

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

1990

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel. 093-24246

TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

To each Town Commissioner

29th August, 1990

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 4th September, at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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Angela Nolean
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AGENDA

Minutes

Manager's Business

Correspondence

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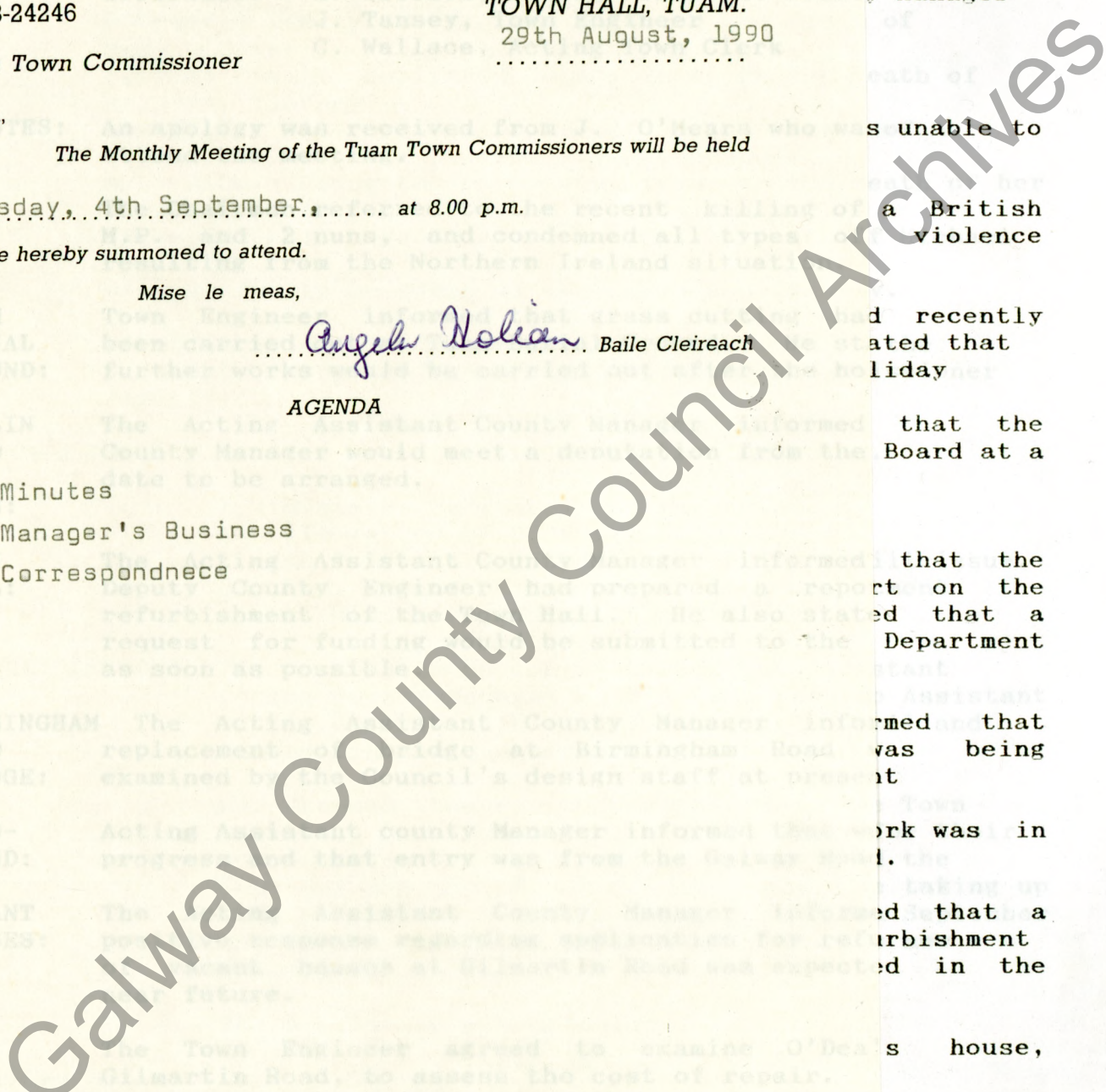
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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 7th August, 1990

PRESENT: Chairman: F. Biggins
Commissioners: M. Kelly, P.M. Stepleton, J. Burke,
J. Flaherty, N. Hallion

Officials: E. Gleeson, Acting Assistant County Manager
J. Tansey, Town Engineer
C. Wallace, Acting Town Clerk

MINUTES: An apology was received from J. O'Meara who was unable to attend the meeting.

The Chairman referred to the recent killing of a British M.P. and 2 nuns, and condemned all types of violence resulting from the Northern Ireland situation.

TUAM Town Engineer informed that grass cutting had recently
BURIAL been carried out at Tuam Burial Ground. He stated that
GROUND: further works would be carried out after the holiday

DUBLIN The Acting Assistant County Manager informed that the
ROAD County Manager would meet a deputation from the Board at a
BY date to be arranged.

PASS:

TOWN The Acting Assistant County Manager informed that the
HALL: Deputy County Engineer had prepared a report on the
refurbishment of the Town Hall. He also stated that a
request for funding would be submitted to the Department
as soon as possible.

BIRMINGHAM The Acting Assistant County Manager informed that
ROAD replacement of bridge at Birmingham Road was being
BRIDGE: examined by the Council's design staff at present

HARD- Acting Assistant county Manager informed that work was in
STAND: progress and that entry was from the Galway Road.

VACANT The Acting Assistant County Manager informed that a
HOUSES: positive response regarding application for refurbishment
of vacant houses at Gilmartin Road was expected in the
near future.

The Town Engineer agreed to examine O'Dea's house, Gilmartin Road, to assess the cost of repair.

SCOUT The Acting Assistant County Manager informed that the
HALL: Scout's Hall was the property of the Town Commissioners
and that the file on same was referred to the Council's
Law Agent for advice.

TUAM The Acting Assistant County Manager informed that
LIBRARY: arrangements would be made for the appointment of a
temporary library assistant.

SYMPATHY: Votes of sympathy were expressed in the following cases:

Gallagher family, The Mall, Tuam, on the death of
Mrs. Rita Gallagher.

O'Connell family, Ballygaddy Road, on the death of
Mrs. O'Connell.

Tierney family, Ballygaddy Road, Tuam, on the death of
Mr. Des. Tierney

Mrs Willie O'Connor, Bishop Street, on the death of her
brother Fr. Gabriel Charles P.P. Roundstone.

Sr. Rita, Presentation Convent Tuam, on the death of her
brother Fr. Anthony. O'Toole P.P. Islandeady

Finnerty family, Woodquay, Tuam, on the death of Michael
Finnerty..

Dermody family on death of their son Con Dermody.

The Minutes of the July meeting were adopted on the
proposal of Commissioner Kelly seconded by Commissioner
Flaherty.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letters were received from the following.

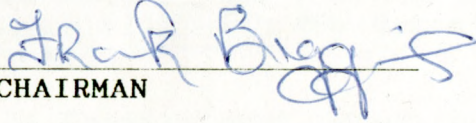
1. Minister Padraic Flynn regarding
alteration of boundary.
2. An Post stating that further reply will issue.
3. Noel Treacy, Minister of State Department
of Health regarding Tuam Library.

CONGRATULATIONS: The Commissioners congratulated the Assistant
Acting County Manager on his promotion to Assistant
County Manager with Limerick County Council and
wished him well in his new appointment.

Mr. Gleeson thanked the Commissioner, The Town
Engineer, The Town clerk, and the Press for their
co-operation over the year. He informed the
Commissioner that Mr. P.J. Gavin would be taking up
duty as Assistant County Manager early in September
and wished Mr. Gavin every success in his new
appointment.

The meeting then terminated.

Recorded by
Colm Wallace
Acting Town
Clerk

SIGNED BY 
CHAIRMAN

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

July, 1990

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TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel. 093-24246

To each Town Commissioner

30th July, 1990

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on Tuesday, 7th August, 1990 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

Angel Holia Baile Cleireach

AGENDA

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd July, 1990

Present: Chairman: J. Flaherty outgoing
Commissioners: F. Biggins, J. O'Mara, M. O'Grady, M. Kelly,
P. M. Stapleton, G. Browne-Lane, J. Burke
N. Halion

Officials: Mr. E. Gleeson, Acting Assistant County Manager
Mr. J. Tansey, Town Engineer
Mrs. A. Holian, Town Clerk

The prayer was recited.

Election of Chairman: The outgoing Chairman recalled events during his year in Office, the visit of the Russian Orthodox Prelates, the People of the year Awards, the departure of the Christian Brothers from Tuam, the Enterprize draw and the commencement of the Social Employment Scheme. He thanked the Manager, Officials, Members of the Board and the press for their co-operation during the years. In the coming year he hoped to see more industry coming to Tuam, the reconstruction of the Post Office and a major refurbishment scheme for the Town Hall. He then invited nominations for the position of Chairman.

It was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton that Commissioner Biggins be elected to hold the Office of Chairman of Tuam Town Commissioners for the coming year. Commissioner Biggins was elected, there being no other proposal. He then took the Chair. He thanked the Members for electing him. He paid tribute to the outgoing Chairman. He said he looked forward to the coming year and in particular hoped to see the commencement of the Enterprize Centre.

Election of Vice-Chairman: The Chairman invited proposals for the position of Vice-Chairman. It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner O'Grady that Commissioner Kelly be elected Vice-Chairman of Tuam Town Commissioners for the coming year. There being no other proposals Commissioner Kelly was elected. He thanked the Members and paid tribute to the outgoing Chairman and Vice-Chairman for their work during the past year, especially with the Social Employment Scheme and the Enterprize Centre.

It was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner O'Grady that the outgoing Chairman continue as the Board's representative with the Social Employment Scheme.

Minutes: Replying to Commissioner Burke the Engineer said the graveyard would be cleaned the next week.

Dublin road by-pass: The Assistant County Manager told the Meeting that the County Manager would meet with a Deputation from the Board when he returned from annual Leave.

Traffic Lights: The Engineer told the Meeting that the Traffic Lights were ready to be switched on.

Birmingham road: It was decided to write to the County Engineer.

Hardstand: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the Meeting that work had commenced on the Hardstand.

Vacant Houses: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the Meeting that negotiations regarding two houses had commenced. It was decided to write to the Department re: the refurbishment Scheme.

An Post: It was decided to write to An Post.

Scout Hall: The Acting Assistant County Manager said he intended to inspect the Scout Hall and talk to the Law Agent.

Town Hall: The Acting Assistant County Manager said he would talk to County Council Officials and see what expertise is available. The Engineer said a professional survey, an estimate of cost and a plan could be brought forward.

Commissioner Kelly appealed to people not to dump rubbish in the Letter box outside Square Deal.

The Minutes of the June Meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner Flaherty seconded by Commissioner Burke.

Correspondence: Letters were received from the following:

J. P. Glynn & Son re 13 Newtownmorris - Consent to the sale was proposed by Commissioner Burke seconded by Commissioner Stapleton.

Old Tuam Society re publication of a volume on the History of Tuam. The Manager agreed to persue the matter.

Tuam Order of Malta - read

Mullingar Town Commissioners - It was proposed and seconded that Commissioner Kelly represent Tuam Town Commissioners at the Meeting.

Tuam Community Council re the High Cross. It was decided to write to the Office of Public Works.

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27th June, 1971

Congratulations: Congratulations were extended to Mgr. M. Mooney on his jubilee, to the Galway Football Team and to Jack Charlton and the Irish Soccer Team.

Sympathy: A Vote of Sympathy was passed with the following Families:

- Sr. R. Flanagan on the deaths of Fr. Joe and Fr. Paddy
- Forde Family, on the death of Bill
- Devine Family, on the death of Tom
- Heneghan Family, on the death of Simon
- Bane Family, on the death of Martin
- Flaherty Family on the death of Martin

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY: _____
CHAIRMAN

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TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

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To each Town Commissioner

27th June, 1990

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on Tuesday, 3rd July, 1990 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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Angela Holian
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It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by
Commissioner O'Mara that An Post be written to again re: the
refurbishment of Tuam Post Office.

Scout Hall:

The Acting Assistant County Manager undertook to investigate
the situation regarding the Scout hall.

G. A. A:

It was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by
Commissioner Stapleton that the G. A. A. be given permission
to use the St. Enda's Ave park as an entrance to the Football

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 5th June, 1990

- Present: Chairman: John Flaherty
Commissioners: M. Kelly, J. O'Mara, P. M. Stapleton
G. Browne-Lane, J. Burke, N. Halion
- Officials: Mr. E. Gleeson, Acting Assistant County Manager
Mr. J. Tansey, Town Engineer
Mrs. A. Holian, Town Clerk
- Apology: Commissioner Biggins
The prayer was recited.
- Minutes: Commissioner Browne-Lane stated that since the last meeting a lot of parking spaces had become available. The Board expressed the hope that this would continue and parking spaces in the town centre be accessible to customers.
- Dublin road by-pass: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the Meeting that the County Manager would meet with a deputation from the Board. The date to be confirmed.
- Traffic Lights: The Engineer told the Meeting that he expected the Traffic lights at Ballygaddy road to be operational inside two days. It was planned to have the road resurfaced this year.
- Birmingham road: The Engineer stated that the Bridge had been made safe. It was decided to discuss this item with the County Manager.
- Hardstand: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that the County Council had accepted a tender. A Commencement order would be issued in due course.
- Vacant Houses: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that a number of reports had been received. Some houses had been bought for specific Tenants and were in need of repairs. Each house would be assessed on its merits. It is hoped to get Capital monies from the Department. As regards the refurbishment at Gilmartin road he had contacted the Department but there was no further developments.
- An Post: It was proposed by Commissioner Stapleton and seconded by Commissioner O'Mara that An Post be written to again re: the refurbishment of Tuam Post Office.
- Scout Hall: The Acting Assistant County Manager undertook to investigate the situation regarding the Scout hall.
- G. A. A: It was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner Stapleton that the G. A. A. be given permission to use the St. Enda's Ave park as an entrance to the Football

pitch for a forthcoming match.

Cemetery: Commissioner Burke thanked the Engineer for erecting a "No dogs allowed" sign. He asked that pathways be laid in the new part of the cemetery when the S. E. S. gets underway.

The Engineer was complimented on the restoration of the 1916 Memorial.

The Minutes of the May meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner Burke seconded by Commissioner Halion.

Town Hall: Replying to the Chairman the Acting Assistant County Manager said he would initiate an assessment of the Town Hall and see what proposals could be brought forward. It was decided to discuss the Town Hall and the footpaths with the County Manager when the deputation meets with him.

Correspondence: Letters were received from the following:

J. P. Glynn & Sons re: 31 Athenry road - Consent to the sale was proposed by Commissioner O'Mara seconded by Commissioner Burke.

Department of the Environment re: Town Boundary - The Board agreed it was preferable to have a Boundary extension before the Committee on local government reorganisation sits. It was agreed to write to the Minister.

Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland - read.

Litter Warden: Commissioner Burke told the meeting that the County Manager had agreed on principle to support the concept of a Litter Warden. The Board agreed that a Litter Warden should be urgently appointed in Tuam. Commissioner Burke complimented the County Council and the Engineer for having the Town swept every Sunday morning also on the erection of the Tourist Map.

Notice of Motion: Commissioner Burke spoke on his Motion re: the Electoral Boundaries. He said North Galway had lost out completely in the 1980 Boundary break-up. Since the foundation of the State there had always been a T. D. in the Tuam area. It was extraordinarily important that the area gone to Roscommon be brought back to Galway and Galway be a nine seat area. There was unanimous support for the Motion.

Replying to Commissioner Stapleton the Engineer said it was hoped to replace the barrier on the corner of the footpath at the end of Shop street.

The Board complimented Corofin on the organising of the Sheep shearing competition.

Sympathy: The Chairman proposed a vote of sympathy with Commissioner Stapleton on the death of his sister Eilish Horan. A vote of sympathy was also passed with the following Families:

- Dermody Family on the death of Madge
- Parsons Family on the death of Dennis
- Kelly Family on the death of Noel
- McCabe Family on the death of Danny
- Higgins Family on the death of John
- Dunne Family, Ballinalsoe on the death of John

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED BY

Frank Biggins

CHAIRMAN

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Letter Warden

Notice of Motion

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The Minutes of the April Meeting were adopted on the motion of Commissioner O'Shane seconded by Commissioner Biggins.

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TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.
28th May, 1990

G. Browne-Lane
Burke, M. Kelly

To each Town Commissioner

A CHARA,

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on Tuesday, 5th June, 1990 at 8.00 p.m.

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Mise le meas,

Angela Nolan Baile Cleireach

AGENDA

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Litter Warden

Notice of Motion - J. Burke

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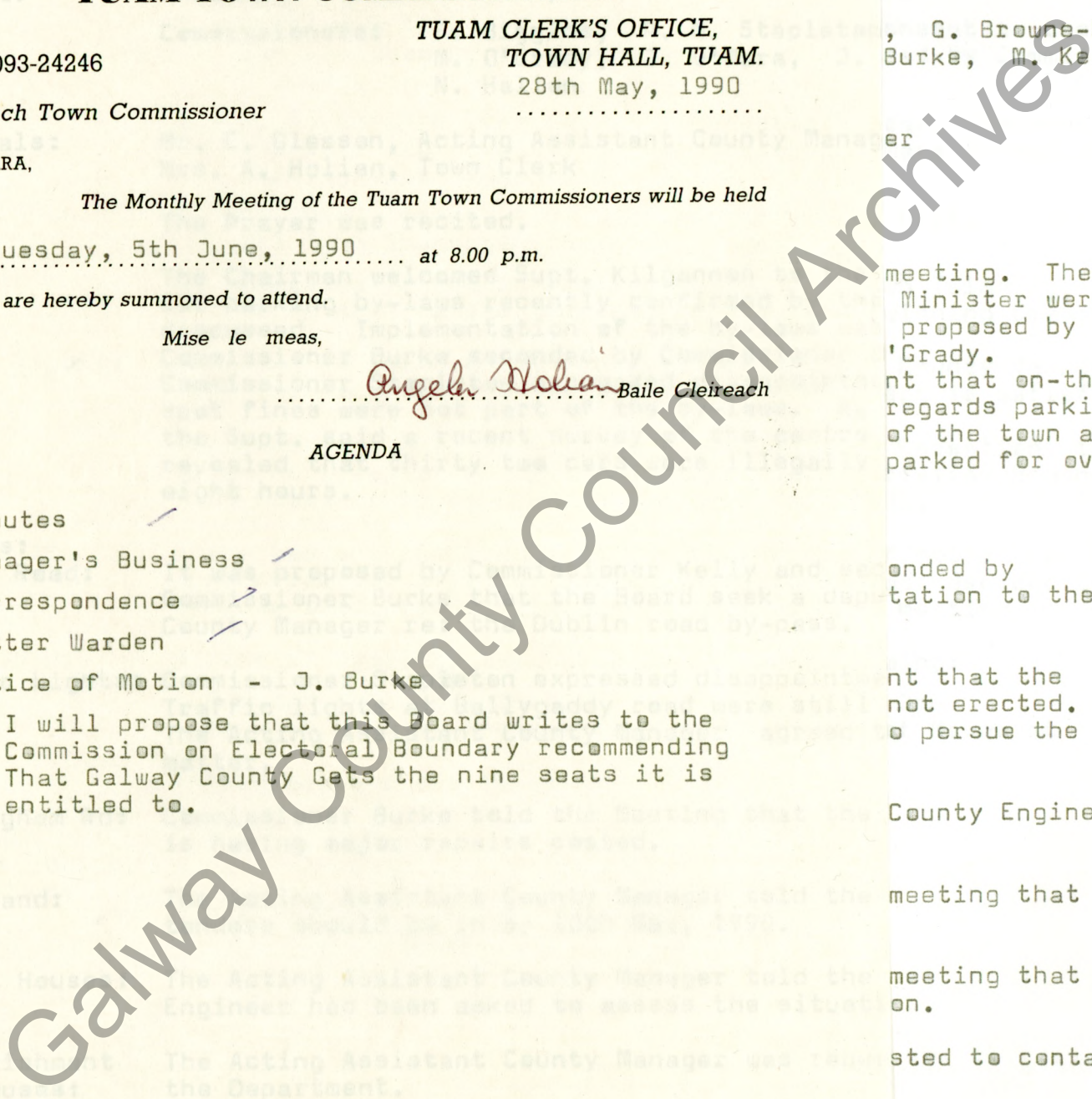
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Scout Hall:

Commissioner Kelly asked that repairs be carried out at the old Scout hall.

The Minutes of the April Meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner O'Mara seconded by Commissioner Biggins.



TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 1st May, 1990

Present: Chairman: John Flaherty
Commissioners: F. Biggins, P. M. Stapleton, G. Browne-Lane
M. O'Grady, J. O'Mara, J. Burke, M. Kelly
N. Halion

Officials: Mr. E. Gleeson, Acting Assistant County Manager
Mrs. A. Holian, Town Clerk

The Prayer was recited.

The Chairman welcomed Supt. Kilgannon to the meeting. The Car parking by-laws recently confirmed by the Minister were discussed. Implementation of the by-laws was proposed by Commissioner Burke seconded by Commissioner O'Grady. Commissioner Stapleton expressed disappointment that on-the-spot fines were not part of the by-laws. As regards parking the Supt. said a recent survey of the centre of the town area revealed that thirty two cars were illegally parked for over eight hours.

Minutes:
Dublin Road: It was proposed by Commissioner Kelly and seconded by Commissioner Burke that the Board seek a deputation to the County Manager re: the Dublin road by-pass.

Traffic Lights: Commissioner Stapleton expressed disappointment that the Traffic lights at Ballygaddy road were still not erected. The Acting Assistant County Manager agreed to persue the matter.

Birmingham Rd: Commissioner Burke told the Meeting that the County Engineer is having major repairs costed.

Hardstand: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that tenders should be in by 10th May, 1990.

Vacant Houses: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that the Engineer had been asked to assess the situation.

Refurbishment of houses: The Acting Assistant County Manager was requested to contact the Department.

An Post: A letter from Mr. S. Hanrahan, Head of Administration, An Post was read.

Scout Hall: Commissioner Kelly asked that repairs be carried out at the old Scout hall.

The Minutes of the April Meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner O'Mara seconded by Commissioner Biggins.

Correspondence: Letters were received from the following:

1. Archbishop Cassidy - read
2. Office of the Chief Herald re: the granting of arms to Tuam Town Commissioners. It was decided to invite recommendations from the Old Tuam Society.
3. Gleeson & Kean re: 23 St. Enda's Ave. Consent to the sale was proposed by Commissioner Burke seconded by Commissioner O'Grady.
4. J. P. Glynn & Sons re: 43 Toberjarlath road. Consent to the sale was proposed by Commissioner O'Mara seconded by Commissioner Biggins.
5. Mr. Noel Treacy, T.D. Minister of State, Dept. of Health re: Tuam Sewerage Scheme - read
6. Institute of Public Administration re: Town Twinning. This to be sent to the Chairman of the Town Twinning Committee.

Audit Report: Replying to the Members the Acting Assistant County Manager said the situation was as outlined. The report is satisfactory

The Chairman told the Meeting that the Civic Reception, to mark the occasion of the departure of the Christian Brothers from Tuam, would be held on the 19th May, 1990.

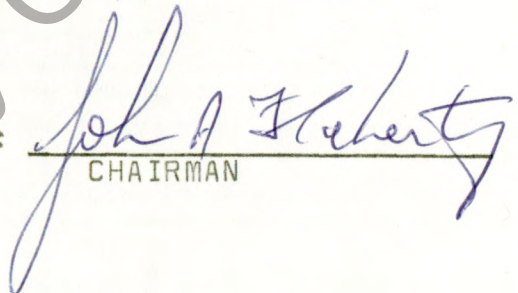
Notice of Motion: There was unanimous support for the notice of motion re: the appointment of a Litter Warden in Tuam. It was decided to include this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

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

McKeown Family, waterslate on the death of Jim
Mannion Family, Toberjarlath on the death of Margaret

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED: 
CHAIRMAN

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

April, 1990

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Tel. 093-24246

TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

O'Mara
F. Biggins

To each Town Commissioner

25th April, 1990

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 1st May, 1990 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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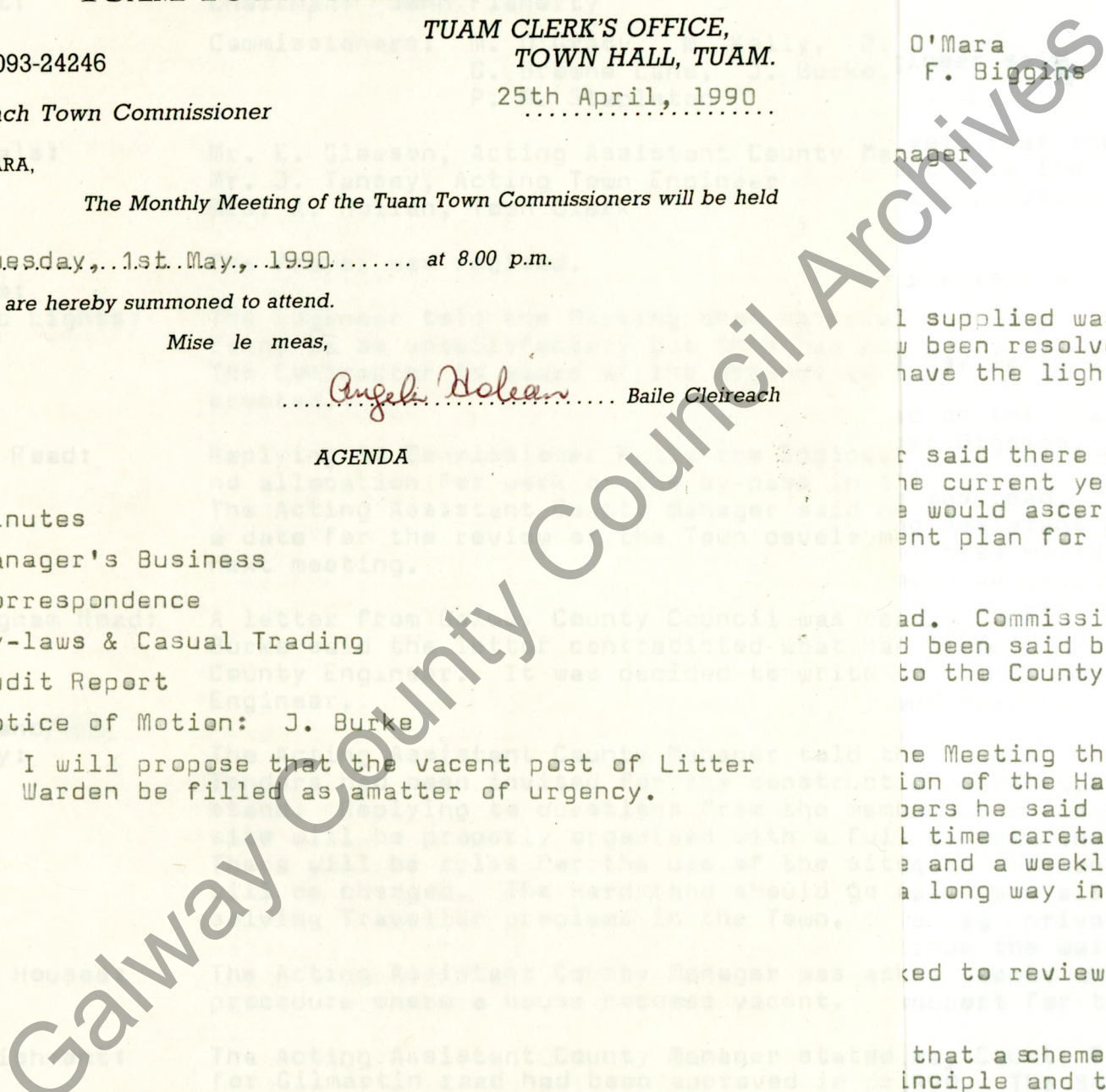
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AGENDA

- Minutes
- Manager's Business
- Correspondence
- By-laws & Casual Trading
- Audit Report
- Notice of Motion: J. Burke

I will propose that the vacant post of Litter Warden be filled as a matter of urgency.

Replying to Commissioner Stapleton the Engineer said the Memorial could be sandblasted this year and other maintenance would be carried out under the Social Employment Scheme. The Plaque with the Chair of Tuam is to be erected by Mr. Kelly.



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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd April, 1990

- Present: Chairman: John Flaherty
- Commissioners: M. O'Grady, M. Kelly, J. O'Mara
G. Browne Lane, J. Burke, F. Biggins
P. M. Stapleton
- Officials: Mr. E. Gleeson, Acting Assistant County Manager
Mr. J. Tansey, Acting Town Engineer
Mrs. A. Holian, Town Clerk
- The Prayer was recited.
- Minutes:
Traffic Lights: The Engineer told the Meeting that material supplied was found to be unsatisfactory but this has now been resolved. The Contractor is aware of the urgency to have the lights erected.
- Dublin Road: Replying to Commissioner Kelly the Engineer said there was no allocation for work on the by-pass in the current year. The Acting Assistant County Manager said he would ascertain a date for the review of the Town development plan for the next meeting.
- Birmingham Road: A letter from Galway County Council was read. Commissioner Burke said the letter contradicted what had been said by the County Engineer. It was decided to write to the County Engineer.
- Hardstand/
Tirboy: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the Meeting that Tenders had been invited for the construction of the Hardstand. Replying to questions from the members he said the site will be properly organised with a full time caretaker. There will be rules for the use of the site and a weekly fee will be charged. The Hardstand should go a long way in solving Traveller problems in the Town.
- Vacant Houses: The Acting Assistant County Manager was asked to review the procedure where a house becomes vacant.
- Refurbishment: The Acting Assistant County Manager stated that a scheme for Gilmartin road had been approved in principle and the questions raised had been answered.
- 1916 Memorial: Replying to Commissioner Stapleton the Engineer said the Memorial would be sandblasted this year and other maintenance would be carried out under the Social Employment Scheme. The Plaque with the Chair of Tuam is to be erected by Mr. Kelly.

Town Cross:

The Chairman proposed that until a report and plan from Galway County Council on the Square Area is available no decision be made. Replying to questions from the members the Engineer said that traffic arrangements for the Square, in the event of the High Cross being moved, were being looked at, also the location for the replica Cross. Commissioner O'Grady asked that the plan be brought before the Board before being finalised.

Footpaths:

Replying to Commissioner Browne Lane the Engineer said there was no special allocation for footpaths.

Level Crossings:

Replying to Commissioner Kelly the Engineer said that the road surface between the rails at Vicar street were the responsibility of C. I. E. He said work on the Crossing will proceed as soon as approval is got.

An Post:

Disappointment was expressed at the lack of progress on the plans to renovate the Post Office.

By-laws/Casual Trading:

This item to be placed on the agenda for the May Meeting.

Correspondence:

The Minutes of the March Meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner Burke seconded by Commissioner Biggins.

A letter from Ms. C. Hederman re: Tidy Towns was read. Replying to Commissioner Stapleton the Acting Assistant County Manager said donations to the Tidy Towns Committee would come under Amenity Grants. The County Council would be delighted to co-operate with the Tidy Town Committee. The Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. T. Gavin, Chairman, Tidy Towns Committee of same.

The Chairman thanked the Engineer for his continued co-operation with the Social Employment Scheme.

Notice of Motion:

Commissioner Halion spoke on her Motion re: a waiver system for refuse collection. She said she had a number of complaint from people who had a waiver from the County Council under the old scheme and were now being asked to pay £4.00 per month. She said £4.00 was a lot for old people to pay. She also said old people resented having to give information to private individuals. The County Council should continue the waiver scheme and notify the private operators of the people who qualify for a waiver. There was unanimous support for the Motion.

The Acting Assistant County Manager said Galway County Council withdrew from refuse collection in January 1990. The Scheme had been running at a substantial loss. Refuse collection was now being done on a private basis. However, individual complaints will be taken up with the private operators. It was proposed by Commissioner Kelly and seconded by Commissioner Halion to write to the Private Operators and invite them to submit details of their charges to the Board with particular reference to hardship cases.

Water:

Replying to Commissioner Stapleton the Engineer said that a major leak was discovered at Shop Street late on a Friday evening. The water was turned off while repairs were carried out. In future people would be notified before the water was cut off.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Sympathy:

A vote of Sympathy was passed with the following:

- Killmartin Family, Ballygaddy road on the death of Willie Davin Family, Old road on the death of Dan Buckley
- Henderson Family, Toborjarlath on the death of Mrs. Coffey
- O'Connor Family, Bishop Street on the death of Willie Celine O'Connor, Bishop Street on the death of Kevin Heraghty
- Mullins Family, Cloonthue on the death of Nora

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED:

John A. Flaherty

 CHAIRMAN

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Motion of Motion: N. Holian

That Tuam Town Commissioners on Galway County Council, in conjunction with private refuse collectors, to provide a proper water for people who are previously entitled to water.

Arboy:

The Engineer was asked to investigate the public water supply behind railings erected by the County Council.

in Houses:

Replying to the members the Acting Assistant County Engineer said there was an allocation for a supply of 300000 gallons per day. The Board called on the County Council to give the Department the environmental state of the water supply to be used.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel. 093-24246

To each Town Commissioner

/ 30th March, 1990

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A CHARA,

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on Tuesday, 3rd April, 1990..... at 8.00 p.m.

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Mise le meas,

..... *Angela Nolan* Baile Cleireach

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Notice of Motion: N. Halion

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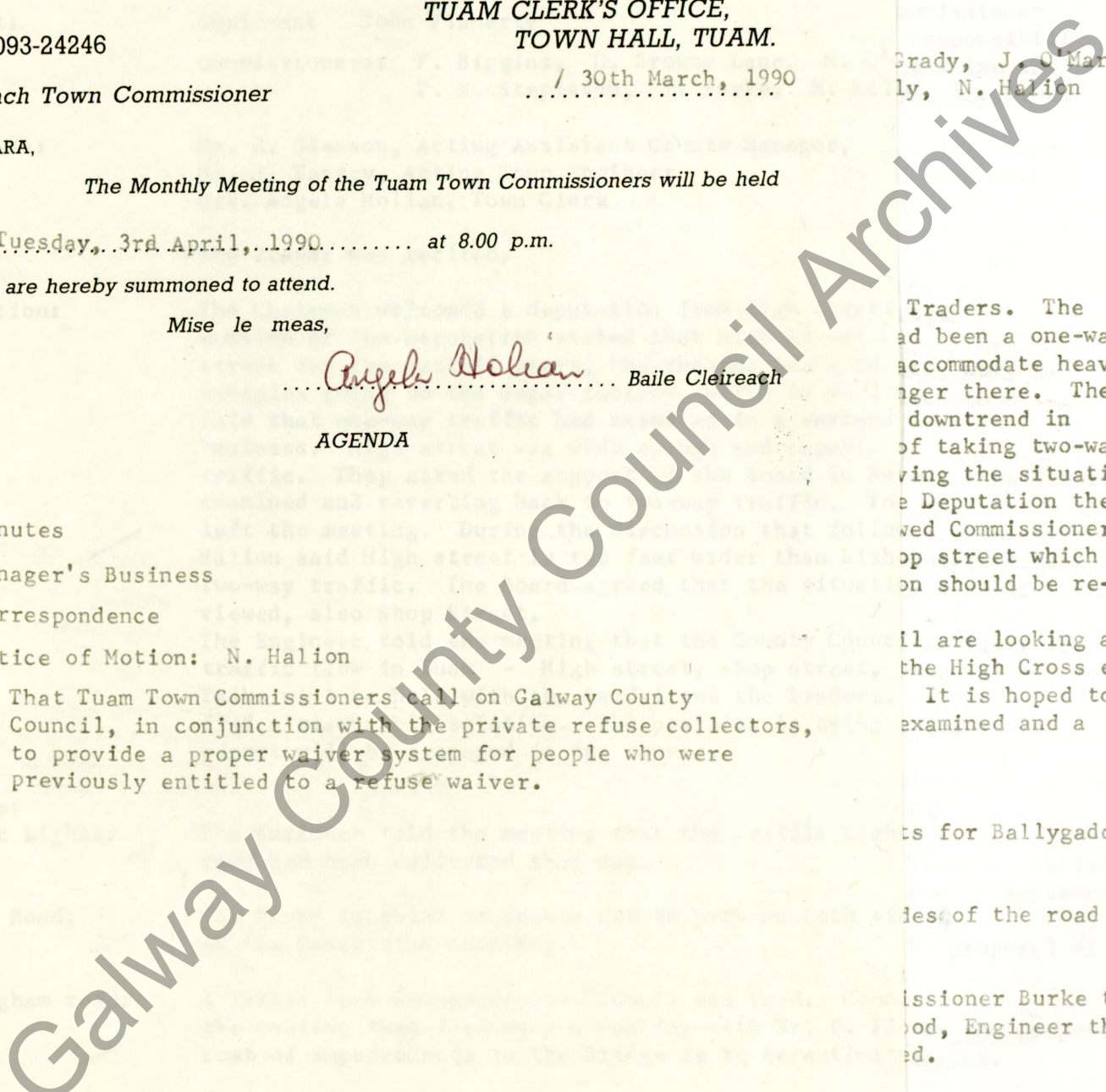
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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 6th March, 1990

Present:

Chairman: John Flaherty

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

Officials:

Mr. E. Gleeson, Acting Assistant County Manager,
Mr. J. Tansey, Acting Town Engineer
Mrs. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

The Prayer was recited.

Deputation:

The Chairman welcomed a deputation from High Street Traders. The members of the Deputation stated that High Street had been a one-way street for the past 11 years, the reasons being to accommodate heavy vehicles going to the Sugar factory, which is no longer there. They said that one-way traffic had resulted in a serious downtrend in business. High street was wide enough and capable of taking two-way traffic. They asked the support of the Board in having the situation examined and reverting back to two-way traffic. The Deputation then left the meeting. During the discussion that followed Commissioner Halion said High street is two feet wider than Bishop street which has two-way traffic. The Board agreed that the situation should be reviewed, also Shop Street.

The Engineer told the meeting that the County Council are looking at traffic flow in Tuam - High street, shop street, the High Cross etc. Talks will be held with the Gardai and the Traders. It is hoped to find a reasonable solution. The position is being examined and a report will be prepared in due course.

Minutes:

Traffic Lights:

The Engineer told the meeting that the Traffic Lights for Ballygaddy road had been delivered that day.

Dublin Road:

The Board appealed to people not to park on both sides of the road or on the Pedestrian crossing.

Birmingham road:

A letter from Galway County Council was read. Commissioner Burke told the meeting that following a meeting with Mr. P. Flood, Engineer the cost of improvements to the Bridge is to be estimated.

Hardstand:

The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that an allocation for the Hardstand had been received. Tenders for the project would be invited in the near future and no delay was envisaged.

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Refurbishment
of houses:

The Acting Assistant County Manager said the Department has raised a number of queries and these have been answered.

Commissioner Stapleton proposed that a house at Barrack Street be repaired and be allocated to a Tenant.

1916 Memorial:

The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting he was unable to allocate any documents relating to this monument. Commissioner Stapleton proposed that the County Council take over responsibility for the Monument. The Engineer stated that he would examine the possibility of doing the work under the Social Employment Scheme.

Town Cross:

Letters from the Office of Public Works and Mr. P. Gosling, Dept. of Archaeology, U.C.G. were read. The Acting Assistant County Manager stated that the County Council would not be in a position to fund the erection of a replica cross, also funding cannot be provided by the Town Commissioners. He said the County Council were at present looking at the Square and would bring forward a plan in due course. The plan will be put before the Town Commissioners when prepared.

Social Employment
Scheme:

The Chairman told the members that forty people commenced work as planned. Work is progressing favourably at various locations around the Town.

The Engineer was asked to investigate a problem with water at Circular road.

Refuse Collection:

Replying to the members the Acting Assistant County Manager said agreement had been reached with the private Operators regarding waivers under the old system. The situation regarding the new system is being monitored. Anyone with complaints should contact the Sanitary Services, Galway County Council or the private collector operating in the area.

An Post:

A letter from Mary Scally, Company Secretary, An Post was read.

Town Boundary:

Letters from the Secretary to the Minister of the Environment and the Planning Unit, Department of the Environment were read.

Laws:

The Acting Assistant County Manager told the Meeting that the Minister had confirmed the car-parking By-laws and they would now be implemented.

The Minutes of the February meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner O'Grady seconded by Commissioner Biggins.

Manager's
Business:

The new scheme for the letting of houses was approved on the proposal of Commissioner Stapleton seconded by Commissioner Biggins.

Correspondence:

Letters were received from the following:

1. St. Patrick's Day parade Committee - read
2. Tuam Community Enterprise Group - It was proposed and seconded that the Chairman of the day represent the Town Commissioners on the Board of Action Tuam Ltd.

Library: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that Tenders would be invited for the construction of the Library in the near future.

Office Box No. 27.
Sympathy: A vote of Sympathy was passed with the following:
McCoy Family, Circular Road on the death of Patricia Allen
Conniffe Family, Dublin Road on the death of Mrs Harvey
Lambe Family, Galway Road on the death of Mrs. Lambe
Walsh Family, Lissavalley on the death of Michael

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

J. A. Liberty
CHAIRMAN

17th March, 1990.

FOR THE ATTENTION OF MR. MICHAEL MAHLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.

RE: SCHEME OF LETTING PRIORITIES - TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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Further to my letter of 14th February 1990 I wish to inform you that at their Meeting of the 6th March 1990 the Tuam Town Commissioners made a new Scheme of Priorities for the letting of dwellings in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of the Housing Act, 1988.

I enclose copy of the scheme and I should be grateful to receive the views of the Minister for the Environment in due course.

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MRS. ANGELA HOLIAN, TOWN CLERK, TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

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ACTING ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER.

ASST. CO. MANAGER, 11/1/1990

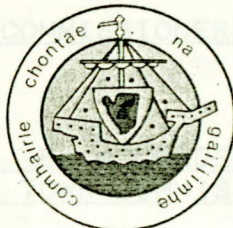
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12th March, 1990.

Secretary,
Department of the Environment,
O'Connell Bridge House,
DUBLIN 2.

FOR THE ATTENTION OF MR. MICHAEL MANLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.

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MRS. ANGELA HOLIAN, TOWN CLERK, TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

ACTING ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER.

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A/ASST. CO. MANAGER. 12/3/1990

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

SCHEME OF PRIORITIES TO BE ACCORDED IN THE LETTING OF DWELLINGS PROVIDED BY TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

1. This Scheme of Priorities, made in pursuance of Section 11 of the Housing Act 1988 shall be used by Tuam Town Commissioners as a means for determining the order of priority to be afforded, in the letting of dwellings, provided by the Commissioners and of which they are the owner, to persons;

(a) who are, in the opinion of the Commissioners unable to provide accommodation from their own resources, and

(b) whose need for accommodation -

(1) has been established, through their inclusion in the most recent assessment made by the Galway County Council under Section 9 of the Housing Act 1988, or

(2) has been accepted by the Galway County Council after the making of that assessment, for inclusion in the next such assessment.

2. Tuam Town Commissioners shall obtain and have regard to a report from a Medical Officer of a Health Board if priority is claimed wholly or partly on medical grounds and in all other cases if the Commissioners so desires.

3. In making the first and any subsequent letting of a dwelling to a person whose need for accommodation has been established through inclusion in an assessment, the Commissioners shall have regard to the family circumstances, existing accommodation conditions, character of the applicant, income and length of time on the assessment list and subject thereto, the following priority shall be accorded to the categories indicated hereafter.

(1) Homeless (as defined in Section 2 of the Housing Act 1988

(2) Living in accommodation that is unfit for human habitation as defined in Section 66(2) of the Housing Act 1966 and the second schedule of that Act, or, is materially unsuitable for their adequate housing.

(3) Living in overcrowded accommodation as defined in Section 63 of the Housing Act 1966.

(4) Medical and compassionate grounds.

- (5) Elderly persons.
- (6) Disabled or handicapped persons.
- (7) Sharing accommodation with another person or persons and who, in the opinion of the Commissioners have a reasonable requirement for separate accommodation.
- (8) Young persons leaving institutional care or without family accommodation.
- (9) In the opinion of the Commissioners not reasonably able to meet the cost of the accommodation which they are occupying or to obtain suitable alternative accommodation.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this scheme, the Commissioners shall be entitled to allocate accommodation to a person in need, if such need arises from:-

- (a) an emergency, due to the destruction by fire, collapse or otherwise of their existing accommodation or,
- (b) other circumstances, that the Commissioners deems to be of such emergency as to warrant rehousing

4. Tenants of Commissioners dwellings will not normally be considered for transfer to other Commissioners dwellings except under the following circumstances:

- (1) Overcrowding.
- (2) Where elderly and other small households wish to surrender family type accommodation and move to smaller accommodation.
- (3) Medical/compassionate reasons.

To qualify for a transfer under the above headings, the following requirements shall be met:

- (a) Clear rent account.
- (b) Service and any other Charges paid.
- (c) Have kept their dwelling in a satisfactory manner.
- (d) Have complied with all conditions of their Letting Agreement.
- (e) Have no record of serious anti-social behaviour in their present dwelling.
- (f) Have been tenants of the present dwelling for at least two years.

In a case of emergency, the foregoing conditions will not apply.

Transfers between tenants of the Commissioners and tenants of another housing authority may be permitted provided the conditions agreed between the two authorities for such transfers are met.

5. Succession tenancy in the event of death will be allowed to the surviving spouse in the case of a joint tenancy. Where both spouses have died or left the house, tenancy will normally be granted to the next member of the family provided

that;

(a) the person has continued to reside in the house throughout his/her lifetime and has been assessed for rent purposes,

or

(b) the person, having left the house for a period, has been living in the house as a recognised sub-tenant for a period of at least two years prior to the death or departure of the tenant.

Where there are two or more surviving members of the family who meet the criteria at (a) or (b) above, a joint tenancy shall be granted by the Commissioners.

6. In the application of this scheme, it shall be the aim of the Commissioners to promote equality of opportunity in getting access to local authority housing based on relative housing needs and to achieve the maximum benefit from its housing stock.

7. Tuam Town Commissioners in applying the terms of this Scheme to any applicant, may if they consider it appropriate to do so, disregard that applicants present accommodation, if the Commissioners have reason to believe that he has, deliberately or without good and sufficient reason, remained in, or taken occupation of, unsuitable accommodation primarily to improve the applicants prospects of obtaining Council accommodation.

8. The Commissioners may from time to time, revise, alter or amend this scheme. This scheme and any revision alteration or amendment thereof, shall have effect only when approved by the Minister for the Environment.

6th March, 1990.

TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel. 093-24246

28th February, 1990

To each Town Commissioner

A CHARA,

The Monthly Meeting of the Tuam Town Commissioners will be held

on Tuesday, 6th March, 1990 at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

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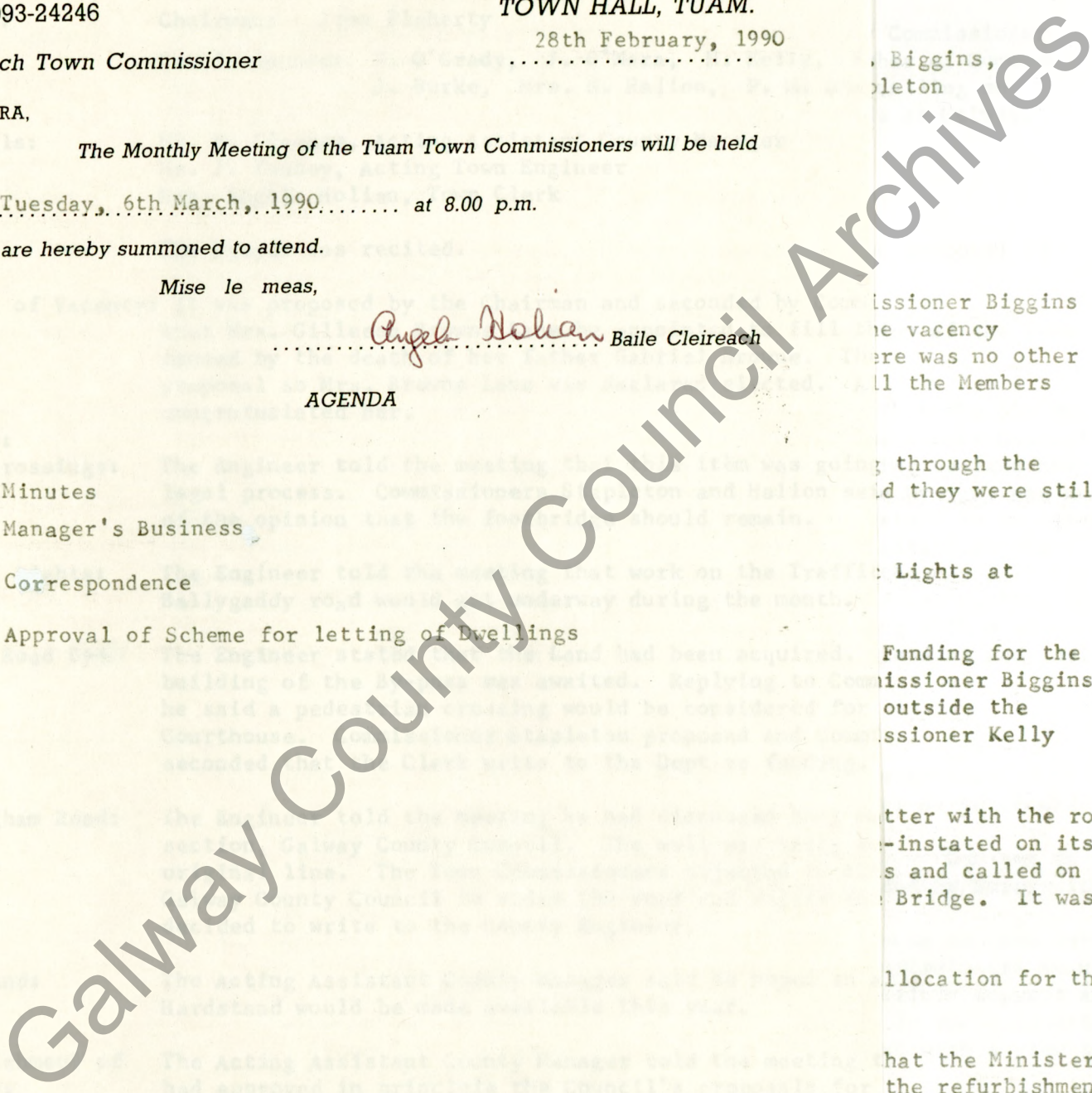
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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 6th February, 1990

- Present:** Chairman: John Flaherty
Commissioners: M. O'Grady, J. O'Mara, M. Kelly, F. Biggins,
J. Burke, Mrs. N. Halion, P. M. Stapleton
- Officials:** Mr. E. Gleeson, Acting Assistant County Manager
Mr. J. Tansey, Acting Town Engineer
Mrs. Angela Holian, Town Clerk
- The Prayer was recited.
- Filling of Vacancy:** It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Commissioner Biggins that Mrs. Gilleesa Browne Lane be appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her father Gabriel Browne. There was no other proposal so Mrs. Browne Lane was declared elected. All the Members congratulated her.
- Minutes:**
- Level Crossings:** The Engineer told the meeting that this item was going through the legal process. Commissioners Stapleton and Halion said they were still of the opinion that the footbridge should remain.
- Traffic Lights:** The Engineer told the meeting that work on the Traffic Lights at Ballygaddy road would get underway during the month.
- Dublin Road By-pass:** The Engineer stated that the Land had been acquired. Funding for the building of the By-pass was awaited. Replying to Commissioner Biggins he said a pedestrian crossing would be considered for outside the Courthouse. Commissioner Stapleton proposed and Commissioner Kelly seconded that the Clerk write to the Dept re funding.
- Birmingham Road:** The Engineer told the meeting he had discussed this matter with the road section, Galway County Council. The wall was being re-instated on its original line. The Town Commissioners objected to this and called on Galway County Council to widen the road and repair the Bridge. It was decided to write to the County Engineer.
- Hardstand:** The Acting Assistant County Manager said he hoped an allocation for the Hardstand would be made available this year.
- Refurbishment of houses:** The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that the Minister had approved in principle the Council's proposals for the refurbishment of houses at Gilmartin road.
- 1916 Memorial:** An estimate for £150 for Maintenance work was received from Kelly's Monumental works. The Acting Assistant County Manager said he would look into this.
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- Parking:** The Board called on people who park in Tuam for the day to use the Car parks.

Refuse collection: Replying to the Members the Acting Assistant County Manager said that the County Council had given a list of people with waivers to the private operators. There was transitional problems but the County Council were not aware of any Major complaints. The situation would be monitored.

Phone charges: It was proposed by Commissioner Kelly and seconded by Commissioner Burke that the Town Commissioners call on Galway Chamber of Commerce to support the Board and Tuam Chamber of Commerce in calling on Telecom Eireann to bring Tuam under the same area code as Galway. It was decided to write to Tuam Chamber of Commerce.

Post Office: It was decided to write to the Chief Executive An Post.

The Minutes of the January Meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner Biggins seconded by Commissioner Burke.

Town Boundary: It was decided to write to the Minister re the extension of the Town Boundary.

By-laws: The Acting Assistant County Manager told the meeting that the old by-laws in relation to casual trading were obsolete. The County Council may designate areas for traders. A draft of car parking by-laws has been submitted to the Minister. Implementation of the By-laws was not sanctioned because of caravan parking. When the Hardstand is in place the By-laws should be implemented. It was agreed to establish the present position due to the fact that the problem in the car park has diminished and plans are advanced for the Hardstand. If car parking by-laws were implemented they would go some way in dealing with unauthorised trading. It was decided to write to the Superintendent and invite he to the next meeting of the Board.

Correspondence: Letters were received from the following:

1. Catherine J. Hughes & Co., Solicitors re 5 Athenry road - Consent to the sale was proposed by Commissioner Burke seconded by Commissioner O'Grady.
2. Gleeson & Kean, Solicitors re 3 McHale terrace - Consent to the sale was proposed by Commissioner O'Mara seconded by Commissioner Stapleton.
3. Edenderry Town Commissioners - There was unanimous support for the following Resolution: "That Edenderry Town Commissioners request all local Authorities in the 26 Counties to publicly support An Taoiseach's invitation to the Unionist Leaders in the 6 Counties to enter into dialogue with the Irish Government with a view to finding a formula for peace.
4. Listowel Urban District Council - read
5. Mr. Noel Treacy, T.D., Minister of State - read

Flag: Commissioner Stapleton proposed that facilities be made at the island in the Square for 3 poles for the Irish flag and two others. The Engineer undertook to investigate.

Notice of Motion: Commissioner Kelly spoke on his Motion re a permanent fire fighting service for Tuam. He asked the County Council to examine the position.

At a recent Fire in Tuam the Fire tender had to go the long way round to get to the fire. Also he said the Hydrants should be checked on a regular basis. There was unanimous support for the Motion. The Board paid tribute to the Tuam and Galway Fire Brigades who dealt with a recent fire in the town.

The Engineer stated that the Hydrants are being updated and this has been ongoing for the past 2 or 3 years. The Acting Assistant County Manager said the Men in Tuam had an excellent record. The Fire Brigade service is constantly under review. There is an ongoing capital programme, equipment is being updated and training is ongoing. There are major cost implications for a full time fire service.

Vacant House: Commissioner Stapleton proposed that a house at Dublin road be allocated to Mr. & Mrs. P. J. Clerke.

Commissioner Burke told the Meeting that the Town was planning a silent march in protest at the continuing loss of jobs. This was to be discussed further at Chamber of Commerce and Community Council meetings.

This concluded the meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED:


CHAIRMAN

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TO: TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

I, Gilleasa Lave hereby consent to be proposed as a candidate to fill casual vacancy in the membership of Tuam Town Commissioners.

I understand that the vacancy shall be filled by the choice of a person by the members of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

SIGNED

Gilleasa Lave
FAIRGREEN HEIGHTS
TUAM

DATE:

5-2-1990

Gilleasa Lave

Proposed by: John Flaherty

seconded by: Francis Biggins

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

TUAM CLERK'S OFFICE,
TOWN HALL, TUAM.

Tel. 093-24246

To each Town Commissioner

. 31st. February, . 1990

Stapleton

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on Tuesday, 6th February, 1990..... at 8.00 p.m.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

Mise le meas,

Angela Holian

..... Baile Cleireach

AGENDA

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Town Boundary

Bye-laws

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Filling of Vacancy

Notice of Motion: M. Kelly

That Tuam Town Commissioners call on Galway County Council to appoint a permanent Fire fighting service in Tuam.

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TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 10th January, 1990

Present:

Chairman: John Flaherty

Commissioners: J. Burke, M.O'Grady, M. Kelly, P. M. Stapleton
J. O'Mara, N. Halion

Officials:

Mr. John Howlett, Assistant County Manager
Mr. Joe Tansey, Acting Town Engineer
Mrs. Angela Holian, Town Clerk

Apology:

Commissioner Biggins

The Prayer was recited.

Minutes:

A letter from the County Engineer was read. Commissioner Stapleton objected to the proposed removal of the existing overbridge. The Engineer stated that the overbridge had to be removed to provide room for a pedestrian crossing. It was proposed and seconded that the proposal as per the County Engineer's letter be accepted.

Traffic Lights:

Regarding the proposed Traffic lights at Ballygaddy road the Engineer said that the contractor was not in a position to carry out the work before Xmass. It was planned to have a meeting on site inside two weeks.

Dublin Road:

The Engineer told the meeting that all the statutory signs were on Dublin road. He had attended a meeting with school Principals, Parent representatives and Supt. Kilgannon recently. The effects of the proposed by-pass were also discussed. The design people would be looking at the situation re a pedestrian crossing. Regarding a ramp experiment proposed at a previous meeting, he said there was not departmental approval for this and clearance would be needed before a ramp could be installed. He undertook to contact the Department.

Hardstand:

Replying to the members the Assistant County Manager said that all proposals are with the Department. It is hoped that the Hardstand would be included in allocations for this year.

**Refurbishment
of Houses:**

The Assistant County Manager told the meeting that the application to the Department was in the name of Galway County Council for Gilmartin road. A detailed plan and number of houses was submitted. It was hoped that this would also be included in allocations for this year. It was proposed by Commissioner Kelly and seconded by Commissioner Burke that the Town Clerk write to the Minister for the Environment, also the three local T.D's re the Hardstand and refurbishment of the houses.

1916 Memorial:

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Town Boundary: This item to be placed on the agenda for the February Meeting.

S. E. S: The Chairman informed the members that interviewing of the work force would commence on Monday 15th January. Commissioner Burke asked the Board to consider allocating some of the workmen to the Enterprise Centre at the old Erin Foods factory for the months of February, March and April to do emergency work because of the bad condition of the site. Commissioner Burke was asked to have more information for the next meeting when a decision would be given.

One-way streets: The Engineer told the meeting that signs were ordered for Shop Street and High Street. As regards High Street reverting to two-way traffic, no report was available yet.

Parking: Commissioner Halion asked that the Board talk to the Gardai re Parking in the Town centre. This item to be discussed at next meeting.

Abbey Trinity car park: Replying to the members the Engineer said an application for an amenity grant has been submitted for Abbey Trinity car park.

The Minutes of the November meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner Stapleton seconded by Commissioner Kelly. The Minutes of the December meeting were adopted on the proposal of Commissioner Burke seconded by Commissioner O'Grady.

Salaries and Pensions: Approval for increases in Salaries and Pension was proposed by Commissioner Burke and seconded by Commissioner O'Mara.

Correspondence: Letters were received from the following:

1. The National Monuments Advisor Council re; the High Cross. It was decided to send a copy of the letter to Galway County Council. The Assistant County Manager advised the Board, if removing the High Cross not to delay until the replica is ready. He said he would like to see a replacement but if the Cross is hit some night there would be no need to discuss a replica.
It was finally resolved to seek a contribution of £2,000 from Galway County Council, £1,000 from the Commissioners' funds and a church gate collection be made for the other £1,000 to finance the erection of a replica. There was a 7 to 1 majority in favour of above action.
2. The Commercial Manager, Telecom Eireann, regarding cost of phone calls to Galway. The Board unanimously rejected the letter and it was proposed that the whole West of Ireland should be under the one area code. Commissioner Kelly was instructed to have this discussed at the next meeting of the Municipal Authorities. It was also decided to write to the Minister.
3. Ceanannus Mor urban district council - There was unanimous support for the following resolution: "That the Minister for Defence recognise the new association set up by the permanent Defence Forces and to endeavour to resolve differences that have arisen between the Department of Defence and the Defence Forces".

4. Donegal County Council - read.

5. Wexford Corporation. There was unanimous support for the following resolution: "In this the United Nations declared decade of the disabled that we as a caring and concerned Borough Council make a special effort to promote interest and co-operation with agencies dealing with developmental disabilities".

Refuse collection: Replying to Commissioner Kelly regarding the new refuse collection arrangements for the town the Assistant County Manager said he would send on the information requested.

Knock Airport: It was decided to write to the Manager, Knock Airport thus: Tuam Town Commissioners support the case for direct flights into Knock Airport.

Clock Tower: The Engineer was asked to investigate the Clock Tower and prepare a report.

Filling of Vacancy: This to be placed on the Agenda for the February meeting.

Notice of Motion: Commissioner O'Grady spoke on his Notice of Motion. He said moves were afoot to have Tuam ruled out as a major venue for Connaught Football finals. He asked for the support of the Board in calling on the Football Board and the county Board to retain the old system and let all venues get a turn. There was unanimous support for the Motion.

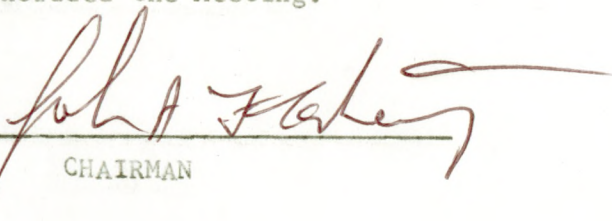
There was unanimous support for the following proposal by Commissioner Burke: That Tuam Town Commissioners call on Galway County Council to carry out repairs at Birmingham road, outside Ted Conways House, It is extremely dangerous now.

Sympathy: A vote of Sympathy was passed with the following Families:

Griffiths Family, Galway road on the death of Jimmy
Turley Family, Galway road on the death of Kieran
Mannion Family, Galway road on the death of Martin
Joyce Family, Galway road on the death of Timothy
O'Brien Family, Vicar Street on the death of John
McGrath Family, Newtownmorris on the death of James
Lawless Family, Athenry road on the death of Mary
Lunn Family, Athenry road on the death of Michael McHugh
Gormally Family, Tullinadaly road on the death of Fr. Sean
Diskin Family, Grange, Tullinadaly on the death of Mrs. Diskin
Connolly Family, Castle town on the death of Thomas
Sean Purcell, Ballygaddy road on the death of Kathleen Cruise
Pat Creavan, Bishop street on the death of Delia Mannion
McHugh Family, Weir road on the death of Michael Joe

This concluded the Meeting.

Recorded by:
Angela Holian,
Town Clerk

SIGNED: 
CHAIRMAN

TO: TUAM TOWN COMMISSIONERS.

I, Gilleasa Lawe, hereby consent to be proposed as a candidate to fill casual vacancy in the membership of Tuam Town Commissioners.

I understand that the vacancy shall be filled by the choice of a person by the members of the Tuam Town Commissioners.

SIGNED Gilleasa Lawe
FAIRGREEN HEIGHTS
TUAM

DATE: 5-2-1990

Gilleasa Lawe

Proposed by: John Flaherty

seconded by: Francis Biggins

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COMHAIRLE CHOMHAIRLITHEACH
NA SÉADHCOMHARTHAÍ NÁISIÚNTA
Plás Íle Uacht.,
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NATIONAL MONUMENTS ADVISORY COUNCIL
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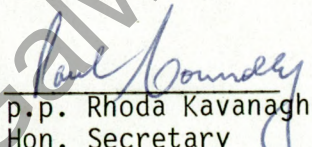
Dear Sir

We understand that there is a recommendation from the Office of Public Works that the market cross in Tuam is moved to the Church of Ireland transept in order to safeguard it from the ravages of increased traffic pollution in Tuam and the threat of damage posed by the traffic itself.

This Council fully supports this recommendation. There is no need we think to explain the importance of this monument. Its destruction or loss would be a tremendous blow both to the people of Tuam and to our national heritage. We earnestly request you to reconsider your position in this matter and arrange for the early removal of the cross to the cathedral. We realise that the people of Tuam consider this an important landmark in the town and that if it were moved, it should be replaced by a replica. We would point out however, that the market square was not the original location for the cross.

We fear that unless the cross is moved immediately, it will be a case of another of our famous high crosses disintegrating before our eyes.

Yours sincerely


p.p. Rhoda Kavanagh
Hon. Secretary

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