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14	22678	A letter dated 9th March, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, approving of payment of poundage fees to Collectors Gannon and O'Connor, was read.
15	22728	Sealed Order dated 27th February, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, fixing dates in connection with the preparation of Register of Electors, was submitted.
16	22866	A letter dated 26th March, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government acknowledging receipt of Estimate of Rates for 1923, was read.
17	22857	A circular letter, dated 27th March, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the Criminal Injuries (Amendment) Bill, 1923, was read.
18	22869	A letter dated 28th March, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the issue of an instalment of £57, recoupment of the Venereal Diseases Grant, was read.
19	22871	A Schedule from the Ministry of Local Government, showing amounts remitted to Commissioners of Public Works under the Labourers (Ireland) Act, 1906, was submitted.
20	22878	A letter dated 30th March, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, respecting the salary of the County Secretary, was read.
21	22898	A letter dated 29th March, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads' Department, relative to a refund of Motor Licence Duty paid by Mr E J de Burgh, was read.
22	22946	A letter dated 6th April, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, approving of an extension of time to 30th April, 1923, for the closing of accounts of Rate Collectors, was read.
23	22949	A letter dated 6th April, 1923, from the Roads' Department, Ministry of Local Government, relative to an application from Mr. D. McGuirke, Naas, for refund of motor licence duty paid by him, was read.
24	22950	A letter dated 6th April, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, acknowledging receipt of Form R. F. 15/3, on behalf of Mr. E. J. de Burgh, was read.
25	22974	A letter dated 7th April, 1923, from the Valuation Department, relative to Valuation Appeals for 1923, was read.
26	22976	A letter dated 10th April, 1923, from the National Health Insurance Commission, relative to the appointment of Mrs. Farrell, Naas, on the County Insurance Committee, was read.
27	22978	A circular letter dated 10th April, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the postponement of Local Elections, was read.
28	22984	A letter dated 11th April, 1923, from the Roads Department, Ministry of Local Government, acknowledging Form R. F. 15-3, on behalf of Mr. W. Reville, Newbridge, was read.
29	23032	A circular letter (MT/26), from the Roads' Department, Ministry of Local Government, relative to the liability of Under-Sheriffs for payment of Motor Car Licence Duty, was read.
30	23056	A letter dated 19th April, 1923, from the Roads' Department, Ministry of Local Government, relative to the registration of Motor Vehicles, the property of the Commissioners of Public Works, was read.
31	23057	A letter dated 19th April, 1923, from the National Health Insurance Commission, relative to the appointment of Mrs. Dowling, Naas, a member of the Co Insurance Committee, was read.
32	23064	A letter dated 19th April, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, respecting loan of £1,000 for works of road improvement in Edenderry No. 2 Rura District, was read.
33	23080	A letter dated 21st April, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, enclosing Auditor's reports and abstract of accounts of Athy No. 1 R.D.C. for the four half-yearly periods ended September, 1922, was read.
34	23105	Monthly Statistical Statement from the Department of Agriculture for March, 1923, was read.

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35	23114	A letter dated 25th April, 1923, from the Ministry of Finance, asking to be furnished with Claims for compensation received pursuant to Notices Nos. 20 and 21, was read.
36	23122	A circular letter dated 27th April, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, prescribing scale of Surveyors' travelling expenses from 1st May, 1923, was read.
37	23130	A letter dated 13th April, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, enclosing forms of return for completion re National Tuberculosis Grant, was read.
38	23139	A circular letter dated 28th April, 1923, from the Roads' Department, Ministry Local Government, relative to monthly reconciliation statement under Motor Regulations, was read.
39	23148	A letter dated 1st May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, acknowledging receipt of abstracts of accounts of Drainage Committees for half-year ended March, 1923, was read.
40	23150	A circular letter from the Roads' Department, Ministry of Local Government, asking for a return showing the number of motor licence issued to the Council, was read.
41	23151	A letter dated 1st May, 1923, from the Roads' Department, Ministry Local Government, respecting the reimbursement of expenses of Council under Motor Regulations, was read.
42	23172	A letter dated 3rd May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, advising the lodgment of £7,870 5s to credit of the Council in respect of Agricultural Grant for half-year ended March, 1923, was read.
43	23205	A letter dated 7th May, 1923, from the Chief State Solicitor, relative to claims for compensation received pursuant to Public Notices 20 and 21, was read.
44	23216	A letter dated 9th May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to payment of decrees for malicious injuries sustained between 21st January, 1919, and 20th March, 1923, was read.
45	23213	A letter dated 9th May, 1923, from the National Health Insurance Commission, relative to the appointment of Mr. P. Nestor, Naas, a member of the County Insurance Committee, was read.
GENERAL.		
46	22635	A letter dated 5th March, 1923, from the County Surveyor, enclosing copy of a letter addressed to the Chief Engineer, M.G.W.R. Co., relative to the erection of a Store on Canal Bank at Kilcock, was read.
47	22720	A letter dated 13th March, 1923, from the Secretary, Westmeath County Council, relative to payment of compensation to resigned members of the R.I.C., was read.
48	22925	A report from Mr. M. Smyth, V.S., relative to Johnstown-bridge fair of April, 1923, was read.
49	23035	A circular letter dated 16th April, 1923, from the Cork County Borough Committee, relative to Peace negotiations, was read.
50	23156	A report from Mr. J. J. Cosgrove, V.S., of duties performed for quarter ended 31st March, 1923, was read.

Adjourned.

W. J. J. Cosgrove
20/5/23

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee, held 6th June, 1923.

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Present—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons, (presiding), Mark Carroll, James Cregan, Michael Smyth, Nicholas Travers, Philip Grogan, and Major W. G. Dease.

(5454.)

VACANCY IN OFFICES OF RATE COLLECTOR.

The Secretary having reported that vacancies existed in the offices of Rate Collector for Nos 1 and 12. Collection Districts, owing to the resignations of Collectors Owen Boland and Edward Heffernan, the Committee proceeded to consider whether any and what alterations should be made in the duties and salaries of the offices in question, and after discussion made the following recommendations to the Council for consideration:—"That in regard to Collection District No. 1, comprising the Electoral Divisions of Ballybracken, Ballyshannon, Harristown, Kildangan, Kilrush, Lackagh, Monasterevan, Nurney and Quinsborough, one Collector be appointed, to be paid by fees at the rate of 8d in the £, on the amount of his warrant from time to time, providing one-fourth of the sum included in his warrant is lodged to the Council's credit not later than 31st July and 31st December in each year, and in the event of the Collector failing to have the requisite amount lodged on either of the dates mentioned, the fees are then to be reduced in respect of the particular half-year. The person to be appointed to give security with two solvent sureties in the sum of £3,000." "That in regard to Collection district No. 12 comprising the Electoral Divisions of Ballysax East, Ballysax West, Dunmurray and Kildare, the terms and conditions of appointment be the same as in the case of Collection District No. 1, except that the person to be appointed shall give security with two solvent sureties in the sum of £1,800."

(5455.)

TEMPORARY COLLECTORS APPOINTED.

On the motion of Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, it was resolved:—"That Mr. John Connolly, Curragh View, Kildare, be appointed temporary collector of Poor Rate for No 1 Collection District, for the half-year ending September, 1923, at the same remuneration as his predecessor; Mr. Connolly to be asked to submit the names of his Sureties."

It was proposed by Mr. James Cregan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:

"That Mr. Patrick Joseph Breslin, Abbey View, Kildare, be appointed Collector of Poor Rate for No. 11 Collection District, temporarily, for the half-year ending 30th September, 1923, at the same rate of remuneration as his predecessor, and that Messrs. J. J. Murphy, Bishopslane, and Joseph Connolly, Pollardstown, be accepted as sureties in the sum of £1,800."

(5456.)

DIRECT LABOUR.

A letter dated 23rd May, 1923, from the Co. Surveyor, was read, enclosing report from Overseer Tiernan, from which it appeared that no wages were due to John Savage, when the matter was referred to Mr. Michael Smyth for inquiry.

(5457.)

ATHY UNION.

A letter dated 24th May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to an inquiry at Athy to determine the division of the assets of the late Athy Union as between the Counties of Kildare and Laoighs, was read and the Secretary reported that he had instructed the Council's Solicitor and the Council's representatives in Athy District to attend, and the Committee approved of the Secretary's action in this matter.

(5458.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

A letter dated 30th May, 1923, from Mr. P. O'Carroll, stating that owing to unforeseen circumstances he cannot take up the duties on the 8th instant, to which he was recently appointed, and enclosing medical certificate and suggesting the appointment of Mr. Patrick O'Callaghan, Naas, as his substitute, was read, when it was decided to appoint Mr. O'Callaghan, temporary, for a period of four weeks at £3 per week.

(5459.)

POSTPONEMENT OF ELECTIONS.

A letter dated 29th May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the Local Elections Act, 1922, was read, when it was decided to hold a special meeting of the County Council on the 20th instant, for the transaction of business other than the election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council.

(5460.)

POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES.

Following the reading of a letter dated 13th February, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the division of the County into Polling Districts and Polling Places, the Committee in consultation with the Returning Officer and Registration Officer proceeded to review the existing list of Polling and District Places, and having drafted an amended list, directed that same be printed and distributed to the members of the Council previous to next meeting.

(5461.)

ERECTION OF PETROL TANK.

An application from Mr. T. J. McCabe, for permission to erect a Petrol Tank on footpath at Edward Street, Newbridge, was read and the necessary permission granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor and the Newbridge Town Commissioners.

(5462.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

Correspondence from the County Surveyor and from the Secretary I.T. and G.W.U. Rathangan, relative to the employment of old road contractors, and the dismissal of Trade Union members who are engaged on road work in Rathangan section was read, and the Committee having heard the views of a deputation representing the road workers in the Rathangan section, promised to see that these men would not be dismissed—the County Surveyor to be asked why these men were served with notice to leave the Council's employment. Messrs. Byrne and McLoughlin, Ballymore-Eustace, who were old road contractors, attended before the meeting and asked for work on the roads, when it was decided to bring this matter under the notice of the County

Surveyor with a view to his providing employment for these men at some of the special works which are being carried out. Mr. Phelan, old contractor, Athy district, was recommended for carting work, with one horse.

(5463.)

CANAL COMMISSION.

Correspondence from the Secretary, Canals and Waterways Commission, relative to the payment of travelling expenses to the Council's delegates, Messrs. Travers and McCann, was submitted.

(5464.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

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

	£	s	d
Maintenance of works in Athy	640	10	10
No. 1 Rural District			
Maintenance of works in Celbridge	389	14	0
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Maintenance of works in Edenderry	191	16	4
No. 2 Rural District			
Maintenance of works in Naas No. 1	798	16	5
Rural District			
Maintenance of works County at Large	67	13	3
Expenditure under Arts. 22 and 24	214	14	1
Procedure of Councils' Order	208	12	2
Working expenses—Steamrollers, etc.			

(5465.)

ROAD MATERIAL.

A letter dated 4th June, 1923, from the Superintendent, Civic Guards, addressed to the County Surveyor, stating that Mr. Dunne, Rathangan, was agreeable to pay £4 for the material taken by him, in four monthly instalments of £1, was read and the offer accepted. Adjournd.

W. J. Simpson
4/2/25

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Special Meeting of County Council held on 20th June, 1923.

Present—Messrs. Patrick Dooley, Richard McCann, Patrick Phelan, James Cregan, Nicholas Hanagan, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, Michael Smith, Philip Grogan, Patrick Loughlin, Nicholas Travers and Major W. G. Dease.

(6779.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Richard McCann, and resolved.—“That

Mr. Michael Smyth be appointed chairman of the meeting.”

(6780.)

DATES FOR QUARTERLY MEETINGS

Proposed by Mr. James Cregan, seconded by Mr. Richard McCann, and resolved.—“That the following dates be fixed for holding of quarterly meetings:—

Council	1923		1924		Day of the Week
Celbridge No. ...	13th July	12th October	11th January	11th April	Friday
Edenderry No. 2 ...	14th „	20th „	19th „	19th „	Saturday
Athy No. 1 ...	18th „	17th „	16th „	16th „	Wednesday
Naas No. 1	1st August	7th November	6th February	30th „	Wednesday
Proposal Committee					
County Council ...	20th August	26th „	25th „	19th May	Monday

(6781.)

ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS.

The following return showing attendance of members at meetings of the Council and Finance Committee for the year ended 6th June, 1923, was submitted:—

No. of Council Meetings held—7. No. of Finance Meetings held 23.

	Council Meetings
Councillor	
Domhnall Ua Buachalla	1
Patrick Dooley	3
Joseph Cusack	2
Richard McCann	4
Arthur Murphy	3
Nicholas Hanagan	7
Michael Fitzsimons	7
James O'Connor	2
Michael Smyth	7
Nicholas Travers	6
William Mahon	3
Christopher Supple	3
Patrick Phelan	6
James Cregan	5
J. P. Doran	2
Mark Carroll	6
Hugh Colohan	5
Henry Fay	4
G. Harbourne	2
J. Behan	2
E. O'Modhrain	1
T Harris	1

	Council Meetings
Councillor.	2
J. Fitzgerald	7
P. Grogan	3
W. G. Dease	7
P. Loughlin	0
Wm. McGrath	0
	Finance Meetings.
Councillor.	1
Domhnall Ua Buachalla	2
Patrick Dooley	2
Joseph Cusack	4
Richard McCann	5
Arthur Murphy	5
Nicholas Hanagan	25
Michael Fitzsimons	2
James O'Connor	23
Michael Smyth	17
Nicholas Travers	2
William Mahon	2
Christopher Supple	4
Patrick Phelan	10
James Cregan	2
J. P. Doran	24
Mark Carroll	14
Hugh Colohan	4
Henry Fay	2
G. Harbourne	2
J. Behan	2
E O'Modhrain	2
T. Harris	21
J. Fitzgerald	7
P. Grogan.	6
W. G. Dease	0
P. Loughlin	0
Wm. McGrath	0

(6782.)

COMPENSATION UNDER COUNTY SCHEME.

Pursuant to notice, it was proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Richard McCann and resolved:—Messrs. Carroll and Phelan dissenting:—"That the resolution adopted by the County Council at meeting held on 22nd May, 1923, formulating under Section 11 (4) of the Local Government (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1923, a dispute in connection with allowances granted under Section 8 of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1919, to officers in respect of removal from office pursuant to the provisions of the County Union Amalgamation Scheme, be and is hereby rescinded, and that the matter be further considered by the Council at this meeting." After discussion the Council decided not to dispute the rights of officers to the allowances granted them by the Boards of Guardians.

(6783.)

COUNTY SCHEME.

A copy of the County Scheme, relative to Union Amalgamation, as amended by the Minister for Local Government, was submitted.

(6784.)

RATE COLLECTORS.

A letter dated 11th June, 1923, from Mr. J. C. Connolly, Curragh View, Kildare, accepting the office of Collector for No. 1 Collection District and submitting the names of Mr. John Moore, Tuily, Kildare, and Mrs. Connolly, Curragh View, Kildare, as his sureties, was read and approved, and directions were given for the preparation of the requisite Bond. A letter dated 7th June, 1923, from Mr. P. J. Breslin, Kildare, submitting the name of Mrs. Breslin, Abbey View, Kildare, as his Rate Collection Surety in room of Mr. Connolly, was read and approved.

(6785.)

FORESTRY SCHEME.

A letter dated 5th June, 1923, from the Irish Land Commission, stating that the Commission would be prepared to assist the Council to purchase the woodlands on the Leinster Estate but pending the passing of the Land Bill recently introduced in the Dail the Commission is not in a position to deal with this matter, was read, when it was proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, and resolved:—"That we, the members of the Kildare County Council, desire to

request the Government to include in the proposed new Land Act, a provision empowering the Land Commission to subsidise and otherwise assist Local Authorities who are anxious to promote afforestation. That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Minister of Agriculture, and to the Irish Land Commission."

(6786.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

The following applications for permission to sit at the forthcoming examination for University Scholarships were submitted and approved:—Thomas Kennedy, Main Street, Celbridge; Thomas Maher, Stanhope Street, Athy; Denis M. Candy, 15 Leinster Street, Athy; D. J. Considine, Christian Schools, Monasterevan, and W. C. O'Neill, Railway House, Athy.

(6787.)

SECONDARY SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIPS.

For Secondary Schools Scholarships, applications from the following candidates to compete at the examinations were accepted:—

Mary Kilmurray, Blackwood; Thomas M. Sheil, Ballyroe, Athy; J. J. Rosney, Cowpasture, Monasterevan; James Fox, Meeting Lane, Athy; Ernest Delaney, Grangebeg; Annie Maguire, Timahoe; Mary Byrne, Hodgestown; R. E. McGrath, Coolcarrigan.

The following applications were rejected under Clause 1, of the scheme, the Poor Law Valuation in each case exceeding £5—N. Gaffney, Naas; H. Burke, Naas; J. Matthews, Monasterevan; P. Dooley, Athy; A. O'Rourke, Athy; N. J. Cullen, Ballysax.

It was decided to leave the Scholarships open for applicants residing in Naas Urban District until the 27th inst, the Secretary being directed in the meantime to write to the Naas Schools inviting eligible candidates.

(6788.)

TENEMENTS REQUIRING REVISION.

Proposed by Mr Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr Mark Carroll, and resolved:—"That the Council approve of the list of tenements requiring revision, submitted by the Secretary, and consider the revision of same necessary, save as regards the application for revision of valuation of property occupied by the G.S. and W.R. Co., in which case the Council do not consider the revision necessary."

(6789.)

ANNUAL HOLIDAYS.

Following the consideration of an application from the Council's staff for annual holidays,

it was proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. James Cregan, and resolved:— "That the County Surveyor and County Secretary be each granted four weeks' leave of absence, and that Messrs. L. J. Fullam, and P. J. Field, be appointed respective Deputies of the discharge of their duties under Section 83 (2) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, at a remuneration of £4 per week each, and that two weeks' leave be granted to all the Council's clerical officers, said leave to be taken at the most convenient periods."

(6790.)

RATE COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE.

An application from the Rate Collectors for an increase of Poundage fees to 1s in the £, was read.

(6791.)

MINIMAX APPLIANCES.

A letter from the County Surveyor dated 15th June, 1923, relative to the purchase of further Minimax Fire Extinguishing Appliances for Naas Courthouse, was read.

(6729.)

VOTE OF CONDOLENCE.

A letter from Mr. John Rorke, County Surveyor, thanking the Council for recent resolution of condolence adopted in connection with the death of his mother, was read.

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A letter dated 25th May, 1923, from the Secretary, Technical Instruction Committee, stating that his Committee propose to make a grant of £50 to the Feis Committee out of the Grant made by the Council in aid of the cost of teaching Irish, was read and approved, subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government being obtained by the Technical Department.

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An application from Assistant Surveyor H. S. Hurley, for a loan of £200 for the purchase of a motor car to discharge his duties pursuant to the Ministry's regulations, was read and approved, subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government.

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A letter dated 15th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Industry, relative to the administration of above Acts, and stating it is proposed to arrange for one inclusive contract for the purchase of all Standards, was read and approved.

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LOUGHBROWN ROAD.

The Secretary submitted form of agreement with the G.S. and W.R. Co., together with a letter dated 15th June, 1923, from the County Surveyor, relative to flooding of roadway near Ballast Pit at Loughbrown, and the Council approved of same and ordered that the agreement and assessment sheet of the Joint Committee for Blackwater Drainage District be sealed with the Council's Seal, in the presence of the Council, and during the progress of the Council Meeting.

(6792.)

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTS.

The Secretary read a letter from the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, relative to the operation of the above Acts, and it was decided to apply for exemption from the scope of the Act on behalf of the Council's clerical staff to whom these Acts applied.

(6793.)

EVICTIIONS.

Proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Richard McCann, and resolved:—"That we,

the members of the Kildare County Council, call on the District Council to protest against the eviction of a labourer named James Rourke, at Sallins, and as Sanitary Authority to request the Government to stop all evictions until there is housing accommodation provided." This resolution to be sent to the District Council and Deputies for Kildare and Wicklow.

(6794.)

POLLING PLACES.

The provisional list of Polling Districts and Polling Places having been considered, and same having been approved by the Registration Officer and Returning Officer, the Council adopted the scheme and ordered that same be advertised according to the Regulations.

(6795.)

CURRAGH SHEEP DIPPING ORDER.

The printed list of "precautions to be observed by Owners and Shepherds" in connection with the process, etc., of dipping of sheep at Ballymann, as amended by the Veterinary Inspector, was approved and ordered to be printed and posted up at the Dipping Station.

Adjourned.

Handwritten signature: H. J. Agnew
Date: 27/8/23

(6796.)

CURRY STATION

(6797.)

GRANT TO THE COMMITTEE

(6798.)

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(6793.)

EVICTIONS.

Proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Richard McCann, and resolved:—"That we,

the members of the Kildare County Council, call on the District Council to protest against the eviction of a labourer named James Rourke, at Sallins, and as Sanitary Authority to request the Government to stop all evictions until there is housing accommodation provided." This resolution to be sent to the District Council and Deputies for Kildare and Wicklow.

(6794.)

POLLING PLACES.

The provisional list of Polling Districts and Polling Places having been considered, and same having been approved by the Registration Officer and Returning Officer, the Council adopted the scheme and ordered that same be advertised according to the Regulations.

(6795.)

CURRAGH SHEEP DIPPING ORDER.

The printed list of "precautions to be observed by Owners and Shepherds" in connection with the process, etc., of dipping of sheep at Ballymann, as amended by the Veterinary Inspector, was approved and ordered to be printed and posted up at the Dipping Station.

Adjourned.

Handwritten signature: H. J. Agnew
Date: 20/8/23

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held 4th July 1923.

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

(5471).

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

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

Maintenance of works in Athy No. 1, Rural District.	£	617	9	d.
" " " Celbridge No. 1, Rural District.	448	13	1.	
" " " Edenderry No. 2, " "	132	6	11.	
" " " Naas No. 1, Rural District.	790	5	4.	
" " " County at large.	97	5	6.	
Working expenses - Steamrollers &c.	128	14	8.	

(5472).

COLLECTOR BRESLIN.

A letter dated 26th June 1923 from Collector P. J. Breslin, stating he had filled in a proposal form and had sent same to the General Insurance Society, and he hoped to have the matter of his security settled through this Society at an early date, was read.

(5473).

MR. P. M. O' CARROLL'S APPOINTMENT.

A certificate from Dr. Williams, Naas, that Mr. P. M. O'Carroll, is still unable to take up his duties as Clerk in the Accountant's Department, was read, when it was decided to grant Mr. O'Carroll a further extension of one month's leave of absence and to appoint Mr. Patrick O'Callaghan, temporary, as his successor for the same period at £3 per week.

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of Proposal Committee held on 1st August, 1923.

(5476.)

Present—Messrs. Patrick Phelan (presiding)
Mark Carroll, Nicholas Hanagan, Michael
Smyth, Philip Grogan, Henry Fay, Michael
Fitzsimons and Patrick Loughlin.

(5476.)

MINUTES.

Minutes of Meeting held on 2nd May, 1923, copy of which had been sent to each Member, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

(5477.)

CO. SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

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

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—

Regarding my applications to this Meeting, I beg to say that the typewriter in this office, which I now seek to replace, was purchased 5½ years ago secondhand, and is becoming worn out, but could be sold for about £10. The County Rollers Nos. 3 and 4 were purchased about five years ago at very low prices and have been at work almost ever since. The fire boxes are now leaking badly, and accordingly, wasteful and perhaps dangerous; the other parts of the machinery are sound, and, I have a guarantee from Messrs. Duthie, Large, Athy, that this work will leave them sound for at least two years. Owing to the amount of tools and plant the Council now require for Direct Labour, a store at Naas Courthouse is required, and, I am accordingly applying for same to be built.

Your Obedient Servant,

JOHN RORKE,

County Surveyor.

(5478.)

PROPOSALS FOR NEW WORKS.

The County Surveyor submitted recommendations as to Proposals for New Works as follows:—

- 1—To purchase a New Typewriter for the County Surveyor's Office—£28. Approved.
- 2—To supply and fit new fire boxes and tubes in County Rollers Nos. 3 and 4—£500. Approved.

PROVISIONAL PROPOSAL.

To erect new Store in Naas Courthouse yard for storage of implements, and housing of Ford Lorry—£150.

(5479.)

PAYMENTS—PUBLIC WORKS.

There were no recommendations from the County Surveyor on Form 22 as to payments in respect of Public Works.

(5480.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

Payments from 1 to 33 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, etc., falling due monthly up to 30th September, 1923, by Special Treasurer's Advice Note.

All other payments, as per the Chairman's copy, were approved.

Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHUILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 1st August, 1923.

Present:—Messrs. Patrick Phelan, presiding; Mark Carroll, Henry Fay, Nicholas Hangan, Michael Smyth, Philip Grogan, Michael Fitzsimons, and Patrick Loughlin.

(5481.)

MINUTES.

Minutes of Meetings of Finance Committee held 9th and 22nd May, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

(5482.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

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

(5483.)

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 District Councils were considered and all payments as appearing on Form 22 were recommended.

(5484.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts, including Subsidiary Account, for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1923, 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.

(5485.)

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	647	12	10
Maintenance of roads in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	273	17	1
Maintenance of roads in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	124	15	5
Maintenance of roads in Naas No. 1 Rural District	1,738	19	5
Expenditure under Articles 22 and 24 Procedure of Councils' Order, 188	164	3	7
Maintenance of work on Rathangan Drainage District	146	3	4
Maintenance of works on Baltracey Drainage District	29	8	0
Maintenance of works on Kildare Drainage Districts	18	18	4

(5486.)

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

The question of granting a Superannuation Allowance to Mr. Owen Boland, late Rate Collector, having been discussed, it was proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Henry Fay and resolved:—"That we hereby recommend that Mr. Boland be granted a Superannuation Allowance of £150 per annum."

(5487.)

REPAIRS TO BRIDGES.

A letter was read from the County Surveyor, stating that the Canal Company had refused to repair the Canal Bridge at Clogheen, near Monasterevan. After discussion the matter was referred to Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, to take proceedings against the Canal Co.

(5488.)

RATE COLLECTION.

A return showing the condition of the Collection of Poor Rate for the period ended 31st ult, was submitted.

Application from Collector Confrey for an extension of time to enable him to lodge one-fourth of sum included in his warrant, as he could not possibly do so by the prescribed date, viz., 31st July, was read, when the Committee decided to extend the time to 16th August for all collectors who require the extension.

The Secretary was directed to warn all collectors affected that they would not get the extra 2d poundage if they did not comply with the prescribed conditions.

(5489.)

COLLECTOR MURPHY.

The Secretary reported that he had received cheque from Mr Murphy, through Mr Osborne, Solicitor, for £632 17s 6d. to close his collection for half year ended 31st March last. The Committee directed that Mr. Murphy get his books for the current year.

(5490.)

COLLECTOR BRESLIN.

The Secretary reported that Collector Breslin had not yet reported the names of his Securities. He understood that Mr Breslin was in negotiations with an insurance company on the matter. The committee postponed taking any action till the next meeting.

Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

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Minutes of Meeting of Kildare County Council held on 1st August, 1923.

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Present:—Messrs. Patrick Phelan (presiding), Mark Carroll, Philip Grogan, Nicholas Hangan, Michael Fitzsimons, Michael Smyth, Patrick Loughlin, Henry Fay.

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

On the motion of Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, Mr. Patrick Phelan, was appointed Chairman of the Meeting.

PENSIONS TO UNION OFFICERS.

The question of making payments of Pensions and Allowances to ex-union officers was considered, and after discussion the matter was referred to the County Board of Health as being the most suitable body to deal with the question.

A letter was received from Mrs. A. Kelly, late Assistant School Teacher, asking that an increase of pension granted her by the County Board of Health, amounting to £1 17s 6d per annum be confirmed by the Council. The Council unanimously granted the application.

MR. PATRICK O'CARROLL.

Order No. 23785, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government removing Mr. Patrick O'Carroll from office as Clerk in the Accountant's office, was read, after discussion the Council unanimously decided to adhere to their resolution appointing Mr. O'Carroll.

RATE COLLECTORS FOR Nos. 1 AND II DISTRICTS.

The recommendations of the Finance Committee relative to the vacancies in the office of Rate Collectors for No. 1 and II Collection Districts were approved, and the following draft advertisement ordered to be inserted in the Local Press:—

COLLECTORS OF POOR RATE WANTED.

The County Council of Kildare will at their meeting, to be held on Monday, the 20th August, 1923, at 11 a.m. proceed to appoint Two Competent Persons as Poor Rate Collectors, one

for No. 1 Collection District, comprising the Electoral Divisions of Ballybracken, Ballyshannon, Harristown, Kildangan, Kiltrush, Lackagh, Monastereven, Nurney, Quinsborough (total valuation £27,517 16s 0d) and one for No. II Collection District, comprising the Electoral Divisions of Ballysax East, Ballysax West, Dunnurry, Kildare (total valuation £19,441 15s).

Each Collector will be paid by fees at the rate of 8d in the £ providing one-fourth of the total amount of his warrant is lodged to the credit of the Council's account not later than 31st July and 31st December in each year, and failure on the part of the Collector to comply with this condition will involve a reduction in the fees payable, to 6d in the £ for that particular half-year, but the Collector will be required to lodge the full amount of his warrant not later than the 30th September and 31st March in each year. In addition to these fees the Collector will also be paid the statutory remuneration under the Franchise and Juries' Acts.

Candidates must attend in person at the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Naas, on Monday, the 20th August, 1923, at 11 a.m., and must lodge applications in writing, together with copies of their testimonials with the undersigned not later than 17th August, 1923.

Preference will be given to Candidates possessing a knowledge of Irish.

Candidates will be required to produce letters from two Solvent Sureties undertaking to give the necessary security, viz., £3,000 for No. 1 Collection District, and £1,800 for No. II Collection District, for the due performance of the duties of the respective offices.

By Order,

W. E. COFFEY,
Ruaidhe.

Council Offices, Courthouse, Naas.
1st August, 1923.

SECRETARY'S SALARY.

The Chairman read a letter No. G 2634, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, suggesting that the question of altering the salary of the County Secretary be deferred for the present. The following order was made:—
"That the Council see no reason for delay in fixing the salary of the Secretary, and request the Minister for Local Government to fall in with the wishes of the Council and sanction the salary as granted by them."

RELEASE OF PRISONERS.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—"That the Kildare County Council call upon the Government for the immediate release of the internees, in order that they will be able to exercise the Franchise at the forthcoming elections.

ROAD AT CURRAGH CAMP.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Smyth, and passed unanimously:—"That we, the Kildare County Council, call upon the Military Authorities to open the Public Road

through the Curragh Camp, as it causes great inconvenience to the public who are stopped on the public road, if they have not a Pass."

POLLING PLACES.

Mr. Smyth called attention to a mistake made by the Council in fixing Kilmeague as polling place for the Electoral Division of Kilmeague North instead of Allenwood, and fixing Allenwood for the Divisions of Kilmeague South and Rathernan instead of Kilmeague.

The Secretary was directed to bring the matter under the notice of the Ministry, with a view to having it rectified.

Adjourned.

W. J. Smyth
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Adjourned Quarterly Meeting of Proposal Committee
held on the 15th August 1923.

Present:- Messrs Michael Fitzsimons (Presiding),
Patrick Loughlin, Mark Carroll and Nicholas Travers.

(5491).

NEW WORKS.

To purchase a New Typewriter for County Surveyor's Office - £25.
No tender received.

To supply and fit new fire boxes and tubes to County Rollers
Nos. 3 and 4 - £300. No tender received.

Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Finance Committee held on the 15th August 1923.

Present.—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (presiding); Patrick Loughlin, Mark Carroll and Nicholas Travers.

(5492.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

A letter dated 21st July, 1923, from the County Surveyor, stating that the funds available make it impossible to give continuous employment to all the men at present engaged in Killeen District, was read.

(5493.)

COLLECTOR MURPHY.

A letter from Mr. P. J. Murphy, resigning his position as Collector of Poor Rate for No. 2 Collection District, was read, together with a Sealed Order from the Ministry of Local Government, removing Mr. Murphy from the office of Rate Collector, when the matter was referred to the County Council with a recommendation that temporary arrangements be made for the collection of the current half-year's rate.

(5494.)

ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Correspondence from the County Surveyor and from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, relative to bill of costs submitted by Mr. Taylor's Solicitors, in connection with the acquisition of lands at Morrinstownbiller for the purposes of road improvement, was read and referred to the Council.

(5495.)

LIFFEY POWER SCHEME.

A letter from the Town Clerk, Dublin, asking that delegates be appointed to attend Conference in the Mansion House in connection with above, was read, but no action was taken, as the Mansion House Conference was being held on the same date as the Quarterly Meeting of the County Council.

(5496.)

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

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

	£	s	d
Maintenance of works in Athy			
No. 1 Rural District	654	11	5
Maintenance of work in Celbridge			
No. 1 Rural District	427	14	4
Maintenance of works in Edenderry			
No. 2 Rural District	94	5	7
Maintenance of works in Naas			
No. 1 Rural District	627	16	9
Maintenance of works County at Large	179	16	7
Working expenses—Steamrollers	62	0	0
Expenditure under Arts. 22 and 24 Procedure Councils' Order	797	6	0

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of County Council held on 20th August, 1923.

Present:—William Mahon, Richard McCann, Patrick Phelan, James Cregan, Nicholas Hanagan, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, Hugh Colohan, Michael Smyth, Philip Grogan, Patrick Loughlin, Henry Fay, Nicholas Travers, and Major W. G. Dease.

(6803.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That Mr. Michael Fitzsimons be appointed Chairman of the Meeting."

(6804.)

MINUTES.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That minutes of County Council, held on 22nd May, 20th June and 1st August, 1923, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read, confirmed and signed."

Proposed by Mr. Henry Fay, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That minutes of meetings of Proposal and Finance Committees, held on 22nd May, 6th and 30th June, 4th and 18th July, and 1st August, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read and confirmed."

(6805.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts, Receipt and Expenditure Books for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1923, 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

(6806.)

PROPOSALS FOR NEW WORKS.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—"That all works contained in Form 20, from the Proposal Committee, be and are hereby approved, and in accordance with Art. 22, Procedure of Council's Order, that the works in question be given in charge to the County Surveyor, and that all works contained in Form 20, from Athy No. 1 Rural District Council be and are hereby approved."

(6807.)

PROVISIONAL PROPOSAL.

A list, containing the following provisional proposal was submitted:—"To erect a new store in Naas Courthouse Yard for the storage of implements and housing of Ford Lorry—£150."

(6808.)

ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—"That application be now made to the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Naas, being the Treasurer of the Council for a loan of £500 for the purpose of carrying out works of road improvement at Conasterevan, said loan to be secured on the rates of the entire county, repayment to be spread over a period of five years and to be made by ten equal half-yearly instalments with interest on outstanding balances from time to time, and to be charged in the Council's books against the Athy No. 1 Rural District."

(6809.)

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

The Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Payments since date of last Quarterly Meeting was submitted and the Bank Book signed by the Chairman.

(6810.)

QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. Michael Smyth, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That all payments recommended by the Proposal Committee for county at large charges be and are hereby 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."

(6811.)

DRAINAGE PAYMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. Michael Smyth, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers 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."

(6812.)

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY (COMPENSATION) ACT, 1923.

A circular letter dated 15th August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government was read and the Law Agent was instructed to appear at the hearing of all claims for compensation in respect to damaged or destroyed buildings and press for the attachment of reinstatement conditions under Section 10 of the Act.

(6813.)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The County Surveyor's Quarterly Report, 68 follows, was read:—

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MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN,—

(1) I have the honour to report that at the Quarterly Meetings recently held, Contractors Application for Payment amounted to £578 6s. 9d.

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	250 10 6	190 16 0	—	11 0 0	48 14 6
Celbridge No. 1	20 0 0	20 0 0	—	—	—
Edenderry No. 2	—	—	—	—	—
Naas No. 1	88 0 0	73 0 0	—	—	15 0 0
County at Large	219 16 3	219 16 3	—	—	—
TOTALS £	578 6 9	503 12 3	—	11 0 0	63 14 6

(2) During the last quarter (ended 30th June, 1923), in addition to the £578 6s. 9d., recommended for payment as above, the sum of £15,473 13s. 11d. was certified to Finance Committee for payment out of the Subsidiary Account relating to three heads of expenditure, namely:—(1) for work carried out by Direct Labour under Direct Labour Scheme, (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 June, 1923, for Work.		
	Work carried out by Direct Labour.	Repairing Sudden Damages.	Under 54, Sec. G. Jury Act, 1836.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Athy No. 1	3969 6 10	—	—
Celbridge No. 1	2953 1 7	—	—
Edenderry No. 2	1252 8 10	53 12 8	—
Naas No. 1	6312 15 9	—	—
County at Large	442 0 1	11 14 8	—
Loans	478 13 6	—	—
TOTALS, £	15408 6 7	65 7 4	—

(3) Road work may be said to be proceeding in a manner highly satisfactory—that we still keep 5 steam rollers in practically constant work from quarter to quarter rolling heavy sheetings of good macadam is, perhaps, the best indication that value is being obtained for the expenditure which only corresponds to the pre-war amount (when the decrease in the value of money is taken into account) that certainly did not maintain the roads in any way suitable for present day traffic. We have also this summer, out of our own revenue, renewed the tarring where necessary on all the trunk roads that have already been steam-rolled. This latter work, which is necessitated by constant motor traffic, should ob-

viously be charged as far as possible to the Motor Taxation Funds (which have not yet been distributed this year), and is perhaps of greater importance than steam rolling, as the capital cost sunk in the latter will be wasted if the road is not tarred. The life of ordinary steam rolling on a trunk road may now be said not to exceed two years, and the surface is unsatisfactory from dust and irregularities from the commencement. We have established in this county, however, that such roads steam rolled at a cost of about £1,000 per mile may be maintained in first-class condition for an indefinitely long period by properly tarring every two years on an average, at a cost of £100 per mile.

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(4) We have, this year, about £15,000 less than last year to spend on the roads, and at the same rate of wages cannot give employment to the same number.

(5) We have just received the new Traction Engine (which is readily convertible to a light steam roller) and it will commence work drawing stones from Boston Quarry to the bog road, Edenderry to Rathangan. There is, so far, no other suitable stone available for this road, and the distance is too great for economical horse haulage.

(6) Exceptionally good work is being done this year in the cleansing of the Drainage Districts, all of which have been arranged for.

I have the honour to remain,

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant

JOHN RORKE,
County Surveyor.

The County Surveyor also submitted a report relative to the erection of a house by the Club at Two-Mile-House, Naas, within the prescribed legal distance from the Public Road, when the following order was made:—"Shed to be removed so as to satisfy the law, and in order not to obstruct the view—Mr Rorke to point out where the shed can be erected."

(6814.)

ROAD CONTRACT.

A letter from Messrs. John Gorey and John Colmey respecting an agreement entered into by them with the County Surveyor for the repair and maintenance of part of the road from Rathangan to Philipstown, for one year, was read, and the Council ordered that the Agreement be continued for the period mentioned.

(6815.)

ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

Proposed by Mr. Hugh Colohan, seconded by Mr. James Cregan, and resolved:—"That we, the County Council of Kildare, call upon the Government to put the recommendations of the Reconstruction Commission that apply to the reconstruction and strengthening of the Trunk Roads into operation at once in order to relieve unemployment which is general throughout the country."

(6816.)

SECRETARY'S SALARY.

A letter dated 15th August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government referring to the proposed revision of the Secretary's salary, and suggesting that a proposal be formulated for the payment of a salary on an inclusive basis, was read, and the Council unanimously disapproved of the Ministry's suggestion and requested the Ministry to sanction the salary fixed by the Council.

(6817.)

DECREES FOR POOR RATE.

A letter dated 17th August, 1913, from Rate Collector J. A. O'Connor, stating that decrees obtained by him for non-payment of poor rate last year were not yet executed, was read, and the Council directed the Secretary to bring this matter under the notice of the Ministry of Local Government.

(6818.)

COMMITTEE TO SEAL BONDS.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—"That Messrs Colohan, Cregan and McCann be appointed a Committee to affix the Seal of the Council to the following documents:—Deeds of Mortgage to the Hibernian Bank for loans £10,000, £1,000, £900, Assessment Sheets for Drainage Districts of Baltracoy, Connell, Foranwell, Gorteen, Kildare, in the presence of the Council and during the progress of the Council Meeting."

(6819.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME.

The Secretary submitted the result of the special examination for University Scholarships, and as it appeared that Mr. Eugene Boland, Kildare, was the only successful candidate, having obtained honours in four subjects, the Council granted Mr. Boland a full scholarship pursuant to the terms of the Council's scheme. A report dated 25th July, 1923, from the Secretary, University College, as to the progress made by the County Kildare scholars for the Session 1922-23, it was decided to renew for a further year the scholarships awarded to Messrs. J. C. McKenna, M. B. Roche, Andrew Wright and M. P. Kealy.

Messrs. M. M. Quinlan, Naas, and J. C. Jones, Tipper, Naas, applied to have their scholarship extended for a fourth year in order to enable them to do the Higher Diploma in education, and the Council approved of same.

(6820.)

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

Pursuant to notice, it was proposed by Mr. Nicholas Hanagan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That the sum of £150 per annum be granted to Mr. Owen Boland, Ballykelly, Monasterevan, as superannuation allowance, consequent upon his retirement from the office of Collector of Poor Rate, as a result of permanent bodily infirmities, and that the allowance hereby granted be payable from 1st June, 1923."

The Secretary was directed to obtain the sanction of the Ministry to the payment of the above allowance."

(6821.)

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTORS.

Mr. J. C. Connolly, Curragh View, Kildare, being the only applicant for the position of Collector for No. 1 Collection District, it was proposed by Mr. Michael Smyth, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That Mr. J. C. Connolly, Curragh View, Kildare, be appointed collector of Poor Rate for No. 1 Collection District, pursuant to the terms of the Council's advertisement, and that Mr. J. Moore, Tully, and Mrs. Connolly be accepted as sureties in the sum of £3,000."

For the position of Collector of Poor Rate for No. 11 Collection District Mr. M. F. Shinkins, Martinstown, Curragh Camp, was the only applicant. Messrs. P. J. Breslin, Kildare; T. Downes, Longhouse, and M. J. Lennox, Myers-town, having withdrawn, it was proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Michael Hanagan, and resolved:—"That Mr. Michael F. Shinkins, Martinstown, Curragh Camp, be appointed Collector of Poor Rate for No. 11 Collection District pursuant to the Council's advertisement, and that Messrs. John Kelly, Pier House, Martinstown, Curragh, and T. J. Cunningham, Suncroft, Curragh Camp, be accepted as Sureties in the sum of £1,800."

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(6822.)

LOCAL ELECTIONS

A circular letter dated 2nd August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, stating that orders will be issued forthwith, postponing the Local Government Elections until next November, was read.

(6823.)

COLLECTOR MURPHY.

A letter dated 3rd August, 1923, from Mr. P. J. Murphy, Rate Collector for No. 2 Collection District, tendering his resignation of that position, was read, together with a sealed order dated 31st July, 1923, from the Minister of Local Government removing Mr. P. J. Murphy from the office of Rate Collector, when it was decided to accept Mr Murphy's resignation, and Mr. W. Watson handed in notice of motion for consideration at next meeting respecting the payment of superannuation allowances to Mr. Murphy.

(6824.)

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY RATE COLLECTOR.

Proposed by Major Dease, seconded by Mr. Patrick Phelan, and resolved:—"That Mr. Timothy Downes, Longhouse, Ballymore-Eustace, be appointed temporary collector of Poor Rate for No. 2 Collection District, in respect of the half-year ending 30th September, 1923, at the same remuneration as his predecessor, Mr. P. J. Murphy, and that Katherine Dwyer, Athgarret, Naas, and John Downes, Newtown, Naas, be accepted as sureties in the sum of £3,000."

(6825.)

SALARY OF TUBERCULOSIS OFFICER.

A letter dated 23rd May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, requesting sanction to the payment of the revised salary to Dr. Daly, Tuberculosis Officer, was read, and the Council granted Dr. Daly the full bonus payable under the Civil Service scale of bonuses, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Local Government.

(6826.)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S SALARY.

A letter dated 2nd August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, referring to the proposal of the Council to increase the salary of the County Surveyor, and stating that the Ministry will be prepared to consider this proposal when the general position and remuneration of the Surveyors throughout the Saorstát is under review, was read.

(6827.)

ADVANCED CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS.

A letter dated 21st July, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the acquisition of Athy Fever Hospital premises for the accommodation of advanced cases of Tuberculosis, and asking if the Council have any alternative proposal to offer, was read.

(6828.)

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION.

A letter dated 17th July, 1923, from Lieut. W. Scott, Kildare Barracks, respecting an alleged accident to his motor cycle while travelling on the public road at Newbridge, and applying for £788 compensation, was read, and the Secretary was directed to repudiate liability on behalf of the Council.

(6829.)

ASSISTANT SURVEYOR DOMICAN.

A letter dated 13th August, 1923, from Assistant Surveyor Domican, referring to the increase of salary granted him by the Council, and asking when he will receive payment at the increased rate, was read, and the Secretary stated that the Ministry of Local Government had not yet sanctioned this increase, when he was directed to write the Ministry on this matter again.

(6830.)

SIR ERNEST SHACKLETON, DECEASED.

A letter dated 23rd August, 1923, from the High Commissioner, New Zealand Government Offices, enclosing copy of a letter from Mrs. Kellett, a New Zealander, stating that she is desirous of presenting to the Kildare County Council Sir Ernest Shackleton's sledge harness, used in his trip farthest South, was read, when it was proposed by Mr. Hugh Colohan, seconded by Mr. James Cregan, and resolved:—"That the offer of Mrs. Kellett, through the High Commissioner, New Zealand Government Offices, be accepted and the Sledge Harness used by Sir Ernest Shackleton in his trip farthest South be handed over to the Museum of St. Thomas' College, Droichead Nua."

(6831.)

IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC ROAD.

Arising on the reading of a letter dated 23rd June, 1923, from Lady Albreda Bourke, Rosboro', Naas, it was proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, and resolved:—"That we, the members of the Kildare County Council, desire to convey to Lady Albreda Bourke our very best thanks for her generous action in making to this Council the free gift of her valuable lands for the purpose of improving the public road at Monread, Naas."

(6833.)

KILCULLEN-CARLOW ROAD.

A letter dated 25th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads' Department, stating that the Department cannot accept the proposal to include the above road in the scheme for the classification of roads, was read.

(6833.)

SUPERVISION OF MIDWIVES.

A circular letter dated 30th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, respecting the duties of the Council as Local Supervising Authority over midwives practising in the County, was read and referred to the County Board of Health.

(6834.)

PEAMOUNT SANATORIUM.

Arising on the reading of a letter dated 17th August, 1923, from the County Kildare Insurance Committee the Secretary was directed to ask the authorities at Peamount Sanatorium when it was proposed to reduce the present maintenance charge of £2 2s per head, per week, in view of the increased cost of living.

(6835.)

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

A letter dated 11th June 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, relative to the accident to Rate Collector Dunne and his claim for compensation under the above Act, and stating that in his opinion Mr. Dunne's action would be against the military, was read, and the matter referred to the Ministry of Defence.

(6836.)

SUPERANNUATION.

Applications from Messrs. M. E. Doyle, Athy, and F. Shortt, Celbridge, for superannuation owing to loss of office as Superintendent Registrars, were read, and the Council having recommended an allowance of £20 per annum to Mr. Doyle, and a sum of £10, per annum to Mr. Shortt, referred this matter to the County Board of Health for attention.

(6837.)

DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

A letter dated 26th May, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, stating that in his opinion the Council could not legally relinquish their right as the Drainage Authority over the Districts now in their jurisdiction, was read.

(6838.)

PERMISSION TO ERECT PETROL PUMP.

An application from Messrs. The Kildare Motor Co., for permission to erect a Petrol Pump adjoining the public road at Kileullen, was read, together with a similar application from Mr. John Kennedy for the erection of a Petrol Pump at Kildare, when the necessary permission was granted, subject to the sanction of the County Surveyor.

(6839.)

MOTOR CAR REGULATIONS.

Reports from the Civic Guard respecting the use of a motor cycle by Thomas Ledwith at Maynooth, and a motor car by Thomas Conlan at Ballindoolin without the prescribed licences was read, and the Secretary stated that these vehicles had now been licensed.

(6840.)

TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE.

A letter dated 15th June, 1923, from the Secretary, County Kildare Technical Instruction Department, respecting the appointment of Rev. M. Fogarty as a member of the County Technical Instruction Committee, was read.

(6841.)

ATHY COURTHOUSE.

A letter dated 14th June, 1923, from the Town Clerk, Athy, suggesting the desirability of restoring at the earliest date, the destroyed Courthouse premises in Athy, was read, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the work of restoration cannot be commenced pending the payment of compensation awarded.

A letter dated 19th June, 1923, from the Town Clerk, Athy, suggesting the advisability of building a Civic Guard Barrack on the vacant ground adjoining Athy Courthouse, was read.

(6842.)

CURRAGH SHEEP DIPPING.

Returns relative to the Curragh Summer Dipping of sheep at Ballymanny Sheep Dipping Station, were submitted.

(6843.)

RATHANGAN POUND.

A letter dated 19th June, 1923, from the Chief Superintendent, Civic Guard, Naas, requesting that the Pound at Rathangan be repaired, was read, and the matter was referred to the County Surveyor.

(6844.)

VACANCY ON SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

Following the consideration of a letter dated 30th June, 1923, from the Secretary, Athy Dispensary District School Attendance Committee, the Council appointed Rev. M. Kinnane, C.C., Athy, a member of the committee in room of Rev. Father O'Rourke, resigned.

(6845.)

ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

A letter dated 13th August, 1923, from the Town Clerk, Athy, enclosing particulars of road improvement works carried out on the Woodstock Road, and asking the Council to make application to the Roads' Department for a grant in aid of the cost, was read, when the Secretary was directed to make the desired application.

(6846.)

REMOVAL OF SHEEP FROM THE CURRAGH.

Arising on the reading of a letter dated 18th August, 1923, from the Superintendent, Ballymanny Sheep Dipping Station, the Council fixed the following dates for the removal of sheep from the Curragh Greenlands, viz., 31st August, 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th September, 5th and 12th October, 1923.

(6847.)

COMMITTEES' REPORTS.

The Secretary stated he had received no report from the County Committee of Agriculture, respecting the disqualification of members through non-attendance at meetings. He also reported that he received no reports from the School Attendance Officers or from the Veterinary Inspectors for the quarter ended June, 1923.

(6848.)

DATES FOR CHECKING COLLECTORS' ACCOUNTS.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. James Cregan, and resolved:—That the following dates be appointed for the checking of the Rate Collectors' accounts for the half-year ending 31st. March, 1924:—(see page 6).

(6849.)

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS.

A return showing the number of diseases reported in the County under the provisions of the Diseases of Animals Acts, was submitted.

(6850.)

POISONS & PHARMACY ACT, 1908.

An application from Mr. J. J. Byrne, Kilmoghan, Kileullen, for a licence under above Act, was submitted and approved.

(6811.)

MALICIOUS INJURY CLAIMS.

A return giving particulars of claims for malicious injuries received since last meeting of the Council, was submitted.

(6852.)

LUNACY (IRELAND) ACT.

A letter dated 1st June, 1923, from the Dublin County Council, enclosing resolution respecting the increase of Insanity in Ireland, and urging that a Pathological Laboratory for research in connection with insanitary and nervous diseases be established under above Act, was read and approved.

(6853.)

COUNTY ANALYST'S REPORT.

The following report from the County Analyst, copy of which had been sent to each member, was taken as read

DATES APPOINTED FOR CHECKING OF RATE COLLECTORS ACCOUNTS.

RURAL DISTRICT	NAME OF COLLECTOR	HALF-YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1924.						Day of the Week.	Place appointed for Checking Accounts.
		1923 OCTOBER	1923 NOVEMBER	1923 DECEMBER	1924 JANUARY	1924 FEBRUARY	1924 MARCH		
ATHY No. 1	JOHN C. CONNOLLY	2nd, 16th, 30th	13th and 27th	11th & 27th	8th and 22nd	5th and 20th	4th & 18th	TUESDAY	BOARDROOM, ATHY No. 1 DISTRICT COUNCIL
Do.	TIMOTHY DOWNES	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	ROBERT GANNON	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	JOSEPH A. O'CONNOR	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
CELBRIDGE No. 1	MICHAEL STAPLETON	8th and 22nd	5th and 19th	3rd, 17th, 31st	14th and 28th	11th and 25th	10th and 24th	MONDAY	BOARDROOM, CELBRIDGE No. 1 DISTRICT COUNCIL.
Do.	FRANCIS J. FIELD	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	LUKE P. DEMPSEY	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
EDENDERRY No. 2	HENRY KEARNS	5th and 19th	2nd, 16th, 30th	14th and 28th	11th and 25th	8th and 22nd	7th and 21st	FRIDAY	BOARDROOM, EDENDERRY No. 2 DISTRICT COUNCIL.
Do.	SIMON MALONE	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
NAAS No. 1	THOMAS SAMMON	12th and 26th	9th and 23rd	7th and 21st	4th and 18th	1st, 15th, 29th	14th & 28th	Do.	BOARDROOM, NAAS No. 1 RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.
Do.	MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM...	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	P. J. DUNNE	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	MICHAEL SHINKINS	5th and 19th	2nd, 16th, 30th	14th and 28th	11th and 25th	8th and 22nd	7th & 21st	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	PATRICK DOWNEY...	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	JOHN CONFREY	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	Do. Do.
Do.	JOSEPH HEADON	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	Do.	" "

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Public Health Laboratory,
University College,
Earlsfort Place,
Dublin,

10th July, 1923.

Report on work done for Kildare County Council for quarter ended 30th June, 1923:—

DRUGS—

26 Samples of Drugs examined, 24 found to be correct, two not genuine. They were (1) Tinct Eodi Nitie from Athy Dispensary which was deficient in alcohol. (2) Syr. Perri Phos Pruin et Strych, from Monasterevan, which had its alkaloids precipitated.

WATERS—

2 Samples examined—One, Borcharhard, Naas, suffering from sewage contamination. One, Celbridge. A good water.

BUTTER—

11 Samples of butter examined, received through D.A.T.I., all found to be correct.

JOHN KEANE,

Per P. N. R.

(6854.)

REGISTRATION EXPENSES.

An application from the County Registration Officer for payment of £1,000 in connection with the preparation of Register of Electors for the current year, was read, approved and payment ordered.

(6855.)

TELEPHONE EXTENSION.

A letter dated 16th August, 1923, from the County Surveyor asking the Council to grant permission for an extension of the telephone from the Secretary's office to his Department. The quarterly rent being only 11s 3d, was read and the Council directed that the necessary extension be made.

(6856.)

BALLYMANNY ROAD.

Correspondence from the Council's Solicitor and from the County Surveyor respecting bill of costs due to Mr. Taylor's Solicitors for preparation of Deed of Conveyance of land for road improvement purposes, was read, and the Council approved of the payment of £14 in full discharge providing the Ministry of Local Government sanctioned payment without having the bill of costs taxed.

(6857.)

CORRESPONDENCE.**OFFICIAL.**

Cons. No.	Reg No.	SUBJECT.
1	23279	A letter dated 14th May, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture, enclosing list of approved names for use in connection with Margarine, was read.
2	23305	A circular dated 18th May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the Damage to Property (Compensation) Act, 1923, was read.
3	23417	A letter dated 28th May, 1923, from the Ministry of Education, approving of Secondary Schools' Scholarships' Scheme, was read.
4	23454	A letter dated 31st May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, acknowledging receipt of letter relative to resignations of Collectors Owen Boland and E Heffernan, was read.
5	23356	Sealed Order from the Ministry of Local Government, defining area of charge for water supply at Lowtown, was submitted.
6	23356	Sealed Order, dated 31st May, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government defining area of charge for water supply at Milemill, was submitted.
7	23357	Sealed order, dated 18th May, 1923, from Ministry of Local Government, defining area of charge for water supply at Cadamstown, was submitted.
8	23368	Auditor's Report and Abstract of Accounts of Athy Union for period ended September, 1922, was read.
8a	23459	A letter dated 31st May, 1923, from Ministry of Education re arrangements for Secondary Scholarship examination was read.
9	23471	A circular dated 1st June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to payment of Prosecutors' and Witnesses' expenses was read.
10	23372	A letter dated 1st June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, approving of appointment of Dr. W. P. Murphy, Naas, as substitute for Dr. Daly, Tuberculosis Officer, during the illness of the latter.
11	23486	A letter dated 4th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the acquisition of Athy Fever Hospital premises for treatment of chronic cases of Tuberculosis, was read.
12	23514	A letter dated 6th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government stating that a paying order for £632, was being lodged to the credit of the Council in aid of the treatment of tuberculosis, was read.
13	23534	A letter dated 6th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of payment of poundage fees to Rate Collectors, was read.
14	23549	A circular dated 9th June, 1923, enclosing forms of return for completion giving statistical information, was read.

Cons	No.	(8)	SUBJECT
	23574		A letter dated 13th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, sanctioning payment of irrecoverable arrears of poor rate to Collectors, was read.
18	23609		A letter dated 18th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, sanctioning loan of £1,000 for road improvement works in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District, was read.
17	23610		A letter dated 16th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of the appointment of Mr. A. S. Dunne as Deputy for Rate Collector P. J. Dunne, was read.
18	23613		A letter dated 19th June, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture, stating that samples of butter obtained at Naas, Athy and Kildare were submitted to the Public Analyst and certified to be pure, was read.
19	23633		A letter dated 21st June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the payment of compensation to Poor Law Officers, was read.
20	23651		A letter dated 22nd June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads' Department, approving of loan to Assistant Surveyor Domican for purchase of a motor car, was read.
21	23673		A letter dated 26th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Agriculture, acknowledging receipt of resolution, re afforestation, was read.
22	23683		A letter dated 26th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, approving of loan of £900 for purchase of new steam motor tractor, was read.
23	23687		A letter dated 27th June, 1923, from the Valuation Department, relative to revision of Poor Law Valuation, was read.
24	23688		A letter dated 27th June, 1923, from Ministry of Local Government, sanctioning loan of £10,000 on behalf of the County Board of Health, was read.
25	23689		A letter dated 27th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the acquisition of Athy Fever Hospital for treatment of advanced cases of Tuberculosis, was read.
26	23704		A letter dated 28th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, approving of payment of poundage fees to Collector J. A. O'Connor, was read.
27	23705		A letter dated 28th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, approving of loan to Assistant Surveyor Hurley for purchase of a motor car, was read.
28	23707		A letter dated 28th June, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, enclosing Auditor's Report and Abstracts of Accounts for year ended March, 1923, was read.
29	23757		A circular dated 5th July, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (Restrictions) Act, 1923, was read.
30	23783		Sealed Order dated 5th July, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, defining areas of charge in connection with water supply at Kilkullen, Kildare, Robertstown and Kiimeague, was submitted.
31	23749a		A letter dated 3rd July, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government asking for a copy of the minutes of the meeting at which Mr Patrick O'Carroll was appointed Junior Clerk, by the Council, was read.
32	23759		A letter, dated 4th July, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the salary of the County Surveyor, was read.
33	23767		A letter dated 6th July, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, asking to be supplied with list of all damaged and destroyed court-houses in the County, was read.
34	23872		A letter dated 26th July, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, enclosing duplicate scheme of Polling Districts and Polling Places, which has been duly confirmed by the Minister, was read.
35	23999		A letter dated 1st August, 1923, from the Minister of Local Government, acknowledging agreements entered into by the County Council with the Governors of Dr Steven's Hospital, the Governors of University College, Dublin, and Trinity College, Dublin, and the counterpart of the agreement entered into with the Royal College of Surgeons, was read.
36	23901		A Memorandum from the Ministry of Local Government, requesting that all Paying Orders for Renewal Premiums should be made out in the names of the Insurance Companies, was read.
37	24014		A letter dated 3rd August, 1923, from the Ministry of Finance, enclosing list of persons to whom compensation is about to be paid and requesting to know if the persons named have discharged all liabilities in respect of Poor Rates to date, was read.
38	23321		A letter dated 17th May, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, relative to removal of broken stone by John Murray, and stating that the latter had left the County Kildare, was read.
39	23334		A circular letter from the Secretary, Land League, relative to Unpurchased Tenants, was read.
40	23427		A circular dated 25th May, 1923, from the Clerk, Rathdown Board of Guardians, relative a political peace, was read.
41	23528		A letter dated 7th June, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, reporting his attendance at the Local Government Inquiry at Athy County Home, was read.

- 42 23671 A letter dated 13th June, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, reporting his attendance at Castledermot District Court, where Thomas Lawler, Castleroe, was fined for a breach of the Sheep Scab Order, was read.
- 43 23766 A circular letter, dated 5th July, 1923, from the Secretary, Waterford County Council, relative to treatment of Political Prisoners, was read.
- 44 23912 A letter dated 23rd July, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, enclosing Draft Deeds of Charge to the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., for £1,000 and £10,000 approved of, was read.
- 45 23913 A letter dated 23rd July, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, enclosing Agreement in duplicate between the Council and Mr. Domican, was read.
- 46 23914 A letter dated 23rd July, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, relative to instructions received to Proceed against Rate Collector P. J. Murphy, was read.
- 47 23915 A letter dated 23rd July, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, relative to attendance at Boardroom, Naas, on 21st instant, at inquiry held by the Local Government Inspector, in reference to the apportionment of the Assets and Liabilities of the late Naas Union as between the Counties of Kildare and Wicklow, was read.
- 48 23330 A letter dated 25th July, 1923, from Hibernian Insurance Co., relative to compensation payable to P. Byrne, a labourer, who met with an accident while in the employment of the Council, was read.
- 49 23693 A letter dated 26th July, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, relative to attendance at Celbridge, at inquiry held by Local Government Inspector in reference to the assets and liabilities of the late Celbridge Union, was read.
- 50 23965 A letter dated 27th July, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, enclosing cheque received from Mr. P. J. Murphy, for £632 17s. 6d., was read.
- 51 23984 A letter dated 27th July, 1923, from R. Wilson, Esq., Rathdrum, relative to eviction of James Bourke, Sallins, was read.
- 52 23776 A letter dated 7th July, 1923, from Hibernian Insurance Co., relative to accidents to A. Donohoe and P. Byrne, was read.
- 53 24025 A letter dated 3rd August, 1923, from Hibernian Insurance Co., relative to accident to Denis Flood, was read.
- 54 24027 A letter dated 7th August, 1923, from Messrs. Duthie, Large and Co., Ltd., Athy, relative to payment for Chevrolet Car, ordered by Mr. Hurley, Assistant Engineer to the Council, was read.

W. Mansfield
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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 29th August, 1923.

(a):

Present—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Patrick Phelan, Hugh Colohan and Philip Grogan.

(5497.)

SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Secretary submitted the result of the recent examination, from which it appeared that Messrs. Ernest Delaney, Grangebeg, Dunlavin; T. M. Shiel, Ballyroe, Athy, and James Fox, Athy, were the only three out of the eight candidates who sat at the examination, to qualify for scholarships, and after consideration it was decided to award Scholarships to Messrs. Delaney, Shiel, and Fox, in accordance with the terms of the Council's Scheme.

(5498.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. Patrick Domican, Assistant Surveyor, applied for and was granted a fortnight's leave of absence.

(5409.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME

A letter dated 21st July, 1923, from the County Surveyor, stating that the funds available will not permit of the same number of men as have been recently engaged in Kilcullen district, being continuously employed throughout the year, was read.

(5500.)

TWO-MILE-HOUSE CLUB.

With regard to the report of the County Surveyor to the Council at their last Meeting, in connection with the erection of a house adjoining the public road at Two-Mile-House, Mr. S. J. Brown, Solicitor, and a deputation from the above Club attended

before the meeting with reference to the order of the Council requiring the house in question to be removed, and after considerable discussion the members of the Deputation undertook to satisfy the County Surveyor regarding the piling and fencing to be erected around the house.

(5501.)

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE

A letter dated 25th August, 1923 from the Ministry of Local Government referring to the temporary employment of Mr Patrick O'Callaghan in the Accountant's Office, and stating that the vacancy should be filled at once, was read, and the matter referred to the County Council—Mr. O'Callaghan's employment to be continued at the rate of £3 per week, pending the Council's decision.

(5502.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF CO SURVEYOR

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

	£	s	d
Maintenance of works in Athy No. 1 Rural District	551	16	11
Maintenance of works in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	303	8	4
Maintenance of works in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	104	9	5
Maintenance of works in Naas No. 1 Rural District	262	13	11
Working Expenses—Steamrollers, Etc.	62	10	0
Working expenses County at Large	1,783	10	9
Expenditure under Arts. 22 and 24 Procedure Councils' Order.	145	0	0

Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee, held 12th September, 1923.

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (presiding); Philip Grogan, Mark Carroll, Michael Smyth, Nicholas Travers, William Mahon, Patrick Dooley and James Cregan.

(5503.)

RATE COLLECTION.

An application from the Rate Collectors for an extension of time to close their current collections, was read and adjourned to next meeting.

(5504.)

LIFFEY POWER STATION.

A letter dated 4th September, 1923, from the Engineer, City of Dublin Electricity Department, inviting delegates to attend conference in Dublin on the 17th instant, in connection with above scheme, was read, when it was proposed by Mr. William Mahon, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved—"That Messrs. Mark Carroll and D. J. Purcell, Naas, and Mr. L. J. Fullam, Deputy County Surveyor, be appointed delegates to attend Conference."

(5505.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

Application from Mr. Philip Grogan for use of the Kildare Courthouse, on 29th inst., for a Dance, was read and approved, and a similar application for the use of the Sessions Room, on Wednesday and Saturday Nights, for the purpose of holding Practice Dances was also granted subject to the usual conditions.

(5506.)

INSURANCE OF MOTOR LORRY.

A quotation for the comprehensive insurance of the Council's motor lorry at £10 per annum, was accepted, from the Hibernian Insurance Co.

(5507.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME.

A letter from Mr. Eugene Boland, stating that, with the consent of the Council, he did not intend to avail of the Scholarship awarded him until next year, was read, and the Committee recommended the approval of this application to the Council.

(5507.)

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

Applications for payment from the 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 works in Athy No. 1 Rural District	500	3	1
Maintenance of works in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	391	8	11
Maintenance of works in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	99	5	3
Maintenance of works in Naas No. 1 Rural District	523	2	7
Maintenance of works County at Large	202	14	0
Working expenses—Steamrollers	71	0	0

(5508.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS' SCHEME

The usual requisition having been handed in the Committee decided that a special meeting of the Council be held on Wednesday, the 26th September, 1923, to consider the question of granting University Scholarships to Messrs. T. Maher and D. Candy, Athy, who were candidates at the recent scholarship examination.

(5509.)

ASSISTANT SURVEYOR DOMICAN.

A letter dated 7th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the payment of a bonus in accordance with the Civil Service scale of bonuses to Mr. Patrick Domican, Assistant County Surveyor, was read, when it was ordered that the bonus be paid to Mr. Domican since 1st April last.

(5510.)

DIRECT LABOUR.

Mr. Philip Grogan raised the question of the discharge of the temporary men engaged on road work, and Mr. L. J. Fullam, Deputy County Surveyor, stated that the funds available were limited and unless the temporary hands were discharged now, it would not be possible to retain the services of the permanent staff owing to lack of funds.

Adjourned.

COMHARLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held 26th September 1923

Present:- Messrs Patrick Phelan (Presiding), Patrick Dooley, William Mahon, Christopher Supple, James Gegan, Nicholas Hanagan, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, Michael Smyth, Philip Grogan, Nicholas Travers and Major W. G. Dease.

(5511).
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 works in Athy No.1, Rural District.	£608 : 13 : 3.
; " Celbridge No.1, Rural District.	£334 : 8 : 10.
" " Edenderry No.2, " "	91 : 8 : 2.
" " Naas No.1, Rural District.	£484 : 13 : 10.
" " County at large.	£240 : 11 : 5.
Working expenses - Steamrollers &c.	£235 : 3 : 4.

(5512).
ASSISTANT SURVEYOR DOMICAN.

Following the consideration of correspondence from the Ministry of Local Government and from Mr. Patrick Domican, Assistant County Surveyor, it was proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Christopher Supple and resolved:- "That Mr. Domican be allowed a bonus according to the Civil Service Scale - the payment thereof to date from August 1920."

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA

Minutes of Special Meeting of County Council held on 26th September, 1923.

Present:—Messrs. Patrick Dooley, William Mahon, Christopher Supple, Partick Phelan, James Oregan, Nicholas Hanagan, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, Michael Smyth, Philip Grogan, Nicholas Travers and Major W. G. Dease.

(6858.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

On the motion of Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Nicholas Travers, Mr. Patrick Phelan was appointed Chairman of the Meeting.

(6859.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

Pursuant to notice, it was proposed by Mr. William Mahon, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—That the two Scholarships under the Council's University Scheme for 1923, which are now available be awarded to Messrs. Thomas Maher and Denis Candy, Athy, who were candidates at the Special Examination, and that all resolutions to the contrary be rescinded."

(6860.)

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

A letter dated 19th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, refusing to sanction the allowance of £150 per annum, pension, to ex-Rate Collector Owen Boland, and stating that the normal pension would amount to £69 10s 9d, was read, when the following order was made:—"That this Council considers Mr. Boland's services

were very meritorious, and consequently we would ask the Ministry to sanction the full pension allowed by the Council.

(6861.)

REGISTRATION EXPENSES.

The account of the Registration Officer for expenses incurred in connection with the preparation of the Register of Electors for the current year, was submitted, and after discussion approved, and the following order was made by the Council:—"That Rate Collectors and other Officers concerned be warned that in future unless a more correct Register be prepared no payments will be made by this Council."

(6862.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

An application from the Secretary I.T. and G.W.U., Rathangan, for payment of one-half day's wages due to men engaged on maintenance work on the Rathangan River was read and referred to the County Surveyor.

(6863.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE

An application from Mr. A. Fitzpatrick for the use of Kildare Courthouse for the purpose of holding a dance on the 6th October, 1923, was read and approved, subject to the usual conditions.

Adjourned.

W Fitzsimons
26/9/23

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 10th October, 1923.

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Present—Messrs. Michael Smyth (presiding), Mark Carroll, Philip Grogan, Thomas Harris and Michael Fitzsimons.

(8513.)

RATE COLLECTOR SHINKINS.

A letter dated 6th October, 1923, from Mr. Michael Shinkins, substituting the name of Mr. Peter Brennan, Martinstown, Curragh Camp, as surety in lieu of Mr. Cunningham, was read and approved.

(8514.)

ASSISTANT SURVEYOR O'CONNOR.

Sealed Order dated 1st October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, removing Mr. A. J. O'Connor, Assistant Co. Surveyor, from office, was read, and after discussion, it was decided to call a special meeting of the Council for the 17th instant, to consider this matter—the necessary requisition having been signed and handed to the Secretary.

(8515.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

The following orders were made by the Committee:—"That we recommend to Mr. Rorke that Peter Conway, a road worker in Kildare, who has been released from internment be reinstated on Co. Council work."

"That the County Surveyor be asked to communicate with the Postmaster General with a view to making arrangements for the taking down of telegraph wires on the Athgarvan-Kilcullen road, in order that the boughs of overhanging trees may be cut down."

(8516.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

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

	£	s	d
Maintenance of works in Athy			
No. 1 Rural District	509	9	11
Maintenance of works in Celbridge			
No. 1 Rural District	273	10	7
Maintenance of works in Edenderry			
No. 2 Rural District	139	7	2
Maintenance of works in Naas			
No. 1 Rural District	604	19	10
Maintenance of works County at Large	183	2	1
Expenses—Steamrollers, etc.	195	1	2

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Special Meeting of County Council held on 17th October, 1923.

Present—Messrs. Christopher Supple, Joseph Cusack, James Cregan, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, Thomas Harris, Hugh Colohan, Michael Smyth and Philip Grogan.

(6864.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

Proposed by Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That Mr. Michael Fitzsimons be appointed Chairman of this Meeting."

(6865.)

ASSISTANT SURVEYOR A. J. O'CONNOR.

Sealed Order dated 1st October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, removing Mr. A. J. O'Connor from the office of Assistant County Surveyor, having been read and considered, it was proposed by Joseph Cusack, seconded by Mr. Michael Smyth, and resolved:—"That we, the Kildare County Council, protest against the Sealed Order from the Ministry of Local Government, removing Mr. A. J. O'Connor from the office of Assistant County Surveyor, and that we demand his immediate release in order that he can resume his duties, as in our opinion it is the wish of the people of this County that he be retained in office."

It was decided to retain the services of Mr. H. Hackett, as temporary Assistant County Surveyor, pending the resumption of duties by Mr. A. J. O'Connor.

(6866.)

POLITICAL PRISONERS.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Carroll, and resolved:—"That this Council demand the immediate release of all the political prisoners, including the 500 at present on hunger strike in Mountjoy and prevent further loss of life. That we fail to see why they should be still held as the country is at peace, unless it be that the Free State Government is afraid to meet them constitutionally, and wish to provoke further conflict."

"That we condemn in the strongest possible manner the brutal murder of Mr. Noel Lemass, whose decomposed body was found on the hillside, and we demand that no efforts be spared to bring the murderers to justice, and that we respectfully tender to his bereaved parents and relatives our deepest sympathy."

The Council ordered that copies of the foregoing resolution be sent to Miss MacSwiney, the Minister for Home Affairs, the Governor General, Members of the Dail for County Kildare, and the parents of the late Mr. Noel Lemass.

(6867.)

ERECTION OF TELEGRAPH POLES, ETC.

Applications for permission to erect over ground telegraphic lines in the townlands of Rathangan and Levittstown were submitted and approved subject to the sanction of the County Surveyor.

An application from Mr. T. Rooney for permission to erect a Petrol Pump on foot path at Celbridge, was read and granted, subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

(6868.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

An application from Mr. A. Fitzpatrick for the use of the Kildare Courthouse on 31st October, 1923, for the purposes of a dance, was read, together with a further application from the Secretary, Kildare Band Committee for the use of Kildare Courthouse on two nights each week for musical rehearsals, when the Council granted both applications subject to the usual conditions.

(6869.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

The following order was made by the Council:—"That the County Surveyor be asked to enquire into the dismissal of Michael Doran, a road worker in the Castledermot district, and the Overseer's reason for so doing."

Adjourned.

W. Fitzsimons
26/11/23

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held 24th October 1923.

Present:- Messrs Patrick Phelan (Presiding), Michael Fitzsimons, Mark Carroll, Henry Fay, James Cregan, Nicholas Travers and Major W. J. Dease.

(6870).

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 works in Athy No. 1, Rural District.	499	7	4
" " " " Crlbridge No.1, Rural Dist.,	260	14	8
" " " " Edenderry No.2, " "	184	5	6
" " " " Naas No. 1, Rural District.	634	6	4
" " " " Co. at Large.	202	12	1
Workingexpenses - Steamrollers.	169	9	6.
Expdt. Arts. 22 & 24, Procedure Councils Order.	298	6	0.

A letter from the County Surveyor relative to the dismissal of an employee named Michael Doran in the Castledermot Section, was read, and approved.

(6871).
RATE COLLECTION.

An application from the Rate Collectors for a further extension of time to close their collection warrants, was read and consideration adjourned until next meeting of the Committee.

Michael Fitzsimons

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

:(o):

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of Proposal Committee held on 7th November, 1923.

Owing to the Dock Strike the Rollers for new Steam Tractor, which is required now on the Bog Road and Canal Bridges at Derrymullen have not yet been delivered. Meanwhile it is employed in haulage work.

No. 4 Roller is at present having the new fire box fitted, and I have just accepted a tender for the same work on the No. 3 Roller.

Your obedient servant,

JOHN RORKE,

County Surveyor.

(6874.)

PROPOSALS FOR NEW WORKS.

The County Surveyor's recommendations as to Proposals for New Works were submitted and dealt with as follows

To erect new Store in Naas Courthouse Yard for storage of implements and housing Ford Lorry. Approved at £150.

(6875.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

Payments from 1 to 35 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 February, 1924, by Special Treasurer's Advice Notes.

All other payments, as per the Chairman's copy, were approved.

(6876.)

ADJOURNED MEETING.

It was ordered that the Adjourned Quarterly Meeting be held on Wednesday, 21st inst., at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of considering tenders.

Adjourned.

Present—Messrs. Michael Smyth (presiding), Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons and Philip Grogan.

(6872.)

MINUTES.

Minutes of Meeting of Committee held 1st and 15th August, 1923, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

(6873.)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

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

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—

As regards the manner in which Assistant Surveyors have carried out the duties imposed upon them by the Direct Labour Scheme during the past half-year—

Mr. Hurley—Gives 63 Reports of Inspections on Direct Labour Roads.

Mr. Hackett Gives 74 Reports of Inspections on Direct Labour Roads.

Mr. Domican—Gives 85 Reports of Inspection on Direct Labour Roads.

Mr. Quinn—Gives 45 Reports of Inspections on Direct Labour Roads X 84.

Returns of Measurement of Materials.

Mr. Fullam—Gives 96 Reports of Inspections on Direct Labour Roads X 21 Returns of Measurement of Materials.

Of above inspections Mr. Hackett records that 2 were early morning, and Mr. Domican that 4 were early morning, while Mr. Fullam records 4 early morning inspections, and as well, 31 inspections of Direct Labour Gangs employed on Drainage Rivers.

The only application before you at this Meeting is that provisionally adopted at last Meeting for the erection of a Store-house in Naas Courthouse Yard.

All the County Machinery has been at work during the Quarter and each item has given satisfaction except the Fordson Tractor, which for some reasons, which I am still endeavouring to find out, has several times required to be overhauled and new bearings fitted.

Michael Fitzsimons

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 7th November, 1923.

—: (o): —

Present—Messrs. Michael Smyth (presiding), Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons and Philip Grogan.

(6877.)

MINUTES.

Minutes of Meetings held on 1st August, 1923, were read, confirmed and signed.

(6878.)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT.

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

(6879.)

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.

(6880.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts, including Subsidiary Account, for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1923, 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.

(6881.)

EXPENSES UNDER EDUCATION ACT

Applications for payment for 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 John May, Postage	0	1	6
To Fintan Brennan, Legal Expenses	0	15	0
To Messrs. Sealy, Bryers and Walker, Books, etc.	0	9	0
To Joseph A. O'Connor, Postage	0	2	3
To Joseph A. O'Connor, Postage	0	1	1
To Mrs. Maggie Kane, Cleaning Room	0	10	0

(6882.)

RATE COLLECTION.

A return showing the condition of the collection of poor rate for the period ended 6th instant was submitted.

(6883.)

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 Subsidiary Account, as follows:—

Maintenance of Works in Athy			
No. 1 Rural District	462	1	1
Maintenance of roads in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	320	17	1
Maintenance of roads in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	188	17	4
Maintenance of roads in Naas No. 1 Rural District	579	18	6
Maintenance of County Steam-rollers, etc.	129	6	11
Expenditure under Arts. 22 and 24 Procedure of Council's Order	1036	17	5

(6884.)

RATE COLLECTORS.

An application from the Rate Collectors for a further extension of time to close their collections for the half-year ended September, 1923, was read, and after consideration it was decided subject to the sanction of the Ministry, to extend the time for the closing of these accounts up to the 24th instant, except in the cases of the newly appointed Collectors, namely Messrs. Shinkins and Downes.

(6885.)

VACANCY IN RATE COLLECTORSHIP.

The Committee having considered whether any and what alterations should be made in the duties and salary of the office of Rate Collector for No. 2 Collection District, report to the Council as follows:—"The Committee recommend that one person be appointed Collector of Poor Rate No. 2 Collection District, comprising the Electoral Divisions of Athy Rural, Belan, Bert, Burtown, Churchtown, Grangemellon, Kilberry, Kilkea and Moone. The person to be appointed to be paid by fees at the rate of 8d in the £ on the amount of his warrant from time to time, provided one-fourth of the sum included in his warrant is lodged to the

credit of the Council not later than 31st July and 31st December in each year, and in the event of the Collector failing to have the prescribed sum lodged to the Council's credit on either of the dates mentioned, the fees will then be payable at the reduced rate of 6d in the £ in respect of that particular half-year, the person to be appointed shall give security with two solvent sureties in the sum of £3,000 for the due performance of the duties of the office."

(6886.)

COLLECTOR DOWNES.

The Committee recommend—"That the temporary appointment of Mr. T. Downes, as Collector of Poor Rate for No. 2 Collection District be extended in respect of the collection of the second moiety of rates for the half-year ending 31st March, 1924, and that the permanent appointment of Rate Collector be made at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held in February, 1924."

(6887.)

OFFICIALS' SALARIES.

Arising on the reading of a letter dated 2nd November, 1923, from Mr. J. Rorke, County Surveyor, relative to his salary, the Committee made the following recommendation:—"That the Finance Committee recommend that the Ministry of Local Government sanction the salaries granted by the Council to Mr. J. Rorke, County Surveyor; Mr. W.E. Coffey, Secretary, and Mr. P. Domican, Assistant County Surveyor."

(6888.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

Messrs. Michael Hall and Michael Harrison attended before the Meeting and complained that they as carters were not getting a fair share of work on the roads in Monasterevan District, and after discussion it was decided to adjourn the matter until next meeting, the County Surveyor in the meantime to prepare a return showing the number of days worked by each carter in the Monasterevan district since 1st April last, and the Secretary was directed to request the attendance of Road Overseer Kenny at the meeting in question.

Mr. M. Farrell, Bullockpark, Naas, applied for payment of £7, being the cost of repairing his cart, which was damaged by a tree which fell upon it when the cart was being used in the haulage of road material for the Council.

After consideration the Committee recommended payment of this sum, subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government being obtained to the payment.

(6889.)

A letter dated 5th November, 1923, from Mr. E. Cranny, relative to the sub-letting of roads to old contractors was read.

(6890.)

UNION AMALGAMATION SCHEME.

Correspondence from the Clerk, County Board of Health, enclosing the claims of retired Union Officers for pensions and gratuities under above scheme, for attention by the Council, was submitted and the following order was made thereon:—"That the salary and gratuity be paid to Nurse Whelan and the other claimants on condition that these claims were approved by the Council's solicitor."

(6891.)

COLLECTOR DEMPSEY.

The Secretary reported that a cheque for £801 8s 1d., received from Rate Collector L. P. Dempsey, to close his collection account up to the 31st October, 1923, had been returned by the Bank endorsed "referred to drawer."

The Secretary also reported that he had sent a telegram and letter to M. Dempsey on this matter and a letter dated 6th November, 1923, from Mr. Dempsey, stating he had made the necessary arrangements with the Bank for payment of his cheque, was read, when the Committee decided to take no action in this matter provided the cheque was duly paid by the bank on or before the 9th instant.

(6892.)

SURVEYOR'S TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

The Committee approved of the payment of travelling expenses to the County and Assistant County Surveyors for the quarter ended 30th September, 1923, and ordered that similar payments be made for the period ending 31st December next—the question of the continuance of these payments to be discussed at next Quarterly Meeting of the Committee.

Adjourned.

Check of submissions

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE GHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Adjourned Quarterly Meeting of Proposal Committee held 21st November 1923.

Present:- Messrs Michael Smyth (Presiding), Michael Fitzsimons, Mark Carroll and Philip Grogan.

(6893).
NEW WORKS.

To erect New Store in Naas Courthouse Yard, for storage of Implements and housing Ford Lorry - £150. No Tender received.

W Fitzsimons

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 21st November, 1923.
(o):

Present:—Messrs. Michael Smyth (Presiding), Michael Fitzsimons, Philip Grogan, and Mark Carroll

(6894.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

The Committee made the following order:—"That the County Surveyor make an inspection of the road leading from Kavanagh's Cross to Blackrath known as Lurg Lane, and to call upon the responsible parties to have same put into proper repair."

A letter, dated 19th November, 1923, from Overseer Michael Kenny, referring to the complaint of Messrs. Michael Hall and Michael Harrison, carters in the Monasterevan Section, in connection with their not having got a fair supply of work, and stating that all arrangements for haulage work were carried out by the I.T. & G.W. Union and not by him, was read, and a return prepared by the County Surveyor showing the number of days worked by each Carter in Monasterevan having been considered, the Committee decided that Messrs. Hall and Harrison had no grievance.

An application, dated 16th November, 1923, from the Secretary, I.T. & G.W. Union for payment of 5/- alleged to be due to Patrick Fox, Droichead Nua, for work done on behalf of the Council on the 30th June, 1923, was read and the Committee having heard a report from the County Surveyor and from Assistant Surveyor Quinn on this matter, refused to make any payment to Fox.

(6895.)

FUEL.

The Committee directed that quotations for the supply of ten tons of coal for use at Naas Courthouse be invited.

(6896.)

UNION OFFICERS' GRATUITIES.

A letter, dated 19th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government respecting the payment of gratuities to retired Union Officers, having been read, the Committee recommended payment of the following amounts:—£35 to Anastasia Brennan, £30 to Mary Butler and £30 to Mary McEvoy

(6897.)

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 works in Athy No. 1 Rural District	545	11	11
Maintenance of works in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	335	3	1
Maintenance of works in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	236	19	7
Maintenance of works in Naas No. 1 Rural District	572	9	11
Maintenance of works in County at Large	241	16	7
Working Expenses:—Steam-rollers, &c.	90	15	8

Adjourned.

Michael Fitzsimons

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Quarterly Meeting of County Council held on 26th November, 1923.

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons, Patrick Phelan, James Oregan, William Mahon, Nicholas Hannigan, Henry Fay, James Behan, Mark Carroll, Patrick Loughlin, Richard McCann, Hugh Colohan, Nicholas Travers, Philip Grogan, Michael Smyth, Christopher J. Supple, and Major William G. Dease.

(6870.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan and resolved:—“That Mr. Michael Fitzsimons be appointed Chairman of this meeting.”

(6871.)

MINUTES.

Proposed by Mr. Henry Fay, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—“That Minutes of Meetings of County Council held on 1st and 20th August, 26th September and 17th October, 1923, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read confirmed and signed.”

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—“That Minutes of Meetings of Proposal and Finance Committee, held on 29th August, 12th and 26th September, 10th and 24th October, and 7th and 21st November, copy of which had been sent to each member, be taken as read, and confirmed.”

(6872.)

REVISION OF SALARIES.

Arising out of the confirmation of the Minutes, Mr. Patrick Phelan proposed and Mr. Henry Fay seconded:—“That the questions of the salaries of the County Surveyor and County Secretary be left over until after the forthcoming Local Government Elections.” But on Mr. Mark Carroll undertaking to hand in a notice of motion dealing with the revision of the salaries of all the Council's Officials, for next meeting, Mr. Phelan withdrew his motion.

(6873.)

COUNTY ACCOUNTS.

The County Accounts receipt and expenditure books for the quarter ended 30th September, 1923, 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.

(6874.)

PROPOSALS FOR NEW WORKS.

Proposed by Mr. Nicholas Travers, seconded by Mr. William Mahon, and resolved:—“That all works contained in Form 20, from the Proposal Committee be and are hereby approved and in accordance with Art. 22, Procedure Councils' Order, that the works in question be given in charge to the County Surveyor and that all works contained in Form 20, from the Athy No. 1, and Naas No. 1, Rural District Councils be and are hereby approved.”

(6875.)

QUARTERLY PAYMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—“That all payments recommended by the Proposal and Finance Committees for County-at-Large Charges be and are hereby 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.”

(6876.)

PAYMENTS ON DRAINAGE DISTRICTS.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, 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 Payments.”

(6877.)

LOAN ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Proposed by Mr. C. J. Supple, seconded by Mr. William Mahon, and resolved:—“That application be now made to the Hibernian Bank, Ltd., Naas, being the Treasurer of the County Council for a loan of £1365 for the purposes of carrying out works of road improvement in Athy No. 1 Rural District, said loan to be secured on the rates of the entire County, and repayment to be spread over a period of five years and to be made by ten equal half-yearly instalments with interest on outstanding balances from time to time, same to be charged against the Athy No. 1 Rural District, subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government being obtained to the loan in question.”

(6878.)

COMMITTEE TO SEAL DOCUMENTS.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—
“That Messrs. Colohan, Supple and Cregan be appointed a Committee to affix the Seal of the Council to the following Documents: (1) Letting Agreement with William Nolan, in the presence of the Council and during the progress of the Council meeting.”

(6879.)

COUNTY SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

The County Surveyor's quarterly report as follows was read:—

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—

1—I have the honour to report during the quarter ended 30th September, the expenditure on roads amounting to £11,998 7s 6d, which I certified to Finance Committee as follows for Direct Labour:—

	£	s	d
Athy No. 1 Rural District	3,794	11	8
Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	2,440	11	10
Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	680	7	11
Naas No. 1 Rural District	3,784	2	7
County at Large	162	5	5
Loans	1,136	8	1

In addition £82 12s 10d was expended under Sudden Damage Order and £20 0s 0d under Section 54 Grand Jury Act, 1836.

2—At the present season of the year the roads generally look their worst and the roadside hedges may be largely blamed for this by increasing the damp and producing quantities of leaves to decay on the road, which increase according as the hedges are left to grow wild by their owners. On the other hand the hedges grow very quickly and their cutting must be a tax on the owners. I think it would probably be cheaper to cut the hedge every year as a light hook could then be used with very little labour. At any rate it is inconceivable that the new governing authorities having set up their new District Courts, will accept any excuse from Surveyors regarding neglected road hedges, and I am accordingly preparing to bring a large number of those cases before the forthcoming District Sessions.

3—Whatever may be said about the temporary appearance of some bye-ways, I believe the roads as a whole are better in hand than ever before in my experience, as owing to the permanent improvement of so many main roads more attention can in future be given to the district roads. The estimate for road expenditure for the next financial year will probably be taken into account for the rate before your next Quarterly Meeting, and in reference to this matter I may say that I see little likelihood of a reduction from this year's figures. Apart even from the question of motor lorries, which only developed during the war, but which have

apparently come to stay, there are now so many of the community using motor cars on all classes of our roads that the whole road system will be found wanting unless it is made to suit the motor car by such works as improving corners and bends by road diversions and super-elevation of the outside road surface on bends; widening and lessening camber of many bye-roads; improving approaches to many canal and river bridges; tarring villages. It must be said that the system of rating according to valuation appears very unfair as far as providing for upkeep of roads under present conditions is concerned. It originated in by-gone days when the ratepayers did use the roads more in proportion to the means and property they possessed than at present when the reverse is as often the case. The County Council might reasonably seek legal powers to levy a small charge on motor cars attending race meetings, and if they succeeded the amount realised would considerably relieve the rates and provide for the upkeep of the roads leading to the courses. These questions must apparently be first raised by some individual County Council before they will receive due attention from the Governing Department or the members of An Dail.

4—Several applications for leave to erect Kerbside Petrol Pumps having been referred to me I have deferred giving permission in the cases from Kilcullen and Kildare as I fear their erection on the respective sites chosen would lead to too much obstruction of the public thoroughfares, and it is now reported in the Press that another County Council in Ireland have taken Counsel's opinion on this matter and are informed that they have no legal power to authorise any obstruction on the highway.

5—A football club's pavilion has been erected at Stephenstown, Naas, on a site less than the statutory distance from the road. The Council objected to this during its erection, but the Club's Solicitor attended the Finance Committee and pointed out that they had a legal right to do so as a house had existed on the same site within the statutory period.

6—I have no information so far as to the repair of Clogheen Canal Bridge by the Canal Company.

7—Applications are before you for the expenditure of a grant of £2,730 from the L.G. Department out of the road fund. The Ministry state that, among a number of other instructions and stipulations which will be submitted, an essential condition is the employment of demobilised soldiers of the National Army whom I am myself to select from lists supplied by the local Secretaries of Ministry of Industry and Commerce; the percentage of such men to be employed is, however, not stated, but I presume as many as possible.

8—The works of maintenance of all the Drainage Districts which were carried out by

Direct Labour have been satisfactorily performed this season.

9—I find that a proposal No. 35 was adopted at your meeting on 27th November, 1922, which included work of repairing 231 perches of a lane at Allenwood North at a cost of £140. As this laneway has not so far been dedicated to the public use, and, furthermore, as it does not connect two public roads, it would probably be illegal for the County Council to expend this money, and so far I have not commenced to do so although other works included in the same proposal have been commenced some time ago.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN RORKE.

In connection with Paragraph 4 of above report, the Secretary submitted a letter from the Co. Kildare Motor Co. complaining of the refusal of the County Surveyor to permit them to erect a Petrol Pump at Kilkullen, was read, but the Council made no order thereon.

(6880.)

CANAL BANK.

A letter, dated 16th November, 1923, from the Secretary, Grand Canal Co., relative to damage done to the Canal Bank between Digby Bridge and Sallins by a motor lorry, and the prohibition by the Council of heavy motor traffic on this Canal Bank, was read, and the matter referred to the Council's Solicitor to advise as to the Council's liability to repair the damage and their power to prevent motor traffic on the canal bank.

(6881.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

Correspondence from the Secretary, I.T. and G.W.U., Nurney, relative to the dismissal of three road employees, and the expenditure of the Government Road Grant of £2,700, was read, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the men were dismissed owing to lack of funds and that the road grant was not being expended in the Nurney District.

(6882.)

TENDER FOR COAL.

A quotation from Messrs. Wallace Bros., for the supply of ten tons of coal for use at Naas Courthouse at 47/6 per ton was read and accepted.

(6883.)

APPOINTMENT OF RATE COLLECTOR.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Michael Smyth, and resolved:—"That the recommendation of the Finance Committee as embodied in Minute No. 6885 of meeting held on 7th November, 1923, relative to the appointment of Rate Collector for No. 2 Collection District, be approved."

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll and resolved:—"That the recommendation of the Finance Committee as embodied in Minute No. 6886 of meeting held on the 7th November, 1923, relative to the appointment of Mr. T. Downes as Collector of Poor Rate for the period ending 31st March, 1924, be approved."

(6884.)

UNION OFFICERS.

Proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Richard McCann, and resolved:—"That the recommendation of the Finance Committee as embodied in Minute No. 6890 of meeting held on the 7th November, 1923, relative to the payment of Pensions and Gratuities to retired Union Officers be approved."

(6885.)

POLITICAL PRISONERS.

Resolutions adopted by the Comhairle Ceanntair of Sinn Fein, and the Newbridge Sinn Fein Club, relative to the release of Political Prisoners were read.

(6886.)

ROAD GRANT.

A letter, dated 19th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads' Department, relative to the Grant of £2,730 to the Council for road improvement purposes, was read, when it was proposed by Mr. Phelan, seconded by Major Dease:—"That we accept the grant of £2,730 on account, and that it be used in the interest of unemployment at the usual rate of wages." An amendment was proposed by Mr. Michael Smyth, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan:—"That we approve of the Grant of £2,730 on condition that the standard rate of wages for County Council workers be paid, and that Trade Unionists be employed." On a division Mr. Smith's amendment was carried by nine votes to five.

(6887.)

THEFT OF ROAD MATERIAL.

Correspondence from the County Sur-

veyor and from the Superintendent, Civic Guard, relative to the alleged theft of road material from Guidenstown Pit by Edward Condon, was read, and the Council suggested that proceedings against Condon should be taken by the Civic Guard.

(6888.)

ROAD EXPENDITURE.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That the limit of expenditure on roads for the period ending 31st March, 1925, be fixed as follows:—Athy No. 1, £16,000; Celbridge No. 1 Rural District, £11,250; Edenderry No. 2 Rural District, £6,000, and Naas No. 1 Rural District £19,412, subject to the sanction of the Roads' Department of the Ministry of Local Government."

(6889.)

Pursuant to notice it was proposed by Mr. William Mahon, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That a superannuation allowance of £150 per annum be granted to Mr. P. J. Murphy, late Rate Collector, subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government."

(6890.)

CASUAL VACANCIES ON THE COUNCIL.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, and resolved:—"That in accordance with Article 10 (2) Application of Enactments' Order, 1898, the Council hereby declare the offices of Councillor for the Electoral Areas of Kildare, Naas and Newbridge vacant, owing to the disqualification of Councillors William McGrath, Eamonn O Modhrain, Joseph Doran and Dombnall UaBuachalla, through non-attendance at meetings, and that notice in writing signed by three members of the Council and countersigned by the Secretary be forthwith published by affixing a copy of the said notice on the outer door of the Courthouse, and that the question of filling the vacancies be dealt with at this meeting."

(6891.)

CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS.

Proposed by Mr. Nicholas Hannigan, seconded by Mr. William Mahon, and resolved:—"That Messrs. Dombnall UaBuachalla, Eamonn O Modhrain, William McGrath and Joseph Doran be co-opted members of the Council in accordance with Sec. 94 (4) of the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898, to fill the casual vacancies on the Council and Committees, caused by

the declaration of the Council made at this meeting."

(6892.)

ASSISTANT SURVEYOR DOMICAN.

A letter, dated 12th October, 1923, from the Ministry Local Government relative to the payment of bonus to Assistant Surveyor Patrick Domican on the Civil Service Scale as from August 1920, was read.

(6893.)

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

A letter, dated 31st October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of a superannuation allowance of £150 per annum to Mr. Owen Boland, ex-rate collector, was read.

(6894.)

THE ROADS' ACT, 1920.

A letter, dated 23rd November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government Roads' Department, relative to a recoupment of £344 11s. 1d. to the Council under Section 3 (4) (a) of the Roads' Act, 1920, was read and approved.

(6895.)

TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF MR. O'CALLAGHAN.

A letter, dated 25th August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the temporary employment of Mr. Patrick O'Callaghan in the Accountant's Office, and stating that the Ministry are not prepared to acquiesce in the continued filling of this appointment by way of temporary employment, was read, when the Council decided to recommend to the Ministry the release of Mr. Patrick O'Carroll from military custody, with a view to his taking up his duties, Mr. Patrick O'Callaghan to be continued in office until the next quarterly meeting of the Council at his present remuneration of £3 per week.

(6896.)

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTS.

A letter, dated 24th October, 1923, from the National Health Insurance Commission applying for payment of £384 0s. 9d. arrears of contributions due by the Council under above Acts was read, and payment ordered subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government.

(6897.)

CLOGHEEN BRIDGE.

A letter, dated 15th October, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, enclosing copy

of a letter from the Secretary, Grand Canal Co., stating that until the Company's claim for compensation has been paid the Company cannot undertake to rebuild Clogheen Bridge, was read, when it was decided to instruct Mr. Osborne, Solicitor, to take proceedings to compel the Company to proceed with the rebuilding of the bridge.

(6898.)

UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS.

A report, dated 15th October, 1923, from the Secretary, University College, Dublin, relative to the County Council Scholars was read.

A letter, dated 30th August, 1923, from Mr. E. Boland, asking for permission to postpone the taking up of his scholarship for another year was read, and the necessary permission granted.

An application from Messrs. J. Jones, M. Quinlan, James McKenna, and Michael Roche for an increase in the amount of their respective Scholarships was read, and, after discussion, it was decided to increase the scholarships awarded to these students by £15 each, for the current academic year.

(6899.)

SECONDARY SCHOOLS' SCHOLARSHIPS.

Reports on the satisfactory progress made by Students holding Secondary Schools' Scholarships from the Council were read, together with correspondence from Messrs. Shiel, Fox and Delaney giving the names of the Secondary Schools selected by them. The Council decided to award Mr. Martin Shiel a Scholarship of £20 per annum.

(6900.)

TUBERCULOSIS SCHEME.

A letter, dated 3rd September, 1923, from the Secretary, Peamount Sanatorium, stating that his Committee regret they are not in a position to make any reduction in the cost of maintenance of patients at Peamount, was read.

Mr. Mark Carroll, Sallins Road, Naas, was unanimously appointed as representative of the Council on the Committee of Management of Peamount Sanatorium.

A letter, dated 1st October, 1923, from the Ministry Local Government relative to the provision of facilities for the examination of sputum from tuberculosis persons, by the Celbridge No. 1 Rural District Council, was read.

A letter, dated 12th November, 1923, from the Clerk, County Insurance Committee, enclosing for approval revised form of model agreement to be entered into by the Council and the County Insurance Com-

mittee, in substitution for the existing Agreement, was read, and consideration of the matter adjourned to next quarterly meeting of the Council.

(6901.)

RATE COLLECTOR APPOINTMENTS.

A letter, dated 24th August, 1923, from the Ministry Local Government stating that at present the Minister is not prepared to sanction the permanent appointments of Rate Collectors.

(6902.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

A letter, dated 27th October, 1923, from the General President, I.T. & G.W. Union, applying for payment of £6 due to P. Crinnigan for work done by the Council, was read, together with a report from the County Surveyor stating that Crinnigan alleged to have broken a very large quantity of material which was stolen out of the gravel pit, and as the material did not enter into the possession of the Council he was not paid therefor. After discussion, the Council directed the County Surveyor to cause further enquiries to be made into this matter, and if possible to compensate Crinnigan.

(6803.)

HIRE ROAD ROLLER.

A letter, dated 21st August, 1923, from Athy Urban Council asking the Council to reduce their account for £137 for hire of Steamroller, was read.

(6804.)

ROAD MAINTENANCE.

A letter, dated 21st September, 1923, from the Clerk, Athy Urban Council, asking the County Council to apply to the Roads' Department for a grant of £638 5s. 3d. being one-half the cost of surfacing the Woodstock Road in Athy Urban District, was read, when it was decided to make the required application.

(6805.)

CURRAGH ROAD.

A letter, dated 23rd August, 1923, from the G. O. C., Curragh Command, refusing to open to the public the road passing through the Curragh Camp, was read.

(6806.)

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES STANDARDS.

A letter, dated 9th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Industry and com-

merce stating that the Ministry propose to accept the tender of Messrs. DeGrave, Shortt & Co., for the delivery of the required local standards under the Weights and Measures Acts, was read and approved

(6907.)

FOOD AND DRUGS' ACTS.

A circular letter, dated 31st August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the appointment of members of the Civic Guard as Inspectors under above Acts, was read, when it was decided to request the Superintendent of the Civic Guard to submit the names of members of the Guard for appointment as Inspectors.

(6908.)

LIFFEY ELECTRIC SCHEME.

A report, dated 25th September, 1923, from Mr. L. J. Fullam, Deputy County Surveyor, of Conference held in the Mansion House on 17th September, 1923, in connection with the Dublin Corporation's proposed scheme for the utilisation of the Liffey waterpower for the production of electrical energy, was read.

(6909.)

REGISTRATION, &c., OF MOTOR VEHICLES.

A circular letter, dated 21st September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads' Department, relative to prosecutions by Local Authorities for offences against the Roads' Act, 1920, by Motor Owners, having been read, it was decided to authorise the Finance Committee of the County Council to order prosecutions against defaulters under the Motor Car Registration and Licensing Regulations.

(6910.)

BALLYMANNY ROAD.

A letter, dated 30th October, 1923, from the Superintendent, Turf Club, Curragh, suggesting the improvement of the road from Ballymanny and Curragh Camp to Stand House at a point near the Turf Club Motor Enclosures, was read, and referred to the County Surveyor.

(6911.)

COUNTY COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE.

A letter, dated 15th September, 1923, from the Secretary, County Committee of Agriculture reporting the disqualification for membership of the Committee, through non-attendance at meetings of Messrs. W. Murray, W. Burke, D. Duggan, and J. C.

Bergin, was read, when it was decided to re-appoint these gentlemen as members of the Committee.

(6912.)

INSURANCE OF STEAM MOTOR TRACTOR.

Quotations for the insurance of the Council's new Steam Motor Tractor were considered from the Royal Insurance Co., and from Messrs. McDonagh and Boland, Insurance Brokers, and the tender submitted by the latter was accepted.

(6913.)

REVISION OF BONUSES.

A circular letter, dated 20th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the question of the revision of bonuses was read, and the Secretary stated that the terms of the circular were being complied with.

(6914.)

ERECTION OF WALL.

An application from Mr. A. Hanlon for permission to erect a wall adjoining the public road at Newpark, Donadea, was read and granted subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

(6915.)

TREATMENT OF VENEREAL DISEASE.

A letter, dated 22nd September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the treatment of venereal disease, and the preparation of new Agreements with the Hospital Authorities, &c., was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

(6916.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

An application from Messrs. White & Son, Solicitors, Edenderry, for payment of £1 15s. due to Mr. Patrick Behan, Rathangan, for work done on behalf of the Council, was read and referred to the County Surveyor.

(6917.)

ROAD DRAINAGE.

A letter, dated 8th November, 1923, from Mr. P. A. Brown, Solicitor, Carlow, relative to the drainage of road water at Belan and the damage done thereby to the lands of Miss Dowling, was read, together with a report from the County Surveyor stating that the water going down Bolton Hill always went into the trap at the lower end of Miss Dowling's house, when it was

decided to acquaint Mr. Brown of the contents of the Surveyor's report.

(6918.)

BALLYTEIGUE BRIDGE.

A letter, dated 9th November, 1923, from the Clerk, Naas No. 1 R.D.C., respecting repairs to Ballyteigue Bridge, was read.

(6919.)

POSTPONEMENT OF LOCAL ELECTIONS.

Sealed Order, dated 22nd October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government further postponing the statutory elections of County and Rural District Councillors and Guardians in Urban Districts.

(6920.)

ERECTION OF PETROL PUMPS.

Applications from Messrs. S. E. Holmes, Monasterevan; P. Young, Coneyborrow, C. P. Buckley, Kilcock; and D. Ua Buachalla, Maynooth, for permission to erect Petrol Pumps at their residences adjoining the public road were read and granted, subject to the approval of the County Surveyor.

(6921.)

MONASTEREVAN SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

A letter, dated 3rd October, 1923, from William Lalor reporting that Mrs. K. Hefferman, Ballagh, Monasterevan, had been appointed Secretary and School Attendance Officer to the above Committee on the same conditions as her predecessor, was read, and approved.

(6922.)

CELBRIDGE WORKHOUSE.

A letter, dated 15th September, 1923, from Mr. M. R. Glennon, Dublin, relative to the letting of the Workhouse premises at Celbridge was read.

(6923.)

CURRAGH SHEEP DIPPING.

Reports from the Superintendent, Ballymanny Sheep Dipping Station, relative to the second Autumn Dipping of the Curragh sheep were submitted and considered satisfactory.

(6924.)

RATHANGAN DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

An application from Mr. George Hanks for the grazing of the banks of the Rathan-

gan River for the ensuing eleven months was granted, subject to the conditions of the original letting agreement.

(6925.)

RATE COLLECTION.

A return shewing the condition of the collection of poor rate for the period ended 24th instant was submitted.

Following the consideration of a letter from Collector T. Downes, the Council granted Mr. Downes an extension of time up to the 31st December to close his collection account.

Collectors' lists of irrecoverable arrears of poor rate for the half-year 30th September, 1923, were submitted, and the Council's recommendation in each case were recorded on the lists signed by the Chairman.

(6926.)

POLITICAL PRISONERS.

A circular letter, dated 18th October, 1923, from the Clerk, Macroom Rural Council forwarding for adoption a resolution calling for the release of all political prisoners, and refusing to transact any further business pending the unconditional release of these prisoners, was read, together with a letter, dated 30th October, 1923, from Mr. John Conlan, T.D., acknowledging resolution adopted by the Council relative to release of Political Prisoners.

(6927.)

POISONS AND PHARMACY ACT, 1908.

Applications for renewal of licenses under above Act from Messrs. J. J. Byrne, Kilkullen; T. J. Murphy, Rathangan, and John Furey, Moyvalley, were submitted and approved.

(6928.)

COUNTY INSURANCE SOCIETY.

A letter, dated 24th November, 1923, from the Secretary, County Insurance Society enclosing a return showing the receipts and expenditure of his Society for the year ended 31st December, 1922, was read.

(6929.)

TUBERCULOSIS OFFICER'S REPORT.

The Tuberculosis Officer's Report, copy of which had been sent to each member, was taken as read as follows:—

MONASTEREVAN, NOVEMBER, 1923.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—

Since your last meeting in August there have been twelve applicants for Sanatorium Benefit to the County Insurance Committee and County Tuberculosis Committee.

Six of these applicants were recommended for treatment at Peamount Sanatorium and the remaining six were put on Domiciliary and Dispensary treatment.

The usual extensions of treatment were made in the cases of patients already under the care of the Committee.

The Dispensaries in Athy, Kildare and Newbridge continue to be well attended.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOSEPH P. DALY,

Tuberculosis Officer.

(6934.)

KILDARE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE.

Arising on the reading of a letter, dated 24th November, 1923, from the Clerk, Kildare School Attendance Committee, Mr. J. P. Dunne, Claregate St., Kildare, was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Committee caused by the death of the late Mr. Thomas O'Rourke.

(6935.)

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

A letter, dated 16th November, 1923, from the Secretary, County Kildare Workers' Council forwarding resolution protesting against the proposed reduction in Old Age Pensions and the reduction of salaries of National Teachers, was read and adopted.

(6936.)

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

Memorandum from the Ministry of Agriculture relative to Foot and Mouth Disease was submitted.

(6937.)

ROAD GRANTS.

Proposed by Mr. Patrick Phelan, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan:—"That in view of the serious unemployment in this County and the consequent heavy charges on Board of Health for home help to maintain the families of the unemployed, we request the Ministry of Local Government to give us at least the amount of motor taxes collected by this Council, and that these grants be expended for the purpose of relieving this unemployment.

That the Ministry be requested to issue a publication of all roads with mileage and maps in 26 counties classified as Trunk Roads, and so entitled to grants from motor taxes.

COUNTY ANALYST'S REPORT.

The County Analyst's Report, as follows, was read—
Public Health Laboratory, 26 Upper Mount St. University College, Earlsfort Tce., Dublin,
30th October, 1923.

Report on work done for Co. Kildare for Quarter ended 30th September, 1923.

FOR KILDARE CO. BOARD OF HEALTH.

5 Samples of Drugs.—3 CONDEMNED.

FOR NEWBRIDGE.

4 Samples of Butter.—ALL GENUINE.

FOR COUNTY.

8 Samples of Water.—5 CONDEMNED.

JOHN KEANE

(6931.)

CLAIM FOR CART.

A letter, dated 22nd November, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, relative to Mr. M. Farrell's claim for £7, in respect of an accident to his cart while employed by the Council at haulage work, and stating he is of opinion that the Council are not liable for this claim was read.

(6932.)

SECRETARY'S SALARY.

A letter, dated 21st November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, relative to the Secretary's salary, was read.

(6933.)

POUNDAGE FEES.

Applications from collectors J. H. Kearns and Robert Gannon for payment of poundage fees at the rate of 8d. in the £., in respect of their collection for the half-year ended September, 1923, were read, and approved subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government.

(6938.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

OFFICIAL.

Cens. No.	Reg. No.	Subject.
1	24145	A letter dated 22nd August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the General Cattle Diseases Fund, was read.
2	24174	A letter dated 25th August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to paying order issued by the Council in payment of sum due to the General Cattle Diseases Fund, was read.
3	24162	A letter dated 24th August, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the non-execution of Decrees for Poor Rate, was read.
4	24271	A letter dated 8th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government respecting the occupation of Workhouses by British Military Forces, was read.
5	24292	A letter dated 11th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Finance applying for payment of £232, instalment of Road Board Loan, was read.
6	24314	A letter dated 12th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government respecting the "statistical information" return, was read.
7	24323	A letter dated 15th September, 1923, from the Valuation Department applying for payment of £75, moiety of the expenses of the annual revision of valuation, was read.
8	24326	A letter dated 14th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the payment of wages to Roadmen on 27th August, 1923, being a public holiday, was read.
9	24336	A letter dated 17th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government acknowledging lists of uncollected poor rates, was read.
10	24346	A letter dated 17th September, 1923, from the Valuation Department respecting contribution in lieu of rates on Government property, was read.
11	24349	A letter dated 18th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the acquisition of Athy Fever Hospital for treatment of advanced cases of Tuberculosis, was read.
12	24373	A letter dated 20th September, 1923, from the Roads Department, Ministry Local Government, relative to the issue of Licences in respect of Motor Hackney Carriages, was read.
13	24377	A letter dated 21st September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government sanctioning the temporary appointments of Messrs. M. Shinkins and T. Downes, as Rate Collectors, was read.
14	24395	A letter dated 22nd September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of payment of poundage fees to ex-Rate Collector P. J. Murphy, was read.
15	24398	A circular dated 24th September, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government relative to the transmission by letter of resolutions, etc., to the Ministry, was read.
16	24409	A letter dated 26th September, 1923, from the Valuation Department acknowledging Valuation Lists, was read.
17	24440	A letter dated 20th September, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture stating that samples of butter obtained at Newbridge were submitted to the County Analyst and certified to be pure, was read.
18	24458	A letter dated 1st October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of bond on behalf of Collector T. Downes, was read.

Cons. No.	Reg No.	Subject
19	24469	A letter dated 2nd October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government sanctioning payment of uncollected poor rate to Collector Murphy, was read.
20	24513	Order dated 31st August, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture entitled "The Exportation of Animals (Irish Free State) Order of 1923." was read.
21	24503	A letter dated 8th October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads Department, acknowledging receipt of surplus motor car licences, was read.
22	24514	A letter dated 10th October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of the extension of time to 31st October, 1923, to enable the Rate Collectors to close their accounts relating to the period ended 30th September, 1923, was read.
23	24518	A letter dated 10th October, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture relative to the financial condition of the County Afforestation Account, was read.
24	24577	A letter dated 18th October, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture relative to recoupment of expenditure under the Diseases of Animals Acts to 31st March, 1923, was read.
25	24581	A letter dated 19th October, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture enclosing Order for £149 13s 8d recoupment of expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts for quarter ended June, 1923, was read.
26	24584	A letter dated 20th October, 1923, from the Secretary, Ministry Home Affairs, acknowledging resolution relative to the release of the political prisoners. was read.
27	24585	A letter dated 20th October, 1923, from the Secretary to His Excellency the Governor General acknowledging resolution adopted by the Council calling for the release of the political prisoners. was read.
28	24601	A letter dated 5th October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government enclosing for completion forms of return in connection with the National Tuberculosis Grant, was read.
29	24625	A letter dated 26th October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government acknowledging Abstract of Council's Account for the period ended 30th September, 1923, was read.
30	24660	A letter dated 31st October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government acknowledging receipt of Abstracts of Accounts of the Committees for the Drainage Districts for the half-year ended 31st of September, 1923, was read.
31	24664	A letter dated 31st October, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government enclosing Auditor's Reports and Abstracts of Accounts of Celbridge Union for the six half-yearly periods ended 31st March, 1923 was read.
32	24666	A letter dated 3rd November, 1923, from the Ministry of Finance relative to contribution in lieu of Poor Rate, was read.
33	24702	A letter dated 6th November, 1923, from Department of Agriculture relative to the Sale of Food and Drugs Acts, was read.
34	24703	A letter dated 7th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government stating that the Rate Collectors should be called upon to close their collection accounts forthwith, was read.
35	24704	A letter dated 7th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government respecting Road Rolling Loan of £500, was read.

Cons. No.	Reg. No.	Subject.
36	24705	A letter dated 6th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government stating that the Council's claim for repayment of prosecutors and witnesses' expenses has been forwarded to the Ministry of Finance. was read.
37	24714	A circular dated 7th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads Department, relative to the issue of Motor Car Driving Licences, was read.
38	24728	A letter dated 12th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads Department, relative to Grant of £2,730 for road improvement purposes was read.
39	24734	A letter dated 12th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Agriculture respecting recoupment of expenses under the Diseases of Animals Acts, was read.
40	24743	A letter dated 13th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of payment of irrecoverable arrears of poor rate to Mr. E. Heffernan, ex-Rate Collector, was read.
41	24749	A letter dated 13th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government approving of extension of time to 24th November, 1923, to Collectors to close their accounts, was read.

GENERAL.

42	24199	A letter dated 29th August, 1923, from the High Commissioner, New Zealand Government Offices, London, relative to presentation of Sledge Harness by the late Sir Ernest Shackleton, was read.
43	24243	A letter dated 4th September, 1923, from Mrs. J. Kellet enclosing Sledge Harness used by the late Sir Ernest Shackleton, was read.
44	24356	Copy of Minutes of proceedings at meeting of the Irish County Councils General Council held 11th July, 1923. was read.
45	24372	A letter dated 4th October, 1923, from the Secretary, County Councils General Council stating that the Annual Meeting of his Council will be held on 13th December, 1923, was read.
46	24490	A letter dated 4th October, 1923, from the Secretary, County Committee of Agriculture enclosing interim report of the Commission on Agriculture relative to the Licensing of Bulls, was read.
47	24552	A letter dated 13th October, 1923, from Mr. M. Smith, V.S., reporting he had inspected the animals exposed for Sale at the October fair in Johns townbridge. was read.
48	24572	Annual report dated 8th October, 1923, from the Naas District Nursing Association, was read.
49	24576	A letter dated 18th October, 1923, from Mr. R. A. Osborne, Solicitor, reporting the adjournment of all applications for compensation to the Hiliary Sessions, 1924, was read.
50	24593	A letter dated 20th October, 1923, from the Clerk, Edenderry No. 2 R.D.C. enclosing copy of resolution adopted by his Council protesting against the dismissal of Mr. A. O'Connor, Assistant County Surveyor, was read.
51	24602	A letter dated 19th October, 1923, from the Limerick Borough Council forwarding resolution demanding the release of political prisoners, was read.
52	24614	A letter dated 25th October, 1923, from Mr. G. Wolfe, T.D., acknowledging receipt of resolution adopted by the Council calling for release of the political prisoners, was read.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Special Committee appointed at
meeting of the Finance Committee held on 5th December 1923.

Present:- Messrs Michael Smyth (presiding), M. Carrell, Philip
Grogan, Michael Fitzsimons and the County Surveyor.

ROAD ADMINISTRATION.

A letter dated 27th November 1923 from the Ministry of Local
Government, relative to the conditions upon which the Ministry is
prepared to make grants to Local Authorities for road improvement
purposes, was read and the following recommendation made thereon:-

"That the Committee recommend that the usual rate of wages
paid to the Council's roadmen be paid for work done under the new
Grant."

Michael Fitzsimons
30/4/24

Adjourned.

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee, held on 5th December, 1923

Present:—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Michael Smyth, Philip Grogan, and Mark Carroll.

(6898.)

ROAD ADMINISTRATION.

The Secretary submitted a circular letter dated 27th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government, Roads' Department, relative to the conditions upon which Grants for road improvement purposes will be made to Local Authorities, when it was decided to appoint a special Committee consisting of Messrs. Fitzsimons, Carroll, Grogan and Smyth to confer with the County Surveyor and report the result of the conference to the County Council, and in this connection it was decided to hold a special meeting of the County Council on Wednesday, the 19th December, 1923, to consider the Ministry's letter and the report of the Special Committee thereon.

(6899.)

KILDARE DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

As no application for the position of Collector on the Kildare Drainage District had been received, it was decided to appoint Mr. John C. Connolly, Curragh View, Kildare, to this position pursuant to the terms of the Council's advertisement, and the Secretary was directed to acquaint Mr. Connolly of

this appointment and to ask him if he would accept same.

(6900.)

APPLICATION 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 works in Athy			
No. 1 Rural District	548	13	7
Maintenance of works in Cel-			
bridge No. 1 Rural District	312	11	4
Maintenance of works in Eden-			
derry No. 2 Rural District	164	16	5
Maintenance of works in Naas			
No. 1 Rural District	586	3	8
Maintenance of works in County			
at Large	241	18	5
Working Expenses of Steam-			
rollers, &c.	104	12	9
Expenditure under Arts. 22 and			
24, Procedure of Councils	129	16	8
Order			

Adjourned.

Michael Fitzsimons
4/2/25

COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE DARA.

Minutes of meeting of Finance Committee held 19th December 1923

Present:- Messrs Michael Smyth (presiding), Richard McCann, Patrick Phelan, James Grogan, Nicholas Hannigan, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, Hugh Colehan, Philip Grogan, Patrick Loughlin, Nicholas Travers and Major W. G. Dease.

(6901).

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.	588	6	4.
" " Celbridge No.1, Rural District.	375	1	1.
" " Edenderry No.2, " "	188	11	11.
" " Naas No. 1, Rural District.	675	4	3.
Maintenance of Special Works.	288	5	1.
Expendr. Arts. 22 and 24, Procedure Councils Order.	680	19	4
Working expenses. - Steamrollers &c.	132	10	6.

Adjourned.

M. Fitzsimons
4/2/25



COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

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Minutes of Special Meeting of County Council held on 19th December, 1923.

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Present:—Messrs. Richard McCann, Patrick Phelan, James Cregan, Nicholas Hanigan, Mark Carroll, Michael Fitzsimons, Hugh Colohan, Michael Smyth, Philip Grogan, Patrick Loughlin, Nicholas Travers and Major W. G. Dease.

(6939.)

CHAIRMAN OF MEETING.

On the motion of Mr. Mark Carroll, seconded by Mr. Philip Grogan, Mr. Michael Smyth was appointed Chairman of the meeting.

(6940.)

ROAD ADMINISTRATION.

A circular letter, dated 27th November, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government was read, together with a letter dated 8th December, 1923, from the Ministry relative to the conditions upon which Grants for road improvement purposes will be made to Local Authorities, and following a long discussion, and the views of a deputation representing the unemployed in the County having been heard, it was proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—"That we, the Kildare County Council, call the attention of the Government to the prevalent distress and starvation of over one thousand workers in this County, arising out of unemployment, and call upon the Government to immediately give a grant in aid of unemployment, and that we emphatically protest against the terms of Circular issued by the Ministry of Local Government dated 27th November, stating that the time is opportune for a reduction in the wages of road workers, and demand its instant withdrawal, since existing economic conditions and the present high cost of living do not justify any reduction in the already inadequate wages of these workers."

The Secretary was directed to forward copies of the foregoing to the Minister for Local Government and to each County Council in the Free State.

(6941.)

ROAD GRANT.

A letter, dated 27th November, 1923, from the Ministry Local Government, stating that as the grant of £2,700 is proposed

to be expended on a road which is not a Trunk Road that an alternative proposal should be submitted, was read, and the County Surveyor submitted a new proposal which was approved.

(6942.)

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR.

A letter, dated 26th November, 1923, from Mr. William Mahon, tendering his resignation as Councillor was read, and the resignation accepted with regret.

It was proposed by Mr. Philip Grogan, seconded by Mr. Mark Carroll, and resolved:—"That the office of Councillor for the County Electoral area of Athy be declared vacant, and that the said vacancy be filled by the Council at their meeting to be held on 25th February, 1924."

(6943.)

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS ORDER.

Applications for payment of compensation under above Order were submitted and approved.

(6944.)

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

A letter, dated 10th December, 1923, from the Department of Agriculture transmitting copy of the Foot and Mouth (Imported Packing) Order of 1923, was read, when the Secretary was directed to have the Order in question published by advertisement in the three local newspapers.

(6945.)

KILDARE DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

A letter from Mr. J. C. Connolly, Curragh View, Kildare, stating he was prepared to accept the position of Collector of Maintenance Rate on above District and submitting the names of Mrs. Connolly, Curragh View, and Mrs. Moore, Tully, as his Sureties, was read, when it was decided to instruct the Council's Solicitor to have the necessary bond prepared for execution by Mr. Connolly and his Sureties.

(6946.)

KILDARE COURTHOUSE.

Applications from Mr. P. Grogan for the use of Kildare Courthouse on 29th December and 17th March for dances and from Messrs. P. Doyle and Michael Curry for meetings of the N.U.R., and Kildare Terrier Coursing Club, were submitted and approved subject to the usual conditions.

(6947.)

MAYNOOTH TOWN HALL.

A letter, dated 17th December, 1923, from the Secretary, I.T. & G.W. Union, applying for a site on the Market Square at Maynooth for the purpose of the erection of a Workers' Hall, was read, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Council do not own the property in question.

(6948.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

A letter, dated 17th December 1923, from the Secretary I.T. & G.W. Union, Maynooth, relative to the reinstatement of John Mangan on road work under the Council was read and referred to the Co. Surveyor.

(6949.)

SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS.

A letter, dated 14th December, 1923, from Mrs. M. Shiel relative to the award of a scholarship to her son, was read, when it was decided to grant Mr. M. Shiel a scholarship of £50 per annum.

(6950.)

SUPERANNUATION ALLOWANCE.

A letter, dated 4th December, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government refusing to sanction the grant of a pension to Mr. P. J. Murphy, ex-rate Collector, was read, when it was decided to ask the Ministry to reconsider their decision having regard to the special circumstances of Mr. Murphy's case.

(6951.)

RYE RIVER.

A memorial from the Ratepayers of Mill Commons, Kilcock, relative to the flooding caused by the River Rye, was read and referred to Celbridge No. 1 R.D.C.

(6952.)

FORESTRY.

A letter, dated 15th December, 1923, from the Secretary, Cumann naGaedheal, Rathangan, respecting the replanting of Rathangan Woods, was read, and referred to the County Committee of Agriculture.

(6953.)

COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE.

A letter, dated 4th December, 1923, from the Ministry of Local Government refusing to sanction payment of poundage fees to Collectors Kearns and Gannon, at the rate of 8d. in the £., was read, and it was decided that the Ministry be asked to reconsider this matter.

Following the consideration of an application from Collector J. A. O'Connor for payment of poundage fees on collection for period ended September, 1923, the Council approved of same subject to sanction by the Ministry of Local Government.

An application from the Rate Collectors for one month's extension up to 31st Jan., 1924, to enable them to have the requisite one-fourth of their respective warrants lodged to the credit of the Council was read and approved.

Correspondence from Collector J. C. Connolly was submitted when it was decided to grant him a further extension of time to close his collection up to the 31st December and to pay him poundage fees due subject to the sanction of the Ministry.

(6954.)

SALE OF FOOD AND DRUGS' ACTS.

Arising on the reading of a letter dated 10th December, 1923, from the Chief Superintendent, Civic Guard, Naas, the Council appointed the following Inspectors under above Acts, viz.:—Sergt. P. J. Manweiler, Celbridge; Sergt. C. Lillis, Athy; Sergt. W. Duggan, Kilcock; Guard J. Hickey, Naas, and Guard J. M. Lennon, Newbridge.

(6955.)

UNION OFFICERS.

Applications for payment of pensions due to ex-Union Officers were submitted and payments ordered.
Adjourned.

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COMHAIRLE CONNDAE CHILLE-DARA.

Minutes of Meeting of Finance Committee held on 2nd January, 1924.

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Present :—Messrs. Michael Fitzsimons (presiding), Hugh Colohan, Mark Carroll, Richard McCann, Patrick Loughlin, Philip Grogan and Michael Smyth.

(6902)

APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT FOR WORKS IN CHARGE OF COUNTY SURVEYOR.

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Maintenance of works in Celbridge No. 1 Rural District	333	6	7
Maintenance of works in Edenderry No. 2 Rural District	226	19	6
Maintenance of works in Naas No. 1 Rural District	549	3	7
Maintenance of Special Works	210	11	5
Working Expenses :—Steam-rollers, &c.	54	8	0

(6903.)

DIRECT LABOUR SCHEME.

A letter, dated 29th December, 1923, from the Secretary, I.T. & G.W. Union, Johnstown-bridge, relative to the employment of roadmen by Overseer Cummins, was read, and, after discussion, it was decided to refer the matter to the Union to settle the points in dispute.

The Secretary was directed to call the attention of the Military Authorities to the condition of Lurg Lane, Curragh.

(6904.)

RATE COLLECTION.

Following the consideration of applications from Collectors Downes, Shinkins, and Connolly, the Committee granted a further extension of time up to the 16th to enable them to close their collection accounts for the half-year ended 30th September last.

Adjourned.

Michael Fitzsimons
30/1/24

