

INSTALMENTS OF LOANS

Board of Works Receivable Order No. 37, 25th Sept., applying for the sum of £105 1s 0d., instalments due on foot of Loans. Read.

J. P. HARTIGAN RE GRAZING OF FAIR GREEN.

Read letter from Mr J P Hartigan asking what allowance is to be made him in respect of the four acres given by the former Council for allotment purposes after his contract had been accepted, also drawing attention to the fact that the Fair Green had become almost a commonage through the trespass of horses and cattle of all descriptions, with the result that he had been compelled to remove his cattle and put them elsewhere, and asking that in the circumstances a reasonable allowance be made him off the rent of £106, which he had agreed to pay. Mr Hartigan also reported that the pump was broken.

Ordered.—“That Mr. Davison be directed to have the pump repaired.”

Mr. Hartigan's application for an allowance off the rent was adjourned to the next meeting of the County Council for the terms of his contract to be produced.

MILITARY TRAFFIC ON ROADS.

Resolution from the Limerick No. 1 District Council requesting County Councils to make a demand on the military authorities for the damage done to roads by military traffic; also demanding to be furnished with an estimate of the cost of the main and bye-roads in the district.

Referred to the County Council.

LABOURERS' WAGES.

Letters were read from the Clerks of the Croom, Glin, Limerick, Mitchelstown, Newcastle, and Tipperary District Councils approving of the increase of wages recently granted by the Council.

Mr. Naughton stated that the Bathkeale District Council had also approved of the wages.

The Tipperary No. 2 District Council did not agree to the proposal to revise the scale of wages at the end of each period of six months.

REFUSAL TO PAY RATES BY COUNTY COUNCIL EMPLOYEES.

Letters were read from Collectors Murphy, O'Shaughnessy and Feheny giving the names of persons employed by the Council who decline to pay rates.

In this connection a letter was also read from Mr. Woulfe, solicitor, on behalf of Collector Murphy, stating that an organised attempt is being made in the district to keep the labourers and tenants of labourers' cottages from paying any rates.

After discussion, it was resolved, on the proposition of Mr. Wall, seconded by Mr. Tobin—“That any employee of the County Council who refuses to pay the rates due by him be dismissed from his employment.”

DISPOSAL OF MOTOR-BICYCLE.

Two tenders were received for the purchase of the motor-bicycle advertised for sale, viz., Dr. Humphreys, £40 and Mr. Hodgkinson, £7.

The Committee rejected Dr. Humphreys' tender as they did not consider the amount adequate.

It was ordered—“That the machine be placed in the hands of some reputable cycle agents for disposal on commission.”

PAYMENT OF MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES.

An application was made by Mr. Blood-Smyth, solicitor, for payment of the following decrees obtained in cases of malicious injury:—

Postmaster-General	...	...	...	12	9	0
P. Fitzgerald	...	...	...	18	8	9
Archdeacon Ross-Lewin	...	...	...	305	16	4
Postmaster-General	...	...	...	23	8	9
R. S. de Vere	...	...	...	33	8	9
Postmaster-General	...	...	...	25	4	3
G. Forde	...	...	...	23	9	3
Postmaster-General	...	...	...	95	2	3
Wm. Dickson Dickson	...	...	...	21	11	10
Count de Salis	...	...	...	82	10	8
Sergeant John Portobello	...	...	...	70	0	6
Constable P. Moran	...	...	...	4	16	0
Rebecca Neazor	...	...	...	37	16	8
Sergeant John Portobello	...	...	...	695	14	3
Sergeant George Kirby	...	...	...	378	12	6
Sergeant John Costelloe	...	...	...	137	19	0
Constable John Murphy	...	...	...	635	16	0
	...	...	...	498	8	9
	...	...	...	164	5	3
	...	...	...	665	8	6
	...	...	...	604	11	0

No action taken.

Applications made by Mr. M. Leahy, M.C.C., and Mr. Blackall, solicitor, for payment of two small decrees in the cases of poor persons were referred to the County Council.

R. B. WOULFE—MALICIOUS INJURY.

A preliminary application and notice of a claim for malicious injury, amounting to £1,500, was made by Mr. Woulfe, solicitor, on behalf of R. B. Woulfe, Abbeyfeale, but it was stated that the latter does not intend to molest the ratepayers. He simply requires that his claim be proved and put on record.

R. LEONARD, SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICER.

An application from Mr Richard Leonard, School Attendance Officer for Limerick No. 1 District Council Area for increase of salary, was referred to the County Council.

DENIS E. LEAHY, SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICER.

Read letter from Mr Denis E Leahy resigning his appointment as School Attendance Officer for Newcastle District, on the grounds that the salary was inadequate. Referred to County Council.

COLLECTORS' APPLICATION FOR INCREASED POUNDAGE.

Read Letter from Mr Ruttle, Secretary to the Rate Collectors' Association, asking the Council to consider the claim of Rate Collectors to revision of poundage fees.

Mr Noonan was of opinion that the whole system of rate collection should be revised, and in that opinion Mr Hynes concurred. The application was accordingly adjourned.

COKE FOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

An application from the Caretaker, County Courthouse, to be supplied with one ton of coke, was refused.

REMOVAL OF CHAIRS FROM COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

The Caretaker, County Courthouse, reported that some chairs, the property of the County Council, were recently removed from the Grand Jury Room by one of the road foremen. Referred to Mr Davison for report.

The following report from Mr Davison was read:—

JOHN KENNY V. COUNTY COUNCIL—ENNIS ROAD FLOODING. REPORT

Gentlemen—The surface drainage of this road was defective, owing to no outlet to adjoining fields, when I took up office.

It appears that Mr. Lynch, Contractor, did some work at this place, lifting an old gullet and laying a new one, not on the actual site of the old, and caused an outlet to be made through the wall into Lord Lansdowne's property.

Litigation followed—the outlet was closed, and things were even worse than formerly.

Various suggestions were made from time to time to deal with the road flooding.

Subsequently Mr. Kenny took over a portion of the land for building, filled in the drain on road-side, on his own initiative and was “Noticed” by me, January, 1917, for so doing, and the County Council, on my report, directed the County Solicitor to take proceedings.

On Mr. Kenny's complaining to me re surface-water entering his lands, I asked him would he give the County Council an easement through his property to connect by drain the Ennis road with Circular road. He mentioned a price which I considered exorbitant—I think it was £800. Subsequently, on 3rd September, 1917, Mr. Kenny wrote, threatening proceedings.

I then approached Mr. Kochford (Lord Lansdowne's Agent) and, without demur, he granted me an easement, adjoining Mr. Kenny's holding, free, with, of course, a maintenance proviso.

On February 23rd, 1918, the work was placed in my hands; on March 15th, received letter from Secretary re service of Writ.

The County Council, on March 19th, accepted Mr. Kochford's offer, and I commenced work on March 28th, 1918.

The drain was laid by Direct Labour; gulleys were connected thereto in Ennis Road, and kerbing laid anew, the footway widened and the road so much improved that now it presents a civilised appearance.

I could express myself on the alleged grievance of Mr. Kenny, but the matter being sub-prejudice I must reserve my remarks.

As Mr. O'Malley had been previously Acting-County Surveyor when the case of the gullet in the same land, then under Lord Lansdowne, was the subject of litigation, I thought it well to employ Mr. O'Malley, who had intimate knowledge of the facts, and I have already certified payment of reduced figure, as will appear from the following:—

KENNY v. CO. COUNCIL.

May 19th, 1920.

“Dear Sir,—I herewith enclose a/c of Mr. O'Malley for professional services in re above. The amount was reduced by me to £16 on 28th October, 1919, and the Finance Committee of that date recommended payment. I certify that for Mr. O'Malley's services he is entitled to £16, but it is a matter for the County Council to decide whether this amount should be paid out of the County Council funds and be recovered later from Mr. Kenny.”

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.”

J. J. Quaid, Esq., Secretary, Co. Council.

It seems to me, at any rate, that Mr. O'Malley's account is long over-due.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

The Finance Committee meeting, 11/9/20.

Mr Coleman proposed—“That Mr O'Malley be paid the fees certified by Mr Davison, viz.:—£16.”

Mr. O'Dwyer seconded.

Mr Mackey proposed—“That Mr O'Malley be paid half the amount certified, viz.:—£8.”

Mr. Noonan seconded.

On a poll there voted for payment of £16—Messrs. Coleman, Cranwitch, McCann, Naughton, O'Dwyer, Tobin and Wall—(7).

For paying £8—Messrs. Hynes, Mackey and Noonan—(3).

The Chairman declared Mr. Coleman's proposition carried.

WEIGH BRIDGE AT FAIR GREEN.

Read letter from Mr. J. Cahill complaining that the weigh bridge at the Fair Green had not yet received the necessary repairs.

Referred to Mr. Davison for immediate attention.

INCREASE IN TOLLS.

Mr. Mackey drew attention to the fact that the tolls charged on cattle at the Munster Fairs had been increased without any authority from the Council.

Referred to Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor.

QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS.

Letters were read from the Clerks of Listowel, Newcastle, and Tipperary Unions applying for payment of Quarterly instalments.

MESSRS. BROWNE & NOLAN'S ACCOUNT.

The Committee authorised the payment of £12 3s. 5d. to Messrs. Browne & Nolan for printing Examination Papers and for special stationery supplied.

SURFACEMAN JOHN OSBORNE.

A resolution was read from the Kilmallock District Council requesting the County Surveyor to reinstate John Ryan as surfaceman in John Osborne's area, the latter not being considered competent to act as surfaceman.—No action taken.

MR. DWANE, HOSPITAL—FLOODING.

A letter was read from Mr. Dwane, Hospital, addressed to the Kilmallock District Council, complaining of the flooding of his shop and kitchen by surface water. Referred to Mr. Davison for report.

WALL ROUND KILGOBBIN PUMP.

With reference to a complaint made by Charles Mills, Kilgobbin, of trespass on his lands, owing to the wall surrounding a pump having been removed by Council's employees, Mr. Ryan reported that he had given instructions for the repair of the wall.

MR. FRANK FOSBERRY.

An application from Mr. Frank Fosberry for increase in his pension was marked 'read.'

BALLYLANDERS PENSIONS COMMITTEE.

Mr. Timothy Crowley, senr., Ballylanders, was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Ballylanders Old Age Pensions Committee, created by the resignation of the Rev. Father Quinlan.

SHERIFFS (IRELAND) ACT, 1920.

Circular Letter from Chief Secretary's Office, dated 8th October, transmitting copy of the Sheriffs Act, 1920.

CORK INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

Read resolution from the Cork Industrial Development Association condemning the action of the British Government in their prohibition against American Passenger Vessels entering Cork Harbour on the East-bound voyage. Approved.

MR. CAHILL, M.C.O.

A letter was read from Mr. M. Cahill, M.C.O., stating that in his opinion the minute relating to the forfeiture of the dinner hour on Saturday, when work ceases at 2 o'clock, was not accurate.

The members present were unanimously of opinion that the minute as recorded was an accurate record of what took place.

IRISH CATTLE TRADE ASSOCIATION.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Irish Cattle Trade Association, Cork, stating that owing to the hold up of many important fairs in County Limerick, their members would be glad to facilitate the sellers of cattle by attending at places that might be named.

In this connection applications were received from local committees for permission to hold a cattle fair at Boher and at Ballybrood. Permission granted.

SALE OF TINNACULLIA WINTERAGE.

Read letter from Mr. J. P. Hartigan, Auctioneer, reminding the Council that the time had arrived for the letting of the winterage at Tinnacullia.

Referred to the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee.

MR. BENJAMIN REIDY, NEWCASTLE WEST.

Read letter from the Newcastle West District Council requesting the County Council to re-instate Benjamin Reidy, who had been dismissed from his employment as a road worker.

The Committee, having heard the facts of the case from the County Surveyor, Mr. Ryan, suspended the Standing Orders, and heard a statement of his case from Mr. Reidy.

Mr. Reidy eventually expressed regret for the action taken by him, and his subsequent employment was referred to Mr. Ryan.

The following recommendations made by the County Solicitor on Workmen's Compensation claims were approved:—

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, FORTNIGHT ENDING 4th SEPTEMBER, 1920.

No Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75% W. bonus
98	John McCarthy	8/- + 75% W. bonus
137	Michael Curtin	10/- + 75% W. bonus
159	John Neylon	Half wages to 8th June, 1920
161	John Hourigan	Half wages to 2nd August, 1920
163	Thomas Cunningham	Half wages to 6th July

10/9/20. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, FORTNIGHT ENDING 18th SEPTEMBER, 1920.

69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + bonus
98	John McCarthy	8/- a week + bonus
137	Michael Curtin	10/- " " "
164	Patrick Power	Defer

26/9/20. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, FORTNIGHT ENDING 2nd OCTOBER, 1920.

69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75%
98	John McCarthy	8/- a week + 75%
137	Michael Curtin	10/- a week + 75 per cent.
164	Patrick Power	Defer

9/9/20. P. J. O'SULLIVAN, County Solicitor.

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

Sean de Ball
9/11/20

LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Minutes of Proceedings of Proposals Committee at Half-yearly Meeting, held in the Council Chamber on the 9th October, 1920.

Present—Messrs. Wall, Coleman, Cranwitch, Tobin, and O'Dwyer.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN.

On the proposition of Mr. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Cranwitch, it was resolved—"That Mr. J. Wall be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year."

Mr. Wall accordingly took the Chair at the meeting.

CONTRACTS FOR ADVERTISING, PRINTING, &c.

It was unanimously resolved—That tenders be invited for the following proposals:—

- To publish all advertisements required by the County Council and its several Committees (except Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee), the Clerk of the Crown and Peace, the County High Sheriff, in relation to County Council business, the County Pensions Clerk, the Secretary of the Munster Fair Committee, and University Scholarships Committee (as per specification), for one or three years, from 1st January, 1921.
- For the Printing required to be done under the Jurors Acts, for one or three years, from 1st January, 1921.
- To execute the County Printing, and to supply all Stationery requisites required in County Council Offices, in the Offices of the County Surveyors, and Clerk of the Crown and Peace, and supplies for all County Committees (except Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee), as per specification, for a period of one or three years, from 1st January, 1921.

PAYMENT OF INSTALMENTS OF CONTRACTS.

The Committee recommended payment of the following instalments due on foot of existing contracts:—

F. Connihan & Sons, for advertising in "Munster News," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	22 10 0
Edmond B. Duggan, for advertising in "Limerick Leader," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	22 10 0
Christopher O'Sullivan, for advertising in "Limerick Echo," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	22 10 0
John A. Baldwin, for advertising in "Limerick Chronicle," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	22 10 0
Eliza McCormack, for advertising in "Tipperary People," four months ending 31st July, 1920	10 0 0
Margaret M. Byrne, for advertising in the "Newcastle West Observer," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	16 5 0
The Athlone Printing Works Co. Ltd., for Printing the Jurors Lists of the County and all Forms required under the Jurors Act (according to specification), half-year ending 30th September, 1920. 2nd and 3rd Quarterly instalments. (One year's contract).	79 0 0
George McKern & Sons, Ltd., Limerick, Printing, Stationery, and Office Requisites, half-year ending 30th September 1920. 2nd and 3rd Quarterly instalments. (One year's contract).	448 10 0

The Committee adjourned for the receipt of tenders, to the morning of the next County Council meeting.

JOHN J. QUAID,
COUNTY SECRETARY.

Sean de Ball
9/11/20

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of County Council at Meeting held in the Council Chamber on Monday, the 18th October, 1920.

Present—Mr. Anthony Mackey, Vice-Chairman, and subsequently Mr. J. Wall, Chairman, presiding; Messrs. deLacy, Normile, Dunne, Tobin, O'Dwyer, McCann, Cranwitch, Laffan, Blackwell, Leahy, O'Shea, Purcell, Naughton, Noonan, Hynes.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of last Meeting were taken as read and confirmed, having been printed and circulated.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 28th AUGUST

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meeting held on Saturday, 28th August, were taken as read and unanimously adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 11th and 25th SEPTEMBER.

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meetings held on the 11th and 25th September were also taken as read and unanimously adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 9th OCTOBER.

The Secretary reported that owing to the limited time at his disposal he was unable to have the recommendations of the Finance Committee of the 9th October ready for adoption at to-day's meeting. He therefore asked that the consideration be adjourned to next meeting with the exception of certain matters of urgency.

MR. MAGNER, RATE COLLECTOR.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Magner, in response to the order made by the Finance Committee, at their meeting on the 9th October, tendering the fullest apology to the Council for not having carried out their instructions as directed, adding that he had no intention of ignoring the authority of the Council and that the whole business was a mistaken idea of procedure on his part.

Mr. Tobin proposed "That Mr. Magner's apology be regarded as satisfactory and that his resignation be accepted."

Mr. McCann seconded.

The Chairman proposed "That Mr. Magner be dismissed."

Mr. de Lacy seconded.

On a poll there voted for the Chairman's amendment:—Messrs. Blackwell, de Lacy, Dunne, Hynes, Laffan, Naughton, Normile, Purcell, and the Chairman—8.
Against:—Messrs. Cranwitch, Leahy, McCann, Noonan, O'Dwyer, O'Shea, and Tobin—7.
The Chairman declared the amendment carried, and being put as a substantive resolution was passed *nem. con.*

MESSRS. O'DONNELL AND CLEARY—RATE COLLECTORS.

The Secretary reported that Collector O'Donnell had also written a letter of explanation, and that both he and Collector Magner had closed their warrants for the half year ended the 30th September, but that no reply had been received from Collector Cleary who had still a sum of £108 15s. 5d. outstanding. Mr. Naughton suggested that Mr. O'Donnell's case be treated differently from Mr. Cleary's.

The Chairman, however, proposed—That both those collectors, O'Donnell and Cleary, be dismissed.

Mr. de Lacy seconded.

Mr. Naughton proposed a direct negative.

Mr. Leahy seconded.

On a poll, there voted for the Chairman's proposition—Messrs. Blackwell, de Lacy, Dunne, Hynes, Laffan, Normile, Purcell, and the Chairman—8.

Against—Messrs. Leahy, McCann, Naughton, O'Shea and Tobin—5.

Messrs. Cranwitch, Noonan, and O'Dwyer did not vote.

The Chairman's proposition was declared carried.

The Secretary was directed to write to those collectors for the return of their collecting books and warrants.

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS.

The Council unanimously decided to make, for the present, only temporary appointments to complete the warrant for the year ended the 31st March, 1921, and the Secretary was directed to issue advertisements for the appointments to be made at the next meeting of the County Council.

POUNDAGE FEES.

It was resolved—"That Messrs. Magner and O'Donnell be paid their Poundage Fees."

FINANCES.

The Council's financial position was reported to be as follows:—

General Account	...	Debit Balance	£1277 18 2
Subsidiary Account	...	"	12,212 8 8
University Scholarship Account	...	"	1,040 14 3
Munster Fairs	"	"	26 4 1
		Total Dr.	£14,556 19 9

In this connection the Secretary reported that the Manager of the Munster and Leinster Bank informed him that he had made arrangements to meet the necessary overdraft.

DEFAULTING RATEPAYERS EMPLOYED BY Co. COUNCIL.

Mr. de Lacy drew attention to a letter written on behalf of Mr. Murphy, Rate Collector, by Mr. Woulfe, Solicitor—considered at last Finance Meeting—pointing out that a movement was being made in the Abbeyfeale District, led by Patrick Buckley of Abbeyfeale, to prevent the occupiers of Union cottages from paying rates—stating that Mr. Murphy appealed to an Arbitration Court to enforce payment against several defaulters, whereupon Mr. Buckley appeared in court and defended the parties sued on the ground that they were not liable for same being only weekly tenants.

Mr. de Lacy pointed out that the question was one for a Parish Court and not for an Arbitration Court—there being no question of arbitration involved—and he proposed "That Collectors having like difficulties be so notified." *Passed.*

MR. PATRICK BUCKLEY.

The Chairman further proposed "That the attention of the Minister for Home Affairs be directed to the action taken by Mr. Patrick Buckley in the matter."

MR. DANIEL HEALY.

On the proposition of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Tobin, it was resolved that authority be given for the payment of a decree for £50 14s. 0d. obtained against the Council by Daniel Healy of Templeglantine, he being a poor man and badly in need of payment.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS' COMMITTEE, 8th SEPTEMBER.

The recommendations of University Scholarships' Committee at meeting held on the 8th September, having been circulated, were taken as read.

Arising therefrom Mr. McCann was of opinion that the Committee exceeded their jurisdiction in recommending the award of a Scholarship to a student who had not fulfilled the strict requirements of the Scheme. The Secretary to the Committee, however, pointed out that discretionary power was allowed to the Committee and had been exercised on former occasions within certain limitations which had in this case been fulfilled.

Mr. de Lacy also explained that the student in question, in addition to passing a good examination, had selected the Faculty of Commerce—one of the two Ear-marked Faculties.

Mr. McCann proposed "That the Scholarship be not awarded." But his proposition not receiving a seconder, Mr. de Lacy proposed and Mr. Cranwitch seconded "That the recommendations be adopted." *Passed nem. con.*

COUNTY COUNCILS' GENERAL COUNCIL REPORT.

The following recommendations were made by the County Councils' General Council:—

MILK PRODUCTION.

I. That immediate steps be taken to give effect to the recommendations contained in the Interim report on Milk Production. Referred to the County Committee for Agriculture.

APPOINTMENT OF CORONERS.

II. That vacancies in the office of Coroner be filled and the persons appointed required to give an undertaking to hold inquests in all cases requiring investigation. *Approved.*

TOLLS AT MARKETS AND FAIRS.

III. That County Councils endeavour to acquire the Patentees of Markets and Fairs by Agreement or Arbitration with a view to utilizing the tolls derivable therefrom in relief of the rates. *Approved.*

CHAIR OF SCIENTIFIC AGRICULTURE.

IV. That the grant of £20 be contributed by each County Council towards the Chair of Scientific Agriculture in University College, Dublin. *Approved.*

VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR.

The Secretary reported a casual vacancy in the office of County Councillor for the Kilmallock Electoral area, created by the death of Mr. John A. Lynch.

The Chairman declared the office vacant, and in accordance with the provisions of the Standing Orders, gave notice that he would move at the next meeting that the vacancy be filled by the co-option of Mr. Tighe Crowley, Ballylanders.

REPRESENTATION ON COUNTY COUNCILS GENERAL COUNCIL.

On the proposition of Mr. Blackwell, seconded by Mr. Tobin, it was resolved—"That our Chairman, Mr. John Wall, be appointed to fill the vacancy in the representation of this Council on the County Councils General Council created by the death of Mr. John A. Lynch."

TREASURER'S AUTHORITY—COUNTY INFIRMARY, &c.

It was unanimously resolved—"That Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments under the Bovine Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order, for deficit on the working of the County Infirmary for year ended 31st March, 1920, for ordinary transfers to Secretary's No. 3 Account, Postage Account, &c., and for miscellaneous payments."

MR. J. P. HARTIGAN—GRAZING ON FAIR GREEN.

A letter was read from Mr. J. P. Hartigan, lessee of the grazing of the Munster Fair Green, asking to be allowed compensation for the four acres taken for allotment purposes after the contract had been entered; it also pointed out that the trespass on the Fair Green had rendered the place valueless for the purpose for which it was rented.

After some discussion it was unanimously resolved—"That Mr. Hartigan be allowed proportionate abatement for the four acres taken for allotments, together with six additional acres which are valueless for grazing purposes."

REPAIR OF PUMP.

It was ordered:—"That Mr. Davison be directed to have the pump repaired."

KEY OF WEIGH-BRIDGE.

Authority was given to Mr. Davison to procure a key of the Weigh-Bridge at Fair Green.

MRS. JOHANNA KIELY.

The Secretary reported that he had not yet received the report of the Chairman of the Croom District Council regarding the claim of Mrs. Johanna Kiely, late Courthouse Keeper, Croom, to be granted some compensation after her 80 years' service. The consideration was accordingly adjourned to next meeting.

JOHN OSBORNE.

At the suggestion of Mr. O'Dwyer, Mr. Davison was directed to enquire into and report at next meeting as to whether some kind of employment could be found for John Osborne, who, having reached the age of 80 years, had gone beyond his time for work as surfaceman.

MR. DENIS LEAHY, SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICER.

Read letter from Mr. Denis E. Leahy, Abbeyfeale, resigning his appointment as School Attendance Officer for the Newenstle Rural District area, on the ground that the salary was inadequate for the duties he had to perform.

It was unanimously resolved:—"That Mr. Leahy's resignation be accepted, but that no appointment be made to fill the vacancy for the present."

The Secretary was directed to enquire into the question of Mr. Leahy's right to pension and to report on same at next meeting.

MR. RICHARD LEONARD, SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICER.

Read letter from Mr. Richard Leonard, School Attendance Officer for the Limerick No. 1 Rural District, applying for an increase of salary.

A discussion took place regarding the manner in which the duties of School Attendance Officers are being discharged; several members being of opinion that the work as carried out at present was practically useless.

Mr. Leonard's application was adjourned for the present.

MR. MARTIN SHEAHAN'S CLAIM.

With reference to Mr. Martin Sheahan's claim for £120 10s. for portion of quarry at Roxboro, Mr. Davison reported:—

ROXBORO' QUARRY.

Gentlemen—With reference to Mr. P. E. O'Donnell's (Solicitor), claim on behalf of Mr. Martin Sheahan, I have to report:—

1. One year's rent for breaking ground and passage up to 1st September, 1920. This rent has been paid as it fell due, and the Paying Order (No. 18519) alluded to by Mr. O'Donnell is the last instalment thereof.

2. Twenty-five perches of quarry stripped and not paid for, at £2 per perch. There has been nothing like 25 perches stripped since last payment, and what has been stripped will be paid for in due course.

3. Five hundred loads of surface put on footpath at 2/6. No doubt Mr. Sheahan refers to the coarse spalls used for trunking up the footpath on the Ballysheedy road. This of course is material obtained from the quarry, and may be taken as paid for by the "surface damage." I should mention that I brought forward the purchase of this quarry before the last Council on 27th March, 1920, when I wrote:—"I have seen Mr. Martin Sheahan, and he is prepared to sell his quarry. He wants £100 for a statute acre, with free passage through his land. We are at present paying, under Quarry Order, £2 per perch per annum for Surface Damage and £5 per annum for breaking ground and passage. If we could purchase quarry outright for £2 per perch, and free of passage rental, it would be much better value to the Council. This is an excellent stone for road making, being what is known as Olivine Basalt. Mr. Sheahan did not accept the offer, but, perhaps, if it were renewed he might agree to sell."

I am, gentlemen, your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

The County Council Meeting 18/10/20.

On the proposition of Mr. Laffan, seconded by Mr. Hynes, Mr. Davison was authorized to offer £2 per perch for the plot with right over passage.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

The Secretary submitted the usual notice of Audit for half-year ended 31st March, 1920.

It was unanimously resolved:—"That it be an instruction to our Secretary to refuse all books and documents to Mr. J. A. Baker, when he attends for the purpose of opening the audit on October 21st, 1920."

VACANCY ON RATHKEALE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

On the proposition of Mr. Naughton, it was resolved:—"That the Rev. Father Mortell, C.C., Croagh, be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Rathkeale School Attendance Committee created by the transfer of Rev. Father Ryan, C.C., Croagh."

THOMAS RYAN—MALICIOUS INJURY APPLICATION

An application from Mr. Blackall, Solicitor, for payment of a decree amounting to £14 15s. 0d. obtained against the Council by Thomas Ryan, Prospect, was adjourned.

ANALYST'S REPORT.

The following report from Sir Charles Cameron on the articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended the 30th September, 1920, was taken as read:—

Six articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—
For Sergeant Connor, Dromcollogher, two specimens of milk, two of butter, one of margarine and one of cheese were analysed and were pure.

A specimen of soap analysed for the Guardians of Limerick Union was of good quality.

Four specimens of water analysed for the Limerick Rural District Council had the following compositions.

One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4
Total solid matter	82.200	89.900	58.800	46.000
Including:				
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.011	0.012	0.030	0.006
Saline Ammonia	0.024	0.028	0.036	0.002
Nitric Acid	1.500	Trace	4.500	Trace
Chlorine	2.480	4.390	5.880	5.320

Nos. 1, 2, and 3 were polluted; No. 4 was a good water.

A specimen of water analysed for the Rathkeale Rural District Council had the following compositions.

One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

Total solid matter	37.800
Including:	
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.009
Saline Ammonia	0.020
Nitric Acid	Trace
Chlorine	2.400

A tolerably good water.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. P. Meagher, Farnane, Cappamore, was of the average quality of pure milk.

Three specimens of milk analysed for the Condensed Milk Company of Ireland, Killeely Branch, were pure.

Three specimens of Milk analysed for Mr. P. H. Donegan, Pallasgreen, were pure.

Two specimens of milk analysed for Mr. S. Campbell, Kildoral, Clouara, were of rich quality.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. P. Carmody, Croom, was under the average quality of pure milk.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. W. Hannon, Fedamore, was of rich quality.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. H. Laffan, Ballybrood, was above the average quality of pure milk.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. P. Bateman, Ballybrood, was of rich quality.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. T. Hurley, Ballyneety, was of rich quality.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. P. Moloney, Ardnaresha, was of rich quality.

A specimen of fertilizer was analysed for Mr. S. Mulcair, Shanagolden.

A most careful analysis failed to trace poison in viscera of pig, pig's vomit, food, oil cake and linseed meal, which were received from P. J. Condon, Esq., Ballylanders.

For Tipperary Union, which is partly situated in the County Limerick, fifteen drugs, one specimen of water were analysed. The drugs were correct. The milk was of good quality. The specimen of water had the following composition.

One imperial gallon contained in grains:—

Total solid matter	13.300
Including:	
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.006
Saline Ammonia	0.018
Nitric Acid	Trace
Chlorine	1.090

A tolerably good water.

In the original reports on the waters above referred to, full details, chemical and microscopical, were given, but in the foregoing only the more important points are given.

Total analyses—46.

The Police did not act as Food Inspectors for several years after the County Councils adopted the Sale of Food and Drugs Act. The Relieving Officers of the Boards of Guardians generally acted as Food Inspectors and took up samples for analysis. I believe the County Council of the County of Dublin intend to appoint two Special Food Inspectors.

CHARLES A. CAMERON.

SUTTON'S COAL ACCOUNT.

The following letter from Mr. Davison, County Surveyor, was read:—

Gentlemen,

I have made exhaustive enquiries in connection with the above a/c and find that the coal was sent to Clogher, Kilmallock from Limerick via Traction wagons. The amount is being put forward for payment on current Sheets.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

ROBERT DAVISON,

County Surveyor.

Approved.

STAMPING OF INSURANCE CARDS.

With regard to the question of the stamping of Insurance Cards it was ordered:—"That it be a direction to our representatives to have the question raised at the next meeting of the County Councils' General Council."

COMBINED PURCHASING.

The Scheme for Combined Purchasing by Local Bodies was again considered, and in connection therewith a list was submitted by Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, of articles which he considered would be suitable for combined purchase.

Mr. de Lacy was directed to place Mr. Ryan's list before the County Council's General Council.

LABOURERS' WAGES.

Read letter from Rathkeale District Council approving of the proposal to increase the rate of wages to employees under the Direct Labour Scheme, same to take effect as from the 17th July, 1920, the date of the original application made by the Transport Workers' Union on behalf of the employees.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME.

Read letter from the Ministry of Transport, dated 6th August, acknowledging the receipt of the revised Scheme for road-rolling in the Western Division of the County Limerick, and asking that the Scheme for the Eastern Division be forwarded as soon as possible as they would prefer to deal with the Scheme for the entire County at the one time; also asking to be furnished with detailed estimates, specifications, maps, &c.

The Council having heard a statement from Mr. Davison, County Surveyor, were of opinion that there would be very little utility in proceeding with the Scheme.

REFORM OF THE LIQUOR LAWS.

Mr. J. Hynes proposed, Mr. J. Dunne seconded, and resolved:—

"moltá—go nglacraimís leir an mholáí d'ua cómarlaísteann an t-áitín p ó cotterís, mág-nuabac a éirí a b'fóir an h-éiceann, agus go n-áppaimís ar an 'ápo cómarlaí na gCómairle gContae' i na cómarlaí eile an fua céanna do réanaím, i go b'páitíreáir an fua ro ar na b'páitíreáir na tíre roir gaoilinn agus b'páitíreáir."

AMERICAN SHIPPING SERVICES TO IRISH PORTS.

The following resolution was read and approved, and copies ordered to be sent to Admiral Benson, Chairman, U. S. Shipping Board, Washington; The Ambassador-in-Charge, U. S. Embassy, London; The U. S. Consul, Cove, Cork.

RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL OF CORK INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Council of the Cork Industrial Development Association, held on Monday, September, 20th, the following resolution was passed:—

"This Association, representative of the commercial and industrial interests of Cork, expresses its pleasure at the advent of the ships of the United States Mail Steamship Company to the Port of Cork, which, we feel confident, will lead to big development of trade and intercourse between Ireland and America."

"We condemn the action of the British Government authorities in their prohibition against American passenger vessels entering Cork Harbour on the east-bound voyage. We regard such prohibition not as an isolated incident but as part of the traditional English policy of maintaining control of the seas and preventing the shipping expansion of other nations. We also regard it as part of England's traditional repressive economic policy against the development of Ireland's trade and commerce, which policy ruthlessly pursued has reduced the population of our country from eight millions to four millions within the past seventy years."

"We look to the United States Administration, and in particular to its Shipping Board Department, to insist upon freedom for its vessels to enter Irish ports, and we are sure the whole Irish people will co-operate with any action taken by them in this respect, as it is to the interests of our country that its ports be free to all vessels, and it is our desire to maintain direct intercourse with all nations."

AMALGAMATION OF UNIONS.

A circular letter was read from the Local Government Dept. of Dail Eireann, suggesting, amongst other matters that a Conference be held consisting of representatives of the several Unions in the County and the County Council, with a view to arranging a Scheme for the amalgamation of such unions as it is decided can be dispensed with.

It was resolved:—"That three representatives from each Union in the County and three representatives of the County Council be invited to this Conference, and that same be held in the County Council Chamber, on Thursday, the 11th November."

It was unanimously resolved:—"That Messrs. Wall, de Lacy and Laffan be appointed to represent the Council."

It was also resolved:—"That the three District Councils—Glin, Mitchelstown No. 2, and Tipperary No. 2—whose Unions are situated in other Counties, get a like representation of three members at the Conference."

MRS. JEREMIAH QUAID'S QUARRY, CREGGANE.

A letter from Mr. Cahill, Solicitor, Charleville, making a claim on account of material supplied out of above-mentioned quarry was referred to Mr. Davison to reply—he having reported verbally.

ANNACOTTY NEW ROAD.

On the proposition of Mr. Hynes, Mr. Davison was directed to report, at next meeting, regarding the failure of the contractor for the Annacotty New Road (Mr. Wm. Flannery) to complete his contract as far as the fencing of the road was concerned.

MILITARY TRAFFIC ON ROADS.

The question of the damage being done to the roads of the County by Military traffic (brought under notice by the Limerick District Council) will arise on consideration of the Circular to be dealt with by the conference.

The meeting adjourned.

JOHN J. QUAID,

County Secretary.

Seán de Bóill
9/11/20

LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Minutes of Proceedings of Diseases of Animals Committee at Meeting, held in the County Secretary's Office, on Monday, the 18th October, 1920.

Present—Mr. A. Mackey, Presiding.

Messrs. de Lacy, Noonan, Laffan, McCann, Hynes, Blackwell, Cranwitch, McCann, O'Dwyer, Normile, Naughton, Dunne, Tobin, Wall, Purcell and O'Shea.

The Minutes of last meeting having been circulated were taken as read, and confirmed.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER.

The Committee examined the claims received for animals slaughtered under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order for quarters ended the 30th June and 30th September, and, being in accordance with Scale, it was unanimously resolved:—"That Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments, also for fees due to Veterinary Inspectors for duties performed under the same Order"

REVISION OF VETERINARY INSPECTORS' FEES.

The question of revising the scale of fees allowed Veterinary Inspectors under the Bovine Tuberculosis Order was adjourned for the attendance of the Veterinary Inspectors.

JOHN J. QUAID,

COUNTY SECRETARY.

Seán de Bóill
9/11/20

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee at Half-yearly Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Saturday, 23rd October, 1920.

Present—Mr. M. de Lacy, Chairman, Presiding; Messrs. Wall, Mackey, Blackwell, Noonan, Dunne, Laffan, Normile, Tobin, O'Dwyer, McCaun, Cranwiche, Leahy, O'Shea, Purcell, Naughton and Hynes.

The minutes of last meeting were taken as read.

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £4130 5s. 9d."

FINANCES.

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit. £ s d	Debit. £ s d
General Account		7791 2 8
Subsidiary Account		14810 7 5
University Scholarships' Account		1051 14 3
Manster Fair Account		26 4 1
Gross Dr. Balance		£23679 8 5

RATE RETURN.

The Rate Return was examined and showed a sum of \$106,647 10s. 6d. collected to date in respect of the September Half-year's Warrant. The Balance outstanding being £9027 14s. 9d.

HALF-YEARLY PAYMENTS.

The following list of claims for payment were submitted and were dealt with as recorded hereunder:—

1
List of Applications for Payments laid before the Finance Committee, at their Half-yearly
Meeting held at the Council Chamber, on Saturday, 23rd October, 1920.

No.	To whom proposed to be paid	Nature of Payment	Amount £ s d	Decision of Finance Committee
PUBLIC BODIES				
1	Governors of County Infirmary	For support and Maintenance of County Infirmary for half-year ending 31st Dec., 1920 ...	700 0 0	Passed
		House Surgeon	47 0 0	
2	Governors of Limerick District Lunatic Asylum	For support and maintenance of Asylum	6849 17 4	
3	Transfers to Guardians of Unions in the County	Croom Union	2348 15 0	
		Kilmallock Union	6083 2 2	
		Limerick do.	7845 1 8	
		Listowel do.	638 0 0	
		Fermoy do.	491 10 0	
		Newcastle do.	3309 0 0	
		Rathkeale do.	3625 0 0	
		Tipperary do.	1076 0 0	
4	Transfers to District Councils	Croom	197 5 0	
		Kilmallock	237 0 0	
		Limerick No. 1	928 10 0	
		Glin	55 0 0	
		Mitchelstown No. 2	119 10 0	
		Newcastle	417 10 0	
		Rathkeale	282 10 0	
		Tipperary No. 2	32 0 0	
5	Transfers A. & T. I. Committee	Yearly Instalment	995 18 5	
6				
7	District Councils Proposals (Form 22)	Roads, etc.	(See Form 22)	
8	Proposals Committee Proposals	Printing, Advertising, etc. ...	(See Form 22)	

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Rents

Decision of
Finance Committee

		£	s	d	
9	Half-year's Rent of Petty Sessions Houses, to 29th September, 1920:—				
	Henry Hunt ... Bruree ...	5	0	0	Pay
	Louisa Hunt ... Askeaton ...	5	0	0	
	Lord Montague ... Foynes (John Little) ...	5	0	0	Pay
	William Wallace ... Galbally ...	5	0	0	
	O. E. Vandeleur ... Kilfinane ...	5	0	0	Pay
	R. R. Ballingal ... Alure ...	5	0	0	
	James Barry ... Hospital ...	5	0	0	Payment refused Council out of possession
	A. Rutledge ... Castleconnell ...	5	0	0	
	Joseph Cunningham ... Pallasgreen ...	5	0	0	Pay
	George Caulfield ... Pallaskerry (J. Nash & Son) ...	5	0	0	
	Mary White ... Patrickswell ...	5	0	0	Pay
	Sir C. B. Barrington ... Murroe ...	5	0	0	
10	Reps. Rev. T. P. Weldon, ground rent of Kilmallock Sessions House, Half-year due 29th September, 1920	8	10	0	Pay
11	G. T. Peacocke, ground rent of Ballingarry Courthouse, Half-year due 1st November, 1920	2	10	0	
	Trustees of the Ellis Estate, Half-year's ground rent of Abbeyfeale Courthouse, due 29th September, 1920	0	10	0	Pay
13	Mrs. A. M. T. Staveley, Half-year's ground rent of Dromcollogher Courthouse, due 29th September, 1920	1	10	0	
14	Robert Holmes, Half-year's ground rent County Offices, to 30th September, 1920. Less Income Tax, £5 3s. 10d.	15	11	8	

Veterinary Inspectors Accounts—Sheep Fairs

15	William Power, V.S. ... Mitchelstown District ...	3	0	0	Pay
16	William Power, V.S. ... Tipperary ...	1	10	0	
17	Michael J. Mitchell, V.S. ... Kilmallock ...	10	10	0	Pay
18	P. J. Walsh, V.S. ... Croom ...	4	10	0	
19	John J. Condon, V.S. ... Limerick ...	12	0	0	Pay
20	T. B. Hayes, V.S. ... Rathkeale ...	12	0	0	
21	R. J. Murnane, V.S. ... Newcastle ...	12	0	0	Pay
22	J. H. Pierce, V.S. ... Listowel ...	—	—	—	

Coroners' Inquests.

23	Dr. John Ryan, for attending inquest and making post mortem examination at Ballysimon, on 18th July, 1920	2	2	0	Pay
24	Dr. Cornelius J. Nolan, for attending inquest at Shanagolden, on 25th January, 1920	1	1	0	
25	Dr. William Lane, for attending inquest at Gortree, on 7th July, 1920	1	1	0	Pay
26	Dr. John J. Cremin, for attending inquest at Dromcollogher, on 21st June, 1920	1	1	0	
27	Dr. Byrnes, for attending inquest at Bruree, on 30th July, 1920, on body of Thomas Harris	1	1	0	Pay
28	Dr. Byrnes, for attending inquest at Bruree, on 30th July, 1920, on body of Patrick Duggan	1	1	0	
29	Dr. John J. Cremin, for attending inquest, and making post mortem examination at Newcastlewest, on 17th July, 1920	2	2	0	Pay
30	Dr. John J. Cremin, for giving evidence and making post mortem examination at Newcastlewest police barracks, on 2nd July, 1920	2	2	0	
31	Dr. M. R. Cleary, for giving evidence at inquest and making post mortem examination at Hospital, on 30th August, 1920	2	2	0	Pay
32	Dr. Cornelius J. Nolan, for attending inquest on body of John Hynes, at Kimehore on 27th August, 1920	1	1	0	

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3				Decision of Finance Committee	
School Attendance Officers					
		£	s	d	
CROOM					
34	Thomas Reidy, junr., Ballingarry, half-year's salary to 30th September, 1920, books, postage, etc.	20	0	0	Pay
	Sundries	13	0	5	
	Less Insurance Stamps		33	0	5
			0	6	6
			32	13	11
GLIN					
35	Mortimer J. McElligott, Glin, half-year's salary, etc., to 30th September, 1920	9	0	0	Pay
	Sundries	0	12	6	
	Less Insurance Stamps		9	12	6
			0	6	6
			9	6	0
KILMALLOCK					
36	John Tobin, Kilfinane, for half-year's salary, etc., to 30th September, 1920; books, forms, etc.	24	10	0	Pay
	Sundries	0	8	10	
	Less Insurance Stamps		24	18	10
			0	6	6
			24	12	4
LIMERICK					
37	Richard Leonard, Ballybrood, half-year's salary, to 30th Sept., 1920, books, postage, etc.	19	10	0	Pay
	Sundries	0	3	6	
	Less Insurance Stamps		19	13	6
			0	6	6
			19	7	0
MITCHELSTOWN					
38	Robert Hyland, Galbally, half-year's salary to 30th September, 1920; books, postage, etc.	10	0	0	Pay
	Sundries	0	6	6	
	Less Insurance stamps		9	13	6
			0	6	6
			26	7	0
NEWCASTLE					
39	Denis E. Leahy, Abbeyfeale, for half-year's salary, to 30th September, 1920; books, notices	25	0	0	Pay
	Sundries	1	7	0	
	Less Insurance Stamps		26	7	0
			0	6	6
			26	0	6
RATHKEALE					
40	Thomas McNamara, Rathkeale, for half-year's salary, to 30th Sept., 1920; books, postage, etc.	22	0	0	Pay
	Sundries	1	17	1	
	Less Insurance Stamps		23	17	1
			0	6	6
			23	10	7
TIPPERARY					
41	John O'Dwyer, Ballynecsty, Pallasgreen, half-year's salary to 30th Sept., 1920; books, forms, etc.				Pay
	Less Insurance Stamps				

4		Decision of Finance Committee	
Posting Notices		£ s d	
42	Patrick McNamara, R.O., Adare, for posting notices in the Adare Dispensary District, for year ending 30th Sept., 1920	Croom ...	
43	James J. Liston, R.O., Ballingarry, for like through his district	Croom, R.D. ...	
44	Michael Shaughan, R.O., Croom, for like through his district	Croom R.D. ...	
45	Edmund Cowhey, for posting notices through twelve Electoral Divisions, forming the western portion of Kilmallock Rural Dist.	...	
46	John Lenihan & Son, Newcastle West, posting notices Jurors' Lists	...	
47	Robert Dora, Newcastle West, posting notices Jurors' Lists	...	
48	John Pyte, Tipperary, posting notices, Jurors' Lists	...	
49	Robert P. Coll, Bruree, posting notices through twelve Electoral Divisions of Kilmallock Rural District, east and west, (Jurors' Lists)	...	
50	T. A. O'Brien, Mitchelstown, amount paid for posting notices	Jurors' Lists ...	
51	B. Mulcair, posting notices of Rates having been made, Askeaton District, Rathkeale	...	
52	John Howard, for like, Pallaskey District, Rathkeale	...	
53	William Halligan, for like, Rathkeale District	...	
54	John Cahill, for like, Shanagolden District, Rathkeale	...	
(Posting notices for half-years ended 31st March and 30th Sept., 1920)			
55	Edmond Cowhey, Clogher, posting notices, Jurors' Lists	...	
56	James Connors, Newcastle West, for posting General List of Jurors, etc., in the various divisions	...	
57	E. J. Ryan, R.O., Ballylanders, posting Jurors' Lists, Mitchelstown	...	
Payments under Representation of the People Act and Jurors' Acts			
58	Secretary, County Council, preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for the year 1920-21, and attending Revision Courts	...	
59	Clerk, Kilmallock Union, preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for the year 1920-21, and attending Revision Courts	...	
60	Secretary, County Council, preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for year 1920-21, and attending Revision Courts	...	
61	Clerk, Listowel Union, preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for year 1920-21, and attending Revision Sessions	...	
62	Secretary, County Council, preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for year 1920-21, and attending Revision Courts (Mitchelstown Union)	...	
63	Secretary, County Council, preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for year 1920-21, and attending Revision Courts (Newcastle Union)	...	
64	Secretary, County Council, preparing Parliamentary and Voters' Lists for year 1920-21, and attending Revision Courts (Rathkeale Union)	...	
65	Clerk, Tipperary Union, preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for year 1920-21, and attending Revision Courts	...	
	Jurors' Lists, same year	...	

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5		Decision of Finance Committee	
Rate Collectors.		£ s d	£ s d
66	Gerald E. Farmer, assisting in preparing Parliamentary Voters' Lists for year 1920-21, and attending Sessions	Jurors' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' Lists ...	
67	Samuel Rattle, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
68	Garrett Barry, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
69	Jeremiah M. Nolan, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
70	Michael J. Clery, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
71	John O'Donnell, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
72	Patrick D. Magner, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
73	Robert E. Barry, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
74	Michael Quirke, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
75	Cornelius M. Brennan, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
76	Edmond Duggan, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
77	Neil McDonnell, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
78	John McMahon, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
79	Thomas Dwyer, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
80	William Hickey, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
81	Patrick Shearin, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
82	James D. Leahy, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
83	Michael Murphy, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
84	Patrick Reidy, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
85	Nicholas Hickey, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	
86	John Feheny, like,	Voters' Lists ...	
	do	Jurors' " ...	

Pay according
to Scale

RATE COLLECTORS—Continued				Decision of Finance Committee	
			£ s d		
87	W. H. O'Brien, like, Voters' Lists	...		Pay according to Scale	
	do Jurors' "	...			
88	Michael Cahill, like, Voters' Lists	...			
	do Jurors' "	...			
89	Peter O'Shaughnessy, like, Voters' Lists	...		Pay	
	do Jurors' "	...			
90	Patrick Quinlan, like, Voters' Lists	...			
	do Jurors' "	...			
Checking Rate Collectors' Books.					
91	Clerk, Croom Union	Checking Rate Collectors' Books	...	Pay	
92	Clerk, Kilmallock Union	do do do	...		
93	Clerk, Listowel Union	do do do	...		
94	Clerk, Newcastle Union	do do do	...		
95	Clerk, Rathkeale Union	do do do	...	Pay	
96	Clerk, Rathkeale Union	(Half-year, March 31st, 1920)	...		
	do do	(Half-year, 30th Sept., 1920)	...		
97	Clerk, Tipperary Union	(Half-years September, 1919)	4 14 9		
	do do	March, 1920)	4 14 9	Refused	
	do do	do September, 1920)	4 14 8		
			14 3 9		
Miscellaneous.					
98	B. Lucas, Sub-Sheriff, for expenses under the Quarter Sessions Jurors' (Ireland) Acts, for Trinity Sessions, 1920, Rathkeale Division	...	4 0 0	Pay	
99	C. S. Spaulding, for winding and regulating clocks in Rathkeale Courthouse, from 1st April to 1st October, 1920	...	0 10 0		
100	The Gas Committee, Limerick, for gas supplied County Courthouse, coke and fittings	...	8 4 9		
101	R. Wallace, repairing, winding and attendance on Courthouse clocks, half-year to 30th September, 1920	...	0 10 6		
102	Nestor Bros., sundries, County Offices	...	0 14 6	Pay	
103	Limerick Markets' Trustees, half-year's rent of Repairing Shop in Corn Market, to 30th September, 1920	...	10 0 0		
104	Michael Duffey, for coal and sundries supplied Rathkeale Court-house	...	0 4 0		
105	Norah Foley, for coal supplied Murroe Courthouse	...	2 12 6		
106	J. B. Barrington (agent for McDonnell Estate), half-year's rent stables, to 29th September, 1920	...	...	Pay	
107	Bryan O'Donnell, for water supplied County Courthouse, half-year to 30th September, 1920, and Markets, and hose supply County Offices	...	0 17 4		
108	Bridget Ryan, for coal supplied New Pallas Petty Sessions House	...	...
109	Limerick Markets' Trustees, six month's rent of space in Pig Market	...	20 0 0		
110	Limerick Model Steam Laundry, for washing account, to 30th September, 1920	...	4 15 6	Pay	
111	P. J. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, out-of-pocket expenses to 30th September, 1920	...	...
112	R. Harris, Collector for Poor Rates on Council Offices and Strand Barracks	...	28 2 4		
113	Bryan O'Donnell, Rates on County Offices	...	...
114	Expenses for two Representatives attending County Councils' General Council	...	...	Pay	
115	Robert Davison, County Surveyor, E.D., postage (£7 14s 5d) and petty cash (£0 19s 8d.) to 30th September, 1920	...	8 14 2		
116	T. E. Ryan, County Surveyor, W.D., postage (£8 0s. 8d.) and petty cash (£0 3s. 8d.) to 30th September, 1920	...	8 4 2		

MISCELLANEOUS—Continued				Decision of Finance Committee	
			£ s d		
117	M. Pencocke, goods supplied Courthouses and County Offices	...	22 17 10	Pay	
118	Julia Murphy, sundries supplied Abbeyfeale Petty Sessions House	...	0 16 10		
119	Edward A. Whelan, Rathkeale, for sheep dip supplied	...	...
120	The Rathkeale Electric Light and Power Co., Ltd., for electric light to Rathkeale Courthouse	...	...
121	P. McCarthy & Sons, twelve Windsor chairs	...	6 6 0	Pay £2	
122	John Coady, cleaning chimneys, County Offices	...	2 2 0		
123	Athlone Printing Works Co., Ltd., extra work, arising from the addition of women voters, necessitated by the passing of the Women's Removal Disability Act, passed January, 1920	...	...
124	Industrial Schools and Reformatories; to recommend payment for accounts (as certified by Inspectors of Industrial Schools) to 30th September, 1920, viz.—	...	21 16 6		
	St. Joseph's Male Industrial School, Limerick	...	£ s d	Pay	
	St. Joseph's Reformatory School, Limerick	...	155 11 5		
	St. Joseph's Industrial School, Tipperary	...	6 10 9		
	St. Vincent's Industrial School, Limerick	...	...
	Industrial School, Greenmount, Cork	...	138 9 5	Pay	
	Upton Industrial School, County Cork	...	29 8 2		
	St. Bernard's Industrial School, Duudrum, County Tipperary	...	29 8 2		
	Passage West Industrial School	...	62 7 1		
	St. George's Industrial School, Limerick	...	38 19 6	Pay	
	St. Joseph's Industrial School, Clonmel	...	202 1 0		
	St. Augustine's Industrial School, Templemore	...	23 10 7		
	St. Aloysius Industrial School, Clonakilty	...	17 12 11		
	Cappoquin Industrial School, County Waterford	...	5 17 7	Pay	
	St. Joseph's Industrial School, Tralee	...	...
	Baltimore Industrial School, County Cork	...	5 17 8		
	St. Conleth's Reformatory School, Philipstown	...	4 7 1		

NOTE.—Order made, that if in future accounts are not furnished in time, no payment can be recommended

Payments recommended by Proposals Committee in respect of existing contracts:—

F. Counihan & Sons, for advertising in "Munster News," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	...	22 10 0	Pay	
Edmond B. Duggan, for advertising in "Limerick Leader," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	...	22 10 0		
Christopher O'Sullivan, for advertising in "Limerick Echo," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	...	22 10 0		
John A. Baldwin, for advertising in "Limerick Chronicle," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	...	22 10 0		
Eliza McCormack, for advertising in "Tipperary People," four months ending 31st July, 1920	...	10 0 0	Pay	
Margaret M. Byrnes, for advertising in "Newcastle West Observer," half-year ending 30th September, 1920	...	16 5 0		
The Athlone Printing Works, Athlone, printing the Jurors' Lists, half-year ended 30th September, 1920, 2nd and 3rd quarterly instalments	...	79 0 0		
George McKern & Sons, Limited, Printing, Stationery and Office Requisites, half-year ending 30th September, 1920; 2nd and 3rd quarterly instalments. (One year's contract)	...	448 10 0		

JOHN J. QAID,

County Secretary.

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Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting
held in the County Secretary's Office, on Saturday,
the 6th November, 1920.

Present—Mr. A. Mackey, Presiding;
Messrs. Quaid, Naughton, Normile, Dunne, Laffan, McDonough and O'Dwyer

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—“That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £7122 18. 8d.

FINANCES

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit £ s d	Debit £ s d
General Account	...	17208 16 1
Subsidiary Account	...	18808 17 3
University Scholarships Account	...	1061 1 9
Munster Fair Account	16 16 5	
Nett Dr. Balance	...	£37061 18 8

COUNTY SURVEYORS' MILEAGE REPORTS

The following reports from Messrs Ryan and Davison were read, and the expenditure being according to scale was authorised for payment:—

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 6th NOV., 1920

November 4th—Newcastle West, met Mr. Leaby. 52 miles
November 5th—Foynos; thence to Mount Trenchard; thence via Shanagolden to Rathkeale; thence to Adare. 48 miles

Total mileage—100. £8 15s.

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

15th October—Linfeld Quarry (quarrying, trees felled), Nickar, Killuragh (water in field), Cappamore, Portward (embankment repairs), Drumsallagh, Maddyboy Quarry (quarrying), Barrington's Bridge (pier damaged), Annacotty and back. 42 miles
19th October—Mount Shannon Road (Ryan's), Kilmurry (removing spoil), Killonan, Knockatana, (stonebreaking), Ballysimon, Dock Road (rolling), Ferry Bridge, Carrigounnell (quarrying and breaking) and back. 50 miles
20th October—Kilmallock (Rev. Father Mangan's), Mount Coote Road, Knocklong, Ballywire Road (Keogh's frontage), Ballinacaroona Bridge (sudden damage), Kilfrush, back to City, Roxboro' (Mr. Sheehan's), Lemonfield Quarry (quarrying), Patrickswell—Road—and back. 78 miles
21st October—Roxboro' Quarry (measurements), Drombanagh, Ballysimon and back. 15 miles
22nd October—Roxboro', Dromkeen, Cappamore, Doon, Lacka (damage to roads by floods) back via Cluggan (road repairs and cleaning), Pallas, Ballyart (gullet) and back to office. 54 miles

Total—239 miles, £8 19s. 3d.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

RATE COLLECTION

The Secretary reported that a sum of £966 had been collected out of the second Moiety, the balance outstanding being £107.19s. and that only six Collectors had so far begun the collection
After some discussion the Committee directed that a strongly worded circular be sent to each Collector, pointing out the urgent necessity for proceeding at once with the collection

RATE COLLECTION FOR HALF-YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER

The Secretary reported that four Collectors had amounts still outstanding in their September Warrants, viz.:—Michael Cleary, £1081 15s. 5d.; William Hickey, £87 5s. 7d.; Michael Murphy, £370 19s. 10d., and N. Hickey, £1022 14s. 7d.

In the cases of William Hickey and Nicholas Hickey, an extension had been granted to the 31st October, owing to illness

COLLECTOR WILLIAM HICKEY

Mr. William Hickey appeared before the Committee and explained that illness prevented him from completing his collection

The Committee granted Collector William Hickey a further extension to the 30th November, to close his Warrant, and, if at the expiration of that period he is unable to resume his duties, they recommend that he be given leave to resign.

COLLECTOR M. J. OLEARY

The Secretary reported that a cheque for the amount outstanding in Collector O'Leary's case had been lodged, but payment was subsequently stopped. On enquiry, this Collector wrote to say that he was locally advised that if the financial instructions given him were complied with he might be called upon to re-lodge the whole amount. Referred to the County Council.

COLLECTORS MURPHY AND N. HICKEY

The Secretary reported that the sureties of Collectors Murphy and Nicholas Hickey had been called upon to lodge the amounts outstanding.

SHERIFFS ACT.

Read letter from the Local Government Board, No. 57884—4th November, directing attention to certain Provisions of the Sheriffs (Ireland) Act, 1920. No order made.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME.

Read letter from the Ministry of Transport, dated 25th October, asking whether they may expect to receive the details of the Proposals of the County Council regarding the Scheme for the Improvement of the Roads. Read.

LINFIELD QUARRY.

The following Report from Mr. Davison was read:—

Gentlemen,

I beg to report that Messrs. F. Spaight & Sons have felled, without asking permission from me, one beech tree, and scribed for felling another on original site of breaking ground of quarry.

As lease has been filed, and alteration in site cannot be now made, I hold that they had no right to come upon the County property and do what they did.

I shall be glad to have the Council's direction in this matter.

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

Ordered:—“That our Solicitor be directed to enquire from Messrs. Spaight & Sons who gave them authority to cut the tree.”

MOUNT SHANNON ROAD.

Gentlemen,

With reference to the above I find that the fence has been made at Mr. Ryan's land 3ft. 8in. high from roadside, 4ft. high from the field side, 4ft. wide at base and planted with quicks; but there is no post and wire paling on top similar to that on fence nearer to Mr. Ryan's dwelling. All that is specified regarding palings in Mr. Flannery's contract is:—

“Where palings are already erected same to be put in repair and thornquicks, 4 years old, sown 12in. apart on field side of paling. All posts required to be in larch wood.”

No paling, I am informed, was here originally, therefore there is no obligation on the contractor to erect one.

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

Ordered:—“That a copy of foregoing Report be sent to Mr. Hynes who was interested in the matter.”

MR. MARTIN SHEAHAN.

The following letter was read from Mr. P. E. O'Donnell, Solicitor, relative to a proposal to acquire a portion of his quarry at Roxboro.

8 Glentworth Street, Limerick,
October 21st, 1920.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Martin Sheahan has been with me in reference to the quarry at Roxboro. He is willing to give you a long lease of the premises for the nominal sum of £3 per annum, you paying to him a fine for the premises at present paled in by you, of an immediate sum of £2 per Irish perch, subject to survey. I understand that your County Surveyor, Mr. Davison, will report favourably on this offer.

J. J. Quaid, Esq., Sec., Co. Council, Limerick.

Yours faithfully,

P. E. O'Donnell, Solicitor.

Ordered:—“That a Copy be sent to Mr. Davison, and to report at next Council Meeting.”

MR. MICHAEL O'CONNELL, KNOCKLONG.

Read letter from Mr. Michael O'Connell, Knocklong, complaining of a nuisance created by the stopping of a water course. Referred to Mr. Davison.

KILMALLOCK ROAD EMPLOYEES.

Read letter from Kilmallock District Council, dated 26th October, approving of the increase of wages granted to road employees.

NEWPALLAS COURTHOUSE

Read letter from Mr. Humphreys, C.P.S., asking what steps the Council propose to take to provide premises for a Petty Sessions house at New Pallas, the house formerly used for the purpose being taken up by the Landlord. Referred to County Council.

BALLYNEETY FAIR.

Read letter from Mr. Jas. Crehan, Secretary to Ballyneety Fairs Committee asking the Council to cancel the Munster Fair advertised to take place on the 12th November, as arrangements had been made and considerable expense incurred in advertising a Fair to be held at Ballyneety, on November 17th, which Fair would be prejudicially affected by the holding of an additional Munster Fair on the 12th.

The Secretary informed the Committee that this Fair had been advertised by direction of the Chairman, at the request of farmers and cattle dealers.

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT COUNCIL—QUARTERLY INSTALMENT.

Read letter from the Clerk of Newcastle District Council applying for payment of Quarterly Instalment due the 1st October.

The Secretary reported that this instalment had been sent out in accordance with his instructions. And it was ordered “That the Clerk be so informed.”

DUPLICATE PAYING ORDERS ISSUED.

The Secretary reported having issued duplicate Paying Orders in error to John Meehan and Thomas Meehan, amounting, in each case, to £2 6s. 2d., and they now repudiate having received the money though bearing their discharge.

Ordered:—The Secretary was directed to withhold Paying Orders due for current fortnight.

EMPLOYMENT OF MEN ON THE ROADS.

Mr. Ryan drew attention to the order recently made regarding further employment on the roads and stated that it would entail hardship on men with families who annually rely on winter work.

After some discussion it was ordered “That preference in employment be given to married men with young helpless families, or to a man who is the support of a family, but that employment be not given to more than one man in each family, or more than one annual hired from one family.”

The County Surveyors were directed not to employ a further number on the roads without an express direction from the Finance Committee.

The Secretary and County Surveyors were directed to go into the matter and see how many can be employed without exceeding the presentments. The County Surveyors were also directed to obtain from their Road Foremen the necessary particulars regarding those persons in need of employment.

STOPPING WORK ON SATURDAYS.

Mr. T. F. Ryan asked for a direction regarding payment of full time to certain employees who stopped work at 2 o'clock on Saturdays immediately it was passed by the County Council, and before the proposal received the approval of the District Councils. He was aware, however, that it was the result of a misapprehension, the men in question being informed of the Council's decision by their local County Councillors.

The Committee, in the circumstances, directed that they be paid full.

MR. T. LOMASNEY.

Mr. Quaid, M.C.C., drew attention to the case of a man named Lomasney who met with an accident to his eye while in the employment of the County Council, was awarded compensation by the County Court Judge, but had not since been paid.

The Secretary reported that this case had not been finally decided before the Court adjourned, and his Solicitor, Mr. Cussen, was to be seen with a view to arbitration.

Referred to Solicitor for immediate attention.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION, FORTNIGHT ENDING 16th OCTOBER, 1920.

No Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	...
98	John McCarthy	Half wages + 75%
187	Michael Curtin	8/- a week + 75%
164	Patrick Power	10/- a week + 75 per cent.
		Pay half wages to 6th September, and from 12th September to 13th October.

P. J. O'SULLIVAN, County Solicitor.

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

John J. Quaid
9/11/20

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Limerick County Council, at Half-yearly Meeting held in the Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the 9th November, 1920

Present—Mr. J. Wall, presiding ;

Messrs. de Lacy, Laffan, Mackey, Dunne, Normile, Naughton, Michael Ryan, McCann, Cranwitch, Coleman, Stapleton, Blackwell, Noonan, Hynes, Tobin, O'Dwyer, O'Shea and McDonough

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were taken as read and confirmed

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 9th OCTOBER

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meeting held on the 9th October having been circulated were taken as read

Arising therefrom, Mr. Naughton drew attention to an inaccuracy in the minute relating to the case of ex-Collector J. O'Donnell. He, Mr. Naughton, is recorded as having stated that Mr. O'Donnell's case should be treated differently from Mr. Cleary's, whereas, what he actually did say, was, that the cases of Mr. O'Donnell and Mr. Cleary should be treated differently from that of Mr. Magner

It was Ordered—"That the minute be so amended, and the recommendations otherwise were unanimously adopted."

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 23rd OCTOBER

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meeting held on the 23rd October, having been circulated, were taken as read, and unanimously adopted

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 6th NOVEMBER.

The Secretary reported that the recommendations of the Finance Committee, at meeting held on the 6th November, had not yet been received from the printers. The consideration was accordingly adjourned to next meeting.

PROPOSALS' COMMITTEE, 9th OCTOBER.

The recommendations of Proposals' Committee at Half-yearly meeting held on 9th October, having been circulated were taken as read and adopted.

PROPOSALS' COMMITTEE, ADJOURNED MEETING, 9th NOVEMBER.

The recommendations of Proposals' Committee at adjourned Half-yearly meeting held this day were read, and as a matter of urgency it was unanimously resolved :—"That the recommendations be adopted and that plenary powers be given to the Proposals' Committee to deal with the Advertising, and Stationery and Printing contracts at a further adjourned meeting to be held not later than the middle of December.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS COMMITTEE, 18th OCTOBER.

The recommendations of Diseases of Animals Committee at meeting held on the 18th October, having been circulated, were taken as read and adopted.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE, 8th NOVEMBER.

The Secretary to the Committee reported that the meeting of the University Scholarships Committee summoned for the 8th November fell through for want of quorum. The members who attended were, however, of opinion that the schemes which had been prepared by a Special Committee for University and Secondary Schools Scholarships should be brought before the Council at the earliest opportunity with a view to adoption, as it was on those schemes that the examinations next year will be held, and it was necessary that they should be at once advertised.

The main provisions of both schemes were briefly indicated by the Secretary and supplemented in certain details by Mr. de Lacy.

On the proposition of Mr. Michael Ryan, seconded by Mr. Cranwitch, it was resolved—"That the schemes prepared for University and Secondary School Scholarships be adopted.

COUNTY SURVEYORS' REPORTS.

The following Half-yearly Reports of the County Surveyors on the condition of the roads and public works of the County were read :—

REPORT OF THE COUNTY SURVEYOR (EAST DIVISION), TO BE LAID BEFORE THE COUNTY COUNCIL AT THEIR HALF-YEARLY MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 9TH NOVEMBER, 1920.

GENTLEMEN—The dry weather of the two months has been favourable to the maintenance of the roads, and repairs has been somewhat deferred, though on some of the main roads the damage caused by heavy motor traffic has severely pitted the roads, making immediate patching unavoidable.

STEAMROLLING.—I have been carrying on the work of rolling whenever and wherever supplies were available, for instance, on the Laurencetown road, Kilfinane, near Flemingstown, Uregare and the Four Elms; also on Patrickswell road, Dock road, Roxboro' road and Ballysimon road. For continuing on the last-named road supplies are being got out.

STONE-BREAKING MACHINERY.—The machine breaker had been working in Tipperary No. 2 since June up to last week, and supplies are now broken and delivered in all sections here, except Pallas, which will be maintained from Linfield. It has now proceeded to Dromsally Quarry where a large supply awaits breaking. Stone-breakers are also at work at Knockderk and Knockatane Quarries, and one is undergoing repairs, which I hope to send out to Lemonfield this week.

In Carrigogunnell Quarry I have been able to break supplies which were very much needed to restore the Dock Road, which was so long without proper material.

It is very hard to maintain many of the main roads on account of the exceptionally fast heavy motor traffic, but I think that the roads generally have not gone back.

QUARRIES.—In Linfield Quarry, lately acquired, workmen are busy quarrying stones without, I am pleased to say, any necessity for explosives. This supply is of great benefit to me on account of the difficulty in getting material experienced heretofore. I have given no authority to cut down trees here, nor indeed has permission been asked of me; but I find that Messrs. Spaight & Sons have interfered with one tree with the object of felling. I intend to use the timber standing on the land for the purpose of fencing, etc., where required, but I should like your directions as to proceedings against any persons so interfering with the property of the Council.

Roxboro' Quarry I find to contain 2 roads 22 perches, I.P.M., so that the price at £2 per Irish Perch would work out at £204. I understand the lease will be for 99 years. The offer, I believe, will come before the Council through Mr. Sheehan's Solicitor. This is a good Basalt—a suitable stone for road metal—and has been used by me over a large area for some years past.

I am, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,

1st Nov., 1920.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

REPORT OF THE COUNTY SURVEYOR (WEST DIVISION), TO BE LAID BEFORE THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

The roads in my district have deteriorated during the past six months, owing to the very wet weather combined with the great increase in road traffic. Should the present amount of road traffic continue during the coming winter, the roads are bound to be very seriously injured. There are heavy motor lorries for commercial and other purposes at present in use, besides doing much injury to the surface of the roads, have in some cases broken down gulleys. I anticipate further cases of this, as these gulleys, especially on the bye-roads, are not capable of carrying the weight of these lorries.

With reference to the proposals for Special Works to be laid before you, I beg to report as follows :—

GROOM RURAL DISTRICT.—There is only one Notice of Motion from Groom District Council, viz.—No. 558—"To ease two bends on the road from Adare to Caherass." These bends are very dangerous, and the work if carried out would be useful and necessary.

GLIN RURAL DISTRICT.—There are two Proposals from Glin District Council, Nos. 98 and 99. These are for gulleys and are necessary. No. 99 is more a work of maintenance than a new work.

NEWCASTLE-WEST RURAL DISTRICT.—Only one Notice of Motion has been passed by the Newcastle-West District Council, viz.—No. 516—"To open and enlarge a gully at Knockane." This will be a very useful work if the adjoining owners scour the drains, and the work should be passed subject to this condition.

RATHKEALE RURAL DISTRICT.—There is only one Notice of Motion passed by the Rathkeale District Council, viz.—No. 528—"To complete the New road at Barnalick." This new road is practically complete with the exception of a short portion in the centre. Owing to the increased cost of labour and material from the time of the original passing of the work until the road was put in hand, the money was not sufficient to complete the job, and another £50 will be required. The road as it stands is of very little advantage to the public.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient, servant.

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

NEW AND SPECIAL WORKS.

The following proposals for new and special works and maintenance of works recommended by the several District Councils as recorded on Form 20 were considered and dealt with as detailed hereunder :—

GROOM RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Special Half-yearly Meeting held on the 2nd September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920.

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
SUPPLEMENTARY PROPOSALS				
554	To cover general increase of wages to road workers, from 19th July, 1920, to 31st March, 1921, in respect of Main Roads. Half County at large and half District charge	1155 0 0	Approved	Approved Expenditure not to ex- ceed the amounts passed
555	To cover general increase of wages to road workers, from 19th July, 1920, to 31st March, 1921, in respect of District Roads. Rural District charge.	599 0 0	do	
556	To maintain for one year, the Main Roads in the Rural District, from 1st April, 1921. Half County at Large and half Rural District charge	6924 0 0	do	
557	To maintain for one year, the District Roads in the Rural District. Rural District charge	5585 0 0	do	
558	To easing of two bends on the road from Adare to Carass, Rural District charge	30 0 0	No tender received	Referred to Co Surveyor

GLIN RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Meeting held on the 10th September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920.

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
98	Six Members present That new gullet be built across the road at Dinneen's gate at Knocknagorna. Rural District charge	18 0 0	Approved. No tender received No adjourned half-yearly meeting of the District Council held	No tenders received. Referred to Co Surveyor to be carried out provided the limit of expenditure is not exceed'd
99	That the gullet on the Kinard road, at John Seanlan's holding be extended. Half County and half Rural District charge	8 0 0	do	
100	County Surveyor's supplementary estimate to meet increase of wages, from the 19th July, 1920, to 31st March, 1921— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	274 0 0 208 0 0	Approved do	Approved. Expenditure not to exceed the amounts passed
101	County Surveyor's annual estimate for road expenditure in the Glin Rural District, for the 12 months, from the 1st April, 1921, to 31st March, 1922— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	1650 0 0 1215 0 0	do do	
102	Ordered by the District Council—"That Mrs. Bridget McNamara be compelled to carry out her contract for making new road through the townlands of Ballynamuddagh and Ballynagoul, within the coming six months."			
103	Ordered—"That this District Council recommend to the County Council that reasonable Tolls be charged for the use of the Glin Pier."			

BALLYGOUGHLIN ROAD

102—Mr. Dunne proposed, Mr. Normile seconded, and resolved:—That Proposal No. 102, relative to Mrs. Bridget McNamara's contract for the making of the New Road at Ballygoughlin, be not adopted.

TOLLS ON GLIN PIER

103—Mr. Dunne proposed "That the recommendations regarding Tolls on Glin Pier be adjourned for Six Months." Mr. Normile seconded. Passed unanimously.

KILMALLOCK RURAL DISTRICT.

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Meeting held on the 6th September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council.	Decision of County Council
488	To meet increase of wages, from 8/11/18, to 31/3/19, Labourers wages 25/- to 28/- :— Main Roads ... District Roads ... To meet increase of wages for one year ended 31/3/20— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	874 0 0 417 0 0 2332 0 0 1118 0 0	Approved—No poll do	Approved— Exp'nditure not to exceed the amounts passed.
489	To meet increase of wages, from 22/11/19, to 31/3/20, Labourers wages, 28/- to 32/- :— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	1374 0 0 655 0 0	do	
490	To meet increase of wages for one year ending 31/3/21— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	3664 0 0 1749 0 0	do	
491	To meet increase of wages, from 19/7/20, to 31/3/21, Labourers wages, 32/- to 42/- :— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	4911 0 0 2348 0 0	do	

The Secretary drew attention to the fact that no presentments were made by the Kilmallock District Council for Road Maintenance for the coming financial year and, without such Presentments, expenditure may not be incurred.

On the proposition of the Chairman, it was resolved—"That the presentments be provisionally approved of, the Secretary to be supplied with the figures by Mr. Davison."

LIMERICK No 1 RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on 7th September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920

No	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
	Number of Members attending—6. No polls			
	NEW WORKS			
1	To put a special repair on the road leading from Mr. Lunn's quarry to Mr. Kelly's gate at Ballysally, about 400 yards. District charge	20 0 0	Rejected	
2	To lower drain at Arrywee, as it is throwing back water into labourers' plots, thereby causing damage to their properties. District charge	12 0 0	Modified to £5 No tender received	No tender received; referred to the County Surveyor to be carried out
3	To erect a catch-pit just at the entrance to the old road at Islanduane, as the water of the Cabernardish road flows into the Islanduane road and thereby causes flooding—at £10 £3 to be given to owner of land. District charge	13 0 0	Modified to £10 No tender received	
4	To lower and fence portion of the public road, about 50 perches, between Nelson's cross and Maher's cross, Castleconnell. District charge	100 0 0	Rejected	
5	To repair road leading from Michael Hyland's cottage to Mrs. Quilty's cottage at Caherelly. District charge	20 0 0	do	Approved. To be done out of maintenance
6	To put two fences to the main road leading to Hospital, at Caherline bog, as it is dangerous. County at Large	50 0 0	To be done by direct labour	
7	To keep in repair the road from the cross of Inch St. Lawrence to Mrs. Ryan's gate at Knockroe Mason. District charge	2 0 0	do	Rejected

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"That we, the Limerick No. 1 Rural District Council request the County Council to make a demand on the Military Authorities for the damage done to the roads by military traffic in this district. We also request the County Council to enforce the payment from the owners of steam and motor lorries in the district, and we request the County Surveyor to make out an estimate on the several main and bye roads in the district, and furnish same to this Council and County Council. We also, as ratepayers, of the County at Large, request the County Council to make a like rule throughout each district in the entire County."

With regard to the foregoing resolution, Mr. Michael Ryan was of the opinion that steam-rolling should be discontinued, and after discussion, it was resolved—"That it be a direction to each County Surveyor to discontinue, as far as possible, the steam-rolling of the roads, having regard to the existing classes of traffic, the County Surveyors to use their discretion in the matter."

EXTRAORDINARY TRAFFIC

On the proposition of the Chairman, it was resolved—"That the County Surveyors, in conjunction with the Chairmen of District Councils, enquire into and report to the Council on the question of extraordinary traffic on the roads."

The County Surveyors were directed to report to the Council in the first instance.

LIMERICK NO. 1 DISTRICT COUNCIL ROAD PRESENTMENTS.

The Secretary reported that in the case of Limerick No. 1 District Council no presentments for the maintenance of the roads for next year, nor the supplementary presentments for the current year, to meet the increased wages to road employees appear on Form 20.

Mr. Davison stated that he furnished the figures to the Acting Clerk of the District Council at the half-yearly meeting of that body, and could only explain their omission by the Clerk's want of knowledge of procedure.

In this case also the presentments were provisionally approved of, the Secretary to be supplied with the figures by Mr. Davison.

MITCHELSTOWN No. 2 RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on the 8th September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
Three Members present. No division.				
1	To meet increase of wages, from 8/11/18, to 31/3/19. Half County Charge	174 0 0	Approved.	Approved Expenditure not to exceed the amounts passed.
2	To meet increase of wages, from 8/11/18, to 31/3/19. Dist. charge.	122 0 0	do	
3	To meet increase of wages, for one year ended 31/3/20. Half County Charge.	468 0 0	do	
4	To meet increase of wages, for one year ended 31/3/20. District charge.	325 0 0	do	
5	To meet increase of wages, from 22/11/19, to 31/3/20. Half County Charge.	273 0 0	do	
6	To meet increase of wages, from 22/11/19, to 31/3/20. District charge.	175 0 0	do	
7	To meet increase of wages, for one year ending 31/3/21. Half County Charge.	728 0 0	do	
8	To meet increase of wages, for one year ending 31/3/21. District charge.	468 0 0	do	
9	To meet increase of wages, from 19/7/20, to 21/3/21. Half County Charge.	975 0 0	do	
10	To meet increase of wages, from 19/7/20 to 31/3/21. District charge.	474 0 0	do	

MITCHELSTOWN ROAD PRESENTMENTS

The Secretary drew attention to the omission in this case, also of the presentments for road maintenance for next financial year, and it was ordered that the same course be taken as in Kilmallock and Limerick No. 1.

NEWCASTLE RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on the 30th September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
16 Members present				
515	To make a road with a bridge thereon, connecting the old Caher road with the Upper Kilmallock new road. Newcastle Rural District.	850 0 0	Withdrawn	Approved. referred to the County Surveyor
516	To open, sink and enlarge a gullet at Knockane. Half County and half Rural District charge	10 0 0	Passed	
517	Supplementary estimate to meet increase in wages from 19th July, 1920, to 31st March, 1921:— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	2280 0 0 1695 0 0	Approved do	Approved. Expenditure not to exceed the amounts passed
518	Road expenditure for year ending 31st March, 1922:— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	13350 0 0 9540 0 0	do do	

RATHKEALE RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on the 8th September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
Eleven Members at meeting. No Polls taken				
523	To complete the new road at Barnalick. District charge	50 0 0	Approved. No tender received Referred to County Surveyor to carry out	Approved to be done out of maintenance
524	Supplementary estimate to meet increase of wages, from 19th July, 1920, to 31st March, 1921:— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	1574 0 0 730 0 0	Approved do	
525	Estimate of road expenditure for 12 months, from 1st April, 1921, to 31st March, 1922:— Main Roads ... District Roads ...	9420 0 0 4868 0 0	do do	Approved. Expenditure not to exceed the amounts passed
526	Expenditure, as a result of the incidence of charge of the Main Road Scheme	864 0 0	do	

TIPPERARY No. 2 RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on the 9th September, 1920, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 6th day of November, 1920

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
To meet increase of wages, from 8/11/18, to 31/3/19— Main Roads ... District Roads ...				
To meet increase of wages for half-year ended 31/3/20 Main Roads ... District Roads ...				
To meet increase of wages, from 22/11/19 to 31/3/20 Main Roads ... District Roads ...				
To meet increase of wages, for one year ending 31/3/1921 Main Roads ... District Roads ...				
To meet increase of wages, from 19/7/20, to 31/3/21 Main Roads ... District Roads ...				

TIPPERARY ROAD PRESENTMENTS

The Secretary drew attention, in this case also, to the omission from Form 20 of presentments for road maintenance for next financial year, and it was ordered that the same course be followed as in the other cases where presentments were omitted.

PAYMENTS

It was unanimously resolved "That Treasurer's Authority be signed for the following payments:

- Transfers to District Councils, Boards of Guardians, Asylum, Infirmary, &c.
- Proposals for payment made by the Finance and Proposals Committee and by the several District Councils as recorded on Forms 22.
- Transfers to Subsidiary, Salaries and Postage, and Petty Cash Accounts.
- Miscellaneous payments for expenditure authorised.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

The question of continuing the administration of the Irish Education Act was adjourned pending the report of the County Councils General Council on the subject.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OFFICERS' SUPERANNUATION.

The applications of Mr. Denis E. Leahy, School Attendance Officer, Newcastle area, and Mr. John O'Dwyer, Tipperary No. 2 area, to be granted a superannuation allowance on retirement was referred to the Solicitor to advise as to whether such officials are pensionable.

MR. JOHN O'DONNELL.

Read letter from the Dept. of Local Government, D.E., Dated 27th October, transmitting copy of letter from Mr. John O'Donnell appealing against the decision of the County Council dismissing him from his position as Rate Collector, in which they enquire whether, in view of the promise contained in Mr. O'Donnell's letter to carry out the Council's orders in future, the County Council would reconsider their decision and reinstate this man.

MR. PATRICK MAGNER.

A further letter was read from the Dept. of Local Government, D.E., 28th October, declining to interfere as between Mr. Magner and the County Council.

Mr. D. Naughton proposed—"That Mr. J. O'Donnell be re-appointed."

Mr. McCann seconded.

Mr. deLacy proposed as an amendment—"That the three vacancies already determined by the Council be filled by the appointment of three persons who have lost their means of livelihood by reason of the existing conditions of the country."

Mr. Hynes seconded.

On a poll there voted for Mr. deLacy's amendment—Messrs. Blackwell, Coleman, deLacy, Dunne, Hynes, Laffan, McDonough, Normile, Michael Ryan, Stapleton and the Chairman (11).

Against—Messrs. Cranwiche, McCann, Mackey, Naughton, Noonan, O'Dwyer, O'Shea and Tobin (8).

Mr. deLacy's amendment was accordingly declared carried, and being put as a substantive resolution was passed, the voting being: For—Messrs. Blackwell, Coleman, deLacy, Dunne, Hynes, Laffan, McDonough, Normile, O'Shea, Stapleton and the Chairman (11).

Against—Messrs. Cranwiche, McCann, Naughton, Noonan, O'Dwyer, Michael Ryan and Tobin (7)

DIVISION OF KILMALLOCK NO. 3 COLLECTING DISTRICT.

A discussion took place regarding the division of Mr. Magner's Collection District into two or three parts. It was, however, decided to make no change until the close of the current financial year.

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTORS.

It was thereupon unanimously Resolved:—"That Mr. Wm. Dwane, Kilfinane, be appointed Rate Collector for the Kilmallock No. 1 Collection District; that Mr. Michael Horgan, Bruree, be appointed Rate Collector for the Kilmallock No. 2 Collection District; and that Mr. James O'Connor, Bruff, be appointed Rate Collector for the Kilmallock No. 3 Collection District. The foregoing appointments all to

be temporary appointments for the Collection of the current warrant.

DEPUTATION & COST OF CARTING.

Mr. McCann, proposed—"That the Standing Orders be suspended to admit of a deputation being heard on the question of the price allowed for carting." Mr. O'Dwyer seconded.

Mr. deLacy in proposing as an amendment, "That the deputation be not heard," drew attention to the order made by the Council when the wages generally were being revised in July last, viz:—That a further revision would take place at the expiration of each period of six months, this order having been made with a view to obviate applications for increase of wages coming up at each meeting.

The Chairman seconded Mr. deLacy's amendment. On a poll there voted for the amendment:—Messrs. Blackwell, Coleman, Cranwitch, deLacy, Hynes, Laffan, McDonogh, Mackey, Normile, Michael Ryan, Stapleton and the Chairman (12).

Against—Messrs. McCann, Noonan, O'Dwyer, O'Shea and Tobin (5).

The amendment was accordingly declared carried and being put as a substantive resolution was passed, the same voting being accepted.

SEALING OF WARRANTS FOR NEW COLLECTORS.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. de Lacy, "It was resolved that the warrants for the Collectors appointed this day be signed and the common seal of the Council affixed thereto."

ANNACOTTY NEW ROAD.

Mr. Hynes again drew attention to the condition of the fences on the Annacotty New Road, and after some discussion the matter was referred to a small Committee consisting of Mr. Hynes and Mr. Mackey to inspect with Mr. Davison and see what can be done.

JEREMIAH CAHILL'S SUPERANNUATION.

In accordance with notice given Mr. Stapleton, on behalf of Mr. de Lacy, moved:—"That the superannuation to be allowed Mr. Jeremiah Cahill, late Tillage Demonstrator to the County Committee of Agriculture be determined." Mr. McCann seconded.

The Secretary reported that Mr. Cahill was in receipt of £217 per annum and had twelve completed years of service. It was unanimously resolved:—"That Mr. Cahill be allowed a superannuation allowance of twelve sixtieths of his salary, viz.:—£43 8s. 0d.

APPOINTMENT OF MR. T. CROWLEY.

In accordance with the notice given, the Chairman proposed "That the vacancy in the office of County Councillor, for the Kilmallock Electoral Area, created by the death of Mr. John A. Lynch, be filled by the appointment of Mr. Tighe Crowley, Shopkeeper, Ballylanders." Mr. Mackey seconded. Passed.

MISS MARGT. MOLONY, HARBOUR MASTER

In accordance with notice given Mr. Normile proposed "That the salary of Miss Margaret Molony, Harbour Master, Glin, be increased, the salary of which she is at present in receipt not being considered adequate." Mr. Dunne seconded.

It was unanimously resolved to increase Miss Molony's salary by £5 per annum.

MISS MOLONY'S POSTAGE ACCOUNT.

The Council approved of the payment of a sum of £1 3s. 10d. to Miss Margaret Moloney, Harbour Master, Glin, for postage and stationery.

REGISTRATION EXPENSES.

Read letter from the Local Government Board, No. 35,352, 25th October, stating that they will be prepared to issue the appropriate recoupment of the registration expenses on learning the name of the Banking Company which has been appointed Treasurer. No action taken.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S MOTOR CARS.

Mr. Davison made application for a loan £250 towards the purchase of his motor car, which he stated cost him over £700. After a discussion, Mr. Mackey proposed and Mr. O'Dwyer seconded that Mr. Davison be advanced the sum of £250, free of interest, repayable in five years by half-yearly instalments. Passed, Mr. Hynes dissenting.

Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, made a similar application which was also granted. It was ordered that each County Surveyor enter into a bond with two solvent sureties for the due performance of the repayment.

The following correspondence was read:—

SHERIFF'S ACT.

Local Government Board—Letter No. 57884, dated 4th Nov., drawing attention to the provisions of the Sheriffs' (Ireland) Act, 1920.

MRS. KIELY, COURTHOUSE KEEPER, CROOM.

An application from Mrs. Kiely, Courthouse Keeper, Croom, to be granted a small superannuation after her long years of service was referred to the Croom District Council with a suggestion that she should be given out-door relief.

LISTOWEL QUARTERLY INSTALMENT.

An application was read from the Clerk of the Listowel Union for the immediate transfer of the quarterly instalments due on the 1st October last.

It was ordered that the amount be sent to the Chairman through the Clerk.

NEWCASTLE LOAN

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Newcastle District Council applying for the sum of £200, towards the repayment of the Loan received from the National Bank. It was ordered that the amount be paid.

TIPPERARY No. 2 RURAL DISTRICT GRANT

An application was read from the Clerk of the Tipperary No. 2 District Council applying for the sum of £516, which had been deducted from the Quarterly Instalment in lieu of the amounts hitherto advanced for repayment of Loans from the Board of Works, and which have this year been withheld. Letter was marked "Read."

STOPPING OF WORK ON SATURDAYS

Letters were read from the Caherconlish and Croom Branches of the Irish Transport Workers' Union, transmitting copy of Resolution requesting the County Council to change the hour of stopping work on Saturdays from 2 o'clock to 1 o'clock. No action taken.

EMPLOYMENT

Mr. Laffan drew attention to the case of a surfaceman having a horse working on the roads, and his son who lived in the same house with him, having another horse working, thereby keeping others out of employment.

On the proposition of the Chairman it was ordered that it be a direction to the County Surveyors to see that the order previously made on the subject be complied with, in order that employment may be given to as many as possible.

HIRE OF STEAM-ENGINE.

A letter was read from the Herbertstown Co-operative Society making application for the hire of a Steam-Engine. Referred to Mr. Davison.

CONSTABLE V. LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Application from Mr. A. Carroll, Crown Solicitor, Fermoy, for payment of the Decree obtained in the above case was marked "Read."

USE OF MUNSTER FAIR GREEN.

An application from the Superior of the Christian Brothers for the use of the Munster Fair Green, for the boys, for a short time for recreation purposes, was granted—the application stating that Mr. Hartigan's permission had also been obtained.

BELFAST BOYCOTT COMMITTEE

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Belfast Boycott Committee asking what action the County Council had taken on the letter previously sent to them.

It was resolved that the Committee be informed that the County Council is prepared to co-operate with any City Committee that may be formed for the purpose named.

IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS

Secretary submitted lists of irrecoverable arrears of those Collectors who closed their warrants. It was ordered that the amount of such irrecoverable arrears be refunded to the Collectors.

VOTE OF SYMPATHY WITH LORD MAYOR OF CORK

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Cranwitch, and seconded by Mr. Hynes.—

rán bróin.

Cúir Dúinn agann, Luét Comairle Conae Lunnige, bair Éireannais rúe Suibne, C.D., aro meise Comairle, aghur ir mian linn é rin do cup mairé na mairé aghur na mairé aghur. Ir éireannais linn leir bair na breag h-ós virein mairé mac Seairle, Seorán o mairé aghur Caomhán De Baire, aghur ba mairé linn é cup in úil na n gairle. Cé gur mair an Caiteamant ian bair virein ir ceair vore na vaimb gur leo ian, aghur oo gairle vore gairle, deil mairé aghur an rúe oo éireannais a h-annamannas aghur rion Saomhannas na h-éireann.

Seán crannus oo tairg

Seán na h-éireann, oo aontais leir aghur glacáid na h-éireann gairé.

It was Ordered—"That copies be sent to the Press."

AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE FINANCES

Mr. P. K. Walsh, Chairman of the Agricultural and Technical Instruction Committee, addressed the Council on the subject of the Finances of that Body, and explained that the loss of the grants would involve a complete revolution in the Schemes; he accordingly asked for a direction or a suggestion from the Council as to the action that should be taken regarding the submitting of the accounts for audit.

The Chairman proposed, Mr. Normile seconded, and it was resolved—"That the accounts be not submitted for audit, and that we undertake to strike a rate of 2d. in the £ for the purposes of Agricultural and Technical Instruction, when making the rate for the coming financial year.

MUNGRET QUARRY OWNERS.

A letter was read from the Limerick Branch of the Irish Transport Workers' Union demanding on behalf of the Quarry Owners of Mungret an increase on the present price paid for loads of stones.

Referred to Mr. Davison for report.

EX-COLLECTOR M. J. CLERY.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael M. J. Clery regarding the circumstances of his dismissal from the office of Poor Rate Collector. No action was taken.

CONSTABULARY RETURNS.

The Constabulary returns for the month of September were submitted.

JOHN J. QUAIL, County Secretary

Seán de Bóla
8/12/20

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of proceedings of Proposals Committee at Meeting held in the Council Chamber, on Tuesday, the 9th November, 1920.

Present—Mr. John Wall, Chairman, presiding; Messrs. Cranwiche, Stapleton and Blackwell
The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

ADVERTISING CONTRACTS

The Secretary reported that he had received seven tenders for the advertising contract

In this connection a letter was read from the Manager of the "Tipperary People," drawing attention to the increased circulation of the paper

A discussion took place as to the necessity of giving the contract for publishing advertisements to more than one newspaper, and eventually it was agreed, on the proposition of Mr. Cranwiche, seconded by Mr. Stapleton—"That statutory advertisements only be inserted, and in not more than one paper at the time; the newspapers to be taken in rotation for this purpose."

The Secretary was directed to invite quotations, at so much per line, from each of the newspapers tendering for the work, on the lines above set out

PRINTING OF JURORS' LISTS

The Committee adjourned for six months the consideration of the tenders for the printing of the Jurors' Lists

PRINTING AND STATIONERY CONTRACT

The Secretary reported that two tenders had been received for the printing and stationery contract of the County Council, viz.:—Messrs. G. McKern & Sons, £975 18s. for one year, and at the rate of £965 per annum for three years, and the Athlone Printing Works, £999 2s. 6d. for one year and at the rate of £982 18s. 4d. per annum for three years

The Committee adjourned the consideration to a further meeting to be held not later than the 18th December, as it was thought that some general arrangement may be made for supplying stationery to Public Bodies

JOHN J. QUAID.

County Secretary.

Wall
Sean de Bail
9/11/20

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Saturday, the 20th November, 1920

Present—Messrs. Michael Ryan, Presiding
Messrs. Naughton, Mackey, Quane, and Blackwell

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The Secretary reported that he was unable to submit the minutes of last meeting for confirmation, as the draft posted to Messrs. McKern, on the 13th instant had only been received on the 19th, with the result that they could not be printed in time for the meeting. Confirmation adjourned to next meeting

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £4621 10s. 8d."

FINANCES

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit			Debit		
	£	s	d	£	s	d
General Account	7791	2	8			
Subsidiary Account				14810	7	5
University Scholarships Account				1051	14	3
Munster Fair Account				26	4	1
Gross Dr. Balance				£23679	8	5

RATE RETURN

The Rate Return was examined and showed a sum of £2467 10s. 6d., collected to date in respect of the current Half-year's Warrant, the balance outstanding being £105,694 11s. 2d.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD CIRCULAR RE COLLECTION OF RATES

The Secretary reported that a letter had been sent by the Local Government Board to each Rate Collector pointing out the consequences to them and their surties in not lodging monies collected to a properly appointed Banking Company as Treasurer, and that as the result of this letter the Collectors were having a meeting amongst themselves that day to decide on what action they should take. Consideration adjourned

EDWARD O'CARROLL

The Committee recommend payment of a sum of £2 to Edward O'Carroll, for typing 50 copies of a five-folio circular letter

MILEAGE REPORTS

The following reports from Messrs. Ryan and Davison, County Surveyors, were read, and the amounts being according to scale, authorised for payment

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 20th NOV. 1920

November 15th—Went with Machinery Inspector to Rathkeale, met Mr. Hartigan; thence to Newcastlewest, met Mr. Leahy; thence, via Dromcollogher to Mondellib quarry (breaker); thence to roller on Milford Road. 76 miles
November 17th—Manister quarry (steam-breaker); thence, via Croom, to Banogue and Ballinleena. 88 miles
November 19th—Via Greecora to Croom, met Foreman; thence to Rathkeale, met Mr. Hartigan and Foreman; thence to Killeheen. 44 miles

Total mileage—158 £5 18s. 6d.

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor

5th November—County bounds, Ennis Road, Ballysimon (rolling), Knockatana quarry (quarrying), Roxboro' quarry (stonebreaking). 28 miles
8th November—Lifford quarry (met Foreman re fencing), Ballysimon (rolling), office, Ennis Road. 80 miles
9th November—Sent motor with Inspector to Herbertstown Creamery, via Sheahan's Cross and back, via Caherconlish. 27 miles
12th November—Herbertstown Creamery (re hire of engine), Knockderk quarry, Uregare, Kilmallock Hill (rolling), Ballingaddy gravel pit (met Mr. Cleary), back to Limerick, Coolraine quarry, office. 58 miles
15th November—Castleconnell (Mountshannon Road, with Sub-Committee), back to Castleconnell, Knockbrack quarry (quarrying), Lacka. Barrington's Bridge (pier repairs), Annacotty (repairs), office. 30 miles
16th November—Grange (Clancy's) Bruff, Uregare (wagon damaged), Knockderk quarry and back to office. 44 miles
17th November—Inch (Special work No. 7) Caherconlish, Caherelly, Ballinagoola, Ballyneesty, Caherdavin, County bounds, Meelick, Coolraine quarry, office. 37 miles

Total—254 miles at 9d. £9 10s. 6d.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor

Sean de Bail
9/12/20

The following report from Mr. Ryan was read:—

HEAVY TRAFFIC ON ROADS

Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your letter with reference to the Resolution of the County Council re above.

I am sending a circular to my Foreman to prepare a return setting out the heavy traffic at present on the roads in my Division, also the estimated cost of the damage done to the roads by same.

Yours faithfully,

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

STOPPING TIME ON SATURDAYS

Mr. Ryan reported that he had been informed by his Road Foreman, Ed. Byrne, that the men working in certain sections of his district ceased work on Saturday, the 13th inst., at 12 o'clock, alleging as their reason that the men working from Ferry Bridge to Limerick cease work at 1 o'clock on Saturdays, also that Road Foreman Keating reported that the men employed in the Grange and Fedamore sections refused to work after 1 o'clock on Saturdays.

Mr. Davison stated that this was the first intimation he had received of men in his division ceasing work before the hour prescribed by the Council.

The Committee before taking action directed Mr. Davison to investigate and report at next Meeting.

The following reports from Mr. Davison were read:—

Re MUNGRET QUARRY OWNERS' APPLICATION.

Gentlemen—With reference to the Mungret Quarry Owners application, this stone is an inferior limestone and I do not propose to use it except, perhaps, on by-roads of little traffic. The County Council having now a good Basalt quarry of their own in Carrigogunnell it is the intention to draw largely from this supply.

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

Re MICHAEL O'CONNELL'S (Knocklong) COMPLAINT.

Gentlemen—With reference to Michael O'Connell's letter to the Secretary, a copy of which has been forwarded to me this morning, I have to say that the road referred to is not under Direct Labour and, therefore, is not within my control. Mr. O'Connell mentions that the County Surveyor says it was an outrage to have the porch erected adjoining his house; I have no recollection of expressing myself thus

I am, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

LIMERICK No. 1 RURAL DISTRICT.

Proposal No. 7.—“To keep in repair the road from the cross of Inch St. Lawrence to Mrs. Ryan's gate at Knockroe Mason. District charge, £2.”

Gentlemen—The above is a cul-de-sac; it is 9ft. to 14ft. wide from toe to toe of banks—it serves 5 houses. The amount of £2 to keep in repair would in any event be insufficient as it would barely pay for cleaning the road from end to end which is about half-a-mile. I do not recommend the Council to authorize any expenditure thereon.

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

The Secretary reported that the County Council had rejected this proposal at their half-yearly Meeting and no action could now be taken until the next half-yearly meeting.

MULKEAR RIVER DRAINAGE ORDER, 1919.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board, No. 60,481, dated 15th November, transmitting a Copy of the Act confirming the Mulkear River Drainage Order, 1919.

IRISH EDUCATION ACT, 1892.

Read letter from the office of National Education, No. L. 20,296, 17th November, stating that they are advised that a County Council, having by resolution applied the Compulsory Attendance Clauses of the Irish Education Act, 1892, to a rural area, has no power to rescind such resolution, there being provision in the Act for such a course. Referred to Solicitor to report.

MIDWIVES (IRELAND) ACT, 1918.

Read letter from the Local Government Board, No. 59,558, 17th November, giving particulars of the scale of fees prescribed for professional assistance rendered by Medical Practitioners to Midwives in cases of emergency under Section 22 (1) of the Midwives (Ireland) Act, 1918.

SHERIFFS' (IRELAND) ACT, 1920

Read circular letter from Dublin Castle, dated 15th November, transmitting copy of an Order in Council relative to the operation of the Sheriffs (Ireland) Act, 1920.

ALTERATIONS TO THE HOUSE OF CORNELIUS HAYES.

Read letter from the County Insurance Committee, stating that Dr. Harley, Tuberculosis Medical Officer, has recommended that the window in the bedroom of a Tubercular patient, receiving domiciliary treatment, be enlarged, and an extra window made in the room.

Referred to the Tuberculosis Committee

CONSTABULARY RETURNS.

The Constabulary returns for October were submitted and marked read.

ALLOTMENTS.

Read letter from Mr. Peacocke, City Surveyor, stating that the Committee desire to retain for another year the portion of the Fair Green let by the County Council for allotment purposes at the rent of £20. The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

FERMOY UNION INSTALMENT.

Read letter from Fermoy Union, dated 12th November, applying for payment of instalment due on the 1st October. Adjourned for the present.

LADY MASSY—MALICIOUS INJURY DECREE.

A letter was read from Messrs. Sargent & Co., Solicitors, applying for payment of a decree obtained against the Council by Lady Massy. No action taken

COLMANSWELL ROAD.

A letter was read from Thos. O'Gorman and others drawing attention to the condition of the public road between Foxhall cross and Colmanswell. Referred to Mr. Ryan for report.

ALTERATION OF COUNTY BOUNDARY.

A letter, accompanied by a map, was read from the Ordnance Survey Department of the Valuation Office giving notice of a slight alteration in the County boundary. Alteration approved of.

SANATORIUM PATIENTS.

Read letter from the Resident Medical Superintendent, Heatherside Sanatorium, stating that the patient, named Katie Hanrahan, of Newcastle West, can be admitted at once, and that the car which conveys her could remove two patients, named S. Conway, and Miss M. Doherty, who are now fit to leave the Institution.

The Secretary was directed to make arrangements to have Miss Hanrahan conveyed by motor car to Heatherside, and the two patients referred to by the Medical Superintendent brought back

MR. F. C. HARTIGAN'S MILEAGE ACCOUNT

Authority was given for the payment to Mr. F. C. Hartigan, of two sums of £5 5s. and £5 2s. 6d. being mileage expenses for the months of September and October

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 9th NOVEMBER, 1920

No. of Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	8/- a week + 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- a week
165	Patrick Roche	Defer
166	Mort Sullivan	Defer

20th November, 1920

P. J. O'SULLIVAN, County Solicitor

JOHN J. QU Aid, County Secretary.

A. Mackey
Sean de Ball
8/11/20

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Friday, the 3rd December, 1920

Present—Mr. J. Blackwell, Presiding; Messrs. A. Mackey and Michael Cahill

The minutes of last meeting were read

FINANCES

The following letter regarding the Council's finances was read:—

The Munster & Leinster Bank, Limited,
Limerick, 1st December, 1920

J. J. Quaid, Esq., Secretary,
Limerick County Council, Limerick

Dear Sir—I beg to bring under your notice, to lay before the Chairman of the County Council and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, of the arrangement come to with them and yourself, in my office, for an advance of £20,000, to be paid off in a few months. This I submitted to my Directors and got their sanction to make the temporary loan to you of £20,000. The amount due by you now is close on double the amount sanctioned, and as the Rate Collectors have not lodged for nearly a fortnight, to meet this overdraft, I much regret to say that I will have no power whatsoever to cash any more cheques until they do so, or, at least, until some satisfactory reduction is made in the present high figure of the overdraft, so please do not issue any more cheques until you lay this matter before the members of the Council, who, I am sure, will instruct the Rate Collectors to lodge the monies collected at once, which I understand is all the authority they require

Yours faithfully,

T. H. BRETT, Manager.

The Secretary reported in this connection that a meeting of the Rate Collectors had been held to consider what action they should take in view of the attitude taken up by the Local Government Board regarding the present financial arrangements. Mr. de Lacy was present at the meeting which came to no definite conclusion, but adjourned until Wednesday, the 8th December, for further consideration.

The Committee were of opinion that the situation was one that could only be dealt with by the County Council. They accordingly directed, as the matter was one of extreme urgency, that a meeting be convened at once, and in the meantime they deferred the signing of the Treasurer's Authority for payments in view of Mr. Brett's statement until the Council shall have given a direction on the matter.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT, 1920.

Mr. Davison drew the attention of the Committee to a letter which he had received from the Ministry of Labour, Limerick, regarding the carrying out of the provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920. Referred to the County Council.

MR. JOHN O'HALLORAN, CARPENTER.

A complaint was made by John O'Halloran, Carpenter, that he had been dismissed from his employment as Carpenter to the Council after nearly seven years' service, and asking that the Committee would give him an opportunity of being heard when dealing with the case.

The Committee having heard a statement from Mr. O'Halloran, referred the matter to Mr. Davison to report at next meeting.

DISEMPLOYMENT OF MEN AT FOYNES.

Mr. Cahill drew attention to the disemployment of men in the Foynes district which was causing great hardship at this time of year.

The Secretary referred to the order made by the Council at a meeting at which Mr. Cahill was not present, viz:—"That no further men be employed on the roads owing to the state of the Council's finances, but of those employed, that preference be given to married men with families dependent on them, or to men who, though not married, have people dependent on them for their support."

The Committee adjourned all further business to the Council meeting.

JOHN J. QUAID.

County Secretary.

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23-12-20*

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting held on Wednesday, the 8th December, 1920.

Present—Mr. J. Wall, Presiding;

Messrs. Mackey, Laffan, Naughton, O'Dwyer, Tobin, Purcell, Michael Ryan, Blackwell, Stapleton, Coleman, McCann, Cahill and Hynes

The minutes of last meeting were taken as read

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £5000 12s. 8d.

FINANCES

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit	Debit
	£ s d	£ s d
General Account	...	13740 1 11
Subsidiary Account	...	80201 6 2
University Scholarships' Account	...	1135 7 8
Munster Fair Account	...	84 17 9
Nett Dr. Balance	...	£45041 18 0

RATE COLLECTION

The Secretary reported that a sum of £2988 18s. 5d. of the second moiety had been lodged, the balance outstanding being £105,178 8s. 8d.

The Secretary also reported that all the Collectors had closed their Warrants for the September half-year, with the exception of Collector Murphy, who has still a sum of £870 19s. 10d. outstanding. In this latter connection the following letter was read from Collector Murphy:—

Ballybely, 16th October, 1920

Sir—With reference to a letter written on my instructions by my Solicitor, Mr. M. J. Wolfe, Abbeyfeale, to the Council, dated 2nd October last, re the collection of rates on Union Cottages in this district, and following your acknowledgement of the 6th October, I have now received a further letter through Mr. Wolfe, dated 5/11/20, asking whether the cottages are now being required to pay rates for the first time. I beg to answer that query through you, the Union Cottage holders against whom I proceeded in a local Arbitration Court some time ago have, in most cases, not paid any rates for some years past; the rates in these cases have been regularly demanded, and the County Court Decees for non-payment which I have obtained against those persons, could not be executed, or the amount due realised. These Cottiers are simply defaulters, who also got the assistance of a local District Councillor, and successfully evaded payment of any rates whatsoever. I enclose herewith a list of those defaulters, with the amounts respectively due by them opposite their names; any further facts required which I can give I will be glad to furnish. I would ask the Council to inform the writer above referred to that Mr. Wolfe is not now concerned in this correspondence.

Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL MURPHY.

The question of the rate collection generally was referred to the County Council.

COUNTY SURVEYORS' MILEAGE REPORTS

The following reports from Messrs. Ryan and Davison were read, and the expenditure being according to scale was authorised for payment:—

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 4th DEC, 1920

November 22nd—Friarstown, Fedamore, Meanus, Ballynanty to inspect breaker, thence to Holycross—30 miles.
November 25th—Crecora, Croom, thence via Tullovin to Carrigeen, Bruff—36 miles.
Total mileage—66 miles ... £2 9s. 6d.

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

November 5th—County Bounds, Ennis Road, Ballysimon (rolling), Knockatana Quarry (quarrying), Roxboro' Quarry (stonebreaking).—28 miles.
November 8th—Linfield Quarry (met Foreman re fencing), Ballysimon (rolling), Office, Ennis Road—30 miles.
November 9th—Sent motor with Inspector to Herbertstown Creamery, via Sheahan's Cross, and back via Caherconlish—27 miles.
November 12th—Herbertstown Creamery (re Hire of Engine), Knockderr Quarry, Uregare, Kilmallock Hill (rolling), Ballygaddy Gravel Pit (met Mr. Clery), back to Limerick, Coolrairie Quarry—58 miles.

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November 15th—Castleconnell (Mount Shannen Road with Sub-Committee), back to Castleconnell, Knockbrack Quarry (quarrying), Laoka, Barrington's Bridge (pier repairs), Annacotty (repairs), Office—30 miles.

November 16th—Grange (Clancy's), Bruff, Uregare (wagon damaged), Knockderk Quarry, and back to Office—44 miles.

November 17th—Inch (special work, No. 7), Caherconlish, Caherelly, Ballinagoola, Ballyneety, Caherdavin, County Bounds, Meelick, Coolrairie Quarry, Office—37 miles.

Total, 254 miles at 9d. ... £9 10s. 6d.

Finance Committee Meeting, 20/11/20. (Signed), ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

November 22nd—Ballysimon (rolling), Dromkeen (re labour), Eyon, and back to City; Roxboro quarry (starting breaking), Lemonfield, Raheen, Office, County Council Yard—45 miles.

November 25th—Equis Road (spoils), Bruff Road (water-tables), Kilballyowen (wagons)—37 miles.

November 26th—South Hill Road (rolling), Roxboro' Quarry, Cahernarry Quarry (breaking), Knockatana Quarry, Ballysimon (rolling)—27 miles.

December 1st—Bruff and Dromin to Ologher Quarry, Bruree, Kilmallock Road, Kilmallock Hill (rolling), Knockderk Quarry (breaking), and back; South Hill (rolling), Roxboro' Quarry (breaking), Lemonfield Quarry, Ballinacurra—68 miles.

Total, 177 miles at 9d. per mile ... £6 12s. 9d.

The Finance Committee, 4/12/20. ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

ASSISTANT SURVEYORS' MILEAGE EXPENSES

The Committee having examined the returns submitted, authorise payment of the following claims of Assistant Surveyors for travelling expenses in accordance with the scale allowed—

F. C. Hartigan	...	250 miles	...	£6 5 0
P. J. Ryan	...	445 "	...	£11 2 6
M. Irwin	...	1103 "	...	£27 11 6

The account of Mr. Irwin includes the mileage travelled since 15th May, the date of the order allowing expenses.

MESSRS. THOMPSON & SONS, ELECTRIC FITTINGS

Authority was given for the payment of a sum of £5 0s. 6d., to Messrs. D. Thompson & Sons for overhauling the Electric Light installations in the County Council Offices, repairing fittings, fixing new lamps, &c.

MARTIN SHEAHAN

A letter was read from Mr. P. E. O'Donnell, Solicitor, claiming a sum of £120 10s., alleged to be due to Mr. Martin Sheahan, and stating that if the amount be not paid forthwith proceedings will be instituted for its recovery without further notice. Referred to Mr. Davison for report.

RATE COLLECTION

Read letter from the Local Government Board, No. 168.M., 26th November, transmitting copy of a letter which has been addressed to each Rate Collector on the subject of his duty regarding the lodgment of rates.

DEDUCTION FOR LOCAL TAXATION GRANT

Read letter from Dublin Castle, 22nd November, No. 20,636, transmitting copy of a Sealed Order directing the deduction of £2,840 5s., from sums payable to the County Council from the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account, same being in respect of amounts which have been recovered by decrees and orders made under the enactments relative to compensation for criminal injuries.

LIMITS OF EXPENDITURE—WESTERN DIVISION

Letters were read from the Ministry of Transport, dated the 26th November, transmitting copies of Orders extending the limits of expenditure in the Rural Districts of Croom, Rathkeale and Newcastle.

In this connection the Secretary reported that the limit of expenditure had been reached, and in some Rural Districts exceeded in the Eastern Division.

Mr. Davison estimated that the following amounts will be required:—

Kilmallock	...	...	...	£25,700
Limerick No. 1	...	...	...	35,000
Mitchelstown No. 2	...	...	...	5,000
Tipperary No. 2	...	...	...	6,200

MR. MICHAEL HORGAN'S SURETIES

A letter was read from the Co-operative Insurance Society Ltd., dated 20th November, regarding a Guarantee Bond for Collector Horgan, regretting that they are unable to issue Bonds in connection with Rate Collectors.

A further letter was read from Collector Horgan stating that the following persons have agreed to act as security for him—

Michael Carroll, Garrouse, Bruree	John O'Driscoll, Mount Fox, Kilmallock
John O'Dwyer, Ballinacurra, Dromin	William Horgan, Ballyhaught, Bruree
John Lynch, Tankardstown, Kilmallock	Bryan McMahon, Howardstown, Bruree

The Committee approved of the sureties proposed by Mr. Horgan, and directed that the usual enquiries be made as to their solvency. It was further ordered that the Solicitor to the Council be directed to take immediate steps for the preparation of the Bonds of the Collectors recently appointed.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 23rd NOVEMBER, 1920

No. of Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	3/- + 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- + 75 per cent.
165	Patrick Roche	Defer
166	Mort Sullivan	Defer

8th December, 1920

P. J. O'SULLIVAN

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

J. Wall
Secy de Bail
8/12/20

LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL

Minutes of Proceedings of Limerick County Council, at Meeting held on Wednesday, the 8th December, 1920.

Present—Mr. John Wall, Chairman, presiding.
Messrs. Mackey, Laffan, McCann, Blackwell, Stapleton, Tobin, Purcell, Michael Ryan, Hynes, Cahill, Coleman, Naughton and O'Dwyer.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.

The Secretary reported that the Draft of the Minutes of proceedings of last meeting had been taken away by the Constabulary authorities, as well as the Notebook, and the Minutes were accordingly not ready for confirmation, but he was taking steps to have the proceedings recorded.

REMOVAL OF COUNTY RECORDS.

The Secretary reported that the County Council Offices were searched by a force of Constabulary and Military, on Monday, the 22nd November, when the following records were taken away:—

- 1 Current Minute Book.
- 2 Bank Pass-book.
- 3 Declarations of Acceptance of Office.
- 4 Rate Return.
- 5 Current General letter-book.
- 6 Previous General letter-book.
- 7 Local Government letter-book.
- 8 Receipt file.
- 9 Notebook.
- 10 A number of letters.

The Secretary further reported that between Saturday afternoon, the 27th November, and Monday the 29th, the Subsidiary Expenditure Book and Half-yearly Ledger were removed from the Offices by some person or persons unknown.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 6th and 20th NOV. and 3rd DEC.

The minutes of proceedings of Finance Committee at meetings held on the 6th and 20th November, and 3rd December were taken as read, and on the proposition of Mr Laffan, seconded by Mr McCann, unanimously adopted.

TRADES COUNCIL DEPUTATION.

The Standing Orders were here suspended to admit of a deputation from the Trades Council being heard. Mr Carr, President, thereupon addressed the Council in support of the men engaged in the munition strike, whose organization was badly in need of funds.

The members present undertook to take steps in their respective districts to have a further collection made.

FINANCES.

The Secretary reported that the Council's financial position showed a net debit balance of £45,781 2s 7d, and with the paying orders issued by the Finance Committee on the previous Saturday, the 4th inst., and held over pending a further arrangement with the Treasurer, would bring the net debit balance to over £50,000.

An interview subsequently took place with Mr. Brett, Manager of the Munster and Leinster Bank, when it was agreed that the Rate Collectors continue to lodge as heretofore with the Munster and Leinster Bank, through the Secretary, provided no decrees for malicious injuries have in the meantime been presented; this latter to be ascertained by the Secretary before making the lodgments.

RATE COLLECTION.

The Secretary reported that only a very small proportion of the current warrant had, so far, been collected, the balance outstanding being well over £100,000, and that a sum of over £27,000, in addition to the fortnightly expenditure for Road Maintenance, etc., will be required on the 1st January to meet the financial liabilities to Public Bodies.

The Secretary further reported that in some cases no steps had been taken to proceed with the collection of the current warrant.

The Secretary was directed to send an urgent circular letter to each collector pointing out the position.

RATE COLLECTORS.

In the above connection the Secretary reported that the Collectors recently held a meeting to consider what action they should take regarding their lodgments, in view of the recent letter issued by the Local Government Board, but came to no definite conclusion, adjourning the consideration to a further meeting to be held this day.

It was unanimously decided to ask the collectors to confer with the Council on the matter.

At the subsequent interview the collectors were informed of the altered arrangements regarding lodgments.

MESSRS. O'DONNELL AND CLEARY

The Secretary reported that ex-Collectors O'Donnell and Cleary had been applied to for their collecting books, but had not complied with the application.

WILLIAM DWANE, KILFINANE

Mr Purcell proposed, Mr. McCann, seconded, and it was resolved—"That Mr. William Dwane, Kilfinane, be appointed Poor Rate Collector for the Kilmallock No. 1 Collection District, a bond to be given to the Council, with sufficient sureties conditioned in a penalty of £1000"

COLLECTOR P. REIDY

A letter was read from Mr. P. Reidy, resigning his appointment as Poor Rate Collector, on the ground of advancing years, and asking to be granted the superannuation to which his service entitles him.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Reidy had 54 completed years of service, and was a most exemplary and diligent Collector.

It was unanimously resolved—"That Mr. Reidy's resignation be accepted with regret, and that he be granted a superannuation allowance according to the scale prescribed."

COLLECTOR WILLIAM HICKEY

A letter was read from Collector William Hickey, stating that owing to continued ill-health he was unable to perform his duties, and asking that the Council would take over the uncollected arrears of the first moiety which he had already lodged.

The Council directed that Collector Hickey continue in office for the present.

LABOURERS' RATES.

Letters were read from Collectors O'Shaughnessy and Fehency stating that they were unable to recover the rates from the labourers in their collecting districts. Referred to Mr Ryan, County Surveyor.

EX-COLLECTOR CLERY.

A letter was read from Ex-Collector Clery asking for a direction regarding an item of rate which he was unable to collect. No action taken.

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT COUNCIL FINANCES

Read letter from the Clerk of Newcastle District Council transmitting the subjoined copy of letter from their recently appointed Treasurer, and asking if there would be any objection to their going back to their old Treasurer.

The Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd.,
Newcastle West,

17th Nov., 1920.

A. J. Byrnes,
Clerk of Union,
Newcastle West.

Dear Sir—I notice that the total amount of the payment sheets for the R. D. C. and Board of Guardians amounts to £5,296 1s. 7d., and at present there is only £281 left to meet the difference between the lodgments and payments we have made, out of which a sum of £200 must be deducted. I will not be able to pay any more cheques that would overdraw the account. I would be glad if you will give the matter your attention. Kindly call here at your convenience.

Yours truly,
M. J. LISTON, Manager.

Consideration adjourned for the present.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

Mr Cahill drew attention to the great need for giving more employment, and in this connection resolutions on the same subject were read from the Castleconnell Branch of the Transport Workers' Union, and Croom District Council.

Owing to the Council's financial position no immediate action can be taken by the Council, but on the suggestion of the Chairman it was resolved—"That each member of the Council organise the farmers in his district with a view to giving more employment."

Secretary's Office, 82 and 83 O'Connell Street,
Limerick, 6th December, 1920

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS REPORT.

The following report from Mr Fitzgerald was read:—

Dear Sir,—Owing to the difficulty of making a quorum of the University Scholarships Committee through lack of facilities for travelling, certain matters of urgency are obliged to be held up, and I will be glad to receive a direction from the Council on the following matters:—

1 Miss Portley did not present herself for her second medical examination in September, owing to illness. This fact is supported by Professor MacLoughlin, of University College, and by local medical testimony. She asks permission to be allowed to present herself in March, and to take her third medical examination in September.

2 Charles Godfrey failed in his second medical examination, and makes the same application as Miss Portley. This student was reported by the University authorities to be painstaking and conscientious and a regular and diligent student, but was run down at the time of the examination.

3 James O'Callaghan failed in his first medical examination, and makes a like application. He is certified by the University authorities to have been in a weak state of health at the time of his examination. Each of these three students has undertaken to do the two years course if allowed to present for examination in March.

4 Michael Ryan, B.E., makes application for a year's extension of Scholarship for post-graduate work. This application was made in July and adjourned by the Committee until the result of his examination for B.E. degree was known. In this he has been successful.

5 Michael Clarson, B.A., makes application for a further year's extension of Scholarship to enable him to compete for the Travelling Studentship in Classics, as well as to take out his M.A. The Travelling Studentship carries with it the degree of Doctor of Philology. This student has had a most brilliant academic career.

6 Michael Feely, B.A., makes application for extension of Scholarship, to enable him to do post-graduate work, and to prepare for his M.A. degree.

In the meantime I have withheld the payments to the University authorities, in respect of those students, as well as the monthly payments to the students themselves, and would be obliged for a direction in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

MAURICE FITZGERALD,
Secretary to Committee

On the proposition of Mr Stapleton and seconded by Mr Tobin it was unanimously resolved—"That the application in each case be granted."

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MRS. WM. PURCELL.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr Michael Ryan, it was resolved—'That Mrs. Wm Purcell, Uregare, Kilmallock, be appointed to fill the vacancy on the Asylum Committee created by the death of Mr John A Lynch.'

DISMISSAL OF JOHN O'HALLORAN.

Reports were read from Messrs Davison and Singleton with reference to the dismissal of John O'Halloran from the position of carpenter in the employment of the Council, and in connection therewith the following letter was read from John O'Halloran :—

8 Taylor Street, Limerick,
4th December, 1920.

Dear Sir,

I would be grateful if you would bring before next meeting of your Council this letter of explanation relative to my position as Carpenter to the Council. I have been 6 years and 9 months in the employment of that body, during which time Mr. Davison, County Surveyor, can testify as to the manner in which I carried out all works entrusted to me. I was informed this week that my services were no longer required owing to lack of work, by the Machinery Inspector, Mr. Singleton. As regards the latter person's statement, I beg to deny same and can prove to the satisfaction of the Council that there is plenty of work in the place to keep a carpenter going indefinitely, but he only wanted to have me removed from my position.

In conclusion, I would ask that the Council when considering my case would be so good as to give me a hearing.

Yours faithfully,

JOHN O'HALLORAN.

Mr. Laffan proposed and Mr. Blackwell seconded "That Mr. O'Halloran be reinstated in his position, and, in order that work might be immediately found for him, that Mr. Davison be directed to put the construction of a waggon in hands at once."

EX-COLLECTOR J. O'DONNELL.

On the proposition of Mr. Naughton it was resolved "That Mr. J. O'Donnell, who was recently dismissed from the office of Poor Rate Collector, be appointed to the first suitable vacancy, the circumstances in his case being different from those of the other two Collectors also dismissed."

EXTENSION OF UNEMPLOYMENT ACT, 1920.

Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, drew attention to the provisions of the above Act regarding its application to road workers, and asked for a direction in the matter.—Consideration adjourned.

ASYLUM PATIENTS.

A resolution was read from the Asylum Committee requesting that the different Boards of Guardians in the County be required to admit such patients as belong to their Unions when required to do so by the Committee of Management of the Asylum.

On the proposition of the Chairman it was unanimously resolved "That the resolution be approved of."

GALWAY RESOLUTION.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Laffan, it was resolved "That we, the Limerick County Council, in meeting assembled, hereby disassociate ourselves from the resolution of the Galway County Council calling for a truce at the present time, and we call upon the people of the Country to take the recent advice of Arthur Griffiths and "Stand Firm."

MICHAEL SLATTERY, GREGANSTER.

A letter was read from Michael Slattery, Greganster, Kilmallock, claiming £20 compensation for damage done to his passage through flooding from the public roads.—Referred to Mr. Davison for report.

DR. P. J. O'LEARY.

A letter was read from Dr. P. J. O'Leary relative to his dismissal from the appointment of Coroner, and asking to be informed of the date of next meeting of the Council.—Letter marked 'read.'

IRISH SPEAKER ON THE COUNTY COUNCIL STAFF.

The following motion, of which notice had been given by Mr. Hynes, was not moved by any of the members of the Council then present, as they did not consider it necessary, there being an Irish speaker already on the staff :—

"That a vacancy be created on the staff of the Council, to which an Irish speaker be appointed to do the work that will be required to be done in our own language from time to time, and that this be done without any increased cost to the Council."

The following Correspondence was marked read :—

- 1 Blind Persons Act, 1920, and correspondence from the Local Government Board relating thereto.
- 2 Ministry of Labour re Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920.
- 3 J. O'Dwyer, Solicitor, Tipperary, applying for payment of malicious injury decrees in the case of Smith and others, amounting to £2144 5s.
- 4 Messrs. Corr & O'Connor, Solicitors, Crossmaglen, applying for payment of malicious injury decree in the case of John Hearty, amounting to £56 10s. 1d.
- 5 Rathkeale District Council applying for payment in advance of the quarterly instalments to Board of Guardians and District Council, due on the 1st January, 1921.
- 6 Local Government Board, No. 164 M, 23rd November, circular letter and forms relative to expenditure incurred on the treatment of Tuberculosis.

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The following report from Mr. Davison was read.

WORK ON ROADS AROUND KILFINANE.

Gentlemen—Mr. J. Cranitch, County Councillor, has drawn my attention to the dismissal of unmarried men on the roads around Kilfinane, and I have also received a letter from two of them to this effect.

As far as I know, I have only carried out the wishes of the Council by distributing work over as many heads of families as possible without increasing the number of men employed. Should the Council desire to take on more men I should like their direction in the matter.

I am, Gentlemen, your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

TELEGRAPH LINE AT CASTLEMAHON.

Authority was given for the erection of an overhead telegraph line along the public road from a point opposite the R C Church to the Co-operative Creamery, Castlemahon.
The meeting adjourned sine die.

JOHN J. QUAID,
County Secretary.

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Wall 7/11/21*

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Saturday, the 18th December, 1920.

Present—Mr. J. Hynes, Presiding; Messrs. Blackwell and Laffan

The minutes of last meeting were taken as read

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £4399 6s. 8d."

FINANCES

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit	Debit
	£ s d	£ s d
General Account	...	11777 16 1
Subsidiary Account	...	32808 1 8
University Scholarships Account	...	1234 10 7
Munster Fair Account	...	84 5 9
Nett Dr. Balance	...	£46781 2 7

MILEAGE REPORT

The following report from Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, was read and the expenditure being according to scale, was authorised for payment

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 18th DEC., 1920

December 14th—Rathkeale, met Mr. Hartigan; thence to Newcastle West, met Mr. Leahy—54 miles
Total mileage—54. £2 0s. 6d.

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

RATE COLLECTION

The Secretary reported that a sum of £5782 6s. 10d. only had been lodged to date, the balance outstanding being £102,379 14s. 10d.

The Committee view with much concern the state of the rate collection, having regard to the Council's existing liabilities and to the heavy demands that will require to be met on the 1st January, in the way of quarterly instalments to District Councils, Boards of Guardians, Asylum, etc., in addition to the fortnightly payments to road workers, which, at this period of the year, amount to between £4000 and £5000 each fortnight. The fact that some of the Collectors are returned as having made no lodgments they regard as a serious neglect of duty, and they direct that such Collectors be notified that the Council cannot continue to retain in office Collectors who, by their failure to carry out their duty, place the Council in a position of grave financial embarrassment

It was also ordered "That the other Collectors be informed of the Council's financial position and be called upon to make an extra endeavour to collect a substantial portion of their warrants by 1st January.

LODGMENTS.

The Secretary reported that, as arranged, he was for the present lodging to the credit of the Council's account with the Munster and Leinster Bank all monies received from the Rate Collectors

The Committee approved of this course while the account continued in debit.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 11th DECEMBER, 1920.

No. of Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	8/- + 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- + 75 per cent.
165	Patrick Roche	Defer
166	Mort Sullivan	Defer
167	James Casey	Pay Half wages for 4 days.

P. J. O'SULLIVAN

18th December, 1920

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

Seán D. Ball
7/1/21

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting held on Friday, the 7th January, 1921

Present—Mr. John Wall, Presiding;

Messrs. McCanh, Purcell, Cahill, Quaid, Noonan, Michael Ryan, Laffan, O'Dwyer and Hynes,

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting having been printed and circulated were taken as read and confirmed

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £3555."

FINANCES

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit	Debit
	£ s d	£ s d
General Account	...	7812 18 9
Subsidiary Account	...	40584 18 4
University Scholarships Account	...	1660 9 7
Munster Fair Account	...	132 18 9
Nett Dr. Balance	...	£49875 7 11

RATE RETURN

The Committee examined the return of rates collected, which showed a sum of £9785 2s. 3d. lodged to date, the balance outstanding being £98,426 19s. 5d.

As the business for which the Council meeting had been convened this day mainly concerned the rate collection, the Committee referred the consideration to that Body

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S MILEAGE REPORT

The following report from Mr. Davison, was read and the expenditure being according to scale, was authorised for payment

4th December—Bruff (Foreman's), Kilballyowen, Knockderk (stonebreaking) and back—38 miles
9th December—Knockderk, Knocklong, Ballinacroona Bridge (sudden damage), Kilfrush road and back to City; Lemonfield quarry (stonebreaking), Raheen—68 miles
10th December—Sent car with Inspector—Uregare, road to Dromin, Knockderk quarry, Herbertstown, Killeely, Old Pallas, Linfield quarry, Boher (Foreman's), Knockatana quarry and back—50 miles
21st December—Sent car with Inspector to Kilmallock Hill (stopping rolling), Uregare (Foreman's), road to Dromin, Bruff (Foreman's)—42 miles
22nd December—Sent car with Inspector to Rosbrien road, Lemonfield quarry, Roxboro' quarry; thence via Donoghmore, Ballysimon and Main Road to Boher (Foreman's); thence to Lemonfield quarry and back—39 miles
29th December—Sent car with Inspector to Ballinagarde (met Engine-driver Ryan), back to Cabernarry quarry and City—20 miles
31st December—Sent car with Inspector, via Kilballyowen to Bruff; thence to Killeely, Old Pallas to Linfield quarry and back—49 miles
1st January—Sent car with Inspector to Knockderk quarry, Bruff, road to Dromin, back to Limerick—42 miles

Total mileage—343. £12 17s. 3d.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

ASSISTANT SURVEYORS' MILEAGE REPORTS

Mileage reports submitted by Messrs. O'Malley and Hartigan, Assistant Surveyors, were referred to the County Council

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 25th DECEMBER, 1920.

No. of Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	8/- + 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- + 75 per cent.
165	Patrick Roche	Defer—further report
166	Mort Sullivan	Half wages to 3rd December

1st January, 1921

P. J. O'SULLIVAN

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

Seán D. Ball
7/1/21

J. Hynes

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of County Council, at Meeting held on the 7th January, 1921.

Present—Mr. J. Wall, Chairman, Presiding;

Messrs. Mackey, Laffan, McCann, Noonan, Purcell, O'Dwyer, Quaid, Michael Ryan, Hynes and Cahill

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting having been printed and circulated were taken as read and confirmed

FINANCE COMMITTEE 8th and 18th DECEMBER, 1920, and 7th JANUARY, 1921

The recommendations of Finance Committee, at meetings held on the 8th and 18th December, 1920, and 7th January, 1921, having been printed and circulated were taken as read and unanimously adopted

FINANCES

The Secretary stated that this meeting had been specially convened to consider the Council's financial position, and what steps should be taken to meet the dead-lock that has arisen. The Council was now indebted to the Munster and Leinster Bank in a sum of £50,000, and the Manager refuses to allow that amount to be exceeded, unless he got a guarantee that the overdraft would be substantially reduced and that immediately

The Council examined the Return of Rates collected, which showed a sum of £13,128 only lodged to date, the balance outstanding being £95,088—it was observed that in some cases the collection had not even begun, while in several other cases the amount collected was insignificant and they considered that strong action was necessary if their position as a Council was to be maintained

After further discussion the following resolution was accordingly adopted:—
Proposed by Mr. Laffan, seconded by Mr. Hynes, and Resolved:—“That we desire to impress on the Ratepayers the urgent necessity of paying the current rate within the next ten days, and we hereby direct the Rate Collectors to lodge 50 per cent. of their respective warrants within ten days of receiving this notice, and failing compliance, it will be our painful duty to call upon any such Rate Collectors to resign their position forthwith. The Rate Collectors are further hereby informed that in future they are not to attend at specified places for the collection of rates, but to call instead at the houses of the Ratepayers, and the names of any persons who, on demand, refuse to pay their rates are to be furnished immediately to the Secretary of the County Council.”

Should the necessity arise for appointing a Rate Collector when the notice above given shall have expired, the Council direct that the selection of a suitable person for the position be left in the hands of the County Councillors for the division

COLLECTOR J. M. NOLAN

Read letter from Mr. J. M. Nolan, tendering his resignation of the position of Poor Rate Collector, on the ground of ill-health, the medical certificate which accompanied the letter stating that Mr. Nolan suffered from chronic sciatica

The Council unanimously declined to accept Mr. Nolan's resignation until the current warrant had been lodged, as they do not consider that the illness from which he is suffering, especially seeing that it is chronic, should impede him in the performance of his duty for the next three months.

COLLECTOR P. REIDY

Read letter from Mr. P. Reidy, stating that he has re-considered the question of his resignation, and will continue in his office of Poor Rate Collector until the end of the current financial year.

COLLECTOR G. E. FARMER—RATES ON LABOURERS' COTTAGES.

A letter was read from Collector Farmer stating that a number of tenants of labourers cottages, employed by the Council on the roads, decline to pay rates. Ordered—That Mr. Farmer be asked to furnish the names of those who have refused to pay their rates.

PAYMENT OF MALICIOUS INJURIES DECREES.

The following opinion from Counsel was read:—

The Criminal Injuries (Ireland) Bill, 1920 which has passed both Lords and Commons and merely awaits the Royal Assent to become operative, provides that where a decree has been made before or after the passing of the Act under any of the Malicious Injury Acts the amount thereof shall be a debt payable on demand; and that it shall be the duty of the Treasurer on demand to pay the amount of such decrees out of the monies under his control as Treasurer, and if these are insufficient, out of the first monies coming to his hands as such Treasurer, whether such monies represent sums raised for Compensation for Criminal Injuries or sums raised for or applicable to any other purpose. Once this Act comes into force the answer of the first part of the above query must, in my opinion, be in the affirmative, i.e.—The Treasurer will then be bound to find the first monies coming to his hands to payment of Malicious Injury Decrees, and cannot apply same towards reduction of the overdraft. This will apply regardless of whether such decrees are in respect of injuries to person or to property.

As the law previously stood there was a difference between decrees for injury to person and decrees for injury to property. As regards the latter the Treasurer was under no obligation to pay same out of first monies coming to his hands. As regards the former the matter was doubtful, as such decrees came within the Malicious Injuries Act, 1919 and by Section 1, sub-section 4 thereof were made payable on demand. The point had never been decided whether, notwithstanding that provision, a Treasurer could apply monies coming to his hand in reduction of an overdraft due to him before paying decrees. I am inclined to think he could, but this has now been altered by the Bill of 1920.

TIMOTHY SULLIVAN,

Law Library, Four Courts, Dublin,

20/12/20,

No order made.

Letters were read from Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, requesting payment of £5 14s. 4d. for medical expenses incurred in connection with the murder of George Neazor, a Sergeant of the R.I.C.; a sum of £11 2s. 0d. for medical expenses in connection with the maiming and injuring of Sergt. Portobello; and of £24 8s. 6d. for medical expenses incurred in connection with the murder of Sergt. Hearty, R.I.C. No order made.

DEDUCTION FROM GRANTS.

A letter was read from the Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, dated 22nd December, enclosing copy of an Order directing the deduction of £11,504 17s. 9d. from sums payable to the Limerick County Council from the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account.

RATE COLLECTION.

Read letter from the Department of Local Government, dated 21st December, transmitting copy of letter which had been addressed to each Rate Collector regarding their intentions in the existing situation.

A further circular letter was read from the Department of Local Government outlining the attitude it will adopt towards officials of Public Bodies who fail to carry out the instructions of their Local Authorities.

LIMERICK UNION TREASURERSHIP.

A letter was read from the Manager of the Munster and Leinster Bank transmitting copy of a resolution received from the Limerick Union to the effect that all monies payable to the Board be lodged in the Munster and Leinster Bank.

NEWCASTLE UNION AND DISTRICT COUNCIL TREASURERSHIP.

A letter was read from the Clerk of Newcastle Union and District Council transmitting copy of Resolution proposing that, in the event of the Munster and Leinster Bank, Newcastle, not agreeing to take up the accounts of the Union and District Council, on the same terms as those given by the old Treasurer, the accounts to be re-transferred back to the Provincial Bank.

AMALGAMATION OF UNIONS.

A further letter was read from the Clerk of Newcastle Union pointing out the following facts to be considered when the question of the amalgamation of Unions is being considered, viz., that there is no railway accommodation from the points where Newcastle Union joins Kauturk and Tralee Unions, also Glin Rural District to Newcastle Hospital, which facts should not be lost sight of when considering hospital accommodation.

SALE OF BUTTER (IRELAND) REGULATIONS.

A letter was read from the Department of Agriculture, No. G. 6,150, 9th December, stating, that a sample of Butter, purchased by an Inspector at the Colmanswell Co-operative Creamery, Ltd., was found, on analysis, to contain 16.8 per cent of water.

A further letter, on the subject of water in butter, was read from Mr. Hartigan, Secretary to the County Committee for Agriculture, directing the attention of the Council to the high percentage of water in butter at some creameries in the County, which, it was stated, amounted to 35 per cent. in one case.

The Secretary reported that the police had formerly carried out the duties of Food and Drugs Inspectors but their functions in that respect had been set aside.

A discussion took place regarding the necessity of inspection and taking samples for analysis, especially in the case of butter, and it was eventually decided to refer the matter to the County Committee, with a recommendation that their Inspectors be asked to perform this duty, and that some extra remuneration be allowed for the work.

The following letters were read:—

EXPENSES FOR TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOSIS.

Local Government Board, No. 164 M, 23rd November, re conditions under which Exchequer Maintenance Grant for treatment of Tuberculosis will be paid.

TRAINING OF TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS.

Local Government Board, 61,269, 2nd December, regarding the provision of facilities for training Tuberculosis Patients at Sanatoria at some suitable form of employment.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD CIRCULAR TO POOR RATE COLLECTORS.

Local Government Board, No. 173 M, 10th December, transmitting copy of a letter which has been addressed to each Poor Rate Collector warning them against the consequences of not carrying out their duties according to their regulations.

EXPENSES OF PRINTING UNDER THE JURIES ACTS.

Local Government Board, No. 62,512, 3rd December, transmitting copy of an Order fixing a scale for the calculation of the expenses of printing in connection with the Juries (Ireland) Acts.

RATE OF INTEREST ON LOANS.

Local Government Board, No. 60,347, 10th December, transmitting copy of a Notice issued by the Treasury regarding the rate of interest chargeable on Loans made out of the Local Loans Fund after 1st November, 1920.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

Dublin Castle, 5th January, transmitting copy of a Circular issued by the Ministries of Health in England and Scotland on the subject of the measures to be taken to lessen unemployment.

A further letter was read from the Unemployment Grants Committee relative to the distribution of the Parliamentary grant to relieve unemployment.

REGISTRATION EXPENSES.

Local Government Board No. 64,035, 22nd Dec., relative to the claim for registration expenses in connection with the Third Register of Electors for the Parliamentary County of Limerick, the amount of the net expenses being £1338 8s. 2d.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

County Councils General Council, Dublin County Council, and North Dublin District Council, 29th December, transmitting copies of resolutions proposing that peace negotiations with any external foe be only conducted through the elected representatives of An Dail Eireann. Approved.

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EXPENSES FOR REVISION OF VALUATION.

Valuation Office, 22nd December, directing attention to the fact that the moiety of expenses of the Annual Revision of Valuation due by the Limerick Council, amounting to £120, has not yet been received. Ordered—"That the amount be paid."

TELEPHONES.

Post Office Telephones, 31st Dec., determining the agreement for telephone facilities in connection with the County Council Offices as from 11th April 1921, as a necessary preliminary to a revised telephone tariff.

CONSTABULARY RETURNS.

The Return of expenses of the extra forces of Constabulary for the month of November were submitted.

INCOME TAX RETURN.

Surveyor of Taxes, 10th Dec., applying for a return of the names, addresses and wages of the weekly wage-earners employed by the Council by way of manual labour.

MR. MICHAEL J. CLERY

Read letter from Mr. Michael J. Clery, applying for payment of the poundage fees and irrecoverable arrears due to him in respect of the first moiety of Poor Rate which he lodged in full. No order made.

QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS

Letters were read from the Clerks of Limerick, Listowel and Tipperary Boards of Guardians, applying for payment of the quarterly instalments due to their Boards. Adjourned.

DR. P. J. CLEARY

A letter was read from Dr. P. J. Cleary, demanding payment of his salary as Coroner, for the month of November, stating that the County Council has no power to dismiss him from the office. No action taken.

STEAM ROLLING

A letter was read from Mr. Davison, County Surveyor, stating that the order to stop all steam-rolling conveyed to him by the Secretary, after the meeting of the 9th November, was not accurate, as a certain amount of discretionary power was given to him in the matter.

After some discussion it was resolved, on the proposition of Mr. Laffan, seconded by the Chairman—"That steam-rolling on the roads be stopped altogether for the present, and that stone-breaking be continued only for repairs to the ordinary roads."

The County Surveyors were also directed to avoid carting as much as possible.

EMPLOYMENT.

A prolonged discussion took place regarding the reduction of men employed on the roads, particularly referred to by Mr. Cahill, in the Foynes district. It was eventually decided, on the proposition of Mr. Cahill, seconded by Mr. Hynes—"That the same number of men be employed during the winter as were employed during the summer months, work to be divided, as far as possible, amongst those most in need of it."

The County Surveyors were directed to put the terms of the foregoing resolution into operation at once.

In this connection letters were read from the Irish Transport and General Workers Union, dated the 7th, 14th, and 30th Dec., addressed to the Department of Local Government, complaining of the wholesale dismissal of road-employees, and that those retained were only employed three days in the week. Mr. Davison said the statement was wholly incorrect, there being only one such case in his division. Ordered—"That the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union be asked for the names."

BYE-ROADS.

On the proposition of Mr. O'Dwyer it was resolved—"That it be an instruction to the County Surveyors to give their attention for the present to bye-roads."

LIMIT OF EXPENDITURE.

The following letter was read from Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor:—

Limerick, 10th December, 1920

Dear Sir—Owing to the increase in wages granted by the County Council to road workers in August last, the estimated expenditure on roads for the current 12 months ending 31st March, 1921, will exceed the new limit of expenditure in each of the Rural Districts in the West Division.

I should be glad if you will apply to have the limit of expenditure further increased to meet the new limit of expenditure.

I enclose herewith Two Returns showing the limit of expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1921, based on the original presentments, together with any supplementary amounts since passed, also the estimated road expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 1922, based on the present scale of wages.

ESTIMATE FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st MARCH, 1921.

District	Main	Bye	Other	New	TOTAL	Limit	Difference
CROOM	5278	2782	171	228	10167	8500	1667
Supplementary	1159	599					
GLIN	1258	925	171	228	3059	2650	409
Supplementary	274	203					
NEWCASTLE	10172	7268	348	1818	22925	19250	3675
Supplementary	2230	1595					
RATHKEALE	7178	3829	249	514	13573	11400	2173
Supplementary	1574	780					

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ESTIMATE OF ROAD EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR 1921-1922.

District	Main Roads	District Roads	Other Works	New Works	TOTAL
CROOM	6324	5585	300	800	11109
GLIN	1650	1215	300	800	3465
NEWCASTLE	13350	9540	450	1500	24840
RATHKEALE	9420	4368	800	750	14838
	31344	18708		2850	54252

Yours faithfully,

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

The Council approved of the proposed increases in the limits of expenditure for the Rural Districts named.

ASSISTANT SURVEYORS' MILEAGE.

Applications were made by Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Hartigan for payment of the following mileage expenses, same being in accordance with the scale allowed:—

Mr. O'Malley (Sept. 20th to Dec. 17th) 769 miles ... £19 4 6

Mr. Hartigan (Dec. 6th to Dec. 29th) 262 miles ... 6 11 0

Having regard to the depleted state of the Council's finances and to the sacrifices which other employees were called upon to make, the Council were of opinion that the payment of such claims should be temporarily suspended, and on the proposition of Mr. McCann, seconded by Mr. J. Quaid—"It was so resolved."

COUNTY SURVEYORS' MILEAGE

A similar proposal made by Mr. J. Quaid, regarding the County Surveyors' mileage was not pressed, on hearing a statement by Mr. Davison, as to the expenses of running a motor car.

SUSPENSION OF DAIRIES AND COWSHEDS ORDER

It was unanimously resolved—"That it be a recommendation to each District Council in the County to suspend the operation for the present of the Dairies and Cowsheds Order."

TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOSIS

A discussion took place as to the necessity for the expenditure incurred in connection with the treatment of Tuberculosis.

It was suggested by Mr. McCann that Domiciliary treatment should be temporarily suspended, but the proposal was not pressed, Mr. Cahill stating that no essential service that works for the benefit of the poor should be interfered with.

RENT OF YARD IN NEWCASTLE WEST

An application from Miss Walker for £7 10s., half-year's rent of machinery yard in Newcastle West was adjourned for the attendance of Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, who was directed to furnish for next meeting a report of the cost already incurred, and still further to be incurred in connection with this yard.

COUNTY LIMERICK FARMERS' ASSOCIATION

A resolution was read from the County Limerick Farmers' Association, asking the Council to reconsider the matter of connection with the Department of Agriculture, in order to centralize their attention on the question of butter embargo. No order made.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Resolutions were read from the Kilfinane and Kildimo Branches of the I. T. & G. W. Union, relative to the hardship caused by the dismissal of road employees.

COLLECTOR M. HORGAN'S SURETIES

Read letter from the manager of the Munster and Leinster Bank, stating that the Sureties proposed by Collector M. Horgan are quite good in a joint Bond to £1400.

MR. J. F. BOURKE

Permission was given to Mr. J. F. Bourke, Lower Mallow Street, to lower the wall at the end of the garden by 3 feet.

STATIONERY AND PRINTING CONTRACT

It was unanimously resolved:—"That the tender of Messrs. George McKern & Sons, for £975 18s. for the stationery and printing contract of the County Council be accepted for one year, from the 1st January, 1921."

ADVERTISING CONTRACT.

After discussion it was resolved—"That the Council do not enter into any contract for publishing of advertisements, but that such notices as require to be inserted be published in one paper at so much per line."

The Secretary reported that the four Limerick papers and the Newcastle Observer had quoted the rate of 1/- per line for all advertisements required to be published.

Mr. Laffan considered that the Irish Independent or Cork Examiner would be a much better medium of advertisement than the Limerick newspapers that had little or no circulation in the County.

It was ordered that quotations be obtained from the Irish Independent and Cork Examiner.

MULKEAR RIVER DRAINAGE.

The following report from Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, was read:—

REPORT OF SOLICITOR RE THE MULKEAR RIVER DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

"The Mulkear River Drainage District" was established under the provisions of the Drainage and Improvement of Lands (Ireland) Act, 1863, by the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, and certain monies were expended for the drainage of the lands comprised in the district.

On the 20th September, 1877 the Commissioners by their Award specified (amongst other things) the proportion in which the lands so drained and improved as therein mentioned, and the proprietors of such lands, in respect thereof respectively, for the time being, should in future be annually charged towards the costs and expenses which might from time to time be incurred in the *maintaining, cleansing or keeping in repair* the several works which had been executed as in said award mentioned, to be as respectively stated and set forth for that purpose in the Schedule A to award annexed.

From time to time, according as ownership was transferred from the Landlords to the Tenants, new apportionments were made by the Commissioners of Public Works, and the present liability of the several proprietors in the Mulkear Drainage District has been duly fixed by these orders.

The Board were entitled annually to levy such sums as they thought necessary for the *maintaining, cleansing or keeping in repair* the several water courses, sluices, drains, etc., which were executed as in the original Award mentioned, and, as already stated, the said maintenance Rate was to be apportioned as set forth in the Certificates of the Commissioners.

Rates were only leviable by the Board for the maintenance of works and not for their construction.

It is provided by section 20 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act 1898, that the Local Government Board may, with the consent of any Drainage Board, make a provisional order for transferring to a County Council business arising in their County under any Act of any Drainage Board.

Pursuant to this section the Local Government Board made a provisional order dated 23rd October, 1919 transferring to the County Council of the County of Limerick the business arising in their County under the Drainage and Improvement of Land (Ireland) Acts 1863 to 1892 of the Drainage Board for the Mulkear Drainage District and this Order was confirmed by Parliament on 20th May, 1920.

The County Council is accordingly now in the position of the Mulkear Drainage Board and must face the liabilities of that Board in every respect. They will be liable to actions if they refuse to maintain the works, and it is up to them to take the necessary steps to carry out the duties hitherto performed by the Mulkear Drainage Board.

6th Jan., 1921.

PHILIP J. O'SULLIVAN, County Solicitor.

In this connection the following letter from Mr. Welply was read:—

SIR FREDERICK H. BATHURST'S ESTATE—*RE* MULCAIR DISTRICT DRAINAGE BOARD.

Limerick, 18th December, 1920.

Dear Sir,—In continuation of our interview with reference to the maintenance of river embankments on Townland of Killuragh, we enclose map. The holdings of John Dillon and John Kirby, Nos. 14 and 17, abut on the River Mulcair. The embankments protecting these holdings were constructed under the Drainage Scheme, but they have not been repaired for years, although the embankments above and below these holdings have been kept in order.

We have paid maintenance rates to the Drainage Board on the foregoing holdings for years 1916 to 1920 inclusive.

On 27th July last we wrote to Mr. Maurice S. Power, Secretary to the Drainage Board, pointing out that embankments were not being repaired, and on 31st July we received a letter from him stating our letter would be placed before the Board. On same day (31st July) we wrote Mr. Power that the case was urgent.

On 25th September last we wrote to Mr. Michael Quinlan, the Chairman of the Board, that there were breaches in river embankment and that much injury was being caused to the adjoining lands, and asking to have repairs executed. Subsequently the embankment gave way, considerable damage has been caused, and we understand action is about being taken against the Board by the tenants.

Mr. Quinlan informed us that the embankment referred to is not shown on the award maps, the Drainage Board, although requiring maintenance rate to be paid, are not liable to maintain embankment.

The Secretary, Board of Works, informs us that the maintenance of embankments has recently been transferred to the Limerick County Council, and we beg to request that you will kindly give this very important matter your early and serious attention.

Yours truly,

JAMES WELPLY & SONS.

80 & 31 Kildare Street,
Dublin,

14th December, 1920.

ESTATE OF THE GOVERNORS OF THE SCHOOLS FOUNDED BY ERASMUS SMITH, ESQ.,
COUNTY LIMERICK, E.C. 5879.

Dear Sir,

The lands of Dromlara, Garrahemore, Gortavalla South, Lisheen, Pullagh, and Sunville, Barony of Coonagh, County Limerick, are situate in the Mulkear Drainage District. These lands have been sold under the Land Purchase Acts, and in future the tenant purchasers will be liable for payment of the Drainage Maintenance Rate affecting their respective holdings. This Rate is, however, payable by the Vendors up to date of vesting, viz: 1st December inst. Kindly let us know if there are any arrears of said Drainage Maintenance Rate due up to 1st inst.

We are, faithfully yours,

DARLEY, ORPEN & SYNNOTT.

The Secretary, Limerick County Council,
Limerick.

A prolonged discussion took place, and eventually it was decided on the proposition of Mr. Laffan, seconded by Mr. M. Ryan—"That a report be submitted by our Secretary at next meeting showing the steps that were taken to effect the transfer of the Mulkear Drainage Board to the County Council."

REMOVAL OF TIMBER FROM LINFIELD QUARRY.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Hayes, Pallasgrean, stating that the timber which was removed by Messrs. Spaight from that portion of the quarry at Linfield purchased by the Limerick County Council, was sold to Messrs. Spaight and paid for three years ago, and that fact was mentioned to Mr. O'Sullivan, Solicitor, at the time the agreement was being prepared.

Mr. Davison stated that no such condition was mentioned and his recommendation to the Council was that the timber should be removed to the County Council yard and utilized for the business of the County.

On the proposition of Mr. Quaid, seconded by the Chairman, it was resolved—"That Mr. Davison, County Surveyor's suggestion, be approved of."

COLLECTOR P. SHEARIN.

A letter was read from Collector P. Shearin stating that he was confined to bed with a severe cold and enclosing a medical certificate.

HEALY v. COUNTY COUNCIL.

Read letter from Mr. Macaulay, Solicitor, Listowel, asking for payment of two small decrees for malicious injury obtained against the Council—one for £10 2s. obtained by Timothy Healy, Abbeyfeale Hill, and the other for £11 2s. by Jeremiah Healy, same address. Adjourned for the present.

GALWAY RESOLUTION.

A letter was read from Miss O'Connell, Vice-Chairman Galway County Council, pointing out that what purported to be a Resolution of the Galway County Council was merely the expression of opinion of six members who did not make a quorum.

JOHN O'DONNELL, BALLYBROWN.

Read letter from Messrs. J. F. Cosgrave & Sons, Solicitors, claiming compensation on behalf of John O'Donnell, Ballybrown, for damage caused to stone gate-piers, his property, by reason of the negligence of one of the Council's engines/drivers. Referred to Mr. Ryan for report.

Limerick, December 7th, 1920

Mr. R. DAVISON, COUNTY SURVEYOR.

A letter was read from Mr. Davison stating that that he had received no notice of the meeting of the County Council, held on the 8th December, and he considered it was not fair to him to give orders for the re-employment of the Carpenter, O'Halloran, without having heard him on the subject. He also drew attention to the printed copy of the minutes from which is excluded the report made to him by his Inspector, Singleton, while O'Halloran's report is given in full, and both O'Halloran's and Singleton's reports are contradictory. He further objected to the minutes having recorded "Reports from Messrs. Davison and Singleton were received," and contended that in deference to his position the minute should read—"Mr. Davison, County Surveyor's report, to which was attached a report to him of a subordinate officer." Mr. Davison also asks for a direction as to whether O'Halloran is to be employed permanently under the Council.

With regard to the last mentioned paragraph Mr. Davison was informed that the intention of the Council was that O'Halloran should be re-employed for three months from the date the order was made, viz., the 8th December, and with regard to the omission of Mr. Singleton's report to Mr. Davison it was now ordered that it be included in the minutes of this meeting.

Re DISMISSAL OF CARPENTER.

Gentlemen—With reference to the above I beg to submit report of Inspector who is charge-hand in the Council Yard, Mulgrave Street, from which it will be seen that simply owing to shortage of work it was necessary to adopt the course pursued.

I am, Gentlemen, Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

The County Council Meeting 8/12/20.

COPY OF MR. J. H. SINGLETON'S REPORT.

6th Dec., 1920.

Sir—Acting on your instructions of Thursday last I gave notice to two Engine-drivers and two Flag-men, who had come in with some machines, that they might be prepared to go home for some time until the work would be more plentiful. I then went to the Carpenter and told him that when he would finish up some work he was on, we would not go on with any more for the present, this would have kept him for about another week, but he got into a temper and left immediately.

There have been a good many Sleeping-vans built in the yard for new machines that have arrived in late years, which entailed a good deal of carpentry work, but now these are all supplied, and repairs to Courthouses are off the list, it has reduced this work to the repairs of an odd Wheel-barrow and Traction Wagon coming in from the quarries. This I have explained to you some time ago, and also I told the Carpenter about five or six weeks ago that when he would have the frame of a Water-cart and some Barrows repaired I could not see where the work was to come from for himself and his son.

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. H. SINGLETON.

R. Davison, Esq., B.E.,
County Surveyor,
Limerick.

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary

Quaid
16th Dec 1921

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Saturday, the 15th January, 1921

Present—Mr. Thomas McCann, Presiding; Messrs. O'Dwyer, Tobin and Blackwell

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £3547 15s. 5d."

FINANCES

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit £ s d	Debit £ s d
General Account	...	2413 7 8
Subsidiary Account	...	40811 2 10
University Scholarships Account	...	1695 19 3
Munster Fair Account	132 13 9	...
Nett Dr. Balance	...	£44787 16 0

RATE COLLECTION

The Committee examined the return of rates collected; which showed a sum of £18840 9s. lodged to date, the balance outstanding being £89,321 12s. 8d.
Having regard to the instructions given to Rate Collectors by the County Council, at their meeting on the 7th instant, the Committee made no order

RETURN OF RATES

Letters were read from the Department of Local Government and from the Local Government Board, asking to be furnished with a return of the collection of rates to date, in the former case, and to the 31st December in the latter

The Secretary reported that he had written to the Chairman, regarding the application of the Department of Local Government, but that no action had been taken in the other case

MR. MICHAEL J. CLERY

A letter was read from Mr. Michael J. Clery, dated 11th January, stating that the collecting books which had been used by him while acting as Rate Collector, were forcibly taken from him by some persons unknown, on the 11th inst, who stated they were acting on orders. No order made

MR. JOHN O'DONNELL

A letter was also read from Mr. John O'Donnell, stating his collecting books were taken from him by armed and masked men, on the 11th instant. No order made

COLLECTOR THOMAS O'DWYER

A letter was read from Collector Thomas O'Dwyer, stating that he had furnished Mr. Davison with the names of certain men employed at Knockatana quarry, who had refused to pay rates
Mr. Davison reported that he had carried out the Council's instructions in those cases

COLLECTOR SHEARIN

A letter was read from Collector Shearin stating that owing to proclamation of the fair at Mitchels-town he was unable to make anything like a satisfactory collection
It was ordered—"That Collector Shearin's attention be directed to the instruction given by the County Council at their last meeting, to the effect that Collectors are, in future, to make a house-to-house collection for rates, instead of attending at fixed places as was the custom hitherto

RATE ON FAIR GREEN.

Authority was given for the payment of £19 11 5 to Collector N. McDonnell, being the Second Moiety of the Current Year's Rate for the Munster Fair Green.

MILEAGE REPORTS.

The following Reports from Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, were read, and the expenditure being according to scale was authorised for payment.

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 1st JANUARY, 1921.

December 24th—Newcastle West, met Mr. Leahy. Thence with him to Knockaderry and Mondellily Quarries. Thence to Dromcollogher and Clonmore, 84 miles.

December 31st—Newcastle West with Machinery Inspector re New Yard. Met Mr. Leahy ... 52 miles.

Total Mileage ... 136 ... £5 2 0

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 15th JANUARY, 1921

January 10th—Newcastle West, met Mr. Leahy ... 52 miles.
Total Mileage ... 52 ... £1 19 0

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

The following report of road expenditure was also read:—

ROAD EXPENDITURE

Dear Sir—Below I give you particulars of Estimate, 1920-21, together with the supplementary amounts from 19th July to 31st March, 1921:—

	Main	Bye
Croom	6437	8831
Glin	1532	1128
Newcastle	12402	8863
Rathkeale	8752	4058

Yours truly

J. J. Quaid, Esq.,
County Secretary

T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor

ELECTRIC LIGHTING ACCOUNT

Authority was given for the payment to the Electric Lighting Company of Limerick County Borough Council, of a sum of £14 17s. being charges for electric lighting of County Council offices; for period ended 31st December, 1920

ADVERTISEMENT CONTRACT

A letter was read from the Manager "Irish Independent" newspaper, quoting 1/- per line, per insertion as the charge for advertisements, and a similar letter from the "Cork Examiner," quoting 9d. per line

In this connection the Secretary reported that all the local papers had quoted at the rate of 1/-, and that in his opinion no saving would be effected by inserting the Council's necessary advertisements on this basis

After considerable discussion the Committee recommend that the Advertisement Contract be given to Two of the four Limerick papers that tendered for the first six months of the current year, and to the remaining two for the second six months on the basis of their tenders. The tender of the *Newcastle Observer*, being a newspaper largely circulating throughout the West of the county, to be accepted for the year.

COLLECTOR WM. DWANE.

A letter was read from Mr. Wm. Dwane, recently appointed Poor Rate Collector for the Kilmallock No. 1 Collection District, stating that Michael O'Brien, Ballinacourty, Kilfinane; Thomas Doran, Keale, Ballyorgan, Kilfinane; and Nicholas Dwane, Ardpatrick, have agreed to join with him in a joint bond for £1000.

The Secretary reported that he had made the usual Bank enquiries as to the solvency of the persons named, and

A letter was read from the Manager Munster & Leinster Bank, Kilfinane, stating that the sureties proposed by Mr. Wm. Dwane are quite good in a joint bond with him for £1000.

It was ordered—"That immediate steps be taken to have Bond perfected in order that the collection can be proceeded with."

QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS.

Letters were read from the Clerks of the Croom, Listowel, Newcastle and Rathkeale Unions demanding payment of the Quarterly instalments due since 1st January.

TIPPERARY INSTALMENT FOR REPAYMENT OF LOANS.

The following letter was read from the Clerk of the Tipperary Union:—

Tipperary Board of Guardians,

Clerk's Office, 13th January, 1921.

Dear Sir—As the Union account with Treasurer is overdrawn, and the Manager of the National Bank (Treasurer), has in consequence declined to honour some Paying Orders presented to him for payment on this date and yesterday, I have to request that the Limerick County Council will forward, on receipt hereof, transfer order for the sum of £1124, due on 1st inst., including £48, due on 1st October, 1920, in respect of repayment of Loans, which was deducted by County Council from instalment then accrued, and which has not yet been lodged to the credit of the Guardians,

Yours faithfully,

J. J. QUaid, Esq.,
County Secretary,
82/83 O'Connell Street,
Limerick.

JOSEPH GUBBINS, Clerk of Union.

The Secretary explained that in the case of Tipperary as well as that of the other Unions the instalments for the re-payment of Loans were withheld, this being part of a settled policy intended as a part set off to the action of the Government in withholding the grants due to Public Bodies.

REPAIR OF SHELTER.

A letter was read Mr. Hartigan, Secretary to the County Insurance Committee, requesting that immediate arrangements be made to have the window in the shelter occupied by John Sullivan, Churchtown, Newcastle West, repaired and the shelter removed to a more suitable site.
Referred to Mr. Ryan to be carried out.

COMPENSATION FOR SHEEP KILLED.

Read letter from Mr. P. T. Liston, Solicitor, applying on behalf of Mr. Edward L. Lloyd for £7 compensation for sheep killed—this amount being agreed upon.
Approved, and ordered—"That the amount be paid."

RENT OF COOLYROE QUARRY.

In the foregoing letter an application was also contained for the rent due to Mr. Lloyd in respect of Coolyroe Quarry.

Mr. Ryan having reported that claim was in order the Committee directed that the amount be paid.

MACHINERY YARD AT RATHKEALE

A further letter was read from Mr. P. T. Liston, Solicitor, applying on behalf of Mr. Edward L. Lloyd, of Heathfield, for the sum of £8, one year's rent of the yard at Rathkeale, held from the late Mr. Pierce, for whom Mr. Lloyd is Executor; also asking that the premises be immediately surrendered as Mr. Lloyd intends putting the place up for sale by public auction, the possession of which would enhance the value.

Mr. Ryan reported that the payment demanded for rent was correct, but that he was not in a position to surrender the premises at present, and that in any event the tenancy could not be determined without a six months' notice. The Committee referred the matter to Mr. Ryan.

COLLECTOR J. M. NOLAN.

Letters were read from the Clerk of the Listowel Union relative to a sum of £454 of the Second Moisty of Poor Rate which, according to the abstracts, Mr. Nolan had collected but had not lodged.

As there appears to be some mistake in this matter the Committee adjourned the consideration for Mr. Nolan's report.

NEWCASTLE WEST UNION TREASURERSHIP.

Read letter from the Clerk of the Newcastle West Board of Guardians stating that the Provincial Bank, Newcastle West Branch, has been re-appointed Treasurer to the Board.

A further letter on the same subject was read in which it was stated that the Munster and Leinster Bank, Newcastle West Branch, had refused to act as Treasurer without the sanction of the Local Government Board.

MR. F. C. HARTIGAN'S MILEAGE.

A letter was read from Mr. F. C. Hartigan, Assistant Surveyor, stating that he is agreeable to the deferring of the mileage allowance he was in receipt of until such time as the County Council is in a better financial position.

UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Irish Transport and General Workers Union, Knocklong Branch, drawing attention to the loss workers out of employment sustain by reason of the action of the County Council in refusing to put the Unemployment Insurance Act of 1920 into operation.

After considerable discussion Mr. Tobin proposed, and it was unanimously resolved:—"That it be a recommendation to the County Council that if they cannot see their way to adopt the provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920, they, as an alternative, pay the benefits that would have been derived."

DEDUCTIONS FROM GRANTS.

Dublin Castle, 7th Jan., No. 20686 transmitting copy of an order directing the deduction of £1614 2s. 11d. from sums payable to the Limerick Co. Council from the Local Taxation Account in respect of malicious injuries.

JURORS ACTS EXPENSES.

An application from Sir F. Kearney, Clerk of Crown and Peace, for payment of a sum of £240 16s. expenses and remuneration due to him under the Jurors Acts for year ended the 31st Dec., 1920, was read. No order was made thereon.

The following recommendations made by Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, were approved

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 8th JANUARY, 1921.

No. of Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	8/- + 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- a week
165	Patrick Roche	Half wages from 20th October and further report
167	Jas. Casey	Half wages to 8th November

15th January, 1921

P. J. O'SULLIVAN

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

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filed 4th 1921*

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Sub-Committee of University Scholarships Committee, at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Wednesday, 2nd February, 1921

Present—Rev. Thomas Wall, Presiding; also present—Miss Knox

The minutes of last meeting were taken as read

The Secretary laid before the Committee the following queries arising out of the New Scheme, which he had been called upon to answer, and which he did not feel himself in a position to do

QUERIES FOR UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE, AT MEETING TO BE HELD ON THE 2ND FEBRUARY, 1921

- (1) Do Irish and Irish History form one subject, or are they two independent subjects?
- (2) Does it suffice if a candidate has matriculated the year previous to examination?
- (3) Must a candidate in the Commerce group necessarily present the subject Commerce?
- (4) Must a candidate presenting Mathematics present all four subjects—Algebra, Arithmetic, Geometry, Trigonometry?
- (5) Under English—The Scheme prescribes "general knowledge of other well-known works in prose and poetry." An intending candidate enquires what are those? Are they written by Irish or English Authors?
- (6) Must a candidate name the faculty he intends to compete for, or may he compete for a Scholarship generally and select the faculty afterwards?
- (7) Are there to be special Examination papers set for each faculty?
- (8) How are the answers of students in Modern Languages to be marked by the Examiners if portion of the paper is answered in Irish?
- (9) (V.A.) What facilities are to be afforded to teachers to avail of the Scholarships in Celtic studies?
- (10) Are the subjects to be presented for examination to be 4 or 5?

The Sub-Committee make the following recommendations:—

- (1) That Irish and Irish History form two independent subjects, and be the only compulsory subjects of examination, any other three subjects to be selected in addition
- (2) That having passed the Matriculation Examination at any time prior to the Scholarships Examination suffices for the purposes of Article V. (b) of the Scheme
- (3) That any two of the five subjects included in the syllabus for Commerce will suffice for examination in the subject. A candidate for the Scholarship in Commerce need not necessarily present the subject for examination
- (4) Algebra and Arithmetic form one subject for examination, Geometry and Trigonometry each an independent subject.
- (5) That for paragraph 2 of the English Syllabus there be substituted:—Literature—Questions will be set to test (a) intelligent reading (but not detailed study) of books prescribed from time to time; (b) General knowledge of other well known works in prose and verse, the authors not specified, but principally intended for oral examinations left to the discretion of the examiner.
- (6) The faculty for which it is intended to compete must be selected by the student at the time of entering for examination, and the award of the Scholarship will be on the results of the examinations of the Candidates for each faculty.
- (7) The examination papers shall be the same for all students.
- (8) Examiners in modern languages, if they find it necessary will requisition the services of somebody acquainted with the National Language to assist them in marking answers where given in Irish.
- (9) The age limit for teachers to avail of the Scholarship in Celtic Studies having been increased from 20 to 25 years the Sub-Committee deem a sufficient facility.
- (10) The subjects to be presented for examination shall in all cases be five.

MAURICE FITZGERALD.

Secretary to Committee.

*P.V. Higgins
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*Wackey
filed 4th 1921*

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee, at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Friday, the 4th February, 1921.

Present—Mr. Anthony Mackey, Presiding; Messrs. McCann, Naughton, O'Dwyer, Laffan, Leahy, Michael Ryan, Tobin, Dunne, Cahill, Noonan, Coleman and O'Shea.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £3,458 8s. 2d."

FINANCES

The Secretary reported the Council's financial position to be as follows:—

	Credit	Debit
£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
General Account	...	24703 5 0
Subsidiary Account	...	2255 9 8
University Scholarships Account	...	1744 18 5
Munster Fair Account	...	150 6 4
Nett Dr. Balance	...	£28643 1 9

RATE COLLECTION.

The rate return was examined and showed a sum of £41874 1s. 3d. collected to date, the balance outstanding being £66,288 0s. 5d.

DEFAULTING RATEPAYERS.

Letters were read from Collectors O'Dwyer and McMahon, giving the names of persons employed on the roads in their districts who refused to pay rates. Referred to the County Surveyors.

MR. JOHN O'DONNELL.

A letter was read from Mr. John O'Donnell, ex Poor Rate Collector, giving detailed particulars of the second moiety receipts which were found to be missing from his collecting books.

COLLECTOR P. QUINLAN.

A letter was read from Collector P. Quinlan stating that he had made repeated applications to the Great Southern and Western Railway Company for the rates due but without result, and that he had now notified them that he intended to distrain on their property. Approved.

COLLECTOR WM. H. O'BRIEN.

A letter was read from Collector Wm. H. O'Brien stating that the house-to-house collection had proved most unsatisfactory, as in nearly every case he was informed that the rated occupier was not at home.

COLLECTOR P. O'SHAUGHNESSY.

A letter was read from Collector P. O'Shaughnessy explaining the reason for his failure to attend on the appointed day for the checking of his books.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S MILEAGE REPORT.

The following report from Mr. Davison was read, and the amount claimed for mileage expenses being according to scale, was authorised for payment.

- January 5th—Sent car with Inspector—Knockatana Quarry; thence to Knockderk via Caherconlish and Herbertstown Uregare, Dromin Creamery (Foreman's) and back—42 miles.
- " 8th—Sent car with Inspector, Ballysheedy, Kipeason, Dromin, Bruff (Foreman's) and back—42 miles.
- " 10th—Linsfield Quarry (stonebreaking, etc.), Old Pallas, Kiltelly, Herbertstown, Knockderk Quarry (stonebreaking), Uregare, Bruff (Foreman's) and back—54 miles.
- " 12—Grange, Dromin (Foreman's), Kilmallock, Mt. Coote Road, Elton (flooded), Knocklong, Hospital, Castlefarm Quarry (supplies), Ballinagoole, Office, Eanis Road—58 miles.
- " 13th—Sent car with Inspector—Killonan, Linsfield Quarry, back to Killonan; thence to Annacotty and Castleconnell—40 miles.
- " 17th—Kilmallock, Greiganster (flooded), Fanstown, Elton, Knocklong, Kibballyowen, and back to office—60 miles.
- " 18th—Sent car with Inspector—Knocktana Quarry, Linsfield Quarry, and Knockbraek Quarry—27 miles.
- " 21st—Knockatana, Knockderk, Kilmallock, Elton, Ballylanders, Ballyfausk, (repairs), Kilglas, back via Hospital, Dromin and Bruff—95 miles.

Total Mileage—428. 416 1s. 0d.

The Finance Meeting, 26/1/21.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

The following reports from Mr. Davison were read:—

KNOCKNAGURTEENY ROAD.

LIMERICK No. 1 R.D.—SPECIAL WORK No. 171

Dear Sir,—Mr. Hourigan and others who lodged £85 with the County Council as a provision, I think, against surcharge, can have the money refunded if there is no legal difficulty in the way, as the work is now done.

Yours faithfully,

ROBERT DAVISON,

County Surveyor.

J. J. Quaid, Esq.,
Secretary, County Council.

In this connection the Secretary reported that the amount had been lodged by the Contractor as security in the event of surcharge, and could not be released until the accounts had been audited.

Re ALLEGED FLOODING GRAIGANSTTR.

Gentlemen,—I have inspected the place referred to but cannot observe any damage having been done to passage. I understand the stream adjoining road (with which the passage communicates) overflows in times of abnormal rainfall, and so I propose relaying the old gullet at Roland Hughes's house to relieve the flood-water; but it must be understood that the owner of the lower reaches of stream will require to scour out his drain at once in order to make my work effective.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON,

County Surveyor.

The Finance Committee Meeting,
28th January, 1921.

Approved.

ALLEGED ACCIDENT TO DR. O'LEARY.

Gentlemen—Referring to letter of Messrs. R. McNamara & Co., Solicitors, I have asked for reports, and now beg to submit the enclosed from which you will see that no blame can be attached to the Council's employees.

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

Messrs. Finance Committee, 28/1/21.

28th January, 1921.

Sir—I herewith enclose a report taken from Michael O'Dwyer this morning. I understand the driver and flagman gave every assistance in their power to Dr. O'Leary. The pony did not require any assistance as he was quiet.

"Michael O'Dwyer (Engine-Driver) and Pat Sheridan (Flagman), were taking a wagon of coal and van to Knockatana Quarry on the 20th inst. When they reached the Fair Green they saw a pony and trap coming towards them—each was on his right side of the road. When they reached the end of Singland road and within a couple of yards of the pony, the driver of the pony suddenly pulled across the Engine as if to go up the Singland Road, but he was so near the Engine when he turned I had not time to stop, and struck the wheel of the trap with the front wheel of the Engine. The pony did not get frightened, nor did I get any signal that he was going across the road. I did my best to stop the Engine."

R. DAVISON, Esq., B.E.,
County Surveyor, Limerick.

(Signed),

Your obedient servant,

J. H. SINGLETON.

The following correspondence was read:—Local Government Board No. 64918, 27th January, sealed order, determining that it is necessary that the Limerick County Council shall provide for the cleaning of the Quarter Sessions Houses of Bruff, Newcastle and Rathkeale.

PAYMENT OF QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS.

Letters were read from the Clerks of the Croom, Kilmallock, Limerick No. 1, Newcastle, Rathkeale and Tipperary No. 2 District Councils applying for the payment of quarterly instalments due. Referred to the Secretary to arrange.

MIDWIVES' ACT.

Letters were read from Elizabeth Mary Jones, Bruff, and Ivy Clarke, Castleconnell, giving notice of intention to practice midwifery in the areas above named.

INCOME TAX.

Letters were read from the Inspector of Taxes, demanding payment of £600 income tax on the interest of credit balances, a sum of £31 4s. 0d. in respect of the premises 82 and 83 O'Connell Street, and Strand Barracks, and a sum of £49 16s. 0d. in respect of profits on Munster Fairs. No action taken.

DEDUCTIONS FROM GRANTS.

Read letters from Dublin Castle, dated 25th January and 2nd February, giving notice of the deductions from sums payable to the Limerick County Council from the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account of £11 2s. 0d. and £2,387 6s. 1d.

WINTER ASSIZES EXPENSES.

Read letter from Dublin Castle, dated 25th January, transmitting certificate of the Under Secretary that the sum of £14 0s. 0d. is payable by the Limerick County Council in respect of expenses of Leinster Winter Assizes, and suggesting that this amount be remitted to Mr. J. R. Carroll, Court Keeper, Green Street, Dublin. No action taken.

CRIMINAL INJURIES (IRELAND) ACT, 1920.

Read letter from the Local Government Board No. 2493, 1st February, transmitting copy of the Criminal Injuries (Ireland) Act, 1920.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A circular letter was read from the Local Government Board, dated 20th January, relating to the Medical and Dental inspection and treatment of school children.

JURIES ACTS EXPENSES.

Read letter from the Clerk of the Crown and Peace applying for payment of a sum of £240 16s 0d. due to him for expenses and remuneration under the Juries Acts.

UNEMPLOYMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE.

Read circular letter from the Unemployment Grants Committee, dated 20th January, relative to the Grants which the Committee are authorised to make for road construction or maintenance.

COLLECTOR J. M. NOLAN.

Read letter from Collector J. M. Nolan stating that he had not collected any portion of the Second Moiety of Poor Rate, and he could not understand why he should be asked to lodge a sum of £454 10s. 3d.

A letter was also read from the Clerk of the Union, Listowel, stating that a mistake had been made in his office in returning Mr. Nolan as having collected £454 10s. 3d., and that no portion of the Second Moiety had been collected.

CONSTABULARY RETURNS.

The Constabulary Returns for the month of December were submitted, also a Statutory Certificate from the Inspector-General containing an account of Constabulary expenses for half-year ended the 30th September, 1919, amounting to £888 6s. 9d.

RECOUPMENT OF EXPENSES UNDER DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

Read letter from the Department of Agriculture, dated the 1st February, stating a sum of £195 15s. 3d., has been lodged to the credit of the Council being recoupment of payments made by the Council under the Diseases of Animals Acts.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS (IRELAND) ORDER, 1914.

Circular letter from the Department of Agriculture relating to certain points of procedure in connection with the above order.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE (IRELAND) ORDER, 1915.

An Order made by the Department of Agriculture relative to Foot and Mouth Disease was submitted.

ACCIDENT TO JAMES LONG, CLINO.

Read letter from Mr. T. O'B. Kelly, Solicitor, demanding on behalf of James Long, Clino, compensation for loss sustained by reason of an accident due to the negligence of Council's employees. Referred to Mr. Davison for report.

MALICIOUS INJURIES.

Applications were made for payment of Decrees against the Council by Lady Ida Massey and others. No action taken.

GREAT SOUTHERN AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

The Secretary reported that notices had been served on him on behalf of the Great Southern and Western Railway Co., attaching the sums of £59 4s. 6d., £32 4s. 6d., and £16 0s. 6d., together with £3 3s. 0d. costs in each case, and interest at 5 per cent. from the 1st October, 1920.

MR. F. O'BRIEN.

An application from Mr. F. O'Brien, Assistant Surveyor, for payment of £3 3s. 0d. paid to the Council on his behalf by the Great Southern and Western Railway Co. in connection with the keeping of the accounts of Railway Bridge approaches was adjourned.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

The following recommendations of Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, were approved.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 22nd JANUARY, 1921.

No. of Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	8/- + 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- a week + 75 per cent.
165	Patrick Roche	Got medically examined

4th February, 1921

P. J. O'SULLIVAN

SECRETARY'S GENERAL ESTIMATE. 1921-1922.

The Secretary submitted the following General Estimate of the Rates that are necessary to be levied for the financial year ending 31st March, 1922., which was approved, and it was ordered—"That a statement of the causes of increase be forwarded to each member of the Council."

TABLE A.

COUNTY OF LIMERICK.

1921-1922

SECRETARY'S GENERAL ESTIMATE.

Copy to be sent to each Member of County Council, and to the Clerk of each District Council, after Finance Meeting—(Article 67 Public Bodies Order).

[Credit (See Tables D (1), (2) and (3))]			[Debits (See Tables D (1), (2) and (3))]		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
County at Large	...	...	County at Large (including main roads)	106,684	0 0
Croom Union	...	...	Croom Union	18,117	0 0
„ Rural District	...	...	„ Rural District (including roads)	8,858	0 0
Listowel Union	...	...	Listowel Union	3,112	0 0
Glin Rural District	...	...	Glin Rural District (including roads)	8,050	0 0
Kilmallock Union	...	...	Kilmallock Union	31,806	0 0
„ Rural District	...	...	„ Rural District (including roads)	17,550	0 0
Limerick Union	...	...	Limerick Union	40,568	0 0
„ No. 1 Rural District	...	...	„ No. 1 R. District (including roads)	23,169	0 0
Fermoy Union	...	...	Fermoy Union	2,947	0 0
Mitchelstown No. 2 Rural District	...	...	Mitchelstown No. 2 R.D. (including roads)	8,858	0 0
Newcastle Union	...	...	Newcastle Union	18,228	0 0
„ Rural District	...	960 0 0	„ Rural District (including roads)	22,974	0 0
Rathkeale Union	...	...	Rathkeale Union	20,623	0 0
„ Rural District	...	...	„ Rural District (including roads)	12,899	0 0
Tipperary Union	...	...	Tipperary Union	6,923	0 0
„ No. 2 Rural District	...	...	„ Rural District (including roads)	4,723	0 0
(a) Total Receipts	...	960 0 0			
*Amount of Poor Rate required for year 1921-1922 (c)	...	845,074 0 0			
TOTAL	£346,034	0 0	(b) TOTAL	£346,034	0 0

* The Poundage Rate to produce this sum in respect of General Charges (see Table B).

Amount of Separate Charge (see Table C).

(b) Gross Estimated Expenditure in respect of General Rates, Year 1920-1921	...	£273,702	0 0
(a) „ „ Receipts „ „ „ 1920-1921	...	57,616	0 0
(c) Poor Rate Estimated for Year 1920-1921	...	216,086	0 0
(c) „ „ to be levied for Year 1921-1922	...	345,074	0 0

JOHN J. QUAD,

COUNTY SECRETARY.

Limerick, 4th February, 1921.

TABLE B.

COUNTY OF LIMERICK.

ESTIMATED GENERAL RATES, 1921—1922.

				Secretary's Estimate:	
				Land	Other Hereditaments
				s. d.	s. d.
CROOM	...	...	...	12 10	12 10
GLIN	...	...	...	19 7	19 7
KILMALLOCK	...	...	...	12 7	12 7
LIMERICK	...	...	...	16 11	16 11 x
MITCHELSTOWN	...	...	...	12 3	12 3 ✓
NEWCASTLE	...	...	...	16 9	16 9
RATHKEALE	...	...	...	14 0	14 0 ✓
TIPPERARY	...	...	...	12 7	12 7

ACTUAL GENERAL RATES, 1920—1921.

				Land	Other Hereditaments
				s. d.	s. d.
CROOM	...	...	...	6 3	7 11
GLIN	...	...	...	12 3	14 10
KILMALLOCK	...	...	...	7 9	9 7
LIMERICK	...	...	...	10 8	13 1
MITCHELSTOWN	...	...	...	6 10	8 6
NEWCASTLE	...	...	...	9 11	12 3
RATHKEALE	...	...	...	7 8	9 9
TIPPERARY	...	...	...	6 11	8 9

NOTE—The difference between Rates on Land and other Hereditaments in Rate for 1920—1921 represents the Rate in the £ to which sums deducted in respect of the Agricultural Grant amount. The Agricultural Grant not being available for coming Financial year there is no difference between the Estimated Rates for Land and other Hereditaments.

All Fractions exceeding .5 are taken as equivalent to 1d. in the £.

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

Limerick, 4th February, 1921.

TABLE D. (1)—Form 44.

LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

County-at-Large Charges
1921-1922.

Table Explanatory of the Figures appearing in Form 45, Table (a), Columns 2, 3, 4, 5
(Copy to be sent to the County Council, and the Clerk of each District Council, after Finance Meeting.
Article 67 Public Bodies Order.)

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS—(County Charges)		1920-1921	1921-1922
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Government Grants—			
Grant in aid of Maintenance of Lunatics ...	...	4000 0 0	
Any other Grant, viz.—			
Estate Duty Grant (Road Authority) ...	...	1450 0 0	
Agricultural Grant ...	...	4713 10 0	
County in Lieu of Rates on Government Property in respect of County Charges	...	12 10 0	
Miscellaneous Receipts—			
Local Contributions towards Expenses of Public Works in respect of County Charges	...	60 0 0	
Fines under Food and Drugs Act	...	15 0 0	
Sales of Voters' Lists	...	20 0 0	
Rents derived from County Property	...	160 0 0	
Harbour Dues	...		
Recoupment under Diseases of Animals Acts, Tuberculosis Order of 1914	...		
Other Receipts, viz.—			
Dividend on War Loan—£200	...	200 0 0	
Motor Fees	...	50 0 0	
Surplus from Sale of Dog Licences	...	640 0 0	
Total Credits	...	11321 0 0	Nil
Difference between General Charges and Receipts	...	71783 0 0	106634 0 0

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE—(County Charges)		1920-1921	1921-1922
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Estimated Balance against at 31st March, 1921	...		9056 0 0
1 Expenditure on Public Works (exclusive of any items entered at No. 12):—			
Main Roads (Half Main Roads)	...	27682 0 0	36510 0 0
Other Works	...	1141 0 0	1500 0 0
2 Reformatories and Industrial Schools	...	1150 0 0	1150 0 0
3 Salaries, viz.—			
County Secretary	...	430 0 0	430 0 0
County Surveyors	...	1100 0 0	1100 0 0
Assistant Surveyors	...	1075 0 0	1230 0 0
Assistant Secretary	...	250 0 0	350 0 0
Accountant	...	430 0 0	400 0 0
Secretary's Other Assistants	...	1500 0 0	1920 0 0
County Surveyor for Clerical Assistance	...	500 0 0	650 0 0
Crown and Court Officials	...	230 0 0	
Solicitor	...	400 0 0	400 0 0
Analyst	...	50 0 0	50 0 0
4 Retiring Allowances	...	1550 0 0	1550 0 0
5 Collectors' Poundage, Refunds, Posting Notices, and other Costs of Collection	...	3500 0 0	6000 0 0
6 Parliamentary Voters' and Jurors' Lists (including Printing this year)	...	2500 0 0	2500 0 0
7 Expenses of Valuation	...	240 0 0	240 0 0
8 Elections, Law and Coroners' Salaries, and Expenses of Inquests	...	1200 0 0	400 0 0
9 Printing and Stationery	...	1055 0 0	1000 0 0
10 Advertising	...	275 0 0	200 0 0
11 Money Supplied—			
(a) To Lunatic Asylum	...	28828 0 0	28420 0 0
(b) To Infirmary Fever Hospital	...	1800 0 0	1800 0 0
12 Rent of Courthouse, and Repairs, &c.	...	550 0 0	
13 Repayment of Loans—County Charges—			
Limerick and Tipperary Bridge (County-at-Large Proportion)	...	70 0 0	70 0 0
14 Miscellaneous Payments—			
(a) Conveyance of Prisoners	...	100 0 0	
(b) Weights and Measures	...	80 0 0	
(c) Food and Drugs	...	100 0 0	100 0 0
(d) Relief of Exceptional Distress	...		
(e) Expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts	...	600 0 0	600 0 0
(f) Fee for Audit Account	...	100 0 0	
(g) Transfer to Agricultural and Technical Instruction	...	995 0 0	4000 0 0
(h) Apportionment	...	600 0 0	900 0 0
(i) Other Expenditure, Postage, etc.	...	800 0 0	800 0 0
(j) Transfers under Diseases of Animals Acts	...	498 0 0	498 0 0
(k) Provision for Liability under Workmen's Compensation Acts	...	600 0 0	600 0 0
(l) University Education	...	995 0 0	2000 0 0
(m) Contribution for Establishment of Chair of Scientific Agriculture in National	...		
University	...	20 0 0	20 0 0
(n) Afforestation	...		
(o) Council's Contribution for Stamps under National Health Insurance Act	...	190 0 0	190 0 0
15 Tuberculosis Act	...		
16 Separate Charges—[See Table C]	...		
Total Debits	...	83102 0 0	106634 0 0

Limerick, 4th February, 1921.

JOHN J. QUAID,
County Secretary.

David Nagle

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Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Limerick County Council, at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office on Friday, the 4th February, 1921.

Present—Mr. A. Mackey, Vice-Chairman, Presiding;
Messrs. Naughton, Laffan, O'Dwyer, Michael Ryan, Noonan, McCann, Dunne, Leahy, O'Shea, Tobin, Cahill and Coleman.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed; arising from the minutes, the following report from Mr. O'Sullivan, Solicitor, regarding the Mulkear Drainage Board was read:—

Re MULCAIRE DRAINAGE—APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE.

The Council may appoint a Committee to attend to the duties of the late Drainage Board but this Committee, in my opinion, must be nothing more than a Committee of the Council, to whom the minutes must be submitted, and who must adopt them before they can have binding force and become the act of the Council.

3rd February, 1921.

PHILIP J. O'SULLIVAN, County Solicitor.

After a prolonged discussion it was resolved, on the proposition of Mr. Laffan, seconded by Mr. McCann—"That the consideration of this matter be adjourned to the next County Council meeting as the Farmers' Union were taking Counsel's opinion as to the question of liability for expenditure incurred by this Board, and in the meantime, that no action be taken."

It was further ordered—"That Mr. O'Malley, Engineer to the Drainage Board, be asked for a report as to the present condition of the banks and sluices, and the estimated cost of putting same into a proper state of repair."

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Further arising from the minutes, Mr. Tobin referred to the hardship inflicted on persons out of employment, by the failure of the Council to adopt the provisions of the "Unemployment Insurance Act," and he considered that the Council should either pay the unemployment benefit, or stamp the cards, thus giving those unemployed the opportunity of drawing their benefit from the Labour Exchange.

After discussion Mr. Tobin formally proposed—"That the provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Act be adopted by this Council." Mr. O'Dwyer seconded. Passed.

MR. J. M. NOLAN

Further, arising from the minutes, Mr. Dunne reported that it was useless to expect Mr. J. M. Nolan to continue in the office of Poor Rate Collector, as the state of his health would not permit it, and he proposed—"That Mr. Nolan's resignation be and is hereby accepted." Mr. O'Dwyer seconded. Passed.

MR. MAURICE J. O'SHAUGHNESSY

The Secretary reported that acting on the instructions given by the Council, at their meeting on the 7th January, regarding vacancies that may arise in the position of Rate Collector, Mr. Dunne had written stating that he, in conjunction with the local County Councillors, recommended that Mr. Maurice J. O'Shaughnessy be appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Nolan, and that this recommendation had received the unanimous approval of all local bodies including Sinn Féin, Labour and Transport Workers Union.

In this connection the Secretary reported that he was unable to act on the recommendation of Mr. Dunne, as the Council, at their previous meeting, declined to accept the resignation of Mr. Nolan, and until that resolution had been rescinded no steps could be taken to fill the appointment.

Mr. Leahy was opposed to the appointment of Mr. O'Shaughnessy as Rate Collector, he already holding the position of Road Foreman, and in his opinion, no person should hold two appointments.

Mr. Dunne intimated that it was Mr. O'Shaughnessy's intention to resign the position of Road Foreman. The Secretary stated that an application for the appointment had also been received from Mr. Richard J. McCoy, of Ballyhabill.

Mr. McCann proposed—That Mr. McCoy be appointed to complete the current collection.

Mr. Leahy seconded.

Mr. Dunne proposed—That Mr. M. O'Shaughnessy be appointed.

Mr. Cahill seconded.

On a poll, there voted for Mr. McCoy—Messrs. Leahy, McCann, Naughton, Noonan, O'Dwyer, and O'Shea—(6).

For Mr. O'Shaughnessy—Messrs. Dunne, Cahill, Coleman, and Tobin—(4).

The Chairman declared Mr. McCoy elected.

Messrs. Laffan, Michael Ryan and the Chairman did not vote.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 7th AND 15th JANUARY

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meetings held on the 7th and 15th January, were taken as read, and on the proposition of Mr. McCann, unanimously adopted.

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS COMMITTEE, 2nd FEBRUARY

The recommendations of University Scholarships Sub-Committee at meeting held on the 2nd February, were taken as read and unanimously adopted.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

The Standing Orders were hereupon suspended, to admit of a deputation from the Trades Union being heard.

Mr. Carr and Mr. Cronin addressed the Council, and urged that persons employed by the Council at any particular class of work should be paid a flat standard rate of wages, and not left to the discretion of the County Surveyors, as appears to be the case at present—they also urged the necessity for the re-employment of engine-drivers and firemen whose services had been temporarily dispensed with, and they further asked that the period of the employment of the Carpenter, O'Halloran, be extended.

The deputation having withdrawn, a prolonged discussion took place, in the course of which Mr. Ryan pointed out that he was acting on the instructions of the Council in temporarily dispensing with the services of Engine Drivers and Firemen as he was ordered to discontinue for the present all steam-rolling on the roads.

The Committee suggested that Mr. Ryan should find employment for those men for at least three days a week, and pay them at the flat rate according to the class of work at which they would be engaged.

EMPLOYMENT IN FOYNES DISTRICT.

Mr. Cahill referred to the conditions obtaining in his district regarding employment, and stated that notwithstanding his very moderate resolution, the position was not one bit improved.

Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, reported that he had given most definite instructions to the Road Foreman, J. O'Connor, regarding the matter complained of, and he understood that his instructions had been carried out, but if he found on investigation, which he proposed to institute at once, that the facts were as stated by Mr. Cahill, he would take steps to prevent its recurrence.

IRISH TRANSPORT AND GENERAL WORKER'S UNION (KILTEELY BRANCH)

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Kiltely Branch of the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union complaining of the dismissal of a surfaceman in the district. Referred to Mr. Davison, County Surveyor.

THOMAS FITZGERALD, BANOGUE.

An application from Mr. Thomas Fitzgerald, Banogue, for payment of a sum of £3 for trespass on his field and passage was referred to Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, for report.

TIMOTHY LEDDIN, BALLYCAHILL.

Read letter from Mr. Timothy Leddin, complaining of the condition of the Ballycahill road which he states is almost impassable. Referred to Mr. Davison, County Surveyor.

FOOD AND DRUGS INSPECTORS.

A letter was read from the Secretary to the County Committee for Agriculture and Technical Instruction, transmitting copy of a resolution asking that powers be delegated to Mr. M. J. O'Leary, Ward's Hotel, Rathkeale, and Mr. Martin Gleeson, Cusson's Hotel, Kilmallock; itinerant instructors in Agriculture, to visit Creameries in the County for the purpose of taking samples of butter for analysis, and further that the Council be asked to notify the Creameries in the County that such powers have been delegated to the instructors.

It was unanimously resolved that the recommendations contained in the resolution of the County Committee for Agriculture and Technical Instruction be hereby adopted.

MR. P. BUCKLEY.

A letter was read from Mr. P. Buckley, Abbeyfeale, controverting statements made by Collector M. Murphy regarding his action in connection with the payment of rates by tenants of labourer's cottages, and demanding that he be allowed an opportunity of meeting Mr. Murphy and having the matter investigated by the Finance Committee at their next meeting.

Ordered—"That Mr. Buckley and Collector Murphy be invited to attend next meeting."

GRIEVANCES OF ROAD WORKERS.

A letter was read from the President Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, Liberty Hall, Dublin, dated 21st January, transmitting copy of a letter addressed to the Department of Local Government setting out certain grievances of which the men employed by the County Council on the roads complain.

In this connection the question of the review of wages and conditions of employment which it was ordered should be held at the end of each period of six months was referred to, and after some discussion, the Council decided—"That the wages, &c., of men employed under the Direct Labour system be reviewed at next meeting of Finance Committee, to which meeting was also referred the letter above mentioned from the President of the Irish Transport Worker's Union, also the consideration of flat rate of wages suggested by the deputation."

SURFACE TARRING GRANT.

Ministry of Transport, 25th January, stating that as the draft statement of the grant of £76 to the Limerick County Council towards the expenses of surface tarring forwarded for verification on the 2nd July last, has not been returned, it has been assumed that it will not be required and has accordingly been cancelled.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME.

Ministry of Transport (Ireland), (Roads Department)

Oriel House, Dublin,

28th January, 1921.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEMES

Sir—With further reference to your letter of 30th July last, I am directed by the Ministry of Transport to enquire again whether the Limerick County Council propose to submit shortly a scheme of road improvements in connection with the grant of £25000 which has been provisionally indicated to them.

I am to say that it is considered desirable that this question should be settled without any further undue delay, either by the indication being cancelled or by the Council submitting a scheme towards which the grant could be made.

No doubt, you will appreciate that the provisional setting aside of a large sum of money for the purpose of grants, materially reduces the amount available for other road improvement works, and I should therefore be glad if you would be good enough to let me know how the matter stands and how soon the scheme could be prepared.

I am, Sir, Your obedient Servant

The Secretary, Limerick County Council,
Courthouse, Limerick

G. B. HART,

Assistant Director

CLASSIFICATION OF ROADS

Read letter from the Ministry of Transport, dated 25th January, inviting the Assistance of the County Council in the preparation of a Scheme for the Classification of roads in the County. Referred to the County Surveyors.

MR. STAPLETON, DECEASED

On the proposition of Mr. Michael Ryan it was unanimously resolved:—"That the sympathy of this Council be tendered to our esteemed colleague, Mr. John Stapleton, on the lamented death of his father."

CAHERGUILLAMORE PRISONERS

It was also unanimously resolved:—"That we, the Limerick County Council, place on record our deep sympathy with the relatives of those who lost their lives and of those who lost their liberty in the recent raid on the dance at Caherguillamore."

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

Sean de Ball 24/2/21.

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee at Meeting held on Thursday, the 24th February, 1921.

Present—Mr. John Wall, presiding.

Messrs. McCann, Purcell, O'Shea, Mackey, Cahill, Tobin, Michael Ryan, Blackwell, Quane, Cranwiche, and Laffan.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The Minutes of last Meeting having been printed and circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £3965 8s. 0d."

In this connection the Secretary reported that the wages due the Road workers for the previous fortnight had not yet been paid but he hoped to be in a position to make financial arrangements in the course of a few days.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S MILEAGE REPORTS.

The following Reports from Mr. Davison were read, and the amounts being according to scale, were approved for payment.

MILEAGE REPORT

January 21st—Bruff (Foreman's), Dromin, Clogher, Ennis Road, Office—46 miles.
January 29th—Sent car with Inspector—Knockderk Quarry, Dromin and back via Bruff—44 miles.
January 31st—Killonan, Linsfield Quarry, Old Pallas, Ballinamona, Cahercooney, Knockderk Quarry, Miltonau, Dromin, Bruff, (Foreman), Ennis Road, Office—65 miles.
February 2nd—Circular Road, Caherdivin, Office—6 miles.
February 8th—Sent Inspector with car—Ballinamona, Uregare, Dromin, Creecora, Kilpeacon, Rosbrien and back—56 miles.
February 11th—Sent Inspector with car to repair a breakdown of machinery at Killonan, and back. Went by motor Knockbrack Quarry (stonebreaking); thence via Knocksentry Road to Castleconnell and back—38 miles.

Total mileage—250. Amount—£9 7s. 6d.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

14th—February—Road near Abington (gullet stopped), Ballyvarra Road, Annacotty, Ennis Road, Office—28 miles.
17th February—Knockderk Quarry, Dromin, Clogher Quarry (quarrying), Bruff, (Foreman's) Office, Dock Road—56 miles.
18th February—Killonan, Knockatana Quarry, back to office, Ennis Road, Office—29 miles.
22nd February—Cork Road, Killonan, Sandville, Office—21 miles.

134 miles at 9d. per mile—£5 0s. 6d.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

RATE RETURN.

The Rate return was examined and showed a sum of £58,300 collected to date, the balance outstanding being £49,862.

GARNISHMENT OF RATES BY G. S. & W. RLY. CO.

Letters were read from Poor Rate Collectors Feheney, McMahon, Murphy and O'Shaughnessy, transmitting copies of notice served on them on behalf of the G. S. & W. Railway Co., made by order of the King's Bench, giving the Company liberty to retain out of the sums due by them in respect of rates the following amounts for judgments obtained for malicious injuries to their property.

Collector	Feheney	McMahon	Murphy	O'Shaughnessy
Amount	£19 10 3	35 15 4	103 10 4	34 19 6
Out of	£35 15 9	159 6 0	141 0 0	39 6 8

The Committee directed that official receipts for the balance be furnished to each of the three Collectors in order that they might be in a position to recover same from the Company.

GAS ACCOUNT.

Authority was given for the payment of £4 7s. 9d. in respect of Gas supplied to the County Council yard in Mulgrave street, same being certified by Mr. Davison, County Surveyor.

DEDUCTIONS FROM GRANTS DUE.

The following returns were submitted:—

SUMS DEDUCTED BY DUBLIN CASTLE FROM THE LOCAL TAXATION (IRELAND) —ACCOUNT FOR PERSONAL INJURIES, &c.

NAME	AMOUNT	
Garrett Doyle	£304 3 4	Rathkeale R.D.C.
James McHale	872 0 0	County at Large
John Mahony	11 14 7	Limerick R.D.
Patrick Horan	137 19 0	County at Large
Rebecca Neazor	635 16 0	Rathkeale R.D.
John Portobello	378 12 6	County at Large
	£2340 5 5	

DEDUCTIONS—Continued.

Name	Amount	County at Large
Minnie Rebecca Bayliss	£269 11 6	do
Clarence St. John Cornille	28 19 0	do
John Feely	84 4 0	do
Geo. French	1410 13 8	do
Wm. J. Hall	892 14 6	do
Jonathan Holmes	53 8 0	do
Thos. D. Endeerby	106 9 0	do
Albert Jones	5 0 0	do
Teresa, Mary, Patrick, Joseph, Michael, Thos., James, John and Annie Kane	4726 0 6	do
Mary A., Annie, Joseph, John, Alfred, Francis, Mary J. and A. B. Morton	3841 9 0	do
Norah Oakley	25 0 0	do
Agnes Daisy Parker	269 11 6	do
Emily, Cissie, Leslie, Leonora, Francis A. and Harold R. Rogers	276 17 6	do
Sydney John Steer	28 19 0	do
Denis Sullivan	86 1 0	do
John Costelloe	443 12 4	do
Michael Derivan	567 16 7	do
John Portobello	488 8 9	do
George Kirby	164 5 3	do
John Portobello	11 2 0	do
	£11504 17 9	
	11 2 0	
	£15470 8 1	

Sums deducted by Dublin Castle from Local Taxation Account for non-repayment by District Councils of Advances under Labourers' Acts:—

RURAL DISTRICT	AMOUNT
Limerick No. 2	£88 10 2
Newcastle	668 17 7
	£757 7 9
Croom	370 11 1
Glin	82 15 3
Kilmallock	294 2 3
Limerick	568 13 5
Mitchelstown	66 16 4
Newcastle	668 17 7
Rathkeale	227 7 11
Tipperary	178 3 3
	2337 6 1

Total £3094 13 10

Criminal Injuries 15470 8 1

Gross Total £18565 1 11

Analysis of items on first page:—

County at Large	£14518 14 2
Limerick Rural District	11 14 7
Rathkeale Rural District	939 19 4
	£15470 8 1

ACCOUNTS FOR SHEEP DIP.

Authority was given for the payment of £6 12s. to Mr. Ed. Whelan, Rathkeale, and £3 15s. to the Cork Chemical and Drug Co. Ltd., in respect of Sheep Dip supplied.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

The following recommendations made by Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, were examined and approved.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FOR FORTNIGHT ENDING 5th FEBRUARY, 1921.

No. of Case	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages + 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	Half wages + 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	Half wages + 75 per cent.
165	Patrick Roche	Defer

12th February, 1921

P. J. O'SULLIVAN

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FORTNIGHT ENDING 19th FEBRUARY, 1921.

69	Patt Walsh	Half wages plus 75 per cent
98	John McCarthy	Half wages plus 75 per cent
137	Michael Curtin	Half wages plus 75 per cent
165	Patrick Roche	Defer

26th February, 1921.

P. J. O'SULLIVAN.

JOHN J. QUAIL, County Secretary.

John J. Quail
24/2/21

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of County Council, at Meeting held on Thursday, the 24th February, 1921

Present—Mr. John Wall, Chairman, Presiding;
Messrs. McCann, Purcell, O'Shea, Mackey, Cahill, Tobin, Michael Ryan, Laffan, Blackwell,
Cranwitch and Quane

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting having been printed and circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 4th FEBRUARY

The recommendations of the Finance Committee, at meeting held on the 4th February were read.
A prolonged discussion took place regarding the estimated rate for coming financial year, and on the proposition of the Chairman, it was resolved—"That the estimate be referred back to the several District Councils, Boards of Guardians and Asylum, with a recommendation that it be re-considered, with a view, if at all possible, to its reduction." In the meantime it was resolved that the estimate as submitted by our Secretary and embodied in the recommendations of the Finance Committee be and is hereby provisionally approved, subject to any reductions which may be made by the above Public Bodies.
The Secretary was directed to send a notice to each Board of Guardians and District Council, to call a special meeting, within a week, to see if any reduction could be made.

SEPARATE CHARGES

The Council went seriatim through the items of separate charges.
After discussion it was unanimously resolved—"That no rate be levied for Malicious Injury Claims, with the exception of those already paid."
In this connection the Secretary reported that a decree obtained by Mr. Cornelius Keogh, of Ballybrood, amounting to £975 2s. 9d. and two police decrees had been paid by the former Council though not included in the current levy, and it was therefore necessary that these sums should be included in the coming rate. Approved.

FINANCES

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Munster & Leinster Bank, Cork, stating that acting on their Solicitor's advice they were unable to accede to the application made by the Chairman of the Limerick County Council for such additional financial accommodation as will enable the Council to discharge its liability to Subsidiary Bodies.
After some discussion it was resolved, on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Purcell—"That we make application to the Munster & Leinster Bank, Limerick, for a temporary loan of £20,000 on the joint security of the members of the Council present and any others whose guarantee is available, to enable us to meet our immediate liabilities."
With regard to the financial dead-lock that had arisen, the Secretary reported that he made application to two Banking Companies to accept the Treasurership, both of which refused, and the only means by which the difficulty might be overcome for the present would be by making cash payments.
The Council unanimously approved of this course.

STRIKING OF RATES, 1921-1922

Circular letter No. 35, from the Department of Local Government was read, in which it was pointed out that it is now essential that the Local Authorities functioning under the Government of the Irish Republic which was set up by the Irish People should exercise the greatest care in compiling estimates for the striking of rates for coming financial year, 1921-1922, and that while it is mandatory to strike rates sufficient to cover all expenditure necessary for the proper administration of Local Government, it should be borne in mind that higher rates without corresponding advantages to the community will operate against the new Councils—as a consequence it is essential that steps be taken to inaugurate every possible economy. Approved.

COLLECTORS' LODGMENTS

The Secretary reported that Collectors Murphy, William Hickey and Quirke still continue to make lodgments direct to the bank.
The Chairman and Mr. Laffan undertook to interview or communicate with Messrs. Hickey and Quirke.

GLIN PIER

A letter was read from Mr. J. Dunne, M.C.C., Glin, stating that he is informed locally that the Lower Shannon Steamship Co. handed over a shed on the Glin Pier, their property, to Messrs. Glynn & Sons, Kilrush, with the consent of the County Council, and enquiring if such is the case.
The Secretary reported that no application had been made to the Council, and no permission had been given for the transfer.
Ordered—"That the Lower Shannon Steamship Co. be asked for an explanation."

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS

Read letter from the Department of Agriculture, No. 689—19th February, that samples of butter obtained by an Inspector of the Department, from the Clounacagh, Tournafalla and Kilmallock Co-operative Dairy Societies, were found, on analysis, to contain respectively 19.6, 18 and 20 per cent of water, being in each case in excess of the proportion of water allowable under the Sale of Butter Regulations, 1902.
Ordered—"That the Department's Inspector, Mr. Kenny, be asked to attend to prosecute."

MR. JOHN O'DONNELL

Read letter from the Local Government Board, No. 3022—3rd February, refusing to assent to the dismissal of Mr. John O'Donnell from the position of Rate Collector, and that he accordingly remains in office.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE CARDS

Read letter from the Ministry of Labour, No. E.B. 31476—17th February, calling the attention to their duty under the Unemployment Insurance (Collections of Contributions) Regulations, 1920.
After some discussion it was resolved—"That a sum of £7 be advanced to each Road Foreman to enable them to stamp the Unemployment Insurance Cards."

REPRESENTATIVES ON COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURE

On the proposition of the Chairman, it was unanimously resolved—"That Messrs. Bart. Laffan and Michael Ryan be appointed to represent the Council on the Council of Agriculture."
A letter was read from the Department of Local Government, suggesting that those appointments be made in the interests of the country.

COUNTY INSURANCE COMMITTEE

Read letter from the National Health Insurance Committee, No. 6304—22nd February, declaring vacant the seat of Mr. Anthony Mackey, on the County Insurance Committee, owing to his absence from meetings for a period exceeding six months, also acknowledging the resignation of Mr. John O'Dwyer, from the same Committee, and requesting the County Council to appoint new members to fill those vacancies. No action taken.

QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS

Letters were read from several Clerks of Unions and District Councils, urgently demanding payment of the quarterly instalments due since 1st January.
The Secretary reported that he hoped to be in a position to make payments to those Bodies in a few days.

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES

A letter was read from Mr. P. T. Liston, Solicitor, applying for payment of decrees obtained by him against the County Council in cases of malicious injury, otherwise he must have the amounts collected as Garnishee Orders. No action taken.

ANALYST'S REPORT

Sir Charles Cameron's report on the articles submitted to him for analysis, during the quarter ended the 31st December, was taken as read and approved.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Read letter from the Ministry of Transport, dated 21st February, stating that unless definite proposals are made before the 31st March, they will be obliged to cancel the Grant of £25,000, ear-marked for the roads in County Limerick.
It was Ordered that application be made to the Ministry of Transport for the amount due in respect of work already carried out on the Bruff, Cork and other roads.

STANDARD SCALE OF WAGES

Read letter from the Ministry of Labour, dated 19th inst., stating that twenty Trades Boards have been set up in addition to the Agricultural Wages Board, each of which has fixed different rates of wages for the workers concerned, and asking to be informed of the class of employees about whom the enquiry is sought.
Consideration adjourned for further particulars.

MR. JOHN O'HALLORAN

Read letter from Mr. John O'Halloran, Carpenter, applying for permission to be heard at the meeting.
Mr. Davison said he had no work for O'Halloran at present, and the Council considered that no useful purpose would be served by hearing him in the circumstances.

RETURN OF SALARIES

Read letter from the Department of Local Government, 30th January, asking to be furnished with a return of salaries and wages being paid to all officials and employees of the Council. Return forwarded.

MULKEAR DRAINAGE BOARD

Read letter from the Secretary of the Mulkear Drainage Board, stating that arrears are due by the Governors of the Erasmus Smith Estate, on the lands of Gortavalla, Dromlara, &c., and that he had applied to the agents, Messrs. Sanders & Son, for payment of the current year's rates, amounting to £133 14s. 9d.
In this connection a letter was read from Messrs. Darley, Orpen & Synnott, asking to be furnished by the Secretary of the County Council with a statement of any claim for maintenance by the Governors of Erasmus Smith Estate, due up to the 31st December last.
Recommended—"That the sum of £500 in addition to £300 already due (namely, £800 in all) be recommended to the Sub-Committee to be levied, and that the Sub-Committee be asked for their observations on the matter."

STATIONERY AND PRINTING UNDER REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT

Read letter from the Stationery Office enclosing a Receivable Order for £543 15s. 5d., cost of stationery and printing under the Representation of the People Act, and requesting that the amount be remitted forthwith. No order made.

LIMERICK UNION LOAN

Read letter from the Clerk of the Limerick Union, stating that application had been made to Dail Eireann for a loan of £10,000 to enable that Body to tide over its financial difficulties, but were informed that applications of this character should be put before the Contributory Bodies, as no loans can be made to Subsidiary Bodies, and they now demand, if the County Council cannot supply the amount of the quarterly instalment due to the Board since 1st January, they will take immediate steps to negotiate for the Loan of £2000 from Dail Eireann.

Adjourned, pending the settlement of the financial question

VOTE OF CONDOLENCE—MR. JOHN QUAID, M.C.C.

On the proposition of Mr. McCann it was unanimously resolved—That a vote of condolence be conveyed to our colleague, Mr. John Quaid, M.C.C., on the death of his mother, and that same be conveyed to the *Newcastle Observer* for publication

ABBEYFEALE COURT HOUSE BUILDINGS

On the proposition of the Chairman, it was unanimously resolved—That the lease of the buildings formerly used as a Court-house, at Abbeyfeale, be signed and sealed, and the Common Seal of the Council attached thereto.

JOHN J. QUAID County Secretary.

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Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee at Meeting held in the County Secretary's Office, on Saturday, the 12th March, 1921.

Present—Mr. David Naughton, presiding.
Messrs. McCann, Tobin, Noonan, and Michael Ryan.

The minutes of last meeting were taken as read and confirmed.

ROAD PAYMENTS, ETC.

The Schedules of Payment for Road Maintenance were examined, and the payments having been certified to be in order it was unanimously resolved:—"That the Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £3,595 14s. 1d."

RATE RETURN.

The Rate Return was examined and showed a sum of £68,740 collected to date, the balance outstanding being £89,421.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR CLOSING WARRANTS.

Letters were read from a number of the Rate Collectors applying for an extension of time to the 31st March for the closing of their warrants with the privileges of having closed by the 28th February, owing to the great difficulty experienced in collecting the rates at present.

The Committee after some discussion unanimously recommend—"That the Collectors' application be granted."

ANNUAL ESTIMATES AND DEMANDS.

Letters were read from the Clerks of the several District Councils and Boards of Guardians stating in each case that the estimate of expenditure for coming financial year could not be reduced.

QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS

Letters were read from several Clerks of Unions and District Councils applying for the immediate payment of the quarterly instalment due since the 1st January.

The Secretary reported that he had now made financial arrangements, and payment of a certain proportion would be made in each case.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S MILEAGE REPORT

The following report from Mr. Davison was read and the amount claimed, £15 0s. 0d. being according to scale authorised for payment

25th February—Ennis Road, Office, Carrigounnell Quarry (quarrying), Clarina, Patrickswell—24 miles
26th February—Sent car with Inspector—South Hill, Ballysimon, Castleconnell and back via Pennywell—25 miles

1st March—Uregare, Dromin, Kilmallock (District Council Meeting). Sent car to Meanus and back; thence via Mount Coote, Bulgaden, Shearin's cross Kilballyowen and Hospital to Ballinamona, Kiltelly, Dromkeen, Killonan and Sandville—91 miles

2nd March—Rockbarton Road, Drombanagh, Ballysimon, Annacotty, Castleconnell, Pennywell, Roxboro' Quarry—62 miles

3rd March—Knockatana Quarry (stonebreaking), Killonan, County Council Yard, Ennis Road, Office, 26 miles

4th March—Pallasgreen (Tipperary No. 2 District Council Meeting). Dromlara Quarry and back, 38 miles

7th March—Kilballyowen, Dromin, Uregare, Bruff and Back—48 miles

8th March—Knockatana Quarry, Killonan, Knockbrack Quarry, Annacotty, Office, Carrigounnell (quarrying)—44 miles

9th March—Castlesavers, Athlone, Kilmallock Hill, Bruff (Foremen's), Office—52 miles

400 miles at 9d. per mile—£15 0s. 0d.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor

On the application of Mr. Davison authority was given for the payment of the following expenses in respect of mileage deferred—£16 1s. for fortnight ended 26th January: £9 7s. 6d. for fortnight ended 12th February, and £5 12s. 6d. for fortnight ended 26th February. The Secretary explained that these payments would be made at the same time as the men's payments for each fortnight.

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREEES

An application was read from Mr. Marshall, Solicitor, Listowel, for payment of a decree obtained against the County Council by the Irish Creameries and Exporters Association, amounting to £3525 16s., also an application from Messrs. F. M. Fitt & Co., for payment of decrees obtained by Mr. Octavius Wallace, amounting to £2435 11s. and £660 9s. 9d. No action taken

Mr. FRED. O'BRIEN.

An application was made by Mr. F. O'Brien, Assistant Surveyor, for keeping Accounts and preparing returns in connection with the railway bridge approaches, same being included in the sum of £339 10 7 paid by the G. S. & W. Railway Coy. to County Council for maintaining the railway bridge approaches. Application granted.

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Mr. FITZGERALD, ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

An application was made by Mr. M. Fitzgerald, Assistant Secretary, for payment of a sum of £2 2s. expenses incurred by him in attending at Cooltounin for the purpose of witnessing Mr. McCoy's bond, and for travelling to Tarbert to obtain Mr. Nolan's Collecting books. Passed.

LABOURERS' WAGES.

A letter was read from the Ministry of Labour, No. 2,064, dated 26th February, transmitting copy of the *Labour Gazette*, giving information regarding the average percentage increase in the cost of living since July, 1914.

The Assistant Secretary mentioned that the Chairman had expressed a desire that the revision of the wages of the road workmen generally, which was arranged to take place automatically at the end of each period of six months, should stand adjourned for a further period of three months.

Mr. McCann, however, proposed—"That the rate paid carters be revised," as a deputation had come from Newcastle for the purpose of representing to the Committee regarding the wrong basis on which the rate was fixed on the 17th July last.

Mr. McCann pointed out that prior to that date carters were allowed 12/- per day for man and horse to carry three quarters of a yard of material, the revised scale increasing the rate to 15/- per day to carry one yard, which was, in reality, no increase. Mr. McCann accordingly proposed—"That the rate of pay for man and horse be 15/- per day, but that they be required to carry only three quarters of a yard as formerly, same to be retrospective from the 17th July."

The question of the revision of the wages of other road workmen was adjourned for three months.

HALF DAY ON SATURDAY.

Mr. Tobin referring to the weekly half-holiday granted to the road workers, stated that in all Trades Unions the half-day terminates at one o'clock, and as it was unreasonable to expect men to go without food until two o'clock as they are required to do at present, he proposed—"That the half-day on Saturdays finishes at one o'clock."

Mr. McCann seconded

Mr. Noonan proposed a direct negative, but his proposal not receiving a second, Mr. Tobin's resolution was passed *nem con.*

APPLICATION FROM PETER O'SULLIVAN

A letter was read from Peter O'Sullivan, Sallymount, Castleconnell, applying for some financial assistance, as he was now beyond his work

The Committee regretted that they were not empowered to assist the applicant in the direction sought

NEWPALLAS PETTY SESSIONS HOUSE

A letter was read from Mr. Joseph Cunningham, Newpallas, applying for the sum of £5, rent of Newpallas Petty Sessions House to date of surrender

The Committee refused the application.

COLLECTOR T. O'DWYER

Read letter from Collector Thomas O'Dwyer, asking for directions regarding the collection of the rates due by Mr. B. F. Rose, Templemichael, who is at present resident in England

The Committee direct that Collector O'Dwyer be informed that he is to proceed on his Warrant

TELEPHONES

A form of agreement in conformity with the revised rates for telephone services was submitted, and it was unanimously resolved that same be signed

COLLECTOR R. J. MCCOY

Read letter from Mr. R. J. McCoy, recently appointed Collector of Poor Rate, applying for an extension of at least two months from the 1st April, to complete his collection, as he did not obtain his books and collecting warrants until the middle of February

The Committee granted Mr. McCoy an extension of time, to the 1st May, to close his collection.

SHED ON GLIN PIER.

A letter was read from the Limerick Steamship Co. stating that there has been no transfer of their property on Glin Pier, to Messrs. Michael Glynn & Sons, Kilmish, but that they have rented the shed to them at a weekly tenancy.

The Committee were of opinion that it was not competent for the Limerick Steamship Company to take such a course without reference to the Council, and it was ordered "that the matter be referred to the Solicitor."

WORKING OF DIRECT LABOUR.

A letter was read from the Clerk of Limerick No. 1 District Council, transmitting copy of resolution relative to the working of Direct labour, and making certain suggestions as to how the present system could be improved upon.

CONSTABULARY CHARGES.

An application for £1,111 1s. 6d. from the Inspector General, R.I.C., in respect of extra charges for Constabulary in the County Limerick was submitted. No action taken.

CONSTABULARY RETURNS

A statement showing the free and extra police force in the County for the month of January was submitted

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS

Read letter from the Department of Agriculture—No. 613, dated 2nd March, stating that nine samples of Butter purchased at various places in the County were found on analysis to be pure

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CRIMINAL INJURIES (IRELAND) ACT, 1920

Read letter from the Local Government Board—No. 5678—28th February, directing the attention of the Council to the provisions of Section 3 of the *Criminal Injuries Act, 1920*, which provides that garnishee orders for criminal injuries may be obtained, attaching any rates payable by any ratepayer to answer the amount recovered by a decree

QUIT RENT

Read letter from H. M. Quit Rent Office—No. 9025—10th March, demanding payment of a sum of 4/10 due for Quit Rent in respect of the Fairs at Singland, and stating that if same is not paid forthwith steps will be taken to enforce payment. No order made

INCOME TAX

A demand from Mr. Huggard, Income Tax Collector, for payment of a sum of 9d. was also marked read

MULKEAR DRAINAGE BOARD.

A letter was read from the Secretary to the Mulkear Drainage Board stating that they have decided to carry on the river maintenance works for the current year on the amount of rate already struck, viz.—£500.

SUDDEN DAMAGE AT FOYNES.

Gentlemen—I have to report that the embankment inside wall on main road at Foynes was carried away by high tides recently, undermining the wall and footpath. I have had the work of repairs done as the matter was urgent. The estimated cost is £33 19s. 10d., half County and half Rathkeale District charge. Your obedient servant, T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor. Approved.

ADARE DRAINAGE SYSTEM.

A further letter was read from Messrs. P. S. Connolly & Co., Solicitors, relative to complaint made by Mr. M. O'Farrell, Adare, regarding the flooding of his premises owing to defective drainage.

Mr. Ryan, Co. Surveyor, reported as follows:—

Re M. O'FARRELL'S COMPLAINT.

18th February, 1921.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter with enclosure from Messrs. P. S. Connolly & Sons, Solicitors, Limerick, re above.

Mr. O'Farrell spoke to me about this matter some time ago, and I had the gully trap taken up and cleared. This did not effect any improvement, and about a week ago I gave instructions to my foreman to have the drain examined, and see what was the cause of the flooding.

I would point out, however, that Messrs. P. S. Connolly state in their letter that the defects only exist since the new drainage system was put down in Adare. The County Council had nothing to do with this drainage system, and if this is the cause of the flooding, it is more a matter for the District than the County Council.

Yours faithfully,

T. F. Ryan, County Surveyor.

John J. Quaid, Esq. County Secretary.

DEFAULTING RATEPAYERS IN ABBEYFEALE.

A list of persons in arrear in the payment of their rates, some of whom are in the employment of the Council, was submitted by Collector M. Murphy.

Referred to Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, to have the orders of the Council complied with.

BELFAST TRADE BOYCOTT.

A circular letter from the Minister for Labour regarding the steps to be taken to make the Belfast Trade Boycott effective was read and approved.

28th February, 1921.

Re ALLEGED INJURY TO JAMES LONG, CLINO.

The following report from Mr. Davison, County Surveyor, was read and approved:—

Gentlemen—I have examined the place referred to at Railway Bridge, Cork Road. I find the gully grating in the water table is off and the hole blocked up with pitching stones to within 3in. of the top; adjoining is a footpath over 4ft. in width.

I do not see that the County Council can be held responsible for this man spraining his ankle.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

The County Council Meeting.
24th February, 1921.

LIMERICK MURDERS.

On the proposition of Mr. McCann, seconded by Mr. Tobin, it was resolved:—

"That we the Limerick County Council place on record our deep sense of abhorrence of the terrible tragedy by which three of Limerick's most prominent and valuable citizens have been done to death, and we tender to their relatives our deep sympathy in their sorrow."

And that copies of this Resolution be sent to the Mayoress, Mrs. O'Callaghan, and the relatives of the late Mr. O'Donoghue.

The following recommendations of Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, regarding compensation claims were approved:—

Workmen's compensation fortnight ending 5th March, 1921.

No.	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages plus 75 per cent.
98	John McCarthy	8/- a week plus 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- a week plus 75 per cent.
165	Patrick Roche	Half wages to 15th February

12th March, 1921.

P. J. O'SULLIVAN.

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

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Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee at Meeting held on the 1st April, 1921.

Present—Mr. John Wall, Presiding;

Messrs. Mackey, Laffan, Michael Ryan, Cahill, McCann, Tobin, Blackwell, Leahy, Naughton
and Coleman.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

ROAD PAYMENTS, &c.

The Schedules of Payment were examined, and the payments having been certified by the County Surveyors to be in order, it was unanimously resolved—"That authority be given for the payment of £8,250 9s. 4d.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S MILEAGE REPORT.

The following report was submitted by Mr. Davison, and the amount, being according to scale, was authorised for payment

March 16th—Sent car with Inspector to Bruff, Uregare, Clogher Quarry and back—40 miles

March 23rd—Ennis Road, Roxboro' Quarry (stripping), Roxboro', Office—17 miles

March 24th—Dock Road, Carrigounell (quarrying), Clarina (repairs)—20 miles

77 miles at 9d.—£2 17s. 9d.

ROBT. DAVISON, County Surveyor.

RATE RETURN

The Secretary submitted the Rate Return, which showed a sum of £86,979 collected to date, the balance outstanding being £21,182

In this connection the Secretary reported that the full amount of the warrant had been lodged in the case of most of the Collectors, and he expected that the other Collectors, with the exception of those recently appointed, would close their warrants within the next few days

The Committee approved of the Secretary's report, and on the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Purcell, it was resolved—"That those Collectors who closed their Warrants on the 31st March, be paid their poundage fees forthwith."

ARREARS

The Secretary was authorised to extend the items of arrear in the several Collectors' lists, in accordance with the usual custom, striking off as irrecoverable "houses down and vacant," and cases of permanent "out-door relief," and bringing forward into the new warrants for collection, items which are temporarily uncollectible, and to refund the amounts to those Collectors who closed when same shall have been ascertained.

DEFAULTING RATEPAYERS

Read letter from Collector G. Farmer, enclosing a list of names of persons in his district who owe more than the current year's rates, and asking that the Council would assist him in recovering the amounts.

Referred to Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, with an instruction that the order of the Council be carried out in the case of any of those included receiving employment from the County Council.

COLLECTOR M. HORGAN.

Read letter from Collector M. Horgan, applying for an extension of time to the 30th April, to close his warrant, in consequence of the short time the collecting books have been in his possession, further adding that the G. S. & W. Rly. Co. have refused to pay the rates due, the amount being £50s.

It was unanimously resolved "That the extension of time asked for be granted." With regard to the rates due by the G. S. & W. Rly. Co. it was resolved, on the proposition of the Chairman "that application for the amount be made by the Secretary direct."

COLLECTOR M. MURPHY.

A list of defaulting Ratepayers was furnished by Collector Murphy, and at the request of Mr. Maurice Leahy, M.C.O., was referred to him.

COLLECTOR G. BARRY.

A letter from Collector G. Barry reporting the refusal of Michael Kiely, occupier of a labourer's cottage, to pay his rates.

The following correspondence was taken as read—

TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOSIS

L.G.B. No. 164 M, 16th February, re Exchequer Maintenance Grant for treatment of Tuberculosis.

COLLECTOR JAMES O'CONNOR.

L.G.B. No. 7840, 22nd March, enclosing copy of advertisement, inserted in local press, declaring Collector James O'Connor's appointment to be illegal.

COST OF REVISION OF VALUATION

Valuation Office, 15th March, requesting payment of £120 being one moiety of the annual cost of revision of valuation.

DEFAULTING ANNUITANTS.

Irish Land Commission, No. A6755, 21st March, transmitting a list of defaulting land-purchase annuitants in the County Limerick.

INCOME TAX DEMANDS.

Income Tax demands for payment of £600 in respect of interest on credit balances; £49 16s. on profits of Munster Fairs, and £60 6s., were marked read.

PAYMENT OF MALICIOUS INJURY DECREEES

Applications for payment of the following decrees obtained against the Council were marked read.

Richard B. Woulfe, Abbeyfeale	...	...	£1380	18	0
Mrs. Mary Leahy, Athea	...	...	516	19	9
Mary Blake	...	...	1821	18	6
Daniel and Winifred O'Neill	...	...	387	16	6
Michael Wallace	...	...	887	8	0
William Halpin	...	...	156	3	0
James Bluet Dunne	...	...	947	8	8
Lord Emly	...	...	572	17	0
Samuel Miller	...	...	92	4	3
Thomas McCarthy	...	...	45	10	11

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS

The following recommendations of Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, regarding compensation claims were approved:—

Workmen's compensation Fortnight ending 19th March, 1921

No.	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages plus 75 per cent
98	John McCarthy	8/- a week plus 75 per cent.
137	Michael Cartin	10/- a week plus 75 per cent
165	Patrick Roche	Half wages to 15th February

26th March, 1921.

P. J. O'SULLIVAN.

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

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Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of County Council, at Meeting held on Friday, the 1st April, 1921

Present—Mr. J. Wall, Chairman, presiding.

Messrs. Mackey, Laffan, Naughton, McCann, Tobin, Coleman, Cahill, Leahy, Purcell, Michael Ryan and Blackwell.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The minutes of last meeting, having been printed and circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

ROAD IMPROVEMENT SCHEME.

Arising from the minutes, the following letter from the Ministry of Transport was read:—

Ministry of Transport (Ireland),
(Roads Department),
Oriel House,
Dublin,

I.R./G./17Limerick.

21st February, 1921.

Sir,

With reference to previous correspondence relative to the grant of £25,000 to the Limerick County Council which has been provisionally indicated for the purpose of carrying out road improvement schemes in the County, I am directed to draw your attention to the letter which was addressed to you by this Department on the 31st ultimo, and to state for the information of the County Council that unless definite proposals are submitted before the 31st prox. the Ministry will be obliged to cancel the grant indicated.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. J. BLAKE,

for Assistant Director.

The County Secretary, Limerick County Council,
O'Connell Street, Limerick.

Mr. Mackey proposed and it was unanimously Resolved:—"That the Road Improvement Scheme be proceeded with if the funds be provided by the Ministry of Transport."

MULCAIR DRAINAGE BOARD.

Further arising from the minutes Mr. Blackwell was of opinion that a sum of £500 would suffice for the needs of the Mulcair Drainage Board for coming year. In this opinion other members concurred, and it was ordered "That the levy be limited to £500."

At the same time should this amount be later on found insufficient, the Council will be prepared on the recommendation of the Sub-Committee to approve of a supplementary levy.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 24th FEBRUARY.

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meeting held on the 24th February having been printed and circulated were taken as read, and on the proposition of Mr. McCann unanimously adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 12th MARCH

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meeting held on the 12th March, having been printed and circulated, were taken as read

PRICE TO BE PAID FOR CARTING

Arising from the minutes, a prolonged discussion took place regarding the revision of the rate to be paid for carting, and having heard a statement from Mr. Ryan, County Surveyor, the Council unanimously decided to leave the order providing for the carting of a yard of material to stand, but that it be left to the discretion of the County Surveyors to make allowance where the cartage of a full yard is not possible owing to the hilly nature of the country

MEASUREMENT OF MATERIALS

Mr. Blackwell reported that several complaints had been made to him regarding short loads, in reply to which Mr. Davison stated that all materials were measured and payment was made not on the load but on the actual measurement

CHARGE FOR EMPLOYMENT

Mr. Mackey stated that it was reported to him by a respectable man in his district that a fee of 2/6 is charged before employment can be obtained on the roads

On the proposition of Mr. Tobin, it was ordered—"That Mr. Mackey's informant be asked to appear before the next meeting of County Council."

HALF DAY ON SATURDAY

Further, arising from the minutes, Mr. Michael Ryan proposed—"That the half-day on Saturday remain as heretofore—Two o'clock."

Mr. Mackey seconded

This amendment was, however, not pressed to a division on hearing a statement from Mr. Ryan, and on the proposition of Mr. Naughton, seconded by Mr. Blackwell, the recommendations of Finance Committee at meeting held on the 12th March, were unanimously adopted

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

In view of the failure to obtain a Banking Company to act as Treasurer, the Secretary was directed to make the best arrangements he could to meet the Council's financial obligations, especially with regard to men working on the roads, and payment of out-door relief

COLLECTOR JAMES O'CONNOR.

The Chairman made a statement regarding the collection of Mr. O'Connor, and in connection therewith a letter was read from Mr. D. O'Leary, Manager, Munster and Leinster Bank, Bruff, regarding a cheque for £140 drawn on the Hospital Branch and cashed by him, to meet which it was found there were not sufficient funds.

The Secretary reported that he was now in a position to satisfactorily adjust this matter, and it was ordered "That immediate steps be taken to do so."

MISSING RECEIPTS.

The Chairman referred to some receipts which were found to be missing from the collecting books of Mr. Horgan, and directed the Secretary to have the matter looked into.

POUNDAGE FEES AND ARREARS.

The Chairman proposed and it was unanimously resolved—"That those collectors who closed their warrants be paid their poundage fees forthwith, and that they further receive as soon as their lists shall have been checked their arrears both recoverable and irrecoverable, their time for closing the warrants having already been extended to the 31st March, with the privileges of having closed by the 28th February."

NEWCASTLE DISTRICT COUNCIL TREASURERSHIP.

A letter was read from the Clerk of the Newcastle District Council stating that none of the three banks in Newcastle would act as Treasurer to the District Council.

DEPUTATION re J. O'HALLORAN

The Standing Orders were hereupon suspended to admit of a deputation being heard in support of the claim of J. O'Halloran to be re-employed as carpenter

Messrs. Carr and Cronin addressed the Council, and pointed out that since O'Halloran's services had been dispensed with, after seven or eight years' service, on account of there not being sufficient work, still they were informed that work was being sent out by contract

Mr. Davison stated that the only work sent out was that due to O'Halloran having left his employment before his time was up

It was ordered—"That Mr. O'Halloran get preference in any future work of his trade which may be required."

The deputation were not satisfied with the explanation given by Mr. Davison, and undertook to produce at next meeting evidence of carpentry work being contracted out.

MR. J. M. NOLAN.

Read letter from Mr. J. M. Nolan, Retired Poor Rate Collector, applying for the Superannuation allowance to which his years of service entitled him.

In this connection the Secretary reported that the old regulations prescribed that a month's clear notice must be given to each member of the Council before any proposal to grant a Superannuation allowance can become effective.

It was decided to conform to the same procedure in this case.

Mr. Laffan stated that after the meeting he would hand in the necessary notice

ADDITIONAL MUNSTER FAIR.

Read letter from Mr. John Cahill, Lessee of the Tolls of the Munster Fairs, stating that it was the desire of a number of cattle dealers and farmers that an additional fair should be held in the middle of April, and asking that the Council would authorise same.

It was unanimously resolved—"That the holding of an additional fair on Friday, the 15th April, be authorised."

ANALYST'S REPORT.

The following Report from Sir Charles Cameron on the articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended the 31st December were examined and approved.

CITY LABORATORY,

CHATHAM ROW,

DUBLIN, 7th February, 1921.

Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County of Limerick, on articles submitted to him for analysis during the quarter ended 31st December, 1920.

There were no articles received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C.

There was one specimen of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture, Upper Merion Street, Dublin, which was taken up in the County Limerick. It contained an excess of water, namely, 16.8 per cent.

Three specimens of butter analysed for the Oola Co-operative Society, Oola, contained 16.6, 19.3 and 19.6 per cent of water respectively.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. Wm. Hickey, Boher, was of rich quality

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. P. Bateman, Castlerkin, Ballybrood, was of rich quality.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. M. Gleeson, Bruff, was above the average quality of pure milk.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. J. Fitzgerald, Ballyneety, was of rich quality.

A specimen of milk analysed for Mr. T. Hurley, Ballyneety, was of rich quality.

A specimen of milk analysed for the Herbertstown Co-operative Society, Knocklong, was adulterated with at least 102 parts of added water, and was also deficient of at least 36 per cent of its fats.

A specimen of beet root analysed for Mr. J. A. Smyth, Rathanny, Hospital, contained 12.5 per cent of sugar.

For Tipperary Union, which is partly situated in the County Limerick, three drugs were analysed and were correct.

Total Analyses—14.

C. A. CAMERON.

COUNTY ANALYST.

The Secretary reported that since the foregoing quarterly return had been received Sir Charles Cameron, the County Analyst, had died, and a vacancy existed in the office for which an application had been received from Mr. W. D. O'Kelly, 26 Upper Mount Street, Dublin. Consideration adjourned.

MR. JOHN ENGLISH, KILGLASS.

A letter was read from Mr. John English, Kilglass, asking to be compensated for quarry material, estimated to be value for £10, which the military commandeered to fill in a trench on the road. Referred to Mr. Davison.

DAY FOR MEETINGS.

A letter was read from Mr. Michael Cahill, M.C.C., asking if it could be arranged that meetings of County Council and Finance Committee could be held on Saturdays. No action taken.

REPAIRS TO COUNTY COURTHOUSE

The Council unanimously refused an application from Mr. Lucas, Sub-Sheriff, to have certain repairs to County Court-House carried out.

MR. P. D. MAGNER

A letter was read from Mr. P. D. Magner, retired Poor Rate Collector, applying for a refund of the arrears for half-year ended 30th September, 1920, which were found to be uncollectible, transmitting lists of same. Adjourned

COLLECTOR G. E. FARMER

The following letter from Mr. Farmer was read:—

Dear Sir—I would be very much obliged if you would bring under the notice of the Council the following case:—There is a lane in Croom occupied by very poor people, the houses are wretched and some, I am informed, have been condemned by the Sanitary Authorities. For many years the landlord paid the rates, however, when he died and his son obtained the property he soon gave the practice up. Since then, though I have tried my utmost, and taken various proceedings, with no result, I see no prospect whatever of getting in these rates, and as the sum is getting considerable, it is a matter of the greatest importance to me. I may add that I have not one penny refunded me, except for houses down and empty, for the last eight years, during which I must have collected over £50,000, so that it seems very hard if I have to pay this sum out of my own pocket

Yours truly,
G. E. FARMER

The Council considered that Mr. Farmer had an unquestionable grievance and directed the Secretary to enquire into the matter.

RATHKEALE BRANCH I. T. & G. W. U.

Read letter from the Rathkeale Branch of the Transport Workers' Union complaining of the hardships inflicted on the road workers by the delay in the payment of wages.

KILTEELY BRANCH I. T. & G. W. U.

Read letter from P. Oliver, Secretary Kiltely Branch Transport Workers' Union, asking what action has been taken by the Council on the subject of their complaint. Referred to Mr. Davison.

THE LATE SEAN FINN.

On the proposition of Mr. Cahill, seconded unanimously, it was Resolved:—"That we, the Limerick County Council, tender our sincerest sympathy and condolence to the parents and other relatives of the late Sean Finn of Rathkeale, Commandant in the Irish Republican Army, who was killed in action on the 30th March, 1921. A copy of this resolution to be sent to his father.

THE LATE JAMES CRAWFORD.

Mr. Purcell proposed and it was unanimously Resolved:—"That we, the Limerick County Council, tender our deepest sympathy and condolence to the parents and other relatives of the late James Crawford who was recently killed by forces of the Crown. A copy of the foregoing resolution to be sent to his father.

AMALGAMATION OF UNIONS.

The minutes of proceedings of Conference, convened for the purpose of considering the question of the amalgamation of such Poor Law Unions in the County Limerick as should be deemed necessary, held on the 25th February, 1921, were read, and on the proposition of Mr. Laffan, seconded by Mr. Purcell, unanimously adopted.

The Secretary stated that it would be necessary for the Council, at this meeting, to appoint its six representatives on the Governing Body of the Hospital and Home.

After a prolonged discussion it was unanimously resolved:—"That the following members represent the County Council—The Chairman, Messrs. Michael Ryan, McCann, Laffan, Michael Coleman and David Naughton.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT.—QUERIES.

Read circular letter from Local Government Department—No. 38, dated the 1st March, transmitting list of queries relating to the constitution of the County Council and its Officials

Ordered—"That the query form be answered and returned to the Local Government Department."

HOME MANUFACTURED GOODS

Read resolution from the Limerick Borough Council, calling on the citizens of Limerick to support, even at a financial sacrifice, home manufactured goods. Approved

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

John J. Quaid 22/4/21

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Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Finance Committee at Half-yearly Meeting held on Friday, the 22nd April, 1921.

Present—Mr. John Wall, Presiding;
Messrs. Naughton, Laffan, Blackwell, Michael Ryan, Purcell and O'Dwyer.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

ROAD PAYMENTS, &c.

The schedules of payment for road maintenance were examined and the payments having been certified to be in order, it was unanimously resolved—"That Treasurer's Authority be signed for payments amounting to £2,611 4s. 4d.

RATE COLLECTION

The Secretary reported that all the Collectors had closed their warrants, with the exception of the four recently appointed, together with Mr. William Hickey and Mr. Michael Murphy. A sum of £12,054 still remains outstanding, but that is principally accounted for by the four newly-appointed Collectors. In the case of Collector Hickey, a sum of £689 remains outstanding, which he promised to lodge on Tuesday next, and in the case of Collector Murphy, a sum of £349 is still undlodged for the past half-year, together with a sum of £370 out of the September warrant. The Secretary stated that no poundage fees had been paid Collector Murphy in respect of either warrant.

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S MILEAGE

The following reports from Mr. Davison were read, and the amounts being according to scale authorised for payment:—

March 29th—Patrickswell, (County bounds) repairs—20 miles
March 30th—Athlaca, Dromin, Kilballyowen, Ballinamona, Kiltely, Dromkeen, Killonan—71 miles
March 31st—Daly's cross, Gardenhill, Maddyboy Quarry (stonebreaking), Abington (gullet), Boher—38 miles
April 5th—Bruff (Foreman's), Clogher Quarry, Bulgaden, Mount Coote Road, Road to Ardpatrick, Kilmallock, Athlaca (stonebreaking), Ballysheedy, office—68 miles
April 6th—Linsfield Quarry, Grange, Abington, Maddyboy Quarry (stonebreaking), Ballyvarra, Ennis Road, Office—41 miles
April 8th—Sent car with Inspector, Roxboro' Road, Meanus, Athlaca, Uregare, Dromin, Ballinamona, Sheehan's Cross and back—52 miles
Total mileage—290, at 9d. £10 17s. 6d.

ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor

April 11th—Linsfield Quarry (quarrying), Dromlara Quarry (fencing), back to City, Dock Road (supplies), Carrigounnell, (stonebreaking), Clarina—50 miles
April 12th—County bounds, Lansdowne Bridge (siding), Ballysheedy, Roxboro' Quarry (quarrying), Rosbrien—22 miles
April 18th—Office, Knockderrk Quarry (stonebreaking), Dromin, sent car on to Taukardstown Quarry, back via Bruff, Ennis Road, Office—61 miles
April 15th—Knockatana Quarry (fencing), Caherconlish, Sheehan's Cross, Cahernarry Quarry, Office—33 miles
April 18th—Castleconnell, Killonan, Dromkeen, Office, South Hill, Lisnalta—55 miles
April 19th—Meanus, Athlaca, Knockaine, Ballinamona, Holycross, Office, Roxboro' Quarry, Rosbrien 75 miles
April 20th—Maddaboy Quarry, Caherconlish, Rathjordan, Herbertstown, Old Pallas, Linsfield Quarry and back to Office, Castlemungret (nuisance), Carrigounnell Quarry—71 miles
367 miles at 9d. per mile—£13 15s. 3d.

The following reports from Mr. Davison were read:— ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor

NON-STAMPING OF UNEMPLOYMENT CARDS.

Gentlemen—As workmen are continually calling here with regard to the non-stamping of Unemployment Cards, I should like a direction from you on the matter.

As Council is responsible for the stamping of these cards I should like to impress on this meeting that it is not my office which is to blame.

The Foremen cannot be expected to put on stamps until they get the money passed some time ago for the purpose. Your obedient servant, ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.

The Secretary reported, in this connection, that a sum of £7 had been passed for each Foreman at last Council meeting for the purpose of stamping unemployment cards, and the cause of complaint will have been removed by now.

SUDDEN DAMAGE TO BALLINAMUDDY BRIDGE.

Gentlemen—My Foreman, Wm. Scanlan, reports that the mountain floods have swept away portion of this bridge causing some damage—it is on the main road. Estimated cost of repairs £7, half county, half district charge. Your obedient servant, ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor. Approved.

NEWCASTLE WEST COURTHOUSE.

Dear Sir—I enclose herewith report received from Mr. J. D. Leahy, Assistant Surveyor, Newcastle West, in connection with rent due on the above, and should be glad if you will bring the matter before the County Council. Yours faithfully, T. F. RYAN, County Surveyor.

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Captain W. E. V. Clarke, War Department Valuer, 4 Lower Cecil Street, Limerick, was here to-day inspecting premises occupied by the military. He called on me and wanted to know what claim the Council were making for rent for the Courthouse. He stated the claim for rent had nothing to say to reinstating the premises in their former condition, that would be considered later on. Call on him at above address. I said I would communicate with you and left it so.

After some discussion Mr. Ryan was directed to make application for a rental calculated on the value of the building (estimated to be about £5,000) invested at 8 per cent., viz.: £400 per annum.

QUARTERLY INSTALMENTS.

Letters were read from several Clerks of Unions and District Councils applying for payment of quarterly instalments due on the 1st April.

It was unanimously resolved, on the proposition of the Chairman, "That payment be deferred for the present."

TIPPERARY BOARD OF GUARDIANS.

Read letter from the Clerk of Tipperary Board of Guardians requesting payment of quarterly instalment together with a sum of £48 due since 1st October last in respect of re-payment of loans.

The Secretary reported that the amounts due the various bodies for repayment of Loans had in every case been withheld as the instalments were not being forwarded to the Board of Works.

CROOM AND NEWCASTLE DISTRICT COUNCILS.

Letters were read from the Croom and Newcastle District Councils regarding change of Treasurership

KILMALLOCK No. 3 COLLECTION.

Read letter from the Clerk of Kilmallock Union stating that receipts amounting to £489 12s. 7d., are missing from the books of the No. 3 Collection District, but he understands that, though the receipts are detached, the amount is still uncollected and should adjust itself when the full amount of the warrant is being lodged.

GLIN DISTRICT SCHOOL.

Mr. Porcell stated that his attention had been directed to the fact that the instalment due to the Glin District Council had not been paid by some Unions, and was causing grave financial trouble.

The Secretary reported that each Union had received payment in full of the instalment for quarter ended the 31st March, which included in every case the amount due the Glin District School.

The Secretary was directed to find out the Bodies that were in arrear and inform them that a complaint has been made regarding their failure to pay their instalments to this Institution.

MALICIOUS INJURY DECREES.

Letters were read from Messrs. Blood-Smyth and W. E. O'Brien, Solicitors, applying for payment of Decrees obtained against the Council in cases of Malicious Injury. No action taken.

PAYMENT OF DECREES ALREADY LEVIED.

Letters were read from Messrs. P. T. Liston and R. D. F. Johnston, applying for payment of Decrees obtained against the Council in cases of Malicious Injury, and which had been included in the Rate Levy for year ended the 31st March.

On the proposition of Mr. Laffan, seconded by the Chairman, it was resolved:—"That all Decrees which have been levied and collected be paid."

CASTLEROBERTS QUARRY.

Read letter from Messrs. R. D. O'Brien & Co., Estate Agents, regarding a further encroachment on the Castleroberts Quarry, extending in this case to seven perches. Referred to Mr. Ryan.

ROXBOROUGH QUARRY.

Read letter from Mr. O'Donnell, Solicitor, stating that he has been instructed by Mr. Martin Sheahan to institute proceedings against the County Council, unless the sum of £120 10s. 0d., due to him in respect of Roxborough quarry be paid.

Mr. Davison reported that he brought this matter before the former Council on the 27th March, 1920, his report on that occasion reading as follows:—"I have seen Mr. Martin Sheahan, and he is prepared to sell his quarry. He wants £100 for a Statute Acre, with free passage through his land. We are at present paying, under Quarry Order, £2 per perch for surface damage, and £8 per annum for breaking ground and passage. If we could purchase quarry outright for £2 per perch, and free of passage rental, it would be much better value to the Council.

The stone is known as Olivine basalt and is an excellent stone for road making."

Mr. Davison further reported that Mr. Sheahan did not accept the above-mentioned offer, but he thought if it were renewed he would do so now.

After some discussion the Secretary was directed to renew the previous offer to Mr. Sheahan, the particulars to be furnished to the Secretary by Mr. Davison.

SMITH ESTATE, RHEBOGUE.

Read letter from Messrs. Brown & Wickham, Estate Agents, stating that one or two yards of the boundary wall between the lands of the above estate and the county road had been knocked down, and asking to have same repaired.

At the suggestion of Mr. Davison it was decided to take no action.

KILTEELY ROAD-WORKERS' COMPLAINT.

Read letter from the Irish Transport and General Workers' Union, Kiltelly Branch, complaining of the delay in dealing with a report, made several weeks ago, regarding the refusal of the County Surveyor to pay a man named Fleming and certain others employed by him while acting as Surfaceman.

In this connection Mr. Davison reported as follows:—

(Copy)

JOHN FLEMING'S CLAIM.

Dear Sir,

Re enclosed leaflet, John Fleming (Junior) assumed that he could take over duties not assigned to him by me, and I wrote to him on November 22nd last, as follows:—

"I have not given you a position on the roads, but I have your letter which you sent to my Foreman stating you have taken up position as Surfaceman. I have instructed the Foreman not to return any time for you. Do not therefore interfere in any way on the County roads without my instructions."

Under the circumstances I cannot see my way to authorize payment for any of those men taken on by Fleming.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) ROBERT DAVISON, County Surveyor.
(per F. O'B.)

After some discussion it was resolved on the proposition of Mr. Blackwell, seconded by Mr. O'Dwyer:—"That as the men in question acted in ignorance of the fact that they were improperly employed they be paid, on this occasion, the wages due to them, but that Fleming be paid only the wages of an ordinary labourer."

RATE COLLECTION.

A letter was read from Collector W. H. O'Brien relative to the closing of his warrant.

COLLECTOR G. BARRY.

A letter was read from Collector G. Barry stating persons named Doherty and James Kenny, in the employment of the Council, are evading the payment of their rates. Referred to Mr. Ryan, Co. Surveyor.

COLLECTOR HORGAN.

Read letter from Collector Horgan transmitting receipts for the estate of James McCarthy, Garriencurra, per Mr. James Liston, Solicitor, as he arranged to pay the amount.

The following correspondence was read:—

1. Applications from Inspector of Taxes to be furnished with returns of salaries, &c. Refused
2. Constabulary returns for the month of March.
3. Local Government Board re Pensions Increase (Act) 1920.
4. Department of Agriculture relative to the cancellation as a Butter factory of the premises of Mrs. Catherine O'Dwyer, Oola.
5. Quit Rent Office—Application for 4/10 Quit rent on Fairs at Singland. Refused
6. Local Government Board transmitting returns to be filled up relating to the treatment of tuberculosis.

VALUATION OFFICE.

Read letter from the Valuation Office transmitting a Receivable Order for £120 in respect of the expenses of valuation, one moiety. Ordered—"That amount be paid."

Authority was given for the payment of 5/- being the amount due, as per agreement, in respect of the encroachment by the County Council on the property of the War Department.

BELFAST BOYCOTT.

A letter was read from the Limerick Belfast Boycott Committee directing attention to the fact that an official of the County Council (Mr. Davison) has still a banking account in the local branch of the Ulster Bank.

The Committee directed that enquiries be made as to whether the Ulster Bank is on the list of those proscribed for trading purposes.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS

The following recommendations of Mr. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, regarding compensation claims were approved:—

Workmen's compensation fortnight ending 16th April, 1921.

No.	Name of Workman	Solicitor's Remarks
69	Patt Walsh	Half wages plus 75 per cent
98	John McCarthy	8/- a week plus 75 per cent.
137	Michael Curtin	10/- a week plus 75 per cent
168	George Alfred	Half wages to 18th April

21st April, 1921.

P. J. O'SULLIVAN.

JOHN J. QUAID County Secretary.

The following Proposals for Payment were dealt with as recorded hereunder :—
List of Applications for Payments to be laid before the Finance Committee,
at their Half-yearly Meeting, to be held at the Council Chamber, on SATURDAY,
9TH APRIL, 1921

No.	To whom proposed to be paid	Nature of Payment	Amount £ s d
PUBLIC BODIES			
1	Governors of County Infirmary	For support and Maintenance of County Infirmary for half-year ending 31st Dec., 1920 ...	700 0 0
		House Surgeon ...	47 0 0
2	Governors of Limerick District Lunatic Asylum	For support and maintenance of Asylum ...	14828 2 9
3	Transfers to Guardians of Unions in the County	Croom Union ...	7888 10 0
		Kilmallock Union ...	13975 6 9
		Limerick do. ...	18132 6 0
		Listowel do. ...	1384 10 0
		Fermoy do. ...	1244 0 0
		Newcastle do. ...	7918 0 0
		Rathkeale do. ...	8800 0 0
		Tipperary do. ...	3103 10 0
4	Transfers to District Councils	Croom ...	1689 10 0
		Kilmallock ...	3355 0 0
		Limerick No. 1 ...	3806 10 0
		Glin ...	170 0 0
		Mitchelstown No. 2 ...	486 0 0
		Newcastle ...	2996 10 0
		Rathkeale ...	2600 0 0
		Tipperary No. 2 ...	877 10 0
5	Transfers A. & T. I. Committee	Half-yearly Instalment ...	1990 19 11
6			
7	District Councils Proposals (Form 22)	Roads, etc. ...	(See Form 22)
8	Proposals Committee Proposals	Printing, Advertising, etc. ...	(See Form 22)

Approved

Rents.

9	Half-year's Rent of Petty Sessions Houses, to 25th March, 1921 :—	£ s d
	Henry Hunt ...	5 0 0
	Louisa Hunt ...	5 0 0
	Lord Montague ...	5 0 0
	William Wallace ...	5 0 0
	C. E. Vandeleur ...	5 0 0
	R. R. Ballingal ...	5 0 0
	James Barry ...	5 0 0
	A. Rutledge ...	5 0 0
	Rev. F. Sutherland ...	5 0 0
	Mary White ...	5 0 0
	Sir O. B. Barrington ...	5 0 0
10	Reps. Rev. T. P. Weldon, ground Rent of Kilmallock Sessions House, Half-year due 25th March, 1921	3 10 0
11	G. T. Peacocke, Ground Rent of Ballingarry Courthouse, Half-year due 1st May, 1921	2 10 0
12	Trustees of the Ellis Estate, Half-year's ground rent of Abbeyfeale Courthouse, due 25th March, 1921	0 10 0
13	Mrs. A. M. T. Staveley, Half-year's ground rent of Dromcollogher Courthouse, due 29th March, 1921	1 10 0
14	Robert Holmes, Half-year's ground rent County Offices to 31st March, 1921. Less Income Tax, £5 8s. 10d.	15 11 8

Approved

Veterinary Inspectors' Accounts—Sheep Fairs

15	William Power, V.S. ...	Mitchelstown District	
16	William Power, V.S. ...	Tipperary	
17	Michael J. Mitchell, V.S. ...	Kilmallock	
18	P. J. Walsh, V.S. ...	Croom	
19	John J. Condon, V.S. ...	Limerick	3 0 0
20	T. B. Hayes, V.S. ...	Rathkeale	
21	R. J. Murnane, V.S. ...	Newcastle	
22	J. H. Pierce, V.S. ...	Listowel	

Approved

School Attendance Officers

CROOM		£ s d	£ s d
23	Thomas Reidy, junr., Ballingarry, half-year's salary to 31st March, 1921, books, postage, etc.	20 0 0	
	Sundries	1 2 9	
	Less Insurance Stamps		21 2 9
			0 6 6
			20 16 3
23a	Thomas Reidy, junr., R. Premiums on Education Act Prosecutions ...		4 17 6

Approved

GLIN

24	Mortimer J. McElligott, Glin half-year's salary, etc., to 31st March, 1921	9 0 0	
	Sundries	2 8 5	
	Less Insurance Stamps		11 8 5
			6 6
			11 1 11

The Secretary directed attention to the fact that a sum of 30/- was charged for hire of room for 3 meetings of Glin S. A. Committee. The Committee, while approving of the payment on this occasion, directed that in future no payment will be allowed. The Committee suggest that future meetings be held in the National School-house.

KILMALLOCK

25	John Tobin, Kilmallock, for half-year's salary, etc., to 31st March, 1921; books, forms, etc.	24 10 0	
	Sundries	0 5 0	
	Less Insurance Stamps		24 15 0
			0 6 6
			24 8 6

Approved

MITCHELSTOWN

26	Robert Hyland, Galbally, half-year's salary to 31st March, 1921; books, postage, etc.	10 0 0	
	Sundries		
	Less Insurance Stamps		

NEWCASTLE

27	Denis E. Leahy, Abbeyfeale, for half-year's salary to 31st March, 1921; books, notices		
	Sundries		
	Less Insurance Stamps		

RATHKEALE

28	Thomas McNamara, Rathkeale, for half-year's salary to 31st March, 1921; books, postage, etc.	22 0 0	
	Sundries	2 9 10	
	Less Insurance Stamps		24 9 10
			0 6 6
			24 3 4

Approved

Posting Notices

	£	s	d	
29 Patrick McNamara, R.O., Adare, for posting notices in the Adare Dispensary District, for year ending 31st March, 1921. Croom...	0	7	6	} Approved
30 William Dolan, Ballygran, for like through his district, Croom R.D.	0	7	6	
31 Michael Shanahan, R.O., Croom, for like through his district, Croom R.D.	0	7	6	
32 John Lenihan & Son, Newcastle West, posting notices.	3	0	0	} Reduced to £2
33 Robert Dore, Newcastle West, posting notices Jurors' Lists ...	1	0	0	
34 John Pyte, Tipperary, posting notices Jurors' Lists ...	1	0	0	
35 Robert P. Coll, Bruree, posting notices through twelve Electoral Divisions of Kilmallock Rural District, east and west, re Annual Revision of Valuation ...	1	10	0	} Approved
36 T. A. O'Brien, Mitchelstown, amount paid for posting notices Jurors' Lists ...	0	10	0	
37 B. Mulcair, posting notices of Rates having been made, Askeaton District, Rathkeale ...	0	10	0	
38 John Howard, for like, Pallaskenry District, Rathkeale ...	0	10	0	}
39 William Halligan, for like, Rathkeale Rural District ...	0	10	0	
40 John Cahill, for like, Shanagolden District, Rathkeale ...	0	10	0	
41 James Connors, Newcastle West, for posting General List of Jurors, etc. in the various divisions ...				
42 E. J. Ryan, R.O., Ballylanders, posting Jurors' Lists, Mitchelstown ...				

Checking Rate Collectors' Books

43 Clerk Croom Union	Checking Rate Collectors' Books	...	9	2	7	} Approved
44 Clerk Kilmallock Union	do do do	...	14	12	4	
45 Clerk Listowel Union	do do do	...	2	6	10	
46 Clerk Newcastle Union	do do do	...	16	9	6	
47 Clerk Rathkeale Union	do do do	...	12	14	0	
48 Clerk Tipperary Union	do do do	...	4	14	8	

Miscellaneous

49 O. S. Sparling, for winding and regulating clocks in Rathkeale Courthouse, from 1st October, 1920, to 31st March, 1921 ...	0	10	0	} Approved, and ordered that this duty be discontinued
50 R. Wallace, repairing, winding and attendance on Courthouse clocks, half-year to 31st March, 1921 ...	0	10	6	
51 Nestor Bros., sundries, County Offices ...	10	0	0	
52 Limerick Markets' Trustees, half-year's rent of repairing shop in corn market, to 31st March, 1921 ...	7	14	0	} Approved
53 J. B. Barrington, (agent for McDonnell Estate) half-year's rent stables to 25th March, 1921 ...	20	0	0	
54 Bryan O'Donnell, for water supplied, half-year to 31st March, 1921, to Markets and hose supply County Offices ...	11	3	0	
55 Limerick Markets' Trustees, six months rent of space in Pig Market, to 1st May, 1921 ...	1	19	6	}
56 Limerick Model Steam Laundry, for washing account, to 31st March, 1921 ...	3	15	0	
57 P. J. O'Sullivan, County Solicitor, out-of-pocket expenses to 31st March, 1921 ...	12	8	8	
58 R. Harris, Collector for Poor Rates on Council Offices and Strand Barracks ...				
59 Bryan O'Donnell, Rates on County Offices ...				
60 Expenses for two Representatives attending County Councils' General Council ...	10	0	0	
61 Robert Davison, County Surveyor, E.D., postage (£7 3s. 1d.) and petty cash (£0 6s. 6d.) to 31st March, 1921 ...	7	9	7	
62 T. F. Ryan, County Surveyor, W.D., postage (£9 11s. 9d.) and petty cash (£1 11s. 8d.) to 31st March, 1921 ...	11	3	0	
63 J. P. Evans & Co., Sundries County Offices ...	1	19	6	
64 Cork Chemical and Drug Co., Sheep Dip ...	3	15	0	
65 M. Peacocke, sundries County Offices ...	12	8	8	

66 Industrial Schools and Reformatories; to recommend payment for accounts (as certified by Inspectors of Industrial Schools) to 31st March, 1921, viz. :-

	£	s	d	
St. Joseph's Male Industrial School, Limerick ...	141	9	3	} Approved
St. Joseph's Reformatory School, Limerick ...	6	10	0	
St. Joseph's Industrial School, Tipperary ...				
St. Vincent's Industrial School, Limerick ...	187	19	0	
Industrial School, Greenmount, Cork ...	23	11	2	
Upton Industrial School, County Cork ...	26	14	10	
St. Bernard's Industrial School, Dundrum, County Tipperary ...	68	0	11	
Passage West Industrial School ...				
St. George's Industrial School, Limerick ...	207	9	8	
St. Joseph's Industrial School, Clonmel ...				
St. Augustine's Industrial School, Templemore ...				
St. Aloysius Industrial School, Clonakilty ...	17	11	0	
Cappoquin Industrial School, County Waterford ...				
St. Joseph's Industrial School, Tralee ...				
Baltimore Industrial School, County Cork ...	5	17	0	
St. Conleth's Reformatory School, Philipstown ...	6	10	0	

Note.—Order made, that if in future accounts are not furnished in time, no payment can be recommended.

Payments to be recommended by Proposals Committee in respect of existing contracts :-

F. Counihan & Sons, for advertising in "Munster News," 4th Quarterly instalment, ending 31st December, 1920 ...	11	5	0	} Approved
Edmond B. Duggan, for advertising in "Limerick Leader," 4th Quarterly Instalment, ending 31st December, 1920 ...	11	5	0	
Christopher O'Sullivan, for advertising in "Limerick Echo," 4th Quarterly Instalment, ending 31st December, 1920 ...	11	5	0	
John A. Baldwin, for advertising in "Limerick Chronicle," 4th Quarterly Instalment, ending 31st December, 1920 ...	11	5	0	
Margaret M. Byrnes, for advertising in "Newcastle West Observer," 4th Quarterly Instalment, ending 31st Dec. 1920 ...	8	2	6	
The Athlone Printing Works, Athlone, printing Jurors' Lists, 4th Quarterly Instalment, ending 31st December, 1920 ...	89	10	0	
George McKern & Sons, Limited, Printing, Stationery and Office Requisites, quarter ending 31st December, 1920 (one year's contract) ...	224	5	0	
George McKern & Sons, Limited, Printing, Stationery, and Office Requisites, quarter ending 31st March, 1921, (one year's contract) 1st Quarterly Instalment ...	243	19	6	
F. Counihan & Sons, for advertising in "Munster News," quarter ending 31st March, 1921 (half-year's contract) ...	10	0	0	
J. A. Baldwin, for advertising in "Limerick Chronicle," quarter ending 31st March, 1921 (half-year's contract) ...	10	0	0	
Margaret M. Byrnes, for advertising in Newcastle West "Observer," 1st quarter ending 31st March, 1921 ...	8	2	6	

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LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Minutes of Proceedings of Limerick County Council, at Half-yearly Meeting held on Friday, the 22nd April, 1921.

Present—Mr. J. Wall, Chairman, Presiding; Messrs. Naughton, Laffan, Purcell, Michael Ryan, O'Dwyer and Blackwell.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The minutes of last meeting were read. Mr. Davison took exception to the minute relating to O'Halloran, carpenter, in which it is proposed that he get preference in any future work of his trade that may be required; he (Mr. Davison) said that any carpenter employed by him in future should be able to do all the work he may require, such as wheel-making, &c.

The Secretary informed the Council that a notice of motion to rescind the previous resolution would be required before departing from its terms. On the proposition of Mr. Naughton, seconded by Mr. M. Ryan, it was resolved—"That the minutes being correct be signed."

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 1st APRIL.

The recommendations of Finance Committee at meeting held on the 1st April were read, and on the proposition of Mr. Purcell, unanimously adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE, 22nd APRIL.

The recommendations of Finance Committee at Half-yearly meeting held this day, 22nd April, were taken up as matter of urgency, and having been read were, on the proposition of the Chairman, unanimously adopted.

MAKING OF RATE FOR YEAR 1921-1922.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. M. Ryan, it was resolved—"That the rate be made for service of financial year 1921-1922, and that Rate Collectors' books and warrants be signed and the common seal of the Council attached thereto."

HALF-YEARLY PROPOSALS.

The following proposals for new and special works and maintenance of works were considered and dealt with as recorded hereunder.

OROOM RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Special Half-yearly Meeting held on the 24th March, 1921, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 23rd day of April, 1921.

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
	Number of Members attended meeting—9 Number of Polls—Nil			
	No adjourned Half-yearly meeting, no business to be transacted thereat.			

GLIN RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Meeting held on the 23rd day of April, 1921, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 23rd day of April, 1921.

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council

NO NEW WORKS

KILMALLOCK RURAL DISTRICT.

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Meeting held on the 1st March, 1921, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 23rd day of April, 1921.

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council.	Decision of County Council
	Seven Members present			
491	To provide for maintenance of main roads of Rural Districts for one year from 1st April, 1921. Half County and Half District charge	13983 0 0	Approved	Passed
492	To provide for maintenance of bye-roads of Rural District for one year from 1st April, 1921. District charge	6866 0 0	Approved	
	Provisional Proposal.			
485	To put into repair the old road about 286 perches statute, leading from Kilfinane Bridge, through the lands of Boher-keenkyle and Ballynalacken to the farm house of Captain Gubbins, on the road leading from Ballingarry Cross to Griston Cross	49 10 0	Provisional	Proposal

REMARKS—This work was referred back by County Council, money insufficient, and adjourned for further inquiry by District Council last September, 1920. The Council now approve that the work is very necessary, and the following arrangements were made with the residents who use this road—£39 10s. 0d. to be spent on material by County Surveyor—£10 for Surfaceman's wages.

Residents in area to do the necessary labour and carting, Gullet to be done by them also.

With regard to the foregoing proposal the following report was submitted by Mr. Davison:—

ROAD LEADING FROM BALLYLANDERS BRIDGE TO BRANCH ROAD LEADING TO GLENBROHANE—Letter from Mr. M. Casey, D.C.
Sp. Work—No. 485—K. R. D.

Limerick, 21st April, 1921

Dear Sir—In reply to yours of 4th inst. enclosing letter from Mr. M. Casey, D.C., which I now return; nothing has been done on this road up to the present—all such Proposals having been "suspended." At the meeting of the County Council in May last it was "referred back, money being insufficient."

At the Kilmallock R. D. C. meeting of March 1st, 1921, the suggestion was made (and accepted by the Deputation attending) in re this work—that the parties interested should supply all the labour necessary to carry out the work, the County Surveyor to supply material and one surfaceman. This I recommend, should the Council approve of proceeding with the work, provided the necessary Agreement is drawn up that would ensure labour and cartage being given free.

Please place this before the County Council.

J. J. Quaid, Esq.,
Secretary, County Council

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT DAVISON,
County Surveyor.

The Secretary stated that no action could be taken at this meeting as the proposal was returned as provisional.

LIMERICK No 1 RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on 3rd March, 1921, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 23rd day of April, 1921

No	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
	Seven Members present.			
	NOTICE OF MOTION :—			
1	To keep in repair the road leading from the cross of Inch St. Lawrence to Mrs. Ryan's Gate at Knockroe Mason. District Charge	6 0 0	Approved	
	Co. Surveyor submits his presentments as follows :—			
	To meet increase of wages from 8-11-'18 to 31-3-'19			
	Main ...	1843 0 0	do	
	District ...	444 0 0	do	
	To meet increase of wages for one year ended 31-3-'20			
	Main ...	5580 0 0	do	
	District ...	1188 0 0	do	
	To meet increase of wages from 22-11-'19 to 31-3-'20			
	Main ...	2109 0 0	do	
	District ...	697 0 0	do	Passed
	To meet increase of wages for one year ending 31-3-'21			
	Main ...	5625 0 0	do	
	District ...	1859 0 0	do	
	To meet increase of wages from 19-7-'20 to 31-3-'21			
	Main ...	7539 0 0	do	
	District ...	2499 0 0	do	
	To provide for Maintenance of Main Roads of Rural District for one year from 1st April, 1921.	21460 0 0	Modified to 17500 0 0	
	To provide for Maintenance of Bye-Roads of Rural District for one year from 1st April, 1921. District Charge	7095 0 0	Modified to 5500 0 0	

The Clerk reported that owing to the failure of the Clerk of the Limerick No. 1 District Council to include in his presentments for the years 1919-1920 and 1920-1921 the amounts necessary to meet the increase of wages to road work-men, they have all to be included in the rate for current year.

The Chairman expressed much dissatisfaction at this neglect of duty inasmuch as that it gave people an erroneous idea about the high rate in this Rural District.

NEWCASTLE RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on the 23rd day of April, 1921 to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 23rd day of April, 1921

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
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RATHKEALE RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on the 23rd day of April, 1921 to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 23rd day of April, 1921

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
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NO NEW WORKS

TIPPERARY No 2 RURAL DISTRICT

List of Proposals for Works made under the Local Government (Procedure of Councils) Order, 1899, by the Rural District Council at their Half-yearly Meeting held on the 4th March, 1921, to be submitted to the County Council at their Meeting to be held on the 23rd day of April, 1921

No.	Situation and Description of Work	Amount £ s d	Decision of District Council	Decision of County Council
	That a stone drain, 30 perches long, be put down in Edmond Ryan's field, in Bilboa, to take water and prevent flooding. District charge	45 0 0		

Meeting not held, as only one member, viz. :—Mr. P. O'Doherty, attended on date, and at time fixed for meeting

TREASURER'S AUTHORITY

On the proposition of Mr. Naughton, seconded by Mr. Blackwell, it was resolved—“ That Treasurer's Authority be signed for necessary payments.”

COUNTY SURVEYORS' HALF-YEARLY REPORTS

The consideration of County Surveyors' half-yearly meetings was adjourned to next meeting, and it was ordered that same be printed and circulated.

COUNTY COUNCILS GENERAL COUNCIL

Read letter from the Acting Secretary to the County Councils General Council, stating, that owing to the greatly increased amount of work done, it was found necessary to raise the affiliation fee of County Councils to £20

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Purcell, it was unanimously resolved—“ That the affiliation fee payable by the Limerick County Council be increased to £20.”

COUNTY ANALYST

The Secretary reported that two applications had been received for the position of County Analyst. in accordance with the terms of the following advertisement :—

Notice is hereby given that the Limerick County Council will at their meeting to be held on Friday, 22nd April, 1921, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, consider applications from persons qualified for the position of County Analyst.

The duty of the person appointed shall be to examine, free of charge, and furnish a report at the end of each quarter on all articles sent to him for analysis by duly appointed Food and Drugs' Inspectors of the Limerick County Council and be prepared, should it be found necessary, to substantiate the result of his analysis before a competent tribunal. The salary payable to the person appointed will be £50 per annum. Applications will be received by me up to but not later than 5 o'clock p.m. on Thursday, the 21st April, 1921.

12th April, 1921.

JOHN J. QUaid, County Secretary.

viz. :—Mr. William J. Horne, F.C.S., Analytical Laboratory, Catherine Street, Limerick, and Mr. B. G. Fagan, Public Analyst for Dublin

Mr. Purcell proposed—“ That Mr. Horne be appointed.” The Chairman seconded. Passed unanimously

CONCILIATION- BOARDS

The following letter from the Department of Labour was read :—

SCHEME FOR THE CREATION OF CONCILIATION BOARDS

- 1 The Name of the Board shall be the.....Conciliation Board
- 2 The object of the Conciliation Board shall be to endeavour to adjust amicably any disputes that threaten or result in a strike or lock-out

CONSTRUCTION

- 3 The Chairman of the Council shall, on learning of the existence of a labour dispute, immediately invite both parties, to the dispute to elect representatives to a Conciliation Board, which shall consist of an equal number from each party, and a neutral Chairman. The Chairman of the Council shall be prepared to act as Chairman of the Conciliation Board, but shall stand down if another Chairman is mutually agreed upon by the parties to the dispute. In the event of a neutral Chairman not being agreed to, the Chairman of the Council shall request both parties to the dispute to agree to a neutral, non-resident Chairman, appointed by Dail Eireann. All the expenses incurred by the provision of such a Chairman shall be borne by Dail Eireann
- 4 There shall be two Secretaries, one appointed by each party to the dispute

PROCEDURE

- 5 A dispute shall be said to be in existence when negotiations between the parties concerned are likely to result in a dead-lock
- 6 The duty of the Board shall be to hear both parties to the dispute, and endeavour to settle it amicably
- 7 The recognised rights of both parties in any dispute must not be interfered with in any way
- 8 The Board shall be convened when negotiations have broken down between the Employees or their Union, and the Employers, and a strike or lock-out is threatened

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- 9 The Board shall meet not later than three days after it has been convened by the Chairman of the Council
 - 10 Unless the dispute has already resulted in a stoppage of work, strike, or lock-out, none shall take place until the Board has dealt with the matter in dispute, or has definitely failed to effect a settlement
 - 11 No decision of the Board shall be published unless it is unanimous
 - 12 Minutes of the proceedings shall be kept by the Secretaries, and submitted to the Chairman for his confirmation

ARBITRATION

- 13 In the event of the Conciliation Board failing to secure an amicable settlement, a dispute may, if both parties consent, be submitted to arbitration by a person agreed on, or failing such agreement, the Minister for Labour, Dail Eireann, shall, on request from both parties, appoint an arbitrator to decide the points at issue
- The Council unanimously approved of the Scheme.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF VOTE OF SYMPATHY.

Read letter from Mr. James Crawford, Glenlara, Knocklong, thanking the Council for the vote of sympathy passed to him on the death of his son.

COMPOSITION OF SENATE OF SOUTHERN IRELAND.

Read letter from the Clerk of the Crown and Hanaper stating that the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, provides that the Senate of Southern Ireland shall include fourteen Representatives of County Councils to be elected by the members of County Councils voting as Provinces, four of which members are to be elected by the Province of Munster, and asking to be furnished with a list of the members of the Limerick County Council for the purpose of framing a correct Register of Electors. No action taken.

RATES ON COTTAGES.

Attention was directed by the Secretary to the extraordinarily large number of persons in occupation of labourers' cottages who were returned by the Collectors as being in arrear with the payment of their rates, and he understood that in some cases there was a combination amongst the occupiers to evade payment.

After some discussion the Secretary was directed to place the facts before the Executive of the Irish Transport and General Workers Union.

JOHN J. QUAID, County Secretary.

Bartholomew Laffan
Chairman 24.6.24

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of University Scholarships Committee at Meeting held in the Council Chamber, on Tuesday, 26th April, 1924

Present—Rev. P. V. Higgins, Chairman, Presiding;
Rev. Thomas Wall, Rev. Michael Hayes, and Miss Knox

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed

QUORUM FOR MEETINGS

The Secretary drew attention to the necessity for reducing the number necessary to form a quorum, owing to the difficulty he experienced in getting the required number present on the occasions of meetings, due largely to the reduction of members originally appointed on the Committee

The Committee were not in agreement with the suggestion that the quorum for meetings should be reduced—they were of opinion that the existing vacancies on the Committee should be replaced by persons whose services were likely to be available when the occasion of meetings required

Father Wall accordingly proposed—"That Alderman Mrs O'Donovan, Limerick, be recommended to the County Council for co-option on the Committee."

Miss Knox seconded. Passed unanimously

Rev. Father Hayes proposed—"That Rev. Father Coughlan, S.J., Mungret College, be also recommended for co-option." Rev. Father Wall seconded. Passed unanimously

The Committee undertook to submit the names of other suitable persons to replace those whose services have been deprived them

SUBJECTS OF EXAMINATION IN MATHEMATICS

Read letter from the Local Government Department, dated 13th April, stating, with reference to the minutes of the University Scholarships Committee, that they cannot agree to the recommendations of the Scholarships Committee on the following details, and they consider that:

(a) Algebra, Arithmetic, Geometry and Trigonometry, should form one subject.

(b) That three subjects at least must be taken in the subject of Commerce, and a candidate for a Scholarship in Commerce must present this subject for examination.

After discussion, Father Wall proposed, Father Hayes seconded, and it was resolved—"That this Committee consider that it would be unfair to candidates, who have selected Mathematics as a subject for the coming examinations, to compel them to take the four parts of Mathematics, viz. Algebra, Arithmetic, Geometry and Trigonometry as one subject—the Committee consider that owing to the late period of the announcement sufficient notice has not been given to candidates, and that the Department be requested to defer the enforcement of this Order until the Scheme is being revised for the coming year."

DATE OF EXAMINATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

It was unanimously resolved—"That the examinations for University Scholarships commence on Monday, 4th July, and continue from day to day while the subjects require."

DATE OF EXAMINATIONS FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

It was unanimously resolved—"That the examinations for Scholarships from Primary to Secondary Schools, commence on Monday, 11th July."

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT AT EXAMINATIONS.

On the proposition of Father Wall, seconded by Father Hayes, it was resolved—"That Mrs. George Clancy be again invited to assist our Secretary in superintending the forthcoming examinations, the same remuneration as in previous years to be allowed to both officials."

APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINERS.

The Secretary reported that the examiners had hitherto been selected from amongst the Professors of the University Colleges, Dublin and Cork.

The Committee were of opinion that it would be eminently desirable on this occasion to secure examiners who would be in sympathy with the scheme, and the Secretary was directed to interview Professor O'Rahilly, of University College, Cork, about recommending the names of persons who would be suitable for such appointments.

EXAMINER IN IRISH.

It was unanimously resolved—"That Professor Eamon O'Donoghue, B.A., Professor of Irish, University College, Cork, be appointed to conduct the examination in Irish."

The Secretary was directed to procure from the Secretary to the Gaelic League an official list of the National Schools in the County Limerick where the Gaelic League programme is being followed.

CHANGE OF ENGLISH PROGRAMME FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

In the English Programme for Secondary Schools the Committee direct that for "Literature in Ireland" there be substituted "The Story of Gaelic Literature, by Douglas Hyde."

REPORT FROM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK.

A report was read from the Secretary, University College, Cork, stating that the conduct and attendance of students holding Scholarships from the Limerick County Council had been most satisfactory during the preceding term.

The Secretary reported that he had not yet received the report from University College, Dublin, but he had seen on the press that the students whose time had been extended to complete their examinations had all successfully passed.

MAURICE FIZGERALD.

Secretary to Committee.

B. Laffan
Chairman 24.6.24
By order of the Council
Pres. by Chairman
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LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Minutes of Proceedings of Proposals Committee at Meeting
held on the 22nd April, 1921.

Present—Mr. John Wall, Chairman, presiding ; Messrs Purcell,
O'Dwyer and Blackwell.

The Minutes of last Meeting were taken as read, having been already
adopted by the County Council.

JURORS' LISTS.

The Secretary asked for instructions regarding the Printing of the
Jurors' Lists, and was directed, in the event of the Lists being printed, to get
the work done locally at the same price as that paid last year.

JOHN J. QUAID,
County Secretary.

Bartholome Laffan
Chairman 24.6.21.

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Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of Committee of the whole Council,
at Meeting held in the Council Chamber, on
Wednesday, the 25th May, 1921.

Present—Mr. A. Mackey, Vice-Chairman. Presiding ;
Messrs. Naughton, McCann, Noonan, McDonough, O'Dwyer, Laffan, Dunne, Michael Ryan,
Blackwell, Coleman and Quane.

RATE COLLECTION

The Secretary reported that a sum of £9194 5s. 6d. remained outstanding in respect of the Warrant
for the half-year ended the 31st March last, made up as follows :—Collector Mortell, £2901 19s. 3d. ;
Collector O'Connor, £4657 19s. 5d. ; Collector McCoy, £913 10s. 7d., and Collector Murphy,
£349 16s. 5d., the three first named being newly-appointed Collectors, whose time had been extended for
the collection of their Warrants, and the latter, one of the old Collectors, who, in addition to the amount
stated, had a further sum of £370 19s. 10d. outstanding of the Warrant for half-year ended 30th
September, 1920

In this connection the Secretary reported that he had written both to the Collector and his sureties,
on several occasions, and letters had also been written by Mr. O'Sullivan, Solicitor, on behalf of the
Council, but without effecting any result

The Committee considered the question of Collector Murphy's dismissal from the office of Rate
Collector, but before taking action, they directed the Secretary to communicate with Mr. M. P.
Leahy, M.O.C., to ascertain if there is any particular reason for Collector Murphy's failure to comply
with the terms of his Bond

The Secretary was also directed to take the most active steps he can command to secure the closing
of this Collector's Warrant

TEMPORARY COLLECTOR M. HORGAN

On the proposition of Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Naughton, it was resolved—"That temporary
Collector M. Horgan having closed his Warrant for the last half-year, be re-appointed to collect the
current Warrant."

TEMPORARY COLLECTOR MORTELL

Resolved—"That an extension of time, to the 30th June, be granted to temporary Collector Mortell,
for the closing of the Warrant for half-year ended the 31st March, he having only recently taken up his
books."

TEMPORARY COLLECTORS

It was unanimously resolved—"That the continuance in office of the temporary Rate Collectors be
reconsidered at next meeting of the Council."

RATES DUE BY G. S. & W. RAILWAY CO.

The Secretary reported that a sum of £505 odd was still due to Collector Horgan by the G. S. & W.
Railway Co.

After discussion, the Secretary was directed to write to the Company and inform them that the
Collectors have received instructions to seize railway property where rates are withheld

The meeting adjourned to the 25th June

JOHN J. QUAID,
County Secretary

Bartholome Laffan
Chairman 24.6.21.

LIMERICK COUNTY COUNCIL.

Minutes of Proceedings of Limerick County Council at Meeting held in the Council Chamber, on Wednesday, 25th May, 1921.

Present—Mr. Anthony Mackey, Vice-Chairman, presiding.

Messrs. Laffan, Michael Ryan, McDonough, Quane, Dunne, McCann, O'Dwyer, Coleman, Blackwell, Naughton and Noonan.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Mr. Mackey proposed, and it was unanimously resolved, "That the reading of the Minutes be adjourned to next Meeting."

THE LATE JOHN WALL.

Mr. Mackey proposed—"That we, the Limerick County Council, at Special Meeting assembled, place on record our sense of the grievous loss this Council has sustained by the tragic death of our beloved Chairman, Sean Wall, who so willingly gave up his life for the sake of Ireland and Freedom. During the time he spent amongst us he proved himself a sterling and uncompromising lover of his country. He proved himself in his capacity of Chairman a wise and skilful administrator, and he moreover endeared himself to his colleagues on this Council by his kindly disposition and warm heart.

We tender to his afflicted widow and orphans, and to his brothers, the Rev. Thomas Wall and Mr. Wm. Wall, our heartfelt sympathy in their loss, and we adjourn all the business of this Meeting as a mark of respect."

JOHN J. QU Aid,

County Secretary.

*Bartholomew Laffan
Chairman 24.6.21*

Limerick County Council.

Minutes of Proceedings of University Scholarships Committee at Meeting held in the Council Chamber, on Friday, the 3rd June, 1921.

Present—Rev. M. Hayes, C.C., Presiding; Mr. D. O'K. Noonan and Mr. John O'Shea.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

APPLICATIONS OF CANDIDATES

The Secretary reported that applications for permission to present for examination for University Scholarships had been received from the following students:—

Joseph Mansfield, Oola	Michael J. O'Mahony, Newcastle West
Francis Ryan, Bottomstown, Knocklong	Jane McKenna, Mount Trenchard, Foynes
Hanora O'Connor, Templeglantine	Catherine O'Donnell, Loughill, Knockaderry
Thomas Condon, Blackboy Pike, Limerick	Mary O'Donnell, Loughill, Knockaderry
Edmond O'Connor, Tervoe, Clarina	

The Committee examined the applications and certificates in detail, and observing that the valuations of the parents of Jane McKenna, Catherine O'Donnell and Mary O'Donnell, were much in excess of the limit (£50) prescribed by Article IV. of the Scheme, they refused those students permission to present for examination.

The applications of the other students were approved.

APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINERS

The Secretary reported that Professor O'Donoghue, University College, Cork, had recommended the following Professors to conduct the forthcoming examinations, as they were prepared to carry out the instructions of the Committee:

Irish	...	Professor EAMON O'DONOGHUE
Irish History	...	
Algebra	...	Professor HENRY WALSH
Arithmetic	...	
Geometry	...	
Geography	...	
Trigonometry	...	
English	...	Professor HOGAN
French	...	
Latin	...	P. O'DONNELL, M.A.
Chemistry	...	R. KENNEDY, M.Sc.
Physics	...	J. St. F. DENNEHY, M.Sc.
Botany	...	
Domestic Science	...	CHRISTINA E. QUINLAN, M.Sc.

The Committee approved of the recommendations made by Professor O'Donoghue, and the Secretary was directed to take immediate steps to have the questions for each examination set.

TIME TABLE

The Committee approved of the following time table for the examinations for University Scholarships:

Algebra and Arithmetic	...	Monday, 4th July	12 to 3 p.m.
Geometry	...	Tuesday, 5th "	10 to 1 "
Trigonometry	...	Tuesday, 5th "	2 to 5 "
Irish	...	Wednesday, 6th "	10 to 1 "
Irish History	...	Wednesday, 6th "	2 to 5 "
Latin	...	Thursday, 7th "	10 to 1 "
English	...	Thursday, 7th "	2 to 5 "
French	...	Friday, 8th "	10 to 1 "
Botany	...	Friday, 8th "	2 to 5 "
Chemistry	...	Saturday, 9th "	11 to 1-30 p.m.
Physics	...	Saturday, 9th "	do.

SECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS

The Secretary reported that four applications had been received for permission to present for examinations for Secondary School Scholarships, viz:—

Richard O'Grady, Feenagh
Anna Mary Foley, Longpavement Railway Station
Anne O'Donnell, Courtenay School, Newcastle West
Una F. Fitzgerald, Main Street, Kilfinane

The Secretary stated that it was reported to him that the Gaelic League programme was in operation in all the schools at which those students have been attending.

The Committee having examined the applications in detail, and finding same to be in order, approved of the applications.

The Secretary was directed to enquire if the Gaelic League programme was being fully carried out in the schools above-named.

MAURICE FITZGERALD, Secretary to Committee

*P. V. Higgins Chairman
24.6.21*