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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of County Council, held on 22nd November, 1920.

Present:—Messrs. Domhnall O Buacalla (Chairman), presiding; Patrick Phelan, Richard McCann, Arthur Murphy, Nicholas Hanagan, Thomas Harris, James O'Connor, Hugh Colohan, Michael Fay, William Burke, Henry Fay and Nicholas Travers.

(6348.)

MINUTES.

The Secretary reported that a raid had been carried out by members of the R.I.C. force this morning on the Council's Offices, and that the Council's current minute book and letter book also the abstracts of Collectors' lodgments, and correspondence received from Dail Eireann, had been taken possession of by the raiding party.

It was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. Henry Fay, and resolved:—“That Minutes of Meetings held on 24th August and 1st September, 1920, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read and confirmed.”

Proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. Henry Fay, and resolved:—“That Minutes of Meetings of Proposal and Finance Committees held on 24th August, 8th and 20th September, 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th October, 3rd and 10th November, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read and confirmed.”

(6349.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts Receipt and Expenditure Book for quarter ended 30th September, 1920, were examined and signed by the Chairman, and the following books, etc., were produced by the Secretary written up to date—(1) General Ledger, (2) Register of Mortgages, (3) Register of Separate Charges, (4) Register of Applications and Proposals, (5) reports from Deputies (Form 62) re checking Collectors' Accounts.

(6350.)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

A statement of receipts and payments since date of last quarterly meeting was submitted.

(6351.)

PROPOSALS FOR NEW WORKS.

Proposed by Mr. Arthur Murphy, seconded by Mr. James O'Connor, and resolved:—“That all works contained in Form 20, from Athy No. 1, Celbridge No. 1, Edenderry No. 2 Rural Districts be and are hereby approved.”

(6352.)

CASES OF NO TENDER.

The cases in which no tenders were received in respect of the maintenance of public works were given in charge to the County Surveyor.

(6353.)

SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

The Secretary reported that the Council's seal was being altered in accordance to the Council's instructions, and was at present in the hands of the Contractor, when it was decided to postpone the sealing of all documents until next meeting.

(6354.)

QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. William Burke, and resolved:—“That all payments recommended by the Proposal and Finance Committees for County at Large Charges be approved, and that all payments recommended by the Finance Committee for Athy No. 1, Celbridge No. 1, Edenderry No. 2, and Naas No. 1 Rural Districts be and are hereby approved.”

(6355.)

PAYMENTS DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

Proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. William Burke, and resolved:—“That all payments recommended by the Finance Committee in respect of expenses under the Drainage Acts, be and are hereby approved, same to be charged against the respective districts as shown in the abstract of proposals for payment.”

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(6456.)

FORM 22 AMENDED.

Following the consideration of a letter dated the 19th November, 1920, from the Co. Surveyor, the Council amended Form 22 for Athy No. 1 by paying to Contractor James Murphy the sum of £6, which was in the "struck off" column, and by transferring from

Mr. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN:—

(1) I have the honour to report that at the Quarterly Meetings recently held, Contractors Applications for Payment amounted to £5,581 15s. 1d.

The manner in which this sum was dealt with is shown in the following Table:—

Name of District.	Sums applied for.	How the Sums applied for were dealt with.			
		To Pay.	To Defer.	To Strike Off.	To be dealt with under Sec. 54, Grand Jury Act, 1836
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Athy No. 1	2033 16 4	1499 18 11	324 12 8	51 18 11	157 5 10
Celbridge No. 1	612 13 8	232 19 3	144 13 9	5 3 0	20 17 8
Edenderry No. 2	600 15 5	433 8 3	37 14 0	20 9 3	10 3 5
Naas No. 1	2114 13 5	1429 11 8	402 0 5	36 17 0	205 4 4
County at Large	219 16 3	219 16 3	—	—	—
TOTALS £	5581 15 1	3815 14 4	909 0 10	114 8 8	742 11 3

(2) During the last quarter (ended 30th Sept., 1920), in addition to the £3,815 14s. 4d. recommended for payment as above, the sum of £5,691 8s. 6d. was certified to Finance Committee for payment out of the Subsidiary Account relating to three heads of expenditure, namely:—(1) for work in charge of County Surveyor, (2) for sudden damages, and (3) for

work done by County Surveyor under 54 Section of Grand Jury Act, 1836, where County Council authorised notices to be served upon defaulting contractors and notices were not acted upon. For the purpose of having an exact record of such expenditure for every quarter payable out of Subsidiary Account, I give all details relating thereto in the following table:—

Districts.	Amounts certified during Quarter ended 30th Sept., 1920, for Work.		
	In County Surveyor's Charge.	Repairing Sudden Damages.	Under 54, Sec. G. Jury Act, 1836.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Athy No. 1	1300 1 6	—	83 19 10
Celbridge No. 1	1065 3 9	7 2 10	96 11 4
Edenderry No. 2	314 13 7	4 0 0	—
Naas No. 1	2035 2 10	—	168 12 2
County at Large	466 0 8	—	—
TOTALS, £	5331 2 4	11 2 10	349 3 4

(3) All of the District Councils are applying at this Quarterly Meeting, rather than next, to have their limit of road expenditure revised; this is to give sufficient time to decide the adequate rate which should be struck for the next Financial Year.

(4) At your last Meeting, from which I was absent on leave, proposals were passed in the Naas Rural District bringing liabilities beyond the year's estimate. However, all the expenditure then voted may not take place before the end of the financial year.

(5) Acting on an order issued at last meeting I am laying before you a scheme for the maintenance of all County Roads by Direct Labour. The terms of the order make it unnecessary for me to make the usual selection of roads which I consider suitable to be so maintained. However, I recommend that the scheme be adopted. By the Regulations governing it, if adopted, it must remain in force for three years, at the end of which the Councillors will be free to re-enact it, alter it, or entirely discontinue it; this not a very long period for a trial, especially as many of the roads will remain in contract up to 1922 and 1923. If the scheme is to be adopted it is very important that the necessary steps be now taken to put it in working from the 1st April next, otherwise great confusion in the administration of road control might ensue. It would be impossible to go into all the "pros" and "cons" of Direct Labour in this report. We have been maintaining a very considerable number of the principal roads of the county by it in the absence of contractors or sub-contractors for the past three or four years. The expenditure is checked and scrutinised by almost all the County Council officials and the road overseers every week instead of once in three months by the Assistant and County Surveyor as in the contract system, when leniency and the benefit of any doubt on behalf of the contractor are apparently usually in demand. A good number, though indeed I cannot say the majority, of public representatives are more ready to call attention to works solely in charge of the paid officials than to those in charge of the paid contractors. Direct Labour is reported in other Counties to have brought an eminently satisfactory change for the better throughout whole systems of roads which were notoriously bad under the former system. This, of course, was done before the great increase in the cost of labour, and owing to this cause, too, the number of men we can employ in the projected scheme is disappointingly small. Many will argue that the bye-roads had better be left to the contractors; against this it may be said that in this class are those roads with least traffic and consequently requiring least expenditure, but closer scrutiny of any money that is expended on them. No doubt, the chief necessity in an honest attempt at efficiency is sustained and intelligent supervision. We have about 1,220 miles of road. The Surveyor's Staff consists, with the County Surveyor, of one whole-time Office Assistant Surveyor, who inspects with me all the roads in the County maintained by the County Council, 100 miles in length, but now spends most of his time at clerical work in

the office; one whole-time and three part-time outside Assistant Surveyors with an approximately equal mileage of road in their Divisions; and one Office Clerk. The Office Assistant and two of the outside Assistants have recently provided themselves with first-class Motor Cycles for the execution of their duties. The third Assistant also, practically always uses a motor on his inspections; the fourth, kept one in use up to a couple of years ago, when he discontinued it. If all assistants are not to be whole-time officials, as they undoubtedly should be, they will have to constantly give much more time to the roads under Direct Labour than to all their other businesses put together. Otherwise the scheme will be unworkable and the stress of work unfairly balanced.

(6) The Arterial Drainage works in the several Districts have been satisfactorily executed this season, and are nearly complete. No attempt has yet been made, as was suggested, to plant trees on some of the river banks.

(7) I submit an application sent to me to remove from the streets of Monasterevan the Poles carrying the overhead electric light wiring.

Your Obedient Servant.

JOHN RORKE.

(6358.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

Following the consideration of a report and scheme in connection with the maintenance of roads in the Athy No. 1, Celbridge No. 1, Edenderry No. 2, and Naas No. 1, Rural Districts by Direct Labour, it was proposed by Mr. James O'Connor, seconded by Mr. Hugh Colohan, and resolved:—"That upon the report of the County Surveyor this day submitted and considered by the County Council it be provisionally declared that the roads specified in the said report be selected as suitable to be maintained by direct labour under the charge of the County Surveyor, and that this provisional declaration be communicated in the prescribed manner to the several District Councils, and that the said Direct Labour Scheme come into operation on the 1st April, 1921."

(6359.)

DEFAULTING CONTRACTORS.

Proposed by Mr. Arthur Murphy, seconded by Mr. Henry Fay and resolved:—"That the County Surveyor having reported to this meeting that roads P.L. Nos. 10, 274, 20, 60, and 61, in Naas No. 1 Rural District were

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not in proper repair and the Council being satisfied that the roads in question were not being properly attended to, and that the Contractors had been guilty of neglect the County Surveyor is hereby directed to serve the Contractors with ten days' notice, and do all necessary acts consequent thereon, or in the alternative to proceed against the Contractors and their Sureties at Arbitration Courts."

(6360.)

COUNCIL'S FINANCES.

The Council having went into Committee to consider the financial condition, and the matter having been fully discussed, it was proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. James O'Connor, and resolved:—"That the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Naas, be appointed Treasurer to the Kildare County Council, and that all resolutions to the contrary be rescinded."

A deputation consisting of the Chairman, and Messrs. James O'Connor, and Patrick Phelan, were appointed to wait on the Manager of the Bank, for the purpose of ascertaining the Bank's views in the matter of making advances to the Council by way of overdraft, and in the Chairman's absence Mr. Harris was moved to the chair.

(6361.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Proposed by Mr. Henry Fay, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, and resolved:—"That the recommendation of the Proposal Committee adopted at meeting held on 3rd November, 1920, granting three months' leave of absence to Mr. A. J. O'Connor, Assistant Co. Surveyor, be approved."

(6362.)

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACTS.

Proposed by Mr. Henry Fay, seconded by Mr. Arthur Murphy, and resolved:—"That the recommendation adopted by the Finance Committee at meeting held on the 10th instant, relative to the insurance of the Council's employees under the Workmen's Compensation Acts be rejected and that the tender received from The Hibernian Insurance Co. be accepted."

(6363.)

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

Proposed by Mr. William Burke, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—

"That the recommendation of the Finance Committee as embodied in Minute No. 5667 of the Meeting held on the 6th October, 1920, relative to the audit of the accounts of the Council by the British Local Government Auditor, be approved, and that the question of the Audit of the accounts of the Tabernacles Committee be referred to the Committee."

(6364.)

ATHY AND CASTLEDERMOT COURTHOUSES.

Proposed by Mr. Henry Fay, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, and resolved:—"That the recommendation of the Finance Committee as embodied in Minute No. 5495 of Meeting held on the 3rd instant, relative to the Council's tenancy of Athy Courthouse be approved, and that the tenancy of Castledermot Courthouse be terminated."

(6365.)

ROAD IMPROVEMENT WORKS.

Correspondence from the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., relative to the terms upon which the Bank are prepared to make advances, by way of loan, for road improvement works, was read.

(6366.)

SALARIES OF ASSISTANT COUNTY SURVEYORS.

A circular letter dated 12th August, 1920, from the Irish Branch of the Institution of Municipal Engineers, applying for a readjustment of the salaries of the Assistant County Surveyors, was submitted and postponed.

(6367.)

ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS.

The following notice of motion from S. S. MacGearailt was read:—"That any member of a Committee, appointed by the Council, who misses three consecutive meetings be disqualified from acting on such Committee unless reappointed by the Council." In the absence of S. S. MacGearailt, the above motion was not moved.

(6368.)

MONTHLY SALARIES.

An application dated 14th October, 1920, from the Irish Clerical Workers' Union, for payment of the salaries of the Council's officials monthly in future, having been read,

it was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. Arthur Murphy and resolved:—"That the salaries and bonuses of the Council's officials be paid monthly in future, instead of quarterly as heretofore."

(6369.)

LIMITS OF ROAD EXPENDITURE.

Following the consideration of correspondence from Athy No. 1, Celbridge No. 1, Edenderry No. 2 Rural District Councils, it was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. Richard McCann, and resolved:—"That the limits of expenditure on roads in Athy No. 1, Celbridge No. 1, Edenderry No. 2, and Naas No. 1, Rural Districts, be extended permanently to £16,000, £11,250, £6,000 and £19,412, respectively, in order to provide for additional expenditure on roads in the districts referred to."

(6370.)

WITHDRAWAL OF GOVERNMENT GRANTS.

A letter dated 1st October, 1920, from the Chief Secretary's Office, enclosing copy of an order made under the Restoration of Order (Ireland) Act, 1920, with-holding payment to the Council of grants payable out of the Local Taxation (Ireland) Account, was read.

(6371.)

DAIL EIREANN CORRESPONDENCE.

Correspondence from Dail Eireann in reference to the following matters having been seized by the R.I.C., no orders were made in regard to same, viz., (a) Holding of Inquests, (b) Combined purchasing by Local Authorities, (c) Administration of Food and Drugs Acts, (d) Formation of a Compulsory Tillage Scheme.

(6372.)

BUILDERS' LABOURERS' WAGES.

A letter dated 15th November, 1920, from the Secretary, Irish Transport Workers' Union, applying on behalf of two labourers employed in repairing footpaths at Newbridge, for 1s. 5d. per hour, being amount of wages payable to builders' labourers, was read, when Mr. Hugh Colohan proposed that the application be granted, and Mr. Arthur Murphy having seconded the motion same was put to the meeting and defeated by eight votes against to three for. Messrs. Colohan, Murphy and McCann being the three who voted in support of the motion.

Mr. Colohan having asked why the special public works which were being carried out in Newbridge, had been stopped, the County Surveyor replied that the stoppage was due to the impecunious condition of the Council.

(6373.)

CHAIR.

At this stage of the proceedings the deputation appointed to wait on the Manager of the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., in reference to the question of the Treasurership, returned, but pending an interview with the Directors, the Manager was not in a position to give the deputation any definite information, and the members of the deputation were appointed a Committee to have the necessary arrangements made in this matter, and it was decided to hold a meeting of the Committee on the 1st proximo. The chair was then taken by the Chairman.

(6374.)

ERECTION OF TELEGRAPHIC LINES.

Applications from the Superintendent Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to erect overground telegraphic lines at Newbridge, Maynooth, and at Coneyburrow, were submitted and approved, subject to the sanction of the County Surveyor.

(6375.)

IRISH EDUCATION ACT, 1892.

APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEES.

ATHY DISPENSARY DISTRICT.

The following were appointed members of the above Committee:—Very Rev. Father O'Rourke, C.C., Athy; Rev. J. Nolan, C.C., Athy; Messrs. D. Carbury, Athy; William Mahon, Tomard, Athy; Patrick Dooley, Teinster Street, Athy.

CASTLEDERMOT DISPENSARY DISTRICT.

The following were appointed members of above Committee—Rev. W. Duggan, P.P., Castledermot; Rev. H. A. Barber, Castledermot; Rev. Father Sheridan, Messrs. Richard Lalor, Abbeylands, and William Murray, Hallahoise.

FONTSTOWN DISPENSARY DISTRICT

The following were appointed members of above Committee:—Rev. P. Warren, P.P., Crookstown; Rev. J. T. Ryan, Kilmeade; Messrs. John Dallon, Boleybeg; Laurence Heffernan, Oldgrange and Colonel Barry, Fontstown.

MONASTEREVAN DISPENSARY
DISTRICT.

The following were appointed members of above Committee:—Rev. G. Graham, Monasterevan; Messrs. James Behan, Lughill; William Lalor, Monasterevan; Arthur Murphy, Ballyfarsoon, and Thomas Tynan, Monasterevan.

BALTINGLASS NO. 3, DIVISION OF
ATHY NO. 1 RURAL DISTRICT.

The following were appointed members of above Committee:—Rev. P. Warren, P.P., Crookstown; Messrs. John Kelly, Ballytore; Owen Connor, Ballytore; W. H. Twamley, Rathcoole, and Rev. James A. O'Reilly, Ballytore.

CELBRIDGE NO. 1 RURAL
DISTRICT.

The following were appointed members of the above Committee:—Rev. D. Deasy, P.P., Maynooth; Rev. J. Dooley, C.C., Leixlip; Rev. Father Kinnane, Maynooth; Mr. Michael Fay, Celbridge and Mrs. Grogan, Maynooth.

(6376.)

APPLICATION FOR INCREASE OF
SALARY.

An application from Mr. Michael Kenny, School Attendance Officer, for Edenderry No. 2 Rural District, for an increase of salary, was submitted and refused.

(6377.)

CONTRIBUTION TO TECHNICAL
INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE.

Correspondence from the Joint Committee for Technical Instruction and from the Department of Agriculture, in reference to the payment of the Council's supplementary contribution in aid of the Committee's scheme, was submitted, and the Secretary was directed to reply to same.

(6378.)

EMPLOYMENT OF COURTKEEPER.

A letter dated 3rd September, 1920, from Mr. Charles Daly, Sub-Sheriff, warning the Council against dismissing Miss J. Lee, as Courtkeeper at Naas, was read.

(6379.)

SHERIFFS (IRELAND) ACT, 1920.

Correspondence from the Local Government Board and from the Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, relative to the operation of the Sheriffs (Ireland) Act, 1920, was submitted.

(6380.)

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTS.

A letter dated 16th October, 1920, from the County Inspector, R.I.C., relative to the appointment of an Inspector under the Food and Drugs Acts, for the Petty Sessions District of Naas, was read.

(6381.)

INFIRMARY COMMITTEE.

A letter dated 15th October, 1920, from Mrs. J. Murphy, Bishopsland, tendering her resignation as member of above Committee, was read, and the resignation accepted.

A letter dated 19th November, 1920, from the Hon. Secretary, County Infirmary Committee applying for payment of the balance of the £700 towards the cost of carrying out improvements at the Infirmary premises, was read, and adjourned to next meeting.

(6382.)

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE
LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD.

Proposed by Mr. Michael Fay, seconded by Mr. William Burke and resolved:—“That no communication from the Local Government Board be read.”

(6383.)

EDUCATION ACT.

A letter dated 18th October, 1920, from the Secretary, Edenderry No. 2 Rural District School Attendance Committee, relative to the operation of the above Act, having regard to the present disturbed condition of the country and asking if the Committee are justified in paying their officers' salaries, was read, when the Secretary was directed to reply that in the Council's opinion the salaries of the officers are payable so long as they are in the service of the Committee.

(6384.)

FOX HUNTING.

A letter dated 3rd November, 1920, from the Clerk, Naas No 1 Rural District Council, transmitting resolution adopted by his Council protesting against fox hunting taking place, in which the military and upholders of the British law are allowed to participate, was read and adopted.

(6385.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

A letter from Mrs. C. Hanagan, Court-keeper, asking if the Council intend to supply coal for use at Kildare Courthouse, was read when it was decided to supply the necessary fuel and to pay the Courtkeeper's salary as and from the 1st October, 1920.

(6386.)

RE-NAMING OF TOWNS.

Following the consideration of a letter dated 26th October, 1920, from the Town Clerk, Newbridge, it was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, seconded by Mr. Henry Fay, and resolved:—"That the proposal of the Town Commissioners of Newbridge to rename the township of Newbridge in its Irish form, viz., "An Droichead Nua," be approved."

A letter dated 17th November, 1920, from the Naas Urban District Council having been read, it was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, seconded by Mr. Henry Fay, and resolved:—"That the proposal of the Naas Urban District Council to rename in its Irish form the township of Naas, be approved."

(6387.)

AMERICAN SHIPPING.

A letter dated 28th September, 1920, from the Cork Industrial Development Association, enclosing copy of a resolution adopted by the Association, welcoming ships of the United States Mail Steamship Company to Cork Harbour, and condemning the action of the British Government in their prohibition against American passenger vessels entering Cork Harbour on east bound voyage, was read and adopted, and ordered to be sent to the several parties mentioned in the resolution above referred to.

(6388.)

IRISH CO. COUNCILS GENERAL COUNCIL.

A circular letter dated 6th October, 1920, from the Irish County Councils General Council relative to (a) Milk Production, (b) appointment of Coroners, (c) Conciliation Boards, (d) Tolls at Markets and Fairs, (e) Chair of Scientific Agriculture in University College, Dublin; was read.

(6389.)

MOST REV. DR. MANNIX.

A letter dated 4th September, 1920, from Rev. A. Vaughan, acknowledging on behalf of Archbishop Mannix, with thanks, the receipt of the Council's resolution of sympathy and protest, was read.

(6390.)

MALICIOUS INJURIES.

Applications from Solicitors for payment of sums due under decrees in respect of compensation for criminal injuries, were read.

Applications for compensation for malicious injuries received since last meeting of the Council, were submitted, but no orders were made thereon.

(6391.)

SOLDIERS' CLUB AT SALLINS.

The Secretary submitted correspondence from the County Surveyor in reference to the application from Lieut. Colonel C. L. Graham for permission to erect a hut at Sallins, adjoining Clane-Sallins road, for the purpose of a Soldiers' Club, from which it appeared that the County Surveyor could not recommend the Council to grant the application, when it was decided to take no further action in this matter.

(6392.)

RATHANGAN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 9th November, 1920, from the County Surveyor, enclosing a letter from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, stating that Sir Arthur Aylmer had undertaken to recoup the Council the sums of £25 and £15 paid to Messrs. Reilly and Ivers as compensation in respect of the flooding of their lands within the Rathangan Drainage District, occasioned by the unauthorised erection of a bridge over the Rathangan River, at the instance of Sir Arthur Aylmer, was read, when it was decided to accept the above sums and not to proceed for the recovery of the law costs incurred in this case by the Council.

(6393.)

ERECTION OF FENCE.

An application from Mr. Michael Smyth for permission to erect a fence adjoining the public road at Ballyfarsoon, was read and refused.

(6394.)

**COUNTY COMMITTEE OF
AGRICULTURE.**

Following the consideration of a report from the County Committee of Agriculture, relative to the disqualification of certain members of his committee through non-attendance at meetings during the past six months, it was decided to reappoint all the reported members save in the cases of Messrs Charles Bergin and Patrick Coffey, in room of whom Messrs Thomas Dawson, Donore, and James Bergin, Kildare, were appointed to act on the Committee.

(6395.)

RATHANGAN RIVER BANKS.

A letter dated 4th November, 1920, from Mr. George Hanks, Sallymills, Rathangan, having been read, it was proposed by Mr. Arthur Murphy, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That the application from Mr. George Hanks for grazing of the banks adjoining Rathangan River be approved, subject to the payment of a sum of 10s. for the eleven months ending 12th November, 1921."

(6396.)

ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter dated 19th November, 1920, from Mr. James May, Monasterivan, applying for payment of money alleged to be due him under his road contract, was read and referred to the County Surveyor.

(6397.)

**REPORT FROM TECHNICAL
COMMITTEE.**

Proposed by Mr. Michael Fay, seconded by Mr. William Burke, and resolved:—"That the annual report of the County Joint Technical Committee this day submitted be approved."

(6398.)

**POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT,
1908.**

Applications for renewal of licences from Messrs. John Furey, Moyvalley, and J. J. Byrne, Killeullen, under above Act, were approved.

(6399.)

CURRAGH SHEEP ORDER.

Returns relative to the Autumn Dipping of Sheep at Ballymannny Dipping Station were submitted and considered satisfactory.

(6400.)

**IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS OF POOR
RATE.**

Collectors' lists of Irrecoverable Arrears of Poor Rate for the half-year ended 30th September, 1920, were submitted. The Council's recommendations in each case were recorded on the lists signed by the Chairman.

(6401.)

COUNTY INSURANCE SOCIETY.

A statement of receipts and expenditure of the County Insurance Society, for the year ended 31st December, 1919, was submitted.

(6402.)

CLASSIFICATION OF ROADS.

A letter dated 13th November, 1920, from the Ministry of Transport (Ireland), relative to the question of the classification of roads, and the terms upon which grants in aid of works of road improvement will be made, was submitted and adjourned to next meeting for further consideration.

(6403.)

GORTEEN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter dated 20th November, 1920, from the County Surveyor, applying for permission to expend a sum of £10 in repairing an accommodation bridge over Mill Race in townland of Kilmurray in Gorteen Drainage District, was read, and the necessary permission was granted.

(6404.)

RATHANGAN COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 11th November, 1920, from Mr. P. J. Brophy, Receiver on behalf of Murphy Minors' Estate, stating that the Lord Chancellor will not accept the Council's notice as an operative notice of surrender of above premises, was read.

(6405.)

RATE COLLECTOR'S BONUS.

An application dated 15th November, 1920, from Collector E. Heffernan, for payment of a bonus in connection with the annual return of buildings at the Curragh Camp for revision of valuation, was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

(6406.)

TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME.

Following the consideration of a letter dated 16th November, 1920, from the County Tuberculosis Committee, the Council approved of the payment of £20 and £5 per annum, in respect of the part-time services of Nurses in Kildare and Grangecon Districts.

(6407.)

SHEEP DIPPING ORDER, 1915.

A letter dated 8th October, 1920, from Dail Eireann, stating that the forms used in connection with above Order should be kept at the Council's Offices instead of at the Police Barracks.

(6408.)

COUNTY ANALYST'S REPORT.

The following report, of which a copy had been sent to each member, was taken as read:—

City Laboratory, Chatham Row, Dublin,
27th October, 1920.

Report of Sir Charles Cameron, C.B., M.D., Public Analyst for the County Kildare, on Articles submitted to him for Analysis during the quarter ended 30th September, 1920.

6 Articles were received from the Food Inspectors, R.I.C., as follows:—

For Sergeant Muldoon, Kildare, five specimens of milk and one of butter were analysed. The specimen of butter contained an excess of water, namely, 17.5 per cent.

There were five specimens of butter analysed by directions from the Department of Agriculture, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin, which were taken up in the County Kildare and were pure.

For the Guardians of Naas Union, nineteen drugs were analysed. Two were incorrect.

A specimen of water analysed for the Naas Rural District Council had the following composition:—

One imperial gallon contained in grains.	
Total solid matter	55.300
Including	
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.012
Saline Ammonia	0.0005
Nitric Acid	Trace
Chlorine	6.280

A tolerably good water.

For the Guardians of Celbridge Union 11 drugs were analysed. One was incorrect.

A specimen of water analysed for the Celbridge Rural District Council had the following composition:—

One imperial gallon contained in grains.	
Total solid matter	89.600
Including	
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.007
Saline Ammonia	0.0005
Nitric Acid	8.750
Chlorine	8.590

A good water.

For the Guardians of Athy Union three drugs were analysed and were correct.

For Baltinglass Union, which is partly situated in the County Kildare, three drugs were analysed and were correct.

A most careful analysis failed to trace poison in a turkey which was sent for analysis by W. Healy, Esq., Kilmegue, Naas.

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.

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 Dublin intend to appoint two Special Food Inspectors.

Total Analyses

50

C. A. CAMERON.

(6409.)

TUBERCULOSIS OFFICER'S REPORT.

The County Tuberculosis Officer's Report as follows was taken as read:—

MONASTEREVAN, NOVEMBER 13th, 1920.

QUARTERLY REPORT.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—

Since your last Quarterly Meeting the cases of the following new applicants for Sanatorium Benefit have been considered and dealt with by the County Tuberculosis Committee and County Insurance Committee as follows:—

CASES DEALT WITH BY COUNTY INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

- 1.—HUNT, THOMAS, 30 YEARS, OGHILL, MONASTEREVAN.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 2.—HIGGINS, MYLES, 18 YEARS, NAAS.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 3.—McGRATH, PATRICK, 21 YEARS.
Recommended for Treatment at Peamount Sanatorium, but did not go.
- 4.—BRIEN, BRIDGET, 45 YEARS, CARAGH, NAAS.
Recommended for Treatment at Peamount Sanatorium.
- 5.—DOWLING, WILLIAM, 24 YEARS, MONASTEREVAN.
Recommended for Dispensary Treatment.

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- 6.—DEMPSEY, WILLIAM, ROSEBERRY, NEWBRIDGE.
Recommended to receive 10s. weekly for extra nourishment.
- CASES DEALT WITH BY COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS COMMITTEE.
- 1.—BYRNE, DANIEL, AGED 28 YEARS, INCHQUIRE, BALLYTORE.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 2.—BROGAN, MARY, AGED 45 YEARS, OLDTOWN, NAAS.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 3.—FITZPATRICK, BRIDGET, 6 YEARS, NURNEY.
Recommended for Dispensary Treatment.
- 4.—HENNESSY, JOHN, 4 YEARS, FAIR VIEW, KILDARE.
Recommended for Dispensary Treatment.
- 5.—BYRNE, BRIDGET, 26 YEARS, BLACKPARK, ATHY.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 6.—COADY, PATRICK, 21 YEARS, NEW ROW, KILDARE.
Recommended for Dispensary Treatment.
- 7.—KERRIGAN ELLEN, 26, BROWNSTOWN, CURRAGH.
Recommended for Dispensary Treatment.
- 8.—CASHEN, JOHN, 10 YEARS, BERT, ATHY.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 9.—CASHEN, TIMOTHY, 8 YEARS, BERT, ATHY.
Recommended for Dispensary Treatment.
- 10.—PENDER, BRIDGET, 9 YEARS, CARDINGTON, ATHY.
Recommended for Dispensary Treatment.
- 11.—GHENT, WM., 48, NARRAGHMORE.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 12.—BENNETT, MRS., RATHMORE.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 13.—QUINN, KATE, 4, ABBEY STREET, NAAS.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.
- 14.—QUINN, ANNIE, 10, ABBEY STREET, NAAS.
Recommended for Domiciliary Treatment.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

JOSEPH P. DALY,

Tuberculosis Medical Officer.

(6410.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

OFFICIAL.

Con. No.	Reg. No.	SUBJECT.
1	17691	A letter dated 27th August, 1920, from the Local Government Board enclosing Auditor's reports and abstracts of accounts of Edenderry Union and Edenderry No. 2 Rural District Council for the period ended 31st March, 1920, was read.
2	17705	A letter dated 30th August, 1920, from the Department of Agriculture, approving of list of fees payable to Veterinary Inspector's under Bovine Tuberculosis (Ireland) Order, 1914, was read.
3	17707	A circular letter dated 30th August, 1920, from the Local Government Board, relating to war bonuses, was read.
4	17717	A letter dated 1st September, 1920, from the Local Government Board, approving of payment of 42s per week for patients under treatment at Peamount Sanatorium, was read.
5	17719	A letter dated 31st August, 1920, from the Local Government Department, Dail Eireann, respecting the Belfast pogrom, was read.
6	17726	A letter dated 1st September, 1920, from the Local Government Board, relative to the recommendation of the Whitley Council cost of Living Committee, was read.
7	17728	Monthly Statistical Statement issued by the Department of Agriculture in August, 1920, was read.

Con. No.	Reg No.	SUBJECT.
8	17741	Sealed Order, dated 31st August, 1920, from the Local Government Board, defining area of charge in connection with water supply at Union Lane, Celbridge, was read.
9	17754	A letter dated 7th September, 1920, from the Local Government Board, relative to the payment of increased poundage fees to Collector H. J. Kearns, was read.
10	17804	A circular letter, dated 15th September, 1920, from the Department of Agriculture, relative to the use of non-poisonous dips, in the double dipping of sheep within an interval of 14 days, was read.
11	17865	A letter dated September, 1920, from the Dail Eireann Department of Trade, relative to scheme for combined purchasing by Local Bodies, was read.
12	17870	An Order dated 21st September, 1920, from the Department of Agriculture, prohibiting the landing in Ireland of Feeding Stuffs for animals, from Belgium, was read.
13	17877	A letter dated 28th September, 1920, from the Department of Agriculture, asking for a return of sheep dipped in the county during the summer period of this year, was read.
14	17884	A letter dated 30th September, 1920, from the Local Government Board, relative to the Civil Service Whitley National Council Recommendation, was read.
15	17934	A circular letter dated September, 1920, from the Ministry of Labour, relative to the extension of Unemployment Insurance, was read.
16	17954	A letter dated 11th October, 1920, from the Ministry of Pension, respecting the appointment of two additional members on the County Kildare Local War Pensions Committee, was read.
17	17954	A letter dated 12th October, 1920, from Dublin Castle, relative to the deduction of £4 4s from sums payable to the Council from the Local Taxation Account, was read.
18	17965	A letter dated 14th October, 1920, from the Department of Agriculture, stating that samples of butter obtained at Athy and Newbridge were submitted for analysis and certified to be pure, was read.
19	17966	A letter dated 15th October, 1920, from the Local Government Board, relative to the issue of capital grants in aid of erection of Tuberculosis Dispensaries, was read.
20	18050	A letter dated 29th October, 1920, from the Local Government Board enclosing Auditor's report and abstract of accounts of the Joint Committees for Blackwater and Lerr Drainage Districts, was read.
21	18069	Monthly statistical statement from the Department of Agriculture, for October, 1920, was submitted.
21b	18120	Sealed Order dated 9th November, 1920, from the Local Government Board, defining area of charge in connection with a water supply at Skirteen, was read.
21a	18119	A letter dated 16th November, 1920, from the Local Government Board, enclosing Auditor's Report and Abstract of Accounts of the County Committee of Agriculture for the period ended 30th September, 1920, was read.
22	17723	GENERAL. A letter dated 27th August, 1920, from Cork Corporation, relative to the establishment by Dail Eireann of an Irish Board of Film Censors, was read.
23	17739	A letter dated 3rd September, 1920, from the Cork County Council relative to the representation of recently elected Councils on the Council of Agriculture, was read.
24	17774	A letter dated 11th September, 1920, from the Irish Progressive Advertising Agency, soliciting the Council's advertising, etc., was read.

Con. No.	Reg. No.	SUBJECT.
25	17784	A letter dated 24th August, 1920, from Slievemargy Rural District Council, relative to the supply of coal from Castle-comer and Gracefield Collieries, was read.
26	17958	A letter dated 13th October, 1920, from the Ocean Corporation, Ltd., respecting motor advertisement on motor car driving licences, was read.
27	17974	A letter dated 11th October, 1920, from the Navan Urban Council relative to the operation of the National Health Insurance Act, was read.

Adjourned.

Patrick Phelan

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 24th November 1920.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Mark Carroll and John Traynor.

(5500).

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Applications for payment for works in charge of County Surveyor were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:-

	£	s	d.
Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District.	85	0	7.
" " Celbridge No. 1, do.	31.	3	0.
" " Edenderry No. 2, do.	21	19	7.
" " Naas No. 1 Rural District.	99	17	1.
Expdit. under Arts. 22 & 24 Procedure of Councils' Order.	66	0	4.
County at Large Charges - Steamrollers &c.	17	7	6.

Michael Fitzsimons

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Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 1st December 1920.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Mark Carroll and John Traynor.

(5501)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Applications for payment for works in charge of County Surveyor were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:-

	£	s	d.
Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District.	78	3	9.
" " Celbridge No. 1, do.	27	4	0.
" " Edenderry No. 2, do.,	33	1	1.
" " Naas No. 1 Rural District.	93	2	1.
Working expenses County Steamrollers &c., £	17	7	6.
Expenditure under Art. 22 & 24 Procedure Councils' Order.	50	6	3.

(5502)

DEFAULTING CONTRACTORS.

Pursuant to resolution adopted by the County Council, it was proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. John Traynor, and resolved:- "That the County Surveyor having reported to this meeting that roads P. I. Nos. 16, 63, and 204 in Naas No. 1 Rural District were not in proper repair, and the Committee being satisfied that the roads in question were not being properly attended to and that the Contractors had been guilty of neglect the County Surveyor is hereby directed to serve the Contractors with ten days' notice and do all necessary acts consequent thereon or in the alternative to proceed against the Contractors and their Sureties at at Dail Eireann Arbitration Courts."

(5503)

INSURANCE OF STEAMROLLER.

A letter dated 26th November 1920 from Messrs Coyle & Co., stating that the premium for the third party insurance of Council's steamroller No. 3, in a sum of £500 any one accident would be £2. 17. 6 per annum, was read, together with a further letter dated 30th November 1920 from the Hibernian Insurance Co., quoting a premium of £2. 10. 6, when it was decided to accept the quotation of the Hibernian Insurance Co.,

(5504)

COUNCIL'S FINANCES.

A letter dated 27th November 1920 from the Manager, Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Naas, stating that the Bank were prepared, subject to the usual lodgment of poor rate, to facilitate the Council later on by way of overdraft up to say £26,000, was read.

(5505)

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

A letter dated 16th November 1920 from the County Surveyor suggesting that the weekly meetings of the Finance Committee be held on Thursday or Friday of each week instead of Wednesday, was read, but no order was made thereon.

Adjourned.

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GOMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 8th
December 1920.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Mark
Carroll and Nicholas Travers.

(5506).

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE
OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payment for works
in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the
Subsidiary Account as follows:-

Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1, Rural District.	£	s	d.
	71	12	7.
" " Celbridge No.1, do.	32	13	6.
" " Edenderry No. 2, do.	46	6	7.
" " Naas No. 1, Rural District.	101	4	4.
Working expenses of Steamrollers &c.,	53	1	8.
Expdt. Under Arts. 22 & 24, Procedure of Councils Order.	17	11	6.

M Fitzsimons
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Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 13th December 1920.

Present:- Messrs Domhnall O Buacalla (Chairman, presiding), Joseph Cusack, Michael Fitzsimons, Mark Carroll and James O'Connor and Nicholas Travers.

(5507).
TREASURERSHIP.

A letter dated 6th December 1920 from Dail Eireann referring to the reappointment of the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Naas, as the Council's Treasurer, and pointing out that the Council's action in this matter is an infringement of An Dail's instructions, and asking for a definite statement as to the future attitude of the Council towards Dail Eireann, was read, and the subject having been fully discussed it was decided to make no change in the Treasurership and the Chairman undertook to write Dail Eireann and explain that the Council's action in reappointing the Hibernian Bank, as Treasurer was occasioned in consequence of financial difficulties and that the Council's action is not in any way to be regarded as a repudiation of the authority of Dail Eireann. The Secretary was directed to bring above letter before the Council at their next meeting.

A letter dated 7th December 1920 from Dail Eireann revising the procedure previously laid down in connection with the lodgment of poor rate with Trustees, was read.

A letter dated 10th December 1920 from the Local Government Board relative to the lodgment of poor rates by Collectors with a Banking Company, which as Treasurer is alone qualified to give a valid receipt for the rates collected, was read.

Adjourned.

*W. J. M. M. M.
4/5/21*

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 15th Decr. 1920.

Present:- Messrs James O'Connor, (presiding), Mark Carroll and Henry Fay.

A telegram from Mr. C. J. Supple regretting inability to attend the meeting was read.

(5508)
APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payment for works in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:-

	£	s	d.
Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District.	48	9	4.
" " " Celbidge No.1, Rural District.	27	16	0.
" " " Edenderry No.2, do.	46	19	10.
" " " Naas No.1, Rural District.	97	11	5.
Working expenses County Steamrollers &c.	17	7	6.
Expdt. under Arts. 22 & 24 Procedure of Council's Order.	2	15	0.
Maintenance works - Gorteen Drainage District.	5	13	2.

Adjourned.

W. J. [Signature]
4/15/21

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 22nd Decr. 1920.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), John Traynor and Mark Carroll.

(5509)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FROM COUNTY SURVEYOR FOR WORKS IN HIS CHARGE.

Applications for payment from the County Surveyor for works in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:-

Maintenance of roads in Athy No.1, Rural District.	29	10	6.
" " Celbridge No.1, do.	59	15	8.
" " Edenderry No. 2, do.	15	11	6.
" " Naas No.1 Rural District.	92	6	4.
Working expenses County Steamrollers &.,	17	7	6.
Expd. under Arts. 22 & 24, Procedure of Councils Order 4	4	13	3.

Adjourned.

M. Fitzsimons
4/5/21

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held 29th December 1920.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), John Traynor and Mark Carroll. (5510).

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FROM COUNTY SURVEYOR FOR WORKS IN HIS CHARGE.

Applications for payment from the County Surveyor for works in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:-

	£	s	d.
Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District.	65	5	2.
" " Celbridge No.1, R. District	37	14	6.
" " Naas No.1, Rural District.	110	4	7.
Working expenses County Steamrollers &c.,	17	7	6.
Expenditure under Arts. 22 & 24, Procedure of Councils Order.	8	15	0.

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Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Committee (appointed to make a
Presentation to the County G. A. A. Team, on its success in
winning the All-Ireland Football Final of 1919, held 3rd Jan. 1921.)

A letter from Mr. Owen Cogan regretting inability to
attend the meeting was read.

Present:- Messrs P. J. Doyle (presiding), Patrick Coffey,
and Michael Fitzsimons.

A report was submitted shewing that a total sum of
£291. 11. 0 had been subscribed, and that the expenditure
to date was £280. 7. 8, thus leaving a balance of £11.3.4.

The Committee ordered that the full subscription
list be published in the "Leinster Leader" and "Kildare
Observer" at a cost of £5 for each paper - the balance
of the money remaining on hands to be handed over to the
Kildare County Infirmary for the benefit of that Institution.

Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Special Meeting of Finance Committee held 10th Jan. '21

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), James O'Connor
and Nicholas Travers.

(5514)
DAMAGE TO BRIDGES.

The County Surveyor reported that six bridges in the Celbridge
No. 1 Rural District and one bridge in Naas No. 1 Rural District
had been damaged owing to trenches having been cut on the
approaches, and after consideration the Committee directed
to have night-watchmen and lights placed on the damaged
bridges, in order to ensure the safety of the travelling
public, and he was also directed to insert notices in the
Dublin press stating that the bridges were damaged, and to
erect temporary barricades pending the restoration of the
bridges to their proper condition.

Adjourned.

M Fitzsimons
4/5/21

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLI DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 12th January 1921.

Present:- Messrs James O'Connor (presiding), Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, John Traynor, Nicholas Travers and Joseph Cusack and Henry Fay.

A letter from Domhnall O Buacalla (Chairman), regretting inability to attend the meeting was read.

(515)
APPLICATIONS FROM COUNTY SURVEYOR FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN HIS CHARGE.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payment for works in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:-

Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District.	£ : s : d.
" " " " " " " "	32 : 11 : 0.
" " " " " " " "	54 : 5 : 1.
" " " " " " " "	43 : 6 : 4.
" " " " " " " "	126 : 12 : 10.
Working Expenses of Steamrollers &c.	17 : 7 : 6.
Expenditure under Arts. 22 & 24, Procedure of Councils Order.	22 : 5 : 0.

M Fitzsimons

4/5/21

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Special Meeting of County Council, held on 12th January, 1921.

Present—Messrs. Joseph Cusack, Arthur Murphy, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, James O'Connor, Hugh Colohan, John Traynor, Henry Fay, and Nicholas Travers.

Letters from Domhnall O Buacalla (Chairman), and Mr. William Murray, regretting inability to attend the meeting, were read.

(6411.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

On the motion of Mr. Michael Fitzsimons, seconded by Mr. Henry Fay, Mr. James O'Connor was appointed Chairman of the Meeting.

(6412.)

REPUBLICAN DEPENDENTS' FUND.

A letter dated 16th December, 1920, from the Local Government Department, Dail Eireann, stating that it is a matter of urgency that an organisation be at once set up to deal with the question of providing adequate support for the dependents of those shot or arrested in the present struggle, was read, and after consideration it was decided to appoint a Committee of the whole Council to take steps to establish a Fund for the relief of dependents of men from County Kildare who have been arrested in consequence of the present trouble, and it was also decided to request the co-operation of the Rural and Urban District Councils and also of the Town Commissioners in making the proposed collection a success.

(6413.)

TREASURERSHIP.

Correspondence from Dail Eireann in reference to the action of the Council in re-appointing the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Naas, as Treasurer, having been read and considered, it was decided to appoint a Committee consisting of the Chairman and Messrs. James O'Connor and Patrick Phelan, with full power to make any arrangements that might be necessary, in the event of a decree for malicious injury being lodged with the Council's Treasurer.

(6414.)

RATE COLLECTORS.

Correspondence from Dail Eireann relative to the indemnification of Rate Collectors and the Collection and Disposal of Rates, was read.

(6415.)

CLASSIFICATION OF ROADS.

A letter dated 14th December, 1920, from the Secretary, Irish County Councils' General Council enclosing copy of a letter dated 9th December, 1920, from the Local Government Department, Dail Eireann in reference to the classification of roads as outlined in a recent circular from the Ministry of Transport, was read, and the procedure in this connection as embodied in An Dail's communication approved.

(6416.)

JURORS' FEES.

A letter dated 13th December 1920, from Mr. J. R. Dagg, Clerk, Baltinglass Union, threatening legal proceedings for recovery of balance of Jurors' Fees, alleged to be due him, was read.

(6417.)

APPLICATION FOR COMPENSATION.

A letter dated 16th December, 1920, from Mr. J. N. Wardell, applying for compensation for damage to motor trailer, owing to the spring having broken while travelling on the public road near Stacumnie in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District, was read, when the Secretary was directed to repudiate all liability in this matter, and at the same time to call upon Mr. Wardell to have his four waggons which are lying at Stacumnie Cross, and also 4 waggons of manure deposited in the stone depot removed without delay.

(6418.)

NATIONALISATION OF EDUCATION.

A letter dated 11th January, 1921, from the Secretary, County Kildare Trades' Council, requesting representation on behalf of organised labour in County Kildare, on the proposed Committee for the nationalisation of education in this county, was read, when it was decided to authorise the appointment of two labour delegates for appointment on the Committee in question.

(6419.)

ROAD OVERSEERS.

The following notice of motion was handed in by Mr. Arthur Murphy:—"That at the next ordinary meeting of the Council, I, or some other member for me, will raise the question of Road Overseers in the Rural Districts."

(6420.)

CORONERS' INQUESTS.

A letter dated 21st December, 1920, from the Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, enclosing Order dated 17th December, 1920, prohibiting the holding of inquests by Coroners in the Counties of Kildare, Kilkenny, and Waterford, was read.

(6421.)

INSTALMENTS TO PUBLIC BODIES.

A letter dated 29th November, 1920, from the Clerk, Celbridge Board of Guardians, applying for payment of the sum deducted from the recent instalment, in respect of the Government subsidies which have been withheld, was read, together with a similar application from the R.M.S., Carlow Asylum, when it was decided to pay the amounts deducted from the instalments payable to the several other Boards of Guardians and to the Joint Committee for Carlow Asylum.

(6422.)

SEVERAL v. THE COUNCIL.

Applications from Messrs. Meehan & Byrne, J. J. Dunne and T. N. Wardrop, Solicitors, for payment of sums due under decrees, were submitted, and the further consideration thereof adjourned until the May quarterly meeting of the Council.

(6423.)

UNEMPLOYMENT.

Correspondence from the Unemployment Grants Committee and from the Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, relative to the adoption of measures to lessen the unemployment caused by the prevailing depression in trade, was submitted, but no action was taken in this matter."

(6424.)

INJURY TO CANAL BRIDGES.

A letter dated 10th January, 1921, from the M.G.W.R. Co., stating that Cope Bridge, Allen

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Bridge, Bond Bridge and Shaw's Bridge, had been maliciously damaged on the 9th instant, and were in consequence unsafe for traffic of any description was read, when it was decided to direct the County Surveyor to have the necessary repairs executed immediately.

(6425.)

DEFAULTING CONTRACTORS.

Proposed by Mr. Henry Fay, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That the County Surveyor having reported to this meeting that the roads P.I. Nos. 13, 167b, 101, 180, and 26, in Athy No. 1 Rural District, and roads P.I. Nos. 48, 79, 84, 99, in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District were not in proper repair and the Council being satisfied that the roads in question were not being properly attended to, and that the contractors had been guilty of neglect, the County Surveyor is hereby directed to serve the Contractors with ten days' notice and do all necessary acts consequent thereon, or in the alternative to proceed against the contractors and their sureties at Dail Eiream Courts.
Adjourned.

Patrick Phelan
May 27/21

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee, held on 19th January, 1921.

Present:—Messrs. Domhnall O Buaccalla, Chairman (presiding), James O'Connor, Nicholas Travers, Mark Carroll, John Traynor, and Joseph Cusack.

(5516.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FROM COUNTY SURVEYOR FOR WORKS IN HIS CHARGE.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payment of works in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:—

	£	s	d
Maintenance of Roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District	42	18	2
Maintenance of roads in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	81	7	3
Maintenance of roads in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	11	0	10
Maintenance of roads in Naas No. 1 Rural District	225	17	3
Working Expenses Steam Rollers	54	10	10
Expenses under Articles 22 and 24 Procedure Councils' Order, 1899	83	18	3
Expenses under Articles 22 and 24 Procedure Councils' Order, 1899	417	18	5

(5517.)

RATE-MAKING FEES.

An application dated 18th January, 1921, from the Secretary, Naas Branch of the I.T. & G.W. Union, for an increase in the scale of fees payable in connection with the making of the new rate, was read, and after discussion the Committee adopted the following revised scale:—Copying Valuation List, 2s. per 100 Ratings; Copying Valuation Lists, 2nd copies, 2s. per 100 Ratings; Checking first copies, 6d. per 100 Ratings; Applotments

with Separate Charges, 7s. per 100 Ratings; Applotments without Separate Charges, 6s. 6d. per 100 Ratings; Copying Applotments, 2s. per 100 Ratings; Demand Notes with Separate Charges, 7s. per 100 Ratings; Demand Notes without Separate Charges, 6s. 6d. per 100 Ratings; Checking Demand Notes, 1s. per 100 Ratings; Summaries for Rate Books, 3d. each.

In connection with the foregoing scale the Committee unanimously adopted the following recommendation viz:—“That the County Council be and are hereby recommended to discharge in full the expenses incurred in connection with the making of the new rate under the above scale.”

The Committee ordered that no books were to be removed from the Council Offices, and that all work was to be carried out in the Offices in question.

(5518.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter dated 18th January, 1921, from Messrs. McDonagh and Boland, Insurance Brokers, addressed to the Chairman of the Finance Committee, soliciting appointment as Insurance Brokers to the Council, was read, and referred to the Council.

(5519.)

DAMAGED BRIDGES.

In connection with the Bridges which were recently damaged in the County the following order was made:—“That the Committee suggest to County Surveyor to erect a temporary barricade at all broken bridges, with a Warning Notice and Lamp at night time; watchmen to be removed where possible.

Adjourned.

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COUNTY KILDARE REPUBLICAN RELIEF COMMITTEE.

Minutes of Meeting of above Committee held 19th January 1921.

Present:- Messrs Domhnall O Buacalla (Chairman, presiding),
James O'Connor, Nicholas Travers, Joseph Cusack, Nicholas
Hanagan, John Traynor and Mark Carroll.

A letter from Mr. William Mahon, regretting inability to
attend the meeting was read.

APPOINTMENT OF COLLECTORS.

The Committee appointed Collectors for the different
parishes throughout the County, and directed that an
advertisement be inserted in the local papers towards the end
of the current month, appealing for help.

Pending receipt of the official instructions, Mr. Myles
Quinn was appointed Hon. Treasurer, and the question of the
appointment of Adjudication Committees was adjourned.

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee, held on 26th January, 1921.

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Mark Carroll, Nicholas Travers.

Letters regretting inability to attend the Meeting were read from the Chairman and Mr. Henry Fay.

(5520.)

DEFAULTING CONTRACTORS.

Proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—“That the County Surveyor having reported to this Meeting that Roads P.I. Nos. 242, 231 and 245 in Athy No. 1 Rural District, and Road P.I. No. 141 in Naas No. 1 Rural District were not in proper repair, and the Committee being satisfied that the roads in question were not being properly attended to, and that the Contractors had been guilty of neglect, the County Surveyor is hereby directed to serve the Contractors with Ten Days' Notice and do all necessary acts consequent thereon, or in the alternative to proceed against the Contractors and their Sureties at Dail Eireann Courts.”

(5521.)

DAMAGED BRIDGES.

It having been suggested that the Committee's directions in the matter of the erection of barricades, etc., at the bridges which were recently damaged in the Celbridge No. 1 Rural District, were not carried out, and Mr. John Durkin, Road Overseer, who attended before the Meeting having explained what had been done, the Committee directed that the County Surveyor should submit a report on this matter to the next meeting of the Committee, and it was also decided to inform the County Surveyor that in the Committee's opinion one watchman at night would be sufficient at Celbridge Bridge.

(5522.)

ROAD MATERIAL.

A letter dated 21st January, 1921, from the County Surveyor stating that Mr. James Germaine had refused to allow Contractor Michael Fennell to remove road material from a pit the property of Mr. Germaine, was read, but as the Committee regarded this matter as a question solely between the Contractor and Mr. Germaine, the Committee decided to take no action.

(5523.)

RATE MAKING.

A letter dated 25th January, 1921, from the Secretary, Newbridge Branch I.T. & G.W. Union, regarding the enforcement of the Council's order in the matter of the employment of Trade Unionists, was read, when the Committee ordered that the Council's order apply to the temporary clerical assistants engaged in connection with the making of the new rate.

(5524.)

APPLICATIONS FROM COUNTY SURVEYOR FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN HIS CHARGE.

Applications from the County Surveyor for payment for works in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:—

	£	s	d
Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District	45	17	0
Maintenance of roads in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	69	11	9
Maintenance of roads in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	50	4	9
Maintenance of roads in Naas No. 1 Rural District	106	0	5
County at Large—Hire of Steam Rollers, etc.	435	19	7
Working Expenses, Steam Rollers, etc.	220	4	2
Expenditure under Articles 22 and 24 Procedure Councils' Order	9	4	11
Adjourned.			

M. Fitzsimons
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COUNTY KILDARE REPUBLICAN DEPENDENTS RELIEF COMMITTEE.

Minutes of meeting of above Committee held 26th January 1921.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Mark Carroll
and Hugh Colohan and Nicholas Travers.

ADJUDICATION COMMITTEES &C.

The Committee having completed the list of Collectors for each Parish, the Secretary was directed to furnish each Collector with instructions to proceed with his collection.

With reference to the question of appointing Adjudication Committees, it was decided to empower the Collectors to appoint, for each Parish, Adjudication Committees to consider claims and recommend grants in deserving cases. With regard to the townships of Athy and Naas, the respective Urban District Councils were appointed Adjudication Committees for these areas, and Messrs Colohan, Smith and Cummins (Chairman Town Commissioners) were authorised to appoint an Adjudication Committee for the town of Newbridge.

It was also decided to appoint the Finance Committee of the Kildare County Council, as the Executive Committee for the purpose of the administration of the funds.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of Proposal Committee, held on 2nd February, 1921.

Present:—Messrs. Dornhall Ua. Buacalla (Chairman), presiding; Michael Fitzsimons, Nicholas Travers, Mark Carroll, James O'Connor, Joseph Cusack and Henry Fay.

(5525.)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The County Surveyor's Report as follows was read:—

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—

In reference to the Secretary's letter of the 27th January, 1921, asking me to report about damaged bridges, especially at Celbridge, I understand the Overseer in charge, Mr. Durkin, attended your last meeting, and stated he had in course of post received through me whatever instructions you issued. On the day the damage was reported, whilst at a Special Meeting held in the Secretary's Office, to deal with this matter, this Overseer rang me up on telephone, so very naturally in the emergency I then directed him to take the necessary steps for that night and following, and, of course, left him a certain amount of discretionary powers. Following your later directions, and as the barricades he erected left a certain amount to be desired, I have now changed the Overseer and the watchmen, and at present two of our former road employees are acting as night watchmen. The new Overseer tells me he could not do with less than two watchmen, as the first night his men were there, the lamps were intentionally broken and portion of the barricade taken away, or thrown into the river. There are also five other bridges (besides the Railway Company's Canal Bridges) in a most dangerous condition without watchmen, where there is nothing to prevent the barricades being stolen. I am in receipt of your instructions to have the necessary repairs to all carried out, and am in negotiation with tradesmen for past week and hope work will be very shortly commenced under Sudden Damage Order.

Owing to the diversion of traffic caused by obstruction at these bridges, a large mileage of roads are now subjected to extraordinary traffic and are very adversely affected as a result.

On the day of your meeting, I shall request to be allowed to make a suggestion regarding the substitute assistant for the northern division.

I have seen the claims from the Midland Railway Company for damages to their bridges, and I consider these excessive—possibly the wages of watchmen is included in the amounts claimed.

I believe it will be necessary, if the roads are to be properly maintained, for the Council to consider the best method to be provided by which I can enter lands to obtain road material, when the owners or occupiers are objecting.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN RORKE,

County Surveyor

Arising out of the reading of the foregoing report the following order was made:—That Mr. A. J. O'Connor, Assistant County Surveyor, be granted leave of absence for a further period of three months from the 3rd inst., and that Mr. H. Hackett, B.E., be appointed to temporarily discharge Mr O'Connor's duties at a remuneration of £4 per week."

The Secretary was directed to write the M.G.W.R. Co., asking them to repair Leixlip and Shaw's Bridges (recently damaged) or allow the County Council to carry out the necessary repairs.

(5526.)

PROPOSALS FOR NEW WORKS.

The County Surveyor's recommendations as to proposals for new works were submitted and dealt with as follows:—

266.—To provide for County Printing, for 1 year, from 1st April, 1921. Approved at £1,000.

267.—To provide for payment of Wages of Engine Drivers and Flagmen, Repairs and Hire of Machinery, when necessary, and other expenses in connection with Steam Rolling and Stone Breaking Machinery. Approved at £700.

268.—To provide for Miscellaneous Items of Expenditure that may be required from time to time for Courthouse in Athy, Kildare, and Naas. Approved at £100.

(5527.)

PAYMENTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS

The recommendations from the County Surveyor as shown on Form 22 as to payments in respect of Public Works were approved.

(5528.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

Payments from 1 to 43 in Schedule of Applications for Payment, pursuant to a resolution of the 13th February, 1905 and in accordance with Article 16 of the Public Bodies Order, 1904, were approved, and it was ordered that like payments be made in respect of salaries falling due monthly up to the 1st May, 1921, by Special Treasurer's Advice Notes.

All other payments, as per the Chairman's copy, were approved, but it was decided to refer to the Council for consideration the question of payment of salaries in future to the County Coroners in view of the fact that inquests are now being held by the military.

(5529.)

ADJOURNED MEETING.

It was ordered that the adjourned quarterly meeting be held on Wednesday, 16th inst., at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of considering tenders.

Adjourned.

W. Fitzsimons
4/5/21

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee, held on 2nd February, 1921.

Present:—Messrs. Donnall Ua Buacalla (Chairman), presiding; Michael Fitzsimons, Nicholas Travers, Mark Carroll, James O'Connor, Joseph Cusack, and Henry Fay.

(5530.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

Applications for payment from the Proposal Committee were dealt with in the same manner as by that committee.

(5531.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FROM RURAL DISTRICT COUNCILS.

Applications for payment from Athy No. 1, Celbridge No. 1, Edenderry No. 2, and Naas No. 1 Rural Districts were considered, and all payments as appearing on Form 22 were recommended.

(5532.)

ANNUAL ESTIMATE AND BUDGET.

The annual estimate and budget for the year ending 31st March, 1922, was submitted, and the Secretary was directed to have same amended, and a further meeting convened for the 9th inst to consider the estimate in the amended form.

(5533.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts including Subsidiary Account, for Quarter ended 31st December, 1920, were submitted, examined and found to be written up to date. The Bank Book for Subsidiary Account was also submitted and signed by the Chairman.

(5534.)

EXPENSES UNDER EDUCATION ACT.

Applications for payment of expenses under above Act were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account in accordance with Minute of County Council No. 3142, adopted at meeting held on 16th November, 1908, as follows:—

ATHY NO. 1 RURAL DISTRICT.

	£	s	d
To Wm. Murphy, Castledermot, Postages, etc.	0	2	6
To John Ready, Postages	0	4	2
To Joseph A. O'Connor, Postage, etc.	0	6	1
To Mrs. Maggie Kane, cleaning and heating Committee Room	0	10	0

BALTINGLASS NO. 3 RURAL DISTRICT.

To Joseph A. O'Connor, Ballitore, Postages, Advertising, etc.	0	5	2
To Denis Headon, Cleaning Room for Committee Meeting.	0	5	0

EDENDERRY NO. 2 RURAL DISTRICT.

To W. P. Considine, Postage	0	4	0
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NAAS NO. 1 RURAL DISTRICT.

To Samuel Bratton, Clerk Petty Sessions, Cost of Prosecutions	1	1	0
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(5535.)

RATE COLLECTION.

A return showing the condition of the collection of poor rate for the period ended 1st instant, having been submitted, the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Collectors urging them to expedite their respective collections.

(5536.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF THE CO. SURVEYOR.

Applications for payment from County Surveyor for works in his charge were approved and ordered to be made out of the Subsidiary Account as follows:—

	£	s	d
Maintenance of roads in Athy No. 1 Rural District	32	12	10
Maintenance of roads in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	52	12	6
Maintenance of roads in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	2	7	6
Maintenance of roads in Naas No. 1 Rural District	135	6	1
Working expenses—Steamrollers, etc	20	2	6
Expenditure under Arts. 22 and 24 Procedure Councils' Order, 1899	21	15	2

(5537.)

APPLICATION FOR BONUS.

An application from Collector E. Heffernan for a bonus in connection with the work of reporting annually for revision of valuation buildings at the Curragh Camp, was read, when it was decided to recommend the Council to grant the collector a bonus of £5 per annum.

(5536.)

TRADE UNION LABOUR.

A letter dated 29th January, 1921, from the Secretary, I.T. and G.W.U., reporting that Messrs. Peter Hyland and Patrick Delany, road employees in the Kilcullen district had not paid their subscriptions to the Union, was read, and the following order was made:—"County Surveyor is directed to dispense with their services if they refuse to pay up."

(5539.)

PAYMENT OF POOR RATE.

A letter dated 31st January, 1921, from Collector H. J. Kearns, enclosing letter from Mr. W. G. Tyrrell, stating he was applying for an Order authorising him to attach the poor rate payable by him in satisfaction of a decree granted him for compensation for malicious injury, and pending payment of his claim in full he refused to pay any poor rate, was read.

(5540.)

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

The Committee approved of the nomination of Mr. Charles Heffernan, Kildare, as Arbitrator in connection with the claim of James Lunnon, Kildare, for compensation under the provisions of the above Act.

(5541.)

COLLECTOR DEMPSEY.

A letter from Collector Dempsey stating that owing to unusual activity of military in his district he did not attend to check his accounts on 31st ultimo as he was afraid his collection books might be seized, was read.
Adjourned.

M. Fitzsimons
4/5/21