

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 2nd. October, 1945.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, Chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, James Moran, Jarlath O'Connell, J. Coughlan, J. J. Egan, Jarlath Burke, M.J. Byrne and W. Stapleton.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. Co. Managers orders were read and noted.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from Coras Iompar Eireann relative to the 'Bus service to and from Tuam. After some discussion in the matter, the Clerk was instructed to reply and point out that the Commissioners were not satisfied with the explanations as set out in the letter, and ask C. I. E. to re-consider the case regarding the services required.

Telephone service in Tuam.

The Clerk read a letter received from the Minister for Posts and Telegraph relative to the above, stating that the matter was receiving attention.

Lighting of Fair Green.

With reference to the lighting of the Fairgreen, the Clerk submitted a letter received from the E. S. B. pointing out that the work could not be carried out due to the present restrictions on the use of electricity and the scarcity of materials necessary for the erection of the lights. It was decided to refer the matter to the County Manager.

Letter from Parish Council.

The Clerk read a letter received from the secretary of the Parish Council relative to the following:-
Town Lighting, extension of the lighting during the period of the Campaign, and during Fairs, and also the question of connecting the Ballygaddy Road with the Tullinadaly. It was decided to adjourn consideration of the above for a month.

Proposed Byelaws.

With further reference to the proposed byelaws adopted by the Commissioners, the Clerk submitted a letter dated 16th. August, received from the Department on the subject. The Commissioners unanimously agreed with the provisions regarding alterations to Byelaw 13, and the Clerk was instructed to communicate with Mr. McDonogh, Solr and the Department in the matter.

Overdraft accommodation.

Overdraft accommodation to the amount of £1500 was necessary to meet payments out of revenue for the month of November. It was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Moran and unanimously agreed upon that the necessary sanction be sought, for the above amount.

Repairs to Footpaths and provision of pound in Tuam.

Mr. Joyce raised a discussion in regard to the necessity for repairs to footpaths in the Town. It was decided to ask the County Surveyor to have some repairs carried out, especially to the footpaths at Galway Road, Bishop St. Vicar, St. Church View and the Mall. Regarding the provision of a pound in Tuam, it was pointed out that it was a matter for the County Council, and that the County Manager be requested to provide a pound.

Annual Conference of Municipal Authorities.

Mr. Jarlath O'Connell and Mr. J. Coughlan the two delegates who attended the Annual Conference at Ballina reported on the proceedings at the Conference.

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Attendance of Co. Manager at Meetings.

After a short discussion regarding the attendance of the County Manager at the Monthly meetings, it was decided to ask the County Manager to attend at the next meeting, it was proposed by ~~the~~ Mr. Jarlath O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce that the date of the holding of the Monthly meeting be altered and held on the 1st. Monday in each Month to facilitate the County Manager.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

John Coughlan Chairman.

M. W. Joyce Town Clerk. 9th. October, 1945.

Minutes of Special meeting held on 19th. October, 1945.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs Jarlath Burke, J. Coughlan, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan, M. J. Byrne, T. Joyce and J. O'Connell.

The meeting was convened for the purpose of protesting ~~against~~ and enquiring into the failure of Coras Iompar Eireann to cater adequately with rolling-stock for the Sheep and Cattle Fairs held on 16th. and 17th. October, after some discussion it was decided writing to the Minister for Industry and Commerce, the Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Donnellon T.D. and Mr. Killilea T. D. and ask for explanations and support of the protest.

Message of Condolence.

A message of condolence was extended to the Clergy and laity of the diocese of Armagh on the death of his Eminence Cardinal McRory.

The Meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners

John Coughlan Chairman.

Town Clerk. M. W. Joyce 24th. October, 1945.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 5th. November, 1945.

Attendance:- Mr. J. Coughlan presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, M. J. Byrne, J.A. O'Connell, J. J. Egan, and J. Burke. The County Manager was also present.

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and signed. Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Correspondence.

Letters received from the Department of Industry and Commerce and Department of Agriculture regarding the alleged failure of Coras Iompar Mireann to cater adequately with rolling stock at Tuam October Fairs were read and noted. The Clerk was instructed to write to C. I. E. and enquire as to the number of wagons supplied as compared with former years.

A letter ~~was~~ received from the Association of Municipal Authorities dated 27th. October, 1945, was read at the meeting, dealing with extracts from a previous letter from the Department in connection with the County Management Act. A lengthy discussion took place between the members and the Manager regarding the Manager's attendance at meetings. The Manager stated that he did not refuse to attend any meeting when asked, and that he would attend any meeting when his presence ~~was~~ required to attend to matters of importance. Further discussions took place regarding the letting of houses, the eviction of tenants and other relevant matters.

Cleaning of Streets.

Mr. Byrne referred to the condition of the streets of the town after the October fairs, and the Manager pointed out that the County Council being the sanitary and public health authority was responsible for same. Mr. Joyce referred to the scavenging system, and was informed by the Manager that the cost of such a scheme would have to be borne by the Town Rates, it would be put on the estimates for the County Council next year and be referred back to the Town Commissioners.

Provision of houses.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the shortage of houses in Tuam and enquired as to the powers of the Town Commissioners for the provision of houses for the middle classes. The Manager pointed out that the Board were not entitled to compete with private enterprise, and it was the first duty to cater for the working-classes. The Manager also stated that he would receive the lay-out plans for the proposed new houses shortly, and would be submitted to the Board for approval.

Provision of Playground at Ballygaddy Road.

The Manager discussed with the members regarding the plot of ground Ballygaddy Road, to be converted as a public Park and playground. Mr. O'Connell submitted a list of names signed by residents in the area, asking to have this plot made available, and volunteering to have it maintained and furnished with seats without any costs on the Town Rates. It was the general feeling of the Board that the plot be converted as a park, and the Manager ~~intended~~ stated he would make enquiries regarding the cost of the land, and make arrangements to have it transferred to the Town Commissioners.

Sale of Houses at St. Benin's Tce.

Mr. Egan enquired regarding the proposed sale of houses at St. Benin's Terrace, to Mr. John Walsh and Mr. J. Cooney. The Clerk stated that the County Manager had recommended the sale at \$400 each, subject to sanction of the Minister.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M. W. Cahill

Chairman.

M. W. Joyce

Town Clerk. 9th. November, 1945.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly Meeting held on 3rd. December, 1945.

Attendance:- Mr. M.W. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J.A. O'Connell, W. Stapleton, and J. Burke.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, and County Manager's orders read and noted.

Correspondence.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the County Manager referring to the cleaning of the streets of the town, pointing out that it was intended to provide mechanical brushes for all towns in which fairs were held. The Clerk was instructed to write to the County Manager ~~in connection with~~ further ~~to~~ thank him for his attention to this matter regarding Tuam.

The Clerk also read a letter received from the Manager referring to the proposed Park at Ballygaddy Road. After some discussion in the matter, it was agreed to ~~proceed with~~ have the matter adjourned until further correspondence was received from the Manager, as a decision had already been arrived at.

Obstruction of traffic at Galway Road and Church View.

Mr. Burke referred to the obstructions outside the Garages at Galway Road and Church View. Mr. Hession, Town Sergeant stated that the matter had been reported to the Garda Síochána for their attention on two occasions during the year. The Clerk was directed to write to the Superintendent and request his attention to same.

Bye-laws.

The Clerk submitted a letter dated 17th. November received from the Department of Local Government and Public Health in connection with the proposed Bye-laws adopted by the Commissioners, approving of draft Bye-law 13 amended. The Department recommended that the Bye-laws in full be re-adopted, and after some discussion it was decided to hold a special meeting for further discussion and consideration.

Co. Management Act.

Mr. O'Connell ~~referred~~ referred to the procedure regarding ~~an~~ recommendations for amendment of the County Management Act at the Executive Meeting of Association of Municipal Authorities attended by him, pointing out that the Executive intend to prepare a comprehensive statement of amendments of the Act, making definite reference to sections in the Act, for submission to the Minister. Mr. Cahill suggested that ~~the~~ Mr. O'Connell read the Act, and refer to the sections applicable to the Commissioners. It was decided to have the matter adjourned to the next meeting to be held on the 11th. inst.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M. W. Cahill

Chairman.

M. W. Joyce

Town Clerk.

10th. December, 1945.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly Meeting held on 7th. January, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs M. J. Byrne, J. J. Egan, J. A. O'Connell, W. Stapleton, J. Burke and J. Coughlan.

Consideration of site plans for proposed Housing Scheme.

Mr. Egan, Town Surveyor submitted the architects site plans relative to the proposed New housing Scheme. Mr. Egan explained that it was proposed to build 15 economic type houses at Bishop Street and 22 slum clearance houses at Church View and Cloonhoa Road. After some discussion in the matter, the members unanimously agreed to the formal acceptance of the plans submitted, proposed by Mr. Byrne and seconded by Mr. Burke ~~xxxx~~ in the case of approval of sites at Bishop Street, and the approval of sites at Church View and Cloonhoa Road was proposed by Mr. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Egan.

Re-adoption of the Bye-laws.

The Clerk submitted correspondence received from the Department relative to the re-adoption of the Bye-laws. The question of the determination of a market place was discussed by the members, and the Clerk was instructed to write to the Board's Solicitor and request his advice regarding the powers of the Board in that connection, and to enquire if the present Bye-laws empower the Commissioners to determine where or where not goods are to be sold. The matter of re-adoption was adjourned to the next meeting.

Public Park at Ballygaddy Road.

The Clerk read a letter received from the County Manager approving of the provision of the plot of ground at Ballygaddy Road for the proposed Public Park. It was unanimously decided to approve of the Manager's proposal and to charge the cost of rent and development towards the Town Rate.

Town Planning for Tuam.

A letter was received from Tuam Parish Council suggesting that the Town Commissioners insert in the Bye-laws to be adopted a section to limit the authority of Town Planning experts to future building in Tuam area. It was decided to ask Mr. R. M. Burke CO. Councillor to attend the next meeting of the Commissioners and explain further the suggestion ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ contained in the letter.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M W Cahill

Chairman.

Date 4th Feby. 1946.

M W Whyte

Town Clerk.

14th. January, 1946.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local Authority at their Monthly Meeting held on Monday, the 4th. February, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, M. J. Byrne, J. J. Egan, T. Joyce and J. Coughlan.

The Minutes of last Monthly meeting were read and signed, County Manager's Orders read and noted.

Proposed Housing Scheme.

After a short discussion relative to the employment of men within the Urban area at the erection of the proposed new Housing Scheme, it was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Coughlan that the labour be confined to workers within the Urban Area.

Town Planning for Tuam.

Mr. R. M. Burke, at the request of the Town Commissioners attended the meeting for the purpose of explaining to the Commissioners certain details in connection with Town Planning. Mr. Burke stated that the matter had been discussed at a meeting of the Parish Council and would come before the County Council, and as he would have to vote for or against Town Planning, he was availing of the opportunity of ^{selecting the names} the townspeople or their representatives. After some discussion it was decided that individual members send in a list of questions to Mr. Burke, through the Town Clerk, so that Mr. Burke would seek more information regarding Tuam.

Amendment of County Management Act.

A discussion in connection with the amendment of the Co. Management Act was raised by Mr. O'Connell, executive member of Municipal Auths. Association.

It was proposed by Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. O'Connell and passed unanimously that Section 7 of the Co. Management Act be deleted or that the Manager be bound by a two-thirds majority decision in executive functions.

Sympathy.

A vote of sympathy proposed by Mr. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Joyce was extended to the Mrs. Corcoran and relatives of the late J. H. Corcoran, who was a member of the Board for many years.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M W Cahill

Chairman

DATE

M W Whyte

Town Clerk.

9/2/46.

Minutes of ~~Estimates~~ proceedings of Estimates meeting held on 8th. March, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, M.J. Byrne, J. Coghlan, J. A. O'Connell, Jarlath Burke and W. Stapleton. The County Manager was also present.

County Manager's Estimate for 31.3. 46.

The County Manager submitted his estimate for expenses for Financial year ending on 31st. March, 1947, providing for a rate of 3/8 in the £. After some discussion in the matter the Commissioners did by resolution ~~unanimously~~ adopt the Estimates as set out in Form E. 4, and did also by resolution determine the rate in the £ to be levied for the several purposes set out in the Estimates, both resolutions being proposed by Mr. T. Joyce and seconded by Mr. O'Connell and unanimously adopted.

Lighting of Fair Green.

The members discussed with the Manager the matter in connection with the Lighting of the Fair Green. It was decided to ask the E.S.B. to quote again for the lighting of the Green, for the erection from 3 to 5 lamps on a time Switch.

~~Other~~ Matters in relation to the Public Park at Ballygaddy Road, the scavenging system provided by Galway County Council for the town of Tuam were discussed by the Members with the Manager.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

Signed M. W. Cahill

Chairman. Date 1/4/46

W. Stapleton

Town Clerk.

12th. March, 1946.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on ~~12th March~~ 1st. April, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman, presided. Others members present were Messrs Jas. Moran, J. A. O'Connell and J. Burke.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Overdraft accommodation.

Overdraft accommodation to the amount of £1000 was sought to meet payments for the month of May, to include payment of loans to Commissioners of Public Works.

Mr. Cahill proposed and Mr. James Moran seconded that sanction to the above amount be sought.

Proposed new Town Hall.

Mr. J. A. O'Connell gave notice ~~of the~~ that he would move the question of provision of New Town Hall at the next meeting. The Clerk was directed to put the matter on the Agenda.

Town Planning.

Mr. R. M. Burke addressed the meeting ^{and} referred to the recent meeting of Galway County Council on the subject of Town Planning.

Mr. Burke explained regarding Town Planning for Tuam, and advised the members to consider any proposals to be submitted to him before the next adjourned meeting of the Co. Council.

Mr. Burke reported on other Public Health matters, i.e. the cleaning of the streets, scavenging service,

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

Signed James Moran Chairman.

W. Stapleton Town Clerk.

8th. April, 1946.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 6th. May, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. James Moran, Vice-chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J.J. Egan, T. Joyce, W. Stapleton, J. O'Connell and M.J. Byrne. The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Making of Town Rate.

The Clerk submitted Schedules of uncollected Town Rate for year ended 31st. March, 1946, showing the state of the collection of the rates for that financial period.

The Town Rate for year ending 31st. March, 1947 was made by the Commissioners, proposed by Mr. J. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. T. Joyce allowing and ~~assessing~~ making the rate as assessed in the Rate Book, the six members present signed the Rate Book.

Improvements work at Gilmartin Road.

The Clerk explained to the members that there was a sum of £150 to the credit in the Capital Account and the County Manager recommended that this sum could be utilised for carrying out improvements at Gilmartin Road, with an additional £50 to be approved of such expenditure by the Commissioners.

After some discussion in the matter it was decided by the Commissioners to inspect the portion of ground for improvements with Mr. Egan, Town Surveyor.

Proposed Bye-laws.

Mr. M. J. Byrne raised the question regarding the re-adoption of the proposed Bye-laws, and the Clerk was instructed to reply to the Solicitors letter of the 9th. February, and instruct him to take the necessary steps to have the Bye-laws in their present form legally adopted, being proposed by Mr. Byrne and seconded by Mr. O'Connell.

Discussion re-Proposed New Town Hall.

The question of providing a new Town Hall was discussed by the members, Mr. O'Connell explained the several needs for the new hall. It was decided to write to the Department of Local Government and the County Manager for information regarding the powers of the Town Commissioners under the Managerial Act, also the source of borrowing and extent. The Clerk was also instructed to enquire of Mr. McDonogh, solicitor for deeds of the Town Hall.

Eviction of Mr. H. Ffrench.

The Clerk informed the members that the County Manager intended to proceed with the eviction of Mr. H. Ffrench, occupier of a stall rented to him at Vicar Street. The Commissioners unanimously disapproved of the Manager's action, and instructed the Clerk to write to the County Manager and ask him to alter his decision.

Vote of Sympathy.

Mr. Joyce proposed and Mr. Egan seconded that a vote of sympathy be extended to Mr. Coughlan, member of the Board on the death of his daughter.

Congratulation.

Mr. Jas. Moran proposed and Mr. Byrne seconded a vote of congratulation to Dr. D'Alton on his election as New Cardinal.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

James Moran Chairman. Date 3/6/46
John Hession Town Clerk. 10th. May, 1946.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on Monday, the 3rd. June, 1946.

Attendance:- Mr. James Moran chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan, J. Coughlan, T. Joyce and J. Burke.

Legal proceedings against H. Ffrench.

The Clerk submitted correspondence received from the County Manager in connection with legal proceedings against H. Ffrench for possession of stall rented to him. After some discussion in the matter, it was proposed by J. A. O'Connell and seconded by T. Joyce that the Commissioners demand the attendance of the County Manager at a special meeting to be held previous to the hearing of the ejectment proceedings at the District Court.

Repairs to Old Road Tuam.

It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Coughlan that the attention of the County surveyor be directed to the necessity for carrying out repairs to Old Road, Tuam, which the Commissioners consider has been neglected for a considerable length of time. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Egan and draw his attention to dumping at the 1st. Bridge, Dublin Road.

Appointment of Nominee.

It was proposed by Mr. J. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. T. Joyce that the Town Clerk be appointed as Nominee to attend Annual Meeting of Irish Public Bodies Insurances to be held in Dublin.

Train Service to Galway.

It was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Stapleton that C. I. E. be asked to resume Sunday Excursions Train to Galway and also request C. I. E. when preparing Time Table to arrange connection between Athenry and Claremorris of the future Night Train to Galway.

FairGreen Loan Purchase.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the payment of interest on the Fairgreen Loan to the National Bank. It was suggested raising a further loan at a lower rate of interest to redeem the present loan. After some discussion it was decided to refer the matter to the County Manager for his observations.

Sewerage for Labourer's Cottages in Tuam.

It was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Coughlan that the County Council be asked to install sewerages in all the County Council Cottages in Tuam.

It was proposed by Mr. Coughlan and seconded by Mr. Burke that the County Council be asked to have the stream (Srutan Bridge) running from the Railway St. to Wier Bridge cleaned and point out that its present condition is a danger to Public health. The Clerk was instructed to write accordingly.

New Industry for Tuam.

Mr. T. Joyce gave notice of motion for discussion at the next monthly meeting re-the establishment of a New Industry for Tuam.

Sympathy.

It was proposed by Mr. J. J. Egan and seconded by Mr. Joyce and passed unanimously that a vote of sympathy be extended to Mrs. McDonogh, St. John's Abbey on the death of her husband Mr. J. McDonogh.

The Meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

W. W. Cahill Chairman.
W. W. Cahill Town Clerk. 10/6/46.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of Annual Statutory meeting of above local authority held on 24th. June, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, outgoing chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs Jas. Moran, W. Stapleton, T. Joyce, J. Coghlan and J. Burke.

Election of Chairman, and Vice-chairman.

Mr. Cahill, outgoing chairman presided at commencement of meeting. Mr. T. Joyce proposed and Mr. Coghlan seconded the re-election of Mr. Cahill as chairman and Mr. Moran Vice-Chairman. As there were no other proposals, Mr. Cahill declared himself elected Chairman, and declared Mr. Moran elected Vice-chairman.

Protest against Altered Train Services.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from Coras Iompar Eireann relative to the Commissioners request in connection with the altered ~~services~~ train services. After some discussion in the matter the Clerk was instructed to write to Coras Iompar Eireann and point out that the Commissioners were dissatisfied with the altered services in respect of Tuam, and request that special trains leave Tuam to connect the Dublin trains from Galway at Athenry, or alternatively to run a 'bus service to Athenry to connect the outgoing and in-coming trains to Dublin. The Clerk was instructed to send copies of letter to Mr. Kililea, T.D and Mr. Donnelan, T.D.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

W. Cahill

Chairman.

W. Stapleton

Town Clerk

29th. June, 1946.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 1st. July, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, Jas. Moran, W. Stapleton, J. A. O'Connell, J. Burke, J. Coghlan.

The Minutes of last meetings were read and signed.

Correspondence.

The Clerk submitted correspondence received from C. I. E. relative to provision of extra ~~services~~ train services. The Commissioners were not satisfied by the explanations submitted by C. I. E. and the Clerk was instructed to request the local T. D's to refer the matter to responsible Minister.

Lighting of Fair Green.

Mr. J. O'Connell referred to the necessity for installing the lighting of the Fair Green, after some discussion in the matter the members agreed that the E. S. B. be asked to instal the lighting for the October Fairs, and also to refer the matter to the County manager.

Establishment of New Industry for Tuam.

The proposal for the establishment of a new industry for Tuam was discussed at the meeting, the matter being raised by Mr. Joyce, who stated that it was their aim to start a factory that would employ 200 hands all the year round. It was decided to appoint a committee comprising 3 members of the Town Commissioners, three members of the Parish Council and three members fro Tuam Traders Association. A special meeting was arranged for the 8th. inst.

Proposed Town Hall.

The Clerk informed the members that there was no reply from the Department of Local Government in connection with inquiries for the building of the proposed new Town Hall. The Clerk was instructed to ask the Department for a reply in the matter. It was also decided to ask the County Manager what progress had been made regarding the proposed new Housing Scheme. The Clerk was directed to re-write to the County Surveyor concerning repairs to Old Rodd, Tuam and sewerage scheme for Labourer's Cottages.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

James Moran

Chairman.

Date 6/8/46

W. Stapleton

Town Clerk.

6th. July, 1946.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 6th. August, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. James Moran, Vice-chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs. J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, J. Burke, J. Coghlan, W. Stapleton and M. J. Byrne.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Lighting of Fair Green.

The Clerk informed the Board that the County Manager had directed that the E. S. B. be requested to submit a quotation for the cost of erecting 3 public Lights at the Fairgreen. It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce that the Commissioners consent to expend £50, the probable cost of the work. The Commissioners recommended that the amount to be expended on the work be added to the present loan account.

Adoption of Proposed Bye-laws.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the Boards' Solicitor, relative to the re-adoption of the newly-printed copies of the Bye-laws. The Printed copies were sealed and attested, signed by the Chairman and Town Clerk, and were unanimously adopted.

Train services for Tuam.

Mr. T. Joyce suggested that Coras Iompar Eireann be asked to provide an excursion train to Athenry to connect the Athlone-Galway Excursion or alternatively to provide a train from Tuam to Galway direct. The Clerk was instructed to write to Coras Iompar Eireann in that connection. The Clerk was also instructed to write to Omnibus Department, Galway, and request a 2nd. 'bus from Tuam to Galway each day, to accommodate approximately 50 people who are usually left in Tuam after the departure of the Castlereagh-Galway service. The Clerk was directed to point out the Commissioners' objection to the tendency to draw all traffic to Galway, and request connections from Mountbellew-Tuam, Headford-Tuam, and Hollymount -Tuam.

Town Planning for Tuam.

Mr. R. M. Burke discussed with the members the procedure of Town Planning for Tuam. Mr. Burke explained that the Town and Regional Planning Act provides that the County Council ~~was~~ is the planning authority to decide to decide about Town Planning for Tuam, and they had no powers to transfer the function to the Town Commissioners. Mr. O'Connell proposed and Mr. Joyce seconded that the matter be brought before the Annual meeting of Ass. of Municipal Auths. with a view to an amendment of the Act, so as to give powers to Town Commissioners to be Town Planning Authorities.

Mr. Coghlan proposed and Mr. Joyce seconded submitting ~~submitting~~ resolution for discussion at Annual Conference of Ass. of Municipal Auths. as follows.

1. Reduction of rate of Interest on ~~present~~ outstanding loans to revised rate of 2½%
2. An increase in payment of Subsidy on proposed new Housing Schemes, in order to assist local Auths. to fix rents to suit Working Classes.

Mr. O'Connell informed the members that the question of abolishing means test for Old Age Pensioners would be discussed at the Conference, and he ~~wanted~~ desired to have the views of the members in the matter. Mr. Byrne suggested that they be in favour of an increase of pension in certain cases, and ~~retain~~ retain the means test.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

W. Cahill Chairman Date 21/9/46

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 2nd. Sept. 1946.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, J. Burke, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan, J. Coghlan, and James Moran.

Correspondence.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from E. S. B. with quotation for the erection of 3 Public Lights at the Fair Green for the sum of £48. 3. 0, and an annual charge of £5 for maintenance, lamp replacements and use of current. The Clerk informed the members that the E. S. B. had been instructed to carry out the work.

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Repairs to Old Road, Tuam.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the County Surveyor, relative to the carrying out of repairs to Old. Rd. The Clerk was directed to write again to the County Surveyor and request that immediate repairs be carried out, also ask the County Surveyor to complete the widening of the road at Ballygaddy Road (Cahill's Corner), before the commencement of the next Sugar Factory Campaign.

Transport Services.

The Clerk read a letter received from C. I. E. in connection with Tuam/Galway 'bus service. The Board refused to accept the explanation submitted. It was proposed by Mr. Cahill and seconded by Mr. O'Connell that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the Minister for Industry and Commerce, and request that the people of Tuam be allowed to finance a private 'bus service, in view of the unwillingness of C. I. E. to facilitate the people of Tuam as requested by the Commissioners.

Housing requirements.

Mr. Coghlan referred to the shortage of houses, and stated that the Manager be asked to make a further survey with a view to providing more houses.

Establishment of an Urban Council in Tuam.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the County Manager and request his attendance at the next meeting for the purpose of advising the members relative to the establishment of an Urban Council in Tuam.

Public Lighting.

The members referred to the complaints made ~~for the last fortnight~~ regarding the necessity for Public Lighting during the last fortnight in August. The Clerk informed the Commissioners that arrangements were made by the County Manager for the discontinuance of Public Lighting for months of June, July and August.

Proposed New Town Hall.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the Dept. of Local Government and Public Health dated 16th. Aug. pointing out that if the Town Commissioners desired to proceed with the erection of a New Town Hall, it would be necessary for the County Council to obtain a loan necessary to defray the cost of the work. The letter was marked read.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

W. Cahill Chairman. Date _____
W. Whyte Town Clerk 6/9/46.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on Tuesday, 1st. October, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, Jas. Moran, W. Stapleton, J. A. O'Connell, M. J. Byrne, J. Burje and J. Coughlan.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, the County Manager's Orders were read and noted.

Correspondence:

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the County Manager relative to his attendance at meetings of the Board. He referred to section in the Co. Management Act dealing with his obligations to attend meetings when requested by the Commissioners, if the performance of his duties permit him to do so.

Mr. O'Connell raised the question of the necessity of carrying out repairs to the Old Road, and after some discussion in the matter, the Manager stated that he would have the matter discussed with the County Surveyor.

Provision of houses.

The Manager informed the Board that the site plans for the proposed new housing scheme were referred to the Departments' Housing Inspector for alteration, and would be submitted to the Town Commissioners for final approval at an early date. He stated that the rent on the houses would be reasonable due to increased subsidy and a reduction on the rate of Interest on Loans. After some discussion in connection with the letting of houses, the Manager pointed out that the applicant with the largest family could not in all cases be considered the most deserving case for the tenancy of a vacant house, as the Departments' regulations governing 'B' cases had to be complied with.

Proceedings against Mr. H. Ffrench.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from Mr. H. Ffrench protesting against the action of the County Manager in increasing the rent of store let to him at Vicar St. from 1/- to 2/6 per week, after withdrawal of legal proceedings. The Commissioners discussed the matter with the Manager and were unanimous on the point that the rent should not be increased and that Ffrench should not be evicted. The Manager agreed to leave Ffrench in possession at the former rent of 1/- per week.

Overdraft Accommodation.

It was proposed by Mr. T. Joyce and seconded by Mr. J. Moran and passed unanimously that Overdraft Accommodation to the amount of £1400 be sought to meet payments out for Revenue for expenditure during the month of November.

Establishment of Urban Council in Tuam.

The Manager submitted a statement explaining the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed establishment of an Urban Council in Tuam. Mr. O'Flynn pointed out that the present rate in the town on premises for 1946/47 was 24/6 and if Tuam became an Urban Council, the rate would be increased to 30/7, an increase of 6/1 in the £. After a long discussion in the matter, the Town Commissioners decided not to seek the status of an Urban Council, proposed by Mr. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Joyce.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

James Moran Chairman.

M. W. Joyce Town Clerk.

7th. October, 1946

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on Monday the 4th. November, 1946.

Attendance: Mr. James Moran presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, J. A. O'Connell, J. J. Egan, J. Coughlan, M. J. Byrne and J. Burke, and W. Stapleton.

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, County Manager's Orders read and noted.

Auditor's Report.

The Clerk submitted the Auditor's report of his audit of accounts for year ended 31st. March, 1946, together with Abstract of Accounts.

Disposal of Land.

Complying with provisions of Section 83 of Local Government Act, 1946,

1. The Commissioners approved of disposal of land at the Fairgreen, Tuam to trustees of Catholic Boy Scouts at £1 per annum for a term of 35 years, proposed by Mr. T. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Egan, and passed unanimously.
2. The Commissioners approved of disposal of land to trustees of Forca Cosanta Aitiula for a period of 5 years at a rent of £1 per annum, proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Egan and passed unanimously.

Lighting of Fair Green.

The Clerk submitted returns of Tolls and Customs collection for the Month of October. Mr. O'Connell referred to the advantage of the recent lighting of the Fair Green, and pointed out that 2 more lights were still required on the northern side of the Fair Green. The Clerk was directed to bring the following matters before the County Manager:-

1. Additional lighting of the Fair Green.
2. That the Commissioners were anxious to acquire a site at the Tullinday side of the Fair Green to afford a second entrance.
2. To provide for additional loading banks.

Public Telephone Service.

Proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Burke that the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs be asked to extend the Telephone system and also that the Tuam Postmaster be requested to increase the staff in Tuam. The Clerk was directed to write about those matters.

Transport service.

Proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Burke that C. I. E. be requested to provide a train connection from Athenry to Tuam and Claremorris from the Dublin-Galway Train departing Westland Row at 7 p.m.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M. W. Cahill Chairman. Date 27/11/46

M. W. Joyce Town Clerk. 11th. November, 1946.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 2nd. December, 1946.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, J. Moran, W. Stapleton, J. Coghlan M. J. Byrne and J. Burke. The County Manager was also present.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. County Manager's Order read and noted.

Proposed housing Scheme.

The County Manager explained that the Plans submitted to him for the proposed New Housing Schemes were returned to the Architect for modification, and would be placed before the Commissioners in due course, after the site plans were selected and acquired, and that that the Architect would attend a special meeting to submit the plans. The Commissioners expressed their approval to same. The Manager informed the Board that several of the houses in Gilmartin Road were badly kept by the tenants and that Notices to Quit were being served on some tenants. He explained that the estimates for expenditure would be submitted to the Commissioners at an early date, and that the Commissioners might consider any improvements for which provision would have to be made. Mr. O'Connell suggested that the lighting of the Fairgreen should be further increased, and the Clerk was directed to write to E. S. B. for quotation for two additional lights. It was also decided to enquire about the cost of maintaining cost of one all-night light at the Square. Mr. Byrne suggested that the matter of providing a second loading bank at the fairgreen should be considered. The Manager stated that the Town Surveyor was of opinion that the cost of providing same would be high, and directed the Clerk to request Mr. Egan to report again to him on the matter.

Cleaning of Market Square.

Mr. Burke enquired of the Manager if arrangement could be made for the proper cleaning of the Market Square after the Friday Fish Market and the Saturday Galt Market. The Manager stated that the calf market might be held in the Shambles and that any stall becoming vacant be let for fish marketing purposes. As the Bye-laws were not confirmed by the Minister no decision was taken in the matter.

Sugar Factory Strike.

The Chairman referred to the strike at the Sugar Factories, and after some discussion in the matter the members agreed unanimously to the following resolution:-
The Tuam Town Commissioners conscious of the seriousness of the situation arising from the strike in the four sugar Factories hereby appeal to all parties to endeavour to arrive at an early settlement".

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M. W. Cahill Chairman. Date _____
W. Stapleton Town Clerk. 7th. Dec. 1946.

Town Clerk. 7th. Octob

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 6th. January, 1947.

Attendance. Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, J. Burke, W. Stapleton and J. J. Egan.

The Minutes of last monthly meeting were read and signed, County Manager's Orders read and noted.

Loading Bank at Fairgreen.

The Clerk submitted a letter and report from the Town Surveyor, recommending the provision of an additional loading bank at the Fairgreen, at an estimate cost of £20. (twenty pounds). It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Burke that the work be carried out on the additional expenditure of £20. (£20)

Ambulance for Tuam.

After a short discussion in connection with the proposed provision for a special Ambulance for Tuam, the Clerk was directed to write to write to the local County Councillors ~~in this matter~~ and request them to bring the matter before a meeting of the Galway County Council.

Obstruction at Galway Road.

Mr. J. Burke referred to the obstruction caused by the stones which were piled up outside houses of the Commissioners' on the Galway Road, also a stone crusher which was for a considerable time parked outside Protestant Cathedral. After some discussion in these matters the Clerk was directed to refer same to the County Surveyor for his attention.

Cleaning of Shambles.

Mr. J. O'Connell referred to the cleaning of the Shambles and pointed out that the County Council were using the place for County Council property for the past 5 years. It was decided to inform the County Manager that this matter would be discussed with him at the Estimates meeting, and the Clerk was directed to notify the County Manager accordingly.

Housing Scheme.

The Clerk informed the members that the County Manager hoped to have the Architect present at the Estimates meeting on the 21st. inst. to submit the plans for the proposed new Housing Scheme. A letter received from the Bundoran U. D. C. in connection with Housing was marked "read".

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

James Moran Chairman.
W. Stapleton Town Clerk. 10th. Jan. 1947.

Town Clerk. 7th. Octob

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Estimates meeting held on 21st. January, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, J. Coghlan, J. Moran, J. A. O'Connell, M. J. Byrne and J. Burke. The County Manager was also present.

County Manager's Estimate of Expenses for year ending 31st. March, 1948

The County Manager submitted his Estimate of expenses for year ending 31st. March, 1948, for consideration. The estimates provided for an expenditure of £8939.10. 0. and receipts of £7427. 0. 0, the nett estimated expenditure being £1512.10. 0. The Commissioners referred to the sum estimated for Public Lighting and after some discussion in the matter it was decided to provide an additional sum of £15 for the erection of 3 extra Lights in the Town; Messrs Joyce, Cahill and O'Connell were selected as Committee to advise where the extra lights were most needed. The Commissioners also recommended that an ~~additional~~ all-night light be erected at the Square. A sum of £34 was adopted by the Commissioners to effect an increase in the Town Clerk's salary. After further consideration of the Estimates it was proposed by Mr. Moran and seconded by Mr Cahill and unanimously adopted ~~that~~ the Estimates set forth on Tables A, B and C of Form E. 3 and determined in accordance with the said Estimates the sum set forth to be demanded from Galway County Council for year ending 31st. March, 1948, be £1403. 10. 0.

Mr. O'Connell referred to closing of Railway gates at the Station and complained about the length of time the gates remained closed against traffic. Mr. Burke pointed out that a light was need^d at the footbridge. The Manager stated ~~that~~ he would communicate with the Railway Company on both matters.

Proposed New Housing Schemes.

Mr. Sheahan, Architect, submitted the housing plans for the proposed Housing Schemes to be adopted by the Commissioners. The Commissioners examined in detail the plans for the 37 new houses, 21 slum clearance type to be erected at Barrack Street and 16 Normal Scheme houses at Bishop St. A lengthy discussion took place with the Manager in regard to types of houses, size, and rents and it was finally decided to adopt the plans for Barrack St. as follows: types H, K, and Z and type G for Newtownmorriss scheme. The Manager informed the members that the plans would be submitted to the Department for approval and that arrangements ^{ments} would commence to acquire the sites.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

James Moran Chairman.

W. W. Cahill Town Clerk. 24th. January, 1947.

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on the 3rd. February, 1947.

Attendance. Mr. James Moran Vice-chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, J. Burke, W. Stapleton, J. A. O'Connell and J. Coghlan.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed; there were no Orders made by County Manager since last meeting.

Correspondence:

The Clerk submitted letters received from Messrs Killilea and Burke, the local representatives on the Galway County Council, in connection with the proposed provision of special ambulance for Tuam; also a letter received from the County Surveyor relative to obstruction complained of by the Commissioners at Galway Road.

Sewerage Scheme. at Ballygaddy

Mr. O'Connell referred to the necessity of connection sewerage to houses at Ballygaddy Road which are within the borough, and pointed out that plans were being prepared for ~~25~~ erection of 23 houses at Strachan's field. Mr. O'Connell proposed and Mr. Stapleton seconded that the County Manager be asked to investigate the possibility of having sewerage pipes laid on all property within the borough. Mr. J. Burke referred to the necessity of repairing the water fountain at Galway Road, and the Clerk was directed to refer these matter to the County Manager.

Football Project.

The members referred to the development of New Football Field at Barrack Street and noted with satisfaction the fact that headway is being made for development which will be a great advantage to the town.

Sympathy

Mr. O'Connell proposed and Mr. Coghlan seconded that a vote of sympathy be extended to relatives of the late James Larkin.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M. W. Cahill Chairman.
W. W. Cahill Town Clerk. 8th. February, 1947.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 3rd, March, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. W. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs James Moran, T. Joyce, J. A. O'Connell and M. J. Byrne.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, the County Manager's Orders were read and noted.

Letting of houses.

There was a short discussion in connection with the letting of houses and reference was made by Mr. Moran to the letting of vacant house at Parkmore Terrace, and recommended that the County Manager be requested to leave the Sub-tenant, Mr. Ivers in occupation until another house became vacant to accommodate him and family. The Clerk was directed to bring the matter before the Manager.

Legal proceedings, Town Commrs. V. Ailbe McGrath.

The members discussed the matter in connection with the decree obtained at the Circuit court in favour of Mr. A. McGrath for damages to his meat and expressed their disapproval in decision of County Manager in defending the case and rendering the Board liable for the amount of Decree.

After some discussion in the matter, it was decided that Mr. O'Connell, delegate to Assoc. of Municipal Authorities be instructed to bring the following matter before the Minister when in consultation, "to prevent the County Manager from instituting legal proceedings in the name of the local authority, prior to consultation with the Manager, and with consent of Local Authority."

The members recommended that a Public Liability Insurance Policy be held in the event of any revelant claim.

Milk shortage.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the milk shortage in the town, and pointed out that there were a number of people who were unable to procure milk. Mr. Byrne stated that the County M. O. H. had made a report on this matter, and it was suggested that the milk suppliers in the town who had ceased to deliver the milk be asked to supply the milk to a depot in town and arrangements would be made by the Board for disposal to consumers. The Clerk was directed to write to Mrs. Daly and inform her that the Board would accept the milk in bulk at a specified depot and request the price required, and afterwards to refer the matter to the Parish Council, or alternatively to invite a deputation from the Parish Council to a special meeting.

Vote of Congratulations.

A Vote of congratulations was extended to Canon Fergus on his appointment as Bishop of Achonry, proposed by Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Cahill and passed unanimously.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

W. W. Cahill

Chairman.

M. J. Byrne

Town Clerk. 4th. March, 1947.

Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 8th. April, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, Chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs. J. Moran, T. Joyce, J. A. O'Connell and Jarlath Burke.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Letting of houses.

The letting of vacant house in Gilmartin Road was discussed by the members. Mr. O'Connell referred to an applicant- Mrs. Ward, for the tenancy and the Clerk was directed to refer same to the County Manager.

Overdraft accommodation.

Overdraft accommodation to the amount of £700 was sought for required for the month of May, it was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Cahill that sanction to the above amount be sought to meet payments out of Revenue.

Public Liability Policy.

It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell that the County Manager be asked to get quotations for Public Liability Insurance, and the Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the Manager.

Milk supply in Tuam.

The Clerk informed the members that Mrs. Daly- Dairy owner ~~had~~ could not supply milk in bulk to a depot in town, and no further action was taken in the matter. The members were also informed that the additional loading-bank, for which a sum of £20 expenditure had been approved of, had been erected.

Re-Pump at Bishop St.

Mr. Joyce submitted a letter received by the residents from the Secretary, Galway County Council, regarding the alleged abuse of pump at Bishop St. After some discussion in the matter the Clerk was directed to write to the Secretary and request that the pump be replaced or the existing pump be repaired. The Clerk was also directed to refer to the bad condition of pump at Galway Road.

Erection of houses in Urban Areas.

Mr O'Connell raised the question regarding the erection of houses and requested that the matter should be referred to Ass. of Municipal Auths. and it was decided to write to the Secretary and ask him to put the following on the Agenda for the Annual Meeting:-

1. That loans be made available
2. That building grants be made available for houses to be erected in the an Urban Area.

Vote of Congratulations to Theatre Guild.

A vote of congratulations was extended to Theatre Guild on their recent success proposed by Mr. O'Connell and Seconded by Mr. Cahill. Mr. Burke replied on behalf of the Guild and the question of provision of New Town Hall was raised. After some discussion it was decided to hold a special meeting to discuss this project in full, the meeting to be held on 22nd. inst.

Turf production.

Mr. Murphy, local representative of Bord na Mona made an appeal to the Board for their assistance in promoting increased turf production, for the 1947 Season.

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The Board agreed to formally support Mr. Murphy's appeal proposals.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of Town Commissioners.

M. W. Cahill Chairman.

M. Whyte Town Clerk.

Minutes of Special Meeting held on April, 22, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, Chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs. T. Joyce, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan, J. Coghlan, J. A. O'Connell, and J. Burke and M. J. Byrne.

The Clerk submitted the plans and correspondence in connection with proposed New Town Hall, and read a letter received from Dept. of Local Government which pointed out that it would be necessary for Town Commissioners to borrow money from through the Council of their county in accordance with Section 27 of L. G. A., 1946. There was a general discussion in the matter and it was decided to examine the financial side, the Clerk was instructed to write to the Architects and enquire what the present cost of building would be on the existing plans, also enquire from Dept. the maximum sum that could be raised to erect a municipal hall and enquire from the County Manager if the Town Commissioners had powers to alter the existing Town Hall.

Bus Service In Tuam.

The members discussed the inadequacy of transport facilities for Tuam, and Mr. O'Connell was requested to bring the matter before the local T. D.'s to be raised in the Dail.

Public-

Lighting Service.

Reference was made by the members to the existing lighting service in the Town due to the restrictions and the Clerk was directed to phone the County Manager in the matter and request him to arrange with E. S. B. to restore lighting to midnight.

Vote of Sympathy.

A vote of sympathy was extended to the Vice-chairman on the recent death of his son, proposed by Mr. Stapleton and seconded by Mr. Joyce and passed unanimously.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M. W. Cahill Chairman.

M. Whyte Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS. MAINT

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 5th. May, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs M. J. Byrne, J. Burke, J. A. O'Connell and J. Moran.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Sale of Houses:

It was proposed by Mr. Burke and seconded by Mr. Moran that and passed unanimously that the Commissioners approve of the County Manager's Orders in connection with the proposed sale of house No. 5, Parkmore Tce to Mrs. J. Whyte, and No. 2, McHale Tce to Mr. Patk. O'Grady.

Letting of Houses:

Mr. O'Connell referred to the County Manager's Order in connection with the letting of No. 60, Gilmartin Road, He pointed out that he had requested the County Manager to consider the application submitted by Mrs. Warde, and that the application be submitted to the Co. M.O.H for his report. The Clerk informed the members that the Manager considered the applicant ineligible as she had been a previous tenant of the Commissioners and left arrears of rent due. It was decided to request the Manager to re-consider Mrs. Warde's application for tenancy of next vacant house, provided the arrears of rent were paid. After further discussion in regard to the lettings of houses, the Clerk was directed to write to the County Manager and convey the following resolution:

Proposed by Mr. Byrne and seconded by Mr. Burke- that the County Manager be asked to alter his decision in accepting recommendations from individual members and accept recommendations from the Board as a body.

Correspondence.

The Clerk submitted copy of resolution received from Listowel U. D. C. in connection with labour for Fuel and Food Production, which was marked "read".

After some discussion in connection with resolution received from Granard Town Commissioners dealing with different rates of pay assigned to men and women on Radio Wireann Staff, it was decided by the members to adjourn the matter to the next meeting.

Water supply in Tuam.

The Clerk was directed to request the County Manager to state the reasons for the delay in improvements in Town Water supply.

Turf prices in Tuam.

Mr. Byrne referred to the high price that is being charged for Turf in the Town and pointed out that the poor people were unable to procure turf. After some discussion in the matter it was decided to refer the matter to the County Manager.

Maintenance of Town Streets.

The Clerk was instructed to refer the following matters to the County Council: that the Street name plates be painted, the streets of the Town be re-tarred and that the Old Road be

repaired.

Allotments Scheme.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the alleged sale of Allotments by allotment-holders, and referred to a particular case where an applicant-John Mannion had been refused an allotment, the Clerk reported that appropriate action was being taken in the case where an allotment holder sold his allotment. It was suggested that the matter be referred to the Allotments Inspector for his observations in order to prevent the sale of allotments.

The Clerk submitted the Abstract of Accounts for year ended 31st. March, 1947 and it was decided to adjourn consideration of same to the next meeting.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

James Moran Chairman.

M. W. Joyce Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of Monthly meeting held on 2nd. June, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. James Moran, Vice-chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan and Jarlath Burke.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, County Manager's Orders read and noted.

Correspondence:

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the County Manager in connection with letting of houses, turf supplies for Tuam and matter referring to Waterworks Improvements. After some discussion in regard to the letting of houses, it was decided that the matter be raised at the meeting of Association of Municipal Authorities.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the Secretary of Muinntir Na Tire, Tuam, requesting the Commissioners to hold a meeting for the purpose of discussing the question of making a road through the Fairgreen. The members expressed their opinions that that the proposal would be condemned by the residents in the Tullinday area as it would mean diversion of traffic and trade. Mr. O'Connell referred to the bad condition of the road on Tullinday Hill and pointed out that its present slippery condition was dangerous for traffic, and the Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the County Surveyor and request that the hill be roughened with gravel ~~xxxxxx~~ for horse traffic. After some discussion in connection with the proposal of the Parish Council, it was decided to receive the deputation at the next meeting of the Commissioners.

The Clerk was directed to write to the Public Health Department in connection with sewerage at Daly's Tce, and to the County Mangger in connection with Waterworks improvements and get the necessary documets signed to expedite the work.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

James Moran Chairman.

M. W. Joyce Town Clerk. 5th. June, 1947.

Galway County Council

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

COMM. SEC. TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Town Clerk. 7th. Octob

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Annual Meeting held on 24th. June, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, outgoing chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs James Moran, T. Joyce, J. J. Egan, W. Stapleton, J. A. O'Connell, J. Coughlan, M. J. Byrne and J. Burke.

Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Mr. J. J. Egan proposed and Mr. T. Joyce seconded that Mr. Cahill be elected Chairman for the ensuing period. As there were no other proposals, the Clerk declared Mr. Cahill elected Chairman. Mr. Egan proposed and Mr. Joyce seconded the election of Mr. Moran as Vice-chairman. As there were no other proposals, Mr. Moran was declared elected Vice-Chairman.

Letter from Tuam Branch Muinntir na Tire.

The Clerk read a letter received from Muinntir na Tire requesting the Commissioners to send delegates to meeting arranged with representative from C. I. E in connection with Transport. The Clerk was directed to inform the Secretary that the Commissioners were prepared to receive a deputation from Muinntir na Tire and other local organisations in connection with the project; the meeting to be held in Commissioners' meeting room.

Trading on the Square.

Mr. Byrne referred to obstruction caused on market days in Tuam at the Square by the number of stalls erected there. It was proposed by Mr. Byrne and seconded by Mr. Burke that the matter be referred to the Garda Siochana and request them to ensure that traffic is not obstructed. A further discussion took place in connection with the sale of meat at the Square. The Clerk informed the Board that in connection with the Bye-laws recently submitted to the Department for confirmation, Dr. McConn had objected to Section 5 dealing with the sale of meat, and the Clerk was directed to write to the Department and convey the Commissioners' objection to the sale of meat at the Square, and point out that it was the intention of the Commissioners to define a market place after the Bye-laws have been approved. The Clerk was further directed to refer the matter to the Local T.C.'s and request them to get in touch with the Dept. and request that the Bye-laws be adopted without further delay.

Vote of Sympathy.

It was proposed by Mr. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Byrne and unanimously resolved that a vote of sympathy be extended to Mr. T. Connelly and relative in his recent bereavement.

The Meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

James Moran Chairman.

W. Stapleton Town Clerk. 28th. June, 1947.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 7th. July, 1947.

Attendance. Mr. James Moran, vice-chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, M. J. Byrne, J. Burke, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan.

The Minutes of last monthly meeting were read and signed, the County Manager's Orders read and noted.

Widening of Streets.

Mr. Byrne referred to the repairs that were being carried out to the Stall at Vicar Street and considered any repairs unnecessary as ~~there~~ the widening of the Street at that point was necessary. After some discussion in the matter the Clerk was directed to request the County Manager to prepare a scheme for the widening of Circular Road corner and Vicar Street.

Proposed Bye-laws.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the Department of Local Government in connection with the adopted Byelaws, and it was suggested in the letter that Section 5 referring to the sale of meat be deleted, it was unanimously decided to agree with the Department's suggestion and the Clerk was directed to reply accordingly.

Town Clerk's Salary.

The Clerk submitted letter received from the Department of Local Government conveying the Minister's approval to increased salary scale from the 1st. January, 1947. The members unanimously agreed to additional expenditure of £13 from the 1st. January to 31st. March, 1947.

Resolutions for Association Of Municipal Auths. Annual Meeting.

The Clerk was directed to forward for inclusion in the Agenda the following resolutions unanimously adopted:-

1. That Building Grants be made available to residents Urban Areas.
2. That Section 32 of the County Management Act, 1940, be amended so as to debar Managers from instituting or defending legal proceedings without prior ~~consultation~~ approval of the Elective Body.

Deputation from Muinntir na Tire re-Fairgreen Road.

Mr. P. Purcell Secretary and Mr. Burke, representatives of Tuam Muinntir na Tire addressed the members relative to the proposal to have a road made through the Fairgreen. After some discussion in the matter, Mr. Burke was requested to get the County Surveyor to submit an estimate of the cost of the work when the matter would be further discussed. Mr. Burke was also requested to bring before the County Manager the Commissioners proposals for the widening of Tullinadaly Hill and Vicar St-Circular Road. He informed the Commissioners that he had discussed the matter in connection with the improvement to Water Supply and stated that the County Manager had taken Compulsory powers to acquire the right-of-way on the lands of Lady Cusack Smyth.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on Behalf of the Town Commissioners.

W. Cahill Chairman.

John Hession adg. Town Clerk. 11th. July, 1947.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on the 11th. August, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. M. W. Cahill chairman presided. Other members present were, Messrs James Moran, J. A. O'Connell, J. Coughlan, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan, M. J. Byrne, J. Burke, and H. Finnegan, B. E. Town Surveyor.

The minutes of the last meeting were next read and signed.

Compulsory Purchase Orders, Sun Street and Cloontooa Road, Tuam.
Mr. James Moran proposed and Mr. J. Coughlan seconded that we the Tuam Town Commissioners do compulsorily purchase by Compulsory Purchase Order the lands of Sun Street area, and Cloontooa Road area, for the purpose of Part III of the Housing of the Working Classes Act 1890, and the Housing of the Working Classes Acts 1890 to 1931, to be known and cited as the Tuam Town (Improvements) Commissioners Compulsory Purchase Order Nos 1 & 2. Sun Street area and Cloontooa Road area 1947, and that Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman, and Mr. C. I. O'Flynn, Galway County Manager be and are hereby authorised to sign the said Orders on behalf of the Tuam Town (Improvements) Commissioners and that the said Orders be submitted to the Minister for Social Welfare for confirmation. *Local Govt.*

Proposed.

Mr. Byrne proposed and Mr. O'Connell seconded that we adopt the above building scheme subject to the rents being satisfactory to both Tuam Town Commissioners and the tenants who occupy the houses.

Waterworks.

Mr. R. M. Burke came before the meeting and explained the position re proposed improvement to waterworks for the town and after a lengthy discussion the Commissioners requested Mr. Burke to communicate with the Minister for Social Welfare on the matter and let them know the result.

Sale of Houses at St. Benin's Tce.

Mr. J. A. O'Connell inquired regarding proposed purchase of Mr. John Walsh's and Mr. Joseph Cooney's houses, that the County Manager be asked what would be the lowest figure he would be prepared to accept for those houses.

Correction of October Fairs, 1947.

Mr. O'Connell proposed and Mr. Cahill seconded that the dates for the coming October Fairs be changed from 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th, October, to 21st, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th, October 1947, beginning on the third Tuesday as heretofore and that corrections be advertised in Irish Press, Irish Independent, Irish Times, Connaught Tribune and Tuam Herald on the last Saturday of August and last Saturday of September and have hand-bills to deliver to both buyers and sellers at Tuam September Fairs, 1947. Mr. Cahill proposed and Mr. Burke seconded that the following dates be recommended for the Tuam Fairs, 1948: Jan. 13th. and 21st., Feb. 10th. & 18th., March 9th. 10th. and 18th., April 13th & 21st., May 10th. 11th. & 19th., June 8th. & 16th., July 6th. & 21st., August 10th. & 18th., Sept. 9th. 10th. and 15th., October 19th. 20th. 21st. & 22nd., Nov. 9th. & 17th. Dec. 14th. 15th.

Letter from Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.

Above letter re annual conference to be held on 17th. - 19th. Sept. 1947, re council's instructions to delegates was read and discussed at meeting.

Mr. Cahill proposed and Mr. Burke seconded that the secretary of the Co. Council be written to regarding complaints received from Co. Council employees who have not received their wages for the past three weeks, and also ask Co. Council to tar and clean the shambles at Vicar St. so as to make it suitable for a parking place for cars.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M. W. Cahill Chairman. Date 11/9/47
M. J. Egan Town Clerk

JANUARY:	13th. ✓ Cattle and Sheep.	(2nd. Tuesday).
"	21st. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
FEBRUARY:	10th. ✓ Cattle and Sheep.	(2nd. Tuesday).
"	18th. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
MARCH:	9th. ✓ Sheep.	Old Fair.
"	10th. ✓ Cattle.	"
"	11th. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
APRIL:	13th. ✓ Cattle and Sheep.	(2nd. Tuesday).
"	21st. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
MAY:	10th. ✓ Sheep.	Old Fair.
"	11th. ✓ Cattle.	"
"	19th. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
JUNE:	8th. ✓ Cattle and Sheep.	(2nd. Tuesday).
"	16th. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
JULY:	6th. ✓ Lambs, Sheep and Cattle.	Old Fair.
"	21st. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
AUGUST:	10th. ✓ Cattle and Sheep.	(2nd. Tuesday).
"	18th. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
SEPTEMBER:	9th. ✓ Sheep (Great Ewe Fair).	Old Fair.
"	10th. ✓ Cattle.	"
"	15th. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
OCTOBER:	19th. ✓ Sheep.	Old Fair.
"	20th. ✓ Cattle.	"
"	21st. ✓ Horses.	"
"	22nd. ✓ Pigs.	"
NOVEMBER:	9th. ✓ Cattle and Sheep.	(2nd. Tuesday).
"	17th. ✓ Pigs.	(3rd. Wednesday).
DECEMBER:	14th. ✓ Pigs.	Old Fair.
"	15th. ✓ Cattle, Sheep and Horses.	"

The above are very important Fairs, as the Tuam District is noted for its unfailing supplies of thriving and healthy stock reared in one of the best stock-raising districts in the country.

before 8 a.m. on mornings of Fairs, and the sale of Cattle, Sheep, Horses and such stock is prohibited before 7 a.m. on mornings of Fair.

The forestalling or anticipation of any of the Tuam Fairs is strictly prohibited. The sale of stock will not be allowed except on stated Fair days. The sale of pigs is prohibited

I certify the above to be a correct copy of dates of Fairs for 1948.

By Order,
J. Hession,
(Acting) Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 1st. September, 1947.

Attendance. Mr. M. W. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs M. J. Byrne, J. A. O'Connell, W. Stapleton and J. Burke.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Letting of houses.

The members discussed the letting of houses as stated in the Manager's Orders and objected to the lettings. The Clerk was directed to request the County Manager to produce for inspection of the members the applications received for tenancy of No. 21, Athenry Road and No. 44, Tubberjarlath, together with the medical Officer's report, proposed by Mr. O'Connell and Seconded by Mr. J. Burke.

It was unanimously decided to recommend Mrs. M. Warde, Clbonthoa Road for the tenancy of vacant house at No. 45, Gilmartin Road.

Lease of Forrester's Hall.

Mr. Burke, a trustee of the Forrester's Hall produced at the meeting the Equity Bill served by the Commissioners' Solicitor. After some discussion in connection with same, it was decided that no action could be taken pending the legal proceedings.

Tuam Waterworks Improvements.

Mr. R. M. Burke, Co. Co. attended the meeting and read letters received from the Dept of Local Government and from the County Manager in connection with Tuam Waterworks improvements and explained the reasons for the delay in carrying out the work. Mr. Burke stated that Compulsory Acquisition proceedings were being taken to acquire the water rights. The members suggested that a deputation from the Commissioners with Mr. Burke interview Lady Cusack Smyth with a view to getting the necessary agreement signed in order to expedite the work, and Mr. Burke was requested to get the form of Agreement for Signature of Lady Cusack Smyth.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

M W Cahill Chairman.

M W Joyce Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 6th. October, 1947.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, W. Stapleton, M. J. Byrne, the County Manager was also present.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's orders read and noted.

Letting of Houses.

The members discussed with the Manager his recent Orders for the letting of houses, No. 21, Athenry Road and No. 44, Tubberjarlath Road, and indicated their disapproval to the lettings in each case, and stated that in their opinion more deserving cases had not been given preference. The Medical Officer's report and applications were submitted for examination. After a long discussion in the matter, the Manager informed the members that he was introducing a new system of selection of tenants, whereby he would have the medical Officer submit a report on all applicants who have not yet be allotted a house, and selected in order of merit; this report would be made available for examination of the members and if they were not satisfied with it, a report could be submitted to him with recommendations for his consideration. The members unanimously accepted the Manager's proposals.

Letter From Mr. R. M. Burke, Co. Co.

The Clerk read a letter received from Mr. Burke, Co. Co. informing the Commissioners that Lady Cusack Smyth had consented to the signing of agreement for the letting of the Water Rights for Waterworks Improvement, and that the deputation from the Commissioners was not necessary.

Mr. Burke referred to the erection of traffic signs at the 'Islandd Ballygaddy Road. The Manager stated that this was a matter for the Garda Siochana, and if they authorised ~~the~~ it, the County Council would erect the signs. The Clerk was directed to refer the matter the Superintendent of the Garda Siochana.

Sale of Houses.

The Manager informed the Commissioners that he had fixed the purchase price of two houses at St. Benin's Tce at £400 each, and if the purchasers were willing to buy at the price and the Town Commissioners approved, he would submit the proposal to the Department for confirmation. Mr. O'Connell stated that he would interview the tenants concerned, and inform them of the price.

Overdraft accommodation.

Mr. Joyce proposed and Mr. Cahill seconded that Overdraft accommodation to the amount of £1150 be sought for payment of Housing Loans and other expenditure during the Month of November. The Clerk was directed to make the necessary application to the Minister.

Repairs to Footpaths.

Mr. Joyce referred to the necessity of carrying out repairs to the footpaths at Bishop St. and the Manager stated that he would refer this the the County Engineer. The Manager also stated that he would recommend the use of a better type of scavenging cart in the town.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M W Cahill Chairman.

M W Joyce Town Clerk.

10th. October, 1947.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 3rd. November, 1947.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs M. J. Byrne, J. Burke, J. Moran.

The minutes of last meeting read and signed, Co. Manager's Order No. 182 read and noted.

Correspondence.

The Clerk submitted letters received from the County Surveyor in connection with proposals of the Commissioners, and reported that ~~it was~~ money was provided to lay paths in the town as suggested; the provision of a better type of cart for scavenging purposes; the removal of scrap iron at Gilmartin Road; and the oiling ~~of the~~ and tarring of the Shambles at a estimate cost of £380. The Clerk was directed to inform the County Surveyor that the Commissioners agreed to the carrying out of the work at the Shambles, proposed by Mr. Byrne and seconded by Mr. Burke.

Town Hall Yard Door.

Mr. Byrne reported that the Town Hall yard door was left unlocked at night, and that steps should be taken to keep the door locked. The Clerk was directed to report the matter to the County Manager.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M. W. Cahill

Chairman.

M. W. Joyce

Town Clerk.

7th. November, 1947.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 1st. December, 1947.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, J. A. O'Connell, W. Stapleton, J. Moran and J. Burke.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Correspondence.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from Fermoy U.D.C. conveying copy of resolution in connection with "recent heavy taxation imposed on beer and tobacco". After some discussion on the matter Mr. Joyce proposed and Mr. O'Connell seconded that the resolution be adopted. Mr. Moran proposed and Mr. Stapleton seconded ~~that~~ an amendment that taxation be reduced on pipe tobacco and stout and on the Chairmans vote the amendment was adopted.

Sale of house.

It was proposed by Mr. Stapleton and Seconded by Mr. Moran ~~that~~ and unanimously adopted that the Commissioners approve of the County Managers recommendation for the proposed sale of No. 4, McHale Terrace to Mr. John Reidy for the sum of £100 to be effective from the 1st. December, 1947.

Payment of wages to Co. Co. Employees.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the irregular payment of wages to employees of the Galway County Council- Mr. John McGann and his assistant who are employed on the scavenging service, and after some discussion in the matter the Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the County Manager to have it remedied, and also to refer the matter to Mr. Burke. Co. Co.

Traffic Signs.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the recently erected sign~~s~~ at the Island Ballygaddy Road, and stated that second sign was necessary at the other end of the Island. The Clerk was directed to refer the matter to Commission of Garda Siochana and request him to authorise the erection of the second sign, proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce.

Telephone service in Tuam.

Mr. Joyce referred to the inadequate telephone service in Tuam and to refusals met for applications for instalation of telephone service, It was decided to send a protest to Minister for Posts and Telegraphs and to request that Tuam be given additional extension lines as in the case of Ballinasloe. The Clerk was directed to write accordingly.

Repairs to No. 61, Tubberjarlath.

Mr. Joyce stated that the tenant of No. 61, Tubberjarlath made application to have repairs carried out to his house, and the Clerk was directed to refer the matter to the Town Surveyor to have the necessary repairs carried out. The Clerk was also directed to refer to the County Engineer the necessity of carrying out repairs to footpaths in the Town and in particular the footpath at Vicar Street and Circular Road, where there were loose pavements.

Mr. O'Connell reported that he attended a meeting of the executive of Assoc. of Municipal Authorities during November, and that the matter in connection with E. S. B. power, lighting was discussed and that he was on a deputation to E. S. B. headquarters in that connection, with a view to having the defective current improved.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners

W W Cahill Chairman.

M Wangan Town Clerk.

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Estimates ~~monthly~~ meeting held on 21st. January, 1948.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. Moran, T. Joyce, J. A. O'Connell, W. Stapleton, J. Coghlan, and J. J. Egan. The County Manager was also present.

Co. Manager's Estimate.

The County manager submitted his Estimate of expenses for year ending 31st. March, 1949 for consideration by the Commissioners. The Estimates provided for expenditure of \$9687. 10. 0. and receipts \$7753, and a credit balance of \$160. The manager referred to the sum of \$1500 provided for discharge of Housing rates, and stated that he would recommend a further provision of \$148 in view of any increase in County Rates, which was unanimously adopted by the Commissioners. A sum of \$120 expenditure was adopted by the members to provide for increase in salaries of Town Engineer and Town Steward, an increase of \$50 per annum for Town Engineer, and an increase from \$50 to \$120 for Town Steward. After further consideration and discussions, it was proposed by Mr. Cahill and Seconded by Mr. Moran and unanimously adopted that the Estimates set forth in Tables A, B, and C of Form E 3. and determined in accordance with the said Estimate the sum set forth in column 6 of Table C to be the sum to be demanded, \$1894. 10. 0.

Sale of houses.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the proposed sale of houses at St. Benin's terrace, and requested the County manager to reconsider a reduction in the price previously determined. After some discussion in the matter, the Manager stated that he would go into the matter at his next meeting, and submit his recommendation for the proposed disposal of the houses.

Waterworks Improvements.

The Manager informed the members that he expected work to commence within the next two months in connection with the Waterworks Improvement Scheme.

Allotments Scheme.

The Manager informed the Members of the present position regarding land for allotments and stated that $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres were available at Bishop Street, and that a further additional 6 to 8 acres might be required and asked the members to co-operate and recommend any land which would be suitable. The closing date for receipt of applicants to be 31st. January.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

W W Cahill Chairman.

M Wangan Town Clerk. 23rd. January, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly meeting held on 2nd. February, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, M. J. Byrne, J. Moran and J. Burke.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Correspondence.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the County Surveyor in connection with the Traffic Sign at Ballygaddy Road, in which the County Surveyor stated that the erection of a "keep left sign would seriously endanger the inhabitants of Old Ballygaddy Road and the North East side of Ballygaddy Road. After some discussion in the matter it was decided to request the County Surveyor to have the Island removed as it was a source of danger in its present state.

Telephone Service.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from Department of Posts and Telegraphs in which it was stated that arrangements were being made to provide for additional trunk lines in Tuam, and that the work would be put in hands as soon as possible.

Public Lighting Service.

The Clerk read a letter received from the Secretary of Tuam Parish Council in connection with the existing Public Lighting Services, and requesting the Commissioners to make representation to the E. S. B.

The Clerk was directed to write to E. S. B. and point out that the present service afforded to private consumers was inadequate and that the voltage in Electricity was not up to standard, proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Burke.

Letting of Houses.

The Clerk submitted the Doctors' recommendations in connection with the letting of houses, and ^{the Council} approved of the tenants to be selected for the next 4 vacant houses.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M W Cahill Chairman.

W Joyce Town Clerk. 6th. February, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on the 1st. March, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. J. Egan, J. A. O'Connell and T. Joyce.

The minutes of last meeting were next read and signed, County Manager's orders read and noted.

Sale of House: It was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Cahill and unanimously adopted that the Commissioners approve of the County Manager's order for the proposed sale of house No. 3 Parkmore Terrace, to Mr. D. Bowen for the sum of £132.

Public Lighting Service: The clerk submitted a letter received by the County Manager from Galway District Engineer in connection with Services. After some discussion in the matter it was decided to write to the Head Office and state that the Commissioners were of opinion that the existing services were not satisfactory, and to refer to the statements contained in the letter re- installation of transform

Extension of New Cemetery: Mr. Finnegan, Town Surveyor informed the members that it was necessary to extend the New Cemetery, or to provide suitable land. The Galway County Council desired to have the views of the people of the town in the matter, and after a short discussion, it was decided to adjourn the matter and hold a special meeting and invite attendance of other public organisations in the Town and the Clergy.

Footpath a Tullinadaly Road, Tuam.

Mr. O'Connell referred to complaints made to him regarding the steps on the footpath near Lynch's, Tullinadaly Road, and the Town Surveyor stated he would have the steps removed.

Waterworks.

Mr. Finnegan reported that the fuel oil ration was proposed to be reduced to half the existing ration and this would have a serious effect on the water supply in the town. He stated that the installation of a water wheel would help to relieve the position, and that he would take immediate steps to instal same, and he expected that representations would be made to maintain the existing ration of oil.

Vote of Sympathy.

Mr. Cahill proposed and Mr. Egan seconded that a vote of sympathy be extended to the Hosty family on the death of Mr. John Hosty.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M W Cahill Chairman. 5th. April, 1948.

W Joyce Town Clerk 3rd. March, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of special meeting held on 23rd. March, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. Coghlan, J. A. O'Connell. Mr. R.M. Burke Co. Co. and Mr. Finnegan, Town Surveyor also attended.

The meeting was convened to consider the water crisis in town.

Mr. Cahill, chairman referred to the inadequate supply and as a result the spread of infectious diseases.

Mr. O'Connell asked why the proposed improvement Scheme for Tuam had not commenced, if the contract for the work had been accepted and for what sum?

The Town Surveyor stated he understood that the contract amount accepted was for the sum of £20,000 approximately and that the delay in commencing the work was due to a technical point, and that he had not received any copy of the specification, or correspondence to indicate that the contract had been signed.

Mr. Finnegan stated that prior to the installation of the water-wheel, the position was acute due to the shortage of fuel oil. After further discussion in the matter it was decided to write to the Minister for Industry and Commerce and request an increase in fuel oil, and that copies of the letter be forwarded to Ministers for Local Government and Health, and copies to local T. D.'s.

Vote of Sympathy

It was proposed by Mr. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Stapleton that a vote of sympathy be extended to Mr. O'Connell on the death of his father.

Vote of congratulations.

It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Cahill to extend congratulations to Tuam Little Theatre Guild on winning two Cups at the Cavan Dramatic Festival for the second year.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners:

M. W. Cahill Chairman. Date 5/4/48.
W. Stapleton Town Clerk. 25th. March, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on April, 5th, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. Moran, J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, J. Burke W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan, J. Coghlan and M. J. Byrne. The County Manager was also present.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Public Lighting service

Mr. O'Connell referred letter received from District Engineer to the County Manager for his observations. It was decided that the Committee appointed would meet to inspect the position of existing lamps and report on necessary alterations. The Clerk was directed to reply to the letter and request that the new transformer be installed as soon as possible.

Letting of houses.

Mr. T. Joyce referred to the system of selecting tenants for vacant houses and stated that the names of selected applicants be given press publication. After some discussion ~~in the matter~~ it was decided to leave the matter as it stood.

Repairs to Footpaths

Mr. Joyce referred to the Manager the necessity of carrying out repairs to the footpaths at Vicar Street, and the manager stated that he had already referred the question of carrying out repairs to the footpaths in Tuam to the County Surveyor. Mr. O'Connell referred to the condition of the footpaths at Ballygaddy Road and Old Road. The Manager informed the members that he would refer the matter to the County Surveyor. Mr. Finnegan stated that a sum of £700 would be utilised to carry out repairs to footpaths as soon as possible.

Waterworks Improvements

The Clerk read copy of a letter written by the County Manager in connection with the water supply, in which he requested the Minister for Industry and Commerce to consider an increase in fuel oil ration in Tuam to secure the maintenance of the water supply; the Manager referred to the seriousness of the position regarding Tuam and stated that it would be some time before the proposed Waterworks Improvement Scheme would be completed, and that everything possible must be done to maintain the water services, and requested that the fuel oil be made available. The Manager informed the members that there was some delay in completing the signing of the contract accepted for the sum of £20,000 from Mr. Burke of Galway, and he expected that the work would commence within two or three weeks.

Letting of Fairgreen and Town Hall.

The tenders submitted for the letting of Fairgreen grazing and Upper portion of Town Hall were examined and the Manager recommended the acceptance of the tenders for sums of £30 and £52 respectively.

Repairs to Houses.

Mr. Finnegan stated that he has commenced to carry out necessary repairs to the Commissioners' houses and that all complaints made by tenants would be dealt with in due course.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

James Moran Chairman. Date 31/5/48.
W. Stapleton Town Clerk. 7/4/48.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their Monthly Meeting held on 3rd. May, 1948.

Attendance:- Mr. Moran, ~~Chair~~ Vice-chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs O'Connell, T. Joyce, J. Burke, M. J. Byrne, and J. Coghlan.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Rates in Urban Areas.

Mr. O'Connell informed the members that he attended a meeting of Association of Municipal Authorities, and that the question of payment of high rates in Urban areas had been discussed. He stated that it was intended to send a deputation to the Minister from the Association to discuss the matter with him. After some discussion in the matter ~~xxxxx O'Connell~~, it was suggested that a relief be sought by making certain works a national charge, such as drainage, Roads and Public Lighting. The Clerk was directed to the Secretary and convey the Commissioners' approval of the interview with the Minister in the matter, and inform him of the suggestions for relief on Rating.

Tuam Water supply.

The Clerk read a letter received from Mr. R. M. Burke in connection with the Tuam Water Supply Scheme, ~~Mr. O'Connell stated~~ that he understood that the work would not commence until September, as the Contractor was not in a position to supply Pipes necessary for the Scheme. The County Manager in his letter to Mr. Burke stated that the material for a Waterworks Scheme has to come from England, and that the manufacturer's are unable to guarantee delivery, ~~and~~ that Professor Rishworth is trying to get the local representative of the Pipe Manufacturers to expedite delivery. After a long discussion in the matter, the members decided to send a deputation to the Minister for further investigations as the cause in the delay in the commencement of the Work. The Clerk was directed to write to the local T. D's and Mr. Burke and invite them to attend a special meeting, the meeting to be held on the 8th. inst. at 9 p.m. and to arrange for a deputation with the Minister.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners

U W Cahill

Chairman.

Sub Donoghue

Town Clerk. 7th. May, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceeding of above local authority at a special meeting held on 8th. May, 1948.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, J. Moran, M. J. Byrne, J. J. Egan, J. Coghlan, and J. Burke.

Messrs M. Donnellan, M. Kitt, M. Killilea, T. D's and Senator R. M. Burke attended as requested.

The meeting was held in connection with the Tuam Waterworks Scheme and the Chairman explained the purpose of the meeting and the Commissioners' intention to send a deputation to the Minister with a view to expedite the commencement of the work, which was Deputy Killilea informed the members that he made enquiries in the Department of Local Government in that connection, and he was informed that a contract had been accepted and approved; He called on the Department of Industry and Commerce and he stated that Department were only responsible for cement supplies and that priority would be given for the material in connection with the Scheme.

Mr. Donnellan, Parliamentary Secretary, stated that cement would be available but that the Department could not control the supply of Pipes, which were imported. After further discussion in the matter, it was decided that the Deputies make further inquiries regarding the supply of pipes and if pipes were available, it would enable the Contractors to commence work immediately. Correspondence from the County Manager to Mr. R. M. Burke was read at the meeting. It was decided to adjourn further discussion in the matter, and to hold another meeting on the 15th. inst.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

U W Cahill

Chairman.

7th. June, 1948.

Sub Donoghue

Town Clerk.

10th. May, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at a special meeting held on 15th. May, 1948.

Attendance:- Mr. Coghlan presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, J. Burke, J. J. Egan, W. Stapleton, M. J. Byrne and M. W. Cahill.

The meeting was held to discuss the delay in commencement of the work on Waterworks Improvement Scheme. Mr. Donnellan, Parliamentary Secretary, informed the members that he interviewed the Department of Local Government in the matter, and made inquiries regarding the reasons for delays as submitted by the Commissioners, dealing with the acquisition of the water rights at Birmingham, the acceptance of the tender, and delay in completing ~~the arrangements~~ the signing of the Contract Bonds, and the question of delivery of the pipes. It was decided to authorise Mr. R. M. Burke to write to Professor Rishworth, and inform him that the Pipes were available through Messrs T. & C. Martin's, Dublin, ~~which~~ which could be ordered by the Contractors, to enable them to commence work without further delay.

It was decided to hold a special meeting on the 29th. May, in connection with the project.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners

M W Cahill

Chairman. 7th. June, 1948.

M W Joyce

Town Clerk. 18th. May, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 7th. June, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, J. Coghlan, J. Moran, J. A. O'Connell, J. Burke, ~~and~~ M. J. Byrne, and W. Stapleton.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Tuam Waterworks Improvement Scheme.

The Clerk submitted correspondence received from the County Manager and Senator R. M. Burke in connection with the Tuam Waterworks Improvement Scheme, the correspondence dealt with the reasons for the delay in commencing the work and that efforts were being made to expedite delivery of the pipes, and that the work would commence in July. The members were satisfied that they had succeeded in their efforts and representations made so far to speed up the work and decided nothing further could be done in that connection.

Service of Notices to Quit

The question of service of Notices to Quit on tenants (of the Commissioners) who failed to carry out exterior painting and repairs was raised by Mr. Byrne, and protested against the practice of serving notices on the tenants as a result of the rent Collector's report on the condition of the premises, and in the absence of the Engineer's report. Mr. Byrne proposed and Mr. O'Connell seconded that the members send a protest to the Manager against the issue of the notices, i.e. in the case of No. 4, *Subbarjanath + No. 13, Athlery Rd.*

Reception for His Grace, the Archbishop.

It was decided to hold a special meeting with other local organisations to make arrangements for reception of His Grace, the Archbishop on his return from Australia.

Sunday Excursions trains

It was proposed by Mr. T. Joyce to ask Coras Iompar Eireann to grant a Sunday Excursion train from Tuam to Galway during the holiday season. The Clerk was directed to write accordingly.

Pump at Ballygaddy Road.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the dirty and discoloured water in the pump at Ballygaddy Road; Mr. Finnegan, Town Surveyor stated that this pump was at a dead-end water main, and that it would be necessary to have the main pipe cleaned and install a new tap, and he would take steps to remedy the defect.

Relative to the repairs to footpaths at Ballygaddy Road, the Town Surveyor stated that after completed of other Road works in the town he would arrange for repairs to the footpaths and resurfacing of the Mall on the grant of £700 available for such works.

It was unanimously decided to hold the Annual Statutory on Monday the 28th. inst.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners .

M W Cahill

Chairman.

M W Joyce

Town Clerk.

Date 10/6/48

Minutes of proceedings of above local Authority at a special meeting held on Thursday the 24th. June, 1948.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs Moran, J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, M. J. Byrne, J. Coghlan, J. Burke.

The meeting was convened to discuss arrangements in connection with reception for his Grace, the Archbishop on his return. It was decided to invite delegate from the local organisations, and the Clerk was directed to write to the secretaries of the organisations and invite the delegates to attend a special meeting to be held on Monday the 28th. inst.

Collection of Tolls.

Mr. Byrne raised the question of collection of Tolls on potatoes bought in the district, the Collector stated that he collected tolls on Potatoes weighed on the scales, and that he was not authorised to collect tolls on the lorry-loads passing through the town, not purchased within a radius of 6 miles. It was decided to refer the matter to the County Manager and have legal advice in the matter.

The Meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M W Cahill

Chairman.

M W Joyce

Town Clerk.

Date 25/6/48

Minutes of proceedings of annual meeting held on Monday, the 28th. June, 1948.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, outgoing chairman, Mr. Moran, outgoing Vice-chairman, Messrs. J. Burke, J. Coghlan, T. Joyce, J. A. O'Connell

Election of Chairman and Vice-chairman.

Mr. T. Joyce proposed and Mr. James Moran seconded the re-election of Mr. Cahill as chairman. Mr. T. Joyce proposed and Mr. O'Connell seconded the re-election of Mr. Moran as Vice-chairman. As there were no other proposals Mr. Cahill and Mr. Moran were ~~unanimously~~ declared elected.

The chairman and Vice-chairman thanked the members for their re-election.

Water supply at Ballygaddy Road.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the condition of the water at Ballygaddy Road and produced a sample of the water from the pump at the end of the Ballygaddy Road.

Mr. Finnegan stated that he made a report to the Public Health department in that connection and that steps were being taken to insert a tap to purify the water. It was decided to send a protest to the Public Health Department of the Galway County Council, and stress the urgency of having the matter remedied. proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce.

Tuam Housing Scheme.

It was proposed by Mr. Coghlan and seconded by Mr. O'Connell to protest to the Minister for Local Government ~~against~~ delay in confirming the Town Commissioners' Compulsory order for the acquisition of sites required for proposed Housing Scheme, in view of the urgency of Housing requirements in the town.

Sunday excursion Train.

The Clerk was directed to write to Coras Iompair Eireann and request a reply to the Commissioners' application for Sunday excursion train from Tuam to Galway.

Reception for His Grace, the Archbishop.

The members discussed arrange to be made with delegates from the Town organisations in connection with proposed reception for his Grace, the Archbishop. The Clerk was directed to inform the Archbishop's secretary of the proposed reception and to request the date of arrival. Committees were set up to deal with preparation of address of welcome, decoration of the streets of the town and marshalling of the procession.

It was decided to engage the Boy Scouts Band for the occasion and to hold a further meeting to make final arrangements as soon as the date of his Grace's arrival was available.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M W Cahill

Chairman.

M W Joyce

Town Clerk. 30th. June, 1948.

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 5th. July, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. Moran, J. A. O'Connell, J. Coghlan, W. Stapleton, J. J. Egan, J. Burke, M. J. Byrne and T. Joyce.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, no orders made by Co. Manager since last monthly meeting.

Service of Notice to Quit.

The Clerk was directed to amend the minute of last monthly meeting in connection with matter dealing with service of Notices on tenants, and record the Engineer's statement that the ~~xxxxxx~~ damages to the railings in the house at No. 4, Tubberjarlath was due to bad workmanship. It was unanimously decided that the Engineer examine the Collector's report on the condition of houses and that the Engineer's report be submitted to the members before the service of notices on tenants to have the repairs carried out, and the members recommended that all damaged railing be replaced where necessary and that a log be kept showing particulars of painting carried out by the tenants.

Sugar Factory Strike.

Mr. Joyce suggested that the members offer their co-operation to settle the Sugar Factory Strike, and after some discussion in the matter, Mr. Byrne suggested that the Minister for Industry and Commerce be requested to attend directly to the matter to ~~xxxx~~ effect a settlement.

Sunday excursion train.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from C. I. E in reply to the Commissioners' request for Sunday excursion train from Tuam to Galway. It was stated in the letter that a guarantee of 300 passengers be given, in view of the fact that when previous excursions trains were provided they were not availed of. The Clerk was directed to reply and point out that the ordinary people could not afford to travel by road in view of the existing high charges and that the Commissioners were of opinion that the train would be availed of and request C. I. E. to put on one or two excursion trains as a trial.

Traffic regulations on Race Day.

Mr. T. Joyce, Mr. Byrne and Mr. O'Connell were selected as delegates to call on the Superintendent of the Garda Siochana to make suggestions for parking arrangements on Race day in the town. It was decided to ask the County Council to have the Shambles cleared and cleaned and made available for parking if necessary. The delegates were authorised to discuss with the Superintended the parking regulations for everyday parking in the town. It was also decided to have Public Lighting in the town on the night of the Races.

Collection of Tolls and Customs.

Mr. O'Connell made further reference to the collection of Tolls on potatoes bought in the district and suggested that particulars of purchases by buyers be kept by the collector, to be available for legal proceedings, if any, after legal opinion was obtained in the matter.

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

Provision of Public Abbatior, Pound and New Dispensary.

Mr. Coghlan raised the question of the necessity of provision of Public Abbatior in the town, in view of complaints being made by connection with meat sold. It was also discussed that a Pound was needed in the Town, also a new dispensary. The Clerk was directed to refer these matters to the Public Health Department, and to ask Senator Burke to make representation on behalf of the Commissioners.

Mr. Byrne referred to the conduct of persons returning home after dances in the town, and it was suggested to ask the owners of dance halls to exhibit notices in the halls requesting the dancers to go home quietly.

Continued.

Proposed Byelaws.

Mr. O'Connell reported that at a general meeting of the Trader's association, he was instructed to refer the matter of the Byelaws at this meeting and suggested that something must be done to have the byelaws confirmed. After some discussion in the matter it was decided to ask Deputy Killilea and Deputy Donnellan and Senator R. M. Burke to have the matter raised in the Dail. The Clerk was directed to write to the deputies and inform them of the history of the proposed bye-laws adopted by the commissioners and outline the procedure for them.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

W W Cahill Chairman.

John Brosnan Town Clerk. 6th. July, 1948.

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 9th. August, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. M. Cahill chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs T. Joyce, J. Burke, W. Stapleton, J. A. O'Connell. The County Manager and Mr. H. Finnegan B.E. also attended.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Litter Baskets: It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Cahill that litter baskets be erected in Shop St. preparatory to their erection in all principle streets in the town.

Publication of Bye-Laws: It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Cahill that copies of the Bye-Laws as sanctioned by the Minister for Local Government be published.

Tuam Annual Fairs: It was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. O'Connell that the Tuam Fairs for 1949 be published as approved of by the Commissioners

Association of Municipal Authorities in Ireland: Mr. O'Connell made a verbal report at the meeting re his attendance at a recent meeting of above association and the business transacted in connection with Housing, Urban & County Rates, The County Management Act etc.

The meeting Concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

James Moran

Chairman.

W. Stapleton

Town Clerk. 9th. August, '48.

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T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at a special meeting held on 27th. August, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs. J. Moran, J. A. O'Connell, J. Coghlan, J. J. Egan. and M. J. Byrne.

The meeting was convened to discuss proposed purchase of Sparling Estate- Meat Stalls, and resolutions for Agenda of Annual Conference of Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland.

Proposed purchase of Meat Stalls.

The Clerk submitted correspondence received from Estate Agent in connection with expiration of 99 years lease of Meat Stalls, and correspondence from the County Manager relating to proposed purchase of the property. The Clerk submitted a statement showing the gross revenue derived from the Meat Stalls. After some discussion in the matter, it was decided to adjourn further discussion to the Monthly meeting and request the attendance of the County Manager. The Clerk was directed to inform the Manager that the members by importance of proposal to purchase.

Annual Conference of Ass. of Municipal Auths.

The Clerk was directed to forward copy of the following resolutions unanimously adopted for inclusion in Agenda of Annual conference.

1. "That reconstruction grants be made available to applicants residing in Urban areas under similiar conditions as at present available to Rural dwellers".
2. "That irrecoverable Rates, collected in pursuance of Section 6, Local Government (Rates on Small Dwellings) Act, 1928, be remitted.
3. "That the present system of Rating is obsolete, and that the Government be requested to investigate the possibilities of adopting a Scheme similiar to the system in use for assessment of Income Tax".

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

James Moran

Chairman.

6th. Sept. 1948.

W. Stapleton

Town Clerk. 30th. August, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of Monthly meeting held on 6th. September, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. J. Moran, Chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs. J. A. O'Connell, J. Coghlan, and J. Burke. The County Manager was also present.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. No orders made by the County Manager since last monthly meeting.

Proposed purchase of Meat Stalls- Sparling Estate.

The Manager discussed with the members the proposal to purchase the Sparling Estate comprising of Meat Stalls, and Forrester's Hall, the lease of which expired on the 1st. May, 1948. The offer to sell by the owner for sum of £360, plus 5% fees was not accepted by the Commissioners and after further discussion in the matter the Commissioners decided to offer to purchase the property at 15 years purchase.

The matter in connection with renewal of lease of Forrester's Hall to trustees of Tuam Men's Social Club was adjourned, pending the purchase of the ~~area~~ entire Sparling Estate.

Tuam water supply.

The Manager reported that he had received complaints regarding the water supply in the Ballygaddy Road area, and requested the Town Surveyor to make arrangements to alter the hours of supply at night, to give a better service to this area, without affecting the Dublin Road area. Mr. Finnegan stated that he would try a different system of turning off the water at night in order that both areas would have a better supply.

Mr. O'Connell referred to the condition of the water at Ballygaddy Road, not only was the pressure low but the water was dirty. The Town Surveyor stated that he intended to have a scour valve fitted at the end of the mains, but so far he was unable to obtain the necessary fittings, which were on order from Galway office. The County Manager stated that he would see to this matter.

Mr. Coghlan asked the County Manager if anything could be done about the open drain at rear of Vicar Street and Church View, carrying sewerage from that area. The Manager stated that if provision had been made for new connections, all those who had sewerage discharging in to the open drain, would be compelled to connect with the main sewer, and that he would refer the matter to the County Public Health Engineer.

Byelaws.

It was decided to have the matter in connection with enforcement of the Byelaws recently confirmed, to be put on the agenda of the next Monthly meeting.

Annual Conference

Mr. O'Connell stated that Mr. Coghlan, was unable to attend as delegate at the Annual Conference of Association of Municipal Auths. and requested the Manager to approve of the attendance of the Town Clerk. The Manager gave his approval.

The Meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

James Moran Chairman.

W. J. D. Town Clerk. 9th. Sept. 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at their Monthly meeting ~~held~~ held on 4th. October, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. J. Moran, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, M. J. Byrne, W. Stapleton and J. Burke.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed, Co. Manager's Orders read and noted.

Proposed purchase of Meat Stalls.

The Clerk informed the members that the County Manager had interviewed the Estate Agent in connection with purchase of Meat Market, and that the Manager agreed on the purchase price of £252 (two hundred and fifty two pounds) representing 20 years purchase, plus £12.12. 0. Estate Agents fees.

After some discussion in the matter, it was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Burke to purchase the property on the terms proposed by the County Manager. Mr. Burke proposed and Mr. Moran seconded that a loan be raised in accordance with Section 27, Local Government Act, 1946, for sum of £280 (two hundred and eighty pounds) to meet the costs of the proposed purchase.

Enforcement of the Bye-laws.

It was unanimously decided to hold a special meeting on the 11th. inst. to discuss the matter relating to ~~proposed~~ bye-laws and to make recommendations to the County Manager in that connection.

Annual conference of Association of Municipal Auths.

Mr. O'Connell reported to the meeting that the resolutions submitted by the Commissioners had been adopted by the Association at the Annual Conference, and reported on other resolutions which were adopted, with special reference to resolutions relating to housing.

Letting of Fairgreen grazing.

Mr. Hussey, to whom the Fairgreen is let for grazing, reported to the members that a circus owner allowed the circus horses to graze on the Fairgreen land and that as a result he was at a loss. The Clerk informed the members that the Commissioners reserved the right in the letting agreement to let the circus rings. The Commissioners decided that they could not take any action in the matter and advised the grazier to take proceedings against the circus owner.

Pump at Ballygaddy Road.

Mr. Finnegan, Town Surveyor informed the members that he had received the scour valve for pump at Ballygaddy Road, and as it was unsuitable, he had it returned to Galway for adjustments. He was requested to have loose stones in Egan's Lane beside Mr. Rooney's garage removed.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

John Laughlan Chairman. 1/11/48

W. J. D. Town Clerk. 6th. October, 1948.

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at ~~their~~ a Special meeting held on 14th. October, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, J. Moran, M. J. Byrne and J. Burke.

Public Lighting in the Town.

The Clerk was directed to arrange with Mr. Finnegan, Town Surveyor to meet the Committee for the purpose of inspecting the existing positions of Public Lights in the town, with a view to altering some of the existing lights or the erection of additional lights. The necessity of erecting an additional light at the Mall.

Water Supply at Athenry Road and Tubberjarlath.

The Commissioners received a deputation from the tenants of the Commissioners houses at Athenry Road, protesting against the action of County Council officials in cutting off the water supply for non-payment of water rates. The deputation explained that they refused payment on account of the inadequate water supply in the area, no water being available throughout the day for domestic or sanitary purposes. The Commissioners decided to send a protest to Public Health Authority and request that the water supply be turned on from 10 to 11 a.m. and from 4 to 5 p.m. and to request the County Council to supply tar barrells to the residents for the purpose of storing water for use during off-hours. The Chairman agreed to communicate with the County Manager and request that no water be cut off pending the carrying out of improvements to the existing supply.

Fixing of Market places under the Bye-laws.

The members discussed the recommendations to be made to the County Manager for the fixing of Market places in accordance with Byelaws recently adopted.

The following places were agreed upon to be appointed market places:-

Fairgreen: Cattle, Sheep, Horses and all livestock.

Shambles: Turf, Scollops, fowl and cabbage plants.

The Market Square: Corn, potatoes and vegetables.

The Mall- alongside wall adjoining Old Cemetery, (to be specified)

Stalls for the sale of drapery, footwear, household requisites, delph, hardware, and all household goods.

Bonham Market: High Street.

It was decided to recommend to the Manager that no market be held within 20 (twenty) feet of the Town Hall Corners or Bishop street.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

John Leaghlan Chairman.

11/10/48.

W. W. Joyce

Town Clerk. 14th. October, 1948.

T U A M T O W N C O M M I S S I O N E R S .

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at their monthly meeting held on 1st. November, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. J. Coghlan, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, M. J. Byrne, W. Stapleton and J. Burke.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. No orders were made by the County Manager since last monthly meeting.

Housing Conference.

The Clerk submitted a letter received from the Private Secretary to the Minister for Local Government, inviting the Chairman to attend a housing Conference to be held in Galway on the 3rd. inst. The Chairman, Mr. Cahill, wrote to the meeting explaining that he regretted being unable to attend the meeting, or attend at the Conference in Galway, and requested that one or two of the members be appointed to attend in his place. It was unanimously decided that Messrs O'Connell and Byrne be selected as representatives to attend the Conference.

The Clerk read Circ. Letter No. H. 56/1948 received from the Department of Local Government, and matters relating to housing dealt with in the Circ. letter were discussed by the Members. It was decided that the delegates at the Conference discuss the following matters with the Minister:-

1. That the Commissioners be allowed to charge economic rent on the 16 normal type house proposed to be provided, and that
2. existing tenants be transferrred to new houses, who were able and agreeable to pay the higher rents.
2. That house plans be varied.
3. Refer to delay in issue of building licences to private persons.

Street Name Plates.

Mr. Finnegan, Town Surveyor was requested to report on the replacement of existing street name plates, whic were worn and defaced. He informed the members that ~~that~~ a report on the provision of new Road Signs had been submitted to the Department of Local Government for approval.

Island at Ballygaddy Road.

Mr. T. Joyce referred to the necessity of erecting traffic signs at the Island' at Ballygaddy Road. It was decided to ask the County Surveyor to have the signs erected or to remove the Island altogether.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioner

W. W. Joyce Chairman.

W. W. Joyce Town Clerk.

5th. November, 1948.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local Authority at their monthly meeting held on 6th. December, 1948.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs M. J. Byrne, J. Burke, W. Stapleton, J. Coghlan, J.A. O'Connell, and J. Moran.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed, no orders signed made by the County Manager since last monthly meeting.

Public Lighting.

The Clerk submitted the report of the Town Surveyor on the Public Lighting survey made by the Committee, and it was decided to ~~refer~~ recommend ~~the matter~~ to the County Manager to ask the E.S.B. to quote for the erection of the proposed additional lighting, and that the matter would be considered at the Estimates meeting.

Proposed Housing Scheme.

Referring to the proposed New Housing Scheme, Mr. Byrne indicated dissatisfaction with the scheme, and recommended that houses be provided for single persons and old couples in existing houses. It was decided that a committee be set up to examine the housing requirements in detail and get a report and all information regarding the particulars of applicants for houses, the report to be discussed at a special meeting when the house-type plans would be submitted for approval.

Payment of County Rates.

Mr. O'Connell raised the question of payment of County rates and stated that the current rates were being accepted by the Rate Collector in one moiety only, which was a hardship on most ratepayers. It was decided to refer the matter to the County Manager and request him to instruct the Rate collector to accept in part-payment where possible.

Executive meeting of Municipal Auths.

Mr. O'Connell reported that he attended a meeting of the above, and informed the members of discussions which took place regarding housing in general and the restoration of powers to local bodies.

Mr. O'Connell raised the question of the necessity of provision by the E. S. B. of an office in the Town and of the installation of telephone for the benefit of consumers to contact the local electrician. It was decided to write to the Head office of the E. S. B. and to suggest that they erect a house for their electrician, and point out that the Commissioners would assist in the provision of a site. The Clerk was directed to write accordingly.

It was unanimously decided to hold the next and following monthly meetings on the 1st. Tuesday in each month.
The Meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners

M. J. Cahill Chairman
M. J. Byrne Town Clerk
4/1/49

CHAIRMAN.

TOWN CLERK.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at their monthly meeting held on 4. 1. '49.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messers T. Joyce, and James Moran.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed. County Manager's Orders numbered from 213 to 218 (inclusive) were read and noted.

All other business adjourned to next monthly meeting.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

M. J. Cahill

Chairman. Date 1/2/49

M. J. Byrne

Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at the Estimates meeting held on 21. 1. '49.

Attendance. Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were Messrs J. Moran, J. A. O'Connell, J. Coughlan, W. Stapleton, J. Burke, T. Joyce and J. J. Egan. The County Manager was also present.

Estimates of Expenses for Y. E. 31. 3. '50. The County Manager submitted his estimate and amount of demand for Local financial year ending on the 31st. March, 1950.

The estimated amounts were as follows:-

Manager's estimate for Housing:- Expenditure £7720

Adopted by Commissioners £7720

Alotments £200 Adopted by Commissioners £200

Other Expenditure £2044 Adopted by Commissioners £10,054 providing for additional expenditure of £30 for erection of additional Public Lights, and £60 for Payment of Emergency Bonus to Town Clerk and Town Strward. The total Estimated Receipts were £7744 against £10,054 expenditure. Amount to be demanded £1743.

It was proposed by Mr. Cahill and seconded by Mr. Joyce that the Estimates set forth be adopted and that £1743 be the sum in accordance with the said Estimates the amount to be demanded. The resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The cleaning of the Shambles was discussed by the members, and it was decided to adjourn further discussion to the monthly meeting on the question of re-surfacing and improvements for use as Gar Park.

The Town Surveyor informed the members that both entrances to the Fairgreen would be cleared and levelled. The letting of the Circus Ring in the Fairgreen was discussed and it was decided that Circus owners be informed that horses would not be allowed outside the Circus Ring except with the consent of the tenant and by arrangement with the Circus owner and tenant.

Letting of Houses. The members indicated dissatisfaction with the method of selection of tenants for houses. The Manager stated that he selected the tenants in accordance with the report of the Medical Officer. He agreed that he would accept the recommendations from the Commissioners in connection with the remaining applicants, and would consider the recommendations when selecting further tenants.

Over Expenditure for Y. E. 31. 3. '48. It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce and unanimously adopted that the Commissioners indicate approval to Over Expenditure amounting to the sum of £338 or period ended 31. 3. '48. The Clerk explained that the sum calculated to meet payment of County Rates was insufficient, and the amount of Over Expenditure was £338 in Housing, there being a credit of £116 for Alotments and £142 in other Expenditure.

Imprisonment of Cardinal Mindszenty. It was proposed by Mr. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Cahill and unanimously adopted that the Commissioners protest against the imprisonment of Cardinal Mindszenty and his forthcoming trial, copie of the resolution to be sent to His Grace the Archbishop and to the Minister of External Affairs.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

U. W. Cahill Chairman. Date 11/2/49

W. Joyce Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of proceeding of above local authority at their special meeting held on 27th. January, 1949.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, Chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs J. Moran, J. A. O'Connell, J. Coghlan, W. Stapleton and J. Burke.

The meeting was held for the purpose of consideration by the Commissioners of raising of partial Loan for the sum of £10,000 for erection of four houses by direct labour. The members unanimously decided to adjourn the matter to a further meeting, pending the receipt of information and particulars of estimated cost of houses so that the members would be in a position to know what rents would be charged, the amount of grants that would be made available and the contribution from the rates.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners.

U. W. Cahill Chairman. Date 11/2/49

W. Joyce Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on 1st. Feb. 1949.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman, presided. Other members present were, Messrs J. Coughlan, J. Moran and J. Burke. The County Manager was also present.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. County Manager's orders numbered from 219 to 222 (inclusive) were read and noted.

Renewal of Cinematograph Licences: The chairman and Town Clerk signed the licences to be issued to the Wall and Odeon Cinemas for 1949. The clerk was instructed to write to management of the Cinemas and ask that the cinema be closed on Sunday nights not later than 11.p.m. in order that young people attending be home early..

E. S. B. & Housing Accommodation: The Clerk read a letter received from E. S. B. relating to the Commissioners suggestion that the E. S. B. provide a house for the electrician in the town with office and telephone accommodation, stating that the telephone would be installed in the present residence of the local electrician but that it was not the practice to provide houses. The members decided that they send a further letter of protest to the E. S. B. and the clerk was directed to write accordingly.

Proposed New Housing Scheme: The County Manager explained to the members that it was proposed to erect four houses by direct labour in Cleenetha Road area and that the men at present engaged on the erection of houses by the Galway County Council could be employed by the Commissioners. The manager further explained that it was proposed to erect 2 type H. houses to cost approximately £1,250 and 2 type Z. to cost approximately £1,150. He recommended that the Commissioners consider the raising of a loan of £10,000 (ten thousand) to provide for the proposed costs, interest payable only on the amount of loan required. After some discussion in the matter it was proposed by Mr. Coughlan and seconded by Mr. Burke and unanimously adopted that:-

"The Commissioners request the Galway County Council to raise a loan for the sum of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) for the purpose of lending same to the Commissioners for erection of houses and that application be made to Minister for Local Government for sanction to overdraft accommodation on the Commissioner's Capital Account for sum of £5,000 (five thousand pounds) pending the receipt of amount of loan." On the recommendation of the manager, the members agreed that the engineer Mr. Finnegan in charge of the erection of the houses be paid a bonus on completion of the work under the estimated cost. The manager stated that he expected that the work would commence in about six weeks.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

M. W. Cahill

Chairman. Date. 1/3/49.

M. W. Joyce

Town Clerk. 5th. February, 1949.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local authority at their monthly meeting held on the 1st. March, 1949.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, chairman presided. Other members present were, Messrs J. Moran, T. Joyce, M. J. Byrne, J. Burke, J. J. Egan, W. Stapleton and J. A. O'Connell.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

Proposed Housing Scheme: Mr. O'Connell referred to resolution adopted at the last meeting in relation to proposal to raise a loan of £10,000 for the erection of houses by direct labour and protested against such resolution with which Mr. Byrne wished to be associated, since it was proposed at a previous meeting that a survey of houses would be made and examined by the members at a special meeting. Reference was made to ~~minutes~~ minute of meeting of 6th. December, '48.

Mr. Joyce proposed and Mr. Moran seconded that the resolution referred to be rescinded and that there would be no undue delay in the erection ~~of~~ of the four houses proposed to be erected by direct labour.

Mr. O'Connell proposed and Mr. Byrne seconded an amendment that no houses be built pending the survey to be carried out and examined by the members. Mr. Joyce's resolution was carried by four votes to three.

Mr. Joyce further proposed and Mr. Burke seconded that a survey be prepared and submitted for consideration by the members at a special meeting to be held on Tuesday the 8th. March at 8.30.p.m.

Auditor's Report: It was unanimously decided to adjourn consideration of the Auditor's report to the next monthly meeting.

Public Lighting: Mr. O'Connell informed the members that he had been ~~asked~~ asked by the Traders Association to bring before the Commissioners the matter in relation to erection of Road sign on the Square. It was ~~proposed~~ proposed that the Town Clerk inquire into the matter.

Mr. O'Connell also referred to the Public Lighting Service and expressed the views of the Traders Association in relation to quality of the light and the manner in which the lights are hung. It was unanimously decided to write to the E. S. B. and request them to make a survey and to effect an improvement in the quality and that the lights be properly diffused.

Site for Housing: Mr. O'Connell referred to site acquired by the Town Commissioners from Mrs. L. Leonard, who he stated was prepared to build on the site a house which would be to the design approved by the Commissioners and Department of Local Government. He stated that this proposition had been put to the Department by him on Mrs. Leonard's behalf. After further discussion in the matter it was proposed by Mr. Burke and seconded by Mr. Joyce that the Commissioners recommend to Department of Local Government that Mrs. Leonard be left the site and build according to an approved design.

Water-works Improvement Scheme: Mr. Joyce referred to the extension to water-works contract, and stated that a plant be acquired to soften the water in the town, as the hardness of the water was notable. He referred to the fact that such a plant was in use in Roscommon, and it was decided that the matter be brought to the notice of the County Manager.

Supplying of Ranges: Mr. Joyce referred to representations made to him by tenants requiring installation of ranges, and the clerk was directed to refer the matter to Town Surveyor.

Sugar Factory: Mr. Cahill raised the question in relation to the necessity to urge the farmers to grow more Beet to assist in retaining the Factory. The present estimated acreage was not likely to guarantee the continuity of the Factory. It was decided to ask the Tuam Agricultural Society to join with the Parish Council, and hold a meeting to confer on the matter. The clerk was directed to write to the Secretary of Agricultural Society accordingly.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners *James Moran* Chairman
M. W. Joyce Town Clerk. 5/4/49.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at their monthly meeting held on 5th. April, 1949.

Attendance: Mr. James Moran, vice-chairman, presided. Other members present were, Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, W. Stapleton, J. Burke and J. J. Egan.

The minutes of last meeting were read and signed. County Manager's orders Nos. 223, 224 and 227 were read and noted.

Letting of upper portion of Town Hall: The clerk submitted two tenders received for letting of Town Hall, from Martin Cooney offering £5 per month and from Tuam Little Theatre Guild for £52 per annum.

It was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce and unanimously adopted that the County Manager accept the tender of Tuam Little Theatre Guild.

Fixing of Proposed Rents for New Houses: The clerk submitted a statement in connection with fixing of rents of four houses being erected at Cloonthoa Road.

The question of contributing further from rates for housing in Tuam was discussed by the members. Mr. O'Connell proposed and Mr. Stapleton seconded that the Minister be asked to grant the maximum grant in view of the existing change on the rates for housing purposes, and that the Commissioners be allowed to set houses at an economic rent.

The clerk informed the members that it was necessary now to consider the amount of contribution from the rates so that application could be made for the grant in respect of the four houses in course of erection. After further discussion in the matter it was proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce and unanimously adopted that the contribution from the rates be £37 per house per annum.

Removal of Steps at Tullinadaly Rd. Mr. O'Connell referred to the matter of removing the steps on footpath at Tullinadaly Rd. and stated that the County Manager had ordered the work to be done some time ago. Mr. Finnegan stated that he would give the matter his attention.

Supply of Ranges: The clerk informed the members that ranges were being supplied to tenants who were prepared to pay portion of the cost.

Vote of Sympathy: A vote of sympathy was extended to Mr. J. Hession, Town Steward on the death of his father, proposed by Mr. O'Connell and seconded by Mr. Joyce and unanimously adopted.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

W. W. Cahill Chairman Date 3/5/49
M. Whyte Town Clerk.

Minutes of special meeting held on 11th. April, 1949.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill chairman presided. Other members present were, Messrs J. A. O'Connell, T. Joyce, J. Burke, J. J. Egan and J. Coughlan.

The meeting was convened for the purpose of arranging to celebrate Easter Monday as Independence Day. After a short discussion in the matter the members decided to take no action.

The meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Commissioners.

W. W. Cahill Chairman Date 3/5/49
M. Whyte Town Clerk.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 3rd. May, 1949.

Attendance: Mr. Cahill, Chairman, presided. Other members present were Messrs. J. A. O'Connell, J. Coughlan, J. J. Egan, T. Joyce James Moran, W. Stapleton and M. J. Byrne.

The Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

It was proposed by Mr. J. Coughlan and seconded by Mr. T. Joyce that the meeting be adjourned as a mark of respect to the late memory of the late Mr. T. J. Murphy, Minister for Local Government and that a message of sympathy be extended to the Minister, the Tanaiste and to the widow and family of the late Minister. Messrs. J. A. O'Connell, J. J. Egan, M. J. Byrne and other members associated themselves with the vote of sympathy.

It was proposed by Mr. T. Joyce and seconded by Mr. Cahill and unanimously adopted that a vote of sympathy be extended to the Clergy and laity of the diocese of Kilmore on the recent death of Most Rev. Dr. Lyons, Bishop of Kilmore. The Clerk was instructed to send copies of the resolutions accordingly.

The meeting adjourned without transacting further business.

Signed on behalf of the Town Commissioners:-

W. W. Cahill Chairman. 7th. June, 1949.

7/6/49 Town Clerk. 5th. May. 1949.

M. Whyte Town Clerk.