition that it be applied in reinstatement of the structure.

Mr Cooney proposed Mr Byrne seconded that Mr Kennedy B.E. Galway be appointed engineer and architect.

The Clerk was directed to communicate with Mr Kennedy stating he had been appointed and for a day to consult with the Commissioners as regards plans etc.

The Clerk read the Auditor's report for three years ending 31st March 1921/22/23 a letter was read from Mr Cahill claiming £60 - Compensation for damage to his field at Ballygaddy road. Messrs M. J. Walsh and Mr O'Malley were deputed to interview Mr Cahill on the matter -

O'Malley

Mr Warger drew attention to Income Tax being paid on the Water Works at last meeting of the District Council.

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr McDonagh Clerk of the District Council not to pay the amount, but refer same to the Water Works Committee. The Tenants submitted the following: 1. That the Duam Town Commissioners transfer Ownership of Dirty Artisan Dwellings at McHale and P. more Terrace to the tenants? 2 - The tenants undertaking to pay Collectively through a trustee approved of by the R. G. Dept. their annual payments to the Board of Works from the date of transfer, until the loan due by the Town Council is fully paid off. 3 - The tenants to have the option of paying full amount of claim due from date of transfer on each house, if so willing. 4 - The Trustee suggested to be either the National Land Bank, the Bank of Ireland or the Irish Land Commission -

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Dec 1923

Anthony O'Malley Presiding Chairman

November 20th 1923

Special Meeting. To consider deduction from compensation claim of Income Tax £234-10-0

Commissioners present. Messrs M. J. Walsh, A. O'Malley, Patrick Walsh, M. Booney, John Garvey, Patrick Byrne, John Burke.

Mr M. J. Walsh proposed and Mr Booney seconded that Mr O'Malley preside -

The clerk having read the communication received from the Ministry of Finance stating £234-10-0 would be deducted from the compensation claim for re. building the Town Hall.

The clerk was directed to ask Mrs Costello to bring the matter before the Ministry of Finance and Local Government Dept and also to produce the abstract of accounts for year ending March 1923 showing how the finance of the board stood and also call attention to the public lighting etc was not allowed off the revenue etc.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Dec 1923

Anthony O'Malley

Chairman

December 1923

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present Messrs Senator Mrs Costello, A. O'Malley, John Burke, P. Byrne, M. Booney, Patrick Walsh, John Garvey, M. J. Walsh

Mr A. O'Malley Presiding

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding Chairman Senator Mrs Costello and Mr Booney for the following amounts

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| Revenue a/c | £ | 14. 9. 2 |
| Roads a/c | £ | 7. 4. 2 |
| Working a/c | £ | 2. 14. 0 |

No application was received for the position of working ganger. It was ordered to re-advertise. wages at the rate of £ 2/0/0 per week to be paid to the man appointed, to supervise the roads and also act as Town Steward.

It was also ordered that the clerk write to the Superintendent of the Waterworks and Gas Manager that in future the clerk must be notified about the breaking up of the road or footpaths and in the event of the place being put in proper way to prosecute the offenders.

Plans were submitted by Mr Kennedy B. 2 for the renovation of the Town Hall. It was decided to summon a meeting of the towns people to be held at the Christian Brothers school on Sunday the 9th inst after last mass. to consider, decide or reject the plan.

The clerk was directed to write to Mr T. Moran Great St to have the flags repaired at his garage

The clerk was also directed to get quotations for sand at per ton for the footpaths, - and to have inserted in the Dubane almanac for 1924 all fairs -

On the proposition of Mr Booney seconded by Mr Byrne the clerk was instructed to get Grips put on to the weighbridge

December 4th 1923

The following letter was read in reference to Senator MacDonnell's interview with the Ministry of Local Government re Thomas Dwyer pension

A Chair

With reference to your interview with Mr Burke the other day, I am directed by him to inform you that he had looked into the case of Mr Thomas Dwyer, formerly a craneer in the employment of the Tuam Town Commissioners. The Minister finds that Mr Dwyer did not hold a pensionable office under the Commissioners and that he could not therefore be granted a pension by them -

The Clerk was directed to again write to the Ministry of Local Government and state that the Town Commissioners do not strike a rate the revenue derived from Tolls and Customs, that Thomas Dwyer's position was a clerical one and that an assistant craneer was employed to do labour work, also see Mr Concanon if the Commissioners could be surcharged in the event of granting a pension

A letter from Mr McDonagh stating a paying order was issued on the 3rd inst for Income Tax on the waterworks.

A letter from Mr Brennan D. 6 Complaining about pig buyers not pay Tolls on pigs, no action was taken.

John Michan applied to have the footpath at his place connected. The Clerk was ordered to get sand on it.

Bernard O'Donnell took place applied for one of the new cottages

The Clerk drew attention to a letter received from Mr Kennedy D. 2 as regards the borough boundary stating he would have to interview Mr Concanon before proceeding. The Clerk was directed to write to Mr McDonagh B.M.R. D. Council to find out if he would have the map of the proposed extension some years ago

Signed on Behalf of the Board
 Presiding Chairman

January 1924

Anthony O'Malley

Dec 10th 1923

Requestion for a special Meeting?

Please convene a special meeting of the Town Commissioners to be held on Tuesday next at 8 o'clock PM to consider Mr Waldron's offer for the addition to the Town Hall

Signed

MacDonnell, A. O'Malley, James Moran, Patrick Byrne, Martin Cooney

Commissioners present Messrs Patrick Walsh, A. O'Malley, Patrick Byrne, John Burke, Martin Cooney, James Moran, also Mr J. Waldron

Mr Patrick Walsh presided -

after a long discussion it was considered the portion of his house Mr Waldron was offering would be useless.

The meeting adjourned to consider what price Mr Waldron would accept for his whole premises giving Mr Waldron an opportunity to consult his solicitor. The Clerk to summon another meeting when he hears from Mr Waldron

Signed on Behalf of the Board

January 1924

Anthony O'Malley Presiding Chairman

Dec 18th 1923

Special Meeting. To consider applications for Working Gauges and Quotations for sand for footpaths -

Commissioners present? Messrs P. Byrne, P. Walsh, John Garvey, James Moran, M. J. Walsh, M. Cooney, Mr. Bartello A. Malley.

Mr. J. Walsh presiding -

Three applications were received for the position of Gauger as advertised salary of 2/0 per week Michael Bisham Galway Road. Martin Cahill UFace Terrace. Dan Bisham Tuillindaly Road. Mr. Malley proposed and John Garvey seconded that Michael Bisham be appointed, no other applicant being proposed Michael Bisham was declared elected (unanimous)

Martin Cooney proposed and Pat Walsh seconded that Michael Coleman get the Contract for sand for the footpaths at 2/10 per Ton delivered -

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr. Daly Sec Race Committee about the state of the footpaths and Kerbing at the entrance to the Race Course the near Gate, and ask him to have the Kerbing repaired.

A paysheet was also signed by the presiding chairman, Mr. Cooney and Mr. Bartello for £120 third instalment to Martin Burke on the buildings at Bally Gaddy Road, as per Architect Certificate - Duties of Gauger are as follows

1. To be responsible for the men, and have full control over them, with power to engage and discharge any of them.
2. To buy Hay, Oats etc for the Horse and produce bills and vouchers to the Clerk
3. To look after the footpaths, Cannel etc and general supervision
4. To work with the other labourers same as themselves.
5. To attend the monthly meeting of the Commissioners and any other meetings when summoned by the Clerk
6. The Commissioners to have full power to discharge the man appointed either by one week notice in writing or one week wages in advance
7. To report to the Clerk any breakage to the roads or footpaths or anything he think necessary.

Jan 19 1924

Signed On Behalf of the Board,
presiding Chairman

Dec 18th 1923

The Clerk was directed to write Mr. Kennedy B.E that the Commissioners ~~did~~ do not purpose altering the plan for renovating the Town Hall, but if the passage from the large room on the ground floor could be altered, ~~or~~ they would prefer it. and Community of Mr. M. J. Walsh proposed Mr. Malley seconded a vote of sympathy with Rev Mother Presentation Convent on the death of Mother Columba.

Mr. Cooney proposed and Mr. Garvey seconded a vote of sympathy to Mrs. Donnellon on the death of her husband.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

Jan 19 1924

Anthony Malley

Presiding Chairman

January 8th 1924

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Pat Walsh, James Moran, Michael Dwyer, John Burke, John Jarvey,
Mrs Bakello, F. B. McDonagh, M. Cooney, A. O'Malley

Mr A. O'Malley Presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Laying Order were made and signed by the presiding chairman. Mr Cooney and Mr Pat Walsh for the following amounts

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|-----------|---|---------|
| Revenue | £ | 10-16-8 |
| Roads | £ | 4-19-6 |
| Workings | £ | 35-13-5 |
| A. Scheme | £ | 2-13-0 |

Mr Dwyer called attention to the necessity of getting some other dumping ground for the road scrapings besides the potatoe Market.

It was decided to advertise for a depot convenient to the Town and also advertise that the present heap will be given free to any person who applies for or takes it away.

Mr Dwyer drew attention to the scartlings being used in the present cottages were not so specified and the engineer attention should be called to the matter.

Mr O'Malley ~~drew~~ attention suggested in getting a footpath from the Railway bridge for some distance along the Cloonassera road.

Mrs Postello and Mr Dwyer agreed to have a presentment made for the extension at the next quarterly meeting of the District Council to be held in April.

Signed On Behalf of The Board.

February 1924

Martin J. Walsh, Presiding Chairman

January 23rd 1924

Statutory Meeting for Election of Chairman

Commissioners Present? Messrs M. J. Walsh, James Moran, Martin Cooney, Pat Walsh, John Burke, Patrick Byrne

The Board presided?

Mr Byrne proposed Mr Cooney seconded that there be chairman election until after the election passed unanimously -

It being the first meeting of the Commissioners since the braver death Mr Thomas Dwyer, Mr M. J. Walsh proposed and P. Byrne seconded that the sympathy of the Board be extended to Mr ~~the~~ M. Dwyer and other members of his family.

The clerk mention that the ganger did not work last week through illness, and that he demanded his wages. It was decided that he be paid, but that in future it would be only for one week.

_____ having been chosen chairman of the Commissioners of the Town of Duam, hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgement and ability.

Made and subscribed before me }
This day of January 1924 }

Signed On Behalf of The Board

February 1924

Martin J. Walsh, Presiding Chairman

Monthly Meeting February 5th 1924

Commissioners Present ? Messrs M. J. Walsh Patrick Walsh, James Moran, Patrick Byrne, and John Walsh

Mr M. J. Walsh Presided.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. paying orders were made and signed by the Presiding Chairman Mr James Moran and Mr John Walsh for the following amounts

| | | | |
|---------|-----|---|------------|
| Revenue | are | £ | 26. 2. 8 |
| Roads | are | £ | 23. 12. 4 |
| Working | are | £ | 338. 10. 0 |

application was read from Mr Joff for the use of the shambles for the 14th March, application refused as the place is at present occupied

Copy of advertisement was received from Mr Kennedy B.E for renovation of Town Hall to be inserted in Daily Independent, Connacht Tribune and Inam Herald tenders to be considered on 19th special meeting.

Notice was received from the District Council to have the heap of stuff removed from the shambles.

The clerk was directed to write acknowledging same and state that it would be removed in due course.

Acknowledgement was received from the presentation convent re resolution of sympathy passed at last meeting on the death of one of the sisters

A letter from the County surveyor stating £48-12-0 had been deducted from the quarterly instalment.

The clerk explained that a refund of £17-10-0 would be forth coming at next payment as a mistake had been made in the amount.

A letter from the surveyor of Taxes stating the appeal would be heard on 2nd Nov at Claremorris -

February 5th 1924

A letter was read from Mr Kennedy the burrough offer a place or depot for scavenging on the Ballymore road.

The Board considered the place too far away -

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Daly secretary of the Electricity Co about the lamp on the square being extinguished at 4.30 a.m whereas it should be an allnight lamp.

The clerk was ordered to put on the agenda for next meeting the consideration of motor cars being allowed to remain on the street particularly at each garage.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

March 1924

Anthony O'Malley

Presiding Chairman

February 19th 1924

Special Meeting

To consider Tenders for Re. Construction of Town Hall

Commissioners present Messrs Senator Mrs Costello. A. O'Malley. M. J. Walsh. M. Cooney
M. Owyer. John Burke. Patrick Walsh. Patrick Byrne. John Walsh. also present M. J. Kennedy Esq.

Mr A. O'Malley presided =

Tenders were read from the following

| | | | | | |
|----|-----------------|--------------|--------|----|-------|
| 3. | Thomas McHugh | Quam | £ 4598 | 11 | 11 |
| 4. | Martin Burke | Quam | 4609 | - | 13-0 |
| 8. | John Boyle | Mullingar | 5553 | - | 7-6 |
| 2. | James Stewart | Galway | 4484 | - | 7-6 |
| 1. | Uwen Harkin | Breenisloe | 4130 | - | 1-4 |
| 5. | Thomas Boughlan | Bastepollant | 4812 | - | 17-10 |
| 7. | W. Simmons | Galway | 5157 | - | 11-6 |
| 6. | Patrick Dolley | Quam | 5086 | - | 16-3 |

Mr Uwen Harkin was declared the lowest Bid Tender. Consideration of giving away the Contract was adjourned to next monthly meeting, pending a report from the Architect in reducing bill of quantities etc.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

March 1924

Anthony O'Malley Presiding Chairman

March 4th 1924

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present Messrs A. O'Malley. M. Cooney. Patrick Walsh. Patrick Byrne. M. J. Walsh
Michael Owyer.

Mr A. O'Malley presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding chairman. Mr Byrne and Mr Walsh. for the following amounts

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Revenue a/c | £ 45-7-2 |
| Roads a/c | £ 5-11-9 |
| Working a/c | £ 525-0-0 |

The ganger applied to get 100 Tons gravel for the roads. The clerk stated the last Contract price was 3/10 per Ton delivered

permission was granted to the ganger to get the amount required at the same price. It was unanimously passed that Mrs Meagher pay 1/- per load for the manure in the potatoe market delivered at her place at Galway road. that is in case the Commissioners have to remove same themselves.

Obstruction by Motor Cars at each Garage. The Clerk was directed to notify the owners, that in case the obstruction continues, drastic steps will be taken at next meeting

Re. Building of Town Hall. The following was read from the Architect
County Surveyors Office

Galway
3rd March 1924

Dear Mr Chairman

I have gone into the quantities with Harkin, and I find by doing away with the additions on the side, as suggested at the last meeting of the Commissioners, that the Contract would be reduced by £ 419-18-9 leaving the Contract at £ 3710-2-7. The Contingency item is £ 250, and a reduction of £ 100 could be made on item for heating, and a further reduction of £ 200 will be possible on the item for light and clock. Assuming that these reductions can be effected, the Contract could be reduced to £ 3320-2-7 a figure which are within the resources of the Commissioners. My fees are not provided for in these figures. I enclose a letter from Harkin, for the information of the Commissioners. I am of

March 4th 1924

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opinion that Harkin would not insist on his request for an allowance of 100% on the deductions if your body were prepared to place the contract immediately

To

Planarvan Town Clerk

Yours faithfully

M. J. Kennedy

Copy of Mr Harkin's letter to Mr Kennedy

Ballinasloe

1st March 1924

Dear Sir

Referring to revision in quantities for Tuam Town Hall, permit me to point out that I should be entitled to a reasonable percentage on all the items taken out, as it will cost me the same for supervision, travelling etc, as if the whole amount was included, furthermore the annexed would be the simplest portion of the contract, and for which I should be entitled to at least 10%, I will leave the matter to yourself and the Town Commission and trust a favourable reply

Yours faithfully

Owen Harkin

after a long discussion as to the borrowing powers of the Board, seeing that the amount available would not re-construct the Hall on the present plan, further consideration was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

The clerk was directed to write to the Board of Public Works, Minister of Finance and see if we could borrow some money to build on the original plan.

The clerk was directed to write to the clerk of the District Council for the audit report of the waterworks.

Write Mr Bradley about his turf being built on the wall, against the order of the Commissioners

Return Mr Kelly's three tenders unopened and cheque given as a deposit, tenders being received late.

See Mr Dumphrey as to the buying of the Artizans Dwellings

Contd

March 4th 1924

Mr P. Byrne applied to have a petrol tank erected at his place on Main Street. The Board were unanimous in giving permission, but had to be sanctioned by the County Surveyor Mr Byrne was directed to communicate with him

Letter was read from the Ministry of Local Government notify date of elections. Letter from Mr Boneanow notify the Board that £33-2-6 had been deducted from his costs for Income Tax.

Application from Patrick Donohoe High Street for the next vacant Artizan dwelling, also a letter from Doctor Harty stating his house is unfit for human habitation.

The clerk was directed to notify stall holders that in the event of any of them found selling sheep in the stall, that they be forthwith be given notice to quit.

Signed on Behalf of The Board

April 1924

Martin J. Walsh.

presiding chairman

Adjourned Monthly Meeting April 8th 1924

Commissioners Present. Messrs M. J. Walsh, A. O'Malley, M. Dwyer, Mrs Costello, Patrick Walsh, James Moran, Patrick Byrne, Martin Cooney, John Burke

Mr M. J. Walsh Presided.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Sundry Order were made and signed by the presiding chairman. Mr Byrne and Mr Burke for the following amounts

| | | |
|-------------|---|----------|
| Revenue a/c | £ | 103-15-1 |
| Roads a/c | £ | 8-9-10 |
| Working a/c | £ | 300-0-0 |

The clerk was directed to summon about twenty parties who have refused to pay up the Housing Rate at the next petty sessions Court.

Senator Mrs Costello drew attention to the bye laws if in existence the clerk to have them for next monthly meeting.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr O'Malley seconded by Mr Dwyer. That the Civic Guards be instructed to see that the streets be kept free from obstruction by motor cars or any other stationary vehicles or any other form of obstruction.

The clerk was directed to write to the Secretary Housing Dept to forward an instalment on Grant immediately, also to write Mr O'Malley Inspector for instructions as to the sale of the houses that are being built as to what price they could be disposed of either by public auction or private treaty.

Mr Ned Gore appeared before the Board re - a disputed account repairs to mud cart. it was ordered to be paid.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr O'Malley seconded by Mr Burke that we the Tuam Town Commissioners request Mr Michael Dwyer to apply to the County Council for a portion of the Roads Grant to be applied to finish the streamlining of Dunmore and Galway roads. There are at present on the books of the Tuam labour exchange one one hundred demobilised national soldiers who are unemployed in addition there are a considerable number of others out of work.

The clerk was directed to write to Mr O'Malley Housing Inspector as to the best and proper way of disposing of the houses that are being built in order that other houses would be built with the proceeds. The Vincent-de-paul Society applied for and were granted the stall vacated by John Rowland (usual conditions)

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

The following letters were read -

A letter from the Inspector of Taxes Galway asking for receipts for £57-6-0 paid in respect of scavenging the market places.

The clerk was directed as there were no receipts to explain the matter, that the scavenging was done weekly by men working on the roads, it would cost the revenue account this sum if it had to be done independently by the Commissioners therefore the Road account should be debited with this amount -

A communication from the registrar of petty sessions stating £10-1-0 had been placed to the credit that portion of surplus moneys arising from the sale of licences under the Dogs Regulation Act for the year 1921.

From the Board of Public Works stating that no loans were at present being made for the construction of Town Hall, from the local loans fund

Quotation for Crane docket. O'Horman 3/- per book of 500 docket 5/2 per Book from Phoughlin Bb

A letter from Austin Concanon offering a depot for street sweepings free to the Commissioners accepted.

Messrs O'Malley, M. Walsh and the clerk were deputed to interview Mr Waldron about the price of his house and afterwards to interview the Treasurer re - loan for re construction the Town Hall - Messrs Senator Mrs Costello and Mr Cooney were deputed to see about the trunk road works

Signed On Behalf of The Board

Mayor

A. O'Malley Presiding Chairman

April 24th 1924

Special Meeting?

Resolution? We the undersigned Commissioners request you to call a special meeting of the Town Commissioners to consider the letting of the potato market to Mr Toft for 14 days or whatever time as may be agreed upon.

Signed
M. Dwyer, John Garvey, John Walsh, M. J. Walsh, P. Walsh, M. Cooney. =

Commissioners present? Messrs J. Walsh, A. O'Malley, M. J. Walsh, M. Dwyer, John Garvey, John Walsh, James Moran, Mrs Senator Costello,

Mrs Senator Costello presided.

Proposed by O'Malley seconded by Mr Dwyer that Mr Toft get the use of the potato market passed unanimously,

A communication was also read from Mr P. McTigue asking permission to have a door opened from his store to the potato market for access only for his motor car. adjourned to next monthly meeting the clerk was directed to put same on agenda

Signed On behalf of the Board

May 1924

Anthony O'Malley

presiding chairman

May 6th 1924

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs Senator Mrs Costello, A. O'Malley, M. J. Walsh, Patrick Walsh, Martin Cooney, John Walsh, John Garvey, John Burke, Patrick Byrne

Mr A O'Malley Presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Order were made and signed by the presiding chairman Mrs Costello and John Walsh for the following amounts

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| Revenue Account | £ 89 - 1 - 9 |
| Roads | £ 6 - 12 - 4 |
| Working | £ 210 - 0 - 0 |
| Housing Scheme | £ 148 - 17 - 10 |

The clerk was directed to write to the Commissioners of Valuation re-valuation of Tolls and Customs.

The following was read from Mr McTigue.

To the presiding chairman Town Commissioners

Dear Sir

I would feel very grateful if the Commissioners would allow me a door opening into my store from the Shamboes. I have purchased a motor car and find it impossible to get it in through the yard way. If the Board would grant my request, should they at any time require it, that I will undertake to do at one weeks notice

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours sincerely

P. McTigue

Mr M. J. Walsh proposed Mr John Garvey seconded that permission be given, the door to be used only for the car. The Boards Solicitor to draw the agreement at Mr McTigues expense -
In the meantime that Mr McTigues attention be drawn to the water flowing from his yard

May 6th 1924

Mr M. J. Walsh explained to the Board that Mr Malley and himself had interviewed The Agent Bank of Ireland about obtaining a loan to re-construct the Town Hall. he had given all particulars necessary, the Director replied stating they could not entertain the application. They also interviewed the manager Ulster Bank up to the present had got no reply —

Consideration was adjourned to a special to be held on Wednesday the 14th inst. ^{clear} To be considered at that meeting. The selling or letting of the Houses in construction, ^{and} sewerage at Mettall Terrace —

The following resolution was proposed by M. J. Walsh seconded by Mr Malley. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners call the attention of the County Board of Health and the L.G. Dept to the necessity of providing an ambulance to be stationed in Tuam. This was promised by Dr Boyd Barrett and Mr Whyaught at the time of the abolition of Tuam Hospital. At present owing to the great distance from which patients have to be removed to the central hospital, great delay and inconvenience is caused, and this can be prevented by having an ambulance stationed in Tuam, until such time as a cottage hospital is provided for the district —

Copies to be forward to The Minister Local Government, Dr Boyd Barrett, Mr Whyaught and Dr Siley see Co Board of Health Ardahan —

Mr Cooney proposed Mr John Gavey seconded. passed unanimous that all political prisoners be either released forthwith or tried. Copies to be forwarded to President Cosgrave and Minister of Home Affairs

Mr Burke proposed Mr Pat Walsh seconded a vote of sympathy with the relatives of Mrs Dooley

Mr M. J. Walsh proposed Mr P. Byrne seconded a vote of thanks to Mr Dwyer for securing a grant of £400 for steamrolling the streets —

A letter was read from Mr Cahill claiming £75 for damage to his field at Bally Gaddy Road owing to the sewerage from Mettall Terrace overflowing in the Centre of it —

Messrs A Malley and M. J. Walsh were deputed to arrange with Mr Cahill and fix an amount for compensation, as at present he has an injunction against the Commissioners for the same offence granted some years ago.

May 7th 1924

Obstruction of thoroughfare —

The following was received from Inspector Tobin Vice Guards Team —

Dear Sir

Reference above subject raised by you in your memo of the 9th inst. I wish to inform you that in future as in the past the Garda will notify you of all such offences that come under their notice and will act as witnesses in any prosecutions brought at suit of the Commissioners under the Act.

Trusting this will meet with the approval of the Commissioners and a reply to this effect will oblige

E. Tobin Inspector

P. Lanavan

Town Clerk

Copy of Sergeant Ruddy report to his inspector

The Inspector.

I have to report that I cautioned Mr J. Moran of near Street to remove his cars from the street opposite his garage. Mr Moran informed me that he would do so as soon as he would be able to get a place for his cars elsewhere. The cars has not yet been removed although Mr Moran cautioned on 26/4/24. I also cautioned Mr M. Rooney of Ship St to remove his cars as directed by the Commissioners. Mr Rooney has complied.

H. Ruddy Sergeant.

after a long discussion Mr Moran was granted an extension of time to get some other place for his cars that is up to Tuesday 3rd June

Re. Speed limit for motor cars passing through the town. The Clerk was directed to get quotations for eight notice boards — have same for next meeting

letter read from the Secretary Housing Dept. I am directed by the Ministry of Local Government to state that the Commissioners should endeavour to see the houses for immediate let to intending resident purchasers and thus provide funds for additional housing in the town. further consideration was adjourned to Wednesday the 14th inst.

Signed on behalf of the Board

John Burke Acting Chairman

June 1924

Wednesday 14th May 1924

Special Meeting? To Consider selling the House in course of Construction on Ballygaddy Road

Commissioners Present? ~~Mr~~ Senator Mrs Costello, Messrs Patrick Walsh, M. J. Walsh, A. O'Malley, John Garvey, M. Cooney, Patrick Byrne, John Burke. ~~M. J.~~
Mr Martin J. Walsh Presided

A letter read at last meeting of The Commissioners was before the Board and after a long discussion, it was proposed by Mr M. J. Walsh, seconded by Mr O'Malley that the houses be advertised for sale to resident occupiers for the sum of £200 — (two hundred pounds) each

The clerk was directed to write to the executors of the late Mrs Wooley for permission to take in 5 feet of the Church field and about 100 yards long on the Tisbury Road.

Wall to be built up and every thing to be left in a satisfactory manner.

negotiations in connection with the Town Hall were adjourned to the monthly meeting.

The clerk was directed to write to the Secretary of the County Council and find out if a loan could be borrowed from them for the re-construction of the Hall

Signed On behalf of the Board
John Burke

Presiding Chairman

June 1924

Tuesday June 3rd 1924

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs M. J. Walsh, M. Byrne, John Burke, A. O'Malley, M. Cooney, P. Byrne, Pat Walsh.
Mr John Burke Presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the Presiding Chairman, Messrs O'Malley and Cooney, for the following amounts:

| | | | | | |
|---------|-----|---|------|-----|---|
| Revenue | are | £ | 9. | 18. | 3 |
| Roads | are | £ | 13. | 5. | 3 |
| Working | are | £ | 225. | 0. | 0 |

Mr William Stapleton came before the board. Complained that Miss Healey of the Terrace whom he was staying with, threatened to evict him and get some other person that would pay her more money.

The clerk was directed to write to Miss Healey and state if this occurred. The Commissioners would deal with her afterwards —

Mr M. J. Walsh notice of motion that persons using the potato market for business purposes be required to pay rent annually to the Town Board, and notify Mr McTigue about term emplacements etc.

A letter was read from Mr Whelan Dublin in reference to the Commission's desire for a loan to improve the Town Hall building, and pointing out that the local Government Ministry before sanctioning a loan should hold an enquiry. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the Town Hall should be gone on with on the plan submitted by the Architect, and that Mr Kerkin Contractor be asked to proceed with the building immediately.

Doctor Foley Ardahan writing in reference to the Commission's views as to the need for a Cottage Hospital. He considered the whole matter should be discussed at a public meeting. The clerk was directed to forward the resolution to the Ministry for local Government and demanding the opening of a Cottage Hospital

The clerk was directed to write Mr Kennedy re-sewerage at McKeale Terrace as to cost of laying pipes joining with the new sewerage etc.

Tuesday June 3rd 1924

Messrs A. O'Malley and M. J. Walsh were deputed to wait on Mr. John Inspector re. Trains and others who are a nuisance in the Town.

The clerk was directed to write to the Ministry of Local Government and find out if there was any regulation as regards the speed limit through the Town with Motor Cars or any other ~~road~~ vehicles.

Mr. Thomas Moran was granted fourteen days to find a place for his cars, and to notify the Civic Guards to that effect.

R. advertise new houses for sale at £600. based. Tribune and Western papers.

To find out from Mr. Kennedy what would be the probable cost of Tarring the streets.

Estimate for warning signals from Mr. James Stockwell adjourned to next monthly meeting certificate in favour of Mr. Martin Burke Contractor from Mr. Kennedy for £500 —

Letters of Acknowledgements were read from the Minister of Home Affairs, President Cosgrave re. release of Political prisoners.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Burke seconded by Mr. Cooney. That we the Swan Town Commissioners protest against the continued detention of Political prisoners in Ireland and Great Britain and we demand the immediate ~~release~~ and unconditional release of all Irish Political prisoners whether sentenced or unsentenced —

A letter from John D. Egan applying for a site for a house at Ballygaddy Road. The Commissioners could not see their way to give the site.

The clerk was directed to return auditors' account fees and state that only one year should be charged for instead of three.

Signed On Behalf of The Board

July 1924

Anthony O'Malley

presiding Chairman

July 1st 1924

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs F. B. McDonagh, Martin Cooney, A. O'Malley, M. J. Walsh, Patrick Walsh, James Moran, Patrick Byrne, John Burke.

Mr. O'Malley presided.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, paying orders were made and signed by the presiding chairman. James Moran, M. J. Walsh.

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|----------------|---|----|------|
| Revenue a/c | £ | 27 | — |
| Roads a/c | £ | 13 | 15 8 |
| Working a/c | £ | 28 | 13 6 |
| Housing Scheme | £ | 7 | 10 0 |

Notice of motion by Mr. M. J. Walsh for parties using the potato market to pay an annual rent withdrawn.

The clerk reported that he had secured one of the rooms in the S.O.H. for an office and Board room for the Commissioners for the sum of £1-0-0 per month during the renovation of the Town Hall was approved of.

No applications were received for the New Houses on Ballygaddy Road. It was ordered they be re-advertised in Swan Herald and Bonaught Tribune for the highest tender.

Moving out of the minutes of last meeting re. Obstruction of Motor Cars etc. Mr. McDonagh proposed and Mr. Cooney seconded that the guards be instructed to report to the Commissioners about any wanton obstruction on the streets of the Town, also to ask the guards to notify parties on fair mornings to remove their carts to the potato market or side streets.

Mr. John Burke proposed and Mr. James Moran seconded regretting the departure of Father Moane from the Town and wishing him many years of happiness in his sacred calling.

A letter was read from Miss Healy McAule Terrace in reply to the clerk's letter re-complaint by Mr. Stapleton.

The clerk was directed to see both parties and arrange matters between them.

July 1st 1924

Quotation for warning signals ^{re speed limit} from Mr James Stockwell. no action was taken

A letter from Bartel Bros watch and clock makers re Town Hall clock. marked road -

A letter from L.G. Ministry stating ~~and~~ an instalment of £500 was forwarded to the Treasurer

From the Surveyor of Taxes asking to have an interview re Income Tax and thus obviate the necessity of further correspondence -

Re-speed limit a letter from the ministry that there is no record fixing a speed limit for motor cars in Tuam

list of fees to be prepared by the clerk and submitted to Messrs Cooney and O'Malley

Plan and specification was received for the sewerage at McHale Terrace no action was taken

Signed on behalf of the Board

August 1924

John Burke Presiding Chairman

Monthly Meeting August 5th 1924

Commissioners Present: Messrs Patrick Walsh, John Burke, Martin Cooney, James Moran, John Garvey, Patrick Byrne. Mr John Burke Presiding

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by The presiding Chairman Mr Byrne and Mr Cooney

for the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 59-13-8

Roads ^{Exp} £ 1-13-4

Mr Cooney proposed and Mr P. Walsh seconded a vote of thanks to the Inspector of the civil guards and Sergeant ^{Conroy} for the efficient manner in which the traffic was regulated on the race day.

The clerk was directed to get estimates for repairing the flags at Bishop Street, submit same to Mr Connolly and if approved of to get them done, and if not by Mr Connolly to get them done and be approved of by a Committee of the board

Tender for public lighting was received from Mr James Daly Secretary Tuam Electricity for 43 lamps at £3/0/0 per lamp. the board refusing to accept the tender at that price as they considered it too high Mr Daly being present at the Board meeting reduced the tender to £3-7-6 (Three pounds seven shillings and six pence per lamp) the tender was accepted and signed by the presiding chairman for that amount £3-7-6 according to advertisement that is from 1st September 1924 to 15th May 1925 The lamps on the square to be lighted at night at £2-0-0 extra and 300 Candle power other lamps 200 Candle power. offering as his sureties Edey McHugh and Michael Hoftus both of Bishop Street

accepted unanimous at £3-7-6 per lamp. tender marked accepted

A letter was read from Mr M. J. Walsh resigning from the Board. Mr James Moran proposed and Mr John Garvey seconded that Mr Walsh ^{be asked} to re-consider his decision and unanimously agreed that Mr Walsh would be a loss to the Board.

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Tender for Public Lighting

Monthly meeting Contd

August 5th 1924

After a long discussion it was agreed that two pig fairs be held each month.

A letter was read from the Secretary ~~of~~ of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust, notifying the different nominees of the County and asking to have a nominee appointed by the Tuam Town Commissioners. Mr John Burke was unanimously selected to represent the Town Commissioners on the Committee.

Rev Father Moore acknowledged the resolution passed at last meeting regretting his departure from the Town.

Mr John J. Egan of Hale Terrace replied to the advertisement re. Houses for Sale at Ballysaddy Road offering £400 — for one.

The Clerk was decided to submit his offer to the Secretary of the Housing Dept and ask him what would be a reasonable price to sell the houses at.

The Clerk was ordered to advertise for tenders to remove the scavenging or Road stuff from the potatoe market.

~~Re Broken Flays~~ Re. Sewerage at Mahale Terrace Messrs Cooney, O'Malley and Wynn were appointed to draft a resolution and forward same to the L. G. Dept ^{saying that as} ~~to~~ the District Council. ~~to~~ ~~consider~~ the sewerage from Mahale Terrace with the Town sewerage. The sanitary authority they should be compelled to make a sewer that would carry away the surface water from Mahale Terrace.

The Clerk was decided to notify the County Surveyor about the gully trap that was closed up by the Contractor at John Hessins place High Street.

To ask the Waterworks Committee to get notices put up indicating the location of each Hydrant on the streets —

The Clerk was decided that a fee of 2/6 be charged for the use of the sewer sticks in future.

Signed on behalf of the Board P. Walsh
Presiding Chairman

P. Banaran
Treasurer

Sept
August 1924

August 11th 1924

Special Meeting. To protest against the removal of the bodies from Tuam workhouse for re-interment at Athlone.

Commissioners present. John Burke. M. Cooney. A. Malley. John Garvey. P. Byrne. J. J. Curran adm also present. Mr John Burke Presiding

The following resolution was unanimously passed. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners most strongly protest against the action of the military in removing the bodies of executed prisoners from Tuam to Athlone. In all civilized countries the dead are sacred and are allowed to rest in peace, and it is unbecomingly that only in Holy Ireland are they disturbed. We hold that whatever offences have been committed by these prisoners, had been expiated by their death, and we call upon the Government without further ~~notice~~ delay to hand over their bodies to the friends.

Copies of this resolution to be sent to the Minister of Defence and T.D. of the County Galway.

A further meeting was held on Tuesday 15th August in connection with the handing over of the workhouse for a children's hospital.

Commissioners present - Messrs M. Cooney, A. Malley, John Burke, M. Cooney, P. Walsh and P. Byrne.

Mr O'Malley Presiding

The following resolution was passed unanimously. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners at a special meeting assembled, request the Galway County Council not to hand over the Tuam workhouse for a children's home or for any other purpose, as it is the intention of the people of Tuam that the place utilised for industrial purposes to give employment in the Town which is much needed. We would remind the County Council that the place has been already promised for that purpose by the Ministry of Local Government.

Signed on behalf of the Board P. Walsh
Presiding Chairman

P. Banaran Treasurer

September 1924

September 2nd 1924

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs S. Walsh, A. Malley, M. Cooney, John Garvey, Patrick Byrne, John Burke, James Moran

Mr Patrick Walsh presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman, Messrs John Burke and James Moran, for the following amounts

| | | | |
|----------|-----|---|---------|
| Revenue | afc | £ | 65-16-8 |
| Roads | afc | £ | 1-13-4 |
| Workings | afc | £ | 200-0-0 |

Only one tender was received for printing and advertising that of the Team Herald Company, as follows

General printing £ 15

Advertising £ 15

Electro printing if required

Crane tickets 2/- per book 500 tickets

Abstract of accounts and Auditor's report £2-2-0.

The above being the same prices as 1923/24 was unanimously accepted

The Clerk was directed to get estimates for repairing Custom and when repaired to be hired to any person or Company for £1 (one pound) at each time required. Messrs Malley and Cooney were appointed to meet Mr Cahill and arrange the amount for damage caused by the sewerage at Melkay Terrace going through his field.

Messrs Malley, Dwyer and Cooney were deputed to draft a resolution and same to be forwarded to the District Council in reference to the sewerage at Melkay Terrace.

The Clerk was directed to advertise for tenders to have the potato plants cleared out before next meeting.

September 2nd 1924

The County Surveyor notified the contractor that he had funds to steamroll the square, join up with the Dunmore ^{gate} at the Cathedral Gate and high street as far as M. S. Walsh's house and taking same, and asked to know if the Commissioners would continue the steamrolling and taking to join the Galway Road at Connoely Corner.

The Clerk was directed to get the probable cost of same and convene a special meeting of the Roads Committee to consider same.

The new houses at Ballybaddy Road to be re-advertised for the highest tender for next monthly meeting arising out of the hawkers selling Grocers goods on the square the Clerk was directed to see the Boards Solicitor and find out if they could be charged £20/- each

The Clerk drew attention to the complaints regarding pig fairs being too numerous and requested a re-consideration of the pig fairs for 1925

It was finally decided to ~~hold~~ ^{alter} the 1925 pig fairs to one fair each month that is the 2nd Wednesday together with the old and existing pig fairs.

A complaint from the Toll farmer about buyers going on the land convenient to the Town buying stock and interfering with the fairs also refusing to pay Tolls.

The Clerk was directed to get the Boards Solicitor to the parties referred to - namely Thomas Collier Glenamaddy and John Whyte Athleague.

A letter was read from the Secretary Housing Department re. offers for the houses at Ballybaddy road and for a ground rent of say £1-0-0 per annum and that any further offers be forwarded to them.

The Clerk was directed to again advertise for tenders the highest bidder if considered satisfactory to be the purchaser, subject to the approval of the Local Government Dept.

Mr Denis Breeden was granted permission to make a separate gate entrance and a dividing wall to his house at Parkmore Terrace also provide and erect a gate to the adjoining tenant, at his own expense.

The waterworks Committee were granted the use of the Town Clerk's office for holding meetings.

A letter from Mr M. J. Walsh adhearing to his resignation. The Clerk was again directed to write to ask him re-consideration his resignation.

October 1924

Signed on behalf of the Board
Mr Dwyer, Presiding Chairman

October 7th 1924

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present. Messrs J. Byrne, M. Dwyer, John Burke, Pat Walsh, John Garvey, James Moran. also Mr M. A. Murphy on behalf of The Soldiers and Sailors Association.

Mr M. Dwyer presided.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding Chairman, John Garvey and Patrick Walsh, for the following amounts

Revenue Account - £ 67. 1. 8
Roads Account - £ 18. 8. 4
Working Account - £ 225. 0. 0

Only one tender received for repairing Custom Box. The clerk was directed to get it done direct as the amount of tender received £3.15.0 was considered too high.

The Board was directed to get the labourers to repair fair Green Gaps at Tuellinadaly Road

Re. Steam rolling High Street as suggested by the County Surveyor. Messrs Byrne and Burke explained to the Board the County Surveyor's object to have it steamrolled that is, it been the only portion of the Town on the direct road between Galway and Dunmore undone and it would be well to continue same to Connolly's Crossing on the Galway Road. Mr Byrne proposed Mr Burke seconded that it be done passed unanimously. Messrs Byrne and P. Walsh together with the Clerk to interview the Engineer as regards the overdraft to the amount of £300.

Only one tender was before the meeting for the new dwellings as follows

Sailors and Soldiers Dept
30 lower Fitzwilliam Street
Dublin
30th Sept 1924

Irish Land (Provision for Sailors and Soldiers) Act 1919

Sir

The Department understand from their Inspector, Mr Murphy that the Tuam Town Commissioners are offering for sale five houses recently built on the

October 7th 1924

Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, at an inclusive cost of £500 per house for the fee simple. I am instructed, on behalf of the Irish Sailors and Soldiers Land Trust, to state that they would be willing to purchase these houses, subject to the formal certificate from our Engineer, provided that the purchase is approved of by the Ministry of Local Government and that an assurance is received that no refund of the Government subsidy will be claimed.

Yours Sir

Your Obedient Servant
J. P. Walsh

The Town Clerk
Tuam

The Board unanimously declined to accept the offer.

Mr Byrne proposed and Mr Burke seconded the following resolution. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners consider that it is not permissible to entertain the offer from the Trustees of the Ex-Soldiers and Sailors Fund for the purchase of the five cottages now erected under a special building scheme of the Louth Creamery for a totally different object, and we earnestly request in drawing attention to the deplorable congestion of the housing of the working classes in Tuam, that the trustees of the Ex-Soldiers and Sailors Fund will relieve it to some extent by applying portion of the funds for erection of some cottages for the ex-soldiers here, of whom there are about fifty and many of them in dire need of habitable accommodation. The Commissioners desire further to point out that they are in possession of an ideal site known as the blown plot which they would render available to the Trustees of Ex-Soldiers and Sailors fund for this object.

Copy of this resolution to be sent to the Dept of Soldiers and Sailors.

Messrs Boony & O'Malley reported that they interceded Mr Cahill about the compensation asked for in connection with the sewerage at McHale Terrace he wanted £90 but is £15/10 per annum for 6 years finally he decided to accept £30 — Messrs O'Malley and Boony offered him £30 in full and final payment up to 1st March 1925 without prejudice which he refused.

The Board approved of the offer £30 and directed the clerk to notify Mr Cahill if he will accept the amount, to be paid when the Board are in a financial position.

A certificate for £200 was received from the engineer in favour of Mr M. Burke Contractor for new cottages

A letter was read from the Housing Dept stating the houses should not be offered for sale until they are completed.

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October 7th 1924

A letter was read from Mr M. J. Walsh refusing to re-consider his decision of resigning the Board. his resignation was unanimously accepted.

Co. Option of a person ~~in~~ take place at next monthly meeting -

A letter was read from the Toll farmer asking to have the windows in the market house repaired also the Custom box. The clerk was directed to have the Custom box repairs before the fair -

A letter was read from the Bishop of Tuam asking the Board to have removed the lamp post on Tuam Road. to prevent trespassers climbing over the Palace wall. The clerk was directed to have it removed -

Signed On Behalf of the Board

November 1924

J. Costello presiding Chairman

Special Meeting -

October 15th 1924

P. Canavan Town Clerk =

Please convene a special meeting of the Town Commissioners to consider an application from Mr James Mullenway to erect a temporary shed in the potatoe market as a workshop

Signed James Moran
John Garvey
Michael Dwyer
John Walsh
Anthony O'Malley
John Burke
=

On October the 17th the following attended. Messrs A. O'Malley, John Burke, Jas Moran, John Garvey, Patrick Walsh.

Mr A. O'Malley presiding =

Mr John Garvey proposed Mr Patrick Walsh seconded. that James Moloney get the site for erecting a workshop in the potatoe market for six months, and in case he has not a house built by that time he to apply to the Board for a further extension of time passed unanimous.

Signed On Behalf of the Board

Nov 1924

J. Costello presiding Chairman

November 4th 1924

Monthly Meeting ?

Commissioners Present ? Mrs Costello, John Burke, Martin Cooney, John Walsh, A. O'Malley,
Patrick Walsh, James Moran, Patrick Byrne,

Mrs Senator Costello Presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed

Daying Orders were made and signed by the presiding Chairman, James Moran
and Mr M. Cooney,

The following Accounts

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| Revenue a/c | £ | 53.0.3 |
| Roads a/c | £ | 93.5.1 |
| Rates a/c | £ | 100.0.0 |

Mr Martin Cooney notice of motion to amend the first paragraph in Mr Byrne
resolution read at last meeting re - the small fair green known as Glorans plot -

Mrs Senator Costello volunteered to interview Mr Shaw T.D. on the matter of building Cottages
for the sailors and soldiers and that sites can be easily procured in Tuam -

Mr James Moran proposed seconded by Mr P. Walsh that Mr John H. Corcoran be
Co-opted Commissioner in room of Mr M.J. Walsh resigned.
no other candidate being proposed Mr Corcoran was unanimously elected

Mr Corcoran's declaration ?

I John H. Corcoran being Co-opted Commissioner of the Borough of Tuam hereby
declare that I take the said office upon myself and will duly and faithfully
fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and
ability -

Made and subscribed before me
this 11th day of November 1924
Patrick Conavan Town Clerk

John H. Corcoran
Anthony O'Malley

Cours

November 4th 1924

Mr Hamill was granted £5.0.0 per annum for a depot for street sweepings on the Palace ground
via Dunmore road

The clerk was directed to get ^{a copy of} the advertisement ^{from the Engineer} for the Town ~~clerk~~ and advertise for
same also
notify the engineer about two bills on hands and if not suitable to be disposed of

To notify Mr Owen McNaaber about repairing the footpath at his place on High Street

No offers were before the meeting for the Cottages on Ballyaddy Road. The clerk was directed to
advertise them at 12/6 per week a special meeting to be held on the 18th Inst to consider same -

Re-water works - Mr O'Malley proposed Mrs Costello seconded the following resolution -
That no appointment be made in room of Mr B. Shire (deceased) for three months
and that his brother John Shire be appointed temporary to do for that period.

The clerk was directed to notify Mr Owen McNaaber High Street to have the footpath at the entrance
to his yard repaired -

An application was read from Mr Stapleton for Miss Healey Cottage, he having lived in the house for
the past two years. Mr Moran proposed Mr Walsh seconded that the Cottage be given to Mr Stapleton
at 5/- per week, no other application being received it was unanimously given -

At a subsequent meeting the same Commissioners present including Mr Dwyer to consider an offer

of £500 from Mr Quinn solicitor without giving applicant ^{name} ~~name~~. The following
resolution was proposed by Mr Dwyer seconded by Mr Byrne. That the name of the
intending purchaser be submitted to the Commissioners and if approved of by the Board,
the offer to be accepted. The following advertisement to be inserted in Tuam Herald

That The Tuam Town Commissioners will consider at a special meeting to be held in
the Clerk Office at the Hall on Tuesday the 18th Inst at 8 O'clock P.M. applications for
purchase of the new houses on Ballyaddy Road at £500 each.

In the event of they not being sold, applications will be considered at same
meeting for the letting of the houses at 12/6 per week - An account from Mr J. Connelly
for £7- for making 4 drains was referred to District Council

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A letter was read from the Tuam Traders Protective Association, drawing the attention of the Commission to the inconvenience caused to the weekly markets, by the hoardings and stalls erected by Hawkers and others on the square

The following resolution was proposed by Mr O'Malley seconded by Mr James Moran and passed unanimously. That the Board be instructed to notify the Civic Guards, that no trader or Hawker having four wheeled vehicled Cars displaying their wares be allowed to put their stand on the square, but be sent down to the potato shambles at the far end of which there is plenty of room. The Civic be ^{also} asked to enforce the order, which applies to owners of motors plying for hire on the streets =

November 10th 1924

Inopportune Meeting held this day, to consider steamrolling shop street before the plant left the town. Messrs O'Malley, Jas Moran, Pat Walsh, M. Cooney and Mr Senator Costello

Mr O'Malley presided - The Clerk was directed to arrange with the Ganger Redington to have shop street rolled to Corcoran's Corner, and if funds are available to continue to the end of Foster Row -

Signed on Behalf of the Board

Anthony O'Malley,
Presiding Chairman

Dec 1924

Special Meeting

November 18th 1924

To consider applications for new houses on Racybaddy Road -

Commissioners present - Messrs Mr Senator Costello, F. B. McDonagh, Anthony O'Malley, M. Cooney, Patrick Walsh, John Walsh, John Garvey, James Moran, Michael Dwyer, John H. Corcoran, Patrick Byrne, John Burke.

Mr F. B. McDonagh presided

The following was received from Messrs Conway & Quin Solicitors. In reply to your letter of the 10th Inst. we write to say that Miss Margaret Sweeney of Blookelly Tuam, is the person on whose behalf we made the proposal to purchase from the Tuam Town Commissioners the detached house and plot near the Tuam Presbytery. Please let us see the map of the plot showing the ground exactly going with it, and also the architect's plan and specification as we understand the building is not yet completed

Yours truly
Conway & Quin

Mrs Senator Costello proposed Mr McDonagh seconded that Miss Sweeney get the house at £500. passed unanimously subject to the approval of the L. G. Dept -

An offer of £450 was received from Mr John J. Egan ^{for the house near the fair Green} W. Hale Terrace, the Commission to pay all expenses in connection with the deeds of transfer etc.

Mr John Garvey proposed Mr Byrne seconded that the offer be accepted, if he pays his own solicitor in connection with the deeds of transfer also the Commission reserving the right to connect the sewerage from W. Hale Terrace with the (man hole) on above mentioned plot. And subject to the sanction of local government Dept.

Twelve applications were received for the three houses vacant. namely -

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|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Joseph Cooney | The Mall | Maude Quinlan | Galway Road |
| John Walsh | The Mall | Thomas Philbin | Bloommoyle |
| John Greenham | bit Road | James Modoney | Dublin Road |
| Paddy Wanhose | High Street | Patrick McGeogh | Galway Road |
| Peter Parret | Bishop Street | Mr McBotley | Tuam |
| Edward Fahy | Bishop Street | James Cooney | Lullinadey Road |

November 1924

Special Meeting Contd.

The following were proposed and seconded - Joseph Cooney, John Walsh, Maude Quinlan, Paddy Donohoe, James McLooney, Mr McBarthy, John Greenham, James Cooney,

On a vote being taken. John Walsh 9. Joseph Cooney ^{2nd} 7. Maude Quinlan ^{3rd} 5

The above were declared tenants at 12/6 per week four weeks rent payable in advance.

Applications were received from the Royal Insurance Company, The Patriotic and The Hibernian. It was unanimously decided to insure with The Royal £600 per house -

A final certificate was read from the architect for the completion of the houses and a certificate for the Contractor of £250-5-0 leaving a balance of £144-15-0 due to the Contractor for future certificates.

The following letter was read but no action was taken -

St Gallath's Tuam 17th November 1924

I have no hesitation in saying that in my opinion Benamaddy is a much more suitable place for the children's home. That such a public place as Tuam

+ T. P. Gilmanin
Archbishop of Tuam

Signed on Behalf of The Board

Dec 1924

Anthony O'Malley
presiding chairman

December 2nd 1924

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs John Walsh, James Moran, John Garry, Patrick Walsh, A O'Malley, Mr Costello, Mr Cooney, John Burke, Patrick Byrne

Mr O'Malley presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed - Paying Orders were made and signed by The Presiding Chairman Messrs Burke and Byrne for the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 20-17-4
Roads Account £ 98-15-4

Notice of motion by Mr Cooney to rescind the last paragraph in Mr Byrne's resolution passed at ^{previous} last monthly meeting (namely The Commissioners desire further to point out that they are in ~~possession~~ possession of an ideal site, known as the Cloran plot, which they would render available to the Trustees of the the Ex. Sailors and Soldiers fund for this object)

Mr Cooney proposed and Mr Patrick Walsh seconded that the above paragraph be rescinded, passed unanimously.

Mr Cooney proposed seconded by Mr O'Malley that the County Surveyor be asked to have a footpath made or continued from the first bridge to Cloranassa when the road is being steamrolled,

The Clerk was directed together with the presiding chairman Mr O'Malley to interview Mr Moran on the Boards Solicitor to draft bye laws in relation to obstruction etc or any other matter necessary -

The following letters were read - From the Minister of Local Government, stating that he had no objection to the proposal of the Commissioners to sell two of the houses to Miss Sweeney Clonkealy Tuam and John J. Egan White Terrace for the sums of £500 and £400 respectively. The Minister's approval to these sales is, however, subject to the Commissioners reserving a nominal ground rent of say £1- per annum in each case. The proceeds of the sales should be lodged to a separate account and proposals in regard to the application of these funds should be submitted at an early date for the approval of the Minister under section 11 of the Housing Ireland Act 1919. The Clerk was directed to state the houses were sold free of all ~~also~~ encumbrances and that the purchaser would not pay ground rent
A letter from the Secretary of the Housing Dept asking for a detailed statement

Monthly Meeting Contd

December 2nd 1924

A letter from the Secretary of the Housing Dept stating an instalment of £90 has been paid to the Commissioners Treasurer. That the instalment now paid is the largest warranted by the expenditure from local sources. From the figures furnished in the statement which accompanied your letter of the 9th instant the total expenditure appears to be £2,557-7-0 (excluding payments in respect to loan charges). To the date of your letter the sum of £1,674. had been issued from the grant leaving the local expenditure only £883-7-0 and. Twice this amount has now been issued from the grant.

The total sum available under the approved scheme is £3,348 — made up of Rates £279 loan £837 Grant £2,232 —. The question of the payment of the final instalment of the grant will be considered when a detailed statement of the all-in cost of the scheme as completed is furnished and the Commissioners contributions from Rates and loan have been expended in full.

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Copy of Inspectors report received from the Housing Dept dated 11th November 1924

Team Town Commissioners 5 new houses

I inspected the above on the 9th November 1924. The painting to the detached house is in hands and will be ready in a few days. The wire fencing of the plot in connection with this detached house should be removed in to the Gable of this house in order to leave room for four more houses on the remainder of the site —

A letter from the County Surveyor stating he had instructed (Ganger) Redington to do on week work on Dublin Road when finished in Ship Street —

The following read from Inspector John Civil guards in reply to a resolution passed at last monthly meeting - asking the Commissioners to make bye laws. until such is done that the resolution cannot be enforced -

The clerk together with M. Maesey were requested to see Mr Coonan the Boards Solicitor and ask him him to draft same

Monthly Meeting Dec 2nd 1924

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Mr Cooney proposed Mr Garvey seconded that Mr P. Donohoe get the house on Nettale Terrace when vacated by Mr Egan at 7/- per week. granted unanimous

An application from the Ganger M. Brisham for a coat and leggings. Mr James Moran proposed Mr P. Walsh seconded that he get them - unanimous -

Mr O'Malley Proposed Mr Cooney seconded that a resolution or recommendation be forwarded to the County Surveyor in favour of Mr Martin Redington for the able and satisfactory manner in which he carried on the steamrolling of the town.

The clerk drew attention to the remarks of the civic guard inspector in reference to decrees in favour of the Commissioners for rates. and notify the District Justice at next Court of the Commissioners. Can procure a man to execute such decrees with the aid of the guards —

The clerk was directed to notify the Gauger to attend all monthly meetings in future

Signed On Behalf of the Board

January 1925

Anthony Malley Residing Chairman

January 6th 1925

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? Messrs A. Malley, Patrick Byrne, John H. Conoran, James Moran, Pat Walsh, John Burke, John Garvey, also Henry Conoran Esq. Boards Solicitor

Mr Malley Presided -

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding chairman. Mr James Moran & Pat Walsh for the following Amounts

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|--------------------|--------------|
| Revenue | £ 72 - 8 - 0 |
| Roads | 4 - 7 - 9 |
| Working | 603 - 6 - 0 |
| Town Hall Building | 41 - 3 - 9 |
| Housing Scheme | 146 - 3 - 10 |

Mr Conoran (Boards Solicitor) attended the meeting ^{with} reference to the proposal to adopt bye laws for the Town consequent on Superintendent Robin's letter to a former meeting of the Board, desiring to prosecute for street obstruction unless bye-laws were promulgated controlling them ~~under the Town Act~~. Mr Conoran was of opinion that there was no necessity for bye-laws as under the Town Improvement Act, the Board had ample power to prosecute in the case of street obstruction, but they should be the proceeding party, and the guards should be asked to prove the obstruction -

It was unanimously decided to prosecute some of the worst offenders at next court -

Three applications were received for the use of the Hall for the opening night viz Tuam Boursing Club, St Gailath's Dramatic Club, and St Vincent-de-Paul Society

It was decided to adjourn all applications to next monthly meeting

Mr John Burke drew attention to the state of the road at Brays house Clonliffe Road. The clerk was directed to write to the County Surveyor and see what could be done to prevent the flooding - Messrs Byrne, Burke and Moran were deputed to wait on the County Surveyor and see ~~what could be done~~ that necessary arrangements be carried out to prevent it

January 6th 1925

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The clerk was directed to write the County Surveyor about advertising for Town block

A long letter was read from Messrs Patrick Ryan, Paddy Monaghan and Mrs Nora Ryan, claiming compensation for surface damage to Clonliffe hill for the removal of grave for roads and streets of the Town.

The clerk stated that the landlord and tenants were at law, but they the Commissioners contracted for gravel delivered at per ton. The letter was marked read

A certificate for £ 500 second instalment was received from the Engineer in favour of the Contractor for Town Hall Building

The following resolution was proposed by Mr Garvey seconded by Mr Moran. That we the Tuam Town request the The amalgamated Railway Co. to run a special market train from Claremorris, reaching Tuam Station at 9.30 A.M. - And leaving in the evening at 6.30 P.M. These trains to run on Saturdays, Fair days and church holidays. We know that they will be a great convenience and a considerable benefit to the Town and Country -

Signed by On Behalf of The Board

Feb 1925

Anthony Malley Presiding Chairman

Monthly Meeting Febry 3rd 1925.

Commissioners present =

Messrs P. Byrne, A. O'Malley, Patrick Walsh, M. Cooney, John Burke, John H. Conoran,
James Moran, M. Dwyer, John Garvey

Mr O'Malley presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding chairman, M. Cooney and Patrick Walsh for the following amounts

Revenue Account £ 36.9.11
Roads Account £ 5.17.6

Adjourned applications from last monthly meeting for the opening night of the Town Hall were read from the Coursing Club, Vincent de-Paul Society, and St. Jarlath Dramatic Club. Vincent de-Paul Society withdrew in favour of the Coursing Club. Mr James Moran proposed Mr Garvey seconded that the Coursing Club get the use of the Hall. No other application was proposed it was unanimously decided to give it to the Coursing Club.

Mr Garvey drew attention to the weather guide for the Tower, the clerk was directed to write to the County Surveyor

Three apt tenders were read for the erection of the clock for Town Hall as follows

A. H. Smith Jeweller Limerick £250-0-0
Ganter Bros 100 Dublin £208-10-0
Stephen Keller 60 Galway £208-10-0

Mr Keller being practically ~~being~~ a local man and employing local labour his tender was unanimously accepted for £208-10-0
The clerk was directed to forward the tender to the Engineer for his approval

Mr Cooney drew attention to the danger in coming to town on dark night at the end of Tuenaadaly road and a lamp should be erected -

Mr James Moran proposed Mr Pat Walsh seconded that a lamp be erected passed unanimous - Messrs Cooney, Conoran and P. Walsh to point out the place for erection of same,

Monthly Meeting contd 3/2/1925

A letter was read from Mr M. Cahill asking to be supplied with a copy of the minutes relative to the sewerage at McHale Terrace -
The clerk was directed to forward same -

A letter from the representative of the Irish National Assurance Company applying for the insurance of Town Hall -
Consideration adjourned until the Hall is finished

Application from Mr Tipton for use of the Shambles for week commencing 17th March refused unanimous on account of Spring Markets

A letter from the Tuam Traders Association calling attention to the obstruction caused by the bowlers on the square on market days

The clerk was directed to prosecute and ask the civil guards to remove obstruction

A letter from Mr James Smyth tenant at McHale notifying the Board of the destruction caused by the storm to the tiles on the roof of his house and adjoining houses at McHale Terrace.

The clerk was directed to get orders to put on the tiles, Messrs Walsh and H. Conoran to make arrangement as to cost of same -

Signed On Behalf of the Board

March 1925

P. Walsh Presiding Chairman

March 2nd 1925

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs A O'Malley, Patrick Byrne, Patrick Walsh, James Moran, John Garvey, John H. Corcoran

Mr Patrick Walsh presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed - Paying Orders were made and signed for the following amounts by the presiding chairman Patrick Walsh, James Moran and A O'Malley for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 199-11-11
Roads a/c £ 99-10-1

The tenants paying 5/- weekly rent on McHale Terrace appeared before the Board to have their houses repaired and cement plastered.

The matter was adjourned as there was no funds for repairs also the clerk was directed to write to the Board of Works and find out if by any means the tenants take over the liability of the Town Commissioners and deal direct with the Board of Public Works.

Missing out of the amount of local rate the clerk was directed to again write to the County Council and Valuation Office to find out what is the cause of delay in revising the Tolls and Customs and as a protest rates will not again be paid until such revision is made -

Mr O'Malley proposed Mr P. Walsh seconded a vote of thanks to the Race Committee for fixing the tariff on race course for the use of sports etc -

Mr O'Malley referred to money collected by Mr Walsh and himself in High Street for young men who guarded the Town after the R.I.B. had vacated the Town. It was ordered to be handed back to those who subscribed -

Letters were read from the County Surveyor stating he had forwarded a certificate in favour of Mrarkin for Town Hall Building £500 - also that he approved of Mr Fallers tender for Town Hall Clock

Application for Insurance of Town Hall from the Hibernian Co was adjourned until the building was complete -

March 2nd 1925

Letter from Local Government Board Dept notifying postponement of elections -

Two applications were read from applicants for 16-11 McHale Terrace not yet vacated - adjourned until house would be vacant.

A letter from The Railway Co stating that a train will leave Tuam for Blackmore at 4.55 pm on and from 2nd March. hereby allowing more time for business in Tuam. It is to be regretted that the early morning train to Tuam cannot at present be arranged. -

Anthony O'Malley

Signed On Behalf of the Board

April 1925

Presiding Chairman

Inopportune meeting? De-Weigh Bridge March 25th 1925

Commissioners present? A O'Malley, James Moran, John Garvey, John H. Corcoran, P Byrne, M Cooney, Pat Walsh, John Burke

Mr O'Malley presided - The clerk reported that the weighbridge got broken badly and asked to know what was going to be done -

The clerk was directed to take the broken part by motor to Galway the following day and get a similar part cast by Beatty Bros and have same put in immediately in the meantime the clerk to get quotations for a new weighbridge

April 1927

Anthony O'Malley

Signed On Behalf of the Board
Presiding Chairman

Monthly meeting April 8th 1925

Commissioners present: Messrs M. Wrye, A. O'Malley, J. H. Concanon, M. Cooney, John Garvey, John Burke, Patrick Byrne, James Moran, John Walsh, Patrick Walsh

Mr A. O'Malley presiding

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Saving Orders were made and signed by the presiding chairman Mr Wrye and Mr John Walsh for the following amounts

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|---------------------|--------------|
| Revenue | £ 66. 16. 7 |
| Roads | £ 13. 15. 10 |
| Working | £ 21. 0. 0 |
| Town Hall Buildings | £ 525. 0. 0 |

Mr John Burke proposed Mr John Garvey seconded that three hoarding be erected in the town for bill posting etc and that same be advertised applications for erecting same be considered at next monthly meeting -

Mr Bromford solicitor on behalf of Mr Concanon appeared before the Board to have the transfer deed signed in transferring the cottage lately erected and sold for the sum of £500 to Missweeney Mr Quinn acting as her solicitor. The deeds of transfer to Mr Egan for the house sold at £450 not being ready was adjourned to next meeting -

Arising out of the above transaction the case was directed to write to the Housing Dept and find out if the £100 bonus was available for the erection of new houses and if so that tenders be invited for the erection of four houses in blocks of two each on the same plans as those after being built -

The clerk was directed to find out from Mr Kennedy County Surveyor if the occupiers of the premises were liable for repairs of footpath opposite their Gate way leading to Yards -

The clerk was directed to have the footpath at Bishop repaired with Concrete -

Mr Byrne proposed Mr John Garvey seconded that ~~that~~ the Great Southern Railway be asked to have a special train to Tuam ~~on Sunday~~ from Dublin and intermediate stations for the convenience of buyers attending the cattle fair at Tuam on May 11th =

Monthly Meeting Contd April 7th 1925

The clerk reported to the Board that Mr James Muloney's terms of six months had expired for the temporary workshop on the potato market.

The clerk was directed to have a copy of the minute given to Mr Concanon Boards solicitor to have an agreement drawn up between the Board and Mr Muloney -

Resolution of Mr Wrye asking the Board of Agriculture to supply a five or ten Ton weight bridge also calling attention to the Income Tax etc was submitted to Messrs Byrne, Burke and Mr Wrye proposer of resolution and if approved of, copy of same to be forwarded to L. G. Dept and Board of Agriculture in due course -

Invitation from Bohair Beanntra Town Hall Galway, To Commemorate the sacrifice of all who have given their lives for Irish freedom in and since 1916 on Easter Sunday next in Galway

The Board decided that any member of the Board could go and left the matter open -

Communications from L. G. Dept were read relative to forthcoming elections fixing the date etc -

A letter from Inspector of Income Tax assessing the Board at £81.5.0. The case stated he had already appeal to this amount, as the amount charged for 1923/24 was £55 - and no increase of revenue since -

The following was received from the office of Public works -
To the Town Clerk -

In reply to your letter of the 10th inst. we beg to inform you that with the exception of loans to farmers etc. under the Land Improvement Acts. All loans from the local funds are at present suspended by direction of the Ministry of Finance. In the circumstances loans could not be made to enable tenants of artisans dwellings to purchase the houses they occupy - If the Town Commissioners have adopted the Small Dwellings Acquisition Act, they could possibly borrow in the open market with the consent of the Dept of Local Government and Public Health, for the purpose of advancing money to the tenants to purchase their houses.

W Taylor
for Secretary

Monthly Meeting Contd

April 6th 1925

A letter from Mr Collins Asst County Surveyor notifying the Board not to remove any screenings from Bishop Street

Communication from Messrs Conway & Quinn Solicitors enclosing a demand for £ 60-0-0 for Taxes uncollectable on Eggs same being notified on schedule -
adjourned to next monthly meeting in the mean time the case to Consult The Board's Solicitor

Signed On Behalf of the Board

May 1925

Thos. W. Donohoe

Presiding Chairman

a letter

April 18th 1925

Special Meeting to Consider, from Mr Conneron re - Jas Moloney's workshop on Potatoe market

Commissioners present ? Messrs A. O'Malley, John Burke, Patrick Byrne, Jas Moran

Mr John Burke presided -

The following was read from Mr Conneron -

Dear Sir

In reference to your conversation with me when you informed me that the Town Commissioners desire me to prepare an agreement between them and Mr James Moloney in reference to a building erected by him in the potatoe market.

I do not know exactly what the Commissioners desire, but I think they would have no power to make a letting, of that is what they want to do, of the ground on which I understand, with their permission Mr Moloney built the house. I think the only course to them is to let Mr Moloney have the ground as a permissive occupant. That is, at any time the Commissioners desired to get possession, they have only to demand it, and if refused bring an ejectment

Yours faithfully
Henry Conneron

Mr John Burke proposed Mr Jas Moran seconded, that a permissive right be given to Mr Moloney and that an agreement be drawn by Mr Conneron, Mr Moloney to defray all expenses.

passed unanimous

Signed on Behalf of the Board

May 1925

Thos. W. Donohoe Presiding Chairman

Monthly meeting May 5th 1925

Commissioners Present? Messrs F. P. McDonagh, John Walsh, Patrick Byrne, M. Cooney, M. Dunger, John H. Boreoran, John Burke, Patrick Walsh, John Garvey,

Mr F. P. McDonagh Presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding chairman Mr Cooney and Mr Byrne

Revenue Account £ 13-8-8
Roads Account £ 5-16-10

Three sealed tenders were received for the building of four cottages in blocks two each were adjourned unopened to a special meeting pending the inspection of the site by Mr O'Malley Housing Inspector who will be here on the 9th inst as per Telegram for the Housing Department
no tenders received for erecting three hoardings - for Mill posting

Tender from Mr Martin Burke for re-laying 20 tiles in cement Motor No 15 & 17 M'Kale Terrace for the sum of £ 1-17-6 was accepted provided he replaces the slates off the roof

The clerk was directed to send the men to knock down the portion of the boundary wall back more Terrace which is considered dangerous.

The clerk was directed to notify the tenants on M'Kale Terrace who have Motor Cars on their premises that in case of extra insurance being charged they must pay same, else have their cars removed. The clerk to also notify insurance company -

Mr Richard Dunphy wrote asking the Board asking permission to have a garage erected between No 1 and No 2 Terrace same to be made of Galvanised Iron.

Messrs McDonagh, Cooney and Boreoran were deputed to see the place and report at next meeting.

Mr Cooney drew attention to the lamp on the square being unlighted. The clerk was directed to notify Mr Daly

Mr Cooney proposed Mr McDonagh seconded that the County Council be asked to fix a speed ^{limit} for Motor Cars and Motor Bicycles within the borough. and give control to the guards as regards same

Contd

May 5th 1925

The clerk was directed to write to the Manager Great Southern Railway for an explanation as to why the excursion to Dublin for the Kerry and Dublin G.A.S. match was not ext^d extended to L^{am} same as Loughrea, Ballinrobe and other smaller Towns also
To request that train arriving here from Ligo at 8 o'clock be continued to Athenry in order to connect with the Mail Train to Dublin this would facilitate the people of Inam and District as the hour for posting at present is 5.45 if this train is granted ^{the} hour for posting could be extended to 7.45 and return with mails from Athenry

application from Mr David Dwyer for a house on M'Kale Terrace to be vacated in June. was adjourned

A letter from The Royal Exchange Assurance re. Town Hall was adjourned until Hall would be finished

Signed on Behalf of The Board
G. B. M. Cooney M.C. Coy. Sec 16's
Presiding Chairman

June 1925

May 14th 1925

Special Meeting To Consider tenders for the erection of four Cottages on Ballybaddy Road

Commissioners present. Messrs - F. B. McDonagh. M. Dwyer. Pat Walsh. John H. Boregan
John Garvey John Burke. A. O'Malley.

Mr McDonagh presided - Two tenders were read viz

David Dwyer £ 1760
Martin Burke £ 1490 per house = £ 1760

Both tenders were considered too high. The Clerk was directed to re-advertise for two houses in one block - to be considered at next monthly meeting.
Mr O'Malley explained to the Board his interview with Mr O'Malley Engineer as regards the grant that £100 would be granted for each house.

A letter was read from Mr Wm Keane relative to the unsatisfactory state of the ruins lately occupied by Mr Gannoy.

The Board referred him to the District Council or Sanitary Authority

Signed on behalf of the Board

E. B. Keane
Mise Coirdeola
Presiding Chairman

June 1925

Monthly Meeting

June 2nd 1925

Commissioners present - Messrs F. B. McDonagh, M. Dwyer, John Burke, Patrick Byrne, Patrick Walsh, John Walsh, John Garvey, Mrs Senator Costello, James Moran, M. Booney, John H. Boregan

Mr Costello Presided

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the Presiding Chairman. Mr Dwyer and Mr McDonagh for the following amounts.

| | |
|----------------|-------------|
| Revenue | 74 - 6 - 8 |
| Roads | 1 - 13 - 4 |
| Housing Scheme | 146 - 1 - 9 |

Only one tender was received for the building of two Cottages in one block at Ballybaddy Road. viz Mr David Dwyer for the sum of £ 920 - which was unanimously accepted subject to the sanction of L. Gov Dept

The following was received from the Galway County Council in reply to a resolution to a speed limit of motor vehicles going through the Town. The Clerk so send copy of same to the Guards the speed limit to be 10 miles per hour through the town.

Local Gov Ministry Dublin

14th November 1925

Proposed speed limit

A. Chace.

With reference to your letter of the 5th inst and enclosure, requesting the Minister for local Government to make Orders fixing the limit of speed for driving Motor cars in the Galway Urban District and through the towns of Ballina, Blifden, Genuemaddy, Gort, Loughrea, Mountbellaw, Usherard, Portumna, Ballygar, Dunmore, Headford, and Tuam, I am directed to refer to Section 1 of the Motor Car Act, 1903 (the provisions of which renders it an offence to drive a motor car on a public highway recklessly or negligently, or at a speed or in a manner dangerous to the Public) and to request that you will be so good as to state why the provisions of this section of the Act will not suffice to ensure the safety of the Public without an order being made

Mise le Meas

Sqn E. P. McGarron Sec

Monthly Meeting Contd June 3rd 1925

Mr McDonagh on behalf of the Committee appointed to inspect the place where Mr Dunphy wanted to erect a Garage report that they did not consider it a proper place as the Commissioners may some time require the plot as there is a portion of same plot used in.

The Clerk was directed to notify the tenant who erected same, to have it removed -

Four applications were received for No 11 McHale Terrace viz David Dwyer Andrew Nipton Martin Cahill Peter Barrett. after a poll being taken Andrew Nipton was declared tenant usual terms 5/- per week

Three Insurance Companies applied for the Town Hall Insurance namely The Hibernian, The Royal and Royal Exchange

It was proposed Mr M. Cooney proposed Mr J. H. Corcoran recorded that the Royal Insurance to get the Insurance of the Town Hall including the block for the sum of (£4000) (four thousand pounds)

In reply to a resolution passed at the last meeting relative to the Continuation of the Train running here from ^{at Sligo} Blaumorris to proceed to Athlery and catch the mail from Galway. The Traffic Manager wrote stating that the night Mail leaves Athlery at 8:06 PM and the present train arriving in Tuam at 8 PM could not be got to Athlery before 8:40 PM and therefore could not make the connection -

The Clerk was directed to state that the train mentioned arrives at Blaumorris from Sligo at 6.15 AM and could easily get to Athlery before 8:06 PM

Re. Excursion Kerry and Dublin Football Match. The Railway Company states they were not asked by the G. 4.7 Authorities, but will bear in mind future excursions

Policy No 25466 Hibernian Insurance Company acknowledged receipt of communication from Town Clerk stating that if the Garages were checked by the tenants and do not communicate with the dwellings. it will not prejudice the Commissioners policy

Engineers certificate was received in favour of Mr Harbin Contractor for the sum of £400 -

Signed On Behalf of the Board
John Burke Chairman

July 1925

June 1925

Declaration of Commissioners Elected

North West Ward

I Martin Cooney being chosen Commissioner for the above name Ward in the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said Office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof, according to best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me }
this day of June 1925 } Martin Cooney
Patrick Hanavan Town Clerk

North West Ward

I John H. Corcoran being chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said Office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof, according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me }
this day of June 1925 } J H Corcoran
Patrick Hanavan Town Clerk

North West Ward

I Patrick McGuire being chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said Office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof, according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me }
this day of June 1925 } Patrick McGuire
Patrick Hanavan Town Clerk

1 N.W.

2 N.W.

3 N.W.

Photo

Elected

Elected

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June 1925

North West Ward

Declarations Booked

I Anthony O'Malley having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

Anthony O'Malley

Electo

North West Ward

I Patrick Walsh having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam, hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

Patrick Walsh

Electo

North West Ward

I Martin Joseph Walsh having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

Martin Joseph Walsh

Electo

North East Ward

I Daniel Joseph Butler having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

Daniel J Butler

Electo

4 NW

5 NW

6 NW

1 NE

June 1925

North East Ward

Declarations Booked

I Edward Joseph Banney having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

Edward Banney

Electo

North East Ward

I Michael William Cahill having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

M. W. Cahill

Electo

South Ward

I John Burke having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the town of Tuam hereby 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

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

John Burke

Electo

South Ward

I Patrick J. Byrne having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said duties on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me this day of June 1925 Patrick Banaran Town Clerk

Patrick J Byrne

Electo

2 NE

3 NE

1 S

2 S

Galway County Council Archives

Declarations Court

South Ward

I James Moran having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward, hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

3. S.

Made and subscribed before me this 30th day of June 1925
Patrick Banavan Town Clerk

James Moran Elected

South Ward

I Martin Joseph O'Brien having been chosen Commissioner for the above named Ward in the Town of Tuam hereby declare that I will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

4. S.

Made and subscribed before me this 30th day of June 1925
Patrick Banavan Town Clerk

Martin Joseph O'Brien Elected

I Michael Heskin having been Co-opted Commissioner for the South Ward in the Borough of Tuam hereby declare that I will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

5 S.

Made and subscribed before me this 20th day of July 1925

Patrick Banavan Town Clerk

Michael Heskin Co-opted

I Thomas Bonnelly having been Co-opted Commissioner for the North East Ward in the Borough of Tuam hereby declare that I will duly and faithfully fulfil the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

A. N.E.

Made and subscribed before me this 20th day of July 1925

Banavan Town Clerk

Thomas Bonnelly Co-opted

June 1925

Election of Town Commissioners

| North West Ward | | Result of Election | |
|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|---|
| Byrne | Patrick J | 1 | + |
| Booney | Martin | 2 | ✓ |
| Bocoran | John H | 3 | ✓ |
| Bonnely | Thomas | 4 | + |
| Heskin | Michael | 5 | + |
| WTigue | Patrick | 6 | ✓ |
| Omalley | Anthony | 7 | ✓ |
| Walsh | Patrick | 8 | ✓ |
| Walsh | Martin Joseph | 9 | ✓ |

withdrew their nominations

Messrs Patrick Byrne, Thomas Bonnely and Michael Heskin, I declare the following six candidates elected — Messrs Martin Booney, John H. Bocoran, Patrick WTigue, Anthony Omalley, Patrick Walsh, Martin J. Walsh

North East Ward

| | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|---|------------|
| Butler | Harrell Joseph | 1 | |
| Lohill | Michael William | 2 | |
| Banney | Edward Joseph | 3 | |
| no nomination | | 4 | Mr. Heskin |

South Ward

| | | | |
|---------------|-----------|---|--------------|
| Burke | John | 1 | |
| Byrne | Patrick J | 2 | |
| Moran | James | 3 | |
| O'Brien | Martin J | 4 | |
| no nomination | | 5 | Mr. Bonnelly |

20th June 1925

Patrick Banavan Returning Officer

June 30th 1925

Statutory meeting Election of Chairman

Commissioners present? Messrs Patrick Payne John H. Corcoran Anthony O'Malley
Patrick Walsh, D. J. Butler, M. M. Cahill, Edward J. Ganney, John Burke, James Moran
M. J. O'Brien -

The Clerk Presided, until chairman was appointed

Mr Patrick Walsh proposed Mr M Cahill seconded that Mr Anthony O'Malley be appointed chairman for the ensuing year. no other candidates being proposed Mr O'Malley was declared unanimous elected -

Signed On Behalf of The Board

July 1925John Burke Chairman

I Anthony O'Malley having been chosen chairman of the Commissioners of The Town of Tuam hereby declare that I take the said office on myself and will duly and faithfully the duties thereof according to the best of my judgment and ability

Made and subscribed before me
this 30th day of June 1925

Anthony O'Malley

Patrick Banavan Town Clerk

1st July 1925

Special Meeting

To P. Banavan Town Clerk.

Please convene a special meeting of the Town Commissioners for this Wednesday evening 8 O'clock to take the necessary steps in support of Mr Bogdan Bisco's Candidature to the Senate

Signed
John Burke
Joseph O'Brien
Edward J. Ganney
Daniel J. Butler
Pat Walsh
Anthony O'Malley

The following Commissioners attended. Messrs A. O'Malley Pat Walsh John Burke J. H. Corcoran Edward J. Ganney

Mr O'Malley Chairman Presided -

Mr John H. Corcoran proposed and Mr John Burke seconded that the following resolution would be moved to the following T.D's Messrs President Cosgrave, O'Malley, Nicholas, Broderick, Hogan O'Connell James Cosgrave and Mrs Costello
Tuam Town Commissioners at a special meeting request you support Mr Bogdan's Bisco's Candidature for Senatorial election

Passed unanimous -

Signed On Behalf of The Board

July 1925John Burke Chairman

July 7th 1925

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present? Messrs John Burke. D. J. Butler Patrick Walsh James Moran
Mr W. Cahill P. J. Byrne

Mr John Burke presided

Mr D. J. Butler proposed a vote of sympathy with Mr Lanny on the death of his brother, seconded by Mr Patrick Walsh also the Board adjourn without transacting any business as a mark of respect.
passed unanimous.

Mr James Moran proposed and Mr John Burke seconded that the clerk be directed to write Doctor Mannix a cead Mile Failte on behalf of the Town Commissioners on return to his native country

passed unanimous

The Board adjourned to Tuesday the 14th inst

Signed on behalf of the Board

July 1925

John Burke

presiding chairman

July 15th 1925

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present Messrs - Patrick Walsh James Moran D. J. Butler. P. J. Byrne
John Burke. John A. Borcoran. M. Booney
Mr John Burke presided?

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the presiding Chairman Messrs M. Booney and D. J. Butler for the following amounts

| | | |
|----------------|---|---------|
| Revenue | £ | 38.9.9 |
| Roads | | 9.13.8 |
| Working | | 38.13.6 |
| Housing Scheme | | 9.15.0 |

The clerk notified the Board that the Toll farmers Bill for £81 is still unpaid since 9th inst. he was instructed if the bill was not paid next day the 16th inst. to get the Boards solicitor to take action against the Toll farmer and his sureties -

Co-optation of Two Commissioners to fill the vacancies for the North East ward and South ward - Mr Byrne proposed Mr Butler seconded ~~Butler~~ that Mr Michael Heskin be Co-opted for North east ward Mr Patrick Walsh proposed Mr Butler seconded that Mr Thomas Corneley be Co-opted for South ward -
no other Candidates being proposed, both were declared unanimously elected -

Consideration of letting and furnishing the Town Hall was adjourned to a special to be convened when the Hall is completed -

The clerk was directed to write ^{ask} to the clerk of the District Council to ~~bring before~~ ^{bring before} his board at next meeting the necessity ^{that exists for the connecting up} of having the sewerage from Uthale Terrace ~~connected up~~ ^{connected up} with the sewerage ^{at Ballygaddy Road} from the new cottages, he the clerk to attend the meeting on behalf of the Commissioners

Cards were received from the Housing Dept acknowledging correspondence re. the building of two houses at Ballygaddy Road. tenders for which were accepted at last meeting for the Dept approval. stating the matter was having attention.

Mr E. J. Lanney acknowledged resolution of sympathy by the Board on the death of his brother

adjourned Meeting Contd July 15th 1925

Dr Mannix acknowledged resolution of the Board on his welcome to his native Country

A letter from Mr. J. Tighe asking the Board to give particulars of the letting of the Hall annually or otherwise.

The Clerk was directed to reply that when the Hall was complete, he would get information as regards same.

A letter was read from the Royal Insurance Company acknowledging the insurance of the Town Hall for £4000 and that same was held covered pending completion of the Policy.

A letter was read from J. O'Maille acknowledging receipt of the Board's resolution to support Mr. Bughlan Briscoe for the Senatorial panel, stating he had already promised his support to a number of other candidates, and any support he could give Mr. Briscoe would be of no great advantage.

Letter received re. speed limit for Motor Cars from the Roads Dept that a special speed limit for Motor Cars had been fixed in the Urban District of Galway and the twelve other towns mentioned in the minutes. As stated in the Minister's letter of the 11th June 1924 addressed to you, there is no record in this Dept that any order was ever made fixing a special speed limit for Motor Cars in any of these areas. The existing limit would, therefore, appear to be the statutory one of 20 miles per hour fixed by the Motor Car Act 1903.

The Minister will, however, consider the question of making an order under Section 9(1) of the Motor Car Act, 1903, regarding the Town of Tuam, on receipt of the Galway County Council, who are the local authority for the purposes of this Section mentioned.

Mis le Mea

J. Hudson Secy

The Clerk was directed to communicate with the Galway Council send a copy of the Minister's letter and ask them to fix a speed limit of at least 10 miles per hour. In the mean time ask the Guards to take action under the Act until the rate of 10 miles per hour is fixed. No action was taken as regards a claim for Tolls on eggs from the Toll farmer until his dishonoured bill would be paid as the matter has been already in the hands of the Board's Solicitor.

Contd

July 15th 1925

list of Gais for 1926 was before the Board no change had been made allowed to stand as last year.

Notice of motion by Mr. Butler. That notice that will or some member on my behalf will at the next monthly meeting propose that all the property of the Commissioners be transferred as they come due, to the Hibernian Fire Insurance Co Dublin including new furniture employees etc.

D. J. Butler

The Clerk was directed to again write to Railway Co re. Market Train for Meelstown and also ask for a connection from here to Athlery for the Excursion Train for Galway to Kicearney - and urge the necessity that exists for having the train continued from here to Athlery to connect with the night mail train from Galway -

Signed on behalf of the Board

August 1925

Anthony O'Malley Chairman

Tuesday 11th August 1925

adjourned Monthly Meeting

Commissioners present Messrs B. O'Malley Chairman of the Board presiding Jas Moran
Patrick Walsh John Burke Martin Cooney Michael Heskin Edward Carney M. J. Walsh
D. J. Butler M. J. O'Brien Patrick Payne Daniel McFigue M. W. Cahill J. H. Corcoran

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by
the Chairman Mr Heskin and Mr M. J. Walsh for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 29. 19. 6

Roads a/c £ 1. 13. 4

The following committees were unanimously elected. Finance Messrs P. Byrne
M. J. Walsh Mr Heskin Mr Cahill and Chairman.

Roads and Streets - Messrs M. Cooney Jas Moran J. H. Corcoran M. J. O'Brien Chairman

For Furnishing The Hall - The whole Board -

Markets Committee - Messrs Chairman M. J. Walsh Mr Cahill -

Mr Butler did not move his notice of motion re insurance -

The Clerk was directed to write to The Royal Insurance Company stating Mr Heskin
contractor had and has the Hall Insurance for £5000 until next December and
ask them to date their policy the date Mr Heskin's policy expires due notice to be
given by the Clerk

Mr Cooney proposed that the insurance of the Town Hall be handed over to the Patriotic
Insurance Company ^{when} it becomes due and that also the furniture now about being
instanced be insured with the Patriotic Company who held this policy for years

Mr McFigue seconded - an amendment

Mr Cahill proposed Mr Byrne seconded that as insurance policy's fall due the Clerk advertise same
and get the best terms possible -

12 votes for the amendment one against. The Chairman declared the amendment
carried -

The furnishing of the Hall was left over to meet Mr Kennedy C.R.

August 11th 1925

It was unanimously decided to advertise the public light as from 15th August to 1st May 1926
Mr M. J. Walsh proposed Mr Heskin seconded that the Clerk be directed to write to the Committee
acting for County Council pointing out the neglected state of the cemetery and recommending
that it be looked after immediately

The Clerk was directed to see Mr Kennedy County Surveyor about the channels being blocked
on Tullinadaly Road and the Old Road. And get the ganger look after the parties who
are dumping stuff on Old Road

The Clerk was also directed to remind Mr McDonagh about the Board's resolution being
brought on again at next meet of the Committee -

Mr M. J. Walsh proposed Mr O'Malley seconded a resolution of sympathy Mrs Gannon and
family on the death of her husband

An application from the Directors of Tuam Electricity for amount due for Public Lighting was
referred to Finance Committee -

A letter was read from the Secretary Housing Department suggesting that the Commissioners should
consider the propriety of borrowing a small loan from their Treasury with a view to providing
say four further houses and thus completing the scheme on Ballyaddy Road site
~~sum of~~ The proceeds of the sales £950 with the state grant of £400 make a total
sum of £1350 towards the cost of the scheme -

The Finance Committee were directed to interview their treasurer and report on same -

Re Trains

A letter was read from Mr Floyd Operating Superintendent that the train from Sligo has to wait the
arrival of the train from Westport before leaving for Tuam and Carrig. Therefore leave earlier
The up Mail train from Galway leaves Athenry at 5.30 PM and the Sligo train could not be timed
to connect on its present working.

As regards the market train from Melbourn - This has not been run for years, and the number
of people availing of it then would not warrant its restoration.

The evening train to Claremorris for the past month gives the people from Melbourn
district a good long day in Tuam -

August 11th 1925

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A letter from Mr Courtney on the same subject gives the same particulars. An interview with Mr Courtney by Messrs M. Walsh and the Chairman. He Mr Courtney requested a resolution to the Railway Co and Post Office Authorities which may have the desired effect as follows -

That we the Tuam Town Commissioners request the Great Southern Railways to restore the morning train from Blacemorris particularly on Saturday mornings. This train was a great benefit to the traders of the town as well as being a great convenience to those anxious to attend the early market.

To run the train arriving in Tuam from Blacemorris at 7.15 PM on to Athenry and then back to Tuam making connections at Athenry with up & down trains and to carry mails both ways. Also we ask them waive their right to collect excess from passengers who have been to Tuam Market and who have made purchases which they are taking home as personal luggage -

Resolved by The Tuam Town Commissioners to ask the Postmaster General to arrange with the Railway Co about the train arriving from Blacemorris at 7.15 PM being run to Athenry and to connect there with up and down trains and to take out and bring back the mails. We are of opinion that any extra cost will be more than compensated for by the greater convenience and the later collection and earlier delivery of mails -

An estimate from Mr Martin Burke Contractor for repairs to Mr Donohoe Cottage £12-0-0 was referred to Finance Committee -

Compensation claim for re-building Shambles wall £25 - £8/10/0 being allowed by the Commission was unanimously accepted -

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Galan Contractor for erecting the clock also Mr Kennedy to have it put up immediately -

It was unanimously decided to get up a dance and concert end of Sept in order to defray expenses to furnish the Hall.

Signed on behalf of The Board

September 1925

Audrey M ally Chairman

August 25th 1925

Raising of Tolls and Customs

Special meeting. Commissioners present Messrs A O'Malley Chairman of the Board presiding Patrick Walsh, J. H. Boreoran, Thomas Bannock, John Burke, Edward Barney, M. J. Walsh, James Moran, M. R. Cahill, Martin Rooney, M. J. O'Brien,

It was unanimously decided to let the Tolls for one or three years separate tenders to be received for each term -

The Commissioners not binding themselves to the lowest or any tender

The following changes were made subject to the approval of the Boards Solicitor

Eggs - one basket of not less than 120. 1^d
120 to 300. 2^d
300 to 600 and upwards 3^d per six hundred.

In the event of the egg dealers agreeing to collect and pay 2/6 per week custom this tariff not to be enforced, but in case of egg dealers who refuse to pay, a collector to be placed at their doors and parties willing to pay the 2/6 to sign an agreement to that effect

Standings £ 2/0 covered or uncovered
Worked timber - Egg cases coming into town 1^d per case, material for same 1/2 per case

The clerk was ordered to prosecute fish dealers who left their place in the market in an unsatisfactory state -

Messrs the Chairman, Mr M. J. Walsh, M. R. Cahill and the clerk were deputed to see the boards solicitor as regards the change of Tolls -

A further special meeting was held on Thursday evening 27th inst to consider a letter from the tenants on M'Haile Terrace.

Commissioners present Messrs A O'Malley Chairman presiding, M. R. Cahill, M. Rooney, M. J. Walsh, John H. Boreoran, John Burke, M. J. O'Brien

The following was read M'Haile Terrace
To the Chairman Tuam Town Commissioners

We the undersigned hereby declare that from the 1st June 1925 we refuse to pay the increase of 1/3 per week levied on us above the other tenants

Signed - James Smyth James Moloney Edward O'Brien, M. Stapleton
Richard Dunphy Patsie Donohoe Martin Burke Simon Quinn -

The clerk was directed to instruct the Boards Solicitor to collect any arrears of rent due by those parties and sue for immediate possession - he was further ordered to serve notice on tenants who had erected structures on their premises without the Board's permission and to have same removed forthwith

Signed on behalf of the Board
Audrey M ally Chairman

Sept 1925

September 1925

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present Messrs A. O'Malley Chairman of the Board presiding M. J. Walsh James Moran John Burke Martin Cooney Mr. W. Cahill Patrick Byrne

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Orders were made and signed by the Chairman Mr M. J. Walsh and Mr Cooney for the following amounts

Revenue a/c £ 14. 19. 8
Roads a/c 7. 15. 0

Two tenders were received for 200 tons fine gravel Messrs Thomas Quinn Keshore Road 2/10 per ton delivered and John Keely Cloonassera 3/- also delivered. Both tenders were considered too dear the Clerk was directed to invite tenders from D'Nea and Donohue Blancham and Smyth Keshore.

Messrs The Chairman, M. J. Walsh and P. Byrne were appointed to wait on Mr Connon Solicitor re. letting of tolls, schedule etc and if the Committee thought it necessary to convene a special meeting of the Commissioners the Clerk to do so.

It was unanimously decided to hold the Commission dance on Wednesday night Sept 30th. The Clerk in the mean time to advertise in the Irish Times for a Orchestra five instruments to play from 10.30 P.M. to 6.06 A.M.

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr Gaughan Contractor and also Revd Mother presentation convent and state that the Commissioners will not be responsible for any accident that may happen over the man hole cover at the presentation convent gate at Bishop's Street.

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr Courtney Superintendent Great Southern Railway and find out if anything had been done about the Board's resolution re. trains.

The Clerk was also directed to draw Mr Kennedy's attention to the blocking of the Roads by builders. Dublin Road High Street and Sillwoodale Road.

A letter was read from Mr P. J. Floyd Traffic Superintendent G. Southern Railway acknowledging Resolution and the matter was having attention.

It was decided to build two houses on Bally Gaddy road site and when completed see those and build two more to complete the site.

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Signed on behalf of the Board
Anthony O'Malley Chairman

Sept 15th 1925

Special Meeting To Consider Tenders (Tolls and Customs Public Lighting and Printing and Advertising)

Commissioners Present Messrs A. O'Malley Chairman of the Board presiding James Moran John Burke Patrick Walsh Thomas Connelly John H. Corcoran Ed. J. Barney, Mr. Heskin M. J. Walsh Mr. J. Moran W. J. Butler. Patrick McTigue Mr. W. Cahill. P. Byrne -

The following Tenders were received for Tolls and Customs

| Tenderer | Yearly | 3 Years |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| Edward Quinn Keshore Road Tuam | £652-0-0 | £646 each year for 3 years |
| Joseph Cooney | £555-0-0 | £570 |
| Patrick Wryer | £530-0-0 | £535 |
| John Keely | £550-0-0 | £550 |
| Patrick Kirnegan | £580-0-0 | £1700 |

Mr Heskin proposed and Mr Moran seconded that the tender be accepted for one year passed unanimous -

Mr Heskin proposed seconded by Mr Corcoran that the highest tender be accepted, that of Mr Edward Quinn for the sum of £652-0-0 - accepted unanimous subject to the sureties being approved of by the Board's Solicitor - Sureties Patrick Bradley and Michael Heskin Owen McWalter and Simon Fahey

Printing and Advertising - Two tenders were received. The Limerick Herald Co. and Connacht Tribune

| Item | Price | Sureties |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Herald Co Printing | £14-0-0 per annum | Patrick Bradley and Michael Heskin |
| adv | £14-0-0 100 | |
| brass sockets | 4-6 each | |
| abstract of etc | 3-3-0 per annum | |

| Item | Price | Sureties |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Connacht Tribune General Printing | £30-0-0 per annum | R. F. Murray Galway |
| brass sockets | 5-0 per book | M. J. Crowley Do |
| abstract of etc | 3-10-0 per annum | |

Mr Patrick Walsh proposed seconded by Mr Barney that the Limerick Herald's Co's tender be accepted passed unanimous.

Public Lighting Tender was accepted from Tuam Electricity Company per Mr Jas Daly Secretary as follows from 15th August 1925 to 1st May 1926 £3-7-6 per lamp and also £3-7-6 for block and £2-0-0 Extra for any all night lamps. The lamp on the square to be 200 candle power all other lamps 100 candle power. The block to be extinguished same time as lamp on the square. Accepted unanimous

Tenders for Tolls and Customs

Printing and Advertising

Tender for Public Lighting

Sept 15th 1925

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Mr Butler proposed Mr Walsh seconded the following resolution. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners request that the government of the Free State should bring into effect as soon as possible drastic legislation prohibiting the sale of evil literature. We are of opinion that the sale of such immoral literature has a demoralising effect on the morals of the growing youth of our country and needs be stopped ~~to be~~ immediately before further evils may result.

Copies of this resolution to be sent to President Cosgrave and Minister of Home Affairs - passed unanimous.

applications were read from Orchestra Companies for the dances to be held on September 30th. The following Committee were appointed to select same, with the assistance of ~~some~~ some young men ^{from} Tuam Messrs J. Connelly, Patrick Walsh, Mr J. O'Brien, D. J. Butler and Mr. H. Cahill -

Mr Heskin proposed Mr O'Flaherty seconded. That we the Town Commissioners protest most strongly at the action of the Banks closing at 12 noon on Thursday 10th Sept. that being one of the largest fair days in the year. This meant inconvenience to buyers and sellers at the fair, as well as considerable loss to the traders of the town. If it were necessary for the Bank officials to have their weekly half holiday, surely an alternative day might have been selected, rather than the busiest and most important one.

also we consider it high time that sufficient change be provided by the different Banks, now that conditions are more settled, at any rate all losses of theirs have been made good by the community - Copies to be forwarded

Bank of Ireland Dublin - The National Bank Ltd Dublin, Ulster Bank Ltd Belfast, Mth, Bank Cork and Minister of Commerce and Industry -

The following was proposed by Mr Burke seconded by Mr P. Walsh. That we the Tuam Town Commissioners respectfully call the attention of the Postmaster General to the inconvenience caused to the people of this town, by the curtailment of the postal delivery. ^{where formerly there was a daily delivery} letters are now only delivered three times a week - and this within a few minutes walk of the Post office. We hope that such economy in postal facilities in an important town like Tuam is unwarranted and pray you to again renew the daily postal delivery at least within the borough boundary.

October 1925

Anthony Malley

Signed on Behalf the Board
Chairman

October 6th 1925

Monthly meeting

Commissioners Present Messrs A. Malley Chairman presiding. Mr J. Walsh, Patrick Byrne, John Burke, Pat Walsh, Mr J. O'Brien, D. J. Butler, Mr H. Cahill, Mr Heskin, J. Connelly, E. Barney, James Moran, J. H. Corcoran,

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed paying orders were made and signed by the chairman Messrs Barney and Heskin for the following amounts

| | |
|---------|------------|
| Revenue | £ 14-19-11 |
| Roads | £ 2-17-0 |
| Rates | £ 100 — |
| Working | £ 14-15-0 |

It was unanimously decided that Mr Coy be permitted to open up the road in case of a burst in water mains without depositing £ 2/0/0 but in case of an individual getting in a water supply that £ 2/0/0 be deposited to be refunded when the road is put back in proper repair -

The clerk was directed to get the Boards solicitor to proceed against the late Toll farmer and his sureties for the amount of bill due since 10th September £ 81 —

The present Toll farmer to be responsible for collecting Tolls on Eggs as per schedule —

A letter was read from Mr Quinn solicitor on behalf of the late Toll farmer claiming the sum of £ 79-10-0 for Tolls on eggs as stated uncollected was referred to the Boards solicitor to deal with same.

Tenants on Uthale Terrace appeared before the Board to settle arrears of Rent due the clerk was directed to see Mr Concanon and state the commissioners were agreeable provided they paid up all arrears due with his costs.

The clerk was directed to get a copy of the letting advertisement of the Town Hall from Mr Concanon a special meeting to be convened for considering same -

Messrs The Chairman, Heskin, Cahill, Butler, and Mr J. Walsh to select furniture for the Hall -

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October 6th 1925

The clerk was directed to get estimates for ^{repairs} and painting the windows on Market House also get our own men with the assistance of Martin Burke to build two concrete pillars at Gullinadaly Road fair Green gap - also -

to secure gravel for roads as cheap as possible -

The following letters were read

Application from the coursing club for the use of Town Hall for a dance on Nov 8th and Dec 8th -

unanimously granted for Nov 8th for the date Dec 8th to apply again

A letter from the Housing Dept stating £62-10-0 has been forwarded to the Treasurer as a final instalment. Stating that the Commissioners full share of the grant, viz two-thirds of the total expenditure on the scheme, has now been issued -

The clerk was directed to write for the full amount of the Grant -

acknowledgements were read from the Minister of Industry and Commerce Postal and Telegraphs Dept, President Cosgrave, Minister for Justice for resolutions passed at last meeting -

from the Western Bank, National Bank and Munster Bank & resolutions passed at last meeting - regarding ~~locking~~ closing the Banks on fair days

A discussion arose about the makers name being on the Town Hall clock. Mr Gallor being present asked that the clock be finished and as portion of the price was to be kept for six months and at any time the Board wanted to have the name removed he would do - passed unanimous

The clerk was directed to notify Mr John Hession High Street not to any rubbish opposite his premises and if he persisted in doing so, that he be prosecuted -

Signed on Behalf of the Board

November 1925

Anthony O'Malley Chairman

October 27th 1925

Special Meeting - 7.30 on advertisement for Town Hall.

Commissioners present - Messrs A. O'Malley Chairman of the Board presiding. Daniel Walsh, M. J. Walsh, M. Keekin, John Burke, M. Cooney, D. J. Butler, J. Conneely, P. McTigue, P. Byrne

The following was read and approved of.

The Luan Town Commissioners Invite Tenders for the letting by lease of the room known as the concert Hall in the Town Hall subject to the Conditions hereunder stated for

- (1) a term of one year
- (2) a term of ~~three~~ ^{five} years
- (3) a term of Ten years

Tenders may be in the alternative for any one number of the above terms specifying the annual rent offered. The term to run from date of lease, which will be executed within two months from acceptance of tender. Forms of tender can be obtained from the Town Clerk and must be lodged with him on or before the 17th day of November 1925, and must contain the names and addresses of the proposed sureties for payment of the rent and whose signatures must be affixed to the tender.

The rent to be paid half yearly in advance. The first payment on delivery of the lease and the subsequent half yearly payments to be the Covenant (joint and several) of the lessee and his sureties and by joint and several Promissory Notes of the lessee and his sureties payable on the due date of each half years rent for its amount, such promissory notes to be delivered to the Commissioners on delivery of the lease. The sureties must be approved of by the Commissioners.

The Town Hall will be let with existing furniture of which the lessee will or shall sign an inventory and shall be responsible for same and shall be bound to keep same and the fittings and decorations of the Hall in proper order and repair and at the expiration of his lease, give same up in proper order repair and condition

The lessee shall keep the interior of the Hall and all the doors and windows inside and outside in proper repair and condition. The lease shall contain a proviso for re-entry on breach of any the Covenants.

The Commissioners reserve the right to have the exclusive ~~right~~ use of the Hall for any purpose they may deem fit for 12 periods of 24 hours in each year such right not to be exercised more than three in any ~~one~~ month and ten days notice of intention to exercise the right to be given to the lessee in writing addressed to his last known place of abode, and subject to a payment to the lessee of £3 - for each time the right shall be exercised or notice ~~of~~ as aforesaid given -

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The Hall shall not be used for any disorderly or immoral purpose or for any purpose of which the Commissioners shall have previously expressed by resolution their disapproval and shall not be assigned or sublet without the previous consent by resolution of the Commissioners

The lessee shall be liable for the lighting and bear his due proportion of the heating of the Hall. And the Commissioners shall not be liable for any loss or damage which shall arise from causes beyond their control. And the lessee shall imply no warranty on the part of the Commissioners that is not expressly given

The Commissioners will be liable for all rates and taxes. The lessee shall pay the costs of preparation of the lease.

The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Tenders will be considered at the meeting of the Commissioners on or as soon as possible after the date above named as the last for delivery of tenders. The clerk was directed to advertise same in Daily Independent, Irish Times, L. Incline Western Paper and the Stage

The following was read from Mr Concanon Solicitor

Dear Sir

Re. Tolls on Eggs

I received Mr Ketherstonhaugh's opinion by the second post. While not definitely advising against the Town Commissioners, he strongly suggests a settlement on the grounds that law is uncertain, and very great expense might be incurred, and he considers it advisable that the Town Commissioners should come to some arrangement with the Toll farmer. I concur with his view, and think it would be wise to follow his suggestion.

Yours Faithfully
Henry Concanon

Messrs M. Heston, Pat Walsh and Thomas Connoely were appointed to see Mr Connoely Toll farmer and try and come arrangement and submit same to the Commissioners at next meeting

Signed on Behalf of the Board

Anthony Mally Chairman

Nov 1925

November 3rd 1925

Monthly Meeting

Commissioners Present? A. Mally Esq Chairman of the Board presiding Pat Walsh, M. J. Walsh, Thomas Connoely, W. J. Butler, James Moran, John H. Connoery, Patrick Byrne, John Burke

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Paying Order were made and signed by the Chairman M. J. Walsh, Thomas Connoely, for the following accounts

| | |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Revenue | £ 118 . 3 . 11 |
| Roads | 7 . 10 . 10 |
| Housing Scheme I | 144 7 8 |
| Housing Scheme II | 950 - 0 - 0 |
| Rates | 30 - 0 - 0 |

The clerk was directed to close the rate account on or before 17th November. Books relating to rents etc to be before finance meeting every month, day of finance meeting to be fixed on the 17th inst.

Mr M. J. Walsh proposed W. J. Butler seconded the clerk be directed to write to the Ministry of Local Government for permission to borrow £2000 and permission to strike a rate to pay off the liabilities of the Board - also pay off the loan write to local Government re. sewerage drains at rear street as to who are the governing body since the district Council have been abolished.

The clerk was directed to write to the County Surveyor about the state of the old road and other places in town such as gates and yard entrances repairs to same. write to the Toll farmer about the rear Green gate being broken on first morning -

The Secretary St Vincent de Paul Society applied for use of Town Hall this time the archbishop to deliver a lecture on November 24th. Granted unanimous applications from the Commercial Tennis Club for 10/2nd and The Coursing Club 10/2nd were also granted. sent to pay for lighting and get the House cleaned afterwards - Mr P Walsh explained that the late Toll farmer would not arrange about a settlement re claim until his solicitor came back it was decided to leave the matter to the two solicitors. A letter was read from J. Donohoe to repair his house at Malhale Terrace it was decided to adjourn for the present -

Michael Hynes was appointed contractor for gravel at 2/10 per Ton delivered - Mr W. J. Butler proposed Mr M. J. Walsh seconded that Michael Ruane be paid 10/- for working on Sunday

Monthly meeting November 2nd 1925

Notice of motion by Mr John Burke that the ^{rent} ~~carriage~~ for the Town clock be increased from £10 — to £15 per annum —

A letter was read from Secretary Housing Dept stating they had already forwarded the Commissioners free share of the grant viz two thirds of the total expenditure on the scheme —

A letter from the post and telegraph Dept stating that arrangements have now been made whereby the post will be delivered six days a week.

The Ganger reported that the horse was too old and lame. not fit to work Messrs John H Borcoran and James Moran were deputed to buy a horse

Signed on Behalf of the Board

Dec 1925

Anthony Mally Chairman

Special Meeting Tuesday Nov 17th 1925 = To consider tenders for Town Hall. As advertised see Conditions Folio 570

Commissioners present: Messrs A Mally Chairman of the Board Presiding M J Walsh M Heskin. P Byrne, Patrick Walsh. James Moran. E J Banney, John Burke. Thomas Connolly
By Mr Butler M Booney J H Borcoran

applications were read from the following

| | | one year | Five years | Ten Years |
|-----------------|------|----------|------------|-----------|
| Joseph O'Connor | Tuam | £75 | £75 | £75 |
| Joseph Booney | ✓ | £140 | £175 | £180 |
| James Booney | ✓ | | £200 | £200 |
| John Garry | ✓ | | £255 | |
| M Casey | ✓ | £120 | £212 | £234 |
| A. J. Mahon | | | £260 | |
| T. Dwan | | £190 — | £230 — | £265 — |

Mr Booney proposed that the hall be let for a term of ten years seconded by Mr James Moran
Mr Butler proposed that it be let for five years seconded by Mr Thomas Connolly on a vote been taken Messrs the Chairman, Mr J. Walsh, Booney Moran, Byrne, Heskin, ~~Butler~~, Borcoran. 7 for 5 years Messrs Butler and Connolly - 2
Messrs Burke, Pat Walsh Banney 3 did not vote

The Chairman declared that the hall be let for 10 years

Special meeting contd Nov 17th 1925

Mr Dwan tender for the sum of £265 per annum for ten years be accepted proposed by Mr Booney seconded by Mr James Moran Sureties being Thomas Gannon Ship Street Tuam and Frank Walsh High St Tuam. no other tender was proposed the Chairman Mr Dwan tender accepted unanimous —

A letter was read from the Secretary St Jarlath's Dramatic Club for the use of the Hall on December 13th and 14th for a charitable purpose namely to provide boots and shoes for the poor children of the Town.

Granted unanimous £1-0-0 to be paid for light.

The clerk was directed to write to the Ministry of Local Government for a reply to resolution passed by the Board re loan and striking a rate forward on the 5th inst

Signed on Behalf of the Board

Dec 1925

Anthony Mally Chairman

Monthly Meeting Dec 1st 1925

Commissioners Present? Messrs A O'Malley Chairman of the Board presiding Pat Walsh, James Moran, John H. Conroy, E. J. Canney, W. W. Cahill, John Burke, S. J. Butler, M. J. Walsh, M. Cooney, P. Byrne, J. McTigue M. Heskin

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed paying orders made and signed by the chairman Mr Heskin and Mr Butler from the following A/cs

| | | |
|----------------|---|---------|
| Revenue | £ | 15-1-9 |
| Roads | £ | 4-1-10 |
| Housing Scheme | £ | 31-16-9 |
| Town Hall | £ | 5-3-9 |

Mr Quinn toll farmer reported to the Board that John Costello and others were buying corn on the market getting it weighed in his own scale and not paying tolls. The clerk was instructed to get him summoned Mr Quinn to prove the case against him.

The clerk was also directed to write Messrs Brown and Cahill re. Hides and skins, and notify the Board's solicitor to settle with Mr Seice by he paying £2/10 and expence afterwards to pay £1-3-9. per week until his rent is paid up.

Notice of motion by Mr John Burke to increase the salary of caretaker for Town clock from £10 to £15 per annum. Mr Burke proposed Mr M. J. Walsh seconded that the salary be increased to £15 - passed unanimous

Mr Cooney's ^{Quinn} to Mr Conroy The following was read from Mr Conroy's ^{Quinn} Board's solicitor re. late Soc. Farmer + Town Commissioners. We have seen Mr Cooney relative to your offer. His loss is £79-5-0, and there can be no question about this. As we have furnished actual figures. He considers the offer too low but in order to meet your clients and without prejudice he would accept £60 in full, together with £2-2-0 Costs -

Mr McTigue proposed Mr Walsh seconded that he gets £60 in full settlement of claim subject to the approval of L. G. Dept. passed unanimous

From the Minister to Government
A. Cahill

With reference to your letter of the 5th inst. I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, to state that the Town Commissioners of Tuam are empowered to strike at a rate of 7/- in the £. Attention is directed to the circular letter issued on 2nd April 1925 dealing with the provisions of section 75 of the Local Gov. Act, 1925. A full statement of outstanding liabilities of the Town for the payment of which a loan of £2000 is sought should be furnished

Dec 1st 1925

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From the Department of Industry and Commerce stating the Committee suggest that when an occasional fair is held upon the day of the weekly half holiday it should in all cases be possible to have the half holiday for that week on another date -

from the Local Government Dept re. speed limit of Motor Cars. Mr Heskin proposed and Mr Butler seconded that the speed limit be fixed at 8 miles per mile, through the Town. The Garda to be notified -

From the L. G. Dept re loan £2000 asking for details of £200 for furnishing the Town Hall calling attention to two items already furnished viz Rates £70-17-10 and claim by Toll farmer £79-5-0 - requesting particulars re loans due by the Board amount of annual rents received or derived from apportionings and other property. The clerk was directed to fill up the form received and give full particulars

A letter from Secretary of Galway County Council stating the Town Commissioners are themselves a local authority under the Housing Act, and they may grant loan to any person to whom the Ministry have given a grant -

A letter from the County Surveyor enclosing copy of specification for New Sewer at Malley Gaddy Road

application from the Coursing Club for the use of the Town Hall on Wednesday night Dec 9th granted

A letter from Mr Conroy for a plan of Town Hall to have it attached to the lease showing that the clerk was directed to get Mr Stockwell prepare same.

From St Vincent de Paul Society thanking the Commissioners for giving the Town Hall on the occasion of the Archbishop's lecture

The clerk was directed to buy 7.50 lbs at cost not pay more than 7/6 each, get quotations for forms, Table and chairs for Town Hall.

The clerk applied for and was granted use of an Electric stove for the office and Board Room

The chairman Mr Byrne and Mr Cahill were appointed or deputed to see the Treasurer to see what amount he would give as a loan to finish the Town Hall in paying off the Contractor and furnishing same. Mr James Moran proposed Mr Walsh seconded that the County Board of Health be asked to connect the sewerage from Malley Terrace to the houses lately built on Malley Gaddy Road.

James Moran

Signed on Behalf of the Board
Anthony Malley Chairman

Dec 2nd 1926

Special meeting?

To consider the foregoing letter from the Minister L.G. Board Rept =

Upper Merrion Street Dublin
Dec 21st 1925

The Town Clerk Tuam

A. bhara

With reference to your letter of the 16th inst. relative to the proposal of the Tuam Town Commissioners, to raise a loan in connection with the town hall, I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Works, to state that it is not clear how the Commissioners hope to meet their outstanding liabilities on foot of existing Board of works. If they do not strike a rate or propose to levy a rate, the Minister would like to be assured on this point before giving his consent to the incurring of further capital indebtedness

Messrs E. Meas
Dublin Secretary

The following Commissioners attended Messrs A. Macey Chairman of the Board Presiding, J. H. Boregan, S. Byrne, M. Booney, M. W. Cahill -

It was unanimously decided that the best reply to the Minister stating the Hall had been let to a tenant for ten years at the annual rent of £265 per annum, payable half yearly in advance, and that that amount can be handed over to our Treasurer to pay principal and interest, and that our tolls have increased £100 this year, also the Board will have under consideration at next monthly meeting the levying of a rate of 1/- in the £ to pay off other liabilities - And as that is only one year annuity due to the Board of Public Works they expect to pay it off in a short time -

Signed on Behalf of the Board

Jan 1926

Anthony Mally Chairman

Monthly Meeting Jan 5th 1926

Commissioners Present Messrs A. Macey Chairman of the Board Presiding, P. Walsh, D. J. Bette, John Burke, E. J. Banney, S. H. Boregan, M. W. Cahill, M. Harkin, James Moran, M. Booney, P. McTigue -

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. paying orders were made and signed by the Chairman. Mr. Walsh and Mr. Cahill for the following amounts

| | |
|-------------|-----------|
| Revenue etc | £ 89-1-7 |
| Roads etc | £ 12-6-4 |
| Working etc | £ 38-12-6 |
| Rents etc | £ 10-6 |
| Housing II | £ 14 |

Jan 5th 1926

Monthly meeting contd January 6th 1926

Two tenders were received for Tables and forms for the Hall viz Mr. Harkin's Table Pine Tables 6' long x 3'6" wide with two drawers each side and turned legs £5-7-6 each

16 Forms red deal stained and varnished 8' long with 9" x 2 seat, and 4 1/2" x 2" back in two fascels £2-17-0 each Delivered free Town Hall Tuam?

Messrs Hearne 100 Waterford
Tables £5-5-0 Each
Forms 3-17-6 Each

Mr. Harkin's tender was unanimously accepted

The following was read from (County Councils, General Council) R. Public Bodies Insurance,

A. bhara - The County Councils General Council have directed me to ask you to be so good as to bring the accompanying letter before the next meeting of your Council viz -

It was considered essential that any scheme to be recommended

should conform to the following conditions

A. adequate security - B. Economy in the interest of rate payers, - C. consistent with the foregoing objects, the retention in this country, so far as possible, of the funds expended for protection -

1 - Fire - 2 Other Insurances -

The above was approved of - The following resolution was read from the Castlebar Urban Council that we, the members of the Castlebar Urban District Council, respectfully suggest to the other Councils in Connaught the advisability of holding a Provincial Conference at an early date in order that steps may be taken to secure more advantageous terms from the Irish Banks for Housing loans. - passed unanimously -

A letter was read from the L.G. Dept re Joe Karmers claim as to the result tendered to the Commissioners by their solicitor out of the outcome of legal proceedings taken against the Egg-dealers, that the Commissioners did not receive the full proceeds of the Tolls scheduled for collection, in the absence of full information, the Minister is at a disadvantage in coming to a decision on the merits of the claim, the Minister will not raise any objection to the terms of the settlement set out in the minutes signed on the understanding that the Commissioners are satisfied that it is equitable in the circumstances of the case. I am to request that you will furnish for the Minister's information a schedule of the Tolls levied in the Town of Tuam. He would also be glad for further particulars as to the legal position connected with the levy of tolls upon egg-dealers. Messrs E. Meas Secretary

The Clerk was directed to give all information necessary and also state that Owen's advice had been got on the matter before deciding to make a settlement -

The following was received from Mr. Harkin Re. Operating Cabinet for accommodation for two Machines the price would be £7-6-7 high stock size would cost £33-0-0 in Dublin and would have to be put together, this came to Tuam Messrs Beatty Bellway propose to supply it with all necessary ventilation etc from £25 to £27. I will get order in hands immediately I hear from you - The Clerk was directed to have them ordered from Beatty Bellway. A letter from Mr. Cahill about the sewerage on O'Connell's Road. If not done before 1st March 1926, he would have the injunction already got against us put into force - The Clerk was directed to report to the Public Bodies Committee. The Board of Health and County Council

Weekly Meeting contd.

Application from the Ruby Club for the use of the Hall and large room was granted & early in February of the possession of the Commissioners -
The following was received from L. G. Dept. A. Ghara - With reference to your letter of the 31st Inst. I am directed by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health to state that he approves of the Tuam Town Commissioners raising a loan of £800 for completing the Hall and furnishing same the loan to be obtained from the Bank of Ireland, Tuam, and to be repayable within fifteen years. I am to state that sanction of the is given on the understanding that the Commissioners will strike a rate to meet in full all outstanding revenue charges. A signed duplicate of this letter is enclosed for the Bank

Mise le Maas
J. Hanson Sec.

Mr P. McTigue proposed seconded by Mr Heskin that 1/- in £ be levied to pay off other liabilities. The Clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt of the Minister's letter and state that £800 was not sufficient to pay off the contractor and furnish the Hall and the Minister to give sanction of £1200 that our own Bankers were agreeable to give £1200 on a mortgage on the Hall together with the levying of a rate particulars of all debt due on the Hall as soon as the Clerk had got particulars from the Engineer, Contractor and Solicitor -

Auditors report was placed before the Board for the Commissioners perusal - Mr Hartins Tender was accepted for 2 tables £5-7-6 and 16 forms at £2-17-0 each delivered at Town Hall - Bill for £7-13-6 from P. Donohoe, No 8 McHale Terrace was not entertained as permitted not given by the Board for doing same -

The Clerk was directed to invite quotations from Insurance Companies for Insurance of for three houses on Ballysaddy Road
Mr Heskin proposed seconded by Mr Booney that Joseph Pounor be given notice to quit for the meat stall on Great Street as he only used same for a hooking and store - The following was read from Mr T. Dwan - The Mall Tuam Derry 14th 1926

The Chairman Tuam Town Commissioners
Dear Sir

I am sorry for having to inform you that since I tendered for Contract Tuam, I now find that owing to unforeseen circumstances that I am not able to carry out my Contract, and I wish you to release me from same.
Yours Timothy Dwan

The Clerk was directed to hand the letter to Mr Bonean on Boards Solicitor for instructions and take action

Signed on Behalf of the Board

John Ryan
Martin J. Walsh acting Chairman

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