



TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS



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MINUTES

3 December 1963 – 3 December 1968

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONER.

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

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner Burke, presided. Other members present were Commissioner O'Connor, Browne, Coghlan, Purcell, Campbell and O'Brien together with the Assistant County Manager, Town Engineer and Superintendent of the Gardai Siochana.

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

In order to facilitate the Gardai Superintendent whose business in being present was the question of Market Bye Law this item was taken first.

The assistant Manager in addressing the Board stated that a code of Bye Laws, which were in operation in Ballinasloe which had proved satisfactory, were practically identical in substance, but, from a legal point of view more comprehensive in wording, than the proposed code from Tuam and he suggested that copies of a code of Bye Laws embodying the more comprehensive wording of the Ballinasloe Bye Laws be circulated to the members and considered at the next meeting. It was explained to members that the fixing of parts of the market place for various types of livestock and commodities would be arranged under a schedule power to enforce such, deriving from the Bye Laws when adopted. As the question of the powers of the Board to deal with licensed hawkers under Bye Laws arose it was agreed to have legal opinion on this point if necessary. The Gaedai Superintendent stated that in any case he could meet this difficulty under Section 91 of the Road Traffic Act 1961 and the assistant Manager stated he would check on the point in the Road Traffic Act 1961. It was then agreed that the code suggested by the Assistant Manager be circulated.

The Gardai Superintendent then withdrew.

MINUTES. Arising from the minutes, Commissioner Coghlan inquired what progress had been made towards the provision of new houses in the Palace. The Assistant Manager in response through a list of applicants for houses, which had been compiled in a recent housing survey and noted their comments and recommendations.

The Assistant Manager stated, also that he had available any more up to date information in the matter of the provision of housing sites in the Palace than at the last meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE. Letters from Mrs. King 38, Gilmartin Road and Higgins, 21, Gilmartin Road requesting repairs were read and decided to be passed to the Engineer.

Also read was a letter from Miss K. Morley again requesting the use of the Theatre Room of the Town Hall for a Theatrical Production. The Assistant Manager stated he could let the Town Hall for further Theatrical performances until he satisfied himself on the matter of fire safety precautions.

A letter from the Department in reply to representations made on behalf of Mr. Timothy Joyce, Athenry Road, Tuam, to sanction the erection of a furniture factory at Galway Road, Tuam was placed before the Board and satisfaction with its contents was expressed.

Quotations for Street Name Plates obtained by the Clerk were examined. The Assistant Manager stated he would refer as to who was the appropriate authority for the erection of such and on the Commissioners ability to pay for same.

With the Chairman's permission the Clerk stated that Requiem Mass had been celebrated at the Commissioners request for John F. Kennedy, late President of the United States and that a loud speaker had been sent through the town requesting business premises to close during the Mass. He requested members to subscribe towards an offering for the Mass and towards the cost of the loud speaker.

The following subscribed 10/- each

Commissioner Burke, the Chairman.
The Assistant Manager.
Commissioner O'Connor
Commissioner Browne
Commissioner Coghlan
Commissioner O'Brien
Commissioner Campbell
Commissioner Purcell
The Town Engineer
The Town Steward.
The Town Clerk.

It was arranged that the Estimates Meeting be held on January 7th 1964 on the same evening as the January monthly meeting.

NOTICE OF MOTION COMMISSIONER COGHLAN.

1) Town and Regional Planning.

In connection with Town and Regional Planning Commissioner Coghlan stated that very few people were aware of their obligations under the Acts or to whom application should be made for permission to build. The Assistant Manager outlined the position under the law as it stood and gave some particulars of what the position might be when the 1963 (1963) Act became law, probably in April 1964 and explained that in both cases the Authority for Tuam was the Galway County Council, the Commissioners having no function in the matter. All applications for permission to build should be addressed to the Secretary, The Galway Co. Council.

11) HOUSING SUBSIDY.

Commissioner Coghlan requested the following information for the next meeting.

- 1) The total of number of houses owned by the Board
- 11) The number for which the two-third subsidy obtained.
- 111) Rents for each house.
- 11V) The progress made in Tenant Purchase Scheme.
- V) If there was any profit on any particular Scheme.
- VI) The dates on which the loans obtained for each house would be paid off.

In response to Commissioner Campbell the Asst. Manager stated that no new information in connection with the proposed new Clinic was available, except that when completed a Pharmacy would be incorporated in it.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

James P. Burke CHAIRMAN. J. H. James 7th Jan 1964 DATE.
Quaid TOWN CLERK. 7 Jan 1964 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of January 7th 1964.

ATTENDANCE.

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

MINUTES.

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

Arising out of the minutes Commissioner Coghlan inquired if any further information was available in connection with the provision of the proposed ten or twelve new houses in the Palace Tuam. As no further information was to hand comments were made on the delay in these, in the provision of a new clinic in the town and on the opening up of sites for private housing in the Palace grounds. The acting Assistant Manager who took notes of the matters promised to inquire into them. In connection with the new Clinic Commissioner Coghlan proposed, Commissioner Browne seconded and it was unanimously resolved:-

" that the Tuam Town Commissioners demand that the requirements of the 1957 Health Act be complied with in so far as the provision of a new Clinic in Tuam is concerned and that provision for such be made in the Estimates of the County Council for the coming year."

STREET NAME PLATES.

The Clerk stated he had no further information from the Assistant Manager in connection with these.

HOUSES OF THE COMMISSIONERS.

- 1) The Clerk gave particulars of houses owned by the Board
- 2) The No. for which a two third subsidy is available.
- 3) Rents of the houses.
- 4) The progress in the Tenant Purchase Scheme.
- 5) The profit or loss on each scheme.
- 6) The dates on which the loans for each scheme would be paid off

and stated he would later circularise this information to the members.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Stadium Committee
Application of the G.A.A. for the land for Stadium extensions at St Endas avenue. Particulars of an application of the G.A.A. for portion of the land held by the Board at St. Endas Ave. and used as a children's play ground were given and the Clerk was directed to invite the G.A.A. requesting particulars of its of its proposal and an assurance that the rights of the Children to playing in the plot of land would not be interfered with.

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Proposals of Castleblakeney U. D. C. appended were read and on the proposition of Commissioner O'Brien seconded by Commissioner Coghlan proposal (a) was unanimously adopted.

A letter requesting the clearance of rubbish from her garden sent by Mrs. Lydon Gilmartin Rd. was read.

The Clerk referred to a vacant house in Gilmartin Rd. and requested recommendations for the letting of it. It was decided to offer it in succession to:-

Mr. Patrick Murray.

Mr. Alfie Leonard.
Mr. James J. Clarke.
Mr. John McIntyre

all on the waiting list of the C.M.O.

Commissioner Campbell to the case of Mrs. Foley, Ballinamona Park, Tuam who was without water and against whose Landlord the Asst. Manager had agreed to take action. It emerged that action against the Landlord was listed in the Court Books.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Gerlath P. Burke CHAIRMAN *February 14/64* Date
Guada Romo Town Clerk. *14 Feb 64* Date

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its Estimates Meeting of January 20th 1964.

ATTENDANCE.

The Chairman Commissioner Burke presided. Othe members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Coghlan, Campbell and O'Brien together with the assistant Co Manager and Engineer.

ESTIMATES FOR 1964/65 FINANCIAL YEAR.

The Assistant Manager introduced the Estimates drawing attention to items of note and stating that because of projected wage increases he would like to increase the sum for housing repairs from £2378 to £2578.

The items of income and expenditure were then examined in detail, the clerk explaining the reasons for changes in the figures for 1964/65 where such arose. Provisions was made for possible increases in the salaries of the Town Clerk Town Engineer and Town Steward in view of the general 12% increase agreed on by employers and employees within the State. It was agreed to amend the estimated figures presented by increasing the amount for housing repairs by £200 as requested by the Asst. Manager, by increasing the amount for decorations from £20 to £40 and for other expenses from £15 to £45. to cover the cost of providing and erecting name plates on the town streets.

The item providing for the raising of a loan of £1000 for repairs to the Town Hall was discussed at length and finally agreed upon, on the understanding that prior to repairs being effect a detailed report would be submitted to the Board.

In connection with income the Board decided that the estimated subsidy be taken at £2650 the average of four years, instead of at £2529 the current Credit Balance be drawn on for £129. The changes made in the presented figures thus balanced by an increase of £250 in expenditure an increase of £121 in estimated income and a drawing on current balance for £129.

It was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien

That the Estimates for 1964/65 financial year as thus amended, be adopted.

This was unanimously agreed upon.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Jarlett P Burke. CHAIRMAN. February 4/64 Date.
Guada O'Connor Town Clerk. 4/2/64 Date

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.
£ 17717 =	£ 14478 =	£ 3239 =	— nil —	£ 456 =	£ 2733 =
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CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that at (an adjournment of) the Estimates Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners held this 20 day of January 1964 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 demanded for the financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1965

Signed Jarlett P Burke Chairman.
 Countersigned Guada O'Connor Town Clerk.

Dated this 20 day of January 1964

DEMAND.

To the Council of the County of Galway
 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, 1965. The Commissioners hereby demand that the sum of £ 2733 shall be supplied to them by the said Council.

Signed Jarlett P Burke Chairman.
 Countersigned Guada O'Connor Town Clerk.

Dated this 20 day of January 1964

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of February 4th. 1964.

ATTENDANCE The Chairman Commissioner Burke presided, Other Members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Campbell, Purcell and O'Brien, together with the Town Engineer.

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

Arising out of the minutes, Commissioner O'Brien stated that the Tuam Stadium Committee requested the use of a right of way through the Board's property which would not interfere with the children's playground and the Chairman suggested that a meeting be arranged between the Assistant Manager, Town Engineer and representatives of the Stadium Committee to discuss this matter.

Commissioner Campbell inquired if there had been any further development in the matter of the new Clinic and on being informed by the Clerk that the Assistant Manager had informed him that the County Council was proceeding with the matter proposed that:-

" the Assistant Manager furnish information within one week of the position in connection with the Certificate of need for new houses in the Palace, the development of sites for private housing there and of the new Clinic"

TIDY

TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION. It was decided on discussion to enter into this competition for the current year. On the marks awarded Tuam for the competition for the past year being read it was also decided to appeal to all tenants of the Commissioners and to all business people to make an extra effort after tidyness this year that a circular on the appearance of their gardens and houses be sent to all tenants of the Board and supplies of such be given to Commissioner O'Brien who volunteered to see that they were distributed to other householders, that circulars produced by Bord Failte we procured and one sent to the Hon Secretary of the Tuam Development Association and that Garages in the Town be specially written on the importance of the appearance of garage fronts.

GLOR NA GAEDILGE A letter from this Association was read. It was however, too late to enter for this competition.

The Clerk referred to letter from Mrs. E. Trayers, 22 Parkbury St. Manchester 9, seeking the tenancy of a house at Gilmartin R. Tuam which she had previously occupied. It was agreed that the tenancy should not be again offered her.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Jarlett P. Burke CHAIRMAN March 3rd 1964 DATE
Gerald O'Connor TOWN CLERK 3 March 64 DATE

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of March 3rd. 1964.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner Burke Presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Coughlan, Browne, Purcell, Campbell, O'Brien and Heskin 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) In reply to queries from members the assistant Manager explained, in connection with the new clinic, that in accordance with a memo of the Dept. of Health there were five stages in the preliminaries to be observed prior to its erection, and while he had no up to date information at the moment he understood that stage three had been reached. Members stated they understood from a press notice that tenders would be sought in approximately three months.

11) Commenting on a reference by Commissioner Browne the question of the erection of twelve new houses at the Palace, Tuam the Assistant Manager stated the Architect was now required to revise the contract document, if necessary, so that tenders could be invited.

111) Commissioner O'Brien referred to the matter of the development of sites for private housing in the Palace. The assistant Manager said he had no further information on this.

In connection with the erection of three houses at Ballygaddy Road, which had been suspended under the Town Regional Planning Acts, Commissioner O'Brien inquired if the difficulty of the multiplication of Septic Tanks might not be got over, by having one tank for the three houses and was informed by the Engineer that such would require the approval of the Co. Medical Officer. The matter was not pursued as it emerged the question of these three houses was, at the moment, under appeal.

TENANT PURCHASE SCHEME.

Commissioner O'Brien suggested the introduction of Tenant Purchase Schemes for the new houses in the Palace and for isolated Co Council Cottages and the assistant Manager declared that the Co. Council would be glad to hear of isolated tenants who desired to purchase as the difficulty generally was lack of demand for such. He explained that two-third subsidies were granted in cases of slum clearance or overcrowding.

As it was felt that lack of bathrooms mitigated against tenants availing extensively of the Commissioners Purchase Scheme it was arranged that tenants would be circularised, pointing out that on purchasing they would be eligible for grants for the installation of bathrooms. It was agreed also that a memo be sent to tenants not in schemes where tenant purchase applies - the assistant Manager to prepare these circulars.

RAILINGS AT HOUSES OF THE BOARD.

Commissioner O'Brien complained of the Railings having been removed from outside one house, by employees of the Board some years ago and not reinstalled. The Engineer stated that they had constituted a danger to the public and that the erection of railings outside any house at present was against the repair policy adopted under which funds were devoted to essential repairs to the structure of the buildings. Most of the houses in Athenry Rd. had now been examined and placed in a reasonable state of repair

Tobberjarlath and Gilmartin Roads remained to be done. It was however proposed by Commissioner O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner Heskin and resolved that protection be given to the garden of Mrs. Joseph Boyle, that of the house in question which the railings had been removed from. The Asst. Manager stated he would consider this, but not necessarily adopt it.

NATIONAL WAGE AGREEMENT.

The Asst. Manager requested the consent of the Commissioners to supplement the terms of the National Wages Agreement for their Officers and employees - for Officers from 1st. Feb. 1964 and for housing repair operatives in accordance with the custom of the locality.

It was proposed by Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and unanimously resolved

"That the Tuam Town Commissioners approves of the application of the National Wages Agreement to its Officers and Servants."

SPEED LIMITS.

The Clerk presented and the Engineer explained the effect on speed limits restrictions proposed in a memorandum from the County Manager. Generally the effect was to bring the point from which it was necessary to slow down to 30 M. Per Hour nearer to the centre of the town in the case of Tuam, and to impose a limit of forty miles per hour at the point where the 30 miles per hour previously applied. On discussion the Board agreed in general to these changes, but,

1) On the proposal of Commissioner Campbell seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and unanimously resolved to recommend that the existing speed limits be retained at Athenry Road a built up area and

2) On the proposal of Commissioner Browne seconded by Commissioner Burke resolved also unanimously that the 30 miles per hour speed limits be imposed in Galway Road approach at Killalcooty bye Road instead of at Gilmartin Rd. corner and that the 40 miles per hour limit be at the point where the existing 30 miles per hour limit applied as suggested.

3) On the proposal of Commissioner Purcell seconded by Commissioner O'Connor it was further resolved that separate signs be erected in areas subject to a speed limit, where such areas extended relatively lengthy stretches.

IRISH PUBLIC BODIES NATIONAL INSURANCES, LTD. NOMINEE FOR MEETING.

It was proposed by Commissioner Coughlan and seconded by Commissioner Burke and agreed that the Town Clerk be appointed to attend the general meeting of the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd. on behalf of the Commissioners.

MARKET BYE LAWS. Commissioner Coughlan referred to a proposed code of Bye Laws. The Asst. Manager stated that being engaged on a report on Urbanisation which he hoped to have available for the next meeting, he was not in a position, so far to prepare these, but, would later do so. Members would be circularised with them prior to the meeting at which they would arise.

COUNSEL'S OPINION ON TOLLS AND THE LIVESTOCK MART.

The Clerk outlined the position, stated he had written very strongly to the Board's Legal Advisor because of the delay in the rendition of an opinion and suggested retaining the services of a Counsel other than the Counsel causing the delay.

LOUD SPEAKERS AT LIVESTOCK MART.

Commissioner Burke stated that residents close to the Mart had objected to the strength of a loudspeaker used there and the Clerk was directed to write the Manager of the Mart requesting that this be toned down.

G. A. A. STADIUM COMMITTEE REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OF LAND OR
ALTERNATIVELY FOR THE USE OF A RIGHT OF WAY OVER LAND OF THE BOARD.

Commissioner O'Brien asked if any progress had been made in arriving at a decision on this matter. The Asst. Manager stated that with the Town Clerk and Town Steward he had visited and inspected the land in question and was of opinion that the site would be spoiled for further development if a portion were sold or if a right of way were granted. On the suggestion of Commissioner Burke it was agreed that the Board as a body should inspect the land on the following Thursday. The Assistant Manager mentioned that under the Labourer's Acts if land purchased by a Local Authority was subsequently being disposed of it had first to be offered to the party from whom it was acquired. Commissioner Browne, from whose family this land had originally been purchased ~~from~~, stated he waived any right he had in this respect in favour of the Stadium Committee.

Commissioner Campbell informed the Assistant Manager that the former Children's Home now unoccupied was being wrecked by the public and Commissioner O'Brien stated Civil Defence meetings were now being held on Thursdays at 8.30 p.m. and invited members to attend.

STREET LIGHTING.

The Asst. Manager stated there were no new developments in this matter and the Clerk was directed to write the Local Co. Councillors reminding them of a list of proposals already submitted. He was also directed to request the Gardai Superintendent to keep stock moving on the Streets during the March Fairs.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Jarlett P. Burke

CHAIRMAN

7 April 1964 DATE

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TOWN CLERK

7 April 1964 DATE.

Galway County Council Archives

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of April 7th. 1964.

ATTENDANCE.

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

MINUTES.

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

- 1) Commissioner O'Brien inquired if there had been any fresh developments in connection with:-
 - a) the twelve new houses to be erected in the Palace Tuam.
 - b) the development of sites for private housing in the Palace

the Assistant Co. Manager in reply stated, that in regard to the twelve new houses he would press the Architect to return the final documents for tender purposes and in regard to site development in the Palace, that the matter of the Palace grounds would come before before the Co. Council, possibly at its next meeting. Complaints were made by members at the delay which had ensued in these matters.

- 2) Tenant Purchase. Commissioner O'Brien inquired if any steps had been taken to further this and the Assistant Manager in reply stated he would have proposals for the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE.

- 1) The Clerk read letters from:-
 - a) The Engineer reporting on an inspection made by two Commissioners and himself of the plot used as a children's play ground at St. Enda's Avenue.
 - b) From the Secretary of the Tuam Development Association proposing that the Association in conjunction with the Commissioners further develop the plot for children.

Commissioner Coghlan stated that the Association would not object to a right of way being given over the plot to the Stadium Committee. Commissioner Browne objected to any definite pathway or road being made across the plot to facilitate the Committee. On discussion it was proposed by Commissioner O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and unanimously resolved

"that a right of way over the plot of ground at St. Endas Avenue kept as a children's playground be granted to the Tuam Stadium Committee on the occasion of important fixtures, but, that no specific path or roadway be constructed across it."

The Assistant Manager stated he wished to consult the Board's Solicitor on the question of the proposed right of way and to obtain further details from the Tuam Development Association on its proposal. An anuity Grant would be available to the Board or to the Association for improvements effected at this site.

- 2) A resolution from the Kilkenny Corporation on the extension of the use of the Irish Language in all spheres of Irish life was read and discussed.
- 3) Also a letter from the Shop St. Trader's Association on damaged and useless litter containers in Shop St. was placed before the Board. The Engineer agreed to have these replaced. In

connection with litter Commissioner Browne asked if the lorry used by the dust men could not be covered in and members commented on the use by the public of broken and useless litter containers. The Assistant Manager stated he would like to look into this matter, generally.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING.

Commissioner O'Brien proposed, Commissioner Heskin seconded and it was unanimously resolved that a sum of £20. be paid towards expenses of the festive lighting of the town during the prior Christmas period.

URBANISATION.

The Assistant Manager read through and explained in detail a report he had prepared for the Board on the urbanisation of Tuam from which it emerged that on the best estimation possible the rates in Tuam for 1963/64 financial year would have been 4/11½ less had the Town been urbanised. As against this advantage, however, was the fact that various capital properties would have to be acquired from the Galway Co. Council. With the data to hand it was impossible to estimate what these would cost and it was agreed that the Clerk should write the Co. Council requesting its observations on urbanisation and how, in the event of urbanisation it would suggest the transfer of these properties should be adjusted between then then Tuam Urban District Council and the Co. Council.

CHILDREN'S HOME

Commissioner Campbell referred to extensive vandalism at the old children's Home and on discussion Commissioner Campbell proposed Commissioner O'Connor seconded and it was resolved that the Clerk should write the Co. Manager requesting that the home be put up for sale.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Jarlett P. Burke CHAIRMAN *May 5/64* DATE
Guada M. O'Connor TOWN CLERK. *5/5/64* DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of May 5th, 1964.

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

MINUTES. The minutes of the last Monthly Meeting were read and signed.

The Chairman proposed that the meeting be adjourned to the following Monday evening as a mark of respect to :-

- a) Commissioner Stapleton on the death of Mrs. Stapleton
- b) Commissioner Heskin on the death of Mr. McNally his Brother in Law.
- c) The Rev. D. Fitzsimmons on the death of his Father.
- d) The Town Clerk on the death of his mother.

This was seconded by Commissioner Coghlan and the motion unanimously carried all members and the Assistant Manager associating themselves with it.

The meeting then adjourned.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Jarlob P Burke CHAIRMAN 2/6/64 DATE.
Guaid McDonn TOWN CLERK. 2/6/64 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of adjourned meeting of May 5th, 1964 resumed on May 11th, 1964.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner Burke, Presided. Other members present Commissioner Coghlan, Purcell, O'Brien and the Town Engineer.

A proposed code of market bye-laws was examined and discussed.

The meeting then concluded, as this was the only business before it.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Jarlob P Burke CHAIRMAN 2/6/64 DATE.
Guaid McDonn TOWN CLERK. 2/6/64 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of June 2nd. 1964.

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

MINUTES. The minutes of the monthly meeting of May 5th 1964 adjourned to May 11th 1964 were read and signed.

FIXING OF DATES OF 1965 FAIRS.

A schedule of dates prepared by the Town Steward was considered. A fair for Saturday August 21st. 1965 was changed to Monday August 23rd. 1965 and with this amendment the schedule was adopted the Chairman signing a copy.

ENGINEERING SERVICES.

An agreement presented by the assistant Co. Manager under Sect. 69 of the Local Government Act 1955, whereby the Services of the local assistant Co. Engineer would be retained by the Tuam Town Commissioners on one day in the week, the Commissioners paying 19% of his salary to the Galway Co. Council, was unanimously agreed to on the proposal of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(a) The Clerk read a letter from the Chairman of the National Garden Association of Ireland, requesting that he be put in contact with local groups interested in the promotion of garden competitions. It was agreed that the Irish Countrywomen's Association, the Agricultural Show Society and the Town Development Association be recommended to the writer as appropriate local group to get in touch with.

(b) A letter from the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland requesting that any motions the Commissioners wished to have placed on the agenda of the Annual Conference of the Association to be held on the 22nd to 24th September 1964, should be forwarded before the end of July was read to the Board. It was agreed that the matter be considered at the July meeting when members would have motions prepared.

(c) TRANSFER OF LEASE. On the proposition of Commissioner O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner Campbell it was unanimously decided to give the Commissioners consent to the Representative of Miss Forde late of 4, Atherry Road, Tuam to transfer Miss Forde's lease of 4, Atherry Road, to Mrs. Mary O'Connor widow of Dromod, Co. Leitrim.

(d) A letter from Mr. Michael Brogan, 84, Gilmartin Road, requesting a new door was read. Mr. Brogan who had spent considerable money on extending and renovating his house and who was present offered to pay half the cost of the door. It was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Engineer that the door be supplied.

(e) A letter from Miss Winnie Cole Atherry Road, requesting repairs to her house and stating that workmen of the Board had in executing earlier repairs broken window panes and had not repaired them was read. The assistant Manager stated he would ask the Engineer for a full report and have it for the next meeting.

MARKET BYE LAWS.

The assistant Manager introduced the matter of the adoption of a draft copy of Bye Laws which earlier had been circulated to members and which had been considered by them at their adjourned meeting of the 11th ult. Commissioner Purcell complained of lorries blocking the entrance to the calf market and the Chairman of the hawkers obstructing the street outside

the Town Hall. Power under the Street Trading Act to deal with hawkers was discussed. The assistant Manager stated that these matters related more to the allocation of parts of the market place a power which would derive from the Bye Laws when in force and that prior to the next meeting he would circulate members on the matter of such allocation and of what powers would be conferred by the Street Trading Act if adopted.

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

"that the draft copy of Market Bye Laws proposed by the assistant Manager and now identified by the signature of the Chairman on a copy thereof be adopted, with the addition of the word "bullock" in the description of cattle in the section dealing with the interpretation of terms"

EXCESS EXPENDITURE OF £600.

The assistant Manager stated he wished to obtain the Boards approval to excess expenditure of £600. for repairs to the Town Hall. It had originally been proposed to defray the cost of this work by obtaining a loan from the Galway Co. Council, but, it had been found, that it would be more economical to finance it from revenue. It was then proposed by Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and unanimously resolved

"that the Tuam Town Commissioners approve of excess expenditure of £600 in the 1964/65 financial year in order that work on necessary repairs and improvements to the Town Hall Tuam may be put in hands"

ANNUAL MEETING.

On discussion it was agreed that the date of the Annual Meeting be Monday June 29th 1964.

RESOLUTION OF KILKENNY CORPORATION ON IMPLEMENTING THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON THE RESTORATION OF THE IRISH LANGUAGE.

Commissioner Coghlan complained of gross misrepresentation by members of the Galway Co. Council of the action of the Commissioners in marking this resolution read. Members of the Council he stated, had said that the Commissioners had rejected the resolution. This was utterly false. Commissioner Burke also commented strongly on the matter.

Commissioner Coghlan then proposed Commissioner O'Brien seconded and it was unanimously adopted

"that the Tuam Town Commissioners strongly resent the statements of certain members of the Galway Co. Council to the effect that the Tuam Town Commissioners had rejected the resolution of the Kilkenny corporation on the restoration of the Irish Language who in the opinion of the Commissioners do not appear to appreciate the meaning of the word 'read'"

The assistant Manager informed Commissioner Campbell that the closing date for receipt of tenders for the erection of houses in the Palace was 16/6/64; that the Co. Council had approved the development of twenty sites there for private housing and that the approval had been sent to the Department of Local Government for sanction, that the Dispensary project was going forward on the regular lines and that plans were being prepared for the swimming pool project by the Architect. He also stated he hoped to bring the matter of the payment of tolls by the Cattle Mart again before the next meeting.

This concluded the business of the meeting. Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Galnek M. O'Connor CHAIRMAN 7th July 1964 DATE.
Guaid Boland TOWN CLERK 7/7/64 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its meeting of June 29th, 1964.

ATTENDANCE.

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

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE COMING YEAR.

Commissioner Burke addressed the Board, summarising the the more important developments during the past year and thanked the members and staff for their co-operation during his term of office. He then invited nominations for the position for the coming year.

Commissioner O'Connor, proposed by Commissioner Campbell and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien was unanimously selected and on being invested with the chain of office by the outgoing Chairman, took the Chair. To mark the occasion of his recent marriage a presentation from the Board and Staff was then made to him. Commissioner O'Connor thanked the Board for his election and for the presentation made and invited nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Coghlan, proposed by Commissioner Browne and seconded by Commissioner Campbell was selected unanimously for this position. He in turn thanked the Board for his election.

A vote of sympathy to Commissioner Burke and the Feeley family, Tuam was, on the proposal of the Chairman Commissioner O'Connor then unanimously adopted, all members standing.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Patrick M. O'Connor Chairman. July 7th 1964 Date.

Quaca O'Rourke TOWN CLERK. 7/7/64 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of July 7th 1964.

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

The Clerk apologised for the absence of the Assistant County Manager who was unable to attend.

MINUTES. The minutes of the last monthly meeting and of the Annual meeting of June 20th 1964 were read and signed.

1) Arising out of the minutes, Commissioner Campbell inquired why Mr. Michael Brogan, 84, Gilmartin Road, had not been supplied with a door as agreed at the last meeting. The Clerk had no information and was directed to again write the Engineer on the matter

DELAYS IN EXECUTION OF WORK.

Commissioner Coghlan referred to delay in executing agreed repairs to the Town Hall and to the erection of houses in the Palace Grounds and Commissioner Burke and several members to a complete hold up in the provision of a swimming pool. The absence of the Assistant Manager, Engineer and Town Steward was commented on and finally it was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously resolved "that in view of the urgency of the provision of houses in the Palace, of a Swimming Pool, of the new Clinic and of the development of sites for private housing in the Palace Grounds, that a meeting with the Assistant County Manager be arranged within the next week"

MOTIONS FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES.

It was agreed that these be placed before the meeting to be arranged with the Assistant County Manager within the coming week.

It was also directed that the Manager be requested to bring the plans of the new houses in the Palace to this meeting for inspection by the Board.

Commissioner O'Brien referred to the alleged existence of a plot of ground at Athenry Road the property of the Board which would be suitable for a children's playground and it was directed that maps of the housing schemes then be available at the next meeting so that this might be verified or otherwise.

The Clerk was also directed to request the County Council to arrange for the cutting of the grass in front of St. Joseph's Park and to have available the position of the application of Miss Bane Gilmartin Road for the purchase of her house.

A vote of sympathy to Commissioner Browne on the death of his Aunt Miss Kilroy proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Commissioner Burke was unanimously adopted all members standing.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Patrick M. O'Connor CHAIRMAN 1st August 1964 Date.

Quaca O'Rourke TOWN CLERK. 4 Aug 1964 Date.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of ^{aug} 4th 1964.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner O'Connor presided. Other members present were Commissioners, Coghlan, Browne, Nurke, Purcell and O'Brien, together with the Engineer and Town Steward.

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

VOTE OF SYMPATHY WITH FAMILY OF THE LATE COMMISSIONER CAMPBELL.

The Chairman then proposed, Commissioner Coghlan seconded and it was unanimously resolved that as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Commissioner Campbell that the meeting be adjourned and a vote of sympathy extended to his family and relatives, all present associating themselves with the vote.

It was agreed that this meeting be adjourned to the following Monday or Tuesday or such other date as would enable the Assistant Manager to be present.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Patrick M. O'Connor CHAIRMAN September 11th 1964 DATE.

G. O'Connor TOWN CLERK 11/9/64 DATE.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly Meeting of September, 1st 1964.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Commissioner O'Connor presided. Other members present were Commissioners Coghlan, Burke, O'Brien and Purcell, together with the Acting Assistant Manager and Town Engineer.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and signed. Arising out of the minutes Commissioner Coghlan ~~mentioned~~ the Assistant Manager's absence from recent meetings and commented on the lack of information available, on Capital works for the town. The Acting Assistant Manager, Mr. Moroney stated:-

- (1) The tenders for twelve houses in the Palace were held by the Architect who was to advise on which to accept, but, who had stated that he was not yet in a position to do so.
- (2) That the plans for private sites in the Palace Grounds had been sent to the Dept. on June 1st 1964 and were not yet returned. A Departmental Inspector had inspected the grounds on the previous Thursday.
- (3) That the Co Engineer had informed him that tenders would probably be invited for the new clinic in about two months.
- (4) That drawings of the proposed new Swimming Pool had been sent to the Dept. on 31/8/64.

CORRESPONDENCE

Miss

- (1) A letter from Mrs. Barbara Campbell thanking the Commissioners for condolences on the death of her brother was read.
- (2) The Clerk then read the report of the adjudicators on Tuam in the Tidy Towns Competition and the Chairman went over the report in detail with the members. The clerk was directed
 - 1) to write
 - A) To the M and C Garage requesting the removal of some old car bodies from the side of the road
 - b) To C.I.E. requesting the painting of the railings at the Railway Bridge at Dublin road and the ~~drawing~~ *cleaning* up of an old shack at Galway Road
 - (2) To send copies of the report to the Tuam Development Association, the I.C.A. and similar bodies.
 - (3) To request the local Schools to lecture pupils on litter in the streets.

The Assistant Manager stated he would see Mr. John Silke with a view to having the ~~Grass~~ at St. Joseph's Park cut and the Chairman agreed to endeavour to arrange a meeting between the Town Commissioners and other local bodies to go into the matter of improving the town for next years competition.

URBANISATION

Commissioner O'Brien introduced his motion "that we take immediate steps to urbanise" and stressed the necessity of immediately securing all possible information on urbanisation. On discussion it was agreed to take this up with Mr. Walsh, Assistant Manager.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATION

Commissioner O'Connor proposed, Commissioner Coghlan Seconded and it was unanimously resolved that a vote of congratulation be extended to His Grace, The Most Rev. Dr. Walsh on this, the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of his ordination to the Priesthood, all present associating themselves therewith.

Commissioner O'Connor also proposed a vote of appreciation to the Chairman of the Connacht Swimming Pool for inviting him as Chairman of the Board to present the prize for the boys under sixteen event at the all Ireland Swimming Championships at Mosney and commented ~~advisedly~~ *advisedly* on the fact that no member of the Board was invited by the Tuam Stadium Committee to be present at the blessing of the Stand. This was unanimously adopted.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner O'Brien and members deplored recent vandalism at St. Mary's Cathedral, Tuam.

Commissioner Coghlan moved that the Postal Authorities be requested to provide four additional telephones Kiosks on the outskirts of the Town.

- (1) Out at the junction of the Toberjarleth and Athenry Roads,
- (2) Out at the junction of the Galway and Gilmartin Roads,
- (3) Out near the transformer Stations at Ballygaddy Road,
- (4) One near the Fairgreen entrance on Tullinadaly Road. This was agreed to.

representations
Commissioner O'Brien urged that ~~unrepresentations~~ *representations* to the Postal Authorities be made to restore the midday parcel post which had ceased some six months ago. This was seconded by Commissioner Burke and also agreed.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the TUAM TOWN
COMMISSIONERS

Baruch M. O'Connor Chairman 6th October 1964 Date
Paul M. Moroney Town Clerk 6. Oct. 1964 Date.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above named Local Authority at its Monthly meeting of October 6th. 1964.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Commissioner O'Connor, Presided. Other members present were Commissioners Coghlan, Browne, Purcell, Burke together with the Assistant County Manager and Town Engineer.

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

It was then proposed by Commissioner Browne, seconded by Commissioner Purcell and resolved that the meeting be adjourned as a tribute to the memories of the late Michael Donnellan T.D. Cloonmore, Dunmore and Michael Higgings, Taylor's Hill, Galway all members present and the Assistant County Manager on behalf of the Staff associating themselves with the resolution.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Patrick N.O. Connor CHAIRMAN 3rd Nov. 1964 DATE

Guaidr. O. Norman TOWN CLERK. 3rd Nov 1964 DATE.

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Chair - James O'Connell, Joyce
Stableton Kelly of the Eng. O'Brien

advised with O'Connell 2nd Stableton.
minutes

Kelly. Windows House Black street
closed down. but man considers it

N.M. Clerk explained position
of current rates.

Houseman J.G. Mr Kennedy
gave details of his letter. number
stated several contractors were
anxious for sites.

Eng. or Council after square
Eng show progress will be given into
moving of cross main concern

Eng no decisions made re
covered truck holidays.

Joyce long brackets on holes
round square would give better
illumination. Mr Kennedy to examine
lighting of square. Eng - Co C
has handed a no. of lights, but,
ESB has not received yet
clerk with ESB

Indice
Bryn Kurn with road.
on 7/10/68

(3)

Limb lighting for a few miles in Las Vegas area. 4 or 5 lights. Ring in

Silke ground uneven for cars & snows at mass. chain flooding in Las Vegas area. Requested to give it attention

Why 55 B order brochure
 after 9 lights over air language, Subsequent the changes bit by system
 6 Sept 65

Price Harry - Clerk no reply.

Small dumping even in last few days was blocked. Son of Rd Ward a dumber he clears out yards. Phone Acting M.O.H. Report also to the Station.

Kelly little shuading over the town. ^{a lot.} James ~~is~~ due to tourists.

Clean, Jan Peers Bd agreed it

Had been cleaned. Write C.T.E. again to drain Vicar St.

John think to try - Patrol?

Mr Fadden

Re all letters consult the Chairman and two minutes

Kubing round margin I saw St Johns Park grounds it is not a public road. Take up with 6 Councillors to how this made bus Road with chairman Buckle & Dymal.

(3)

In office By-laws letter read.

on 7/10/68.

Monday 30/9/68 for meeting
with Gardas Office. Give him
alternative. 8 h.m.

Knowen should umbrellas of hecker
not being called on. Joyce also.

Confirmed. Kelly we ask this
man, to attend our next
meeting. Potatoes washed on

Square. wrapped. Remind
Down Steward. Have letter

arrangements when in possession
again on holidays.

4 spoke to Farrell.

When he comes to next meeting
at 9 h.m.

asp list of arrears for
next meeting.

left to chair to Mr Kelly.

Give list of arrears in his
area to Chairman.

Mr McLamark will give notice
of motion re co-ordinator site
in the Palace when he
thinks it suitable

(4)

Jaya complains of not enough seating
in the clinic at the moment.
Write re this.

Hours. O'Brien call in building
Society (National Building Agency)

Terrible cannot employ men
for want of houses.

Jaya notes of motion

General complaints of more
this year than ever &
especially at height of

Tourist season.

Chair Richards in Sat built
for a smaller use should
be much lesser. Also Galway

under topped

But Jaya we need local PM
229 James.

~~ok~~ ~~Stak~~ ~~O'Brien~~ ~~Jaya~~ ~~chair~~
all comes so. St. M. hours. as PM
if suitable.

Refund of deposit

Refund deposit to

- 1) Mrs Munkley
- 2) Mrs Kedward

Museum other contact
 Sharkey re visitation of
 B&C & old disbursement &
 repair or reconstruction etc.

Mrs Naughton House Gal RD.
 They no doubt must write
 again. Have the whole question
 re examined. (Mrs Naughton was ill advised)

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of full value.

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Town Commission

Minutes of proceedings of above
Local Authority at its monthly meeting
of Tuesday, 3rd Sept. 1968

Attendance

The chairman, Commissioner Brown,
presided. Other members present were
Commissioners Farrell, O'neala, McCormack,
Joyce, Stapleton, Kelly & O'Brien,
together with the town engineer, Mr W. L. Kennedy B.E.

Minutes

The minutes of the last monthly
meeting were read and signed, the having
minutes being adopted on the proposal of
Commissioner O'neala, seconded by
Commissioner Stapleton.

arising out of the minutes
of the chairman inquired as to the
position of the application of Mrs O'neala,
of Parkmore Sec. to lease her house &
the clerk explained ^{that} her signing of the
lease ^{had been} late & ^{that} in consequence ~~that~~ her
application had to be rejected by
the assistant manager, who, however,
had agreed to consider any representations

she might make to him in writing

b) House Purchase Scheme

The clerk in response to a query reminded the Board, that the last action in connection with this which he was aware of, was a decrease in the purchase price of $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ by the manager. An increase in interest rates would have nullified this, but, ~~that~~ the manager understood the Dict would allow the old rate to apply in connection with the Scheme in consideration of the length of time which had elapsed since it had been drafted. He exhibited the Dict for sanction by the manager.

c) Use of the fairgreen as a housing

site. The Engineer gave details of a letter he had written in which he expressed the opinion that the fairgreen would be most suitable for development for housing, but, that as full use of the available land there should be made a proper lay out design should first be prepared. ^{Commissioner} Kelly commented on the fact that ~~development~~ ^{enhancement} of the local textile works was held up for want of housing for extra workers

The night made to him in writing
6) House Purchase Scheme
The club in arrears to a

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and members stated that several contractors
were anxious for sites on which to build

d) Development of the center of the
Market Square. ~~The club stated that~~
~~he had no communication from the~~
~~Council on this matter~~ and the Engineer stated
that this would be a very slow process,
but, that it would be gone into the
position of the market cross and the
necessity to move it would be the
main obstacle.

e) Provision of a covered truck for
refuse collection

The Engineer informed the Board
that no decision had yet been made
in this matter.

f) Town lighting Commissioner Joyce
maintained that house lighting brackets on
poles would give better illumination
The Engineer agreed to survey with him
the existing square lighting system. He
informed the Board that the E.S.B.

Council had agreed to provide
additional lights, but, that these
had not yet been put in hand by

the E.S.B. The clerk was directed to
write the E.S.B. in the matter. He

was also instructed to phone
Mr. Slicke asst. to Engineer to have
four to five temporary lights provided

written
4/19/68

phoned
4/19/68
Chairman
phoned

at the Las Vegas
in the Las Vegas Ball room area to
facilitate mobile attending mats
in the morning in winter.

Condition of river Nanny

g) Drain at Ficen St

As G. J. E had not
replied to a communication of
the Clerk requesting that organisation
to fulfill their part in keeping this
drain cleared, the clerk was directed
to write again in the matter.

Phoned
4/19/68
for matter
to attend to
matter

Letters of municipal property

The clerk was directed in
all letters to consult the chairman
& two members.

Condition of river Nanny.

As the clerk had
received no reply to a request to the
C.M.O. to inspect the river which was
stated to be in a disgraceful condition
he was directed to set a report from to
the Town Steward & inform the C.M.O.
It was stated that drinking

in the work had occurred within the last few days.

Litter
Commissioner Kelly complained that the town which had been relatively free of such waste, was now badly strewn with litter. Commissioner Joyce asserted that some of this, at least, was due to tourists.

St Joseph's Park.

~~As there~~ As no curb existed round the margin of the roadway past the recent additional houses at St. Joseph's Park and as the Board wished one to be provided, the Engineer stated the Council could not provide such as this roadway was not a public road. The Clerk was directed to write councillors Burke & Glynn & the Chairman of the Council requesting that the Council declare this a public road. ||

Treffie Byrne-Lawlor

them to refer the matter to the Art. Manager

The clerk read letters from the following

1) From the Co Secretary on sewage facilities at Loftus St., stating it was hoped a scheme would be completed in a few weeks

Completed

2) From the Co Secretary on the supply of drugs to the new clinic, stating there is no delay now in obtaining drugs

3) From the Co Secretary on

- a) toilet facilities in the fairsquare
- b) decorative plot & fountain in the Market Square
- c) Covered truck for refuse collection

stating that these matters were being attended to

4) letters requesting repairs from Patrick Connaughton 6 St Indus ave West Mooney 5 St Indus ave

Sent to Engineer 4/9/68

were directed to be passed to the town engineer.

d) A letter from Mrs Gannon no 20 Tobheigalath Rd., Tuam. who had got notice to quit requesting time in which to pay her rent. The clerk was directed to get a report from the Rent collector & have an investigation form completed by Mrs Gannon. He was

Investigation form sent 4/9/68 J Gormley written 4/9/68

The Clerk read letters from the following
1) From the Co. Engineer on matters

then to refer the letter to the Asst. Manager.

e) A letter from the Co. Engineer stating
that the Town Engineer would provide a
seat in the road in portion of
Sullinacally Rd.

f) A letter from the Co. Engineer requesting
that any business matters affecting (at 1/2
the Co. Council & Town Commissioners) ^{1/2}
should be first referred to him.

g) A letter from the Chairman, Swan Stadium
Committee applying for the use of
the fairgreen from Sept 27th to Oct 6th.
It was unanimously agreed that the
letting be made at a nominal fee.

h) A letter from the Asst. Commissioner,
Garda Síochána, Dublin stating
traffic conditions in the town would
be examined by an Officer of the
Traffic Section, Garda Headquarters, Dublin
subsequent to 29th Sept 1968. &

suggesting that a date ~~to be fixed~~ be
fixed on which this Officer could
discuss traffic problems with
the Commissioners. It was decided
the Board would meet ~~the~~
him on Monday 30th Sept or
Monday 7th Oct at 8. h. m.

J. K.)

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Letters from I Mrs Loucannon & II J P Flynn & Sons, Solicitors
Theophrastus Solicitors

the first requesting permission for Neil T Kedward to assign 701 Parkmore Ave, Tralee to his wife Bithne and the second requesting the consent of the Commissioners to Burke & Mary Owens selling the lease of their house at 50 Athlone Rd to Joseph Burke, Cloonsheen Killybeggy

On the proposal of Commissioner Stahlton, seconded by Commissioner

Theophrastus ~~both~~ request permission

was unanimously granted in each case.

Rent Collection

The Chairman ~~Commissioner~~ stated several Commissioners complained they had received complaints from tenants in one collection area that weekly calls were not made on them by the rent collector. It was agreed that the Chairman & Commissioner Kelly

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Collector written 4/9/68

be given a list of the areas in this collector's area & that he meet them to give his observations.

Commissioner Joyce complained of there being insufficient seating in the new clinic
written 11/10/68

Commissioner Joyce Notice of Motion.

In speaking on his notice of motion on inadequate public urinals facilities, Commissioner Joyce stated that more complaints had come from the public ~~that~~ this year than in any former period and that this was especially noticeable at the height of the tourist season. The Chairman stated that the exchange in Galway had been designed for a smaller amount of business & that the staff there were not at fault on the proposal of Commissioner Joyce recorded by

Commissioner Farrell it was resolved
that the Board meet the local
Post Master at a date to be
arranged, after working hours if
possible

It was decided that the
Co Manager, Mr Sharkey be
contacted in connection with
the wharf reconstruction of the
old dispensary for use as a
folk museum.

It was also decided that the
question of Mrs Naughton's house
be referred with the Co Council
& the Council be requested to
have the whole matter re-examined
as Mrs Naughton had been
ill advised

written

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written

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its Monthly Meeting of November 3rd 1964.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner O'Connor presided. Other Members present were Commissioners Coghlan, Browne, Purcell, Burke and O'Brien.

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

COE OPTION OF NEW MEMBER.

Mr. Michael Loftus was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan and seconded by Commissioner Purcell to fill a vacancy on the Board and Mr. Simon McGrath was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Browne. On a show of hands, the following members voted for Mr. Loftus:-

Commissioners O'Connor, Coghlan, Purcell and O'Brien and the following for Mr. McGrath:-

Commissioners Burke and Browne.

The Chairman then declared Mr. Loftus elected.

CORRESPONDENCE.

1) A letter from Commissioner Joseph Heskin resigning his seat on the Board, was read.

It was proposed by Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Coghlan and resolved unanimously that the resignation be accepted and the seat declared vacant.

2) The Clerk gave information conveyed to him by the Co. Council on the position of Capital Works for the town which the Council had in Tuam:-

a) Twelve new houses to be erected in the Palace, Tuam, the tender for these had been sanctioned and the Council's had in hand an agreement for the successful tender to sign.

b) Swimming Pool. The Department of Local Government required further information on the plans and the Council Architect had also been requested to supply this.

c) Private Sites in the Palace. Consequent to a discussion with a Departmental Inspector, it was ascertained the Department required a new lay out plan and the Architect had also been requested to supply this.

2) NEW CLINIC. The final plans had been sent to the Department for sanction on that day Nov. 3rd.

3) On a request from Commissioner Coghlan, the Clerk read a letter from the Department of Post & Telegraphs intimating that two new Telephone Kiosks in the Town would be provided one at Ballygaddy Road at the Fairgreen and the other at Galway Road between Church View and Gilmartin Road.

4) Minutes of proceedings of the Fire Brigades Advisory Committee at its meeting of Aug. 31st. 1964.

The Clerk distributed copies of these to members. The fact that the Tuam representative was not notified was commented on and the Clerk directed to get in touch with the Secretary on the matter.

5) A letter from the Convent of Mercy Tuam on lectures to school children on the litter problem and one from the Irish Amateur Swimming Association expressing appreciation of the attendance of the Board's Chairman at the Swimming Championship at Mosney were read.

REPAIRS TO TOWN HALL AND LETTING OF THEATRE ROOM AND DRESSING ROOM.

The Engineer informed the Board that repairs were now practically complete and a discussion ensued into the letting of the Theatre Room. As this was an executive function, members expressed themselves strongly on the little powers remaining to the Board under the County Management Act and the Clerk stated he would let each have a list of the reserved functions. It was finally agreed, as the use of a hall was urgently required by the last tenant, The Theatre Guild, that in regard to the letting the Theatre Room and dressing rooms might be let to the Guild for one month, renewable, if necessary from month to month, until a settled policy as to the use of this portion of the Town Hall be decided on.

TOWN LIGHTING. Members referred to plans where it was considered additional lights should be erected and to the low wattage of the individual lights. The Engineer stated that the last survey was to have been before the Co. Council for its Estimates Meeting of last March and that he would have a statement on the position available for the next meeting.

STREET SIGNS. The Clerk informed the Board that these had just been ordered.

VOTE OF CONGRATULATION. Commissioner Purcell proposed, Commissioner O'Connor seconded and it was unanimously resolved that a vote of congratulation be extended to the County Football Team and to the Tuam Members thereof, on winning the all Ireland Final.

CHILDREN'S HOME. Commissioner Browne advocated bringing to the notice of the heads of the chief political parties the availability of the site of the Children's Home for an industry.

TOLLS AND CUSTOMS. Complaint was made that the result of the request for Council's opinion was never laid before the Board and the Clerk was directed to have on the Agenda for the next meeting:-

"That the Board desires information on the present state of the negotiations with the Tuam Livestock Mart Authorities on the question of the payment of tolls and as to whether Council's opinion has been obtained"

CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES HELD AT BUNDORAN.

Mr. Coghlan reporting ofn the Annual Conference of the Association of Municipal Authorities held at Bundoran, stated that the motion from the Board seeking a reduction on the County Assessment was not very favourably received by the Minister and read the Minister's reply to the meeting. He said he was glad to see a similar motion was again sent to the Minister this year from the Gorey Town Commissioners. He referred to the Street Trading Act 1926. Amendment of which was again sought at this year's Conference and on this he said there was diverse opinions as delegates from Dublin, Cork and Waterford held that the people trading as Hawkers were respected Citizens who served the interests of a large number of the people and would not be in favour of controlling their activities, as the motion was referred to the executive he asked for members views on it. Housing was he said still the greatest problem of Local Authorities there being some 35 to 40 motions on the Agenda this year.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Patrick M. O'Connor CHAIRMAN 1st December 1964 DATE

Guad O'Connor TOWN CLERK. 1 Dec 64 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of December 1st. 1964.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Commissioner O'Connor, presided. Other members present were Commissioners Purcell, Coghlan, O'Brien, Burke, and Loftus together with the assistant Co. Manager and Town Engineer.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER. This being the first meeting at which Commissioner Loftus was present, he was welcomed by the Chairman and individual members. Commissioner Loftus suitably replied.

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

FIRE BRIGADE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. As Commissioner Heskin, who had represented the Board on this Committee, had resigned, Commissioner O'Connor proposed by Commissioner Coghlan and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien, was unanimously deputed to act henceforth as the representative of the Board.

TELEPHONE KIOSKS. Commissioner Coghlan represented to the meeting that a further appeal should be made to the Postal Authorities to have a telephone kiosk to serve Athenry and Tobberjarlath Roads. This was unanimously agreed to.

CAPITAL WORKS FOR THE TOWN. The Assistant Manager stated that the County Council's Solicitor was arranging to have the agreement for the erection of the twelve new houses in the Palace Tuam, signed by the successful tenderer, but, that he had nothing new to report on the provision of other Capital works, which were being arranged for the town.

PUBLIC LIGHTING OF TUAM. Commissioner Coghlan referred to representations which the Board had made in the past for changes in and extensions to the town lighting and was informed that various proposals would be before the Assistant Manager on the following Wednesday for decision.

REPAIRS TO PREMISES OF JOHN ROCHE GILMARTIN ROAD. Commissioner Purcell referred to a letter from this tenant seeking the removal of stagnant water from the approaches to his premises. It was agreed to refer the matter to the Engineer.

ROAD SAFETY WEEK. The Assistant Manager referred to the Road Safety Week, which was opening on the following Friday. He explained that it was proposed to show a film on Road Safety at the Presentation Convent on the 7th inst., at 1.30 p.m. 3.30 p.m. and 8 p.m. As the exhibition at 8 p.m. would be for adults the Chairman was requested to address those in attendance or, in his absence, to arrange for some other member to do so.

The Assistant Manager also stated that there would be a symposium on Road Safety from Wednesday the 9th to Friday the 11th, inclusive at the Intercontinental Hotel Dublin and requested the Board to nominate a member to attend. It was agreed that the lecture on the 11th was the most important for a member of a Local Authority.

Commissioner O'Brien, proposed by Commissioner Coghlan and seconded by Commissioner Purcell was selected to attend on the 11th inst., Commissioner Burke dissenting and holding that no representative should attend on the ground that no useful purpose would be served thereby.

TUAM LIVESTOCK MART - TOLLS. On the suggestion of the Assistant Manager the meeting went into Committee to discuss this question. The Assistant Manager stated that while an action against the Mart would probably be successful, should it fail the cost would be very heavy and urged that it would be much better to settle the matter by agreement. To date he had approached a few members of the Mart Committee on this matter, but, without success. Three Local Authorities in Co. Galway were involved in such disputes; The Galway Co. Council; The Tuam Town Commissioners and the Ballinasloe Urban District Council. It was agreed that the Assistant Manager should make further efforts to secure agreement by communicating with Intermarts Committee.

EXPENSES OF REPAIRS TO TOWN HALL. The Engineer supplied figures showing that:

£815. had been spent on the roof and Theatre Room

60. on the Office

25. would be expended on painting the Library Room or £900. in all.

On discussion it was proposed by Commissioner Purcell and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and resolved unanimously "that excess expenditure to the extent of £900. for repairs and renewals to the Town Hall Premises and fittings be sanctioned"

POLLING BOOTHS. Commissioner O'Brien and members complained of the order in which voters had been allocated to Polling Booths in the Town and the Clerk was instructed to go into this matter with the County Registrar, referring in particular to changes since the last General Election.

WATER RENTS. Commissioner Burke and other members strongly objected to the reimposition of water rents on the town. The Assistant Manager stated water charges were provided for in Local Government Sanitary Services Act. 1962. and had been levied on the whole of the County Health District.

WEIGHING OF TURKEYS. Commissioner Coghlan inquired as to the facilities provided for weighing of turkeys at Xmas and Mr. Hession Weigh Master, explained that a weighing machine was available in the Town Hall Porch.

ILL MEMBER. The Chairman extended the sympathies of the Board to Commissioner Browne ill in hospital.

Commissioner Burke urged that repairs to the house of Mrs. Cole Gilmartin Road would be expedited.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Patrick M. O'Connor CHAIRMAN

5th January 1965 DATE

S. J. O'Connor TOWN CLERK.

5/1/65 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of January 5th 1965.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman Commissioner O'Connor presided. Other members present were Commissioners Coghlan, Purcell, Stapleton, O'Brien, Loftus and Burke together with the Assistant Co. Manager and Town Engineer.

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

Arising out of the minutes Commissioner Purcell inquired if the extra lights recommended for the town would be provided and the Assistant Manager stated that with minor modifications the recommendations were being implemented. The Engineer stated to Commissioner Coghlan that when the changes would actually be effected depended on the E.S.B.

LIVESTOCK MART- TOLLS.

(a) The Assistant Manager stated that owing to the Xmas rush it had not been possible to get in contact with representatives of the Intermarts Committee, but, he hoped to be able to do this during January.

(b) The Assistant Manager explained to Commissioner O'Brien that the Beard Bond with the successful tender for the new houses in the Palace was not yet complete. An Insurance Co. was causing the delay, but, that the Co. Council was pressing the matter strongly.

(c) The Engineer in reply to Commissioner Purcell stated that the stagnant water complained of by Mr. Roche of Gilmartin Rd. was Mr. Roche's own fault as he used a lorry which had broken the surface of the ground outside his house.

CORRESPONDENCE. The Clerk read a letter from the Co. Secretary on the allocation of voters to Polling Booths in the town. Member expressed dissatisfaction with the present allocation and the Clerk was directed to arrange for a revision with the Co. Secretary - the revision to be arranged by the Chairman Commissioner O'Connor, Commissioner Coghlan, the Town Steward and himself.

A letter from May Burke, 13 Gilmartin Rd. complaining of hedges in her garden being broken by neighbouring youths was read and the assistant Manager directed that the Clerk should obtain the Rent Collector's report on the matter.

Co option of new member. For a vacant seat on the Board Mr. Gabriel Heskin was proposed by:-

Commissioner Purcell and seconded by Commissioner O'Connor. and

Mr. Patrick Talty was proposed by Commissioner O'Brien and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton. On a show of hands Commissioners Purcell, O'Connor, Burke, Coghlan and Loftus voted for Mr. Heskin who was then declared elected.

DATE OF ESTIMATES MEETING. On the suggestion of the Assistant Co. Manager it was agreed that the Estimates Meeting be held on Monday 25th inst at 8.30 p.m.

LETTING OF THEATRE ROOM. The Assistant Manager stated he proposed to let the Theatre Room, dressing rooms and attached toilet to the Theatre Guild, on the same terms, except for minor modifications, as it had been let to that Body up to the present. The Clerk read for the Board a copy of the proposed agreement. The Clerk was taken to the charge of £1.10.0 to Local Organisations for meetings and the assistant Manager held over the agreement to consult with the Guild on this point.

Commissioner O'Connor had proposed, Commissioner Coghlan seconded and it had been unanimously resolved that the charge in this case should be 10/-

Commissioner O'Brien inquired when the housing priority list is revised and the assistant Manager in reply stated approx once a year.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Patrick M. O'Connor

CHAIRMAN.

2nd February 1965 DATE

Guaid (W) O'Connor

TOWN CLERK.

2nd Feb 1965 DATE.

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. £ 18/8/1 = s - d -	2. £ 15/3/6/1 = s - d -	3. £ 2/8/2/0 = s - d -	4. £ 3/4/7 = s - d -	5. £ - s - d -	6. £ 3/1/6/7 = s - d -

CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that at (an adjournment of) the Estimates Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners held this 28th day of Jan 19.65 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, 19.....

Signed Patrick M.O'Connell Chairman

Countersigned Seana Reardon Town Clerk

Dated this 25 day of Jan 1965

DEMAND.

To the Council of the County of Galway

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, 1966. The Commissioners hereby demand that the sum of £ 3/1/6/7 shall be supplied to them by the said Council.

Signed Patrick M.O'Connell Chairman

Countersigned Seana Reardon Town Clerk

Dated this 25 day of Jan 19.65

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.			Adopted by Commissioners.		
	2.			3.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d
Houses of the Working Classes	16526	=	=	16429	=	=
Tourist Development	NIL			NIL		
School Meals	NIL			NIL		
Allotments Schemes	NIL			NIL		
Other Expenses	1810	=	=	1752	=	=
				1790		
TOTAL	18336	=	=	18119	=	=
				18181		

TABLE B.

RECEIPTS.

Nature of Receipts. 1.	AMOUNT ESTIMATED.					
	Estimated by Manager.			Adopted by Commissioners.		
	2.			3.		
	£	s	d	£	s	d
	14469					
Houses of the Working Classes	13442	=	=	14429	=	=
	4465	=	=	4425	=	=
School Meals	NIL			NIL		
Allotment Schemes	NIL			NIL		
Other Receipts	1056			932	=	=
	932	=	=	932	=	=
TOTAL	12397			12357		
	15401			15361		
	5834			14374		
	4478			4478		

CALCULATION OF THE SUM TO BE DEMANDED.

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1.			2.			3.			4.			5.			6.		
£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
18181	=	=	15361	=	=	2820	=	=	347	=	=	nil			3167	=	=

CERTIFICATE.

I hereby certify that at (an adjournment of) the Estimates Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners held this 25th day of January, 1965 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, 1966

Signed Chairman.

Countersigned Gueraud Hejerman Town Clerk.

Dated this 25 day of January, 1965

DEMAND.

To the Council of the County of Galway

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, 1966. The Commissioners hereby demand that the sum of £ 3167 shall be supplied to them by the said Council.

Signed Gueraud Hejerman Town Clerk
Chairman.

Dated this 25 day of January, 1965

Countersigned Town Clerk
Chairman

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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

TABLE A.

EXPENDITURE.

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Houses of the Working						
Classes	16526	=	=	16429	=	=
Tourist Development	NIL			NIL		
School Meals	NIL			NIL		
Allotments Schemes	NIL			NIL		
Other Expenses	1810	=	=	1752	=	=
TOTAL	18336	=	=	18181	=	=

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	£	s	d	£	s	d
Houses of the Working						
Classes	14469	-	-	14429	-	-
School Meals	NIL			NIL		
Allotment Schemes	NIL			NIL		
Other Receipts	932			932		
TOTAL	15401			15361		

Minutes of proceedings of the above Local Authority at its Estimates Meeting of January 25th, 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

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

ESTIMATES.

The Assistant Co. Manager introduced the Estimates, referring to the most important points arising therein viz., an increase of £120 for housing repairs to cover increased cost of materials; an estimated increase of 8/-d. in the £1. in the Co. Rate; the financing of recent repairs to the Town Hall costing over £900. to be spread over 3 years and the provision of sums for the Local Election 1965 and the recent purchase of Street Name Plates.

Subsequent to an objection by Commissioner ^{Coghlan} O'Brien to a proposed increase in fixed rents and the Maximum and Minimum rates of Differential Rents, of 1/3, for all houses of the Board other than those in Newtown Morris and St. Endas Ave., schemes, it was decided to examine the estimate item by item.

With regard to loan repayments the Assistant Manager explained that a reduction in the amount for 1965/66 of £40 resulted from the fact that Capital repayments of housing loans, because of sums accruing from the sale of houses, would it was estimated result in such a reduction in loan charges in that year.

It was agreed the Clerk would supply each member with a tabulated statement of the loans outstanding and the yearly loan charges thereon.

The increase in the cost of housing repairs arose as explained earlier by the Assistant Manager from increases in the cost of material.

The Clerk explained that the figures for estimates for legal expenses were those actually paid this year and that the reduction in those for Insurances arose because the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd., had not increased its Insurance rate an increase which had been provided for in the prior year.

In connection with the salaries of the Town Clerk, Town Engineer, and Town Steward, Commissioner Purcell paid a tribute to those Officials for their courtesy and help when dealing with members of the Board.

The sharp increase in Co. Rates was based on an estimated increase of 8/-d. in the £1. and in the case of rates on houses would be recovered with the rents weekly.

The Town Engineer stated that the increase of £20 in the sum provided for Town Hall repairs was to cover proposed external painting and defects in the sewerage. If the stonework of the Hall was wire brushed on the outside a considerably greater sum would be necessary. The increase for Meat Stall repairs was to cover external painting also.

The payment of £55. for Office Cleaning was discussed, members querying why the Board should pay the state insurance of the cleaner when she was only employed one day per week. The Assistant Manager agreed to look into the possibility of having this done on a contract basis. Also discussed was a sum of £26 for Commission on Municipal Property rent collection. The Clerk stated a legal agreement with the collector existed which made such a payment obligatory.

On the question of the income of £11,465 estimated to arise from housing rents in 1965/66 Commissioner Coghlan again raised his objection to the proposed increase of 1/3. He stated the houses involved were poor in design and condition, were damp and lacked ranges and that a rent of 4/9d had originally been approved by a Departmental Inspector. While the proposed increase of 1/3 would bring in about £633, only £120 extra was being devoted to repairs.

The Clerk gave the minimum and maximum differential and the fixed rent rates with and without the inclusion of rates on houses in Tubberjarlath, Athenry and Gilmartin Roads and Commissioner Coghlan stated he felt these were too high as they stood. The Chairman stated that while he regretted any increase in rents, he felt it only fair that all sections of the community should bear their share of the increased costs of Local Government Administration and the Assistant Manager that he considered an increase of 1/3 quite fair and that it was open to tenants to purchase under the Tenant Purchase Scheme, prices and annuities under which would not be affected by the increase in rents. Commissioner Coghlan did not find any support.

The estimated increase in subsidy income was explained by the Clerk as arising from the fact that some small final amounts due had not been yet paid by the Dept and would doubtless be paid next year. The Clerk also explained an estimated decrease in receipts from the Fairgreen by the fact that there was no probability of a Carnival Committee or Messrs. McFaddens taking the green and an increase in receipts from the letting of the Town Hall by the fact that the rent for the Library was increased from £30 to £80 as from 1/1/65. Commissioner Burke commented adversely on the fact that the rent to the Theatre Guild had not been increased also.

On a final scrutiny of the list of items it was agreed

1. To reduce the amount for legal expenses for housing from £55 to £40.
2. The amount for Co. Rates on housing from £5082 to £5000, this latter reduction necessitating in turn a decrease in the housing rent figure from £14465 to £14445.
3. The amount for Town Hall repairs from £40 to £20.
4. The carrying of an extra £37. 12. 6d. by the credit balance to the Revenue A/c.

This reduced the amount to be demanded by £114. 12. 6d. or 2½d. in the £1.

It was proposed by Commissioner O'Connor and seconded by Commissioner Browne and resolved that the Estimates as thus amended be adopted, Commissioner Coghlan dissenting because of the increase of 1/3d. on rents.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONER.

Patrick McO'Connor CHAIRMAN 25 February 1965 DATE

Guada McConamoy TOWN CLERK 2nd Feb. 1965 DATE

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of the 2nd day of February, 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

The Chairman, Commissioner O'Connor presided. Others present were Commissioners Coghlan, Loffbus, Stapleton, Heskin, Burke and Purcell.

MINUTES:

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

Arising out of the minutes, the chairman stated that a re allocation of the urban voters to the urban polling booths had been arrived at and recommended to the Co. Secretary.

The Clerk stated he would have a tabulated Statement of the position of the Board's loans circulated to members for the next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The resolution (appended) of the Galway Corporation was read and on discussion was adopted by the Board unanimously on the proposal of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Purcell.

TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION:

An invitation from Board Failte to enter for the Tidy Town competition 1965 was placed before the Board and the adjudicators remarks on Tuam in the 1964 competition read. The chairman then went over Adjudicators 1964 comments in detail and the Clerk was directed to send reminders to

- a. The Garages in Galway Rd., on the presence of old car bodies creating an unsightly picture.
- b. to C.I.E. TO remove an old shack in the vicinity of the level crossing in this area.
- c. to C.I.E. re the unpainted railings at the Athenry Rd. bridge.

It was decided to enter for the 1965 competition.

In response to an appeal from the National Committee for U.N.I.C.E.F. the Clerk was directed to donate any monies over from the amount subscribed for the Kennedy memorial Mass.

Notices of motion of Commissioner Coghlan appended. These on being introduced by the Commission were discussed and the Clerk was directed

1. To strongly recommend to the Assistant Manager, that the housing list be revised quarterly
2. To write the Dail deputies representing the Town requesting that they contact the appropriate Ministries with a view to ascertaining the delay in
 - a. building 12 additional houses in the Palace grounds
 - b. Providing developed sites in the Palace for private housing construction.
 - c. the provision of a swimming pool
 - d. the provision of a vew clinic
 - e. the construction of a road linking Galway and Ballygaddy roads.

The chairman referred to the new water charges levied on the Town and the meeting of the Tuam Development Association on this matter to be held on

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Coghlan

CHAIRMAN

DATE

9. 3. 65

Guada O'Connor

TOWN CLERK

9/3/65 DATE.

GALWAY CORPORATION,
22 DOMINICK STREET,
GALWAY.



Tel. 2529

BARDAS NA GAILLIMHE,
22 SRAID DOIMINIC,
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December 1, 1964.

Town Clerk,
Tuam Town Commissioners,
Tuam,
Co. Galway.

Dear Sir:

Galway Harbour Development Scheme

Herewith as directed by Galway Borough Council is copy of minute No. 2, being extract from minutes of the Council meeting held November 18, 1964. I am to request that your authority support the terms of the motion, which was unanimously resolved by Galway Borough Council. I have already conveyed the terms of the motion to the Department of Transport and Power and am also sending copy of this letter to each local authority in Galway.

Yours faithfully,

P. J. Watters

Town Clerk

" 2. Galway Harbour Development Scheme:

Consideration was given to the motion standing in the name of His Worship the Mayor, Colr. P. O'Flaherty; a statement was made by His Worship the Mayor on the history of this scheme and reason for the motion.

On the proposal of His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Ald. Ryan, it was unanimously resolved:

'that we, the members of the Borough Council, are gravely concerned over the unfinished condition in which the Galway Harbour Development Scheme 1960, is leaving the port of Galway; and consider that full pressure should be brought to bear on the Minister for Transport and Power for additional grant necessary for completion of work as envisaged in 1948'.

It was agreed that the terms of the motion be conveyed to the Department of Transport and Power, also to Galway County Council and the other local authorities in Galway, the Galway Chamber of Commerce and the Galway Trades Council."

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Notice of Motion

1 That on receipt of an application for housing the name of the applicant be entered on the housing list forthwith

2 That the housing list be revised quarterly

3 That the board be informed of the position in relation to the proposed development of the palace grounds

4 the proposed new road from Galway Rd to Ballygaddy Rd;
5 the erection of the 10 houses and clinic.

Carmanas J. Coghlan.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of March 2nd., 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

The Chairman, Commissioner O'Connor presided. Other members present were Commissioners Heskin, Purcell, Loftus Coghlan and Burke together with the Town Engineer.

The Chairman proposed that the meeting be adjourned as a tribute to the memory of the late Sir Roger Casement. This was seconded by Commissioner Coghlan and unanimously resolved.

Members present observed one minutes silence before dispersing.

It was agreed the adjourned meeting would be held on the following Monday or Tuesday depending on which day the Assistant Co. Manager would be available.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Coghlan CHAIRMAN 9. 3. 65 DATE
Guada O'Connor TOWN CLERK 9/3/65 DATE.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its resumed monthly meeting of March 9th, 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Coghlan, the Vice Chairman, in the absence of the chairman, presided. Other members present were Commissioners Heskin, Purcell, Loftus, Burke, Stapleton and O'Brien together with the Town Engineer.

Minutes:

The minutes of the last monthly meeting and of the meeting of March 2nd 1965 their adjourned meeting were read and signed.

Commissioner O'Brien referred to the consternation created in the town by the cutting off of water supplies and the chairman asked for the feeling of the Board on the matter. Prior to further discussion, however, the Town Clerk read a resolution of the Loughrea Town Commissioners (appended) condemning an increase in water rent within Loughrea town boundary and requesting the Minister for Local Government to intervene. The Board felt it could not adopt such a resolution and merely condemned an "increase" in water rent and Commissioner Burke went on to affirm

1. That as far as he was aware no notice to the public of the adoption by the Co. Council of Section 7 of the Sanitary Services Act and of the making of water charges had been given in the Press.
2. That the amounts sought were stated to be in respect of periods ended 1/4/'64 and 1/10/64 but were only notified to consumers on 25/1/65.
3. That a circular setting out merely various rates of charge was not a demand on an individual.
4. That sums for water charges were sought from tenants of the Board who normally pay their rates under the Rates on Small dwellings Act.

Commissioner Purcell stated that the members of the Co. Council had decided to leave over to the incoming Council any discussion on the amount of the charges.

On further discussion it was decided that the Clerk should

- a. Telegraph the Co. Manager C.I.O'Flynn, Esq., requesting the immediate suspension of water charges and the cutting off of water supplies until the position was clarified to the Commissioners by a representative of the Co. Council.
- b. Write the Minister for Local Government protesting at the action of the Co. Council in cutting off sanitary facilities without legal procedure.

CAPITAL WORKS FOR THE TOWN.

The Clerk read replies by Deputies Donnellan and Kitt to a communication from the Board on the delay in providing certain projects for Tuam.

Letters from the Station Master, C.I.E. were also read in reply to representations by the Board on the appearance of certain C.I.E. property and its adverse effect on the town in the Tidy Towns competition.

Commissioner Loftus complained of congestion in Shop St., and of the lack of traffic Bye Laws and instanced a hold up of traffic in that street on one occasion for some 41 minutes, caused by parked cars. He stated that the law in regard to the prohibition of parking within a distance of thirty feet from a corner was not being

observed at Egan's Lane there. Commissioner Burke complained of the parking of cattle trucks outside convent primary school gates.

The Clerk was directed to arrange with the Gardaí Supt. an informal meeting with the Board to discuss such grievances and to write the Dept. to expedite clearance of Market Bye Laws submitted earlier.

Complaints were also voiced in connection with a pole on the path at the shop, of Mr. Frank Hession, High St., which was stated to be a major obstruction and a recommendation was made that all E.S.B. Cables be ran underground.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Patrick M. O'Connell CHAIRMAN DATE April 12th, 1965

Guada N. O'Connell TOWN CLERK DATE April 12th 1965

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above local Authority at its monthly meeting of April, 12th, 1965.

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

MINUTES:
The minutes of the meeting of March 2nd and of its continuation on March 9th ere read and signed.

Arising out of the minutes a discussion on water charges ensued, in the course of which members complained of the action of the Co. Council in cutting of the water supplies of certain parties who had not promptly paid this water charge, although no notice had been served on them, and the Clerk read a letter from the Council to Senator M. Killilea replying to questions he had put on behalf of the Commissioners, and a letter from the Dept. of Local Government in repl. to representations made by them. The Assistant Manager stated that he had nothing to add to the statement of the Co. Council in its letter to Senator Killilea, but, agreed to have a notice inserted in the Press showing the amounts of the charges, to such are whom payable and when due. He stated that some 50% of 60% of the charges for periods ended 1/4/'64 and 1/10/'64 had been paid. It was agreed that a motion on the matter would be submitted to the Association of Municipal Authorities.

The Clerk was directed to write the E.S.B. in connection with obstruction of the footpath being caused by a pole outside the shop of Frank Hession in High St., and to the Engineer to remove a pole at X

SALARY OF TOWN STEWARD:

The Assistant Manager stated that the Town Steward had been the only whole time officer of the Board, that he had attained the age of sixty five years and was now, he proposed, to be continued in his employment as a servant of the Board from year to year in an unestablished capacity. His present remuneration consisted of salary £356 together with certain commissions on tolls and rents collected. It was proposed to increase the salary to the rate of £7. 15. Od. per week or £403 p.a. and to continue payment of the commissions as they stood. Commissioner Coghlan commented that £7. 15. Od. was disgracefully low and proposed

"that a new rate of remuneration be approved by the Board." (£7. 15. Od. p.w.)

This was seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and unanimously resolved.

TOWN CLOCK:

Commissioner Heskin commented that the town clock was not keeping correct time and stated that he had been informed it had been struck by pellets from pellet guns. It was agreed a report would be obtained from Mr. Leufer, the contractor responsible for the clock regulation, Commissioner Heskin also referred to the desirability of constructing a childrens playground in the grounds of the childrens home.

AFTERMATH OF ELECTION:

The chairman commented on the untidy state of the town because of election posters which had not been removed and because of election slogans painted on the streets. The clerk was directed, on the proposal of Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien

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to write the Secretaries of the political parties requesting them to have the old posters removed.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Patrick M.O. Connor CHAIRMAN

DATE 4th May, 1965

Guald P. O'Connor TOWN CLERK

DATE 4th May 1965

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of Tuesday, May 4th, 1965 held at 8.30. p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

The Chairman, Commissioner O'Connor presided. Other members present were Commissioners Coghlan, Heskin, Loftus, Burke, and Browne, together with the Assistant Co. Manager and Town Engineer.

MINUTES:

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

Arising out of the minutes, the Chairman stated he had discussed the removal of old election posters with the local Branch of the Fine Gael party and had obtained an assurance that they would be removed. The Clerk read a letter from the Fianna Fail party branch stating that all posters Fianna Fail had erected had been removed and that if any had been overlooked that branch requested information as to their location. The Board directed the Fianna Fail Branch be written indicating that posters relating to the Bye Election of the prior year were still on show and that the E.S.B. be written requesting permission to mount its poles to remove any election literature there affixed.

RETIREMENT OF MR. JOHN HESSION, TOWN STEWARD:

The Manager stated that Mr. Hession had been due to retire as an Officer of the Board on his sixty fifth birthday; that he was now formally retiring as from that date and that by law a gratuity of £449. 15. 5d. based on his length of service and emoluments was due to him. He requested the Board to approve of the Gratuity. The Manager also stated that Mr. Hession could be re-employed on a temporary basis from year to year as a servant of the Board and that he had been re-employed since on this basis up to 31/12/'65.; that Mr. Hession's salary which was low should be increased to £7. 15. 0d. p. w. or £304. and that when he finally ceased to work for the Board a pension of some £ per week or £ per annum would be legally due. He also requested approval for the pension and the increase in salary.

Commissioner Coghlan proposed Commissioner O'Connor seconded and the following motion was unanimously adopted

"That the Tuam Town Commissioners approve of the payment of a gratuity of £449. 15. 5. to Mr. John Hession, Town Steward, of an increase in his salary to £304. p.a. and of the payment of a pension of £ to him when he finally ceased all employment with them."

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk read a letter from the Wolfe Tone Society which was on discussion was marked read.

A letter from Mr. John Gilmore requesting repairs to his house was also read. This on discussion was passed to the Engineer

A communication from the Dept. of Local Government, approving with minor amendments, a code of Market Bye Laws for the town was placed before the Board and approved.

ROAD SAFETY:

Communications from the Minister for Local Government and the Secretary, the Galway Co. Council on a proposed interim road safety campaign were read and on the suggestion of the Manager it was decided to hold a meeting on the following Monday night, teachers, school heads, garage proprietors and representatives of the Gardai to be invited.

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The subject of the meeting would be the safety of children and young persons in relation to traffic hazards.

DATES FOR 1966 FAIRS.

A schedule of dates proposed by the Town Steward was approved and signed.

The Clerk was directed to write the proprietors of Old Moores Almanac requesting that the letters OF standing for old g fair be deleted from further schedules of fairs or or advertisements as it had been found that members of the public gathered from them that fairs were "off" or cancelled.

Commissioner Coghlan complained of trespass on the frontage of St. Josephs Park by cattle at fairs and Commissioner Browne referred to the necessity of having toilets in the fair green.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Patrick M.O'Connor CHAIRMAN

DATE June 1st, 1965

Graced Hession TOWN CLERK

DATE 1/6/65

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of 1st June, 1965.

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

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

Arising out of the minutes and in connection with election literature on E.S.B. poles the chairman stated he had been in touch with the E.S.B. authorities and was informed permission to mount poles would not be given to anyone except those employed by the E.S.B. because of the danger involved.

ROAD SAFETY.

The Clerk stated that posters in connection with the road safety week which had been received by him had been distributed on the day of receipt.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN.

The Clerk stated he had received notice from the Dept. that elections to Local Authorities had been postponed to the following year, and asked the meeting to fix a date for the election of chairman and vice-chairman. Members commented that such postponement was illegal but, fixed as a provisional date for the election of chairman and vice-chairman, Tuesday, 29th, June.

Comments were made on traffic congestion and the Clerk agreed to see the Superintendent of the Gardai in connection with the inauguration of Traffic Bye Laws.

In connection with a link road connecting Ballygaddy and Galway Roads the Engineer urged the Board to recommend the expedition of this work to the Galway Co. Council. It was proposed by Commissioner Coghlan and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien that the Co. Council be recommended to put this road in hand at once.

The Engineer explained that the delay in repairing the Town clock was due to awaiting glass which was under order.

Commissioner O'Brien urged that it should be recommended to the Co. Council that a purchase scheme should at once be framed for the new houses under construction at St. Josephs Park, which tenants on appointment would avail of. Members, however, objected that this might influence the type of tenant to whom houses would be given and it was agreed to leave that matter over for discussion with the Assistant Co. Manager.

The Clerk gave information as to the next two parties on the waiting list to whom a vacant house at Tobberjarlath would be offered.

The Engineer stated he would give immediate attention to repairs to the house of Miss Bane, Gilmartin Rd., which was being purchased. He also stated in reply to Commissioner Coghlan that he would look into the case of Mrs. Coles house, Gilmartin Rd.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Loughlin CHAIRMAN 6 July 65 DATE
Guaid O'Donnell TOWN CLERK 6 July 65 DATE

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its Annual Meeting of June 29th, 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

The outgoing chairman Commissioner O'Connor took the chair. Other members present were Commissioners Loftus, Heskin, Coghlan, ~~Purcell~~ Purcell and O'Brien.

Commissioner O'Connor conveyed to the Board an apology from Commissioner Browne for inability to attend, and thanked the members and staff for their co-operation during the year. He then invited nominations for the position of chairman for the coming year.

Commissioner O'Brien proposed and Commissioner Purcell seconded Commissioner Coghlan who in the absence of any other nomination was declared elected.

Commissioner Coghlan then took the chair, thanked the Board for his election and invited nominations for the vice-chairmanship.

Commissioner Heskin proposed and Commissioner Loftus seconded Commissioner O'Brien who was also declared elected in the absence of any other nomination.

On Commissioner O'Brien thanking the members the meeting concluded.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Loughlin CHAIRMAN 6 July 65 DATE
Guaid O'Donnell TOWN CLERK 6 July 65 DATE

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of July. 6th, 1965.

The Chairman, Commissioner Coghlan, presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Burke, Loftus, Heskin and Purcell.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the last monthly meeting and of the Annual Meeting of June 29th 1965 were read and signed.

Arising out of the minutes;

- a. The Clerk stated that representations made to the Galway Co. Council on the provision of a link road from Ballygaddy to Galway Rd., had been acknowledged.
- b. The Engineer stated he had called twice to Mrs. Banes, Gilmartin Rd., in connection with repairs and failed to find her in. He intended to call again to High St., where he understood she was at present. He had seen Mrs. Cole and would attend to her case.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter from the Postal Authorities seeking a right to erect a telephone Kiosk at Ballygaddy Rd., on the fairgreen margin was read. The Board agreed to give permission, but, urged that the Dept. of Posts & Telegraphs be pressed further for a Kiosk at Athenry Road.

A resolution of the Monaghan Co. Council

"That the Council condemn the action of the Northern Ireland ~~Rustic~~ Police Authorities in removing the Irish Tricolour from the coffin of Mr. Thomas Loughnan."

was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS FOR AGENDA OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES OF IRELAND

The following resolution proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner O'Connor was unanimously adopted for inclusion on the agenda of the Association of Municipal Authorities

"That water charges payable on Small Dwellings falling under the Rates on Small Dwellings Acts be collected as Rates on such Dwellings are collected under these Acts."

The Clerk was directed to check on the minutes to ascertain if any further resolutions should be framed and submitted.

Minutes of Proceedings at a meeting of the Fire Brigades advisory Committee of June 11th, 1965 were distributed to the members present.

RENT COLLECTORS REMUNERATION.

It was proposed by Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Coghlan and unanimously resolved

"that with effect as on and from the 1st Oct., 1963, the existing pre-ninth round rate of 18/-d. per cottage be increased to 22/-d. per cottage; such rate to become 24/8d. per cottage as on and from 1st Feb., 1964."

FINANCIAL ADJUSTMENTS.

It was proposed by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Heskin and unanimously resolved

"That the sum of £900. voted for repairs and renewals to the Town Hall premises and fittings on 1/12/64 be read as £1160 and that the inclusion of £260 for loan charges on a loan originally proposed for the purpose, in the estimates for the 1964/65 financial year be regarded as cancelled; that further any over expenditure under any particular heading be sanctioned, provided the total expenditure in 1964/65 financial year be not in excess of the total of the estimated amount allowed and of the Special vote of £1160."

MARKET BYE-LAWS.

A ~~vote~~ ^{copy} of Market Bye-Laws provisionally approved by the Minister was formally and unanimously adopted by the Commissioners, Commissioner Burke proposing and Commissioner O'Connor seconding. A copy was signed by the chairman by Commissioner Burke and by the Town Clerk.

The chairman read a letter signed by residents of Ballinamona Park requesting the removal of an old wall and other items. The Engineer explained this would be done in due course.

Letters from Mrs. King and Mr. Dobbey Gilmartin Rd., requesting repairs were passed to the Engineer for attention.

Commissioner Loftus referred conditions at the rear of MrHale Tce. where the laneway was dirty and badly kept and the Engineer to numbers of defective litter containers in use at McHale Tce., and stated he would have to issue instructions that only proper type containers would be handled.

In connection with loose litter being swept on to the streets, a direction was issued that the Town Steward interview the parties concerned.

TOWN CLOCK.

The Engineer stated a case for the Town Clock was now to hand and that it would shortly be repaired.

Commissioner Loftus adverted to a fallen gate of Mrs. Ferguson, Tobberjarlath. Nothing would be done in the matter as repairs to gates and fences were against the present policy of the Board.

Commissioner Burke complained as to vandalism in the cemetery in connection with which complaints had been voiced by the Cathedral. It was felt that the long delay in appointing a caretaker was the main cause and the Clerk was directed to write the Co. Council.

Commissioner Burke also referred to the bottle neck caused by the narrow level crossing at Galway Rd. It was agreed the Co. Council and when necessary C.I.E. should be written to have the gate on the right hand side on leaving town moved back to the line of the foot path.

The chairman stated he would make personal representations on the state of the level crossing at Vical St.

The chairman referred to the success of the Tuam Branch of the Knights of M Malta and especially to the lady's section who had won first place in Ireland and the all Ireland Cup. It was ~~decided~~ decided that a letter of congratulations be sent.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Loughlan CHAIRMAN DATE 31/8/65

Guaid Robinson TOWN CLERK DATE 3/8/65

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of August 3rd., 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

The Chairman Commissioner Coghlan presided. Other members present were Commissioners Burke, Loftus, Heskin, and Purcell.

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

The question of Market Bye Laws haven arisen out of the minutes, the Manager stated that he had had it confirmed that Licensed Hawkers would be subject to Bye Laws and the clerk was directed to request the Gardaí Supt. to place the final code of Traffic Bye Laws before the Board prior to having it put in force.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The clerk read replies from the Co. Council to representations made to have the link road from Ballygaddy Rd., to Galway Rd., commenced and the level crossing at Galway Rd., widened.

He also read a resolution from Middleton U.D.C. calling for support in making a national issue of a recent take over in Middleton.

The adoption of the resolution was proposed by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner Loftus and the resolution was adopted unanimously.

A letter from the Western Regional Tourism Organisation, Ltd., inviting application for membership, was read.

It was decided to defer any application for membership until the next Estimates Meeting when provision for membership fees could be made.

A letter from Denis J. Murphy, Esq., offering an extensive collection of antiques to the Board was read and discussed. The Assistant Manager stated that ~~the~~ he would discuss with the Co. Librarian the possibility of forming a local museum and requested that a decision on the offer be deferred until the next meeting. This was agreed to.

It was agreed to allow the Tuam Agricultural Show Society the use of the Town Hall porch from Sat. 28th, Aug., 1965 to Monday 26th, Sept., 1965.

In reply to Commissioner Purcell the Assistant Manager stated that development of amenities for public recreation in the Palace Grounds was still awaiting Dept. Sanction and that the Co. Council was actively pressing the matter with the Dept.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Coghlan CHAIRMAN DATE 7. 9. 65
Guinea McOmara TOWN CLERK DATE 7. 9. 65

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ABOVE LOCAL AUTHORITY; AT IT'S MONTHLY MEETING OF
THE 7th. September 1965.

ATTENDANCE. The Chairman, Mr. J. Coughlan presided and present with the Chairman were Messrs. Loftus, Browne, Burke and O'Brien. The Asst. Co. Manager, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Kennedy, B.E. were also present.

Minutes . The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted and then signed by the Chairman,

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES. Arising out of the Minutes, the Asst. Co. Manager stated that, in connection with the proposed folk museum, the Co. Librarian had examined the collection which Mr. D.J. Murphy proposed to donate and found it to be extensive, but that the Librarian's official report was ^{not} yet to hand. Letters from the Tuam Development Association and the Tuam Fianna Fail Cumann ~~were~~ in support of the museum were read. It was agreed to defer further consideration of the matter until the report of the Co. Librarian was available and until the Manager had an opportunity to discuss the matter with him and with the Library Committee.

Co. Council Amenities for Tuam. The Asst. Co. Manager outlined the position with regard to the development of the Palace Grounds and the provision of a swimming pool and agreed to the suggestion of Commissioner Burke that the plan for the development of the Palace Ground might be made available to the Commissioners for inspection.

Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland . A resolution to have water charges collected as rates under the Rates on Small Dwellings Act 1928 and submitted by the Commissioners to the Association of Municipal Authorities was read from the Association's agenda for it's conference of the 14th -- 16th. Sept. 1965.

PLAYGROUND AT ATHENRY ROAD . The Chairman read a letter from the Galway Co. Council stating that the provision of a playground at Athenry Rd., was the responsibility of the Town Commissioners. On discussion it was decided to endeavour to trace the existence of a plot of ground, stated to lie between Athenry Rd. and the children's home as it was felt this might be suitable for the purpose.

CEMETERY LODGE . The Asst. Co. Manager, in reply to Commissioner O'Brien, stated that this had been advertised as vacant.

TUAM BAND. The Chairman stated that the Rev. Chairman of the Tuam Band Committee had approached him, with a view to having the Commissioners take over the Band which is in financial difficulties. As the legal position precluded the Commissioners from rendering any financial support, the Board agreed to give all support possible to any public meeting the Band Committee might call. The Asst. Co. Manager informed the meeting that the Galway Co. Council had legal power to render the Band financial assistance

C.I.E. PASSENGER AMENITIES); The Chairman complained that no provision for shelter was being made by C.I.E. for bus passengers at the bus depot and the Clerk was directed to write to C.I.E. requesting that such be made available.

BI-CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS OF 1916 RISING . The Chairman referred to the fact that these celebrations would be held this year and requested suggestions as to any initiative which should be taken by the Commissioners. Commissioner

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Loftus stated that the local branch of the Old I.R.A. had the matter also under consideration. Commissioner Burke informed the Board that the Tuam Development Association intended calling a public meeting and it was agreed that representatives of the Commissioners should attend this meeting.

A letter from Mrs. Christina Skelly, Church View, complaining that damage was being caused to her house by lorries, was read. It was agreed that a wall, at an estimated cost of £15 : 0 : 0 be provided.

The Chairman stated that tenants purchasing their houses had complained of delay in repairs being executed. The engineer explained the system for the execution of repairs in such cases.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING . It was proposed by Commissioner Coughlan, seconded by Commissioner Burke and unanimously agreed "That a contribution of £20 (Twenty Pounds) towards the cost of decorative lighting during Christmas 1964, be made to the Co. Council

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed John Coughlan Chairman

Date 5 October 1965

Guinea Horns, Tuam Club

5/10/65

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of the above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of October 5th, 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

The Chairman, Commissioner Coghlan, presided. Other members present were, Commissioners O'Connor, Heskin, Loftus, Browne, O'Brien and Burke, together with the Acting Assistant Co. Manager, Mr. M. Moroney and Mr. E. Kennedy, Town Engineer.

MINUTES:

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

1. The Clerk stated that he had no reply from C.I.E. to representations made to have facilities provided for shelter for passengers awaiting buses. The Clerk was directed to write again to C.I.E. on the matter.
2. The Clerk informed the Board that it was not yet ascertained if a portion of the ~~Children's Home~~ grounds of the Children's Home was still vested in it and if so what part was so vested. The Engineer arranged to go into this with the Town Clerk.

FOLK MUSEUM:

Mr. Moroney, acting Assistant Co. Manager informed the Board that the Assistant Co. Manager, who was at present on holiday, had written the Western Tourism Board in connection with this.

CEMETERY LODGE:

Mr. Moroney stated no tenant had yet been appointed to this lodge.

AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR YEARS 1963/64 & 1964/65.

This was discussed at the meeting. The Clerk in reference to the Auditor's statement of a lack of balance in the accounts explained that this arose in the unpaid Bills, that is, in the adjustment of charges as between one year and another and had no relation to the cash or bank balances which were in agreement with the books and vouchers.

In connection with a sum of £10. 9. Od. showing as due to Mr. Hession, Town Steward he stated this had appeared in the books over a number of years and on Mr. Hession's feeling morally certain that it was not really due him it was decided not to carry it forward further.

Commissioner Browne commented on no remarks on the loss of tolls by the non collection of such from the Livestock Mart appearing in the report and it was decided that the position of the collection of tolls from the mart should appear as an item in the Agenda of the next meeting.

TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION:

The Clerk gave the marks allocated to Tuam for the 1965 competition and the adjudicators report on the town. This was discussed by the Board; the report being adversely commented on.

Commissioner Browne commented on the condition of the river through the Palace Grounds and a report from the Town Steward on this matter was read. It was agreed to write the Co. Medical Officer requesting that the matter be investigated, as also the condition of the area of Galway Rd., in the vicinity of the Livestock Mart.

The Clerk read a letter from James. J. Hession, Esq. Solicitor, Tuam requesting permission from the Tuam Town Commissioners for the transfer of the lease of a house made to Mrs. Farrelly, Parkmore Ice., to Mr. James Ronan, Cloonkeely, Tuam, a member of the wage earning classes.

It was proposed by Commissioner Burke, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and unanimously resolved that permission be given.

CHILDREN'S HOME:

Commissioner O'Brien stated there was some hope of two substantial factories coming to Tuam and that it would have been very advantageous had it been possible to give a clear picture of the position of the children's Home to the

representatives of the firms proposing to establish these factories.

It was proposed by the chair seconded by Commissioner O'Connor and unanimously resolved that representatives of the Commissioners with two members of the Chamber of Commerce, should constitute a delegation to interview the Co. Manager on the position of the Home - the Clerk to arrange a suitable date. The following Commissioners were selected to act as delegates, the chairman, Commissioner Coghlan and Commissioners O'Brien, O'Bonner and Browne.

TOWN LIGHTING:

Complaint was made in the non-provision of a light at the Old Rd. The Engineer stated the E.S.B. required an extra £15. from the Co. Council for the provision of this and the Manager that he expected the amount would be made available shortly and the work done.

Commissioner Browne commented on the fact that parties with Mission Stalls at the Car Park opposite the Cathedral had stores placed there for some weeks prior to the present Mission. It was directed that the Town Steward meet stall owners and arrange that at future missions no such early storage of materials be made and that stalls in future, be supervised by the Steward.

It was agreed that congestion caused by a hawkers stall being erected outside the Town Hall on Saturdays be referred to the Gardaí.

CONFERENCE OF THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES.

The chairman stated that the conference had been informed that a new Housing Act was to be introduced, which would give Co. Councils power to contribute to Town Commissioners' Housing expenses. He informed the Board that the Conference would be held in Tuam in 1966 and stated a special meeting would be necessary later to make arrangements for it.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS:

John Coughlan CHAIRMAN DATE 13 Dec 1965
Guada Moroney TOWN CLERK DATE 13 Dec 65

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its monthly meeting of November 2nd, 1965.

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Coghlan presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Brien, Heskin, Burke, together with Mr. Evan Kennedy, Engineer.

The chairman, Commissioner Coghlan, proposed that the meeting be adjourned for one week to Tuesday 9th, November in respect to the memories of Mrs. O'Connor, Bishop At., Tuam, mother of Commissioner O'Connor and Mr. A. Leufer a long standing employee of the Board; the Clerk to convey the sympathy of the meeting to the families of both deceased parties. This was seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and unanimously resolved upon.

Before the members dispersed, and as a matter of urgency, the Clerk read a letter from the Tuam Fianna Fail Cumain inviting the

Commissioners to send representatives to a public meeting to be held in Lydon's Hotel, Tuam, aimed at extending the growth of beet and potatoes in the West.

The meeting concluded until the 9th, inst.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Coghlan CHAIRMAN DATE 13/12/65
Guada Romo TOWN CLERK DATE 13/12/65

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of proceedings of the above Local Authority at its adjourned meeting of the 9th. November 1965.

Present were the Chairman Commissioner Coghlan and Commissioner

In the absence of a quorum the meeting was adjourned to the December monthly meeting of the above Local Authority

Signed John Coghlan Chairman

Signed Guada Romo Clerk.

Date 13/12/ 1965.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the proceedings of the above Local Authority at it's monthly meeting of the 7th. day of December 1965.

Attendance

The Chairman, Commissioner Coughlan presided and present also were Commissioners Loftus, Heskin, O'Connor, O'Brien, Browne and the Town Engineer.

The Chairman, addressing the meeting called for a vote of sympathy to the relatives of the late William T. Cosgrave Esq., first leading Minister of the Irish State. This was proposed by Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and unanimously adopted.

The Chairman called for a vote of sympathy to Commissioner Jarlath P. Burke on the death of his mother and for condolences to Mr. Larry Long, the Tuam representative of the Connacht Tribune, on the death of his mother and for the adjournment of the meeting as a mark of respect. This was proposed by Commissioner *Coughlan* and seconded by Commissioner Loftus and adopted unanimously all members standing in silence for one minute.

It was decided that the meeting be re-convened on Monday the 13th inst. at 8-30 p.m.

Commissioner O'Connor thanked the members for their action in adjourning a meeting and sending Mass Card and message of sympathy on the death of his mother. This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

Guada O'Connor Chairman.

TOWN CLERK

Dated this the 13 Day of December 1965

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Minutes of proceedings of above Local Authority at its meeting of Dec. 14th, 1965 which had been adjourned from 7th., Dec. 1965.

Attendance:

The Chairman, Commissioner Coughlan presided. Other members present were Commissioners O'Connor, Loftus, Burke, Heskin, O'Brien, Browne and Purcell.

The minutes of the meeting of Oct. 1965 of the adjourned meeting of Nov., 1965 and of the adjourned meeting of Dec., 7th, 1965 were read and signed.

Arising out of the Minutes the Clerk stated that with regard to the proposed folk museum that the Assistant Manager was to inspect the Coffey house on his next visit with a view to deciding on its suitability as a temporary museum building or store, and that with regard to tolls from the Livestock Mart Authority several letters sent by the Manager on the matter remained unanswered. He also informed the ~~next~~ meeting that a tender for the erection of the new clinic had been recommended to the Dept. for acceptance by the Co. Council; that with regard to the provision of private sites in the Palace grounds and the development of these grounds in general the Dept. had recommended that these matters be included in the general plan for Tuam which the Co. Council had to prepare under the Planning Act and that with regard to a sewerage system for Demesne Cottages such a sewer would have to run through the Palace grounds and would thus depend on the general plan.

Arising out of the Minutes the Clerk was directed to write the Co. Manager urging that the cemetery lodge be filled and to the Engineer and if necessary to the Co. Medical Officer of Health as to the condition of the Palace river which had been previously reported to the Co. Council, drawing special attention to an old tree stump beside the new bridge which was a danger to the public and which led to the Commissioner of nuisance.

LETTING OF FAIRGREEN.

The clerk was directed to let the green to Fossetts circus for the 19th of the following April under the usual conditions.

A letter from C.I.E. in response to representations of the Board for a bus shelter at the bus terminus was read. It was agreed that a bus agent as suggested by C.I.E. be appointed instead, in some central position; The Cler to write C.I.E. to this effect.

CHILDREN'S HOME.

Correspondence in connection with the grounds of the Children's home which showed all of these to be the property of the Co. Council was read.

ALLOCATION OF POLLING PLACES IN TUAM URBAN:

A letter from the Co. Secretary with enclosures outlining a revised allocation of Polling Places in Tuam was placed before the meeting and discussed, while this was not felt to be completely satisfactory it was accepted.

A recommendation from the Honourary Secretaries of Sinn Fein on the Offences against the State Act was marked read.

A letter from Mrs. Bridget Connaughton, Shop St., protesting against the parking of cars outside her premises was read and the problem of parking in general and traffic congestion was discussed. The Clerk was directed to take up urgently the question of marked Bye Laws with the Dept. as when such Bye Laws would be in force it was hoped that the Gardaí would move to introduce Traffic Bye Laws - Mrs. Connaughton to be informed in the meantime that the Commissioners had no control over traffic.

Commissioner Browne proposed, Commissioner O'Connor seconded and it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Co. Council that the railings outside the Courthouse be removed and the open space there ~~be~~ tar Macadamised to allow for the parking of cars.

LINK ROAD FROM ABLLYGADY ROAD TO GALWAY ROAD.

It was proposed by the chairman, seconded by Commissioner O'Brien and resolved that the Clerk again urgently represent to the Co. Council the urgency of this in view of the problem of traffic congestion in the town and write Councillors Burke, Killilea and Patten to raise the matter with the Council.

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A letter from Laurence Long, Esq., of the Connacht Tribune expressing appreciation of the action of the Commissioners on the death of his mother was read. Commissioner Burke also thanked the Board for its action on the death of his mother.

A letter from Mr. M. Higgins, Gilmartin Rd., requesting repairs to his house was read. It was directed it be passed to the Engineer with a recommendation that the repairs be effected.

This concluded the business of the Meeting.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

John Coughlan CHAIRMAN 11 1 1966 DATE.
Guilla Moran TOWN CLERK 4 Jan 1966 DATE.