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10 June, 1986

Ms Phina Barrows
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Re: Fire Safety at Tuam Theatre

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Following a recent inspection of the above premises by a fire officer of the Council, public performances should not take place in the theatre for the following reasons:

- (a) Absence of adequate emergency lighting.
- (b) Absence of adequate means of escape from the building.
- (c) Absence of adequate fire extinguishers.
- (d) Presence of large amounts of combustible material (stage sets and paints).
- (e) Use of portable gas heaters about which the Secretary of the Theatre Guild, Tuam, was warned on 6 March, 1985.
- (f) Absence of an alarm system to give early warning of the outbreak of fire.
- (g) Absence of fire separation of stage area from the auditorium.

When the above matters have been rectified the Chief Fire Officer will be pleased to re-examine the premises.

Please let me have an undertaking that the above premises shall not be used until the deficiencies listed have been rectified together with a time schedule for completion of works.

Yours faithfully

P. Carron
Clerk

Galway County Council Archives

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 7th October, 1986

Chairman: M. O'Grady

Commissioners: I. Flaherty, E. Higgins, I. O'Mara,

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

31st October, 1986.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 4th November, 1986... at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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G. Nolan Baile Cleireach.

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Commissioner Burke stated that the County Council had promised a full report for the next County Council meeting. The acting Assistant County Manager stated that the information sought by the Department should be forwarded inside the next week.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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Chairman: M. O'Grady

Commissioners: J. Flaherty, F. Biggins, J. O'Mara,
N. Halion, G. Browne, J. Burke,
P. M. Stapleton, M. Kelly.

Mr. T. Kavanagh, for Assistant County Manager.
Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer.

The Prayer was recited.

Mr. T. Kerman, 61 Gilmartin Road, appealed to the Board to solve the problem which has existed in his house for the past few years - the range will not heat the water. He said he had a medical problem which necessitated having to have a bath every day.

The Engineer stated that the manufacturers had investigated the range some time ago and found it to be working perfectly. An alternative range was offered to the Kerman Family but was not accepted. He agreed to monitor the range for a day and try to rectify the problem.

Mr. J. Hyness, Australia, who is on holiday in the Tuam area was welcomed to the meeting.

The Engineer stated that he had contacted the Fire Officer. One estimate for a Fire Alarm System alone was £2,200.

Commissioner Burke proposed and Commissioner Biggins seconded that £750, allocated for repairs to the Town Hall, be spent immediately and the rest of the work to be carried out early next year. Commissioner Stapleton proposed that provision be made, for the extra expenditure, in the estimate for 1987. The Chairman seconded this proposal and said it was essential to ensure the safety of everybody. Commissioner O'Mara then proposed and Commissioner Burke seconded that the work be carried out immediately. Commissioner Browne proposed and Commissioner Stapleton seconded that the Fire Officer be invited to the next meeting of the Board.

The Acting Assistant County Manager said that in recent years a lot more emphasis was placed on Fire safety. Hundreds of buildings have been inspected and a lot closed down. He said the work can't be done this year as the estimates have already been adopted. It was decided to spend the £750 and do the essential work immediately.

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Ave playground:

The Engineer was requested to have the playground cleaned out. Commissioner Burke stated that he had received numerous complaints about wandering horses in the Town. The Chairman said that the County Council should treat these complaints seriously and have a duty to have these animals impounded. Commissioner Browne pointed out that at a special meeting with Supt. Kilgannon support was promised. It is well known that people have been killed due to horses on the roads he said. It was decided to write to Tenants of local Authority houses and remind them that the keeping of animals is in breach of their tenancy agreement.

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Office:

This item to be on the agenda for the November meeting.

Employment
es:

Commissioner Biggins told the members that by the end of the month the schemes for Tuam should be off the ground. On behalf of the Fairgreen Residents he thanked Councillors Burke and Glynn and Commissioner Stapleton for their contributions. He said the additional allocations meant the work can now be completed in one go.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Biggins seconded the adoption of the ~~October~~ ^{September} Minutes.

Telephone Directory:

Commissioner Stapleton told the Board he took grave exception to the omission of Tuam from the map on the new telephone Directory just issued by Board Telecom. He said it appeared that Tuam did not exist as several towns smaller than Tuam were mentioned on the map. He proposed that a letter of complaint be sent to Mr. Michael Smurfit, Chairman, Telecom Eireann. Commissioner Burke seconded the proposal.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. T. A. O'Donoghue & Son requesting consent to the sale of No. 77 Gilmartin Road, Tuam to Mr. Thomas Cahill. Commissioner Kelly proposed and Commissioner O'Mara seconded that consent be given.
2. T. A. O'Donoghue & Son requesting consent to the sale of No. 42 Gilmartin road, Tuam to Mr. John Byrne. Commissioner Burke proposed and Commissioner Flaherty seconded that consent be given.
3. Tipperary (N.R.) County Council requesting support for the following Notice of Motion: "That this Council call on the Government to remove D.I.R.T. and V.A.T. from voluntary organisations funds and the cost of specialised equipment." There was unanimous support for the motion.
4. Listowel Urban District Council requesting support for the following resolution: "That this Council supports the call from Comhaltas Ceolteoiri Eireann for the Government to set up a structure to give employment to young unemployed musicians and artists and to give proper recognition to their contribution to the community." There was unanimous support for the resolution.
5. Ballyshannon Town Commissioners request support for the following resolution: "That Ballyshannon Town Commissioners call on the Taoiseach, the Tanaiste and the Minister for Foreign Affairs to press most tenaciously on the British Government for the immediate re-opening of the cases involving the people incarcerated for the Birmingham public house bombings, the Guildford bombings and also for an urgent review of the case involving Annie Maguire. Members of her family feel that a grave miscarriage of justice took place in this case." There was unanimous support for the resolution.
6. Marian Choral Society, Tuam. - read.
7. Tuam Associated Arts Guild. - read.
8. Fr. Dominick Grealy, Knock. - read.
9. C. MacCathmhaoil re strip searching. - read.
10. Galway County Council re National Road Safety Week. Official Launch at 4.30pm on Friday 10th October, 1986.

Motion:

Commissioner Browne spoke on his Notice of Motion. He asked the support of the Board in issueing an invitation to the Taoiseach to include Tuam in his regional visits. He said Tuam has five schools and a large quantity of school leavers with a big problem of emigration and unemployment. He said 20 to 25 years ago there was plenty of life in Tuam with the Sugar factory, Erin Foods, a Railway station, garages etc with hundreds of people employed. At the moment Business people are finding it very difficult, Erin foods gone and the Sugar factory being run down, and the recent vat return don't measure up to expectations. The water supply is a disgrace, the sewerage system unable to work, a proper Post Office is needed, our roads and footpaths bad and only one man cleaning the streets. He said the Taoiseach had given goodies to other places, but nothing to Tuam. It is a disgrace that Tuam is slipping and nothing is being done about it. There was unanimous support for the Motion and it was decided to invite the Taoiseach to Tuam.

Commissioner Browne spoke on his Notice Of Motion: That the Board request each Dail Canditate in forth coming Dail Elections to state his or her attitude re: Local Industry and Employment in Tuam and district. He asked the Board to consider and support the Motion and that a list of questions be drawn up.

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following families:

O'Neill Family, Airglooney
Doherty Family, St. Joseph's Park
Eagleton Family, St. Joseph's Park
Martin Family, Argloragh
Tiernan Family, Lavally
Flanagan Family, Athentry Road
Ryan Family, Kilgeverin
Farragher Family, High Street

Motions:

Congratulation were extended to the Galway under 21 hurling Team and the Minor Football team on winning All Ireland titles.

This concluded the meeting.

Midie O'Kedy
CHAIRMAN

Galway

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd September, 1986

Chairman: M. O'Grady

Commissioners: J. Flaherty. F. Biggins. J. O'Mara

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

1st October, 1986.

Tel: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

Tuesday, 7th October, 1986 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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A. Nolan Baile Cleireach.

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Manager's Business

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Notice of Motion: G. Browne:

1. That this Board request each Dail Candidate in forth coming Dail Elections to state his or her attitude re: Local Industry and Employment in Tuam and district.
2. That the Taoiseach, Dr. Fitzgerald be requested to include Tuam in his regional visits re: Industry and Employment.

Board re: the animals. The Clerk was instructed to write to Galway County Council re: the road widening. The Engineer was asked to investigate the other points raised.

Commissioner Browne said it was an impossible task for one man to keep the streets clean. Recently it took 14 men to clean the Town.

Commissioner Stapleton complained that there was still an oily scum in the water.

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Chairman: M. O'Grady

Commissioners: J. Flaherty, F. Biggins, J. O'Mara
G. Browne, J. Burke, P. M. Stapleton
M. Kelly, N. Halion

Mr. J. Howlett, Assistant County Manager,
Mr. M. Nugent, Engineer,

The Prayer was recited.

The Chairman expressed Sympathy with the Murphy Family on the death of Lt. Aengus Murphy. All present paid tribute to Lt. Murphy. The Chairman proposed, as a mark of respect, that the meeting be adjourned for 15 minutes. All joined in prayer for the repose of the soul of the deceased.

A vote of Sympathy was also passed with the following families:

Maloney Family, McHale Terrace

Maloney Family, Ballymote

Kelly Family, Westport

A deputation was received from Tuam Theatre Guild. The Chairperson thanked the Board for their co-operation in the past and outlined their plans for the coming year. She requested that a proper heating system, Fire alarm system and fire proof doors at the back of the stage be installed. She also provided a copy of the Fire Officers remarks following a recent examination of the building. The deputation then left and the matter was discussed.

The Manager said he was unhappy at the lack of a proper agreement. He felt that the Theatre Guild should pay some rent. He had written to the Arts Council regarding funds but received a negative reply.

Commissioner Stapleton said that Fire doors should be provided as a matter of urgency. It was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Flaherty that £1 p.a. rent be charged.

The Engineer was asked to consult with the Fire Officer and investigate a suitable heating system also a Fire Alarm system.

A Deputation from St. Enda's Ave area asked that horses and animals be removed from the Childrens playing park, that a footpath be provided from the new housing estate to St. Enda's Ave, that the road be widened at St. Patrick's terrace and a speed limit be installed at Brady's. They felt that their area was being neglected and suggested that the grass be cut and plants and shrubs be planted. The deputation then left and a discussion took place on the points raised.

It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner Burke that the gate at the playground be welded. It was decided to ask Supt. Kilgannon to a meeting of the Board re: the animals. The Clerk was instructed to write to Galway County Council re: the road widening. The Engineer was asked to investigate the other points raised.

Commissioner Browne said it was an impossible task for one man to keep the streets clean. Recently it took 14 men to clean the Town.

Commissioner Stapleton complained that there was still an oily scum in the water.

The Engineer stated that the water was up to E.E.C. standards.

The Manager stated that the report from Galway County Council, requested by the Department, would be finalised by the end of September.

It was decided to write to the Minister re: the unsatisfactory state of the water.

Commissioner Biggins said he wished to thank Dr. Tony Claffey for his assistance during the recent visit to Tuam of the Minister for Labour and Public Services.

The Manager stated that the Department had been asked to make Capital money available. There is a grant of £850 for the installation of a bathroom but the average costs are about £5,000.

The Engineer was asked to have costings for the next meeting.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Mara seconded the adoption of the August minutes.

Letters were received from the following:

1. The County Engineer - read.
2. T. A. O'Donoghue & Son requesting consent to the sale of number 77 Gilmartin Road, Tuam. It was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton that consent be given.
3. Greystones Town Commissioners re: anomolys in respect of Social Welfare unemployment assistance benefit. It was proposed by Commissioner Kelly and seconded by Commissioner O'Mara that the proposal be supported.
4. Tipperary Urban District Council requesting support for the following resolution:
"That this Council deplores the decision made by the E.E.C. to make excess butter stocks available for calf feeding in Europe and urgently calls on the Government to make a real attempt for the first time to have this butter distributed to those on Social Welfare, the lower paid in the Third World." There was unanimous support for the resolution.

Commissioner Burke spoke on his motion re: the provision of a new Post Office in Tuam. He said the people of Tuam has received appalling treatment from "An Post". There has been an 18% population growth in Tuam over the past 10 years. A suitable premises in a central location with parking facilities may now be available. There was unanimous support for the motion. It was decided to write to Fergal Quinn and invite him to Tuam.

Congratulations were extended to Fr. Dominic Greally on his appointment as Parish Priest of Knock. Congratulations were also extended to Canon Waldron on his appointment as administrator, Tuam.

This concluded the meeting.

Midie O'Grady
CHAIRMAN

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 5th August, 1986

Chairman: M. O'Grady

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

27th August, 1986.

tel: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

Tuesday, 2nd September, 1986... at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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Manager's Business

Deputation - Tuam Theatre Guild

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Water

Notice of Motion: J. Burke

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 5th August, 1986

Chairman: M. O'Grady

Commissioners: F. Biggins, M. Kelly, P.M. Stapleton,
G. Browne, J. Burke, N. Halion.

Mr. T. Kavanagh, for Assistant County Manager
Mr. J. Gibbons, Area Engineer

The Prayer was recited.

The Chairman expressed Sympathy with Mr. J. Gibbons on the death of his brother. He also expressed sympathy with the Archbishop and the Horan family on the death of Monsignor James Horan. All present paid tribute to Monsignor Horan. He then proposed, as a mark of respect, that the meeting be adjourned for five minutes. All joined in a prayer for the repose of the souls of the deceased.

A vote of Sympathy was also passed with the following families:

Ryan Family, Farrell Family,
Burke Family, O'Callaghan Family,

Commissioner Biggins asked the support of the Board to make sure that Tuam would get back 62 jobs approved under the Social Employment Scheme. 62 people are on standby since the scheme came to a halt when the ceiling of 10,000 countrywide was reached. He and Commissioner Burke met with Minister R. Quinn who agreed to visit Tuam in September. Commissioner Burke accused Galway County Council of gross incompetence. He said he informed the Council that 7,500 jobs were given out two weeks before the 10,000 ceiling had been reached but the Council did not react.

The acting Assistant County Manager said he could'nt accept that the County Council were to blame. There were many hurdles to clear. There are 180 people employed on such schemes at present.

The Engineer said that Social Employment Schemes were a fantastic thing and very local Authority should avail of them. The Chairman expressed dissatisfaction that because of a delay of two days the schemes were lost. He hoped the Minister would allow the schemes to go ahead.

Commissioner Browne proposed that the County Engineer be asked to come to Tuam and see the disgraceful state of the streets and footpaths etc. He said he cannot understand why more money and workers can't be allocated for the carrying out of repairs and clean the streets. It is impossible for one man to keep the streets of Tuam tidy. More rates are being paid now than ever before. There should be 7 or 8 workers employed. He asked the acting Assistant County Manager to convey the seriousness of things to the County Manager and the County Engineer. Commissioner Burke said that Tuam was the largest urban area in the County, a major population centre of 7,000 people but is not getting even the minimum treatment. He said no legitimate effort is being made to clean Tuam and he proposed that a deputation from the Board go to the County Manager. The Engineer said he agreed with the sentiments expressed. Tuam as a major Town deserves special treatment. Lack of money and men mean street cleaning, grass cutting and repairs suffer. Replying to Commissioner Halion he said that a water extension is being laid to the dump and when the ground settles repairs will be carried out.

Replying to a query from Commissioner Biggins re Staff, the acting Assistant County Manager stated that last year was the first year in five that workmen were not laid off by the County Council and hopefully the workmen will be employed for 12 months in 1986.

The Chairman said that a mechanical machine was needed nowadays.

A Report on the proposed new water supply scheme was read. The Clerk was instructed to circularise the Report for the September meeting and the Assistant County Manager was asked to have an up-date for the September meeting.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Burke seconded the adoption of the July Minutes.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Athenry Road Tenants Association re flooding in that area. The Engineer stated that the sewers in the area are totally inadequate when pressure builds up. The final answer is a new sewerage, but improvements will be carried out before the end of the year.
2. Commissioner, Garda Síochána - Galway (County Borough and County) Traffic and Parking Bye-laws 1986. Commissioner Stapleton complimented the Engineer on the provision of the pedestrian crossings. He felt the mirror as proposed by Commissioner Browne would be very beneficial especially at Shop street. The Engineer stated that the Yellow Globes at the pedestrian crossings are constantly being vandalised. He said, as regards the mirror, he had sought the views of an Foras Forbartha. They regard them as suitable for a factory yard or a private entry. Concave mirrors do not give a true reflection of the speed or shape of approaching traffic and they are not legally in the road traffic act. He then told the members that serious consideration was being given to traffic lights for the Weir Road junction. The Chairman welcomed the proposed installation of traffic lights at the Weir road. The Board appealed to people not to vandalise the Globes at the pedestrian crossings.
3. Dublin Corporation requesting support for a resolution. There was unanimous support for the resolution.
4. A. Fanning, Chairman, Adjudicating Committee, People of the Year awards - to be included on the September agenda.
5. National Monuments Committee - read.
6. United Towns Organisation - read.
7. Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland - read.
8. St. Enda's Ave Residents Association re fears of a hard-stand and problems in their area. The Clerk was instructed to reply thus: No Hardstand to be located in the area, the playground cannot be used for any purpose but a playground. The Assistant County Manager asked to investigate the problem of animals belonging to County Council Tenants. A Deputation from the Area to be invited to a Commissioners meeting and asked to put forward any ideas or suggestions they may have.

Notice of Motion:

Commissioner Burke appealed for support for his Notice of Motion re: Repairs and extensions to houses in Gilmartin road. He said that because of the poor condition of houses in Gilmartin road Older Residents are trying to get transfers to other areas. Grants should be availed off and the minimum facilities provided. The Engineer was asked to prepare a report on the houses lacking facilities, also for a simple plan, costed.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

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There was unanimous support for the Motion.

Commissioner Burke asked the acting Assistant County Manager to investigate why there is no refuse collection in part of the housing estate at Parkmore.

This concluded the Meeting.

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a Holian,
Clerk

M. O'Grady
CHAIRMAN

20th July, 1986.

Re: 1st & 2nd Water Supply Scheme.

Dear Sir,

In response to the last Meeting I submit herewith report on proposed new water supply scheme. The information contained therein was given to Members of the Galway County Council at their July Meeting.

Approval was given to the Preliminary Report for this scheme. It has been forwarded to the Department of the Environment for further consideration being given to the following:-

- (a) Justification of the long term demand of 50,000 gpd.
- (b) Alternative options for disposal of sludge.
- (c) Alternative options for securing of reserves.
- (d) Staging of treatment works.

The Council's Consultants have been asked to submit an early report on these matters.

Approval was also given to the preparation of Contract Documents for Stage I of the Scheme subject to further consideration being given to a number of aspects of design. This approval has also been conveyed to the Council's Consultants who have been asked to draw up a programme for the completion of documents. Priority will have to be given to preparation of documents in connection with water supply abstraction order and acquisition of necessary lands.

The proposed Stage I includes an intake from Lough Corrib with the treatment works at Malinduff near Loughmoe Park. A pumping station to raise water to Belclare and a trunk supply main to Eam. A supply main will also be laid alongside the existing main between Belclare and Eam.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
ACTING ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER.

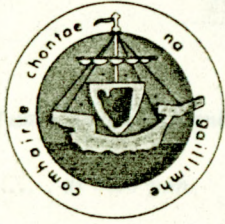
Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Higgins seconded the adoption of the minutes of the June meeting.

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29th July, 1986.

TO EACH MEMBER OF TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Re: Tuam Regional Water Supply Scheme.

Dear Member,

As requested at the last Meeting I submit herewith report on proposed new water supply scheme. The information contained therein was given to Members of the Galway County Council at their July Meeting.

Approval in principle to the Preliminary Report for this Scheme has now been received from the Department of the Environment subject to further consideration being given to the following matters:-

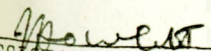
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- (b) Alternative options for disposal of aluminium sludge.
- (c) Alternative options for scouring of reservoir.
- (d) Staging of treatment works.

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The proposed Stage 1 scheme includes an intake from Lough Corrib with the Treatment Works and Pumphouse at Ballinduff near Luimnagh Pier, a pumping main to reservoirs at Belclare and a Trunk Supply Main to Tuam. A Supply Main will also be laid alongside the Rising Main between Belclare and Cluide.

Yours sincerely,


ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Biggins seconded the adoption of the minutes of the June meeting.

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29th July, 1986

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Deputation - Athenry Road Residents Association

Notice of Motion: J. Burke

I will propose that Tuam Town Commissioners do 3 minor extensions in Gilmartin Road each year availing of the State Grants to improve the quality of the Town Commissioners houses in Gilmartin road.

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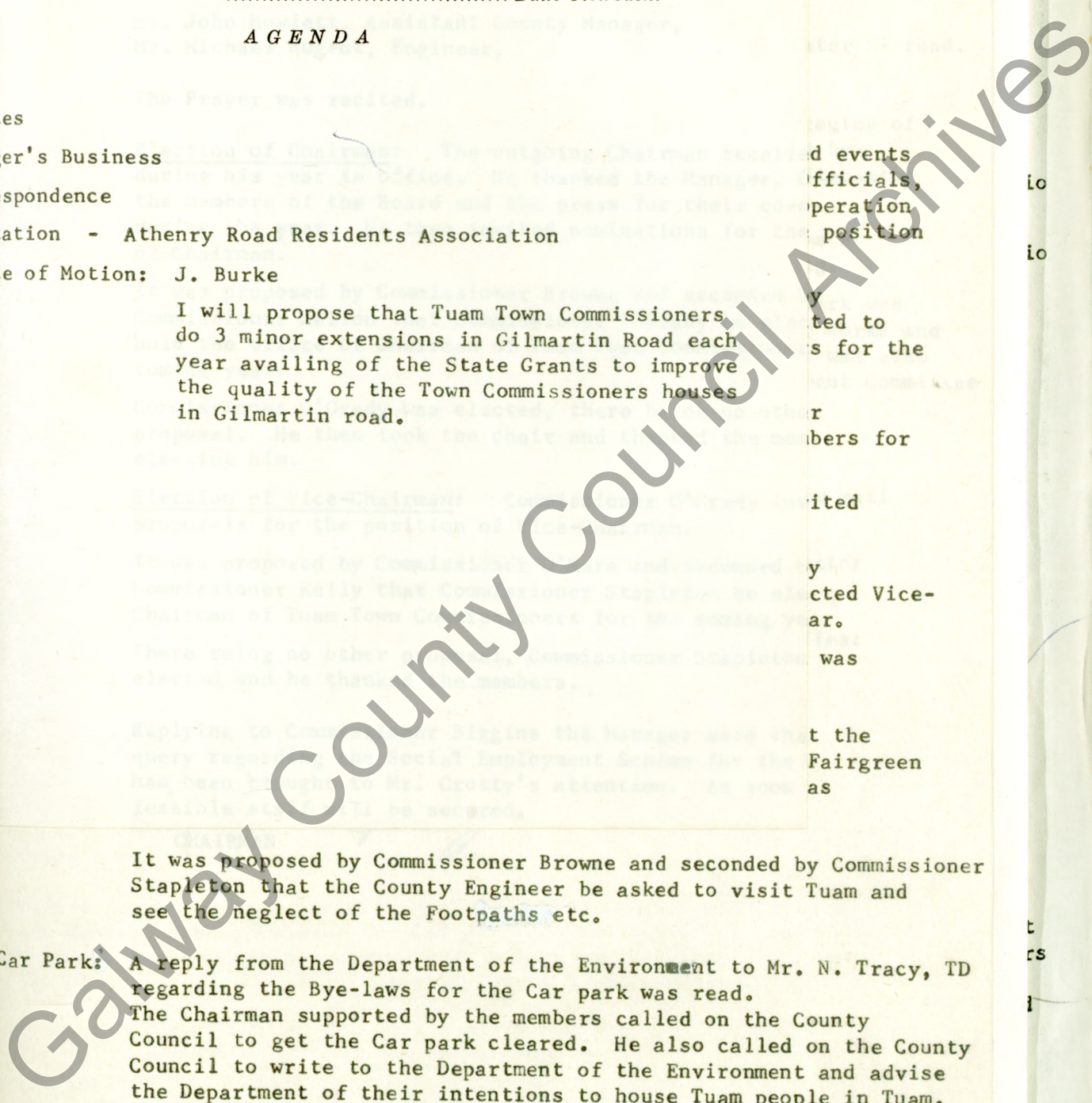
Trinity Car Park: A reply from the Department of the Environment to Mr. N. Tracy, TD regarding the Bye-laws for the Car park was read.

The Chairman supported by the members called on the County Council to get the Car park cleared. He also called on the County Council to write to the Department of the Environment and advise the Department of their intentions to house Tuam people in Tuam.

Following Complaints from the members the Engineer explained that by dividing the springs pollution can be avoided. They had managed to separate the bad springs from the good at Ballymote, but nothing could stop dirt from getting into the supply following the recent exceptional heavy rain. No results from Analysis were available yet. Commissioner Browne suggested that the water be filtered.

The Manager was asked to have a report for the next meeting.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Biggins seconded the adoption of the minutes of the June meeting.



TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, 1st July, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke outgoing

Commissioners: J. Flaherty, F. Biggins, M. Kelly,
P. M. Stapleton, J. O'Mara, M. O'Grady,
G. Browne, N. Halion

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager,
Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer,

The Prayer was recited.

Election of Chairman: The outgoing Chairman recalled events during his year in office. He thanked the Manager, Officials, the members of the Board and the press for their co-operation during the year. He then invited nominations for the position of Chairman.

It was proposed by Commissioner Browne and seconded by Commissioner Halion that Commissioner O'Grady be elected to hold the office of Chairman of Tuam Town Commissioners for the coming year.

Commissioner O'Grady was elected, there being no other proposal. He then took the chair and thanked the members for electing him.

Election of Vice-Chairman: Commissioner O'Grady invited proposals for the position of Vice-Chairman.

It was proposed by Commissioner O'Mara and seconded by Commissioner Kelly that Commissioner Stapleton be elected Vice-Chairman of Tuam Town Commissioners for the coming year.

There being no other proposal, Commissioner Stapleton was elected and he thanked the members.

Replying to Commissioner Biggins the Manager said that the query regarding the Social Employment Scheme for the Fairgreen had been brought to Mr. Crotty's attention. As soon as feasible staff will be secured.

It was proposed by Commissioner Browne and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton that the County Engineer be asked to visit Tuam and see the neglect of the Footpaths etc.

Trinity Car Park: A reply from the Department of the Environment to Mr. N. Tracy, TD regarding the Bye-laws for the Car park was read.

The Chairman supported by the members called on the County Council to get the Car park cleared. He also called on the County Council to write to the Department of the Environment and advise the Department of their intentions to house Tuam people in Tuam.

Following Complaints from the members the Engineer explained that by dividing the springs pollution can be avoided. They had managed to separate the bad springs from the good at Ballymote, but nothing could stop dirt from getting into the supply following the recent exceptional heavy rain. No results from Analysis were available yet. Commissioner Browne suggested that the water be filtered.

The Manager was asked to have a report for the next meeting.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Biggins seconded the adoption of the minutes of the June meeting.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE
GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Manager's Business:

The Manager stated there is a downward trend in interest rates and he will report to the Board again before the end of the year regarding finance.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. T. Kerman regarding a range at 61 Gilmartin Rd, Tuam. The Engineer was asked to resolve the difficulty.
2. H. Cassidy, St. Enda's Ave, re Grant - read.
3. Department of the Environment - read.
4. Michael Kitt, TD., re the Water - read.
5. Paul Connaughton, TD., Minister of State re the Water - read.
6. Noel Tracy, TD., re the Water - read.
7. Concanon & Meagher requesting consent to the Mortgaging of No. 72 Tubberjarlath Road, Tuam. It was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton that consent be given.
8. Tuam Theatre Guild - The Board agreed to receive a deputation from the Guild at the September meeting.
9. Office of Public Works re the Town Cross. The Clerk was instructed to write again to the office of Public Works and invite an expert to a Public meeting in Tuam. It was also decided to invite a person from the Ancient Monument Committee Galway County Council to a meeting.
10. Michael Kitt, TD re new Garda Station - read.

Congratulations:

Westrail were congratulated on the opening of their new rail service.

Congratulations and best wishes were extended to Inspector Bill Lavery on his retirement.

Motion:

A vote of Sympathy was extended to the following families:

Loftus Family Cassidy Family
Malynn Family McGrath Family

This Concluded the meeting.

Moved by:
A. Holian,
Clerk.

M. J. O'Grady
CHAIRMAN

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COUNTY MANAGER.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the minutes of the May meeting.

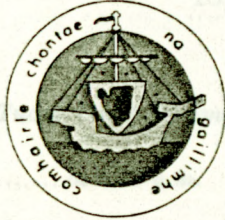
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29th July, 1986.

TO EACH MEMBER OF TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

Re: Tuam Regional Water Supply Scheme.

Dear Member,

As requested at the last Meeting I submit herewith report on proposed new water supply scheme. The information contained therein was given to Members of the Galway County Council at their July Meeting.

Approval in principle to the Preliminary Report for this Scheme has now been received from the Department of the Environment subject to further consideration being given to the following matters:-

- (a) Justification of the long term demand of 50,000 m³.
- (b) Alternative options for disposal of aluminium sludge.
- (c) Alternative options for scouring of reservoir.
- (d) Staging of treatment works.

The Council's Consultants have been asked to submit an early report on these matters.

Approval was also given to the preparation of Contract Documents for Stage 1 of the Scheme subject to further consideration being given to a number of aspects of the design. This approval has also been conveyed to the Council's Consultants who have been asked to draw up a programme for the completion of documents. Priority will have to be given to preparation of documents in connection with water supply abstraction order and the acquisition of necessary lands.

The proposed Stage 1 scheme includes an intake from Lough Corrib with the Treatment Works and Pumphouse at Ballinduff near Luimnagh Pier, a pumping main to reservoirs at Belclare and a Trunk Supply Main to Tuam. A Supply Main will also be laid alongside the Rising Main between Belclare and Cluide.

Yours sincerely,


ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the minutes of the May meeting.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel.: 24246

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

25th June, 1986

To each Town Commissioner.

A CHARA, /Annual
The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 1st July, 1986 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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Trinity Car Park: It was proposed by Commissioner Biggins and seconded by Commissioner O'Grady that a deputation from the Commissioners go to the County Council and stress the importance of providing hardstands in the Tuam area. It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner Kelly that a letter be drafted and submitted to all Councillors calling on the County Council to come up with a solution to the problem. It was proposed by Commissioner Browne and seconded by Commissioner Kelly that a letter be sent to the Minister re: the Bye-laws.

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The Engineer stated that a lot of repairs were carried out recently and might be the cause of the oily scum on the water which Commissioner Stapleton complained about.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the minutes of the May meeting.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday 3rd June, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: J. Flaherty, M. O'Grady, J. O'Mara,
F. Biggins, G. Browne, P. M. Stapleton,
M. Kelly.

Commissioner Halion

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager,
Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer

The Chairman proposed a vote of Sympathy with the Families of Mr. B. Connaughton RIP and Mr. T. Canney RIP. He proposed, as a mark of respect, the meeting be adjourned for five minutes. All joined in a prayer for the repose of the souls of the deceased.

A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following Families:

Loreta Sisters, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin
Mercy Convent Sisters, Tuam
Finnegan Family, Athenry Road, Tuam
Warde Family, Argloragh, Tuam
Quinn Family, Tuam

A Deputation was received from the Faingreen Residents Association. The Residents thanked the Commissioners for their assistance to date also the Assistant County Manager for the allocation of £6,000 for the surfacing of roads in the estate. They urged that the second phase be completed early next year. They appealed for assistance in securing a Social Employment Scheme for their area.

The Manager replied that the Social Employment Scheme has been submitted to Manpower and should be available soon. He couldn't give a committment as to when the surfacing job would be completed.

The Chairman complimented the County Council for the excellent job done for the procession. Commissioner Kelly complimented the Engineer on the speed at which the footpaths were provided in the area. Replying to Commissioner O'Grady re: the sewage and the request for the County Council to take over the estate, Mr. Howlett said he had no further information on the sewage and the decision to take over the estate lies with the County Manager.

It was proposed by Commissioner Biggins and seconded by Commissioner O'Grady that a deputation from the Commissioners go to the County Council and stress the importance of providing hardstands in the Tuam area. It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner Kelly that a letter be drafted and submitted to all Councillors calling on the County Council to come up with a solution to the problem. It was proposed by Commissioner Browne and seconded by Commissioner Kelly that a letter be sent to the Minister re: the Bye-laws.

The Engineer stated that a lot of repairs were carried out recently and might be the cause of the oily scum on the water which Commissioner Stapleton complained about.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the minutes of the May meeting.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Sullivan & Co requesting consent to the sale of No. 4 Tubberjarlath Road, Tuam. It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner Biggins that consent to the sale be given.
2. Listowel Urban District Council seeking support for the following resolutions:
 - (a) That we call for the abolition of Ministerial Pensions to all serving T.D.'s and Senators in this Country.
 - (b) That we call on the Government to pass necessary legislation to substantially reduce the number of T.D.'s and Senators in this Country.
 - (c) In view of the danger to our town and country, that we support all efforts to have Sellafield and all other nuclear stations closed.

There was unanimous support for resolutions A and C, B was not passed.
3. Ballyshannon Town Commissioners - read.
4. Birr Urban District Council seeking support for the following resolution:

"That Birr Urban Council calls on the Laois-Offaly Dail Deputies to take the steps necessary to have Old Age Pensions Exempt Entirely from Income Tax."

There was unanimous support for the resolution.
5. Senator Mark Killilea - read.
6. Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland re: the Annual Conference - read. Commissioner Browne proposed that the following N.O. M. be submitted:

"That the number of Manual Workers with County Councils be increased and brought back to the level of 3 years ago."
7. Monaghan Urban District Council - read.
8. Commissioner, Garda Síochána, re Galway (Borough and County) Traffic and Parking Bye-laws 1986. Copies to be made available to the members.
9. 'Fete de la Musique' - read
10. Galway County Council re: European Road Safety Year - read.

Notice of Motion:

Commissioner Burke spoke on the Notice of Motion re: the Litter Free Zone. He said there was an obvious improvement in Bishop street and the Litter Free Zone should now be extended to include Shop Street. There was unanimous support for the Motion.

The Clerk was instructed to invite Mr. Enda Rohan, District Manager, Telecom Eireann, to the next meeting of the Board.

Resolutions:

Monsignor Horan was congratulated on the opening of the Connaught Regional Airport.

Dynamo Blues were congratulated on winning the Connaught Cup.

This Concluded the Meeting.

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There has been no progress on negotiations. Temporary footpaths are to be installed immediately.

The estimate of the cost of repairs was not finalised yet. The Manager stated that the problem had been brought to the

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

27th May, 1986

To each Town Commissioner.

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 3rd June, 1986 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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P. Dolan Baile Cleireach.

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Notice of Motion: J. Burke
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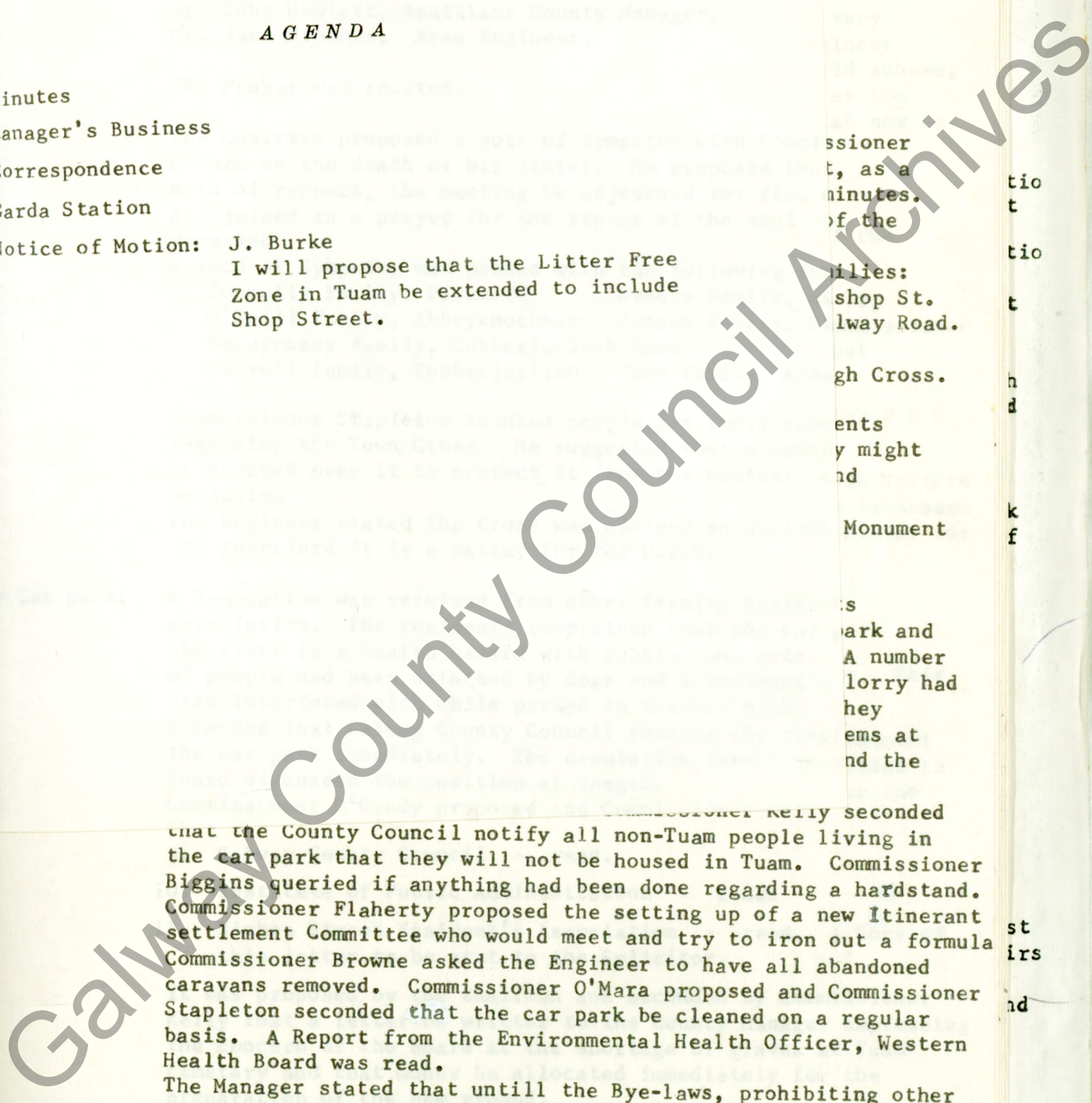
The Manager stated that until the Bye-laws, prohibiting other than the parking of cars, are sanctioned the County Council cannot do anything about the way the car park is being used. The Chairman said Abbey Trinity Residents were extremely patient and christian in their attitude. Tuam cannot be the settlement centre for the whole country. There is an answer if the County Council are sincere in protecting all the people of Tuam.

Road junction:

There has been no progress on negotiations. Temporary footpaths are to be installed immediately.

Stream Park:

The estimate of the cost of repairs was not finalised yet. The Manager stated that the problem had been brought to the



TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 6th May, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: M. O'Grady, P. M. Stapleton, G. Browne,
N. Halion, M. Kelly, J. Flaherty,
F. Biggins, J. O'Mara

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager,
Mr. Jack Gibbons, Area Engineer,

The Prayer was recited.

The Chairman proposed a vote of Sympathy with Commissioner O'Mara on the death of his sister. He proposed that, as a mark of respect, the meeting be adjourned for five minutes. All joined in a prayer for the repose of the soul of the deceased.

A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following families:
Connolly Family, Parkmore Hyness Family, Bishop St.
O'Neill Family, Abbeyknockmoy Brogan Family, Galway Road.
Shaughnessy Family, Tubberjarlath Road
Carroll Family, Tubberjarlath Fahy Family, Annagh Cross.

Commissioner Stapleton thanked people for their comments regarding the Town Cross. He suggested that a canopy might be erected over it to protect it from the weather and pollution.

The Engineer stated the Cross was classed an ancient Monument and therefore it is a matter for the O.P.W.

Trinity Car park:

A Deputation was received from Abbey Trinity Residents Association. The residents complained that the car park and the river is a health hazard with rubbish and rats. A number of people had been attacked by dogs and a resident's lorry had been interfered with while parked in the car park. They demanded that Galway County Council resolve the problems at the car park immediately. The deputation then left and the Board discussed the position at length.

Commissioner O'Grady proposed and Commissioner Kelly seconded that the County Council notify all non-Tuam people living in the car park that they will not be housed in Tuam. Commissioner Biggins queried if anything had been done regarding a hardstand. Commissioner Flaherty proposed the setting up of a new Itinerant settlement Committee who would meet and try to iron out a formula. Commissioner Browne asked the Engineer to have all abandoned caravans removed. Commissioner O'Mara proposed and Commissioner Stapleton seconded that the car park be cleaned on a regular basis. A Report from the Environmental Health Officer, Western Health Board was read.

The Manager stated that until the Bye-laws, prohibiting other than the parking of cars, are sanctioned the County Council cannot do anything about the way the car park is being used. The Chairman said Abbey Trinity Residents were extremely patient and christian in their attitude. Tuam cannot be the settlement centre for the whole country. There is an answer if the County Council are sincere in protecting all the people of Tuam.

Load junction:

There has been no progress on negotiations. Temporary footpaths are to be installed immediately.

Stream Park:

The estimate of the cost of repairs was not finalised yet. The Manager stated that the problem had been brought to the

attention of the Planning Department.
The Manager was asked to have a report for the next meeting.

The Manager, in answer to a question from Commissioner Biggins said that a Quotation had been got for the surfacing of Phase I of the Fairgreen. The Social Employment scheme for the Fairgreen submitted to Manpower has not been sanctioned yet.

Commissioner Stapleton asked that wiring for a cooker point be installed in all new houses being built.

Commissioner Stapleton complained that the Water was very polluted, had an oily scum and a bad taste. The Engineer stated that an extensive study had been done on the old scheme, by a consultant. A certain area has been pinpointed as the source of the problem. The source of the pollution can now be isolated.

Letters were received from the following:

1. Tuam Community Council re: the 150 celebration of the Cathedral of the Assumption. - read
2. Gleeson & Kean requesting consent to the sale of 72, Tubberjarlath road, Tuam. It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner O'Grady that consent be given.
3. Department of Finance, letterkenny U D C, Ballina U D C re: tax on savings. - read
4. Department of Health, Western Health Board, North Western Health Board re: Medical assistance for long term illnesses read. Replies to the Motion to be sent to the Minister for Health.
5. Mr. J. Connaughton, 6 St Enda's Ave, - read.
6. Minister for Agriculture - read.
7. Minister for Justice re: New Garda Station at Tuam. This to be placed on the agenda for the June meeting.
8. Minister for the Environment re: Water. Dissappointment was expressed at the Minister's reply. It was decided to send copies of the letter received to the T.D's for the area.
9. Galway County Council - read.
10. Institute of Public Administration - read.
11. Bishop Street Resident's Association - read. A Copy of this letter to be sent to the Solicitor.

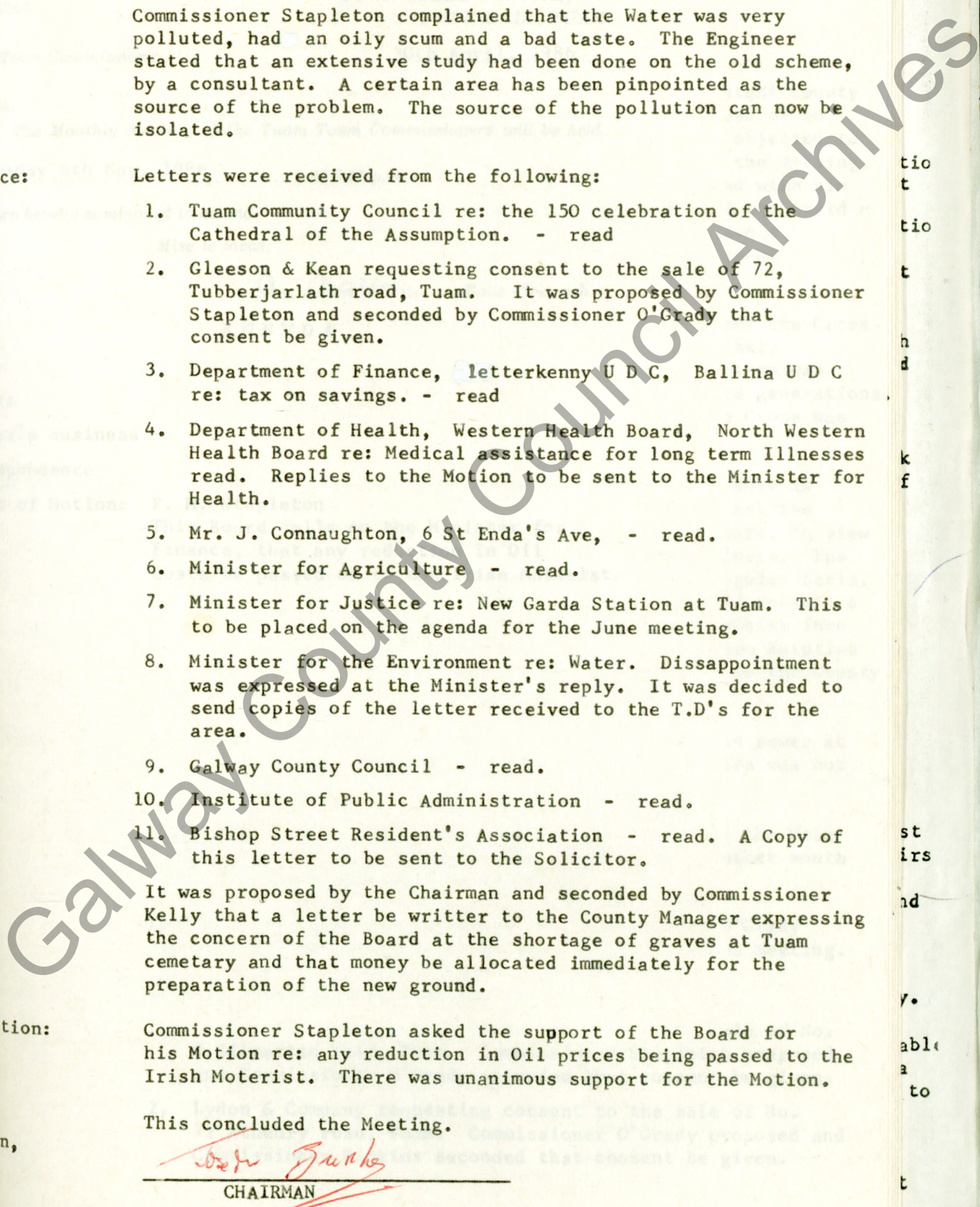
It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Commissioner Kelly that a letter be written to the County Manager expressing the concern of the Board at the shortage of graves at Tuam cemetery and that money be allocated immediately for the preparation of the new ground.

Commissioner Stapleton asked the support of the Board for his Motion re: any reduction in Oil prices being passed to the Irish Moterist. There was unanimous support for the Motion.

This concluded the Meeting.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 1st April, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: J. Flaherty, G. Browne, F. Biggins, Kelly,

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

30th April, 1986.....

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

Tuesday 6th May, 1986 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

G. Nolan Baile Cleireach.

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Notice of Motion: P. M. Stapleton
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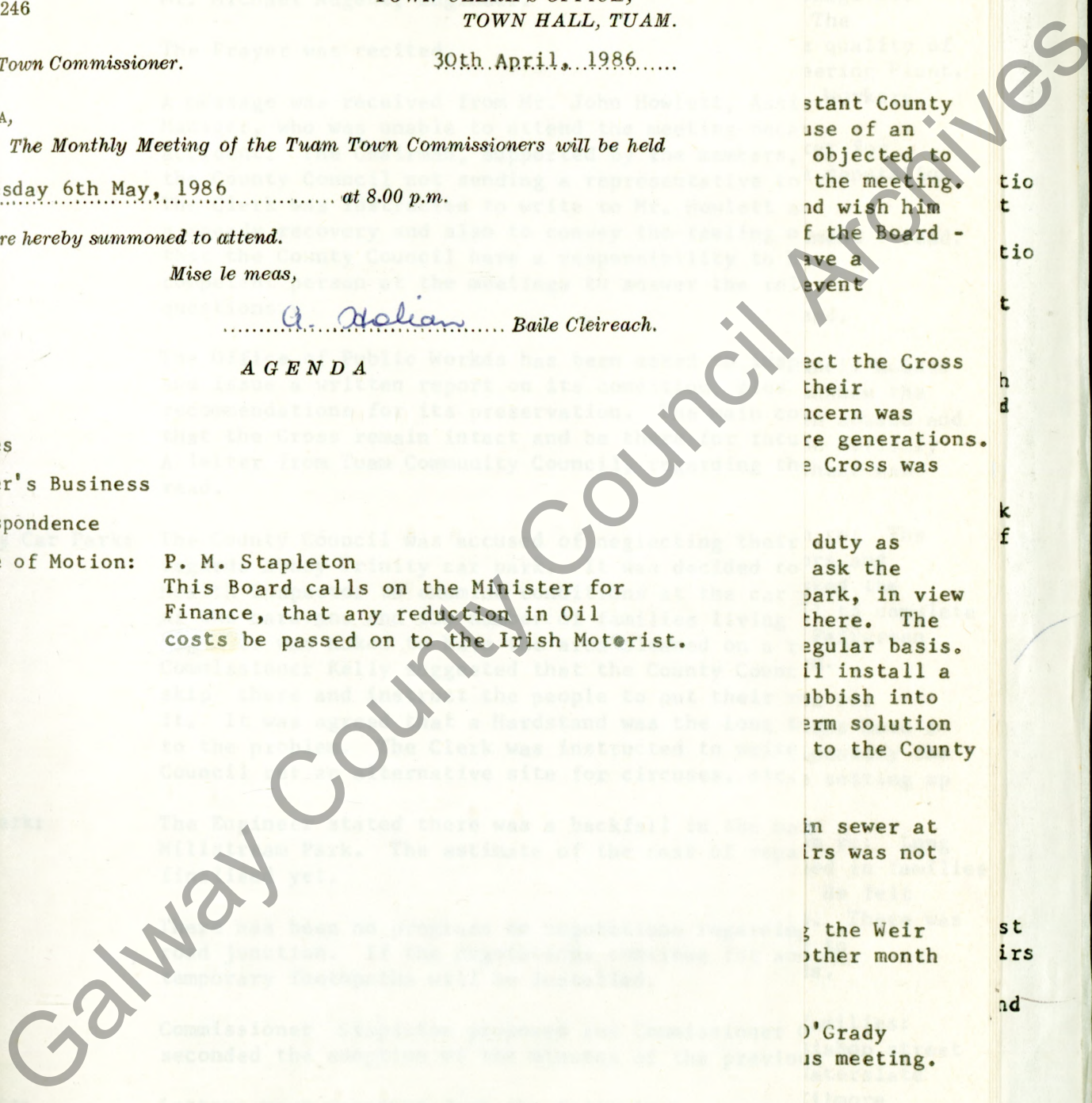
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9 Gilmartin road, Tuam. Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded that consent be given.

2. Lydon & Company requesting consent to the sale of No. 72 Athenry road, Tuam. Commissioner O'Grady proposed and Commissioner Biggins seconded that consent be given.

This concluded the meeting.



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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 1st April, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: J. Flaherty, G. Browne, F. Biggins,
P. M. Stapleton, M. O'Grady, M. Kelly,
J. O'Mara, N. Halion.

Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer.

The Prayer was recited.

A message was received from Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager, who was unable to attend the meeting because of an accident. The Chairman, supported by the members, objected to the County Council not sending a representative to the meeting. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Howlett and wish him a speedy recovery and also to convey the feeling of the Board - that the County Council have a responsibility to have a competent person at the meetings to answer the relevant questions.

The Office of Public Works has been asked to inspect the Cross and issue a written report on its condition, plus their recommendations for its preservation. The main concern was that the Cross remain intact and be there for future generations. A letter from Tuam Community Council, regarding the Cross was read.

Trinity Car Park: The County Council was accused of neglecting their duty as regards Abbey Trinity car park. It was decided to ask the Health Inspector to examine conditions at the car park, in view of the caravans and the number of families living there. The Engineer was asked to have the area cleaned on a regular basis. Commissioner Kelly suggested that the County Council install a skip there and instruct the people to put their rubbish into it. It was agreed that a Hardstand was the long term solution to the problem. The Clerk was instructed to write to the County Council re: an alternative site for circuses, etc.

Millstream Park: The Engineer stated there was a backfall in the main sewer at Millstream Park. The estimate of the cost of repairs was not finalised yet.

Road: There has been no progress on negotiations regarding the Weir road junction. If the negotiations continue for another month temporary footpaths will be installed.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting.

Correspondence: Letters were received from the following:

1. Concanon & Meagher requesting consent to the sale of No. 9 Gilmartin road, Tuam. Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded that consent be given.
2. Lydon & Company requesting consent to the sale of No. 72 Athenry road, Tuam. Commissioner O'Grady proposed and Commissioner Biggins seconded that consent be given.

3. Offaly County Council re: Conference on Employment and development. It was proposed that Commissioner Kelly attend the conference.
4. Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland re: motion submitted to the Association's Annual conference regarding Tuam Sugar Factory - read.
The Chairman said the Sugar Company's Annual Report was a most insulting document. The lack of Capital Investment in Tuam is regrettable. The Board expressed the wish that there be no let down on safety precautions. Commissioner O'Mara told the members that a package has been agreed as regards the Engineering Plant. The Engineering personnell were complimented on the quality of work and the quantity being put into the Engineering Plant. The retention of Commissioner O'Mara, Chairman, Workers Action Committee, was welcomed.
It was decided to write to Mr. A. Deasy, Minister for Agriculture, and Mr. Charles Haughey and seek a deputation as soon as possible.
5. Mr. John Boland, TD., Minister for the Environment - read.
6. The Genealogical Office - read.
7. Ballinasloe branch of The Gaelic League. - read.

of Motion:

The Chairman spoke on his Notice of Motion re: Council Houses at Cloonthue. He said the new development will enhance the quality of life in this area, an area that has been abused and destroyed. It is vital that the normal schedule be strictly adhered to when the houses are being allocated. There was unanimous support for the motion.

Commissioner Biggins spoke on his Notice of Motion re: The Fairgreen Estate. He thanked the County Councillors and Deputies for attending a meeting recently. He asked the Commissioners support in getting the County Council to complete road surfacing, footpaths etc. in phase II of the Fairgreen Estate. There was unanimous support for the motion.

Commissioner Flaherty spoke on his Notice of Motion re: Resident Associations. He said Resident Associations have a valuable contribution to make and very often can identify the problems in an area first. The Board welcomes the setting up of Resident Associations.

Commissioner Flaherty spoke on his Notice of Motion re: Long term illnesses. He said a lot of hardship is caused in families where a member suffers from Asthma, Diabetes etc. He felt these people should be entitled to free medication. There was unanimous support for the motion. It was decided to circularise the motion to the various Health Boards.

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following families:
Reynolds Family, High Street. Leufer Family, Bishop street
Flynn Family, Park View drive. Reilly Family, Waterslate
Ryan Family, Ballaghalode. Murphy Family, Kilmore
Rabbit Family, Cloondarone. Lambe Family, Galway Road
Collins Family, Dublin Road. Warde Family, Tubberjarlath
Kelly Family, Tullinadaly Road. Hyness Family, Bishop Street
O'Brien Family, Bermigham Road. Dawson Family, Claremorris
Keane Family, Galway Road. Glennon Family, Galway
Kennedy Family, Ballintresna. Cunningham Family, The Weirs
Lowry Family, Poldorragha. Holian Family, Ballygaddy Rd
Reilly Family on the death of Mrs. Cleary

This concluded the meeting.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

24th March, 1986....

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 1st April, 1986..... at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

..... *A. Nolan* Baile Cleireach.

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Minutes
Manager's Business
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Notice of Motion:

1. J. Burke - This Board requests that Council Houses at Cloonthue Road be allocated as per the normal schedule.
2. F. Biggins - That Galway County Council complete phase I of the Fairgreen estate with regards the surfacing of the road which the residents have already paid towards in the cost of their sites, that the road be tarmacadamed the same as phase II, that the footpaths in phase II be redone and recessed at each house as they are in a dangerous state. That the County Council endeavour to sell the two sites, No. 23 and No. 39 by advertising same in the local papers.
3. J. Flaherty - That Tuam Town Commissioners congratulate the Fairgreen Residents Association on their comprehensive plans put forward recently and that we as a body encourage the setting up of Resident Associations in all areas of the Town.
4. J. Flaherty - That Tuam Town Commissioners request the Minister for Health to provide free medical assistance for people suffering from certain long term illnesses such as Asthma etc.

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Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Browne seconded the adoption of the Minutes of the February meeting.

Commissioner O'Mara proposed that the Board call on the Minister for Finance not to implement the new tax on savings as tax was already paid on this money. There was unanimous support for the proposal.

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Letters were received from the following:

1. Tadg Mac Lochlainn, Ballinasloe branch of the Gaelic League requesting support for a "Bill of Rights for the Irish Language". There was unanimous support for the Bill.
2. Minister for the Environment, - read. It was decided to write again to the Minister and urge him to meet with a deputation from the Board to discuss the Water situation in Tuam.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 4th March, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: F. Biggins, M. O'Grady, J. Flaherty,
G. Browne, J. O'Mara, P. M. Stapleton,
M. Kelly, N. Halion.

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager
Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer

The Prayer was recited.

The Chairman welcomed Superintendent J. Kilgannon and the items discussed were: Parking on Bishop Street, Parking on Dublin Road, The Bishop Street car park and the Abbey Trinity Car park.

The Superintendent said he would investigate the items mentioned but that Tuam was well serviced by Car parks. He felt that a number of the parking spaces in the centre of town were taken up by Business people and employees. He also told the members that Tuam was being allocated one extra Garda.

The Manager stated that the County Council have written to the Minister re: The Car Park Bye-laws. The Chairman thanked the Superintendent for attending the meeting. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Department of Justice for an update position on the New Garda Station for Tuam.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed that the condition of the Town Cross be discussed also its removal to a safer site be considered. The Chairman supported this and asked the Engineer to investigate and have a report for the next meeting.

The Chairman told the members that the County Council are in a position to remove the abandoned caravans from the Abbey Trinity car park. The Clerk was instructed to write to the County Council re: a caravan parked at the Bishop Street car park.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Browne seconded the adoption of the Minutes of the February meeting.

Commissioner O'Mara proposed that the Board call on the Minister for Finance not to implement the new tax on savings as tax was already paid on this money. There was unanimous support for the proposal.

Letters were received from the following:

1. Tadg Mac Lochlainn, Ballinasloe branch of the Gaelic League requesting support for a "Bill of Rights for the Irish Language". There was unanimous support for the Bill.
2. Minister for the Environment, - read. It was decided to write again to the Minister and urge him to meet with a deputation from the Board to discuss the Water situation in Tuam.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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TOWN HALL, TUAM
25th February, 1955

- 3. Monaghan Urban District Council - read
- 4. Galway County Council - read
- 5. Roscommon Urban District Council - read
- 6. Institute of Public Administration re: LAMA Annual conference. Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded that Commissioner Flaherty attend the Conference.
- 7. Mr. L. Long - read
- 8. T. A. O'Donoghue & Son requesting consent to the sale of No. 17 Athenry road. Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded that consent be given.
- 9. Mr. Noel Treacy, TD., - read
- 10. Genealogical Office to Dr. Tony Claffey re: Coat of Arms. The Clerk was instructed to ^{WRITE TO} the Genealogical Office and request information of costs.

of Motion:

Commissioner O'Grady spoke on his Notice of Motion re: the sewage problem at Millstream Park. He said the situation can't be allowed to continue and he called on the County Council to rectify the problem. The Engineer was asked to have a report for the next meeting.


Commissioner O'Grady spoke on his Notice of Motion re: The Weir Road junction with Galway road. He urged that a roundabout and footpaths be provided immediately. The Engineer was asked to have an up date of the position for the next meeting.

Commissioner Biggins, on behalf of the Fair Green Residents Association, asked the support of the Board in their efforts to get Galway County Council to carry out repairs etc and to complete the Fairgreen Estate.

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following families:

- Kelly Family, Athenry road
- Hogge Family, Dublin road
- Dooley Family, Gilmartin road
- Gilmore Family, Sylane

This concluded the Meeting.


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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.
26th February, 1986

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

Meeting held on Tuesday, 4th February, 1986.

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

Tuesday, 4th March, 1986 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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A. Halion Baile Cleireach.

A G E N D A

Supt. Kilgannon

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Notice of Motion:

- 1. - M. O'Grady - That Galway County Council take over Millstream Park Housing estate and immediately rectify the sewage problem there.
- 2. - M. O'Grady - That Galway County Council erect a round-about or any system at Weir road junction in the interest of safety.

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In reply to Commissioner Browne the manager stated that the County Council were not presently entitled to contribute money towards the maintenance of Town Commissioner houses. Certain Clauses of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions Bill) 1985 might change this situation if the Act was enacted.

The Members indicated that they had now made their final decision on the Estimate and this matter was concluded.

Unity Car Park: It was decided to ask the Gardai to investigate the number of empty caravans at the Car Park also empty caravans at the Bog road and the Cloonthue road.

The Chairman informed the members that a meeting would take place on the site on Wednesday, 12th February at 3.00pm.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the Minutes of the January Meeting.

A Vote of sympathy as passed with the following Families:

- Murphy Family
- Melia Family
- Cunningham Family
- Costello Family
- Ellicott Family



The Chairman complimented the County Council on the rapid growth of houses in Tuam and welcomed the new phase in Parkmore.

This concluded the Meeting.

Joseph J. Jones
CHAIRMAN

CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.
19th JANUARY, 1986

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The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

Thursday, 4th February, 1986 at 7.30pm

The following members to attend

Mr. J. Jones

Mr. J. J. Jones, Chairman

AGENDA

Mr. J. J. Jones, B.S.A., at 7.30pm

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 21st January, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

29th January, 1986.

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 4th February, 1986, at 7.30pm

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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..... *B. Nolan* Baile Cleireach.

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Mr. Sean Costello, E.S.B., at 7.30pm

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 21st January, 1986

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: M. O'Grady, G. Browne, J. O'Mara, J. Flaherty,
F. Biggins, M. Kelly, P. M. Stapleton.

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager,
Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer.

The Prayer was recited.

A replica of the Town Cross was presented to the Board on behalf of Mrs. Queenie O'Brien and Family, Bishop Street. The Chairman thanked Mr. O'Brien and wished her good health in the future.

The Manager introduced the Estimates for 1986 which had been circulated to each member and advertised. He said the Estimate shows some variations from last year especially house repairs and Town Hall repairs. There has been a significant deterioration in finances over the past year which can be attributed to three main factors: 1. The very low level of the Town Rate at the commencement of the period of rate limitation and the failure to increase it by any significant amount when this limitation was removed. 2. Rising costs over the whole of this period together with further increases adopted at Estimate Meetings. Estimates were increased by £3,300 last year and the year before without increasing the rate. 3. The collapse of interest rates on investments and the cumulative effect of this on the income from this source together with the use of these reserves in the absence of an adequate rate. It is no longer feasible to take from reserves. He proposed increasing the rate to £1.29 in the £. The members indicated that they were not prepared to increase the rate from 25p to £1.29. During the discussion which followed it was decided that the Board seriously negotiate with Galway County Council to assume responsibility for housing. Commissioner Kelly also suggested contacting the Department of the Environment re: Grants. It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner O'Grady that the Chairman and Commissioner Browne visit the A.C.C. re: interest rates. Commissioner Browne proposed and Commissioner Stapleton seconded that the estimate be withdrawn. It was decided to defer any further discussion on the Estimate until the March meeting.

The Manager told the members that one scheme was approved - the planting of trees. There is a proposal for a scheme for the Mill Museum.

The Manager stated that the Plans sent to the Department have not been approved yet. The Engineer is to make provisions in the Estimate to make the building at shop street safe. Commissioner Stapleton requested that the Library be moved to Shop street by next year.

Members of the Board met with the objectors to the Car Parking laws - Itinerant Settlement Committee. They agreed to move to a handstand. The Engineer is to investigate this. The Chairman stated that a number of the families had moved and he asked that the County Council have the empty caravans removed from the Car Park.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
TOWN HALL, TUAM

The Manager has arranged a meeting with the Architect and the Engineer to consider the development of a playground at Parkmore. The suggested dates for the meeting being 5th February, 1986 or the 12th February, 1986 at 3.00pm.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting.

Letters were received from the following:

1. Castlebar Urban District Council - seeking support for the following resolution "That this Council calls on the Oireachtas to discontinue the pension system as at present in operation for members of Dail Eireann". There was unanimous support for the resolution.
2. Higgins, Chambers & Co re: consent to the sale of 70 Tubberjarlath road, Tuam, to Kevin and Della McHugh. Consent was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner O'Mara.
3. Supt. T. J. Waldron re: parking at Dublin road - read. Commissioner Stapleton proposed that the double yellow and 1 hour signs outside the Herald Office be removed. Commissioner Browne seconded the proposal and it was decided to write to the new Superintendent and invite him to the March meeting of the Board. Items for discussion: 1. Parking on Dublin road outside the Herald Office. 2. Bishop Street car park - caravans, exit and entrances. 3. Parking Bye-laws.
4. E.S.B. - read. The Chairman proposed and Commissioner O'Mara seconded that Mr. Sean Costello be invited to the February meeting of the Board.
5. Department of the Environment re: Water situation in Tuam - read. The Clerk was instructed to reply and query when the Minister would meet a deputation from the Board.
6. Minister for Agriculture - read.

of Motion:

Commissioner Kelly spoke on his Notice of Motion. He felt that a tape recorder should be provided for the Clerk. All agreed. The Manager is to investigate.

The Chairman, Manager and Members of the Board congratulated Mr. L. Long on his retirement. All joined in wishing him a long and happy retirement.

Commissioner O'Grady asked the Manager to have a Health Inspector visit Millstream Park because of a sewage problem in the area.

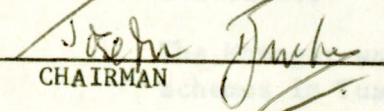
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Mr. Kevin Murphy was congratulated on being promoted to Brigadier General, Western Command.

This concluded the Meeting.


CHAIRMAN

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel.: 24246

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

To each Town Commissioner.

6th January, 1986...

A CHAIRMAN, A Special

~~The Monthly~~ Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 7th January, 1986..... at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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The County Engineer has been asked to make provision for repairs to Bank House pending the provision of a new Library.

The Manager stated that the £5,000 grant would not be available to Local Authorities. The £800 grant for the provision of a bathroom and the £2,000 for an additional room is available to local Authorities plus the various small grants already available.

The Manager was asked to have a Report re: Social Employment schemes in Tuam, for the next meeting.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel.: 24246

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

To each Town Commissioner.

15th January, 1986.

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The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 21st January, 1986, at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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Notice of Motion: M. Kelly

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The Manager was asked to have a Report re: Social Employment schemes in Tuam, for the next meeting.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd December, 1985

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: F. Biggins, J. O'Mara, G. Browne,
J. Flaherty, P. M. Stapleton, N. Halion
M. Kelly.

M. O'Grady,

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager,
Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer.

The Prayer was recited.

Mr. J. Burke, Editor, Tuam Herald, visited the meeting. He requested that the Commissioners support his recommendation that the Parking signs outside his premises be moved 20 feet either way. This would resolve the problem of parking in that area. There was unanimous support for the recommendation and the Clerk was instructed to write to Supt. Waldron and Mr. J. Gibbons, Area Engineer and convey the Boards support for the recommendation.

The Chairman told the members that a meeting was sought with Mr. Comerford but was not forthcoming. This to be discussed in the new year.

The Manager stated that additional information had been requested by the Department. It is normal procedure to look for additional engineering information on various aspects of a scheme. The information referred to has been submitted and the sites have now been inspected. Arising out of this inspection further information was compiled and submitted to the Department.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Mara seconded the adoption of the November Minutes.

The Manager stated that the Estimates meeting would be held on January 21st. Commissioner Browne proposed and Commissioner Flaherty seconded that the ordinary meeting be combined with the Estimates meeting and be held on January 21st 1986.

Hall Repairs:

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The Manager was asked to have a Report re: Social Employment schemes in Tuam, for the next meeting.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. The Minister for Social Welfare - read
2. Monaghan Urban District Council - seeking support for a resolution "That this Council condemns the reduction in the Old Age Pensioners Christmas Bonus". There was unanimous support for the resolution.
3. Listowel Urban District Council - seeking support for the following resolution "That this Council requests the Minister for the Environment to urgently introduce legislation enabling local authorities to erect suitable traffic ramps in Housing estates, where the majority of the residents deem this to be necessary". There was unanimous support for the resolution.
4. Sligo County Council - read
5. Kilrush Urban District Council - seeking support for the following resolution "That this Council request the wearing of safety arm-bands to be adequately advertised". There was unanimous support for the resolution.
6. Mr. Liam Kavanagh, TD, Minister for the Environment, re Tuam Town Commissioners request that he meet a deputation to discuss the water supply position in Tuam - read.
7. A.I.B. - read
8. Ballyshannon Town Commissioners - read

Trinity Car Park:

A discussion took place on the number of caravans in the Abbey Trinity car park, the dogs and horses wandering in the park, the Traders displaying their wares and the lines of clothes. Tuam Town Commissioners will continue to maintain their record in housing itinerants but will not accept outside travelling people. The County Council has a responsibility to provide a hardstand for travellers passing through. The Chairman supported by the members appealed to the Manager to study the situation and solve it.

The Manager promised that the situation would be looked into and if evidence is available as regards leaving a house, action would be taken. The same applies to traders.

It was decided to write to the Minister re: the Bye-laws.

Notice of Motion:

Commissioner Burke spoke on his Notice of Motion re: the toilets at the Shambles, Tuam. The Engineer told the members that quite an allocation of money for the upgrading of the toilets was available this year. New windows and doors would be installed and the toilets brought up to standard. There was unanimous support for the Motion.

Commissioner Burke also spoke on his Motion re: Playing facilities at Parkmore. He said there are well over 100 houses and a huge number of children in Parkmore and it was long agreed that playing facilities be provided. The other Commissioners supported the Motion and Commissioner O'Mara urged that the playing area be located in a central position.

Commissioner Biggins complimented the girls who held a 48 hour fast for local charities.

Commissioner Kelly told the members that at the Municipal Authorities executive meeting in Kilkenny, the Notices of Motion re: 'Help for the elderly' were approved.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following families:

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| Fallon Family, | Dillon Family, |
| Cahill Family, | McGough Family, |
| McGreal Family, | Newman Family, |
| Cassidy Family, | |

It was decided to lend the Minute Book for the years 1860-61 to Mr. Tony Claffey.

This concluded the Meeting.

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 Following the closure of the access from Millstown Park
 to Galway road via Byrne's Supermarket it is now necessary
 at all times to approach the Galway road via the Weir road
 junction. The Residents also requested the Commissioners

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Held on Tuesday 5th November, 1985

Present:

Chairman: J. Burke

Commissioners: M. O'Grady, N. Halion, J. O'Mara
G. Browne, F. Biggins, M. Kelly

Apology:

J. Flaherty
P.M. Stapleton

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

...27th November, 1985

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

Tuesday, 3rd December, 1985

at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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1. Minutes
2. Manager's Business
3. Correspondence
4. Notice of Motion:-
 1. Joe Burke - I will propose that Money will be allocated in the 1986 Estimates to up-grade the toilets at the Shambles, Tuam.
 2. Joe Burke - That this Board requests Galway County Council to provide for the provision of playing facilities in Parkmore in the 1986 Estimates.

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Meeting Held on Tuesday 5th November, 1985

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Commissioners: M. O'Grady, N. Halion, J. O'Mara
G. Browne, F. Biggins, M. Kelly

Apology:

J. Flaherty
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Officials:

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager,
Mr. J. Gibbons, Engineer,

The Prayer was recited.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. T. J. Waldron, Supt. Garda Siochana to the meeting. The items to be discussed were:
1. Extra Garda for Tuam. 2. New Garda station for Tuam.
3. Car Parking Bye-laws. 4. Installation of Oval Mirrors.
5. Parking. 6 Pedestrian crossings. 7. Traffic lights at Weir road junction.

The Supt. explained that there would be no extra Gardai for the Tuam area. At present he has 2 Sergeants and 22 Garda also 1 Detective Sergeant and 7 detective garda. As regards roudiness in the town centre at night, there are 2 garda on foot patrol also the patrol car with 2 more garda. Each Garda has a personnel radio set and can be contacted instantly. It was decided to write to Commissioner Wren and request extra Gardai and transport for Tuam.

It was decided to write to the Board of Works and express grave concern at the lack of progress on the provision of a new Garda Station in Tuam.

The Car Parking Bye-laws were sent to the Minister together with an objection received. They have not yet been signed. The Manager explained that a delay was caused by a legal snag. The Supt. was requested to investigate the number of dogs and animals in the Abbey trinity car park.

The Supt. has no objection to the installation of Oval mirrors but felt this was a matter for the Local Authority. The Engineer explained that Oval/concave morrors were not provided for in the sign regulations. There are none in the county. It was decided to write to the County Engineer and request his permission to install a mirror at Shop Street.

The Supt. and the Engineer undertook to examine a section of Dublin road where there is a problem re: Parking.

The Engineer told the members that it was expected to have the pedestrian crossings installed before Christmass.

The Supt. and the Engineer both thought that Traffic lights at the Weir road junction were not a good idea. The Engineer stated that negotiations were taking place with the owner of the Slaughter house. He is hopeful of acquiring this ground, also he hopes to widen the Galway road on the south side (St. Bridget's Terr.) which would have the effect of moving the traffic more to that side of the road. The Chairman and the members welcomed the plan for the Weir road junction and hoped the work would be carried out urgently.

The Chairman thanked the Supt. for attending the meeting.

Deputation:

A Deputation was received from Millstream Park Residents Association. The Residents complained about the lack of footpaths on the left hand side of the Weir road, near the abattoir - The abattoir which is in a bad state of disrepair - The danger at the Weir road junction - The speed at which traffic approaches the junction - Indiscriminate parking on the Weir road and at Byrne's Premises. Following the closure of the access from Millstream Park to Galway road via Byrne's Supermarket it is now necessary at all times to approach the Galway road via the Weir road junction. The Residents also requested the Commissioners

support in getting Galway County Council to maintain the entrance to the estate. They also drew attention to the poor sewerage system in the estate.

The Residents then left and a discussion took place on the items mentioned.

The Engineer explained that He was hopeful of acquiring the Abattoir ground. Negotiations had broken down and there may be a time delay but this and the provision of a footpath will get priority attention. The members felt that if the implementation of the plan, as outlined, for the Weir road junction could be speeded up a lot of the problems would be alleviated. The ground behind Murphy's Engineering belongs to the County Development Team. It was decided to write to the County Development Team and request that they develop their site. The sewerage is a matter for the developer. The Chairman and the members agreed that there were many problems in the area and they welcomed the efforts of the Residents Association.

Commissioner Biggins read the attached letter regarding the Water. The Manager was asked to have a report for the next meeting.

The Chairman informed the members that the Plan, as outlined at the last meeting, will not go ahead. There is no possibility of going forward in view of the exorbitant cost. A report was requested for next month.

Commissioner Biggins queried if a panel was set up for the interviewing of applicants to the Fire brigade. The Manager stated that these were not advertised yet.

Commissioner Kelly requested that a bin be erected in the "Square Deal" area. He also asked the Manager if the Commissioners as a local Authority would qualify for some of the grants announced by the Dept. This is to be discussed at the next meeting as no particulars are available yet.

Commissioner Kelly proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded the adoption of the October minutes.

Commissioner O'Mara told the members that the attitude of the Sugar Company has not changed. The first of the redundancies will be in December. All the members agreed there is no point in the factory being open with no workers there. They wished the tree planting operation luck but it was decided to call a meeting of the Commissioners, the Chamber of Commerce and the Community Council in view of the latest developments at the Sugar factory.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. The County Engineer - re: the purchase of a mechanical machine - read.
2. Mr. Dick Spring, T.D., Tanaiste and Minister for Energy read.
3. 5th Class, C.B.S., - signs on the approach roads - This was supported and to be discussed at the next meeting.
4. J. P. Glynn & Sons re: consent to the sale of No. 5 Parkmore Terr. Tuam, to Mr. John Nolan. Consent was proposed by Commissioner O'Mara and seconded by Commissioner Kelly.
5. Concanon & Meagher - requesting consent to the sale of No. 10 Tubberjarlath road, Tuam to Mr. Patrick Mullins. Commissioner O'Mara proposed and Commissioner Kelly seconded that consent be given.
6. Mr. Barry Desmond, T.D., Minister for Social Welfare, - read.
7. E.E.C. re Notice of Motion - read.

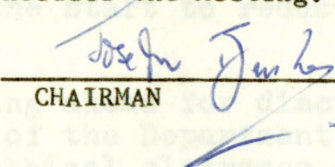
8. Bord Failte - Progress report Tidy Towns Competition.
9. The Taoiseach, Dr. Garret Fitzgerald, T.D., re:
Notice of Motion - read.
10. A.C.C. - read.
11. Ulster Bank - read.
12. Allied Irish Banks - read.
13. E.S.B. - re Notice of Motion - read.
14. Fr. Martin Gleeson - read.

sympathy:

A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following families:
McGough Family, Galway road.
McHugh Family, Bishop street.
Monaghan Family, Athenry road.

This Concluded the Meeting.

SIGNED:


CHAIRMAN

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Town Clerk

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TUAM REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY

This will be a major scheme which is likely to run into double figures of millions. Its importance from the National and local viewpoint to insure an adequate supply of good quality water for Tuam Town and for an extensive area between Dunmore and Glenamaddy and the areas covered by the Mid Galway Regional Scheme is fully recognised and accepted by the Department of the Environment.

The Scheme is intended to make up for the deficiencies of the present Tuam supply and to provide for the long term needs of the town both as regards housing, industrial and Commercial development.

The Preliminary Report is with the Department of the Environment since March 1985. The size and significance of the scheme is such that it is vital to get the planning right and fully agreed from the start to reduce the risk of delays later on.

Arrangements are pressing ahead for discussions between the technical advisers of the Department and Galway County Council to speed up technical clearance of the proposals.

When this is settled satisfactorily it should be possible to give early decision on the scheme by the end of March 1986 hopefully.

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