

# TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel.: 24246

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

To each Town Commissioner.

30th October, 1985

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 5th November, 1985 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

*A. Nolan*  
Baile Cleireach.

## A G E N D A

1. Minutes
2. Manager's Business
3. Correspondence
4. Water
5. Updated Report on Weir road junction
6. Deputation - Millstream Park Residents Association

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3. Marian Choral Society - read - Commissioner Kelly proposed and Commissioner Stapleton seconded that the Board contribute £15 as requested.
4. J. P. Glynn & Sons, solicitors - requesting consent to the sale of no. 5 Parkmore terr. Tuam. This matter could not be dealt with as the name of the purchaser was not supplied.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Held on Tuesday, 1st October, 1985

Chairman: J. Burke

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

Mr. E. Gleeson, County Secretary, for Mr. J. Howlett.  
Mr. Michael Nugent, Engineer.

The Prayer was recited.

The Engineer was requested to investigate the Fire Escape, from the section of the Town Hall leased to the Theatre Guild, as it was not clear at the moment also the light over the Fire exit door.

The Engineer stated that the weeds etc will be cleared away in co-ordination with the tree planting as outlined at the last meeting.

Commissioners Stapleton, O'Grady, O'Mara and Browne objected strongly to another circus being accommodated at the Abbey Trinity car park. The views of the Board were ignored and they insisted that there be no more circuses held in the car park. The Chairman asked the Manager to investigate alternative suitable accommodation for circuses in Tuam. The County Secretary replied that permission had been given by Galway County Council. The arrangements had been made a long time ago. The views of the Board will be taken into account in the future. Parkmore seems the best place in the short term.

The Chairman stated that the pressure of the water was low and the Engineer replied that there was a 5lb drop in pressure which was due to the pumping facility at Ballymote. The Chairman then asked what effect the drop in pressure has in the Athenry road/Dublin road area and Belair, also if Belair is on a direct link to the tower, and if there was any Report from the Hydrogeologist. Commissioner Browne asked if the reservoir was properly sealed and fenced. The Engineer replied that everyone has water. Belair is not yet on a direct link to the tower but the work is being carried out. The fencing at the reservoir is adequate. The County Secretary told the members that there was no Report yet from the Hydrogeologist.

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5. C.S.E.T. Mr. C. Comerford, M.D., will visit Tuam on the 11th October, 1985 and will meet a deputation at the Sugar factory on that date.

The County Secretary told the members that the Library Committee have approved of the plans and they have been sent to the department. They are awaiting approval from the department. The proposal is to provide an up to date Library, with all modern facilities, a display area, Children's story telling area, Toilets etc. The overall cost of the facility to be £240,000.

The Chairman and the members expressed outrage at this outlandish figure. It was felt that £40,000 would provide an excellent library for the town.

It was decided to discuss the matter with the County Manager with a view to coming up with a less ambitious plan.

Commissioner Browne spoke on his Notice of Motion re- Oval mirrors. He said there is still traffic going down Shop street. Oval mirrors would be very effective from a safety point of view. Commissioner Stapleton supported the notice of motion.

It was decided to discuss the matter with Supt. Waldron. A Copy of the Notice of Motion to be sent to the County Engineer.

Commissioner Burke spoke on his Notice of Motion re - Littering. He said the County Council are not showing good example with only one man sweeping the streets. He queried how many bins were on the Dublin road - between Allied Irish Bank and the Vocational School. He asked the Manager to seriously consider buying a suction machine to clean up the streets. He requested a further updating on the situation at the next meeting.

The Engineer stated that people are being taken to Court for littering. There are two cases pending at the moment. The County Secretary said that a suction machine cannot be bought this year but could be considered in the estimate for next year.

It was decided to write to Mr. Carroll, Environmental section, Galway County Council and invite him to the November meeting.

Commissioner Browne spoke on his second Notice of Motion. He said we are commencing a very long winter and he was asking the financial institutions, the Government, the E.E.C. to come to the aid of people in need this year. He was also calling on the E.S.B. to increase the free units available to the elderly. He also called on the Minister for Health and Social Welfare to give a directive to the Health Boards to relax their guidelines, in relation to the free fuel schemes, in this disastrous year.

There was unanimous support for this Notice of Motion. It was decided to circulate the Notice of Motion to other local Authorities.

Fire Brigade Committee:

Commissioner Biggins attended a meeting of the County Galway Fire Brigade Committee. The meeting was held to discuss a five year capital programme. It is planned to provide a second "Class B" Fire tender for Tuam in 1987, also drill towers etc. to be provided in 1989, for the training of Cadets subject to capital being available.

When asked about hydrants and training in Tuam Commissioner Biggins stated that the standard of cutting equipment and breathing apparatus etc. was up to date. Hydrants should be marked at all times.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

13th September, 1965

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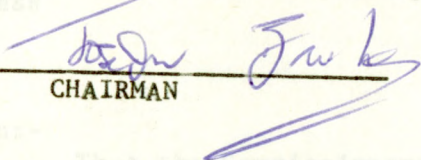
A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following:

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Mr. Henry Comerford, on the death of Bill Comerford.

Principal Authorities:

Commissioner Kelly stated that the recent A.M.A.I. Conference in Kiltrush was very successful. Urbanisation was discussed. There is a possibility that Tuam will be considered for a future conference. He asked that a letter be written to the Town Clerk, Kiltrush complimenting him on the way the conference was organised.

This concluded the meeting.

  
CHAIRMAN

Recorded by:  
M. Holian,  
Clerk.

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## A G E N D A

1. Minutes
2. Manager's Business
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4. Water
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6. Notice of Motion:-

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- (3) G. Browne - That the Commissioners request the Government, the E.E.C. and all financial institutions to come to the Aid of the Farming Community in this disastrous year. + all in need in the urban areas.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd September, 1985

Present:

Chairman: J. Burke

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

Officials:

Mr. E. Gleeson, County Secretary for Mr. J. Howlett.  
Mr. J. Gibbons, Area Engineer.

The prayer was recited.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Gleeson to the meeting and introduced him to the members.

Deputation:

A Deputation was received from Tuam Theatre Guild. Mr. G. King thanked the Commissioners for their support in the past, for the new windows recently installed and for the improvements carried out. He outlined the Theatre Guild's plans for the future.

Minutes:

Green Areas:

Commissioner O'Grady felt that the County Council are not making enough effort in looking for schemes - A Youth Employment scheme or a Social Employment scheme should be sought in an effort to clean up the Green Areas. The Engineer is being starved of funds. Commissioner Browne, who said the entrances to Tuam are a disgrace, proposed that the County Council be asked to allocate 3 extra men to carry out the work in Tuam. Commissioner Stapleton seconded this proposal. The Engineer said there was very little that could be done as outlined at the last meeting.

The County Secretary told the members that there is very severe financial difficulty. There are no funds for extra men. As regards the Social Employment schemes, there are areas which are defined as Local Authority works and Social Employment schemes would not cover these. There is a Social Employment scheme at present for the planting of trees at Galway road, Abbeytrinity road, Ballygaddy road, Tullinadaly road, Bishop street and Dublin road. Commissioner O'Mara asked that the green areas be tackled as a matter of urgency. Commissioner Kelly asked that the matter be raised at Council level. The Engineer was asked to attend to a leakage on Bishop street.

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bacteria harmful to human life. The water is sterile bacteriologically, chemically it is not good. At all times the water is chlorinated, the dose varies, in dry weather it takes very little but during floods it could take five times the normal amount.

The County Secretary then stated that the Collection of Water Rates cannot be suspended. As regards the new scheme from the Corrib, the preliminary reports have gone to the Department and senior Engineers have had discussions on same. It could take 6 to 12 months for the preparation of contract documents, and allocation of Money etc. - Stage 1 will cost £10.8m. The total allocation to Galway County Council for water in 1985 was £2.37m.

The Chairman then proposed that the Board seek a deputation to the Minister for the Environment as per his notice of Motion. He said reasonable people are perturbed because of the persistent bad water. He appealed to Galway County Council not to fly in the face of facts. Monitoring may show that the water is safe but the People of Tuam are drinking grossly inferior water. He proposed writing to the three M.E.P's as regards E.E.C. finance for the new water scheme. Also they should be invited to attend the Deputation to the Minister, with the County Manager and the Town Engineer.

Working Bye-laws:

Commissioners Stapleton, O'Grady and O'Mara objected to circuses using the Car park at Abbey Trinity. The Chairman said that he had contacted the County Manager on discovering the circus at Abbey Trinity, who sought Legal advice. However the High Court is not sitting during the summer. The particular circus which arrived on a Thursday, did not hold a performance and moved out again on the Saturday morning. He said now it was possible to go to the Circuit Court and get an order to clear the car park. He suggested that action be taken against the traders. The County Secretary told the members that the new Bye-laws have been adopted by Galway County Council. One months public notice had been given. The month has now gone by and an objection had been received from the National Council for travelling people. This objection will accompany the Bye-laws when they are being sent to the Minister. They are to be submitted within two days. The Engineer stated that normally circuses are not allowed into Car parks. However as the traditional places for travelling shows are nearly all gone and to facilitate these people, permission has been given to amusement people and circuses to use a car park subject to their paying an indemnity. The circus at Abbey Trinity did not make any payment to Galway County Council. Commissioner Stapleton then proposed and Commissioner O'Mara seconded "That Galway County Council, in their overall plan for Parkmore, make sufficient space available for travelling shows etc."

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

It was decided to defer Notices of Motion 1, 4, and 6 until the October meeting.

Enda's Ave playground:

It was decided to write to the residents of St. Enda's Ave, also to the St. Benin Training Centre and invite them to a meeting to discuss the proposals for the playground. The proposed meeting to take place in early November. Mr. J. Gibbons, Area Engineer, also to attend the meeting.

County Secretary

County Engineer

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Commissioner, Garda Siochana, re Selling of lines and tickets - read.
2. Mrs. Rosaleen Flanagan, Galway road, - read.
3. Inspector W. A. Lavery, Garda Siochana, - Pedestrian crossings - read.
4. Mr. Paul Connaughton, Minister of State, Dept. of Agriculture - read.
5. Mr. C. K. Comerford, C.S.E.T., - read.
6. Gleeson & Kean, requesting consent to the sale of 64 Gilmartin road, Tuam, to Michael and Bridget Ward. Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner O'Grady seconded that consent be given.
7. Association of Municipal Authorities - read.
8. Tuam Swimming Club - read.

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A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following:

- Burke Family, Miltown, on the death of Willie Burke.
- Kelly Family, Newtownmorris on the death of John Kelly.
- Presentation Sisters, on the death of Sr. Saviour.

The Galway Hurling team were complimented on their excellent performance in the All Ireland Hurling Final.

This concluded the Meeting.

*Seamus J. J. [Signature]*  
 CHAIRMAN

Recorded by;  
Evela Holian,  
Clerk.

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COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

memo

County Secretary

County Engineer

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I refer to my previous report dated 1/7/1985 concerning Tobernanny and give the current position.

As the rainfall over the last few months has been both exceptionally heavy and prolonged we have been able to confirm

- (a) that the water quality is adversely affected in some springs but not in others
- (b) that iron levels in the springs which develop an ugly taste remain high for the duration of the taste problem
- (c) that the practice of pumping water from the "good" springs provides at least a partial solution.

We have engaged a hydrogeologist with a view to tracing the sources of the Tobernanny springs. While it would be rash to assume that it will be possible to map all these sources any information got will be of value in controlling possible pollution.

*R. Flaherty*

County Engineer

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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Chairman: J. Burke

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

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

J. O'Mara, M. O'Grady.

The Chairman welcomed Mrs. Ciss Salmon-Loftus, who is on holiday here from the U.S.A. Mrs Salmon-Loftus was born in Tuam and is 92 years of age. She left Ireland on 18th September, 1909. The Chairman introduced her to the members of the Board and wished her a very enjoyable holiday.

The prayer was recited.

Pedestrian crossings: The Engineer explained that the Pedestrian crossings are being implemented - an error in the schedule had to be amended. He expects the work to be done before Christmas, probably in November.

Green areas: All the members expressed dissatisfaction with the way the Green areas of the town are maintained. The Engineer explained that it is a question of finance. There is an annual allocation for this work and we have to live within it. As men retire they can't be replaced. The roads work-force has been halved in the past 5 years. As regards Finance the Manager said that the County Council makes representation to the Minister. The laying-off of staff is country wide. The Manager was asked by Commissioners Stapleton and Kelly to find out what proportion of Rates collected, is being channelled back into Tuam and what proportion of Car Tax collected is being channelled back to Galway County.

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

Water Site: The Chairman said he had contacted Mr. Keane and the matter is being attended to.

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5. Minister for the Environment - Water situation, read.

- 6. Minister for Justice - read.
- 7. Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland re Annual Conference. read.
- 8. Minister of State at the Department of Finance re a new Garda Station in Tuam - read.
- 9. Council of Irish and European Local Authorities - read.
- 10. Tuam Chamber of Commerce - re the number of people who sell lines, tickets and otherwise collect money in the Town.

A deputation from Tuam Community Council was received. Concern was expressed at the number of people selling lines, tickets etc. in the Town over the past few months. The public are constantly being confronted by these people. These people are being recruited by an organiser and are being paid a commission. They have no local involvement or there is no local benefit from their efforts.

It was decided to write to the Commissioner of Gardai and enquire if there is any law to restrict these people.

The Manager stated, as regards the new scheme from the Corrib, the plans have gone to the Department and all queries have been dealt with. The Department are sending out an Inspector to discuss the technicalities of the new scheme.

As regards the old scheme, a report was issued. The Manager has had discussions with the senior Engineer and has agreed to a survey to pinpoint the source of pollution. There is a scheme for the diversion of a spring, using a diesel pump. The Manager has agreed to make funds available for the purchase of a pump.

The Manager told the members that the Library Committee have given their approval. The plans are with the Department and are being examined by their technical people.

Queried if the Parking Bye-laws would enable anything to be done as regards Abbey Trinity car park, the Manager explained that there are different Bye-laws covering car Parks. The Bye-laws covering Car parks are not yet in force.

Commissioner Biggins queried if there was any law as regards the pasting of posters on road signs.

Commissioner Stapleton spoke on his Notice of Motion regarding the St. Enda's Ave playground. It was decided to discuss this further at the September meeting. Mr. Gibbons was asked to attend the September meeting also residents of St. Enda's ave and representatives of St. Benin's Training Centre to be invited. The Original report on St. Enda's Ave playground to be circularised.

It was decided to defer the other notices of motion until the September meeting.

- A vote of Sympathy was passed with the following:
- Cunningham Family, Shop street
  - Reilly Family, Fairgreen
  - Lohan Family, Tubberjarlath
  - Tuam C.B.S. on the death of Br. Philip McKeon

This concluded the meeting.

SIGNED: Joseph J. J. [Signature]  
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# TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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31st July, 1985.

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7. Parking Bye-laws
8. C.S.E.T.
9. Notice of Motion:

1. P. M. Stapleton, That Tuam Town Commissioners have further discussion regarding the development of the St. Enda's Ave Park.

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I will propose that this Board seek a Deputation to the Minister for the Environment re-Tuam water Supply, also request an up to date position from Galway County Council.

Authorities: Commissioners Stapleton and Kelly elected - having being proposed by Commissioner O'Mara and seconded by Commissioner Browne.

Commissioner Biggins was elected - having be proposed by Commissioner Burke and Seconded by Commissioner O'Mara.

It was decided to write to the Chief Fire Officer informing him of the nomination of Commissioner Biggins and to enquire if the Fire Brigade committee is active.

Business: The Manager read a report, from the County Engineer, Mr. R. Faherty on the water situation in Tuam.

A discussion on the water situation followed - Commissioner Browne asked that the reservoir be fenced as a bullock was drown there recently. The Engineer replied that there was an animal in the reservoir, which was removed immediately on discovery of the animal. The water was cut off and tested, but nothing was found. The animal was not long in the water. There is a fence round the reservoir and the gate is locked.

Commissioner Browne proposed that future meetings be confined to 1½ hours duration.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Monday, 1st July, 1985

Chairman: J. O'Mara.....outgoing

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

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

The prayer was recited.

The outgoing Chairman welcomed the new Board members and wished them well. He then called for nominations to the posts of Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Commissioner Burke was elected Chairman - having been proposed by Commissioner Browne and seconded by Commissioner Kelly. The outgoing Chairman congratulated Commissioner Burke on being elected Chairman and also on his good performance in the County Council Elections. He then handed over the Chain of Office to Commissioner Burke.

Commissioner Burke thanked the members for electing him Chairman. He thanked the outgoing Chairman and welcomed the three new members to the Board. He also thanked the press for their co-operation. He said there were a number of important issues which they as a board should pursue - the extension of the Town Boundary, Urbanisation, C.S.E.T. and the water situation. He then asked for nominations to the post of Vice Chairman.

Commissioner O'Grady was elected Vice Chairman - having been proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner Halion.

Commissioner O'Grady thanked the members for electing him Vice Chairman. He agreed with what the Chairman had said, he looks forward to the next five years and hopes that real progress will be made.

Authorities: Commissioners Stapleton and Kelly elected - having being proposed by Commissioner O'Mara and seconded by Commissioner Browne.

Commissioner Biggins was elected - having be proposed by Commissioner Burke and Seconded by Commissioner O'Mara.

It was decided to write to the Chief Fire Officer informing him of the nomination of Commissioner Biggins and to enquire if the Fire Brigade committee is active.

Business: The Manager read a report, from the County Engineer, Mr. R. Faherty on the water situation in Tuam.

A discussion on the water situation followed - Commissioner Browne asked that the reservoir be fenced as a bullock was drown there recently. The Engineer replied that there was an animal in the reservoir, which was removed immediately on discovery of the animal. The water was cut off and tested, but nothing was found. The animal was not long in the water. There is a fence round the reservoir and the gate is locked.

Commissioner Browne proposed that future meetings be confined to 1½ hours duration.

Site:

On a query by Commissioner Stapleton the Engineer told the members that the dangerous building on this site will be knocked if he can gain entry to the site. Commissioner Burke to ring Mr. J. Keane and get back to the Engineer.

Commissioner Stapleton asked that the Chairman pursue the Moving of the Library to shop Street, at County Council level. The Clerk was instructed to include both the Library and the Water on the agenda for the next meeting.

Bye-laws:

This item to be discussed at the next meeting.

Commissioner O'Mara told the members that C.S.E.T. are pressing ahead with the proposal to transfer 14 people from the Administration section to Carlow. Commissioner O'Grady said that the Board should demand an urgent meeting with the Managing Director, Mr. Comerford. Commissioner Browne felt that as the Government is the major shareholder, the political parties should be appealed to. 111 jobs have already been lost at Tuam. Commissioner Biggins felt that history was repeating itself. This was the way the Potato Plant was closed. This to be discussed at the next meeting.

Enda's Ave:

The Engineer told the members that he examined the house and was of the opinion that the crack in the wall was not caused by fire.

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

Attendance:

Letters were received from the following:

1. T. A. O'Donoghue & Son, requesting the consent of the Commissioners to a change of ownership of No. 7 Newtownmorris, Tuam - from James McGrath, deceased to Mrs. Nora McGrath.
2. Lydon & Co. request the consent of the Commissioners to the Sale of 41 Tubberjarlath road, Tuam.

Res:

Commissioner O'Mara proposed that the Engineer be asked to cut and clear the green areas in the Town. The green areas of the Town were discussed also the Grave yard. It was felt that every effort should be made during the summer months and extra staff employed if necessary. Commissioner Halion felt that a youth Employment Scheme might be used. The Engineer replied that cutting the grass is an ongoing process - every effort will be made over the coming months. There is a man working in the Grave Yard.

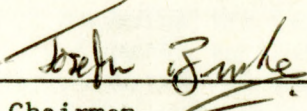
Relations:

Dynamo Blues were congratulated on their recent wins: The Lillis Cup for the 3rd time, Joe Ryan Cup and the premier League, also P. Dunne on being selected for the Irish Junior Soccer Team.

A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following families:  
Monaghan Family, Athenry road. Manning Family, Tullinadaly.  
Burke Family, Togher. Kelly Family, Brownsgrrove.  
Hussey Family, Tubberjarlath. Haverty Family, Killimor.  
Garda Siuchana on the death of Sgt. Morrissey.

This concluded the meeting.

SIGNED:

  
Chairman

Commissioner O'Mara proposed writing to the Minister and requesting him to put his seal on the "County of Galway Traffic and Parking Byelaws, 1965" immediately.

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Mr. J. Howlett, Assistant Co. Manager

County Engineer

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The Tobernanny source serving Tuam Water Supply system was put into service in 1981. Shortly afterwards water from these springs developed an ugly taste and smell and became virtually undrinkable for some days. The phenomena recurred on three occasions since, the latest being on last Bank Holiday weekend. As the problem has only occurred four times in all since the commissioning of the scheme and has generally lasted for some days only it has not been possible to trace its cause with certainty. Chemical and bacteriological analyses have been carried out regularly since 1981 and have shown the following.

- (1) That the water from the Tobernanny springs has been usually of better bacteriological quality than water from the other sources which supply Tuam.
- (2) That on each of the four occasions when the Tobernanny water became ugly in taste a period of exceptionally heavy rain had occurred some short time before.
- (3) That some of the Tobernanny springs appeared to be more affected than others.

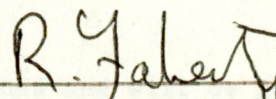
Accordingly the springs which appeared to be least affected by heavy rain were identified and separated from the rest by sand bags. After the heavy rain of late May last it was noticed that some of the springs were highly coloured and contained vegetable matter. Samples were taken daily for analysis - both chemical and bacteriological. The water on 27th and 28th May was tested and no unusual taste or odour was apparent. The analyses showed in fact low levels of ammonia and iron for these days. However, over the bank-holiday weekend reports were received that the water had developed an ugly taste and smell. Further analyses taken on 3rd and 4th of June showed that ammonia and iron levels had risen in some of the springs but not in the springs which had been more or less isolated by sand bags. Water was therefore pumped from the good spring only using an auxiliary hired pump, and the taste of the mains water improved.

As stated it has not yet been possible to pin down the cause of the taste problems in the Tobernanny source. However, problems of this sort are not unusual with underground sources and certain possible causes are being investigated with reasonable hope of success. The danger to public health lies not in the rare occurrence of unpleasant tasting water but in the possible public reaction to it.

I refer to the possibility that people may be afraid to drink the water even after the taste problem has disappeared and drink water from local wells etc. Water from wells and springs may be palatable and appear crystal clear. Such water is almost certain to be polluted and may contain pathogenic bacteria. Tuam water is chlorinated and is therefore sterile.

Future Proposals:

- (1) Sampling and analyses will continue and we will try to identify the underground catchment supplying Tobernanny Spring.
- (2) We have identified the weather associated with taste troubles and will in future make use of the better quality springs after heavy rain. While we cannot guarantee that these measures will be always successful we have reasonable confidence that they will be.

  
County Engineer

Commissioner Browne proposed writing to the Minister and suggesting to him to put his seal on the "County of Galway Traffic and Parking Bye-laws, 1985" immediately.



# TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

26th June, 1985.....

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

Monday, 1st July, 1985..... at 7.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

Browne

*Angela Nolan*  
..... Baile Cleireach.

## A G E N D A

1. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman
2. Appointment of representatives to Municipal Authorities Meetings.

3. *Final Budget Comm. Hll*

4. *Manager's Report*

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It was decided to write to the Minister for the Environment.

P. M. Stapleton proposed and Midie O'Grady seconded the adoption of the minutes of the May meeting.

business:

The sought approval of a 3% increase in Salary to the Town Clerk. P. M. Stapleton proposed and Midie O'Grady seconded.

P. M. Stapleton proposed and Kevin Dwyer seconded the publishing the Notice of Poll, for the Local Elections, in the Tuam Herald.

Bye-laws:

Agreement on Draft has been obtained and will be going before the County Council meeting the next day (Wed. 5th June, 1985). When adopted by the County Council they will be put on display for a month and then sent to the Minister.

Commissioner Browne proposed writing to the Minister and suggesting to him to put his seal on the "County of Galway Traffic and Parking Bye-laws, 1985" immediately.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday, 4th June, 1985

Chairman: J. O'Mara

Commissioners: P. M. Stapleton, M. O'Grady, G. Browne  
K. Dwyer, M. Kelly, J. Burke.

B. O'Brien

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

Site:

Due to a misunderstanding there was no report on the derelict site, but Commissioner Keane and the Engineer agreed to inspect the site and report back to the July meeting.

The Chairman told the members that negotiations were taking place regarding the transfer of 14 people from the administration section to Carlow, reducing that area from 21 persons to 7. Commissioner Browne proposed that a letter be written to the Managing Director objecting to any more cuts in the workforce. There was unanimous support for this proposal. Commissioner Stapleton proposed writing to the Taoiseach and the Tainiste also to Mr. C. Haughey as the present government seem unaware of what is going on.

The Manager informed the members that the Plans are approved by the Library Committee and have been submitted to the Department of the Environment.

The bad condition of the water over the past week was discussed at length. Commissioner Dwyer felt that the present underground source is contaminated and is not fit for human consumption. Commissioner Kelly said that the ammonia content in the water is too high. The Manager told the members that the Department have been given a full account of the present situation. The matter now rests with the Department. He added that there has been difficulty about water supply in the whole county due to the recent flooding. Asked if the water is fit to drink the Engineer replied that it is constantly being monitored. The problem arose on Sunday morning after the heavy rain on Saturday. The situation was now under control and the water should be alright from the next morning.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

31st May, 1983

Tel. 24216

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To each Town Commissioner

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Mr. T. J. Waldron, Superintendent, Garda Siochana requesting a letter from the Commissioners indicating their request/approval of the pedestrian crossings as previously discussed. P. M. Stapleton proposed and Midie O'Grady seconded.
2. Irish Wheelchair Association - requesting a meeting - read.
3. Mr. J. Connaughton - his house at St. Endas Ave, This to be investigated.
4. The friends of St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam - read. Commissioner Burke proposed that a letter be written to Dean Grant complimenting him on the work being done at St. Mary's Cathedral.

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following families:

Nestor Family, Browns Grove, on the death of Meave  
Mr. Acton, Castlehacket House, on the death of  
Mr. Percy Paley.

This concluded the meeting.

SIGNED:

*Joseph Burke*  
CHAIRMAN

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# TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel.: 24246

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

To each Town Commissioner.

31st May, 1985

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 4th June, 1985 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

.....*Angela Holia*..... Baile Cleireach.

## AGENDA

1. Minutes
2. Manager's Business
3. Correspondence
4. Water

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday 21st May, 1985.

Chairman: J. O'Mara

Commissioners: P. M. Stapleton, M. O'Grady, G. Browne,  
J. Burke, J. Keane, M. Kelly, B. O'Brien

Kevin Dwyer.

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

The Opening prayer was recited.

The Engineer informed the members that all the complaints listed are on private property, but the area will be cleaned up for the Corpus Christe procession. Commissioner Kelly supported by Commissioner Browne insisted that the derelict site be made safe. The thatched roof is infested with rats, and the walls of the building on the site are a danger to children. It was agreed that the Engineer and Commissioner Keane inspect the site and report back at the next meeting.

Commissioner Keane queried if approval has been got, or if the plans have been sent to the department of the Environment, to move the Library to Shop street.

The Manager was asked to investigate.

Bus shelters were again discussed. The Engineer said that the layout of the new road, from Dublin road to Vicar street, was now complete. The land is to be purchased this year.

crossings:

Commissioner Stapleton said it was a shame that senior citizens can't cross the roads on a Sunday morning. It was decided to write again to the Superintendent regarding Pedestrian crossings.

Elderly:

Commissioner Browne proposed that the Board write to the Minister for Justice calling on him to allocate extra Gardai to the Tuam area. This was unanimously supported.

The meeting with Mr. C. K. Comerford, C.S.E.T., was discussed. The Danish input into The Engineering Plant at Tuam is welcomed also the Tree planting operation. The appointment of Mr. Cashman as manager is particularly welcomed. Mr. Comerford is to be thanked for the donation of the Shunter to the Town. Commissioner Kelly said he would like to pay tribute to John Connern for his contribution over the years as a Worker Director.

Business:

The Manager read a letter regarding Local Radio in County Galway. Commissioner O'Brien asked that more details be made available. This is to be discussed at a latter date.

ence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Draft copies of the County of Galway Traffic and Parking By-laws, 1985. This to be discussed at the next meeting.

2. Minister for Justice, re attacks of the elderly - read.
3. Galway County Council re Notice of Motion - Tree planting programme under the Youth Employment Programme. - read.
4. Minister for Justice re the provision of a new Garda Station at Tuam - read.
5. Michael Kitt, TD., Paul Connaughton, TD., Senator Mark Killilea re Water situation in Tuam - read.  
The Manager was requested to have a report for the next meeting.
6. Minister for Health re A resolution requesting the Minister to provide all Urban Authorities with statutory representation on their Regional Health Boards. - read.
7. Council of Irish and European Local Authorities - This to be discussed at a latter date.
8. County Manager re Ombudsman Act, 1980 - read.
9. Minister for the Environment re revision of urban boundaries - read.
10. Tenant at Gilmartin road, Tuam Complaining about noise and disturbance caused by dogs at night. P. H. Stapleton proposed and Bernard O'Brien seconded that a letter be sent to the Tenant mentioned. The Manager is to have a Social Worker inspect the house.

The Playground/Sport Complex/Ball alley at St. Endas Ave was again discussed. The opinion was that people in the area were totally against the proposed development. Commissioner Kelly suggested that the Complex might be built in conjunction with the development in the Mart field.  
The Manager was asked to have the Plan for the Mart field for the next meeting.

Motion:

Commissioner Stapleton spoke on his Notice of Motion calling on Galway County Council to extend the main arterial road lighting on the Galway road. There was unanimous support for this Notice of Motion.

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following families:

Mannion family, Ballymote  
Warde family, Coolrea, Togher  
Costelloe Family, Gardenfield  
Bohan family, Caherlistrane

Motions:

The following were congratulated:

Tuam Theatre Guild - awards received at the All Ireland festival in Athlone.

Vocational School, on reaching the All Ireland football final.

Cortoon Macra Club on their recent success.

This concluded the meeting.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on 7th May, 1985

**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

14th May, 1985

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 21st May, 1985 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

*Angela Nolan* Baile Cleireach.

**A G E N D A**

- 1. Minutes
- 2. Manager's Business
- 3. Correspondence
- 4. Water
- 5. Playground - St. Enda's Ave
- 6. Notice of Motion - P. M. Stapleton

That Tuam Town Commissioners call on Galway County Council to investigate the possibility of extending the main arterial road lighting on the Galway road, from Martin's garage to K-Hill Engineering works.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on 7th May, 1985

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners shall be held

Chairman: J. O'Meara

Commissioners: P. M. Stapleton, Midie O'Grady,  
G. Browne, J. Keane, M. Kelly.

B. O'Brien, Kevin Dwyer.

The Opening prayer was recited.

The Chairman proposed a vote of sympathy to  
Commissioner Burke on the death of his Mother.

All present also extended their sympathy to the  
Burke family.

The Chairman then proposed that as a mark of respect  
the meeting be adjourned to the 21st of May.

This was agreed to and all joined in a prayer for  
the repose of the soul of the deceased.

The meeting then adjourned.

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**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

1st May, 1985.....

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 7th May, 1985..... at 8.00 p.m.

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You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

..... *Angela Holian* ..... Baile Cleireach.

**A G E N D A**

1. Minutes
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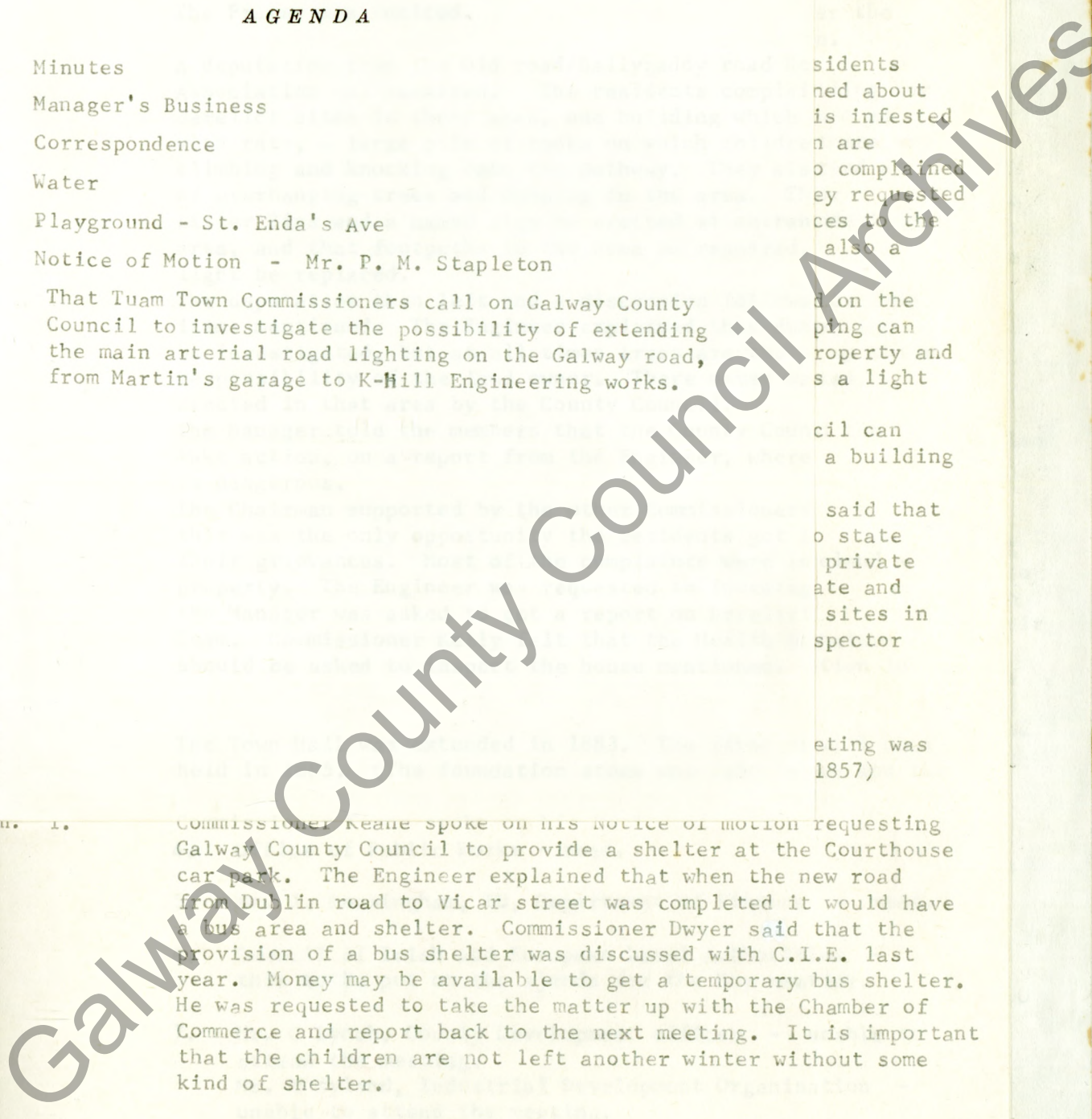
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2. Commissioner Keane also spoke on his motion requesting Galway County Council to move the Library to Shop street. The Manager replied that there is money available in the Library estimates to start the work on the new Library. The Chairman asked the Manager to have a report for the next meeting.



TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd April, 1985

Chairman: J. O'Meara

Commissioners: P.M. Stapleton, M. Kelly, M. O'Grady,  
G. Browne, B. O'Brien, J. Burke,  
J. Keane, Kevin Dwyer.

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

The Prayer was recited.

A deputation from the Old road/Ballygaddy road Residents Association was received. The residents complained about derelict sites in their area, one building which is infested with rats, a large pile of rocks on which children are climbing and knocking onto the pathway. They also complained of overhanging trees and dumping in the area. They requested Litter Bins and a named sign be erected at entrances to the area, and that footpaths in the area be repaired, also a light be replaced.

The deputation then left and a discussion followed on the items mentioned. The Engineer explained that dumping can be investigated, but at all times trees are the property and responsibility of the land owner. There never was a light erected in that area by the County Council.

The Manager told the members that the County Council can take action, on a report from the Engineer, where a building is dangerous.

The Chairman supported by the other Commissioners said that this was the only opportunity the residents got to state their grievances. Most of the complaints were in private property. The Engineer was requested to investigate and the Manager was asked to get a report on Derelict sites in Tuam. Commissioner Kelly felt that the Health Inspector should be asked to inspect the house mentioned.

The Town Hall was extended in 1883. The first meeting was held in 1885. (The foundation stone was laid in 1857)

Motion: 1.

Commissioner Keane spoke on his Notice of motion requesting Galway County Council to provide a shelter at the Courthouse car park. The Engineer explained that when the new road from Dublin road to Vicar street was completed it would have a bus area and shelter. Commissioner Dwyer said that the provision of a bus shelter was discussed with C.I.E. last year. Money may be available to get a temporary bus shelter. He was requested to take the matter up with the Chamber of Commerce and report back to the next meeting. It is important that the children are not left another winter without some kind of shelter.

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- of Motion: 3. Commissioner O'Grady spoke on his motion calling on the Minister for Justice to legislate greater penalties for attacks on the elderly. There was unanimous support for this motion.
4. Commissioner Stapleton felt that a Youth Employment Scheme might be available for the refurbishing, cleaning and decorating of the Town hall premises which is in a deplorable condition. The Engineer requested to investigate.
5. Commissioner Stapleton spoke on his motion calling on Galway County Council to initiate a tree planting programme for the various residential areas of the town, under the Youth employment scheme. All supported this motion.
6. Commissioner Stapleton also spoke on his motion calling for immediate action on the Pedestrian crossings for Tuam as agreed by the Board. The Engineer explained that there was a problem with some of the locations and it was agreed at the time to refer these to the Garda Authorities for approval. It was agreed to write to the Superintendent regarding the matter.

Free Zone:

The Engineer said the special signs indicating Litter free Zone are on order. Commissioner Dwyer proposed that the School Principals be written to asking them to set up their own litter free zone. This was unanimously supported.

P. M. Stapleton proposed and Midie O'Grady seconded the adoption of the March minutes.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Tuam Branch, Multiple Sclerosis Society of Ireland - read.
2. Paul Connaughton, TD., Michael Kitt, TD., Senators Tom Hussey and Ulick Burke re the water situation in Tuam - read.
3. Mr. C. K. Comerford, C.S.E.T. Mr. Comerford will meet a joint deputation from Tuam Town Commissioners and the Chamber of Commerce in Tuam on the 19th April.
4. Office of Public Works - read.
5. Mr. J. Bermingham, TD, Department of Finance - read.
6. Council of Irish and European Local Authorities - this to be put on the agenda for the May meeting.
7. Mr. C Lynch, County Development officer - unable to attend the meeting.  
Mr. M Hyland, Industrial Development Organisation - unable to attend the meeting.
8. The Irish Timber Council - read.
9. J. P. Glynn, Solicitors - consent to the mortgaging of no. 5 McHale terrace, Tuam, requested.  
Kevin Dwyer proposed and B. O'Brien seconded that consent be given.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM

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St. Enda's Ave playground:

Mr. J. Gibbons, Area Engineer spoke about the St. Enda's ave playground. He explained that it is not functioning as a playground. Each year there are approximately two truck loads of junk taken out, locks are constantly being broken and it is being used for horses. In its present condition it should not be allowed to continue. There are two options - sell it to the County Council for housing or develop it as a proper playground. A situation such as the Palace grounds or the swimming pool would be ideal. St. Benin's training centre would be prepared to build an indoor ball alley if a site was made available to them. The playground would be ideal. The Commissioners would retain ownership.

A long discussion followed. All agreed that the building of a ball alley was a good idea but Commissioners Keane, Stapleton, Browne, Kelly and O'Grady felt that great caution should be observed, also the residents in the area should be consulted. A decision is to be made at the May meeting.

The local Gardai were complimented for the high profile they are maintaining. It was decided to write to the Superintendent and enquire what effect the special task force allocated to the west of Ireland has on the Tuam area.

A vote of sympathy was passed with the following families:  
Gilmore family, Tullinadaly  
Lawler family, Galway road  
O'Halleron family, St. Joseph's Park  
Fahy family, Church view  
Mullins family, Cloonthus  
Sullivan family, Bishop street

This concluded the meeting.

SIGNED: .....  
Chairman

led by:  
Holian  
Clerk

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# TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel.: 24246

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

To each Town Commissioner.

.....27th April, 1985

A CHARA,

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on Tuesday, 2nd April, 1985..... at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

.....*Angela Holian*..... Baile Cleireach.

## A G E N D A

1. Minutes
2. Manager's Business
3. Correspondence
4. Playground at St. Endas Ave
5. Notice of Motion: M. O'Grady  
"That the Board call on the Minister for Justice to legislate greater penalties for attacks on the elderly."

Additional Notices of Motion: Mr. P. M. Stapleton,

1. That Tuam Town Commissioners investigate the possibility of refurbishing, cleansing and decorating the Town Hall premises which is in a deplorable condition, under the Youth Employment Programme.
2. That Tuam Town Commissioners request Galway County Council to initiate a tree planting programme under the Youth Employment Programme, for the various residential areas of the Town.
3. That this Board call for immediate action on the Pedestrian Crossings for Tuam as already agreed by this Board.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 5th March 1985

Chairman: J O'Meara

Commissioners: P. M. Stapleton, M. O'Grady, G. Browne  
J. Keane, M. Kelly.

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

The opening prayer was recited.

The Chairman expressed grave doubts about the plans previously discussed. The 6th June 1885 was the date of the first meeting in the Town Hall of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

The Manager told the members that the plans for the new scheme have now been lodged with the Department for the Environment. The Dail and Senate representatives to be asked to pursue the matter.

The Engineer informed the members that he had arranged to inspect the house on 6th March.

9 Lights are to be erected at Millstream Park.

Mr. C. Lynch, County Development Officer and Mr. M. Hyland Industrial Development Organisation, to be invited to the next meeting.

The situation has not changed. The Company are looking for compensation for the Government decision to keep the factory open. There will be a new Managing Director in March. The Government are taking too easy a line. Their duty is to represent everyone, they should tell the Chairman of C.S.E.T. to get on with the job. There are four Sugar factories in Ireland.

It was decided to write to the new Managing Director and seek an urgent meeting.

Commissioner Keane complimented Mr. Mark Killilia on his comments on T.V. on C.S.E.T.

P. M. Stapleton proposed and Jarlath Keane seconded the adoption of the minutes of the February meeting.

It was proposed by P. M. Stapleton and seconded by J. O'Meara and resolved that an amount estimated at £300 be expended on the making and erection of directional Map of the town.

It was proposed by P. M. Stapleton and seconded by J. O'Meara and resolved that excess expenditure of £1430 be incurred on payment of arrears of costs to Concanon & Meagher, Solicitors, Tuam and that £733 be charged to financial year 1984 and the balance of £697 to the 1985 financial year.

**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Correspondence: Commissioner.

Letters were received from the following:

1. Mr. Richie Ryan, MEP, read.
2. Roscommon Junior Chamber - read.
3. The Secretary, County and County Borough Electoral area Boundaries Commission - read.
4. Rev. Dr. Joseph Cunnane, Archbishop of Tuam.
5. C.I.E. re CIE House.
6. Minister for Justice - read.
7. Athlone Urban District Council - read.

The Rent situation was discussed also arrears. The Manager informed the members that steps are being taken to have outstanding arrears recovered. Commissioner Browne requested the rent collector to report on the condition of the houses. A report book should be kept by the town Clerk which can be transmitted to the Board.

Proposition (1):

Jarlath Keane spoke on his motion requesting Galway County Council to provide a Shelter for Children at the Courthouse car park, Tuam. There was unanimous support for the motion. A letter was written to Galway County Council.

(2)

Commissioner Keane also spoke on his motion requesting Galway County Council to make immediate arrangements to house the Library at Bank House, Shop Street, Tuam. This motion was also supported. Galway County Council to be so informed.

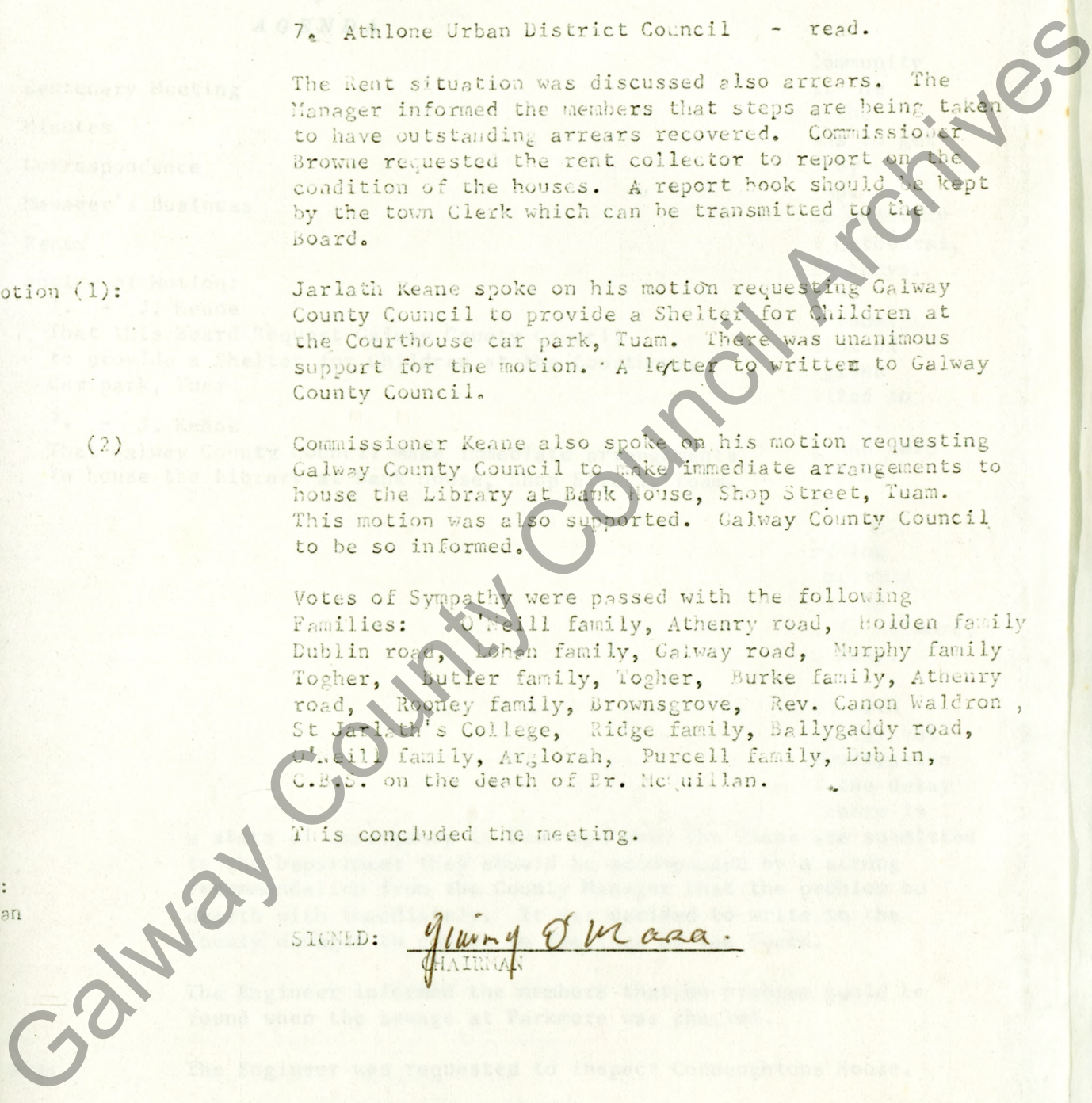
Resolution:

Votes of Sympathy were passed with the following Families: O'Neill family, Athenry road, Holden family Dublin road, Lohan family, Galway road, Murphy family Togher, Butler family, Togher, Burke family, Athenry road, Rooney family, Brownsgrrove, Rev. Canon Waldron, St Jarlath's College, Ridge family, Ballygaddy road, O'Neill family, Arglorah, Purcell family, Dublin, C.B.S. on the death of Br. McQuillan.

This concluded the meeting.

SIGNED: J. J. O'Grady  
CHAIRMAN

Witnessed by:  
M. H. H. O'Grady  
Clerk.



**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

..1st..March.,..1985...

1985

A CHARA,

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

on Tuesday, ..5th..March.,..1985..... at 8.00 p.m.

J. Browne  
Burke

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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.....*Angela Nolan*..... Baile Cleireach.

**A G E N D A**

- 1. Centenary Meeting
- 2. Minutes
- 3. Correspondence
- 4. Manager's Business
- 5. Rents
- 6. Notice of Motion:
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The Engineer informed the members that no problem could be found when the sewage at Parkmore was checked.

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The Engineer was requested to inspect Connaughtons House.

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The document to be signed by the Town Clerk and by Mr. Paul O'Grady, Peace Commissioner.
- 2. Galway County Council - query on Christmass Lighting.



TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 5th February, 1985

Chairman: J. O'Meara

Commissioners: P. M. Stapleton, Kevin Dwyer, G. Browne  
Jarlath Keane, M. O'Grady, J. Burke  
Bernard O'Brien.

Mr. T. Kavanagh for Mr. J. Howlett, M. Nugent, Engineer

The prayer was recited.

The Chairman welcomed the representatives of the Community Council, the schools and the various organisations. He explained that the Board were very concerned about the Litter problem in Tuam. The idea of the meeting was to get the views of all concerned. It was first proposed by Commissioner Dwyer that a litter free zone be set up. The 'Litter free zone' was discussed at length, the majority favoured the Square area - from Square Deal to the Cathedral, from the Cathedral to McCormacks and from Byrnes to Fahys. It was finally proposed by B. O'Brien and seconded by J. Keane that the Square be declared a Litter free zone. The Engineer promised extra bins and the co-operation of the Council - the car park at Bishop street to be given special attention. The Litter warden is to be invited to the next meeting.

The Chairman thanked all for coming to the meeting and said their co-operation would be needed in the future. The Litter free zone will be launched on 1st April '85.

Meeting:

Various ideas and suggestions for the centenary meeting were discussed. It was decided to hold a special meeting on Wednesday 13th February. The following people to be invited: Mr. T. Claffey, Mr. N. O'Donoghue, Mr. T. Gilmore, Mr. W. Mannion, Mr. P. King, Mr. G. King, Mr. J. Fahy.

Mr. Kavanagh was asked if the Plans had been lodged with the Department. He replied that there had been a delay but they should be lodged within two weeks. Anger, frustration and dissatisfaction were expressed by the Board at the delay in having the plans submitted to the Department. There is a state of emergency in Tuam and when the Plans are submitted to the Department they should be accompanied by a strong recommendation from the County Manager that the problem be dealt with immediately. It was decided to write to the County Manager to convey to feelings of the Board.

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3. Concanon & Meagher requesting consent to the sale of no. 60 Athenry road, Tuam. It was proposed by J. Burke and seconded by J. Keane that consent be given.
4. Mr. P. J. Clifford, local government auditor - Audit Report.
5. J. P. Glynn & Sons, - consent to the sale of no. 5 McHale Terrace, Tuam. G. Browne proposed and B. O'Brien seconded that consent be given.
6. Minister for Justice - read.
7. Mr. J. Davin - receipt of sympathy card.
8. The National Sports Council - read.
9. The Taoiseach - proposed extension of the Licensing hours - read.
10. Request from Theatre and Arts Centre to have a telephone line installed - approved.
11. E.S.B. - read.
12. Br. P. McGrath - read.
13. County and County Borough Electoral Area Boundaries Commission. read.
14. Mr. J. Birmingham, Minister of State - read.  
A copy of this letter to be sent to the Supt.
15. Dungarvan U.D.C. requesting support for the following motion:  
"That we, the members of Dungarvan Urban District Council, request that Application be made by the Fire Authorities to the Insurance Companies for adequate contributions to help defray the recently imposed Fire Service Charges by these Authorities."

Motion:

Commissioner Browne spoke on his notice of motion and was supported by all. Commissioner O'Grady suggested a letter be sent to the office of Public Works re drainage schemes during the summer months.

2. Copies of the Updated Emergency plan were circulated to the members. It was decided to discuss this matter at a later meeting.

The Board think it is appalling that the workers Action Committee is not having an input into the present negotiations. The Workers Action Committee have made a tremendous input to C.S.E.T. It was decided to write to Mr. M. Sheehy and the Minister of Agriculture - Tuam can ill afford jobs being moved from the town because of political influence. The Board call on the Taoiseach to adhere to the decision to keep Tuam Sugar Factory open.

It was decided to discuss Rents at the March meeting.

Sympathy:

were extended to the following:

Bon Secour Sisters, Tuam  
Mr. H. Campbell, Vicarschoroland, Tuam  
Mrs. Leonard, St Bridgets Terr., Tuam  
Mr. Cyril Kelly, St Josephs Park, Tuam  
Mr. T. Laheen, Old road, Tuam

The meeting concluded.

SIGNED:

*James O'Mara*  
CHAIRMAN

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

**TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS**

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

7, 1985

To each Town Commissioner.

18th. February, 1985.

A CHARA, Special

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

M. O'Grady

on Thursday, 21st. February..... at 8.00 p.m. in the Mitre Room,  
Imperial Hotel.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

..... Angela Holian ..... Baile Cleireach.

Commissioner

**A G E N D A**

Centenary Meeting

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# TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel.: 24246

To each Town Commissioner.

1st February, 1985

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A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 5th February, 1985, at 8.00 p.m.

1. O'Grady

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

..... *Angela Nolan* ..... Baile Cleireach.

## A G E N D A

1. Litter
2. Centenary Meeting
3. Minutes
4. Correspondence
5. Manager's Business
6. Notice of Motion:

1. - G. Browne

That the I.D.A. be requested to look more favourably at Tuam, particularly as there are a great number of Youth unemployed.

2. - J. O'Meara

The Board request Galway County Council to update the Emergency plan.

7. Rents

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Special Meeting held on 29th January, 1985

Chairman: J. O'Meara

Commissioners: P.M. Stapleton, G. Browne, M. O'Grady  
J. Keane, J. Burke.

B. O'Brien, Kevin Dwyer.

The Opening Prayer was recited.

The Chairman then expressed sympathy with Commissioner Kelly and his family on the death of his Mother.

All present also extended their sympathy.

The Chairman then proposed that as a mark of Respect the meeting be adjourned.

This was agreed to and all joined in a prayer for the repose of the soul of the deceased.

The meeting then adjourned.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 15th January, 1985

Chairman: J. O'Meara

Commissioners: P. M. Stapleton, G. Browne, M. O'Grady  
J. Keane, K. Dwyer, B. O'Brien,  
J. Burke, M. Kelly.

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

The Prayer was recited.

The Manager introduced the Estimates for 1985 which had been circulated to each Member and advertised. He said that the changes by comparison with last year were marginal. The proposed rate increase was approximately 10% and the finances of the Board were still in an unsatisfactory position as capital receipts had to be used, and during last year some of the investments of the Board had to be realised.

The Members indicated that they were not prepared to increase the rate, but it was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Keane that expenditure on repairs be increased by £3,000.00 - from £22,000 to £25,000. During the course of a discussion on this matter the Manager advised against an increase in expenditure which he said the Board could not afford. He further stated that the only reason why the expenditure of £22,000 was proposed was in order to carry out essential repairs on the wiring of certain houses - work which was very urgently required. He considered that the provision made was adequate, and he strongly advised against increasing expenditure. Nevertheless, the Board decided that a sum of £25,000 should be incurred on repairs.

During the course of further examination of the estimates a discussion took place on town lighting and it was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner O'Brien that lighting provision should be increased from £300 to £600. The Manager again objected to this increase and said that he would have to check the limit on such expenditure as he believed that there was a statutory limit. The Commissioners, nevertheless, insisted that the lighting provision should be increased to £600. J. Keane proposed and G. Browne seconded that the rent on the Town Hall be increased to £2,500 plus rates on the Library part.

In response to a query by the Manager as to where the extra expenditure could be found it was unanimously resolved that the rates should not be increased and expenditure should be found by increasing the amount to be withdrawn from reserves by £3,300. The Manager again stated that the financial position was very unsatisfactory and that a crisis could be reached in the next few years unless further sources of finance could be found. It was finally proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner O'Grady and resolved that the Estimate of Expenses presented by the Manager be amended by the addition of £3,300 expenditure and the increase in the amount to be withdrawn from reserves by the same amount. The expenditure at £53,640 and receipts at £49,391 is accordingly adopted by the Commissioners and the Commissioners hereby demand that the sum of £4,249 be supplied to them by the Galway County Council.

Mr. F. Gallagher from the Planning Department, Galway County Council attended the meeting. As regards housing, Mr. Gallagher told the members that there is ample land available for building purposes. There is no need to zone further lands for development in the medium term. There is no need to zone further lands for general industrial Development in the medium term. Some land should be zoned for Wholesale/Warehousing or service industry adjacent to the Industrial Estate on the Weir Road. The Commissioners felt that the empty factory on the Dunmore road might be converted into warehouses. Warehousing is a very important Development. However the Weir Road is unsuitable for such development because of bad access roads, other areas might be looked at. The existing commercial zoning is restricted to the central business district in the town centre. An alteration of the boundaries, to allow for some expansion into mixed land use areas already under pressure and to exclude the residential areas previously included, would facilitate further commercial development.

The existing water supply system is inadequate in terms of its quality, especially during periods of drought. A new main source of water supply is required for the needs of the town. The existing sewerage system is overloaded and the treatment works are not adequate for the existing effluent load. The Tuam Main Drainage Scheme has been designed to rectify the present inadequacies. Stage 1 consists of the provision of a new pumphouse and treatment works. Stage 2 of the Tuam Main Drainage Scheme proposes to improve the existing collection system and extend the system along some of the approach roads of the town.

The Ring Road provisions are long term as they involve considerable land purchase and are dependent on funds being made available. The Dunmore road to Milltown road spur of the Ring road has highest priority. The next highest priority is given to the spur which extends from the Mountbellew road at Rinkippen to Abbeytrinity. There is considerable traffic congestion on the Dublin Road, especially where there is school related traffic. Consideration must be given to the possibility of an inner relief road from the Dublin road to Vicar Street. There is adequate parking facilities for the immediate future. The structures recommended for preservation because of their historic or archaeological interest include:

- (a) Old Ballygaddy Bridge
- (b) Old Burial Grounds at Ballymoate and Killaloonty
- (c) 18th century wall plaque on Bridge at Bishop Street
- (d) Windmill at Townparks (5th division)
- (e) Ancient cooking place at Kilcloghans
- (f) Circular enclosure at Oakmount House, Slievedarragh
- (g) Tuam High Cross and Abbey Well
- (h) 18th Century House, on site of St. Johns Abbey, Circular road.

It was decided to get an Archaeologist's opinion on the Tuam High Cross.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Gallagher for coming and discussing the Draft Plan. The other Commissioners joined in the remarks.

The following resolution:

"The Government and R.F.E. authority are requested to proceed without further delay to have the norms of Irish broadcasting as approved for Radio na Gaeltachta and R.F.E. applied with urgency in the interest and support of the native language and culture."

A letter of support to be written.

Mr. J. Connaughton, 6 St. Judas Ave, Tuam, concerning fire damage at his house. The Engineer was requested to inspect the house.

The Engineer informed the members that the problem of raw sewage flowing into the river Nanny at Abbey Trinity was now rectified.

P. M. Stapleton requested the Engineer to investigate a complaint about an open sewer at the back of Parkmore Terrace.

There is to be a special meeting on the 29th February, 1985 to discuss the litter problem.

J. Keane read a letter from C.I.E. about re-organisation of bus services.

Meeting:

A special meeting to be held on 29th February, 1985 to discuss plans for the centenary meeting.  
The Town Clerk was instructed to release the Minutes Book for the year 1860 to Mr. Tony Claffey.

M. O'Grady informed the members that lights at Millstream Park would be installed inside a few weeks.

in Cemetary:

The Engineer told the members that this will be rectified when the Cemetary is being extended.

Jarlath Keane proposed the adoption of the January Minutes.  
M. O'Grady seconded the proposal.

Motion

1. P. M. Stapleton proposed that the Commissioners implement the decision to erect a Guide Map on the Town Hall.  
J. Burke seconded the proposal. This is to be discussed with Mr. W Mannion at the meeting on the 29th February.
2. This is to be discussed with the Engineer.
3. This item was dealt with during the discussion on the Estimates.
4. G. Browne proposed that a letter be written to the District Engineer, E.S.B. J. Keane seconded the proposal.
5. G. Browne proposed that a letter be written to the Taoiseach, with a copy to the Minister of Justice re: Proposed late opening of licenced premises. P. M Stapleton seconded this proposal. This was discussed at length also the underage drinking in Tuam over the Christmass period.

ence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. Minister of Justice, Mr. J Keane thanked the Commissioners for their efforts on his behalf.
2. Castlebar U.D.C. concerning the following resolution:  
"That Castlebar Urban District Council call on the Minister for Justice to prohibit all persons under 18 from using amusement machines."  
The resolution was unanimously supported.
3. Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland
4. Gaelic League Branch, Ballinasloe requesting support for the following resolution:  
"The Government and R.T.E. Authority are requested to proceed without further delay to have the hours of Irish broadcasting as approved for Radio no Gaeltachta and R.T.E. applied with urgency in the interest and support of the native language and culture."  
A letter of support to be written.
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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE,  
TOWN HALL, TUAM

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Present: Town Commissioners

15th January 1963

Motions:

Congratulations were extended to:

Tuam Film Society - several awards received for the film  
"The Bed is rough"

Mr. Tom Murphy - Best play of the year

Sympathy:

Votes of Sympathy were passed with

- The Presentation Sisters, on the death of Sister Celestine
- Mr. Joe Rafferty, on the death of his Mother in law.
- Mr. Paddy Raftery, on the death of his brother.
- The family of Mr. Anthony Browne.

It was decided to write to the County Manager and compliment him on the fine job done by the workmen, when the fire occurred after the Oil tanker overturned on the Tuam/Milltown road, also the excellent sanding of the roads during the cold spell.

The Meeting concluded.

SIGNED: James O'Mara.  
CHAIRMAN

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