

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above mentioned Local Authority at its monthly meeting of October 2nd. 1962.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairmen, Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other Members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Stapleton, Campbell, Coghlan and Burke, together with the Assistant Manager and Engineer.

The Minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and signed. Arising out of the minutes:-

a) The Assistant Manager, referring to the Board's recommendation that all of the Town Planning area of Tuam be included in the order prohibiting Temporary Dwellings, explained that this was not possible as it would not be upheld in court and that the areas to which the order would validly apply would have to be carefully defined areas of restricted extent. It was then agreed to recommend the following

a) All of the main road to Athenry from Tuam as far as the premises of Messrs. Gills Ballygluinin.

b) All of the main Road to Galway for a distance of three miles from Tuam.

c) All of the Ballymoat Rd. i.e. of the road linking Bishop St and Dublin Rd. and comprising a circuit from the Square Tuam to the Square of about three miles.

d) The Gardenfield Road from the point where it branches from the Ballygaddy Rd to Gardenfield Village, including the section of this Road through the former Kirwan Estate and the section skirting the Kirwan Estate and the road linking the latter section with Tullinadaly Rd.

b) With regard to an application from Messrs. James J. Farragher & Co. Ltd., Building Contractors, Tuam, for permission to connect a house being erected for a Mr. Hughes at Athenry Rd. with the Commissioners sewerage and water mains there, the Manager stated this should be allowed without charge as it would be best to arrange to have the County Council take over the mains there.

c) With regard to the Children's Home the Manager stated it would be best to have parties seeking the use of this put in direct contact with the County Council as the Council can now sell or lease this premises. The Council had agreed, at their last meeting to advertise it.

d) Parking in the Square.  
As members complained of chaos in the Square for want of parking regulations, the Chairman volunteered to discuss the problem with the Gardai Superintendent.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter from James Martin, Athenry Road, requesting repairs was referred to the Engineer. Also referred to the Engineer was a sketch map from Martin Mannion, 48, Athenry Rd. which he had forwarded in support of an application for permission to erect a shed there.

The appended motion from the Carrickmacross Urban District Council was agreed with.

A letter from the Co. Engineer stating that a report from Mr. Ed. R. Ryan, Consulting Engineer, Galway on the treatment and filtration of Tuam Water supply was shortly expected was read and a letter from the Gardai Supr. on the parking of vehicles in the Market Square and Vicar St.

MARKET AND TRANSPORT BYE LAWS. As no communication further to the meeting with representatives of the Tuam Livestock Mart had been received, the Asst. Manager stated it would be necessary to take action against the Mart if that body failed to take a further

initiative in the matter of Tolls due to the Commissioners. It was decided that the Town Clerk write the Mart Manager requesting that the final decision on the payment of Tolls be communicated within one month.

PLANTING OF SHRUBS ON RIVER MARGINS AT SHOP ST. It was agreed to leave this to private effort.

MISSION STALLS IN CAR PARK. Commissioner O'Brien stated that the Gardai Superintendent had informed him that he would prosecute parties who had erected Mission Stalls at the Car Park at Bishop St. and Commissioner Coghlan reminded the Board that on a previous occasion on which an itinerant trader had erected a stall there the Superintendent had given the Board an assurance that in future such would not be permitted.

The Board decided against a proposal of Commissioner O'Connor that signs should be erected indicating the position of the Post Office.

Commissioner O'Brien referred to a motion which had been before the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland that Local Authorities should qualify for reconstruction and major repairs Grants as in the case of private landlords and the Assistant Manager stated that in the last Housing Act, provision was made for grants to occupiers and tenants as distinct from landlords. It was decided that the matter be placed on the Agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

HOUSING. Commissioner Campbell referred to the project to erect an additional ten houses in Tuam which had been deferred for some years, holding that this should now be proceeded with, as the vacant houses in Gilmartin Rd. had been tenanted and Commissioner Stapleton to the making available of sites in the Palace Grounds for parties who wished to erect their own houses. In view of the small number of applicants for houses on the waiting list the Asst. Manager did not feel the erection of further houses by Local Authorities was warranted. It was agreed that the Clerk should write the Co. Council conveying a recommendation of the Board that the Council should advertise for applicants wishing to procure sites in the Palace for erection of their own houses.

CLINIC. Commissioner Campbell adverted to the necessity to speed up the erection of the new clinic for which the Co. Council had purchased a site. He also referred to the decision to discontinue the use of rent books in the collection of rents.

FESTIVAL OF TUAM. It was decided that the Board should not march in the parade to be held in connection with the Festival and that they should be invited to the saluting base. Also on the proposal of Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner Burke it was unanimously resolved that the sum of £20 be expended on decoration (lighting) of the town for the Festival.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

John O'Brien CHAIRMAN 6/11/62. DATE.

Guend O'Connor TOWN CLERK 6/11/62 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Tuesday November, 6th, 1962.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Stapleton, Browne, Campbell, Burke, Coghlan and Heskin together with the Assistant Co. Manager.

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

Arising out of the minutes, the Assistant Manager, in reply in reply to a query by Commissioner Campbell, stated that the construction of extra houses would not be justified, in view of the small number in the housing waiting list, but, that an advertisement was appearing in the current weeks local papers inviting applications for sites in the Palace. Also arising out of the minutes, The Chairman stated he had discussed parking in the Square with the Garda Superintendent, who informed him that the whole matter of parking was undergoing consideration at the moment.

Because of representations by Mrs. Trayers, 49, Gilmartin Rd. to have repairs to her house effected, the town Steward was directed to take a man to this house and have the matter carefully examined and remedied.

A letter from Miss K. Morley requesting the use of the Theatre Room of the Town Hall for a concert in aid of the polio fund was read and it was agreed the room should be let at the appropriate charge for the purpose.

The Clerk read a letter from Mr. J.F. Cahill, Westport inviting delegates from the Board to a meeting of Western Local Authorities at the Co. Buildings Galway on November 29th to discuss rates equalisation. It was confirmed that the following delegates should attend, Commissioners O'Brien, Burke, and Heskin.

A complaint from Mr. P. Kelly St. Endas Avenue on the condition of his range was referred to the Engineer.

A letter from the Livestock Mart stating that the Mart Committee had not yet decided on a reply to the Board on the matter of the payment of tolls was read. The Clerk was directed to write the Committee again requesting an immediate decision and reply.

A letter from Mr. Burke, 11 Tobberjarlath Rd. was referred to the Engineer.

A letter from the Town Steward representing the necessity of erecting pens in the Fair Green was considered. It was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner Browne and agreed that a sub-Committee of the Board, comprised of the Chairman and Commissioner Browne, Campbell and Coghlan should visit the Green and report on the proposal.

Commissioner Campbell adverted to the fact that the Green space in front of St. Josephs Park was being <sup>continually</sup> extremely used on Fair days for the sale of stock. The Clerk was directed to write the Co. Secretary on the matter of fencing it off. The necessity for this had already in the past been represented to the Co. Council.

Commissioner Browne referred to the necessity of having toilet facilities in the Fair Green and the Assistant Manager stated that the Co. Council had decided to provide twenty toilets throughout the County. It would take sometime before these were erected. Tuam had a good chance of getting such facilities in the Fair Green.

Copies of an Abstract from the 1982 Housing Act were distributed amongst the Members present and its provisions explained by the Assistant Manager, who confirmed that Local Authorities would not be entitled to Grants for major repairs and improvements in their houses, but that tenants of such houses would. Regulations by the Minister had, however yet to be made.

CIVIL DEFENCE. In connection with Civil Defence the Assistant Manager stated that Tuam was very backward, especially in regard to the Warden service. There was only one District Warden in Tuam and in this respect the Town was the worst in the County and in two counties adjoining. He outlined the history and necessity for civil defence and referred to the very short period of training necessary for Wardenship. All members of the Board, the Clerk and the Town Steward volunteered for service as Wardens and it was agreed that the Civil Defence Officer would contact the Chairman with a view to organising the Service.

LETTING OF HOUSES. The letting of four vacant houses was discussed. It was unanimously recommended that House No. 8 McHale Terrace, be let to Mr. Patrick Hussey, Dublin Road, and that Mr. D.J. Murphy be transferred from No. 13 to No. 14 Newtown Morris. Members of the Board felt that Mr. Patrick Heneghan, Barrack St. should be given No. 6, St. Endas Avenue, but, as, at earlier meetings it had been arranged to give Mr. Connaughton of 20, Gilmartin Rd a transfer to St. Endas Avenue, it was agreed to give this latter tenant the St. Endas Avenue vacancy - No. 6.

The transfer of Mr. Joseph O'Reilly from No. 30 to No. 26 Gilmartin Rd. was agreed upon as well as the granting of No. 30, Gilmartin Rd. to Mr. Byrne and of No. 20, Gilmartin Rd rendered vacant by the transfer of Mr. Connaughton to Mr. Patrick Gaynor. It was also decided that Mr. Frank O'Reilly be transferred from 44 Tobberjarlath Road, to No. 13, Newtown Morris and recommended that No. 44 Tobberjarlath Rd. be given to Mr. Patrick Heneghan.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Luke O'Brien CHAIRMAN 4/12/62 DATE.

Quaid O'Donnell TOWN CLERK. 4/12/62 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Monday, January 7th, 1963.

ATTENDANCE:

The chairman, Commissioner O'Brien took the chair. Other members present were Commissioners, Burke, Heskin, O'Connor, Browne and Campbell together with the Acting Assistant Co. Manager and Engineer.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read. Commissioner Heskin objected to the fact he had not been recorded as dissenting from the Board's resolution adopted at that meeting,

"That the Commissioners accept a sum of £90. per year, dating from the opening of the Livestock Mart, as payment for tolls, should the Livestock Mart be agreeable to this; this arrangement to be subject to review in the light of further developments."

It was agreed that Commissioner Heskin had so dissented and that the fact would be recorded in the present minutes and this is hereby recorded.

TIDY TOWN COMPETITION:

On the Clerk reading the marks awarded to Tuam in the Tidy Towns Competition of 1962 and the remarks of the Adjudicator, it was decided that the town be entered for the 1963 competition. The assistant Manager suggested that at the forthcoming Estimates meeting it might be considered if it would be advisable to make any financial provision for action by the Board towards tidying and beautifying the town and the Chairman suggested that a circular might be sent to each householder.

The Clerk read a letter from the Dept. of Industry & Commerce, in reply to representations made to have the firm of Messrs. John Bruton & Co. re-opened. Letter appended hereto.

A letter from Councillor Patk. A Patten also appended was read.

As Messrs. Fossetts had applied for the use of the fairgreen for a circus exhibition for May 5th, 1963, the Clerk requested the Board to state if he might let the Green for the purpose and it was agreed that the green might be so let on the usual conditions.

The Clerk requested the Board to state whether it considered Thos. Kerman, of 61 Gilmartin Rd., a suitable tenant to whom to lease No. 61 under its Tenant Purchase Scheme, in view of the fact that complaints had recently been made by other residents in connection with the behaviour of the Kerman family. It was decided that the lease be deferred for three months and that Mr. Kerman be warned of the necessity for being on good behaviour.

TOLLS FROM LIVESTOCK MART:

In view of the fact that the new Acting Assistant Manager was unfamiliar as yet with the history of the negotiations between the Commissioners and the Tuam Livestock Mart on the matter of tolls payable on animals auctioned, Commissioner Browne moved that consideration of this item be adjourned to the next monthly meeting. This was seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and agreed; Commissioner Browne requesting Board members who were also on the Livestock Mart Committee to use their good offices to effect a settlement.

DATE OF ESTIMATES MEETING:

This was fixed for Monday, January 21st. 1963.

LETTER FROM MRS. O'BRIEN. (appended)

This was read by the Clerk and it was agreed that the matters raised be left to the Assistant Manager and Clerk to deal with.

Commissioner O'Brien moved that the tolls on Hawkers be raised from 10/- to £1. and Commissioner Burke complained that tolls were taken from Hawkers who had erected standings in the centre of the Market Square, thus giving them a right to erect such standings there to the obstruction of normal traffic. It was directed that tolls be no longer accepted from parties so using the centre of the Square and that the Gardai be requested to remove them.

Agreement for the letting of the Town Hall.

It was directed that this be brought up at the next meeting.

DERELICT SITE AT CORNER OF THE GALWAY & WEIR ROADS.

Commissioner Burke asked the Engineer if any steps were being taken by the Co. Council to clear this site. In reply the Engineer stated that he thought the owner might make an offer of the land to the Co. Council who might then accept it.

Commissioners Heskin & O'Connor requested that extra lights be erected in Ballygaddy Rd., and Bishop St., and on discussion it was decided that a general survey of the town lighting be made by a sub-committee comprising of: Commissioners, O'Connor, Burke, Heskin and Campbell, and that the report of the sub-committee be given to the Boards Engineer.

Commissioner Burke complained of the level crossing at Galway Road being a bottle-neck and it was agreed the matter be referred to the Co. Council and that Councillor Patten be requested to use his good offices in the Council to have the matter remedied.

Commissioner Campbell complained of the position of the white line at the Ballygaddy, Tullinadaly Rd., corner. In view, however, of the difficult nature of this corner, the Engineer felt that it would not be improved.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

CHAIRMAN

DATE

TOWN CLERK

DATE

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Tuesday December 4th 1962.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members present were Commissioners Burke, Browne, Stapleton, Heskin, Campbell and Coghlan, together with the assistant Manager and Engineer.

A deputation representing workers formerly employed by Messrs. John Bruton & Co., Ltd., The Weir Mills, Tuam consisting of Messrs. Farragher, Nicholson, and Parsons together with the Secretary of their Trade Union Mr. John Gormley was admitted. Mr. Gormley, who acted as spokesman requested the Board to adopt a resolution calling on the Minister for Industry & Commerce to use his good offices in having Messrs. Brutons works re-opened whether under the old or under some new management. The Board agreed to adopt such a resolution and it was then proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner Stapleton and unanimously resolved:-

" That the Tuam Town Commissioners call upon the Minister for Industry & Commerce to do everything possible to have the Textile works of Messrs. John Bruton & Co., Ltd., the Weir Road, Tuam re-opened as early as possible under new Management and that he endeavour to have arrears of wages due to employees under a Labour Court award paid before Christmas."

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes the Chairman referred to the matter of Civil Defence and stated he had consented to become chief Warden and that members, for training as Wardens, would have to attend a course of one weeks duration in Galway in January.

A letter from the Tuam Swimming Club requesting the Commissioners to nominate two members to act on a sub-committee of the club to help to raise funds for the Swimming Pool Project was read. It was agreed to do so and

- 1) Commissioner Burke proposed by Commissioner Coghlan and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton and
- 2) Commissioner Browne, proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner Campbell, were selected.

The Clerk stated the County Council had written him to the effect that a toilet could not be provided in the fair-green. Members strongly disagreed with this decision and the Clerk was instructed to write:-

- a) the County Council requesting that the decision be reconsidered
- b) to the Local County Councillors to take up the matter on behalf of the town, and
- c) to send a copy of the communication to the Co. Council to the County Medical Officer.

A letter from the Co. Council stating that it was not proposed to erect a fence between St. Joseph's Park and the roadway at Tullinadaly Road was read.

Letters were also read from Mr. Patrick McHugh, Gilmartin Road, complaining of the conduct of Mr. and Mrs. P. Gaynor to whom a house had recently been let and from an anonymous party in the names of several tenants complaining of Mrs. Thomas Kerman. The Clerk was directed to write strongly to the two parties complained of and to request the Gardai Superintendent to arrange for a daily patrol of this road.

A long letter from the Chairman of the Tuam Co-operative Livestock Mart, was placed before the Board. The Assistant Manager analysed the contents of this for the members. The letter did not contain any reply to the Commissioners request that the Mart state whether or not it was agreeable to the payment of tolls on animals sold at its auction rooms. A lengthy discussion ensued subsequent to which it was decided:-

that a suggestion of the assistant Manager, be agreed to that the Commissioners accept a sum of £90. per year, dating from the opening of the Livestock Mart, as payment for tolls, should the Livestock Mart be agreeable to this; this arrangement to be subject to review in the light of future developments.

The Clerk was directed to write immediately to the Mart Chairman inquiring if this proposal was acceptable.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY. A vote of sympathy to Councillor Patrick Patten on the death of his Aunt Mrs. Mary Egan, proposed by the Chairman was unanimously adopted, all members standing.

PRESENTATION TO THE ASSISTANT MANAGER ON HIS LEAVING TO ACCEPT ANOTHER POST.

The Chairman complimented the Assistant Manager on his record while in Tuam and made a presentation of a fountain pen from the Board and Staff to him. Each member present, the Clerk, Engineer and Steward associated themselves with the Chairman's remarks. Mr. O'Connor, the Assistant Manager replied thanking the members and Staff and the meeting concluded.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Luke Moran CHAIRMAN 7/1/63. DATE

Gerard O'Connor TOWN CLERK. 7/1/63 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its Estimates Meeting of Monday, January 21st, 1963.

ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Luke O'Brien, chairman presided.  
Other members present were Commissioners Heskin, O'Connor, Campbell, Coghlan, Browne, and Commissioner Burke,

The Acting Assistant Co. Manager, Mr. Moroney introduced the Estimates, and explained that a proposed reduction in the town rates, shown therein, was possible, because of a substantial probable increase in income from housing rents arising from the fact that all houses in Gilmartin Rd., were tenanted during the year. It was then decided to examine the Estimates item by item..

In connection with loan charges, Commissioners Heskin asked if it were not the case that these would be paid off in a year or two, and the Clerk stated that the main items under this heading would not be cleared for some ten years, and in connection with repairs the Engineer informed the meeting that these were being caught up with. The amounts for both items were adopted.

Under General Expenditure the sum of £373 for Rents, Rates, Taxes and Insurances was discussed and on the Clerk informing the Board that some £52 of this arose from a provision for the possible revaluation of the new Meat Stalls at double their old value, it was decided to reduce the figure of £373 by £52, it being held that the Stalls should not be valued for two years. The motion for the reduction was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and was unanimous.

The item "Town Hall Repairs" was also discussed and on the proposal of Commissioner Browne, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor it was decided to increase this by £20 (from £60 to £80) and to have an extractor fan installed.

The allocation for Municipal Authorities was reduced by £3 on the Clerk stating that latest information showed that payments for this year would warrant such and that for other expenses by £5 by decision of the Board.

Under Tolls & Customs, an allocation of £100, which the Clerk explained was made as a provision against possible legal action against the Tuam Co-Operative Livestock Mart, was debated, and on the proposal of Commissioner Coghlan seconded by Commissioner Campbell this sum was reduced to £50.

In connection with Advertising and Printing for Tolls & Customs, it was first proposed to reduce the allocation by £17, but, on representations by Commissioner Campbell that fairs should be advertised in the local press, it was agreed that the original allocation should stand, and that in the first issue of the Tuam Herald each month, an advertisement of the fairs for the month should appear.

As amended, expenditure was reduced by £90. The estimate of income as presented by the Acting Assistant Manager was not altered. The amount to be demanded of £2,901 was thus reduced to £2811, and on the proposal of Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner Heskin the estimates as thus amended were adopted.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS,

Luke O'Brien CHAIRMAN

DATE 27/3/63

St. J. O'Brien TOWN CLERK

DATE 27/3/63

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FORM E.3. (Article 54. Article 58).

**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS**  
**ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES AND DEMAND FOR THE LOCAL**  
**FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING ON THE 31st DAY OF MARCH, 19.....**

TABLE A.

**EXPENDITURE.**

Purpose of Expenditure. 1.	AMOUNT ESTIMATED.	
	Estimated by Manager. 2.	Adopted by Commissioners. 3.
Houses of the Working Classes .....	£ 15248 = =	£ 15248 = =
Tourist Development .....	nil	nil
School Meals .....	nil	nil
Allotments Schemes .....	nil	nil
Other Expenses .....	1838 = =	1748 = =
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>£ 17,086 = =</b>	<b>£ 16,996 = =</b>

TABLE B.

**RECEIPTS.**

Nature of Receipts. 1.	AMOUNT ESTIMATED.	
	Estimated by Manager. 2.	Adopted by Commissioners. 3.
Houses of the Working Classes .....	£ 13015 = =	£ 13015 = =
School Meals .....		
Allotment Schemes .....		
Other Receipts .....	1064 = =	1064 = =
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>£ 14,079 = =</b>	<b>£ 14,079 = =</b>

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SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS,

Luke O'Brien CHAIRMAN

DATE 27/3/63

Guadaluppe Moroney TOWN CLERK

DATE 5/3/63

FORM E.3 (Continued).

TABLE C.  
CALCULATION OF THE SUM TO BE DEMANDED.

Estimated Expenditure.		Estimated Receipts.		Net Estimated Expenditure.		Estimated Debit Balance (if any).		Estimated Credit Balance (if any).		Amount to be Demanded.	
1.		2.		3.		4.		5.		6.	
£	s	£	s	£	s	£	s	£	s	£	s
16996	=	14079	=	2917	=	=	=	106	=	2811	=
	d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d

**CERTIFICATE.**

I hereby certify that at (an adjournment of) the Estimates Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners held this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January 1963 the Commissioners did by resolution adopt the Estimate of Expenses set forth in Tables A, B and C, and did also by resolution determine in accordance with the said Estimate the sum set forth in Column 6 of Table C to be the sum to be demanded for the financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1964.

Signed Luke O'Brien Chairman.

Countersigned Guadaluppe Moroney Town Clerk.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 1963.

To the Council of the County of Galway.

**DEMAND.**

The Tuam Town Commissioners hereby transmit to the above-named Council the annexed Estimate of Expenses and calculation of the sum to be demanded for the ensuing financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1964. The Commissioners hereby demand that the sum of £ 2811 shall be supplied to them by the said Council.

Signed Luke O'Brien Chairman.

Countersigned Guadaluppe Moroney Town Clerk.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 1963.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Feb. 4th, 1963.

The Chairman, Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members present were Commissioners Burke, Coghlan, Browne, Stapleton, O'Connor and Campbell.

The Chairman announced that because of the death of His Eminence Cardinal D'Alton it had been his intention to move an adjournment of the meeting immediately, but in view of urgent representations from the Irish Transport and General Worker's Union he proposed that the following resolutions be first adopted.

"That we the Tuam Town Commissioners strongly urge that the workers of the Tuam Textile Mills be paid the recent Labour Court award No. 1536 in full and retrospective to the 1st December 1961 and that the Factory be re-opened and all workers be recalled to their respective positions with the firm in a spirit of mutual trust and greater understanding"

This was seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously adopted.

The Chairman then moved that the meeting be adjourned to Monday the 11th inst. as a mark of respect to His Eminence the late Cardinal D'Alton and tendered his sympathy to the clergy of Ireland. This was seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously adopted all members and the clerk associating themselves with the expression of sympathy of the Chairman.

The meeting the adjourned to Monday 11th Feb. 1963.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Lutic Martin CHAIRMAN 5/3/63 DATE.  
Guala McDonnell TOWN CLERK. 5/3/63 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of adjourned monthly meeting of the above Local Authority held on Monday the 11th February 1963.

The Chairman Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members present were Commissioners Browne, Burke, O'Connor, Stapleton Campbell and Heskin.

The Chairman proposed a vote of sympathy with Commissioner Coghlan on the death of his brother. This was seconded by Commissioner Campbell and agreed all members standing.

The meeting then adjourned until March 5th the date of the next monthly meeting as a mark of respect to Commissioner Coghlan.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Lutic Martin CHAIRMAN 5/3/63 DATE.

**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS** Ttc/1/14 p226

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

To each Town Commissioner.

A CHARA,

The monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held on Sunday March 5th 1963 at 8.30 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

Guala McDonnell Baile Cleireach.

AGENDA

- Minutes.
- Consentance
- Vacancy created by the resignation of Commissioner McDonagh ✓
- Lady Lewis Competition ✓
- Consideration of payment of ✓  
Tolls by Tuam Livestock Mart

Local minutes of ordinary meeting of Jan at above meeting as not read before 8/2/1963

Galway County Council

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You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

Guinea McDonnell  
Baile Cleireach.

A G E N D A

Minutes  
Correspondence  
Vacancy created by the resignation  
of Commissioner McDonagh.  
Sidy Towns Contribution  
Consideration of payment of  
Fees by Tuam Livestock Mart

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of adjourned monthly meeting of the  
above Local Authority held on Monday the 11th February 1963.

The Chairman Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members  
present were Commissioners Browne, Burke, O'Connor, Stapleton  
Campbell and Heskin.

The Chairman proposed a vote of sympathy with Commissioner  
Coghlan on the death of his brother. This was seconded by  
Commissioner Campbell and agreed all members standing.

The meeting then adjourned until March 5th the date of the  
next monthly meeting as a mark of respect to Commissioner  
Coghlan.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Julia Morris CHAIRMAN 5/3/63 DATE

Guinea McDonnell TOWN CLERK 5/3/63 DATE.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Tuesday March 5th, 1963.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Browne, Burke, Campbell, Coghlan, Stapleton and Heskin.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and signed.

FAIRS. Commissioner Browne commented on an advertisement of the March Fairs not appearing in the local Press and it was arranged that an advertisement of the fairs for twelve months would be given to the Tuam Herald to avoid the matter being overlooked in any particular month.

CORRESPONDENCE. A proof copy of a new Tuam Guide was laid before the meeting by the Town Clerk and on the proposal of Commissioner Coghlan it was agreed that a Committee composed of Commissioners O'Brien, Burke and O'Connor together with the Town Clerk should examine the Guide and that the decision of the Committee should be conveyed to the Publishers on behalf of the Commissioners.

A communication from Glor na Ngeael was placed before the meeting and it was agreed to refer this to the Chamber of Commerce.

A letter from Mr. Patrick Hussey requesting permission to purchase his house was read and agreed to by the Board.

On notification of the annual general meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurance Ltd. being conveyed to the Board it was decided on the proposal of Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner Browne that the Town Clerk should represent the Commissioners.

A request from Mr. Albert Commins, Solicitor, on behalf of Mrs. Honor Mullins requesting permission to sell a house she herself had purchased under the Tenant Purchase Scheme, to Mr. J. Cahill, was on the proposal of Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Stapleton approved.

The following resolution received from the Western Sea Board Committee Conference

" That this Council draw the Minister's attention to the fact that the rates of Local Authorities in the Council on the Western Sea Board are substantially higher for reasons over which the Local Authorities have no control, than in the rest of the country, and to the further fact that in spite of higher rates the level of services given by the same authorities has been statistically shown to be lower than for the rest of the country and they call upon the Minister to take immediate effective steps to remedy this unjust state of affairs."

was unanimously adopted on the proposition of Commissioner Heskin, seconded by Commissioner Coghlan.

A letter from Mr. Thomas Kerman Gilmartin Road, in connection with complaints made of the conduct of he and his family was read by the Clerk. The Town Steward stated that a further complaint in connection with the conduct of Mrs. Kerman had been made by a neighbour of hers. It was decided that Mr. Kirman again be written on this matter, stating that if such conduct be continued proceedings for recovery of the house would be instituted.

The Clerk then read a letter from the Co. Council stating that it was not proposed to take any action to implement the Commissioners resolution that the level crossing at Galway Road should be widened. Commissioner Burke stated that years ago this work had been agreed to

and the Clerk was directed to again take up the matter with the Co. Council and also with C.I.E. and to request the two Local Co. Councillors to table a motion in the Co. Council to have this crossing widened.

RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONER STEPHEN MCDONAGH.

A letter dated the of 1963 from Commissioner Stephen McDonagh was submitted tendering his resignation from the Tuam Town Commissioners and on the proposition of Commissioner J. Burke, seconded by Commissioner J. Coghlan his resignation was accepted.

It was then proposed by Commissioner J. Burke, seconded by Commissioner J. Coghlan and resolved

" That consequent on the resignation of Commissioner Stephen McDonagh the Tuam Town Commissioners declare that a vacancy exists on the Tuam Town Commissioners and direct that the appropriate notice be given of the existence of this vacancy."

The declaration of Vacancy was signed by Commissioner Luke O'Brien Chairman, Commissioner J. Burke and Commissioner J. Coghlan.

It was decided that the vacancy would be filled by Co-optation at the first ordinary meeting held after 1st May 1963.

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A letter from Mr. Christy Sweeney, a tenant of a stall of the Commissioners stating that a glass panel in the door of his stall had been accidentally broken and requesting refund in part refund of the cost, was read.

LETTING OF UPPER PORTION OF TOWN HALL.

This was referred to by Commissioner J. Burke and the Assistant Manager advocated letting the existing agreement stand until August when a year's letting period would be complete. On discussion, however, it was agreed to put the matter on the agenda for consideration at the next meeting.

LETTER FROM ASSISTANT CO. ENGINEER ON WAGES OF TRADESMEN.

The Clerk read a letter from E. Kennedy, Esq., B.E. Assistant Co. Engineer indicating that orders Nos. 3220 and 3406 had been signed by the Co. Manager fixing the rates of remuneration of certain categories of Tradesman employed by the Galway Co. Council in the Tuam area as follows:-

as from 4/10/61 5/- per hour  
as from 24/10/62 5/2 per hour

and suggesting that the Commissioners should agree to similar rates for such Tradesmen employed by them. The Tradesmen in question were Plasters, Carpenters, Plumbers, (excluding fitter plumbers) Slaters, Bricklayers, Stone Cutters, Painters Tilers and Glaziers.

On the letter being read Commissioner Coghlan proposed, Commissioner Campbell seconded and it was unanimously resolved :-

" That the Tuam Town Commissioners adopt for Plasters, Carpenters, Plumbers, (excluding fitter Plumbers) Slaters, Bricklayers, Stone Cutters, Painters, Tilers and Glaziers, employed by them the rates of payment adopted by the Galway Co. Council under Managers Orders 3220 and 3406 for these categories of Tradesmen in the Tuam Area, and that such rates be operative from the dates on which they became operative with the Galway Co. Council, that is to say:-

5/- per hour as from 4/10/61 and

5/2 per hour as from 24/10/62.

### TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION

The Clerk informed the Board that Mr. J.A. O'Brien of Bord Failte who was to lecture on Tidy Towns in the McHale Vocational Education Schools on the following evening would attend at 3 p.m. at the Town Hall to meet the Commissioners and members of local Organisations whom he the Clerk had invited to be present and requested as many of the Commissioners as possible to attend. The Manager explained the the purpose of the evening lecture.

Commissioners Heskin inquired what steps were being taken to transform the Shambles into a car park and the Engineer stated the documents in connection with this were with the Dept. The Assistant Manager undertook to pursue the matter.

### CORNER OF WEIR ROADS GALWAY ROAD - DERELICT SITE.

The Engineer in reply to a question raised stated the Co. Council was waiting the written consent of the owner to clear up this derelict site and the Clerk was directed to write the Contractor in the case Mr. Wm. Burke, Milltown.

### OLD GARAGE SITE AT GALWAY ROAD.

The Clerk was directed to write the Manager of Messrs. Smyth's Garag complimenting him on the work done in clearing this site and requesting that if possible it be finished by June 1st. the date on which adjudicating on the Tidy Towns Cometicition would start.

### TOLLS FROM TUAM LIVE STOCK MART.

The Assistant Manager stated that no further communications had been received from the Livestock Mart and that he proposed that legal opinion now be obtained. On discussion this was decided on.

### LETTING OF HOUSES.

It was decided that House No.)))) Gilmartin Road be offered to Mr. Deering when vacated by Mr. Cahill. It was also agreed that when the new waiting list of applicants for houses came to hand, prior to any letting other than in Gilmartin Road, being made, the Board be consulted at a meeting, if necessary a special meeting.

### NEW HOUSES.

Commissioner Coghlan referred to an agreement some years earlier by the Department to the erection of ten new houses in Tuam and to the fact that the erection of these would not be sanctioned by the Assistant Manager, because of vacancies in Gilmartin Road. As all such vacancies had now been filled he proposed that the matter now be re-opened. This was seconded by the Chairman and unanimously approved of.

### WATER SUPPLY

Commissioner Campbell complained of the water supply to Athenry Rd. having been cut off from 12 o'clock midnight to 9 o'clock that morning without notice and the Engineer explained that the stoppage was caused by a break-down in the machinery and was thus unavoidable,

### COMMON SERVICE SEWERS AT HOUSES OF THE BOARD.

Commissioner Heskin referred to the possibility of these being taken over by the Co. Counvil and the Engineer stated this could not be done until at least April the 1st. the date of the commencement of the new financial year.

### CIVIL DEFENCE.

The Chairman referred to the course for Wardens and requested member to be present at this on the following Thursday night at 9 p.m. as they had earlier volunteered for such service.

### NEW DUMP.

Commissioner Campbell complained of a bad smell from affal being dumped and exposed there. The Clerk was directed to write the Health Inspector in the matter.

### MARCH FAIRS.

The Clerk was also directed to seek the co-operation of the Gardai on keeping cattle on the move during the March Fairs,

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners:-

Luk. O'Brien CHAIRMAN 5/4/63 DATE  
Guaid. O'Brien TOWN CLERK. 5/4/63 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of April 5th. 1963.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Commissioner O'Brien, presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Campbell, Browne, Heskin, Coghlan, Burke and Stapleton together with the assistant County Manager.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and signed.

Arising out of the minutes:-

(1) Commissioner Coghlan inquired if any response had been had to the Board's request that the provision of ten new houses in Tuam which had been deferred some years ago, be now again reopened. The Clerk stated he had written to the Department but, had received no reply as yet. It was decided he again write the Secretary for Local Government and the County Council.

(2) Sites in Palace Grounds. The Assistant Manager stated that approximately twelve applications for sites had been received and that an Architect was at the moment going into the matter of a lay out plan for the Palace. The Chairman supplied the Manager with the names of five additional applicants and on the proposal of Commissioner Browne seconded by Commissioner Burke it was resolved:-

" that the final lay out plans of housing sites in the Palace, Tuam at present under preparation be made available by April 30th. 1963.

(3) Local Water Services. It was complained by Commissioner Campbell that the water supply to Ballinamona Park, Ballygaddy Road is cut off at 7 p.m and that the supply to Mrs. Foley a widow in this Terrace, had been altogether cut off because she was not in a position to pay the sum of £12.10.0 the cost of new connections. She had been disconnected now for over a year. The Assistant Manager promised to go into the matter with particular reference to the case of Mrs. Foley. He also promised to go in to the matter of the County Council taking over the common services of Housing Schemes of the Commissioners.

(4) The sale of a large number of the stock at the March fairs on the Streets and the consequent loss of tolls and general inconvenience to local residents was discussed at some length and the Town Clerk was directed to have on the Agenda for the next meeting consideration of the adoption of Market Bye Laws. The fact that the streets were not hozed down after the March fairs was also commented on and the Clerk was directed to write the Engineer as to why the practice had been stopped.

Consequent on a request from Christopher Sweeney a tenant of a stall at Vicar Street for some contribution towards the cost of replacing a broken glass pane in the door of his stall, it was decided to get a report on the breakage from the Town Engineer.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter from T. J. Mooney complaining of the conditions of his house and garden fences was read and the Manager decided that an estimate of the cost of erecting fences around all the gardens of the Boards Houses be had from the Engineer. It was also decided that Mr. Mooney's letter be passed to the Engineer.

A letter from Mrs. Mary Carroll, 2 Tobberjarlath Rd. regarding repairs was also read and the Town Steward was directed to investigate the position.

A letter from Mr. J. McGrath, 8, Newtown Morris on repairs was referred also to the Town Steward.

Because of a letter of complaint from Mr. Thomas Kerman, 61, Gilmartin Road, on the conduct of Mrs. Michael Higgins, 21, Gilmartin Road, the Clerk was directed to write Mrs. Higgins.

A communication from Mr. William Burke, Contractor, Milltown,

Tuam on the clearing of a derelict site at the corner of Galway Rd. and the Weir Road was placed before the Board. It was directed that it be referred to the Board's Engineer.

On considering a written application of Messrs. Edward and Harry Mc Fadden for the use of the Shambles for a Road Show, the Board decided the Shambles could not be let, but, that the Fairgreen might be at a charge of £2. per day, it being a condition of the letting that all amusements be closed down at 12 o'clock. Midnight.

FEILE THUAMA. On the written invitation of Searn O'Gorman Esqr., Hon. Sec. Feile Thuama Foster Place, Tuam, the Commissioners decided that Commissioners Browne and Heskin should represent them on the Feile Committee.

FLEADH CEOIL A proposal of Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien:-

"that public Lighting in the town should be extended to 6 am on the nights of April 27th and 28th in vie of a Fleadh Cecil being held on the Streets on those nights."

Was unanimously adopted.

SHOP OF MRS. SATCHWELL. It was decided that the appropriate steps to have this shop closed be taken at once.

RESOLUTION FROM CARLOW URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL ON THE FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN.

The resolution (appended) was read. The Board welcomed the resolution and decided that the Town Clerk should apply for a permit for a collection on Sunday 21st inst. the proceeds to go towards the campaign.

OPENING OF SHAMBLES. On the proposal of Commissioner Heskin, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien it was unanimously resolved that permission be granted to Mr. Thomas Hannon, Vicar St. Tuam to open a door from his new premises on to the Shambles.

LETTING OF UPPER PORTION OF TOWN HALL. It was unanimously agreed that this be considered in August and that in the interval any proposals for amendments to the existing agreement which members considered desirable, should be handed to the Clerk, the existing agreement to be open to inspection by members in the meantime.

LETTING OF HOUSES? It was unanimously agreed that House No. 10 Newtown Morris, be let to Mr. Joseph Leufer. House No. 26, St. Endas Ave. to Mr. Richard Quinn. and house No. 70 Gilmartin Road to Mr. John J. Brinn. The Assistant Manager approved of such lettings.

MCHALE TERRACE TUAM. Representations made by members to have the passage way at the rear of McHale Terrace taken over by the Co. Council.

The Board on the motion of Commissioner Browne wished many happy years of retirement to Commissioner Coghlan, who had just retired from his position with C. I. E.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

John J. Brinn CHAIRMAN 7/5/63 DATE  
Guaid Adomus TOWN CLERK. 7/5/63 DATE

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at it's Special Meeting of April 19th, 1963.

The Chairman Commissioner O'Brien Presided. Other members present were Commissioners Browne, Burke, Heskin and O'Connor.

COLLECTION FOR FREEDOM FROM HUNGER CAMPAIGN.

This collection arranged for the following Sunday was discussed and members agreed to be at collection tables at the various Masses. A list of names of other towns people whom it was decided would be invited to help at the collection was compiled. Commissioner Browne agreed to supply chairs and tables which would be required. It was also agreed that a loud speaker be hired on the following day to publicise the collection.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Luke Munn CHAIRMAN 21 57 63 DATE

Guaid O'Connor TOWN CLERK 7/5/63 DATE.

Lighting of Town

It was proposed by Commissioner O'Brien & seconded by Commissioner Burke & unanimously resolved "that the Tuam Town Commissioners contribute the sum of £20 to the Galway Council towards the cost of decorative lighting of the town in the various Christmas & Feilte tuanga periods".

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its Special Meeting of April 26th 1963.

The Chairman Commissioner O'Brien, Presided. Other members present Commissioners Browne, Burke, Coughlan, O'Connor and Stapleton, together with the Stationmaster C.I.E. Tuam, to whom a special invitation had been extended.

CHANGES IN C.I.E. SERVICES.

The Stationmaster Mr. Lydon outlined to the meeting the changes in the rail services which had been decided upon for the Tuam area and answered various questions put to him. He then withdrew. A lengthy discussion then ensued. On the proposal of the Chairman seconded by Commissioner Burke the following resolution was unanimously adopted

"that a vehement protest be made against the proposals outlined by C.I.E. for the curtailment of Rail Services in the Western area, in view of the very serious consequences entailed and their effects on the travelling public and the commercial life of the West." The Clerk was directed to send copies of this to the Ministers of Transport and Power, Industry and Commerce, and Local Government and also to An Taoiseach and to the Secretary Public Relations Officer and Traffic Manager of C.I.E.

The Clerk was also directed to communicate with the various Local Authorities, Chambers of Commerce and Development Associations of areas which would be affected by the curtailment in services as well as public Representatives in such areas suggesting that a meeting at a provincial level be convened at some suitable centre within the next fourteen days.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioner.

Luke Munn CHAIRMAN 21 57 63 DATE.

Guaid O'Connor TOWN CLERK. 7/5/63 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of the above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Tuesday May 7th 1963.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members present were Commissioners Browne, Burke, Campbell, Coghlan, O'Connor and Stapleton.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last monthly meeting ~~made~~ of the special meetings of April 19th and 26th. were read and signed.

Arising out of the minutes:-

(a) The Manager stated that sixteen applications for sites in the Palace had been received and that the development plans being prepared by the Architect embraced twenty sites. Whether the number of sites to be included in the plans of the Architect should be increased or not was discussed and it was agreed that no changes be recommended as any such recommendations might result in a further long delay. The Clerk was directed to again write the Co. Council urging expedition in the preparation of the plans.

(b) Water Supply. In connection with the deprivation of Mrs. Foley, Ballinamona Park, of water, the Manager informed the meeting that the landlord Mr. Malachy O'Keefe had been served with notice to have the necessary connections made and that the matter should be righted soon.

(c) Request of Thomas Hannon, Vicar St. Tuam for right to open doorway on to the Shambles. The Clerk informed the Board that this matter fell under the Town & Regional Planning Acts and that their permission was in itself insufficient. Various members expressed the opinion that Mr. Hannon should be given the right to the doorway he required.

(d) (1) The Clerk read a letter from the Engineer stating that the written permission of the owner of the derelict structure at the weir road corner to its complete removal was required and that the Co. Council were pressing for this.

(11) An estimate was supplied by the Engineer that it would take some £900. to refence the houses and house gardens at Gilmartin Road. The Chairman commented that tenants by their agreement were responsible for fences, but, Commissioner Heskin reminded the Board that in the case of many recent tenants the gardens were unfenced when they went into occupation.

(e) Supermarkets. A resolution on Supermarkets (Appended) of the Skibbereen Urban District Council was on the proposal of Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Heskin, unanimously adopted.

(f) Damage to glass door of Stall of Mr. Sweeney. In view of the fact that Mr. Sweeney had to twice replace a glass panel in the door of his stall which was not covered by Insurance it was agreed to strike off 30/- from arrears of rent due by him.

(g) Freedom from Hunger Campaign. The Clerk read a letter from the Irish Red Cross Society acknowledging receipt of the sum of £144. 10. 0 a contribution towards the Freedom from Hunger Campaign. He was directed to have the letter published.

(h) Mrs. Manley, 63, Tubberjarlath Rd. Tuam. A letter from Messrs. Concannon & Meagher on behalf of Mrs. Manley was read. It was agreed to allow her tenancy

to continue until June despite her non residence in house No. 63 in view of the position disclosed by Messrs. Concannon & Meagher.

(i) Application of Mr. A.J. O'Connor to break out a doorway on to the Shambles. This matter was deferred as Mr. O'Connor would have to get the permission of the Co. Council under the Town Regional Planning Act and as he had intimated to the Engineer the matter was not urgent.

(j) The Clerk read a letter explaining that the Streets had not been hosed after the last fair because of a temporary failure of the water supply.

(k) The resolution of the Borough Council of Dun Laoghaire (appended) was read and unanimously adopted.

(l) Correspondence from Parties invited to attend a general Provincial Meeting to protest against curtailment in Rail Services by C.I.E. Replies received to an invitation to attend a general meeting were read by the Clerk and it was agreed that a meeting be held in Claremorris in the Town Hall on the Thursday, Friday or Sunday week. The Commissioners agreed to meet in Committee on the following Friday after a local public meeting organised by the Tuam Chamber of Commerce in protest against the curtailment of the Tuam Athenry Service to further discuss the matter.

Co-option of Member. Mr. Sean Purcell was proposed by Commissioner Heskin and seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and in the absence of any other nomination unanimously co-opted.

NOTICE OF MOTION OF COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN. Commissioner O'Brien moved his motion that all tolls on Livestock and agricultural produce sold at Tuam Fairs and Market be abolished. He stated the idea of tolls was feudal and now out of date, that it wasted the time of Officials and that the Town Steward if employed as a Housing Inspector instead of a Toll Collector would save more money on repairs than would be lost on the non-collection of tolls. The Clerk gave figures of income and expenditure from tolls and weighing charges for the years 1961 and 1962. A long discussion ensued in which Commissioner Coghlan pointed out, that until the Board first recinded an earlier motion to obtain Legal opinion on the right to enforce payment of tolls on the Tuam Live Stock Mart, the present motion was out of order. Eventually the motion was withdrawn in the absence of a seconder.

LETTING OF VACANT HOUSE IN GILMARTIN ROAD TUAM. It was unanimously decided that the tenancy of a vacant house in Gilmartin Road, be given to Mr. Danny Maguire of the F.C.A. Tuam.

REPAIRS TO HOUSE NO. 59, GILMARTIN RD. TUAM. Commissioner Coghlan commented that the ceiling of this house was falling down and the Engineer was requested to inspect it.

CIVIL DEFENCE. The Chairman requested members to be present at an important Civil Defence film being exhibited on the following Thursday night.

TIDY TOWNS LECTURE. Commissioner O'Brien proposed and Commissioner Coghlan seconded and it was resolved that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. A.J. O'Brien of Bord Failte for the recent Lecture he had given in Tuam on the subject of Tidy Towns. This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Luke O'Brien CHAIRMAN 14/6/63 DATE  
Guaid O'Donoghue TOWN CLERK. 14/6/63 DATE.

CORPORATION OF DUN LAOGHAIRE

Town Hall,

DUN LAOGHAIRE.

11th April, 1963.

ReadCOST OF HEALTH SERVICES

A Chara,

On consideration of letter dated 23rd ultimo from the Department of Health, stating that:

"One item in the terms of reference of the Select Committee of the Dail on the Health Services, which is at present sitting is:

'To examine the existing arrangements for meeting the cost of the services and alternative arrangements which might be adopted for meeting such costs'."

the Borough Council at its quarterly meeting on Monday evening last adopted the following resolution:

"That, in light of the terms of letter dated 23/3/63 from the Department of Health, this Council requests that the Select Committee of the Dail on the Health Services be asked to favourably consider that the charge under the Health Act, at present paid by the ratepayers, be made a charge on Government Central Funds, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to all other local authorities in Ireland."

Mise, le meas,

G. C. McIntyre,  
Town Clerk.SKIBBEREEN URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town Hall,

SKIBBEREEN.

30th April, 1963.

ReadSupermarkets and Trading Combines.

A Chara,

At a recent meeting of my Council, the Resolution sub-joined hereto was passed unanimously.

Mise, le meas,

P. Ó Ceadagáin,  
Cléireach na Comhairle.RESOLUTION:

Proposed by Councillor Mrs. B. Sheehy;  
Seconded by Councillor T.D. Burke, P.C., M.C.C.  
AND RESOLVED:

"That we call on the Minister for Industry & Commerce to introduce legislation to control and, in some manner to restrict, the activities of Supermarkets and Trading Combines in the country.  
That copy of this resolution be sent to each local authority for consideration."

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its Monthly Meeting of June 5th 1963.

ATTENDANCE. In the absense of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman Commissioner J.P. Burke, presided. Other members present were Commissioners Stapleton, Coghlan, Campbell, Purcell and O'Connor, together with E. Kennedy, Esq., Town Engineer.

Mr. Purcell was welcomed on taking his seat for the first time and tributes were paid to him.

The presiding Chairman Commissioner Burke, then proposed a vote of sympathy to His Grace, The Most Reverened Doctor Walsh, Archbishop of Tuam on the death of His Holiness Pope John 23rd. this was seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and adopted unanimously all members standing.

As a mark of respect to the memory of His Holiness the meeting then adjourned.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

John Morris CHAIRMAN DATE 14/6/63

Guaid St. Thomas TOWN CLERK. DATE 14/6/63

Galway County Council Archives

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Friday June 14th, 1963.

The Chairman, Commissioner O'Brien presided. Other members present were Commissioners Purcell, Campbell, Coghlan, Stapleton, Browne and Burke together with the Assistant Manager and Engineer.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and signed.

Arising out of the minutes:-

1) The Assistant Manager stated that notice had been served on Mr. Malachy O'Keefe, landlord, to install a water supply in the house of Mrs. Foley, Ballinamona Park and that he would make a last minute effort of persuasion to have the supply installed, failing which legal action would be taken.

2) Proposed additional ten houses  
The Clerk stated he had no further communications on this matter. A discussion ensued as to whether plans had ever been submitted by the Co. Council to the Department and the Manager volunteered to check on that point. It was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, Seconded by Commissioner Campbell and resolved "that plans for the additional houses in the Palace, Tuam be prepared by the Co. Council and submitted to the Department for approval."

3) Commissioner Coghlan inquired as to the position of house No. 65, Athenry Rd. where the tenancy of Mrs. Manley had been allowed to continue until June, despite non-residence by the tenant and the Clerk was requested to write Mrs. Manley's Solicitor as to whether she now proposed to resume residence.

CORRESPONDENCE.

a) Letters from Mr. Thomas Kerman, 61, Gilmartin Rd. Tuam and Mrs. Kilkelly he neighbour each complaining of the conduct of the other was read and the Clerk was directed to send a final notice communication to Mr. Thomas Kerman informing him he would have to surrender possession, if the annoyances caused by his wife did not cease.

b) Communication from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland requesting submissions of motions for the Agenda of the Annual Conference. This was deferred until the July meeting.

c) Letter from Mr. J. McNamara for repairs. This was directed to be passed to the Engineer.

d) Letter from Mr. B. Maguire for a range. It was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, and seconded by Commissioner Burke and resolved that a range be provided for Mr. Maguire providing he agreed to refund the cost at 5/- per week.

e) A letter from Mrs. Mary Noone, Athenry Rd. requesting a new door was passed to the Engineer. A letter from Mr. Joseph McGough requesting repairs was passed to the Engineer.

f) A letter from Mrs. Lyons, Athenry Rd. requesting repairs to damage caused by a chimney fire was also passed to the Engineer.

Commissioner Purcell requestet that the gate of the house of Philip :arkin Gilmartin Rd. be fixed in place in a better manner than at present and the Engineer agreed to attend to this.

Commissioner Campbell complained of Mrs. Keating, Athenry Road, who had thirteen children having to wait a very long period for a toilet bowl which was not yet supplied. The Engineer explained that bowls ordered from the Trades List, some six weeks ago were not yet supplied and the Clerk was directed to get in touch with Mr. McLoughlin of the Department re the delay.

Commissioner Burke complained that Mr. Peter Roche, Gilmartin Rd. who had applied to purchase his house a considerable time earlier had not been able to do so owing to the absence of a map for the Deed. The Clerk who had written the Department was directed to phone

Mr. Kavanagh of the Department to ascertain if a plan of Gilmartin Rd. was held there.

On the proposition of Commissioner Burke, Seconded by the Chairman it was unanimously resolved that the house in St. Benin's Terrace of which he is the tenant be sold fee simple to Mr. J. Walsh. It was also proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Campbell and resolved that the house in McHale Terrace of which he is the tenant be sold to Patrick Hussey under the Commissioners Tenant Purchase Scheme.

It was recommended to the Manager that the tender for the grazing of the Fair Green of Mr. Sean Gormally be accepted.

Thursday, June 27th was fixed as the date of the Annual Meeting.

The Clerk was directed to write the Co. Manager requesting that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman be invited to the welcome being extended to President Kennedy.

FAIRS 1964.

The following dates were fixed :-

January 14th.	Cattle and Sheep.	2nd Tuesday
January 15th.	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
February 11th	Cattle and Sheep.	2nd Tuesday.
February 19th.	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
March 9th.	Sheep.	Old Fair
March 10th	Cattle.	Old Fair
March 11th	Figs.	Old Fair
April 14th	Cattle and Sheep.	2nd Tuesday
April 15th	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
May 11th	Sheep.	Old Fair
May 12th	Cattle	Old Fair
May 20th	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
June 9th	Cattle and Sheep.	2nd Tuesday
June 17th	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
July 6th	Cattle, Sheep and Lambs.	Old Fair
July 15th	Figs	2nd Wednesday
August 11th	Cattle and Sheep	2nd Tuesday
August 19th	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
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September 16th	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
September 29th	Cattle and Sheep	4th Friday
October 20th	Sheep.	Old Fair
October 21st	Cattle	Old Fair
October 22nd.	Horses	Old Fair
October 23rd.	Figs.	Old Fair
November 10th	Cattle and Sheep	2nd Tuesday
November 18th	Figs.	3rd Wednesday
December 15th	Cattle and Sheep and Horses	Old Fair
December 16th	Figs.	Old Fair.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Garath P. Burke CHAIRMAN July 2, 1963 DATE

July TOWN CLERK. 2 July 63 DATE.

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Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its Annual General Meeting of June 27th 1963.

ATTENDANCE. The following Commissioners were in attendance, Commissioners O'Brien, Burke, O'Connor, Browne, Coghlan, Campbell and Stapleton together with the Assistant Manager.

Commissioner O'Brien took the Chair and proposed a vote of sympathy to the relatives of the late Frank Moran and Edward McGreal. These were seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously adopted. All members standing.

The presiding Chairman then invited nominations for the position of Chairman for the coming year and Commissioner Burke proposed by Commissioner Browne and seconded by Commissioner O'Connor was unanimously elected, no other candidate being proposed.

Commissioner Burke then took the chair and invited nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman, Commissioner O'Connor proposed by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien was also in the absence of any other nomination declared elected.

The Chairman then proposed that Commissioner O'Brien, the last holder of the Chairman's Office should accept the invitation to witness the conferring of the freedom of the city of Galway on President Kennedy of the U.S.A. instead of himself in view of Mr. O'Brien's service to the Board and of the fact that the invitation was received during Mr. O'Brien's term of office. This was agreed to.

The Assistant Manager stated that with reference to the proposed sites to be developed in the Palace, the Architect had promised to have plans ready in the next two weeks and that with reference to the proposed twelve new houses to be erected there, the Co. Council had requested approval of plans by the Department and permission to advertise for tenders.

The Assistant Manager also informed the Board that notice had been served on the owner of the house in Ballinamona Park occupied by Mrs. Foley to have water installed and that if necessary he would be prosecuted and that with reference to water supplies to labourers cottages in the Tuam Area, it was on the Agenda for the next Co. Council meeting to review Tuam's water supply in general.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioner.

Jarrett P. Burke CHAIRMAN July 2, 1963 DATE  
Guada O'Connor TOWN CLERK July 2, 1963 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of July, 2nd, 1963.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Commissioner Burke, Presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Campbell, O'Brien, Coghlan, and Heskin together with the Assistant Co. Manager and Town Engineer.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last monthly meeting and of the Annual General Meeting of June 27th, 1963 were read and signed.

SHAMBLES TUAM.

The Clerk informed the meeting that it was proposed to transfer the Commissioners interest in the Shambles, Tuam to the Galway County Council, for the purpose of transforming it into a car park, without compensation, in view of the benefit the Town would derive from having a car park at this site and that the members had been circularised to this effect on the preceeding June 4th.

It was then proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and unanimously resolved:-

"that the leasehold interest of the Tuam Town Commissioners in the Shambles, Tuam be transferred to the Galway County Council, without compensation, to enable the Co. Council to transform this site into a car park for the good of the Town.

TUAM GUIDE The Clerk distributed copies of the Tuam Guide by the Irish and Overseas Publishing Co., Ltd., to members and instanced defects in the Guide which had been noticed.

A letter from Mr. Mahon, Newtown Morris requesting repairs was read and directed to be passed to the Engineer. Similiar letters from Mrs. Ivers 12, Tobberjarlath Rd. and Mrs. Michael Higgins, 21, Gilmartin Road were read and similarly directed.

It was decided that the Town Clerk should acknowledge all complaints received.

Commissioner O'Brien stated that Mr. Al. O'Dea, Gilmartin Road, had complained to him that a Mr. Quinn who lived next door had his garden infested with weeds which was causing serious damage to his Mr. O'Dea's garden. It was decided tenants be circularised on the keeping of their gardens in order, with special reference to the noxious weeds Act. and that the Town Steward should interview Mr. Quinn.

NOTICE OF MOTION OF COMMISSIONER COGHLAN WHICH READ

" In view of the fact that towns with Town Commissioners are subject to the payment of the Co. Health District charge for housing it is felt to be iniquitous that they should have to meet the full loss on houses erected by their Commissioners and it is strongly urged that such loss be henceforth a Co. Health District Charge"

Commissioner Coghlan stated he wished to amend the motion by deleting the words "such loss on houses be hence henceforth a Co. Health District Charge " and substitutin them for

"that the Co. Assessment on such towns be reduced by a figure equal to the Co. at Large Charge for housing"  
The motion was discussed at length during which the Assistant Manager stated that the Co. Councilors could do nothing to relieve the situation as they were compelled by law to levy the Co. Health District Charge and had not power to contribute to the loss on houses of Town Commissioners. He further stated that were there no Town Commissioners the County County Council would have to act as such in the dual capacity of Co. Councils and Town Commissioners and levy both charges on towns which formerly had Commissioners. Thus abolition of the Commissioners would not relieve the situation.

The motion, seconded by Commissioner Heskin was adopted unanimously it was agreed to send copies to the Association of Municipal Authorities and to the Galway Co. Council.

Commissioner Campbell

a) requested the Asst. Manager to ascertain the position in regards to the provision of a new Clinic.

b) referred to the poor public lighting in Tuam especially at Vicar St. and requested the Assistant Manager also to go into this matter.

c) referred to the necessity for Traffic Bye Laws and parking regulations for the town. Commissioner Burke stated he would have thas matter on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Commissioner O'Brien advocated making a small prize avaiable available in connection with Ras Tailteann.

The Chairman Commissioner Burke then welcomed officially the new Assistant Co. Manager Mr. C. Walsh.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Jarlath P. Burke CHAIRMAN August 6/63 DATE

Guald Horanus TOWN CLERK. Aug 6, 1963 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of the above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Tuesday August 6th 1963.

The Chairman, Commissioner Burke presided. Other members present were Commissioners Coghlan, O'Brien and Campbell.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and signed.

CORRESPONDENCE. The following letters were read :-

- (a) from Mrs. King, 38, Gilmartin Rd. requesting repairs. It was directed that this be acknowledged and passed to the Town Steward.
- (b) Auditor's report Audit for year ended 31/3/63. This was passed.
- (c) Letter on behalf of Mr. C. Sweeney from Messrs. Concannon & Meagher, Solicitors with Mr. Sweeney's offer to purchase his house No. 62, Tobberjarlath Rd. under the Tenant Purchase Scheme. It was agreed that facilities be extended to Mr. Sweeney to do so.
- (d) A letter from the Galway Co. Council stating that plans for the new clinic in Tuam had not yet been received from the Architect. As this matter was long outstanding, opinions were given that work should be distributed amongst more firms of Architects than one and it was agreed that Mr. C.I. O'Flynn, Co. Manager, be written stating the Board was disappointed with the delay which had ensued in this matter and in the matters of the provision of sites in the Palace and the provision of ten new houses in the town and inquiring if these delays were due to one firm of architects being overburdened with work.
- (e) Complaints of Mrs. McDonagh, 20, Gilmartin Road and of Mrs. Higgins 21, Gilmartin Rd. stating in each case that the other was guilty of insulting conduct. It was directed that both parties be written.
- (f) Letter from Mrs. Boyle, 27, Tobberjarlath Rd. stating that her front fence had been removed by the Board's workmen two years ago and requesting that it be replaced. It was agreed that the Engineer be directed to restore the fence.
- (g) Letter from the Tuam Stadium Development Association requesting a site in the Fairgreen for the holding of a carnival from Ag. 23rd. to Sept. 8th 1963. In view of the important fair of Sept. 10th. it was decided a letting would only be made of a site selected by the Town Steward, which in his opinion would not be detrimental to the progress of the fair.
- (h) Statement of Mrs. Kilkelly formerly of 62, Gilmartin Rd. stating she had to give up possession of her house because of the conduct of Mrs. Kerman a neighbour towards her. This led to a discussion on housing and it was agreed that No. 62 be given to Mr. Thomas Kerman if and when he applied for it in the normal way. It was also decided that the Assistant Manager be phoned inquiring if he felt tenants should be advertised for, for this house and another vacant in Tobberjarlath Road, in view of the fact that the available housing list was felt to be out of date. It was also directed that he be requested to go into the position of the housing list.

The Clerk stated he held £2.0.0. which had been given him for the Presentation Convent for an illuminated address which had been presented to the Archbishop on the occasion of his last return from Rome. He was directed to inquire of the Administrator if the Board should pay the Convent for this address.

A sum of 5/- each was subscribed by Commissioners Burke, Coghlan, O'Brien, Campbell and Mr. Hession towards the cost of a fountain pen which had been presented to the first member of the Galway Cycling team home in the Ras Tailltian.

URBANISATION. The Clerk was directed to request the Assistant Co. Manager to prepare a paper on urbanisation and the extension of the borough showing the procedure and the advantages and disadvantages of each.

NOTICE OF MOTION - COMMISSIONER BURKE? Commissioner Burke moved

that the Minister be requested to sanction the Market Bye Laws forwarded to him some years earlier. This was seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and agreed. He requested that the matter of Traffic Bye Laws be adjourned to the next meeting. This was also agreed.

COMMISSIONER CAMPBELL.

1) Complained of the fact that no adequate transport services between Athenry and Tuam existed. People, he stated, travelling from England found it impossible to get a bus from Athenry to Tuam at 10 O'Clock at night.

It was proposed by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and agreed that a very strong protest be sent C.I.E., to the Minister of Transport & Power and to the head of the Government.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners:-

John F. Burke CHAIRMAN September 3/63 DATE.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of September 3rd. 1963.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Commissioner Burke, presided. Others present were Commissioners O'Connor, Coghlan, Campbell, Browne, Heskin and O'Brien, together with the Assistant Co. Manager and Town Engineer.

MINUTES. The minutes of the monthly meeting of August 6th 1963 were read and signed.

Arising out of the minutes the clerk stated that he had not yet had a reply from C.I. O'Flynn, Esq., Co. Manager on the matter of the new clinic and on that of the provision of sites in the Palace for new houses. The Asst. Manager, Mr. C. Walsh stated he understood there only remained a few points in connection with the clinic to be cleared up and that he would inquire into these. He also promised to have definite information on the matter of the provision of the new houses for Tuam for the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE. The Clerk read a letter from the Co. Medical Officer, stating that he had recommended to the Co. Secretary that the parties responsible for the open drain at Galway Road be required forthwith to abate the nuisance it was causing. The Board directed that the Co. Council be written requiring C.I.E. to clean their part of this drain at regular intervals.

REPORT OF THE ADJUDICATOR OF THE TIDY TOWNS' COMPETITION.

This was read by the Clerk and reviewed in detail by the Chairman. A lengthy discussion ensued in which the Clerk was directed to write the Adjudicator in reference to three points in their report which were disagreed with viz

- a) the reference to a school at Galway Rd. Tuam
- b) the reference to derelict sites on the Milltown Rd.
- c) a similar reference to derelict sites on the Dunmore Rd $\frac{1}{2}$

In this connection the state of repair of railings at the Board's houses was also discussed and suggestions were made as to the circularisation of the tenants. Commissioner Browne advocated the setting up of local competitions as a means of further advancing the state of cleanliness and of beautifying the town and the Chairman the calling of a meeting of all interested parties.

AGENDA OF CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES.

This was ran through by the Chairman.

A leaflet from Sinn Fein on buying Irish manufactured goods was placed before the meeting and unanimously agreed to.

A Booklet on the integration of Europe on the Local Authority plane had been received by the Chairman and on its being produced the Clerk was directed to purchase ten further copies for the members.

Letters of complaint against  
Michael McDonagh, Gilmartin Road.  
Thomas Kerman do  
and Mrs. Michael Higgins do.

were read and it was agreed that action against these parties and Mrs. Langan be left to the Manager.

URBANISATION. Commissioner Coghlan urged that a report on the advantages and disadvantages of Urbanisation and of extending the Town Boundary should be prepared by the Assistant Manager on the ground that a large number of the Board's houses were outside the borough and Commissioner Heskin on the ground that the present status of the Board left it very little power. The Assistant Manager agreed to furnish

a comprehensive report but would not undertake to have it ready at any particular time.

The necessity for Traffic Bye Laws was referred to by Commissioner Campbell and also of the provision of public lighting in St. Joseph's Park. The Engineer explained that the Co. Council could not provide extra lighting in the current financial year, but, stated it was intended to provide lighting at various additional points in the next financial year.

It was decided that meetings of the Board continue to be held at 8.30 p.m. as heretofore.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Jarath P. Burke CHAIRMAN. October 1/63 DATE  
Guaid H. O'Connor TOWN CLERK. 1/10/63 DATE.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of October 1st. 1963.

ATTENDANCE.

The Chairman Commissioner Burke presided. Other members present were Commissioners Coghlan, Campbell, O'Brien, Heskin, O'Connor and Stapleton. together with the Engineer.

MINUTES.

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

CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter from Mrs. Michael Higgang 21, Gilmartin Road and one from Michael King, 38, Gilmartin Rd. requesting repairs were directed to be referred to the Engineer.

A letter from Mr. Joseph Egan, thanking the Board for acting as a guard of honor at the funeral of his late father was read.

A reply from C.I. O'Flynn, Esq., Co. Galway Co. Manager to representations made by the Board to have the Architectural Work on the new clinic, on the proposed ten new houses in the Palace and on lay out plans for private site development in the Palace expedited was placed before the meeting. Members expressed dissatisfaction with the terms of the reply and on discussion it was unanimously decided to request Mr. O'Flynn to receive a deputation to consist of the Chairman Vice-Chairman and Town Clerk and of a member of the swimming Pool Committee and of Councillors Patten, Killilea and Burke should these latter agree to act; the Clerk to arrange with Mr. O'Flynn the time and day on which such a deputation would be received. In addition to the matters on which representations had been made, the deputation would be required also to take up the delay in the provision of a swimming pool, the prohibition of four parties from building in Messrs. Mc Namaras field, Ballygaddy Road, and the long delay which had been imposed on the owner of a local factory in extending his premises.

A reply from Bord Failte Eireann on points in the report of the Adjudicators of the Tidy Towns Competition queried by the Commissioners was then read. Arising from this the Town Clerk was instructed to obtain quotations for Street Name Plates.

It was decided to defer consideration of a reply from the Dept. of Local Government on the matter of Market Bye Laws to the next meeting when the Clerk was instructed to have all relevant correspondence available.

It was unanimously decided that the vacant house in Gilmartin Road formerly tenanted by Mrs. Bridget Trayers should be given to Mrs. Lydon of St. Patrick's Terrace.

The following resolution proposed by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton was unanimously adopted

"That Labourers employed by the Tuam Town Commissioners have their wages increased by onepenny per hour with retrospective effect to 1st. July 1963"

The Clerk was directed to request the good offices of the Gardai in keeping stock on the streets during the October Fairs on the move.

Votes of sympathy to the relatives of the late John Joseph Egan, formerly of Ballygaddy Rd. and of the late John Byrne, Esq. formerly of Galway Rd. were unanimously adopted all members remaining standing. This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

*Joseph P. Burke* CHAIRMAN. *November 5/63* DATE.  
*S. D. J.* TOWN CLERK. *5 Nov 5 1963* DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of November 5th. 1956.63

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner Burke, Presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Coghlan, Purcell, Campbell, Stapleton, O'Brien and Meskin together with the assistant County Manager.

The Minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and signed.

Arising from the minutes, Commissioner Coghlan inquired as to the position of the proposed deputation to the Co. Manager and the Clerk in reply informed the Board that he had been in touch with the County Manager who had not that he was prepared to receive a deputation, but, who had written on the matter of the twelve additional houses for the Palace grounds. This letter was then read to the Board. Members commented adversely on its terms adverting to the Minister's public statement deploring slackness of Local Authorities in providing housing accomodation. The assistant Co. Manager stated that approx. fifty applications for houses were held and were at present under investigation and that on the result of this investigation the need for houses in Tuam would be determined and that if warranted a certificate of need would then be issued. Such a certificate was essential before the erection of any additional houses could be undertaken. The investigation might take a further two weeks. Commissioner O'Brien complained that twenty five newly married couples had to leave Tuam since the prior Christmas for want of accomodation and Commissioner Stapleton that, in the past when one hundred and thirty houses had been erected they had been occupied within three months. In reply to Commissioner O'Brien the assistant Manager stated that if urbanised Tuam would supply its own houses and that there was no limit to borrowing powers for housing construction.

SITES IN THE PALACE FOR PRIVATE HOUSES.

The Assistant Manager stated the present position of this matter was that the Architect and Co. Engineer had agreed in general as to lay out plans and that the Architect was at present being given details of the sewerage system in the locality. It was expected that he would very soon supply detailed lay out plans and estimated costs.

A letter from Miss K. Morley, Academy of Elocution, High Street, Tuam applying for the use of the Town Hall Theatre for presentation of a play on the nights of December 12th and 13th was read. As this necessitated discussing the Theatre Room from the view point of fire hazards the Assistant Manager requested that the meeting should go into Committee. He then gave details of an inspection he made of this room and read a lengthy report of the Chief Fire Officer whom he had requested also to inspect the room. He explained that as the Chief Fire Officer had stated that public performances should not be held there, that this Official had been written as to the measures he considered necessary to render it suitable for such performances and that in the meantime as, the Theatre Guild, the present tenant, was committed to the production of a play he had on his own responsibility decided to allow this one performance, provided the Theatre Guild took all possible safety measures. The Board fully endorsed the Assistant Manager's standpoint in this matter and the Clerk was directed to write Miss Morley stating the hall would not be available.

It was directed that letters from Mrs. Ml. Higgins and Mrs. Kitty Condon, Gilmartin Road, requesting repairs be passed to the Engineer. Repairs to the Houses of Mrs. Carroll 2, Tobberjarlath Rd. Guard Quinn and Mrs Harte 18, Tobberjarlath Rd were also discussed.

Letting of Houses.

A lengthy discussion on the letting of two vacant houses in Tobberjarlath Road arose: the Board strongly advocating the cases of Messrs. Connolly, Ronan, O'Rourke and Flynn. The Clerk explained that one of these houses had been given to a Mr. Liam Ivory and that the second still unallocated, a Mr. Noel Duggan having refused it.

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**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

3/12/63

To each Town Commissioner.

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The *Monthly* Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held on *Sunday* 3/12/63 at 8.30 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

*Sior O'Connor*

Baile Cleireach.

AGENDA

*Minutes*

*Compendium*

*Consideration of Market*

*Bye laws*

*Notice of Motion of Commissioner Coghlan*

*I Town & Regional Planning*

*"That a preliminary plan of the proposed scheme for Tuam 2 & 5*

*inclosures be submitted to the Board for their observations*

*II Housing Subsidy*

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of November 5th. 1956.

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Commissioner Coghlan commented that applicants for houses were going into condemned houses and getting houses from them and the Assistant Manager requested specific instances of such.

STREET SIGNS.

The Board expressed disappointment on quotations for Street name signs not being available. The Clerk stated he would get in touch with Co. Council Engineers firms to obtain quotations from and the Manager commented on no provision for such having been made in the Estimates.

MARKET BYE LAWS.

The Assistant Manager gave a summary of the history of Market Bye Laws in Tuam and referred to letters from the Engineer on the cost of cleaning streets after fairs and markets, from the Town Steward on loss of tolls and from the Gardai Supt. and the public on the desirability of having Bye Laws adopted. It was decided this be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting, that copies of a code drawn up on the 17/1/52 be circulated to members and that the Gardai Superintendent be invited to this meeting as it might be desirable to discuss Traffic Bye Laws in conjunction with Bye Laws for Markets.

Commissioner Campbell asked that the Gardai Superintendent be requested to keep a man on duty permanently near the Bank of Ireland to regulate traffic.

Commissioner Purcell proposed, Commissioner Stapleton seconded and it was unanimously resolved

"That the Minister be requested to deal favourably and immediately with the appeal of Mr. Timothy Joyce, Tuam for permission under the Town and Regional Planning to continue the erection of a furniture Factory at Galway Road, Tuam."

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners:-

J. Burke Chairman. Dec 3/63 Date.

Gerald McDonnell TOWN CLERK. 3 Dec 1963 Date.

John Collier  
5 Parkmore St

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House no	1100
Amount	<u>500</u>
Total	1600

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