

2 Sept 02.

Adopted monthly
meeting comd.

to store one ton of Carbide of Calcium at the Commissioners' stores, Abbey Lane, Arklow, the carbide to be contained in hermetically sealed iron drums and not to be opened until the contents are required.

P. Kearon Chairman
Oct 6th 02

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Sp. Meeting
Monday 8 Sept 02.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 8th of September, 1902.

The following attended:—

Messrs. J. McEullagh
J. Birchistle
J. Hall
R. Kearon J.P.
D. Condrew
P. Carvey
H. Byrne
C. Murray

Peter Kavanagh

Chairman
appointed

It was proposed by Mr. ^{McEullagh} ~~Byrne~~, seconded by Mr. Byrne and agreed to, that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

Requisition
read.

The clerk read the requisition concerning the meeting which was for the purpose of electing a Commissioner in place of the late Dr. Howard who died on 15th August, 1902, and for general business.

Casual vacancy
filled.

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to, that Mr. Eugene Fogarty 22 Main Street, Arklow be elected a Town Commissioner for Arklow Sub Urban in place of the late Dr. Howard.

The clerk was directed to inform Mr. Fogarty of his election.

Letter from
Howth re
Labourers
cottages

A letter was read from Mr. Peter W. Loughlin R.D.C. Howth stating that fishermen were entitled to labourers cottages and referring to

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the clerk of the North Dublin Union for a corroboration of his statement.

It was directed that above letter be sent to the North Dublin Union for inquiry.

Broken
Lamp post
ordered to
be sold.

The clerk stated he had been offered two shillings for the broken lamp post on Ferrybank and was directed to accept the offer as the lamp post was so badly broken that it could not be mended.

It was reported to the meeting by the clerk that the lamp at Eoolie's Open was broken on the 3rd inst, and it was directed that a notice be posted in the locality offering a reward for the discovery and prosecution to conviction of the perpetrator, and also to state on the notice that if the lamp were again broken it would be removed altogether from the locality as lamps were several times broken before at this place.

Letter re
site of gas
holder.

A letter was read from the Manager, Sunlight Gas Co. stating that, in consequence of the recent flood in the river, he had changed his mind as to placing the gas generator at the rear of Mrs. W. Loughlin's public house and would place it at the old grave yard as originally intended.

After some discussion arising out of the reading of above letter, the following resolution was proposed by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Carvey and unanimously agreed to:—

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Resolution re
site for gas
generator.

"That the subcommittee having selected a more convenient site for erection of generator at the request of the contractor, and, as he declines to use the site fixed by them; we hereby agree to allow the generator to be erected on the site ^{at} the old graveyard provided the contractor does so at his own expense."

The clerk was directed to send a copy of above resolution to the foreman of the gas Co. which was done on same day.

Rich^d Pearson Chairman
Oct 6th 02

Sp^l meeting
Monday 15 Sep 02.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 15th September, 1902.

The following attended:-

- Messrs Hugh Byrne
- John McCullagh
- John Hall
- Peter Kavanagh
- Thos Birchistle
- Richd Kearon J.P.
- Peter Carvey
- Michael Kavanagh
- Charles Murray

Mr. Gilbert acting manager of the Sunlight Gas Co. also attended the meeting.

Chairman of meeting.

It was proposed by Mr. P. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be chairman of meeting.

Requisition read

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of considering as to the appointment of a competent person to take charge of the gas generator, make the gas, light lamps &c. &c. Also for general business.

notice of tenders to be given & sp^l meeting ordered

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. McCullagh and agreed to, that before making any appointment as above, the following notice of Tenders be posted through the town and a special meeting be summoned for 7 o'clock P.M. on Thursday the 18th September 1902 to deal with such tenders as may be received:-

Sp^l meeting
Monday 15
Sep^r 1902.

That the Town Commissioners will at their meeting on Thursday, 18th Sep^r 1902. Consider tenders from any person willing to accept employment as lamplighter for both oil and gas in that portion of the town between the corner of Bridge street and the corner of Vale Road including all the lanes adjoining, Coolgreney Road, Vale Road, Wexford Road, Marlboro Terrace and South Quay; also to make the gas, keep the gas generator clean and in good order at — per week.

The Commissioners do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any Tender.

Tree branches in old grave yard to be cut.

The clerk reported that several branches of trees in old grave yard were overhanging the road in Main street and required to be cut as they were obstructing the light of the lamps and also in danger of breaking them. It was ordered that the work be done at once.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. Murray and unanimously agreed to:-

Resolution re Quay Lamps.

"That we, the Arklow Town Commissioners, desire to respectfully ask the Chairman of the Arklow Harbour Board to submit for favourable consideration to his Board at their next meeting, a proposal to take over the Quay lamps and provide for lighting of same from the funds at their disposal, as there is at present a very unusual and exhaustive demand on the revenue of Arklow in consequence of

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"the introduction of acetylene gas in the town.

And we further beg to add that we are of opinion the charge would be a fairly legitimate one to be defrayed by the Harbour Board as the lights in question are chiefly for the accommodation of sailors, fishermen and others employed on or in connection with vessels and boats in the river.

That copies of this resolution be sent to the Chairman and Secretary of the Arklow Harbour Commissioners."

Compensation to be demanded from 5 persons who broke lamp post on 15 Sept 02.

The clerk stated he got from the R.C.B. the names of the parties who broke the lamp post at Ferrybank on 15th ult. He was directed to write to them demanding compensation for the damage and to state that legal proceedings would be taken if the demand were not complied with.

Gas holder to be laid on concrete foundation.

Mr. Kearon & Mr. P. Kavanagh were appointed to meet Mr. Gilbert at 10 o'clock A.M. on 16th inst to make arrangements to have gas generator laid on a concrete foundation.

R.C.B. Church lamps to be lighted with gas.

It was directed that connections be made from the main pipe to the lamps at the R.C.B. Church with a view to their being lighted with acetylene gas.

Richd Kearon Chairman Oct 6th 02

Sp. meeting Thursday 18 Sept 1902.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office at 7 P.M. on Thursday the 18th September, 1902.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Richard Kearon, J.P.
- " Hugh Byrne
- " Peter Kavanagh
- " Chas Murray
- " Peter Carvey
- " Thos. Birchistle
- " Job Hall
- " Dan Leonard

The clerk read the requisition concerning the meeting.

Chairman appointed

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to, that Mr. Kearon be chairman of meeting.

Requisition read

The clerk read the requisition concerning the meeting which was for the purpose of considering tenders from any person willing to accept employment as lamp-lighter for gas and oil.

Tenders recd.

The following tenders were received:—

Lawrence Desmond, Abbey Lane	18/-	per week
Thomas Walsh, Chapel ground	17/6	"
Stephen Redmond, Up main st.	16/-	"
James O'Connor, Ferrybank	26/-	"
Thomas Bracken, North Quay	18/-	"

After the above tenders were fully considered, the following resolution was proposed by Mr Leonard, seconded by Mr. Carvey and agreed to:—

Spl meeting
Monday 18 Sep 02.

That Thomas Bracken and Stephen Redmond be appointed lamplighters &c., at 16/- per week, both to learn the management of the generator, &c. and make the gas and light all lamps both gas and oil in the districts arranged by the Commissioners week about.

Their appointment to be for one month on trial, the Commissioners to be at liberty to dismiss one or both of them by giving one weeks notice if they dont give satisfaction."

The districts to be arranged as follows:-

District No. 1. To commence at corner of Bridge street and to include Main street, Parade Ground, Upper Main street, Vale Road, Coolgreney Road, Heyford Road, Marlboro Terrace, Coomie Lane, River Lane, Kinsella's Lane, Londrens Lane & Abbey Lane.

District No 2. To include Bridge street ^{Arklar Bridge,} Ferrybank, Lower Main street and all lanes adjoining, Back street, Tinahack, &c. &c.

The above arrangements to be subject to alteration if found necessary when the decision of the Harbour Board as to lighting of Quay lamps be made known.

Rich^d Kearon Chairman
Oct 6th 02
Chairman

Monthly meeting
Oct. 02.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 6th of Oct. 1902.

The following attended
Messrs. Rich^d Kearon J.P.

- " Job Hall
- " P. Kavanagh
- " J. Mcullagh
- " W^m J. Cold
- " A. Byrne
- " J. Londren

Chairman of meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Mcullagh and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be chairman of meeting.

Minutes read.

The minutes of monthly meeting of 1st ult., of adjourned monthly meeting of 2nd ult., and of special meetings of 8th, 15th & 18th ult. were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

£1-4-9 and compensation for broken lamp post at Ferrybank 15 Sept 1902

A letter was read from the Sergeant P.B. at Redross containing postal orders amounting to £1-4-9, being the sum received less cost of orders from the parties named at last monthly meeting as compensation for a broken lamp-post broken by them accidentally on 15th August last at Ferrybank

Re. death of Dr. Howard

It was agreed that the sum be accepted. A letter was read from Mrs. Sarah Howard thanking the Commissioners for their letter of sympathy sent to her on the death of her husband, the late Dr. Howard, J.P. Esq.

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Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr. Fogarty thanking the Commissioners for having elected him a Commissioner in place of the late Dr. Howard, and regretting that owing to his holding a contract from the Commissioners at the time of his election, he was debarred from acting.

Letter from
L.S.B.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board acknowledging receipt of resolution from this Board in reference to Dr. Flinn's report as to the sanitary condition of Arklow.

Letter from
North Dublin
R.D.C.

A letter was read from the Secretary, North Dublin Rural District Council, stating that, under certain conditions, Rural District Councils have power to erect labourers cottages for fishermen.

Letter from
W. Craan T.C.

A letter was read from Mr. W. Craan, T.C. stating that fishermen were entitled to labourers cottages and passing some strictures on the Commissioners in not becoming an Urban District Council.

The letter was marked read.

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following:-

To Thos Bracken, 5 weeks & 3 days wages to 5th Oct. 1902.
including 7/- for matches £4-7-10

Stephen Redmond do. do. £4-7-10

P. Boland for lamp-oil as per a/c 18-17-8

Tom Clerk, Quarters salary to 20 Sep 02, Harbour Rate 2-10-0

do for incidentals as per a/c 3-10-11

Joseph Armesley for lamp nurseries 2-13-9

An account from Mr. D. Kavanagh for £1-13 and an a/c from Messrs Keam & Tyrrell for £1-9-9 were adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Letter from
Education
Office

A letter was read from the Education Office requesting the Commissioners to appoint five

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members of School Attendance Committee before 20th of next November.

The matter was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Gloves, vinegar
& oil can
orderedalso
2 doz burners.

The Clerk was directed to get two pairs of leather gloves for the lamp-lighters as a protection for their hands when handling carbide also a supply of vinegar not exceeding one quart per month to be used in cleaning the lamps and one oil can, price three shillings for lamp-lighter J. Bracken and two dozen of burners.

Meeting of genl
Purposes Committee
ordered

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to that Mr. Gold be a member of the General Purposes Committee in place of the late Dr. Howard and that a meeting of same be summoned for 7 o'clock on Monday evening 13th inst. and weekly meetings at same hour be held on Mondays during the lighting season if found necessary.

Letter to Town Clerk
Kenagh re price
of gas

The Clerk was directed to write to the Town Clerk, Kenagh, asking the price per 100 feet for coal and Acetylene gas in the town.

John W. Cullagh Chairman

16 Oct 02

A meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse Arklow at 12.30 P.M. on Thursday the 16th of October, 1902,

The following attended:—

Messrs. R. Kearon, J.P.

" H. Byrne

" Job Hall

" J. McCullagh

" G. Murray

" J. Birchistle

" W. Kavanagh.

Mr. Quirk, Manager, Sunlight Gas Co. also attended the meeting.

Chairman appointed

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Byrne and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman for remainder of year upto and including 23 January, 1903.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Messrs. P. Boland stating he had been informed he would ~~get~~ get a connection with his premises from the gas main & had since heard that such connection was refused.

It was agreed that the connection be made.

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk asking to have lamplighter Stephen Redmond dismissed from his employment in consequence of his carelessness in allowing accidents to occur in connection with the making of gas, &c.

Lamplighter discharged

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Byrne and agreed to that Stephen Redmond be paid two weeks wages and discharged and

Lamplighter employed

that Laurence Desmond be employed in his place for one month on trial at 16/- per week, and that Thomas Bracken be re-employed for a further month on trial from 17th inst.

Cheque.

A cheque for £1.12.6 was issued to Stephen Redmond and the clerk was directed to give him notice in writing of his discharge.

Accounts for £1.9.9 & £1.13 were laid before the meeting and Mr. Quirk agreed to pay them and handed a cheque for amount of both to the clerk to be paid over to the parties entitled, the first item being for timber under the gas holder & the second for filling the gas-tank with canal water.

payment of gas adjo.

An account for £26 for building gas house was received from Mr. Denis Kavanagh and it was proposed by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr. Byrne and agreed to that it be paid by the Board at their next monthly meeting.

Tenders recd?

The following tenders were received for making concrete and boarded floors in gas house:—

Mr. James Byrne Leominster Lane £12

" Denis Kavanagh Marlboro Terrace 8. 12

" Alex. McGowan South Quay 6. 10

Tender for flooring gas house accepted

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that Mr. McGowan's tender be accepted.

Price of acetylene gas 50/- per thousand

After consulting with Mr. Quirk on the matter, it was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. McCullagh and agreed to that the price of the acetylene gas in Arklow be 50/- per thousand feet. Mr. Quirk stated this price would be

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equivalent to coal gas at $\frac{3}{4}$ per thousand.

Return of
quantity of
gas consumed
to be furnished

Mr. Quirk undertook to furnish to the Town Clerk by the end of the month a return of the names of private consumers and the number of feet of gas burned by each up to and including 31st Oct. 1902.

John W. Lullagh Chairman

3 Nov 02.

Monthly meeting
Monday 3 Nov 02.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Courthouse Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 3rd of November, 1902.

The following attended:—

Messrs. J. McCullagh

" Wm. J. Gold

" Wm. Braan

" P. Kavanagh

" G. Murray

" J. O. Hall

" J. Birchistle

Chairman of
meeting

It was proposed by Mr. ^{Kavanagh} ~~Hall~~, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to that W. McCullagh be Chairman of meeting.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk manager, Sunlight Gas Co. enclosing a detailed statement of the consumption of gas by private consumers giving names and the quantity of gas and amount due by each, amounting in the aggregate to £21-14-2.

He also enclosed an account amounting to 18-14-0 due for carbide supplied to private consumers & requesting a cheque in payment of the latter account.

Cheque for £18-14
price of carbide
to be issued

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Braan and agreed to that above of £18-14 be paid now. And the clerk was directed when sending cheque for above to Mr. Quirk to ask if he had yet got the sample of Poooca river water analysed, and, if so, to state the result, also to say how long his Mr. Braan is to continue instructing the lamp lighters to make gas.

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Town clerk appointed to collect gas rent

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Murray, and agreed to, that the Town Clerk be appointed to collect the gas rent from private consumers monthly, and that he enters on the duty from this day forward, salary to be fixed later on.

A letter was read from the office of National Education, Dublin, requesting the Arklow Town Commissioners to appoint five members of the School Attendance Committee for the three years commencing on 1st January, 1903.

Appointment of School Attendance Committee

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that the following gentlemen be appointed members of the Arklow School Attendance Committee for the period above named.

- Rev. E. DeCoursey Methodist Minister
- Rev R.C. Hallows Rector
- Rev J. Dunphy P.P.
- Richd Kearon J.P. Esq.
- George F. Fleming Esq.

Insurance proposal.

A form of insurance under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1897, was laid before the meeting with a view to effecting an insurance in reference to the lamplighters. The matter was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Public Libraries (Ireland) Act, 1902. recd.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board which contained a copy of the Public Libraries (Ireland) Act, 1902. sent for the information of the Arklow Town Commissioners.

Letter from Esq. Surveyor re excavation of streets by gas co.

A letter was read from the Esq. Surveyor asking the Commissioners to withhold a considerable portion of the contract sum for lighting portion of the

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Town of Arklow from the Acetylene Gas Co until the streets would be put in proper repair as agreed upon.

No action was taken on above.

Accounts for £26 from Mr. D. Kavanagh for erecting gas shed from Mr. W Cowan for £6.10 for flooring of same & from J. W Phail for £2.8.4 + 12/- printing ads &c. were laid before the Board, and it was proposed by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to, that they be paid now.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

To Tho Krakew, 4 weeks wages lamplighting	£	s	d
to 2nd Nov. 02 4/- for matches	3	5	0
To Lawrence Desmond 2 weeks & four days Do. + 6 for matches	2	1	8
" Town Clerk Quater's salary to 31st Oct. 02	7	10	0
" J. W Phail printing, ads &c. as per ac	2	8	4
" do do do Harbour Rate ac	0	12	0
" Denis Kavanagh erecting of gas house	26	0	0
" Alex W Cowan flooring of do.	6	10	0

Payment of ac adj.

The payment of an incidental cheque from the Town Clerk was adjourned to next monthly meeting some of the items in same to be examined by the General Purposes Committee in the mean time.

Tender for supply of water

A Tender from Tho. Nicholson to supply water to the gas house was laid before the Board and no action taken thereon pending the result of analysis of river water being made known; Mr. Nicholson to continue drawing the water, meantime.

A proposal to build a tank put in windows, &c., at gas house was received from Mr. W Cowan amount £5.18.

Town Clerk W Cowan

It was agreed that Messrs Kearon, Murray

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and P. Lavanagh met Mr. McKowan at the gas house to further discuss the matter and the Town Clerk was directed to arrange for a suitable day for the purpose.

So met
Mr. Tailour
at gas house

It was directed that the Town Clerk see or communicate with Mr. Tailour asking him to name a day and hour to suit his convenience to define space to be set apart for gas house premises and arrange that the sub-committee above named meet him at the gas house for said purpose.

The fixing of date to commence all night lighting was referred to the general purposes committee to be dealt with at the end of next monthlight

John. M. Cullagh Chairman
Nov. 4th 1902.

Abartive
meeting

Abartive monthly meeting on 1st Dec.
1902

The following attended. —
Messrs. Job Hall,
Thos. Birchistle
Mick Lavanagh

A quorum not having attended, the above members adjourned the meeting to 12.30 P.M. on Thursday 4th Dec. 1902, and the clerk was directed to give notice of the adjournment to all the absent members.

John. M. Cullagh Chairman
Nov. 4th 1902

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Adj'd monthly meeting 12.30 P. Thursday 4 Dec 02

An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse Arklow at 12.30 o'clock P.M. on Thursday, 4th of November, December, 1902.

The following attended:-

- Messrs. J. McEulagh
- Mick Kavanagh
- Thos. Birchistle
- Peter Kavanagh
- Chas Murray
- Job Hall

Chairman

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to, that Mr. McEulagh be Chairman of meeting.

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting & record of abortive meeting on 1st inst. were read and agreed to and signed by the chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Keshel Urban Council enclosing a resolution in favour of municipal bodies acquiring land, and asking the Arklow Town Commissioners for an expression of opinion on the matter.

Resolution re municipal corporations acquiring land approved of

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Murray and agreed to, that the subject matter of above resolution is approved of by this Board.

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk, manager Sunlight Gas Co., stating the detailed statement asked from him re cost of connections to private consumers cannot be prepared for fully another fortnight.

Appl for gas connections by private

It was proposed by Mr. Birchistle,

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consumers to be made to the comms

seconded by Mr. Mick Kavanagh that any further connections for gas from private consumers be applied for to the Commissioners.

A proposal from Mr. M. Walsh to sink a pump at the gas house for £18, £22 or £30 according to the sort of pump which might fixed upon.

Proposal to sink a pump at gas house

It was agreed that above proposal could not at present be entertained owing to scarcity of funds and that meantime Thos. Nicholson continue to draw water at 3^d per barrel as at present.

Insurance proposal

A proposal to effect a life insurance on the lamp-lighters was adjourned to the next weekly meeting of the General Purposes Committee and meantime that the insurance agent be asked fill up the form.

Appl for increase of wages adj'd

An application from the lamp-lighters for increase of wages was also adjourned to next ~~weekly~~ meeting of above Committee.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

To Thos. Braeken, 4 weeks wages to 30 Nov 02	£ 5 0
" Lawrence Desmond "	3 5 0
" North British Rubber Co. 2 pairs acid gloves	0 13 6
" Town Clerk for incidentals	4 3 0
" Thos Nicholson, attendance for quarter to 31 Oct 02	0 12 6

An account for £24, for carbide, purifiers, carriage &c. to private consumers was presented from the gas co., and it was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that £20 be paid on account pending an explanation relative to the different items above named.

Cheque.

Cheque for £20 issued accordingly £20 0 0

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A proposal to fix the rent per month of gas meters supplied to private consumers and it was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Birchall and agreed to that the question be adjourned to next monthly meeting

Richard Kearon Chairman
Jan 5th 1903

Monthly meeting Monday 5 Jan 03.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 5th of January, 1903.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. R. Kearon J.P.
- Peter Kavanagh
- Hugh Byrne
- Job Hall
- Peter Carvey

Chairman

It was proposed by Mr Byrne, seconded by Mr. Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the manager, Sunlight Gas Co containing a detailed statement as requested relative to public & private lighting with acetylene gas & containing an offer for carbide for private lighting amounting to £26. 0. 1; also drawing attention to the large increase in the consumption of gas for public lighting during month of Dec. 1902, being 9600 feet as compared with 5296 feet in Nov & 4557 feet in Nov. Oct. 02.

cost of carbide.

Increased consumption for public lighting
All night lighting to cease from 1st Dec 1903

The clerk was directed to state in reply to above that the consumption of gas was in accordance with agreement made in Mr Quirk's presence, that it would be smaller for present month and that the all-night lighting would cease altogether from 1st Prov.

Lamplighters' application for increase of wages

A letter was read from lamplighters Tho. Bracken & Laurence Desmond asking for an increase of wages on account of their long working hours consequent on the making

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5 Jan 03

Lamp-lighters' wages increased

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Kavanagh and agreed to that the lamp-lighters' wages be increased to 17/6 per week from 5th Jan to 30th April 1903, inclusive.

Mr. Byrne drew attention to the death of Mrs Storey, wife of Mr. Storey T.B. and proposed the following resolution:-

Resolution of sympathy re death of Mrs Storey.

"That this Board has learned with regret of the death of Mrs. Storey and we beg to tender our sincere sympathy to Mr. Storey and his family in their sad bereavement."

The above resolution was seconded by Mr. Hall and passed unanimously and it was further proposed by Mr. Byrne seconded by Mr. Kavanagh and agreed to ^{that} the clerk be directed to send a copy of above resolution to ~~forwarded~~ Mr. Storey.

The following notices of Town & Harbour Rates were given by Mr. Carvey.

Notice of General or Town Rate

"This is to give notice that at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I shall propose that a Town Rate of one shilling in the £ be made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount, or three pence in the £ be made on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854.

And should I be absent from said monthly meeting, I hereby authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat to take action upon this notice." Signed, Peter Carvey
Arklow, 5 Jan 1903.

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Notice of Harbour Rate.

"I hereby give notice under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act, 1882 and the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854 that, at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I shall propose that a Harbour Rate of one shilling in the £ be made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ be made on lands, all within the ^{municipal} limits of the Town of Arklow, for the purpose of repayment with interest thereon of loan of £3,500 granted by the Lords Commissioners of Her late Majesty's Treasury for the improvement of Arklow Harbour.

And should I be absent from next monthly meeting as aforesaid, I authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat to take action upon this notice."

(Signed) Peter Carvey

Arklow, 5th January, 1903.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s.	d.
To Tho. Perreken's wages to 4 Jan 03 1/2 for meters	4	1	0
" Lawrence Desmond "	4	1	0
" Sunlight gas Co. Instalment for public lighting to 31st Dec 02.	6	4	0
" Do. Balance carbide for private lighting from last month.	26	0	1
" " carbide as per a/c			
" Town Clerk's quarters salary to 20 Dec 02, Harbour Rate a/c	2	10	0
" " for incidentals	2	1	4

Being part of gas meters &c. adjo.

The matter of fixing the rent of gas meters to private consumers and Town Clerk's salary collecting price of gas and keeping gas ledger account was adjourned to next monthly meeting and the clerk was directed

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Monthly meeting
cont 5-1-03.

to give notice of its being adjourned to all the members of the Board in order to secure a full attendance.

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Carvey and agreed to, that any action taken at next monthly meeting in connection with above would be retrospective and date from 1st Jan. 03.

The clerk stated that Henry Elliott of Leominster Lane had applied for the position of Bill poster to the Board in place of Isaac Myers who had resigned. Elliott stated he was employed at the Arklow Brick & Tile Works and could only post notices after working hours.

Bill poster
appointed

The Board gave Henry Elliott the appointment at one shilling & six pence for each set of notices posted which the latter accepted.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
2-2-03

Arklow Municipal Elections 1903.

Record of Proceedings.

The following Commissioners retired by rotation for Arklow No. 1. Urban.

Messrs W^m Craun

Peter Carvey

Peter Kavanagh

John Storey

Mr. Storey had been already disqualified as a Commissioner for non attendance, but would at this time retire by rotation had he remained a Commissioner.

The above named were all validly nominated and as no nomination in excess of the number of vacancies was received, were declared duly re-elected notices to that effect being duly posted as required by law.

Arklow No. 2. Urban

The Retiring Commissioner by rotation for Arklow No. 2. Urban was Mr W. J. Gold who did not seek re-election

Mr. Samuel Marshall, Ferrybank was duly ~~nom~~ and validly nominated to succeed Mr Gold and as no second nomination was received Mr Marshall was declared duly

15-1-03.

Record of election proceedings. elected for Arklow No 2. Urban, the prescribed notices to that effect being duly posted same as in Arklow No 1.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
2-2-03

23 Jan. 03.

Annual meeting
Friday 23-1-03

The annual meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Friday, 23rd January, 1903

The following attended:—

Messrs. Hugh Byrne
John McEulagh
Rich^d Kearon J.P.
Samuel Marshall
Peter Garvey
Peter Kavanagh.

Meeting adj.

The above commissioners adjourned the meeting to 7 o'clock P.M. on same evening and directed the clerk to give notice of the adjournment to all the absent members as they considered there should be a fuller attendance to transact the important business of an annual meeting.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
2-2-03

The adjourned annual meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Friday the 23rd January, 1903

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Charles Murray
- William Braan
- John McCullagh
- Richard Kearon J.P.
- Dan Condren
- Peter Carvey
- Hugh Byrne
- Samuel Marshall
- Peter Kavanagh
- Mick Kavanagh

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. McCullagh and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be chairman of meeting pro tem.

The following new members made the usual declaration before acting as Commissioners:—

- William Braan
- Peter Kavanagh
- Peter Carvey
- Samuel Marshall

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. Carvey and unanimously agreed to that Mr. Hugh Byrne be Chairman of the Arklow Town Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Mr. Byrne thanked the Board for their kindness in unanimously electing him as their Chairman.

Chairman of meeting appointed

Chairman for ensuing year elected

Mr. Byrne made the usual declaration on accepting office as Chairman and then occupied the chair which was vacated by Mr. Kearon.

The clerk read the following list of attendances for the past year:—

	monthly	spl.	absent	committee	Total
Mr. J. Birchistle	9	9	1	5	24
" H. Byrne	8	9	"	5	22
" D. Condren	4	3	"	"	7
" P. Carvey	4	6	"	"	10
" W. J. Cold	5	2	"	"	7
" M. Kavanagh	5	4	1	"	10
" P. Kavanagh	13	7	"	6	26
" J. McCullagh	12	8	"	4	24
" Job Hall	14	9	1	"	24
" Earl Wicklow	2	"	"	"	2
" W. Braan	5	1	"	"	6
" C. Murray	10	10	"	3	23
" R. Kearon	8	10	"	4	22

Total number of meetings held during the year } 14 10 1 8 33

General Purposes Committee appointed

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. McCullagh and agreed to that Mr. P. Kavanagh be a member of the general Purposes Committee for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Mr. Carvey, seconded by Mr. Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr. McCullagh be a member of the General Purposes Committee for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. M. Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr. Birchistle be a member of the General

Purposes Committee for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Mr. P. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Condren and agreed to that Mr. Murray be a member of the General Purposes Committee for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. Garvey and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be a member of the General Purposes Committee

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Garvey and agreed to that Mr. Hall be a member of the General Purposes Committee for the ensuing year.

Mr. Byrne to be the seventh member.

The quorum to be three & to appoint their own Chairman at their first meeting.

The Committee were then as follows:-

- Mr. Peter Kavanagh
- " John McEullagh
- " Thos. Birchistle
- " Chas Murray
- " Rich Kearon
- " Job Hall
- " Hugh Byrne

Hugh Byrne Chairman
2-2-03

Monthly meeting
Monday 2-2-03.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow, at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 2nd day of February, 1903.

The following attended:-

- Messrs Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- " Rich Kearon J.P.
- " J McEullagh
- " Saml Marshall
- " Wm Craan
- " Peter Kavanagh
- " Chas Murray
- " Danl Condren

The minutes of last monthly meeting, the read of proceedings at annual election, the annual meeting on 23rd inst at 12 o'clock noon and of adjourned annual meeting at 7 o'clock P.M. on same date were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman

A letter was read from Poundwood & Eggar Districts asking this Board to adopt a resolution asking the D W & W Railway Co. to run their line more inland. The letter was marked "read."

A letter was read from the Sunlight Gas Co. having reference to the excessive consumption of gas for public lighting during the month of Dec. 02.

The following two resolutions to make rates were proposed by Mr. McEullagh, seconded by Mr. Kearon and agreed to:-

- (1) In pursuance of notice given at last monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I propose that a Harbour Rate of one shilling

Form 4
Harbour Rates
made.

General
Purposes
Committee

on

Monthly meeting
Monday 2-2-03

in the £ be now made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ be made on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act, 1882, and the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, for the purpose of repayment by annuity with interest thereon of loan of £ 3,500 granted by the Lords Commissioners of Her late Majesty's Treasury for the improvement of Arklow Harbour. Said rate to become due on 1st October, 1903."

Rates made

Arklow 2nd February, 1903.

(2) "In pursuance of notice given at last monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I propose that a general or Town Rate of one shilling in the £ be now made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ be made on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, said rate to become due on the 1st day of April, 1903."

Arklow, 2nd February 1903.

The Town and Harbour Rate books were produced and signed by the Chairman & five Commissioners as required by the statute.

The cost of connections from main gas pipe to the houses of private consumers and also the cost of carriage by rail of carbide &c. from Dublin to Arklow was referred for consideration to the General Purposes Committee and the clerk was directed to summon

Rate books signed

Meeting of S.P.C. ordered

Monthly meeting
Monday 2-2-03

a meeting of same for 7 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday the 3rd Feb. 1903 for above purpose.

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d.
To Mr. Paraker 4 weeks wages to 1 Feb 03 &c for matches	3	11	0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	3	11	0
" Tom Lelak, quarters salary to 31 January 03	7	10	
" " Annual Election fee	3	7	6
} 10 17 6			
" Messrs Kelly's Ltd gas &c book Receipt books, &c	1	9	9
" Board of Public Works, instalment on Harbour loan to 1st Jan 03	85	0	5
" Sunlight gas Co for carbide	15	1	6

Rent of gas meters fixed

It was proposed by Mr. Condon, seconded by Mr. W. Keulegh and agreed to that six pence per month be charged to each private consumer for gas meters to be for one year from 1st January, 1903, to be collected with and to be added to the amount collected monthly for gas used by private consumers.

clerk's salary for collecting gas money & keeping accounts

It was proposed by Mr. W. Keulegh, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that the clerk's salary for collecting gas money and keeping gas accounts be £5 for one year commencing from 1st January 1903.

This sum was fixed in consequence of the funds at the disposal of the Commissioners being very small at the present time.

Walter Byrne Chairman
2-3-03

Monthly meeting
2. Mar 03

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 2nd March 1903.

The following attended:—

- Messrs Hugh Byrne Chairman
- " Job Hall
- " Saml Marshall
- " J. Birchistle
- " P. Kavanagh
- J. Condren

minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence
admission of
Press to meetings

A letter was read from the Local Government Board in reference to the admission of representatives of the Press at the Commissioners' meetings.

Letters from
Trades Union
Congress

A letter was read from the Irish Trades Union Congress in reference to adopting the "Fair wages resolution" in all their future contracts.

Gaelic League

A letter was read from the Irish Gaelic League asking for an expression of approval of the aims & objects of the Gaelic League & also for subscriptions.

The clerk was directed to reply stating the Gaelic League had their sympathy and approval, but they had no funds at their disposal available for subscriptions.

£60 trans-
ferred from
No. 2 to No. 1 of

It was proposed Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to, that £60 be transferred from No. 2 account to No. 1 account in the Bank of Ireland.

The clerk was directed to ~~write~~ write to the Gorey Town clerk requesting that the dates of the horse

Monthly meeting
Monday 2. Mar 03.

fairs about to be established in Gorey may not clash with the dates of Arklow horse fairs.

The Rate book for general Rate was produced by the clerk to have warrant on same signed & sealed, but the key of seal not being available, the matter was postponed to next meeting.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d
To Tho J Troy 1/2 years rent to 1/4 Jan 03 storage Lampoil &c.	2	10	0
" Tho Braeken 1/2 weeks wages to 1 March 03 1/4 for matches	3	11	0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	3	11	0
" John M. Walsh, adms re horse fair in Arklow	0	15	0
" Town Clerk for incidentals	1	13	1/4
" Tho. Nicholson carrying water to gas house & back from Ry station	0	19	3
" P. Boland for Lampoil	2	7	1
" W. Greene lamp & gas house necessaries	1	6	2
" John F. Evans, poundage on £228 Town Rates	11	8	0
" " " " £200.3.5 Harbour "	10	0	2

Technical
Instruction com-
mittee meeting
ordered.

The clerk was directed to summon a meeting of the Arklow Technical Instruction Committee as soon as possible in compliance with letter from Mr. Healy, secretary County Wicklow Technical Instruction Committee, which letter was produced at this meeting at the request of Mr. Condren.

Wall at
Ferrybank
injured ac-
cidentally.

Mr. Hall drew attention to the wall abutting on the footpath at Ferrybank at the North end of Arklow Bridge which had been accidentally injured some short time ago and appeared to be now in a dangerous state.

The clerk was directed to write to Mr. Callaghan, Assistant Surveyor directing his attention to the matter.

The inspection of Bank &c. at Gas-house

2 March 03

Monthly meeting
Monday 2 Mar 03

was adjourned pending the contractor completing the work in accordance with the terms of his contract.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
6-4-03

6 April 03.

Monthly meeting
6 April 03

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 6th April, 1903.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
Thos Birthingale
J M Cullagh
Chas. Murray
Pete Kavanagh
Job. Hall

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to & signed by the Chairman

Letter from

Assistant Surveyor
re sudden damage
at Ferrybank

A letter was read from Mr Gallagher Assistant Surveyor stating he had made arrangements for repairing the wall accidentally injured at Ferrybank end of Arklow Bridge.

Letter from
Mr Quirk re free
consignments of
carbide &c. to
balance of

A letter was read from Mr Quirk stating he had sent free and carriage paid to Arklow ten cases of carbide and two boxes of Cyanogene to balance the difference between public lighting & private consumers and to enable the Commissioners to pay his last monthly account in full.

Letter from Solr.
D.W.W. Ry Co.
appeal against ex-
cessive valuation

A letter was read from the Solicitor to the D.W.W. Ry Co. giving notice of appeal against the valuation of that portion of the Company's line of railway and works within the municipal limits of Arklow on the ground that it is excessive.

The Clerk was directed to reply stating the notice should be sent to the Secretary Wicklow Co Council as the Arklow Town Commissioners have nothing to do with Valuation.

Monthly meeting
12 noon 6 Apr 03
Letter from
U.I. League
with cards of
admission to
convention

A letter was read from the Secretary, United Irish League stating that a National convention was fixed to be held in the Mansion House, Dublin on 14th & 15th Apr 03, and enclosing cards of admission for delegates who might wish to attend. All the members present at meeting declined to attend, but the clerk was directed to write to the absent members of the Board stating such cards were available should any of them choose to attend.

Letter from
L.S. Board
Instructions
as to keeping
& furnishing
accounts.

A letter was read from the Secretary L.S. Board giving instructions as to keeping of accounts and stating that an "Accounts Order" would shortly be issued on the subject.

Meantime, the receipts accounts both as regards receipts and expenditure to be closed and balanced for audit at the end of each financial year and the abstracts to be sent to the Secretary, Local Govt. Board, Dublin within six weeks at most from the end of each year.

Auditor's report
of acct
of Apr. 31-3-02.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board containing copy of report of the Auditor on his audit of the accounts of the Arklow Town Commissioners for the year ended 31st March, 1902, audited on 18th March last.

The report was considered satisfactory, the abstract to be published in local paper according to law.

Letter re
lease of
plot where
gas house
is erected

A letter was read from Mr Tailour enclosing draft form of lease of plot of ground on which the Commissioners have erected a gas house.

The form of lease was approved of and the clerk was directed to attend at the estate office and to ask Mr Tailour to have a surrender clause inserted enabling the Commissioners to determine the tenancy by giving six months notice, should they at any time in the future desire to do so.

Monthly meeting
Warrants on
Rate books signed
amt of rate as
revised to 1903
2 5/4 - 2 - 6 1/4 on each
rate
Cheques.

The warrants on Town & Harbour Rate books were signed & sealed by the chairman & also signed by two Commissioners and countersigned by the clerk according to statute to be handed over to the collector in due course.

Cheques were issued for the following: -

	£	s	d
To the Sunlight Gas Co. Carbide &c for 2 months as per acct	2	4	0
" " " Instalment on contract for public lighting	6	4	0
" Thomas Kerakem, 5 weeks wages to 5 April 03 & 1/- for matches	4	8	6
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	4	8	6
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 20 March 03 Harbour rate	2	10	0
and 3/- to Henry Elliott, posting Harbour rate notices	2	13	0
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 31 March 03 collecting & keeping gas acct's	1	5	0
" P. Boland for lampoil as per acct	3	9	5

Meeting of
L.P. committee
ordered for
13 Apr 03.

The matter of arranging for the making of gas for private consumers during the non-lighting season and also inspection of Tank &c., at Gas house in connection with Mr McGowan's account were referred to general Purposes Committee and the clerk was directed to summon a meeting of same for Monday 13th April 03 at 7 P.M. to consider same & also fix time for straining of lamps.

Resolution of
sympathy re
death of Mrs
Garvey

Mr. Byrne drew attention to the recent death of Mrs. Garvey & the following resolution was proposed by Mr Birchette, seconded by Mr. Kavanagh and unanimously agreed to: -

"That we tender to Mr. P. Garvey and family our deepest sympathy in the loss they have sustained by the death of Mrs. Garvey & that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr Garvey."

The clerk informed the Board that Mr Quirk intended to send his own men to collect and store the street gas lamps at the end of the lighting

Monthly meeting
12 noon 6 April 03

re storing of
lamps

season. The Board considered that such an arrangement might involve additional expense and requested the Clerk to write to Mr Quirk stating the Commissioners would prefer having the lamps collected and stored by the lamplighters in the usual way

It was afterwards agreed that it would be better to allow the gas lamps to be collected & stored by the gas Co. as the lamplighters did not understand the business

Walter Byrne Chairman
4-5-03

Monthly meeting
4 May 03.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Courthouse, Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Monday 4th May, 1903.

The following attended:—

- Messrs A Byrne, Chairman
- " J. Marshall
- " J. Birchielle
- " R. Kearon J.P.
- " J. Hall
- " J. McCullagh
- " Chas. Murray
- " Peter Kavanagh

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Edenderry Town Commissioners containing resolution on Town Tenants Grievances.

Resolution re
Town Tenants
Grievances
adopted.

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that resolution above referred to be adopted, and that copies be sent to our County members, Mr. Field, U.P. and that a statement of the fact be sent to the Edenderry Commissioners.

Letter from gas
Co read &
subject matter
adjo.

A letter was read from Mr Quirk, Manager, Sunlight Gas Co. requesting a meeting the General Purposes Committee re settlement of acct.

The matter was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Audit fee
demanded

A letter was read from the Local Govt. Board demanding audit fee for audit of accounts for year ended 31st March, 1902.

Monthly meeting Monday 4 May 03

A cheque for £2.10 and of same was ordered to be issued.

A letter was read from the Cyclists Touring Club drawing the attention of this Board to a bye law recently adopted by the Hull Corporation relating to covered vehicles, and requesting them to adopt it or pass a similar one.

No action was taken on the above as this Board has no power to make by-laws

A letter was read from the Salway Urban District Council in reference to waste building grounds in Municipal Towns.

No action was taken on the above as the matter does not apply in Arklow.

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following:-

- To Thomas Braeken, 4 weeks wages to 3rd May 03 which includes two days collecting & storing oil and gas lamps a donkey, & car being employed to convey the lamps £ 3. 11. 0
- " Lawrence Desmond do do 3. 11. 0
- " Town Clerk, Quentin's salary to 30th April 03 7. 10. 0
- " Local Govt Board audit fee for year ended 31st March 02. 2. 10. 0
- " J. M. Chail, Stationery, adverts, &c. as per a/c 3. 19. 10
- " do do do Harbour Rate a/c 1. 11. 0
- " Messrs Browne & Nolan Harbour Rate-book 0. 11. 11
- " do do General return " 0. 11. 6
- " P. Roland for Lampoil 1. 10. 8
- " Tho. Nicholas, drawing water to gas house & lamps to store 1. 1. 6
- " Alex. W. Gowen for gas house fixtures 5. 0. 0

A joint tender from lamp-lighters J. Braeken & L. Desmond to supply gas to private consumers during the non lighting season at six shillings each per week was accepted on condition that the

Tender to make gas for private consumers accepted

Monthly meeting Monday 4 May 03

gas house premises be kept in clean and in good order and free from injury during the period

excessive speed in riding by cyclists

It was proposed by Mr Kieron, seconded by Mr Marshall, & agreed to that the attention of the R.C.C. at Arklow be called to the searching pace adopted by cyclists when riding through the town, especially after nightfall, & that the law restricting such pace be rigidly enforced.

The clerk was directed to send a copy of above to the D.I. R.C.C. Arklow.

Town rates collection to be complete by 1st July in each year.

The clerk was also ^{directed to inform the Rate Collector} informed that it is the instruction of this Board that in future the Town Rates be collected not later than the 1st July in each year

In reference to cheque issued to Mr McGowan for fixtures at Gas house, the clerk was directed to withhold payment until the work would be inspected by the committee appointed to inspect same on 5th inst and also to inspect the lamps recently stored on same occasion.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
H-6-03

1st June 03

Abortive
Monthly
meeting

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was summoned to be held at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 1st June 1903.

The following attended:—

Mr. Hugh Byrne, Chairman

Mr. John Storey

Meeting
adj'd a
quorum
not having
attended.

The above, after having waited for considerably over the statutable half hour, adjourned the meeting to 7 o'clock P.M. on Thursday the 4th June 03 and directed the clerk to have written notice of the day and hour of adjournment given to all members of the Board.

Hugh Byrne

Chairman

6-7-03

Adj'd monthly meeting 4 June 03.

Adj'd meeting
4 June 03

An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Thursday the 4th June, 1903.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Hugh Byrne Chairman

John Storey

" J. Condren

" P. Kavanagh

" C. Murray

" ~~John~~ Hall

Mr. Storey made the usual statutory declaration as a Commissioner

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Home office Whitehall, London in reference to underground bakehouses upon which no action was taken as ~~there are~~ it is a matter for the sanitary authority.

£11-1-10
dog licenses rec'd

A letter was read from the Registrar of Petty Sessions Clerks stating a sum of £11-1-10 had been lodged to the credit of the Arklow Town Commissioners as surplus moneys arising from the sale of dog licences.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

To Tho. Nicholson, half years salary to	£ 5 d
30th April 1903 fuel, attendance, &c	1" 5" 0
" Tho. Bracken works wages making gas to 31 May 03	1" 4" 0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	1" 4" 0
" Town Clerk for incidentals as per acf	1" 1" 6
" Joseph Armesley, Lamp necessaries	6" 18" 2

In the matter of arranging to meet Mr. Quirk re gas contract adjourned from

After monthly meeting 4 June 03.

last monthly meeting, the clerk was directed to again write to Mr Quirk on the subject. The following notice was given by Mr. Condren:-

"I hereby give notice that at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners I will move that the monthly meetings of the Board be held in future at 7 P.M. instead of 12 noon."

(Signed) Dan Condren.

Hugh Byrne
Chairman
6-7-03

Monthly meeting
Monday 6 July 03.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office Courthouse, Arklow at 12 o'clock on Monday the 6th of July, 1903.

The following attended:-

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
" Richd Kearon J.P.
" Job Hall
" Peter Garvey
" Mick Kavanagh
" Peter Kavanagh
" Saml Marshall

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman

Correspondence

Two letters were read from the Town Clerk, Dublin. Containing resolutions (1) in reference to the necessity for amending the law in reference to the necessity for relating to compensation for criminal injuries in Ireland and (2) in reference to the grievances of Town Tenants.

It was proposed by Mr Kearon, seconded by Mr. Garvey and agreed to that above resolutions be adopted and that the Town Clerk, Dublin be informed of the fact.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s	d
To Thos. Braeken 5 weeks wages making gas to 5 July 03	1	10	0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	1	10	0
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 20 June, 03, Harbour Rate	2	10	0
" " " " 30 " " Gas collection	1	5	0
" " " " for incidentals	1	2	0

In reference to an item for 10/6 Horse fair advertisements in above ap for incidentals brought forward by the Town Clerk at

6 July 03.

Monthly meeting
Monday 6 July 03item in
incidental
and objected
to.

the request of a member of the Board, it was strongly urged that the amount be disallowed on the ground that the Town clerk had no right to put forward a claim of this kind at the request of any individual Commissioner. The clerk explained that if he had acted otherwise, he would be refusing the claim himself instead of giving the Board the option of doing so; but that he would give an undertaking that he would never again bring forward a similar claim.

Under these circumstances, the item being a small one and the clerk giving above undertaking, was allowed to pass for this time.

A letter was read from Mr Quirk stating he could not attend the committee meeting on 3rd inst as previously agreed upon but would write fully for Monday's meeting.

A further letter was read from him stating that he was prepared to allow a cash discount off the private consumers connections of 5% provided he received a cheque forthwith & that he would be glad to hear from the Board after Monday's meeting.

In consequence of above, and in order to have a ^{fuller} meeting (only seven members being present) and the ^{subject} being of great importance, a special meeting was ordered for Thursday the 9th inst at 7 PM. to finally decide on the matter and the clerk was directed to inform Mr Quirk and to say the Board would be glad to have his assistance at their meeting on above date if he could conveniently attend.

It was ordered that Mr Condren's notice to change the ~~hour~~ ^{hour} of monthly meetings be brought forward

6 July 03.

Monthly meeting
Monday 6 July 03Notice given
to surrender
oil store.

at special meeting on above date.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. P. Kavanagh and agreed to that ^{six months} notice be given to Messrs J. J. Troy & Co. Ruxton to surrender the lamp & oil stores in Abbey Lane on the termination of ~~current~~ ^{present} half year ending on 14th ^{January} ~~July~~ 1904. Notice to be given on this day or on 7th inst.

It was ordered that John Leary be employed to do the glazing, ^{& painting} ^{of lamps} mending of burners &c., on the same terms as he did them last time and to use lead colour paint.

It was agreed that the road leading from Breeny's corner to the Quay be named "Harbour Road" and that name plates containing said name be got for it in due course.

Hugh Byrne Chairman

3-8-03

Abortive
Spl meeting
7 PM Thursday
9 July 03

A very important special meeting was appointed to be held at 7 o'clock P.M. on Thursday the 9th July, 1903 and exactly at the appointed hour the chairman Mr Hugh Byrne entered the Board room and remained for more than three quarters of an hour and no other member appearing, no meeting could be held.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
3-8-03

Monthly meeting
12 noon 3 Sept 03

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Courthouse, Arklow at 12 o'clock noon on Monday the 3rd day of August, 1903.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
J. Birchistle
R. Kearon Esq.
D Condren
Ed Hall
M. Kavanagh
W. M. Craen
Sam Marshall
Peter Kavanagh
J. Storey
J. M. Cullagh

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting & note of abortive special meeting appointed for 9th ult were read and agreed to, (after the notice for the surrender lamp and oil stores had been amended,) and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr Quirk, Manager of the Sunlight Gas Co. stating in reply to a letter from this Board dated 21st July 1903, offering certain terms as to payment for gas connections for private consumers, &c., and refusing all the terms offered.

The Board, after the matter had been carefully considered, were unanimous in declining to alter the terms of letter of 21st ult. above referred to, and appointed a special meeting to be held at 7 P.M. on Monday the 17th inst. to give Mr Quirk a further op-

Spl meeting
ordered

Monthly meeting
Monday 3 Sept 03

Mr Quirk
to be written to

opportunity of coming to terms, and the clerk was directed to write to Mr Quirk informing him of the Board's decision and of the date of special meeting and to submit a draft copy of such letter to the chairman & to Mr. Kearon for their approval before sending it.

The correspondence in connection with above was also read at the meeting for the information of the Board.

A letter was read from the clerk to the Chamber of Commerce proposing to form a "Railway and Canal Users' Association," and inviting this Board to give their views on the subject.

The clerk was directed to reply stating the Commission sympathised with the movement, but had no funds at their disposal but had no funds to touch the financial portion of it.

cheques.

cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s	d
Instalment on Harbour loan to 1st July 03	85	0	5
To Town clerk, Quartus salary to 31 July 03	7	10	0
" Thos. Bracken & work wages to 2 Sept 03, making gas	1	4	0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	1	4	0
" Thos. J. Troy rent foil 1/2 year to 1/4 July 03	2	10	0
" John Leary repairs & painting of lamps & copra ape	2	13	4

Tenders for oil
or invited.

The clerk was directed to have the usual notices posted up in the town inviting tenders for Royal Daylight Petroleum, ^{lamp chimneys} and lamp-wick to be considered at special meeting ordered for 17th inst.

It was decided that the name plates in the Town be not painted this year.

The clerk stated that Mr. Ruxton proposed to repair lamp & oil stores in Abbey Lane to the

Mr Ruxton
proposes to re-
pair the oil
stores & let them
at an increased
rent

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satisfaction of the Commissioners and let them at an increased rent, the Commissioners themselves to name the amount they would be willing to give for a letting for one, three or five years as they might see fit.

The Board held that having already decided on having the oil and lamps stored on the gas house premises, they could not entertain the above proposal now; and a gas committee consisting of Messrs. Kearon J. Birchistle B. Murray and P. Kavanagh were appointed to meet at the gas house at 7 o'clock P.M. on 4th inst to make arrangements for erecting a lamp and oil store on the gas house premises.

Gas committee
meeting appointed
to meet at gas-
house on 4th inst.

The following was proposed by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to:-

Hour of
monthly meet-
ings changed from
11 noon to 7 P.M.

"I propose that the monthly meetings of the Arklow Town Commissioners be held on first Monday in each month at 7 P.M. instead of 12 noon."

(Signed) Dan Leonard

Thos. Birchistle

Election of Harbour Commissioners.

3 Harbour
Commissioners
elected for
5 years

It was proposed by Mr. Peter Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Leary and agreed to that Mr. Byrne be re-elected a member of the Arklow Harbour Board.

It was proposed by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to that Mr. Cold be re-elected a member of the Arklow Harbour Board.

Mr. Storey, after a very pressing invitation from the chairman and all the members of the declined Board to allow himself to be re-elected, declined to do so stating his time was so fully occupied he could not give the necessary attendance at

Monthly meeting
Monday 3 Sept
12 noon

at the Harbour Board.

It was then proposed by Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. Mick Lavanagh and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be elected a member of the Arklow Harbour Commissioners.

Sec. R. B. Long
to be written to
re election of
H.C. for Barony.

In connection with above, the clerk was directed to write to the Secretary, Rural District Council, Gorey, requesting that when next electing an Arklow Harbour Commissioner for the Barony, to select some local person who would ^{be likely to} attend regularly as the members of the Arklow Harbour Board being only seven, it was often very difficult to get a quorum to attend.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Storey and passed unanimously:-

Resolution
re death of
Pope Leo 13th

"We, the Arklow Town Commissioners at this our first meeting since the death of his Holiness Leo the 13th, hereby express our deep regret at the loss the Catholic Church and all Christendom has sustained by the death of his Holiness whose great intellectual gifts and general sympathy with suffering humanity made him beloved and respected by all creeds."

Signed, Daniel Leonard

" John Storey

Above resolution to be forwarded to His Grace, Archbishop Walsh.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
7-9-03

Sp. meeting
Monday 17th
Sept 03 7 PM.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 17th August 1903.

The following attended:-

- Messrs Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- J McLeulagh
- J Birchielle
- R. Kearon J.P.
- P. Kavanagh
- Job Hall

Requisition

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of issuing a cheque for £50 as instalment towards payment of gas connections for private consumers, provided the Gas Co. agreed to the terms offered by the Commissioners, to consider ^{any charges for oil etc. & for general business.}

Correspondence

Mr Quirk wrote stating the terms would not be accepted and proposed arbitration to ^{effect a} settlement.

In reply to a second letter from the Commissioners inviting Mr. Quirk to attend this meeting with a view to come to a settling of the matter without arbitration, to which Mr Quirk agreed, but stated that, owing to a prior engagement, he was unable to attend at this meeting, but would do so later on or next week if the Commissioners would appoint a day for the purpose. On above correspondence being read, it was agreed that a special meeting be appointed for 6 o'clock P.M. on Monday 24th August, 1903, and that Mr Quirk be written to informing him of above arrangement and asking him to attend.

Special meeting
ordered for 24th
Sept 03.

Tenders recd.

Tenders were received from Messrs P. Boland, Wm Greene and Joseph Annusley for supply of

17 Aug 03

Spl meeting
Monday 17 Aug
03 7 PM.

Lampoil, lampwick and lampchimneys for the coming lighting season. On the several Tenders being opened and read by the Chairman, it was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Kavanagh & agreed to accepted that P. Boland get the contract for oil at $6\frac{3}{8}$ per gallon to be supplied in accordance with the conditions chimneys, &c. stated in advertisement.

It was proposed by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr. Kearon and agreed to that Mr. Amesley get the contract for wick at 9⁰ per dozen.

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that Mr. W^m Greene get the contract for lampchimneys, oval at 3/- per dozen and round at 5/- per dozen.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that Mr. John Leary get the contract for painting twenty gas oil lamps with two substantial coats of best white paint at 5 per lamp, the lamps to be painted at the gas house and to be done without delay. The above accepted Tenders were the lowest in each case.

A form relative to contribution in lieu of rates on Government Buildings was signed by the Chairman and Town Clerk and directed to be returned to the Treasury, London.

New meter defective
Mr. Kavanagh drew attention to the new meter recently supplied him by the Gas Co which he stated was registering several feet of gas per hour more than was consumed; and the Clerk stated that the new meter supplied to Mr. Leonard was in a similar condition.

It was directed that Mr. Quirk's attention

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Monday 17 Aug
03 7 PM.

be drawn to the matter, and meantime the consumers to make an average as to the gas to be paid for based on the quantity of gas they had been previously burning.

Hugh Ryan Chairman
17-9-03

Sp. meeting
Monday 24 Aug
03. 6 PM.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office Court-house, Arklow at 6 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 24th of August 1903.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- Rich^d Kearon, J.P.
- Charles Murray
- John Storey
- Peter Kavanagh
- Sam^l. Marshall
- Thos. Birchietto
- John McLaughlin

Mr Quirk attends meeting

Mr. Quirk, Manager of the Sunlight Gas Co. also attended this meeting.

Requisition read.

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of meeting Mr. Quirk above named relative to payment for gas connections to private consumers and, if total sum be agreed upon, to issue a cheque for an instalment of same.

correspondence produced at request of Mr. Quirk

A portion of the correspondence which took place in this matter relative to excessive charges was produced by the clerk at the request of Mr. Quirk and on the latter reading that part where the Commissioners asked for a reduction of £66 being £2 each on 33 connections, he offered to reduce it by half, £33.

The Board refused to accept this offer and it was proposed by Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. Kearon and unanimously resolved, "that with a view to a settlement at his meeting, at this meeting, Mr Quirk be asked to reduce his account

Sp. meeting

by ~~£66~~ for the cost of connections by £40."

Mr. Quirk agreed to make the above reduction. (It should be stated that the reduction demanded by the Commissioners was not £66 but £50 as explained further on in the correspondence ^{produced} which Mr Quirk did not read.)

Lamp at R.B. Church to be included in contract for public lighting.

It was further arranged that the sum of £15 charged for lighting the two lamps at the R.B. Church be struck out and that the lighting of these lamps be included in the contract for public lighting, the Commissioners to pay the cost of connections, £6. A sum of £2-6-6 charged for a brass pump and torch light now at the gas house to be also struck out & the articles ^{to be} returned to the Gas Co. first opportunity.

A document was signed at this meeting by the Chairman and Mr. Quirk by which the latter binds himself to include the two lamps at the R.B. Church in his contract for public lighting.

When above arrangement was completed and agreed to, the account stood as follows:—

Gas Co's account reduced by £55

Original demand by Mr Quirk for cost of connections to private consumers. £213-14-4

Deductions.		£	s	d
Torch light and brass pump		2	6	6
Charge for two gas lamps at R.B. Church		15	0	0
Reduction on cost of connections as above		40	0	0
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		57	6	6
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		£156	7	10

It was further agreed that above 7/10 be struck out leaving the entire sum at £156.

24 Aug 03

Sp. meeting 6.30
Monday 24 Aug 03Cheque

The Board agreed to issue a cheque for £80 instalment of £156, the sum agreed upon, which Mr. Quirk accepted, the commissioners undertaking to issue cheque for the balance as soon as they could but no date was fixed for the payment.

Cheque for £80 was accordingly handed over to Mr. Quirk above of meeting.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
7-9-03

7 Sep. 03

Monthly meeting
7 PM. Monday 7th
Sep 03

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow at 7 PM. on Monday the 7th of September 1903.

The following attended:-

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman

Chas Murray

Michael Kavanagh

John McCullagh

Thos Birchielle

Minutes read

The minutes of last monthly meeting, of special meeting of 17th ult., and of special meeting of 24th ult., were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr. Gold thanking the Commissioners for re-electing him a member of the Arklow Harbour Board and stating he would ^{continue to} do his best in the interest of the Town & Harbour.

A letter was read from the Archbishop of Dublin conveying the thanks of the Sacred College for the sympathetic expression of regret forwarded to Rome on the occasion of the death of Pope Leo the thirteenth.

A letter was read from the Rural District of Dismore containing a resolution in favour of repealing the Coercion Act of 1887.

Resolution adopted.

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. Birchielle and agreed to that the resolution above referred to be adopted and that the Rural District of Dismore be informed of the fact.

Monthly meeting
7 PM Monday
21st 03

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-
 To Tho. Bracken, Lamplighter four weeks wages
 and one day at six shillings per week & £1. 4. 10
 7 days at 2/6 per day 0. 17. 6
 Total £2. 2. 4

To Lawrence Diamond, do. do. 2. 2. 4
 " Town Clerk for incidentals as per a/c 2. 1. 9

Burners
wanted

The Clerk reported that about two dozen new
 burners were required for oil lamps and was
 directed to write for quotations to Messrs Mequire &
 Hatchell and to Messrs Edmundson & Co and when
 received to summon a meeting of the General
 Purposes Committee to make a selection & also to
 make arrangements for fencing in the gas house
 premises and erecting a shed therein to store
 lamps, &c.

Genl Purposes
Committee
meeting ordered

Hugh Byrne Chairman
 5-10-03

Monthly meeting
Monday
5 Oct 03. 7 PM

A monthly of the Arklow Town Commis-
 sioners was held at the Commissioners' office,
 Court-house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday,
 the 5th October, 1903.

The following attended:-

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- Peter Kavanagh
- Dan Leonard
- Sam Marshall
- Tho Birchie
- John McElough

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were
 read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk enclosing a
 corrected account for one ton of carbide £17 instead
 of £17.10 and requesting cheque for £17 from this
 meeting; also sending under separate cover a book con-
 taining all the applications for gas by private con-
 sumers in Arklow which he requested to have treat-
 ed as confidential.

Two letters

Book sent

from Mr Quirk

A second letter was read from Mr Quirk thank-
 ing the Commissioners who met the deputation
 from Thornby, Lancashire on 24th Sept. 03 at Arklow
 Railway station.

Letter sent

re duplex
burners.

A letter was read from Messrs Edmundson
 & Co. acknowledging receipt of order for 11 burners to
 complete a dozen with one already received and stating
 they had no ^{single} burners to take 1 1/2 inch wick

Sample
burners from
Mequire &
Hatchell

Letters were read from Messrs Mequire & Hatchell re-
 ferring to their quotation for duplex burners sent last
 month and soliciting an order. They also sent
 two sample burners (single & duplex) on approbation

Sample burners exp. & ordered to be returned.

The Board examined above specimens of burner and directed that they be returned as unsuitable and to say they required about a dozen single burners of same quality as sample but to take a wick not less than 1/4 in. wide.

The sample burners examined were quoted at single burner 2/4/- & duplex 28/6 per dozen.

A letter was read from Mr Tailyour requesting to have the lease of plot of ground on which the Commissioners have erected their gas plant duly completed and returned. This was done and signed by the chairman & Town clerk, and it was directed that the lease and counterpart be returned to Mr. Tailyour as requested.

Lease of gas house premises signed, sealed and returned to Mr. Tailyour.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s	d
To Tho. Bracken Works lamp lighting & matches	3	11	0
" Lawrence Desmond "	3	11	0
" Frank W Phail painting as per a/c	2	12	6
" " " Harbour Rate a/c	0	12	0
" Town Clerk, salary to 20 Sep 03	2	10	0
" " " 30 " " Gas a/c	1	5	0
" " " for incidentals	0	16	3
" The Sunlight Gas Co. for 1 ton carbide	17	0	0

Parties who have got connections & are not using gas to be written to.

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Philpot J.P. asking if he intended burning acetylene gas from the Commissioners during the coming winter, to commence from October 03 & if not, to say the Commissioners expected to be paid the full cost of the connections. Reply requested.

It was also directed that similar letters be written to Mr. E. Fogarty & to Mr. Mickel Kavanagh, I.L.

Monthly meeting 7 PM. Monday.

Mr Quirk asked to reduce price of carbide.

Child at gas house

Storage of oil

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Quirk stating the Commissioners were most anxious to reduce the price of gas to private consumers and to ask if his Co. would help them do so by reducing the price of carbide.

To show draft of letter to Chairman before sending it.

It was directed that the clerk speak to Mr. Kearon reminding him of getting a carpenter to fence in the gas house premises, erected &c: also to speak to Mr Fogarty about 28th of this month asking if he would store the Commissioners' oil on his premises and supply it to the lamplighters when required.

Wm Hynes Chairman

2-11-03

Monthly meeting
2 Nov 03

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Courthouse, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 2nd of Nov. 1903.

The following attended:-

- Messrs Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- Chas Murray
- Peter Garvey
- Job Hall
- J. Birchiotte
- J. McCullagh
- R. Kearon
- D Leonard
- Peter Kavanagh

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk stating the Gas Co. had reduced the price of Carbide from £17 to £16 per ton. Carbide to be supplied in future by the Dublin Carbide Co.

Price of carbide reduced

Letter from Wicklow N. Teachers Association

A letter was read from the Secretary, Wicklow National Teachers Association asking the Co-operation of this Board in endeavouring to obtain from the Irish Grant, a portion equivalent for primary education in Ireland a sum equivalent to that which has been already granted in England & Scotland for the same purpose.

A copy of resolution to the above effect was enclosed with a request that it be adopted.

Resolutions adopted

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Kearon and unanimously agreed to that the resolution above referred to be adopted and that the fact be made known to the Secretary, Teachers Association

Monthly meeting
2 Nov 03

A letter was read from Mr Tailor with solicitor's bill of costs enclosed demanding £3.16 for lease of gas house premises.

£3.16 to be paid for lease of gas house premises

The amount was ordered to be paid.

A letter was read from Messrs Maguire & Satchell quoting 3/6 per dozen for single burners to take with 1 1/2 in. wide, a sample burner from the firm being produced for the inspection of the Board.

2 doz. single burners 1 doz chimneys & 4 doz. wicks ordered

The sample burner was approved, and the clerk was directed to order the balance of two dozen burners same as sample, one gross of chimneys and four dozen Stempes patent wick to match.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s	d
To Tho. Kerackan 4 weeks wages to 1 Nov 03 & 1/4 for matches	3	11	0
" Lawrence Desmond "	3	11	0
" Town clerk, quarters salary to 31 Oct 03	7	10	0
" Tho. Nicholson, attendance, &c to 31 Oct 03	9	5	7
" Do carrying water & carbide to gas house as per acct 10/3	1	15	0
" Messrs Edmundson & Co. one dozen duplex burners	1	13	4

Price of gas to private consumers reduced to 4/ per 100ft.

It was proposed by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Garvey and agreed to, that the price of gas to private consumers be reduced from 5/- to 4/- per 100 feet, the reduction to commence on 1st Nov 1903 and to continue until further notice

Messrs Philpot & Fogarty again to be consulted re consumption of gas

The clerk was directed to again write to Mr. Philpot and Mr. Fogarty asking a reply to the Board's letter of 14th ult. relative to consumption of gas.

Complaint re foul market

William Whiston of Arklow came before the Board and made a complaint as to irregularities in the Arklow fowl market and stating the market was held too early in the morning

Monthly meeting
2 Nov 03

The clerk was directed to write to the Local Government asking if the Arklow Town Commissioners had any power to interfere in the matter

All night lighting

It was directed that the all night lighting of the lamps commence at the end of the present moonlight, the number of lamps to be kept lighting to be the same as last year, viz:- all the gas lamps, Bridge lamps, lamp opposite the convent on Marlboro Terrace, lamp at Chapel Ground, lamps at Brooks & Toole's open.

Cheques.

Cheque issued to Mr Tailors for lease of gas premises £ 5 0
do Sunlight Gasless Carbide &c. as per a/c 8 1 8

Hugh Byrne
Chairman
7-12-03

Monthly meeting
7 Dec 03

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 7th Dec. 1903.

The following attended:-

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- " Mick Lavanagh
- " Saml Marshall
- " Job Hall
- " Charles Murray
- " Peter Lavanagh
- " Thos. Birchielle

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

An application from Thos Nicholson for £6 for cleaning & heating of room at meeting of Society for Prevention of Cruelty to children on 27th Nov. 1903.

The application was disallowed.

Letter re insurance of lamp lighters

A letter was read from the Railway Passengers Assurance Company stating the Commissioners' Insurance in respect of accidents to their lamp lighters will expire on 10th Dec. 03, and that a renewal of the insurance for another period of twelve months may be had on payment of the premium of ten shillings.

Insurance to be renewed.

It was ordered that the insurance be renewed.

Letter re burners, chimneys &c.

A letter was read from Messrs Maguire and Hatchell in reference to burners, lamp chimneys and wicks supplied and stating that a sample burner supplied would be allowed for if returned. It was directed that the burner be not returned.

Monday
19th Dec 03

Letter from
A. B. Board
Market

A letter was read from the Local Government Board in reply to inquiring as to the Commissioner's views on the subject of Ashbur food market and referring to certain sections of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1898, &c.

The matter was adjourned for the purpose of having full information on the legal points referred to at next monthly meeting.

Letter from Gaelic League containing copy of resolution in favour of having the Irish language taught in National schools and asking this Board to adopt it.

Resolution adopted by Mr. Birchcliffe, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that the resolution referred to be adopted and that the fact may be made known to the Secretary Gaelic League.

Letter from Eury Q.S. District Council stating that Mr. Patrick Hughes seems to have been appointed a Ashbur Comm- Missioner to represent the Economy of Eury on the Ashbur Board.

The Clerk was directed in acknowledging receipt of above communication to state that Mr. Hughes had not attended a meeting of the Ashbur Board and asking the Eury Q.S. Council to request Mr. Hughes to attend more regularly or cancel his appointment in favour of one who would attend.

The following report was read from the Gas Committee who on this day inspected the new ~~at~~ store, gate & fences recently erected on

Monday
19th Dec 03

The gas horse permits. The inspection was made at 12 noon by Messrs. E. H. Murray, Peter Skanough & Mr. Birchcliffe accompanied by the Town Clerk.

1. Recommended that a paved or concrete channel be made around inner side and end of new store and that earthen chutes be erected around the exterior building and water bands be procured to hold the water coming from the chutes.

2. That a bank be made in the yard to catch the refuse lime.

3. That the doors & wood work be painted

4. That the passages near the old green yard be closed up.

5. That a concrete floor be made in the new store.

6. To consider what remuneration should be given for superintending the erection of gas horse store, entrance gate, fencing, &c., which the Committee were of opinion had been so far satis- factorily performed.

7. That a labourer be employed for two days to level off and clean up yard on gas- horse permits.

After above report had been duly considered by the Board, it was proposed by Mr. Birchcliffe, seconded by Mr. Peter Skanough and agreed to: - That Nos 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 be completed with- out delay, that Nos 5 was quite necessary, but on account of funds being low, may be deferred for the present, and that ~~the~~ the con- sideration of No. 6 be adjourned to next

Monthly meeting
7 PM. 7 Dec 03

Cheques.

monthly meeting.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

To Thos. Braiken	5 weeks wages to 6th Dec: 00 off for matches	£ 4 ^x 3 ^x 6
" Lawrence Desmond	" " "	4 3 6
" Town Clerk	for wages paid to tradesmen, labourer and for bricks & mortar erecting store, gate and fencing in of gas house premises	£ 16 14 9
" Town Clerk	for incidentals as per a/c	1 16 4

5/- each retained from lamp lighters

X. Five shillings were stopped from each of the lamp lighters ^{wages} for last month for a mistake made on night of 3rd ult. whereby the private consumers were left without gas for some time. (See minutes of General Purposes Committee meeting of 4th Nov 1903.)

Messrs Fogarty & Philpot to be written to

The clerk was directed to again write to Messrs. Fogarty & Philpot as to their becoming private consumers of gas and to have their reply for next monthly meeting.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
H-1-04

Monthly meeting
7 PM. 4 Jan 04.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office Courthouse, Arklow at 7 o'clock PM. on Monday, the 4th January 1904.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- " P. Carvey
- " Dan. Condren
- " John McCullagh 7
- " Richd. Kearon J.P.
- " Job. Hall
- " Thos. Birchistle
- " Saml Marshall

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence

A letter from the Local Government Board re fowl market in Arklow adjourned from last monthly meeting was again read at this meeting with the result that the clerk was directed to write to the Local Government Board asking if they could assist the Commissioners in any way in finding out by what means they could obtain control and jurisdiction over the fairs and markets in Arklow

Re fowl market

Re correspondence with Messrs Philpot & Fogarty re gas.

The clerk stated in reply to a question from the Chairman that no answer to his letter was given by Messrs. Philpot & Fogarty to his letter asking them to become consumers of gas, &c.

Mr McCullagh stated that in a conversation he had recently with Mr. Fogarty, the latter said he intended to take in the gas early this month.

4 Jan 04

Monthly meeting
4 Jan 04
7 PMMr Philpot to
be again with
to.

The clerk was directed to write to Mr Philpot who is about letting his premises in Main street to arrange with his incoming tenant to become a consumer of gas, or otherwise to pay the Commissioners £5.0.2 expenses incurred by them at his request in making connections to said premises.

It was directed that writing to Mr Fogarty be deferred for the present to see if he will carry out his intention of taking the gas within a reasonable time.

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following: — £ s d

To Tho. Bracken 4 wks lamplighting to 3 Jan 04 & 1/4 for matches	3	11	0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	3	11	0
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 20 Dec 03, Harbour Rate a/c	2	10	0
" " " " to 31 Dec 03. Keeping gas a/c	1	5	0
" " Payment of tradesmen & labourers at gas house	6	13	1/4
" " for incidentals	1	10	1/4
" Dublin Carbide Co. for 3 tons carbide	1	8	0
" Sunlight gas Co. for 4 boxes paratylene	1	16	0

Questions
adj.

The question of allowance for superintending and keeping accounts for works at gas house premises was again adjourned to next monthly meeting, the gas Committee to inspect the premises meantime & report to the Board.

The following notices were given for General or Town Rate and for Harbour Rate.

Notice of Rates

"This is to give notice that at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I shall propose that a general or Town Rate of one shilling in the £ be made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ be made on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of

Monthly meeting
4 Jan 04Harbour
Rate noticeProposal to
make Harbour
Rate 10^d in the £
not carried

4 Jan 04

the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854.

And should I be absent from said monthly meeting, I hereby authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat, to take action upon this notice."

(Signed) Richd Kearon
Arklow, 4th January, 1904.

"I hereby give notice under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act, 1882, and the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, that at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I shall propose that a Harbour Rate of one shilling in the £ be made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount, or three pence in the £ be made on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow, for the purpose of repayment with interest thereon of loan of £3,500 granted by the Lords Commissioners of Her late Majesty's Treasury for the improvement of Arklow Harbour.

And should I be absent from said monthly meeting, I hereby authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat, to take action upon this notice."

(Signed) Richd Kearon
Arklow, 4th January, 1904.

On above notice being handed to the Chairman, it was proposed by Mr Marshall that the Harbour Rate be ten pence instead of one shilling in the £, but having got no seconder, the proposal fell through and it

Monday Meeting
7.0 PM 4 Jan 04.

was proposed by Mr. Deaton, seconded by Mr. W. Cullagh and agreed to that the Harbours Rate be one shilling in the £ same as on notice.

It was directed that steps be taken for the sale of the refuse lime at the gas house either by the ton or barrel or in one lot.

lime & empty
cases at
gas house to
be disposed of

The gas committee on their inspection of the gas house premises to give directions as to the disposal or otherwise of empty carbide cases.

W. J. Gold
Chairman
Febr 1st 1904.

Arlow Municipal Election, 1904.

Record of proceedings

The following Commissioners retired by rotation for ^{Arlow} No. 1. Urban

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman

" Tho. Birchistle

" John W. Cullagh

" Richd Howard, deceased

Mr. Denis Kavanagh was duly nominated in place of the late Richd Howard and the remaining three retiring members were each duly nominated for re-election, and as no nomination in excess of the number of vacancies was received were declared duly elected, notices to that effect being duly posted as required by statute.

Arlow, No. 2. Urban

The retiring Commissioner for Arlow No. 2. Urban was the Right Hon. Earl of Wicklow who was already disqualified for non-attendance.

Mr. W. J. Gold was duly nominated in place of Lord Wicklow, and no second nomination being received was declared duly elected for Arlow No. 2. Urban, the prescribed notices to that effect being duly posted same as in Arlow No. 1.

W. J. Gold
Chairman
Febr 1st 1904

Annual meeting
70 meeting det.
23-1-04
7 PM.

The annual meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Saturday, 23rd day of January 1904. The following attended:-

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
J. McCullagh
S. Marshall
Wm J. Gold
R. Kearon
C. Murray
P. Kavanagh

Mr. Byrne, Mr. Gold & Mr. McCullagh made the usual statutory declaration on taking their seats as new members.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Marshall that Mr. Gold be Chairman for present year.

It was proposed as an amendment by Mr. Murray that Mr. Kearon be Chairman for the year.

Mr. Murray having got no seconder, was requested to withdraw his amendment which he did, and Mr. Gold was declared to be unanimously elected.

Mr. Gold after having made a declaration as Chairman, took his seat as such for the remainder of the meeting.

It was proposed by Mr. ~~McCullagh~~ ^{Kavanagh}, seconded by Mr. Murray & agreed to that Mr. McCullagh be elected a member of the General Purposes Committee.

Annual meeting
Saturday 23-1-04
7 PM.

It was proposed by Mr. Murray seconded by Mr. McCullagh & agreed to that Mr. Kavanagh be a member of the General Purposes Committee.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr. Murray be a member of the General Purposes Committee.

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Kearon and agreed to that Mr. Hall be a member of the General Purposes Committee.

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Marshall and agreed to that Mr. ~~that~~ Mr. Kearon be a member of the General Purposes Committee.

General
Purposes
Committee

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Kearon and agreed to that Mr. Byrne be a member of the General Purposes Committee.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Byrne and agreed to that Mr. Marshall be a member of the General Purposes Committee.

The General Purposes Committee for current year then stood as follows:-

Messrs. John McCullagh
" Peter Kavanagh
" Charles Murray
" Job. Hall
" Rich^d Kearon
" Hugh Byrne
" Saml Marshall

The quorum of above committee to be three, and to appoint their own chairman at their first meeting.

The clerk then proceeded to read

Annual meeting 23-1-04
7pm

the list of attendances of members of the Board for the past year which stood as follows:-

	Monthly	absent	Committee	Total
Messrs. H. Byrne, chairman	15	1	9	25
" J. Birchistle	11		10	21
" D. Condren	8		"	8
" P. Carvey	4		"	4
" W. Kavanagh	7		"	7
" P. Kavanagh	11		6	17
" S. Marshall	10		"	10
" J. McCullagh	11		7	18
" W. Keenan	3		"	3
" G. Murray	9		10	19
" Job Hall	9		3	12
" R. Kiaran	9		8	17
" J. Storey	3	1	"	4

W. J. Gold
Chairman
Feb 1st 1904

Monthly meeting
7pm Monday
1 Feb 04

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 1st February, 1904.

The following attended:-

- Messrs. William J. Gold, Chairman
- " Paul Condren
- " Saml Marshall
- " Tho. Birchistle
- " Peter Carvey
- " Hugh Byrne
- " John Storey
- " Charles Murray
- " Peter Kavanagh
- " Denis Kavanagh

Declarations

Mr. J. Birchistle and Mr. Denis Kavanagh made the usual statutory declaration each, this being their first attendance since election.

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting, Record of Election proceedings and minutes of Annual meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman

The following correspondence was read:

A letter was read from the Local Government Board in reference to Town market in Arklow and pointing out section 103 of the Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1878, and sections 6 and 21 of Public Health (Ireland) Act, 1896, under which Town Commissioners can purchase or take on lease (with the approval of the Local Government Board) public or private rights in Markets or tolls.

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr.

Separation
of fowl market

Murray and agreed to that Mr. Carvey, Mr. Birchiatte, Mr. Peter Kavanagh & Mr. Denis Kavanagh meet the fowl buyers and seller who attend Arklow market at fixing a suitable hour for holding the fowl market and if agreed upon, to report to the General Purposes Committee.

Poor Law
Reform Com-
mission

A letter was read from the Poor Law Reform Commission requesting the Arklow Town Commissioners to appoint two of their number to attend and give evidence at a Local Inquiry to be held in due course of which due notice will be given.

Messrs. Kavanagh
& Birchiatte to
attend local inquiry

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. Gold and agreed to that Mr. Peter Kavanagh & Thos. Birchiatte be appointed to attend local Inquiry above referred to.

Report on
to further
improvements
at gashouse

A report from the Gas Committee was read making certain recommendations as to improvements at gashouse premises. For copy of said report, see minute of book of General Purposes Committee page 50. Meeting of 19 Jan. 04.

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. Carvey and agreed to that the report from gas committee above referred to be adopted and that the recommendations be carried out as soon as convenient, and when completed, that the place be again inspected by the General Purposes Committee who will report for the information of the Board at next monthly meeting as to these improvements and also as to the remuneration to be allowed for keeping the accounts, superintending the work, &c.

Tender
for lime

A sealed tender from Christopher Byrne was

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1 Feb 04 7 PM.

opened and read by the Chairman offering thirty shillings for the refuse lime at the gas house.

Tender
accepted

It was proposed by Mr. Story, seconded by Mr. Condren and agreed to that above tender be accepted.

Reques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-		£ s d
To Thos. Brecken 4 weeks wages to 31 Jan. 04	Thos. Brecken	3 11 0
" Lawrence Desmond "	" "	3 11 0
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 31 Jan. 04	" "	7 10 0
" " Election expenses 1904	" "	3 7 6
" J. F. Evans, poundage on £229.10. sent Rate, 1903.	" "	11 9 6
" " " 232 0 Harbour Rate "	" "	11 12 0
" Maguire & Setchell, lamp accessories	" "	7 12 11
" Town Clerk expenses at gashouse as per acf	" "	2 3 9
" J. W. Phail election printing "	" "	0 13 6

acf for committees
sent to Mr
Philpot

It was proposed by Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. P. Kavanagh and agreed to that the acf for £5.0.2 be sent to Mr. Philpot and payment demanded within ten days, he having declined to reply to the several letters addressed to him asking him to become a consumer of their gas.

Resolution
re sewer at
Doctor's re-
sidence,
Arklow

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to and a copy ordered to be sent to the Clerk of Rathdrum Union, Rural Dist. Council.

"That this Board protests in the strongest possible manner against the proposed area of charge in connection with the sewer at the Doctor's residence in Arklow about to be made on the Town of Arklow as contained in notice of motion as they consider that

1 Feb 04

"it should be paid by the Sanitary Authority inasmuch as they created the necessity for this charge when they built the Doctor's residence."

Harbour Rate made
The following notice of Rates being made were proposed by Mr. Stoney, seconded by Mr. Leonard and agreed to:

In pursuance of notice given at last monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners I propose that a Harbour Rate of one shilling in the £ be now made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount, or three pence in the £ be made on lands, all within the municipal limits of the town of Arklow under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act, 1882 and the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, for the purpose of repayment ^{by annuity} with interest thereon of loan of £3,500 granted by the Lords Commissioners of Her late Majesty's Treasury for the improvement of Arklow Harbour.

Said Rate to become due on first day of October, 1904."

General Rate made
In pursuance of notice given at last monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I propose that a general or Town Rate of one shilling in the £ be now made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ be made on lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854.

Said rate to become due on the

Ampt as revised
£257.17.9

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first day of April, 1904." (amt of rates 257. 17. 9)

Arklow, 1st Feb. 1904

(Signed) John Stoney, proposer
Daniel Leonard, seconder

Resolution re
state of Arklow
Harbour.

The following resolution relative to the state of Arklow Harbour was proposed by Mr. Daniel Leonard, seconded by Mr. Charles Murray and unanimously agreed to:-

"That the present deplorable condition of Arklow Harbour calls for the immediate attention of the Government as the silting of the Bar is at present ruining the Fishing and Dredging industries carried out here in the Spring; is injuring and will eventually ruin existing local industries, viz: the Messrs Kynoch's works and the Carnell Quarries, and will close the port to Shipping of every kind, and, if not remedied immediately, will cause inevitable ruin the town and large population."

Copies of above resolution were ordered to be sent to the Right Hon. The Chief Secretary for Ireland, the Secretary, Board of Public Works, the Secretary of Agricultural Department for Ireland, Mr. D. J. Hogan M.P., Mr. J. O'Connor M.P., Mr. John Redmond M.P. and Mr. William Field M.P.

Irrecoverable
Harbour rates
for 1902.

Mr. Evans, Rate collector came before the meeting and presented a list of irrecoverable rates for the Arklow Harbour rate of 1902, amounting to £3. 13. 8 $\frac{1}{2}$. The list was examined and approved and signed by the Chairman and Town Clerk.

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Monthly meeting
17th Feb 04 7.0pmIncommensurable
Town Rates
1904.

Mr. Evans also produced a list of five-
coverable rates for the general Rate of 1902,
amounting to £ 3..6..11 $\frac{1}{4}$ which were approved &
the document signed by the Chairman and
Town Clerk.

W J Gold
Chairman
7th March 1904.

15 Feb 04

Sp. meeting
5 Feb 04 7.0pm.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town
Commissioners was held at the Commissioners'
office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M.
on Monday, the 15th February, 1904.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Job Hall
" Hugh Byrne
" S. Marshall
" J. Birchistle
" Mick Kavanagh
" Peter Kavanagh

Chairman

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded
by Mr. Marshall and agreed to, that Mr.
Byrne be Chairman of meeting.

Requestion
read.

The clerk read the requisition convening the
meeting which was for the purpose of issuing
cheque for £ 128 to the Sunlight Gas Co 2nd
instalment on contract for public lighting,
due on 31st Dec. 1904, and for general
business.

£105 transferred
from No 2 to
No 1 a/c

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded
by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that a
cheque be issued to the Manager, Bank of
Ireland for the transfer of £ 105 from the
Commissioners' No 2. account to that of No 1
account.

Cheque.

A cheque was issued to the Sunlight Gas Co
for £ 128, second instalment on contract for
Public lighting.

An account for carbide was laid before the
meeting and payment of same deferred to the
April meeting.

15 Feb. 04.

Spcl meeting
7 PM. 15 Feb 04
Census books
ordered.

The Clerk was directed to get a copy of the Co Wicklow Census book for 1901, price one shilling.

The following is a copy of a letter directed to be posted to Mr W^m Craan on this date:-

"We, the undersigned, hereby notify to you that, in consequence of your absence from all meetings of the Co Arklow Town Commissioners for more than six consecutive months past, you are disqualified to act as a Commissioner and your office as such is now declared vacant."

Signed H Byrne J.C.

Peter Kavanagh J.C.

Job Hall J.C.

Arklow Town Clerk

W J O'Leary
Chairman
7th March 1904.

7 March 04

Monthly meeting
7 March 04. 7 PM

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 7th March, 1904.

The following attended:-

Messrs W^m John Gold, Chairman

Hugh Byrne

Denis Kavanagh

Job. Hall

Thos. Birchistle

Chas Murray

Peter Kavanagh

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting and of special meeting of 15th ult., were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Letters were read from the following, acknowledging receipt of resolution from this Board re state of Arklow Harbour:-

Correspondence

Messrs Logan & Connor M.P.'s, the Secretary, Office of Public Works, Dublin; the Secretary, Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland, Upper Merion Street, Dublin; & the Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, Dublin Castle.

Question in
Parliament

A letter on same subject was read from Mr O'Connor M.P. giving a copy of question to be asked in Parliament re state of Arklow Harbour and asking telegram to be sent him giving certain particulars relative to same. A copy of the telegram, the information in which was supplied by Mr. Hugh Byrne, was read for the information of the Board.

Copy of telegram
read.

A letter was read from the Corporation of Limerick containing a copy of resolution in reference

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to claims for compensation for malicious injury to property by soldiers of the British Army.

resolution re cash on delivery system

A letter was read from the Strabane Urban District Council containing copy of a resolution in reference to the introduction of the Cash on Delivery System by the Postal Authorities.

Both of above resolutions were marked 'read' and no action taken.

Mr J. Tyrrell elected in place of Mr. Braan disqualified for non-attendance

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Hall, and agreed to, that Mr. John Tyrrell, Lower Main Street, Arklow, be elected a Town Commissioner by co-optation in place of Mr. W. Braan disqualified for non-attendance, and the clerk was directed to write to Mr. Tyrrell informing him of his election.

Chques.

Chques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d
To Tho. Bracken, 5 weeks wages to 6 March 03 1/2 allowance	4	8	6
" L. Desmond " " "	4	8	6
" Secy Local Govt Board, audit of acc ^{ts} to 31 March 03	2	10	0
" J. W. Phail, printing advts, &c., Town Rate acc	1	11	6
" " " " Harbour " "	1	10	6
" Town Clerk for incidentals	3	11	5
" Secy Board of Works, instalment to 1 Jan 04, Harbour Loan	85	0	5
" The Sunlight Gas Co., 4 boxes paraffin	1	16	0
" The Dublin Carbide Co. 2 tons carbide on acc	32	0	0

Warrants on Rate books signed & sealed

The warrants on Town and Harbour Rate books were signed by the Chairman & two Commissioners and countersigned by the clerk and were stamped by the Chairman with the Commissioners' seal.

The General or Town Rate to become payable from the 1st April 1904, and the Harbour Rate to become payable from 1st October 1904. amt of each rate £57.17.9

Monthly meeting March 04, 7 PM.

Gas Committee meeting appointed.

Mr Birchistle member of P. Committee

Gas meters applied for

oil holder re. stolen on Humphreys

The matter of allowance for superintendence, &c., at Works on Gas house premises was referred to the Gas Committee, a meeting of which was appointed to be held at 12 o'clock noon on Thursday 10th inst at the Gas house premises.

It was proposed by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that Mr Birchistle be a member of the General Purposes Committee for the current year and that he be requested to act on the Gas Committee above named.

The clerk stated that he had applications for gas meters from two persons who were about to become private consumers of gas. It was directed that the meters be supplied on the usual conditions when required.

On Saturday 5th inst. an oilholder with oil, chimney, &c., was stolen from the lamp opposite Mr. Waldron's gate on Ferrybank between 10 & 11 o'clock P.M. and was reported to the clerk on evening of 7th inst.

It was directed the matter be reported to the R. Constabulary at Arklow.

The clerk was directed to have placed on the agenda paper for next monthly meeting, the question of Arklow becoming an Urban District. Also to have the gas accounts complete for next monthly meeting.

John Pearson
Acting Chairman
Apr 4th 04

Monday 4 Apr 04

Monthly meeting
7 pm 4 Apr 04

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office Court-house, Arklow, at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 4th April, 1904. The following attended:-

Messrs. Risto Kearon J.P.
Saml Marshall
Denis Kavanagh
John McEulagh
Job Hall
Peter Kavanagh
Saml Condren
John Tyrrell

Chairman
appointed

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. D. Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

Declaration
made by new
member.

Mr. Tyrrell made the usual declaration on this his first attendance since his election in place of Mr. Kearon disqualified for non-attendance.

minutes read

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

A letter was read from the Mansion House Committee Dublin, re Exhibition of Arts &c. in Dublin.

A letter was read from the United Irish League inviting delegates to attend their meeting on 21 April next. No action was taken on either of the above.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board in reply to inquiry made, giving instructions as to the mode of procedure to be adopted in case the Arklow Town Commissioners desire to become an Urban Sanitary District.

The consideration of above was adjourned to next monthly meeting and the Clerk was directed to procure as much information as possible on the subject to

Monday 4 Apr 04

Monthly meeting
Mon 4 Apr 04Abstracts of a/c's
to be furnished to
the L.G.B. within a
month from end of
audit period.

lay before the Commissioners at said meeting.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board re audit of accounts, and directing the Town Clerk to furnish Abstracts to Local Government Board within one month at most from the end of audit period.

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk, Manager, Sunlight-Casleo, stating he would send on the carbide on 2nd inst. as ordered and requesting the balance of his a/c for carbide be paid him at next meeting.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s	d.
To Tho Bracken 4 weeks lamp-lighting to 31 Apr 04	3	11	0
" Lawrence Desmond do do	3	11	0
" Sunlight-Casleo. balance due to 31 March 04 for carbide	3	11	0
" Town Clerk. quarters salary to 20 March 04 Harbour Rate a/c's £2.10 2	2	13	0
" Henry Elliott posting Harbour Rate notices 0. 3	0	3	0
" Town Clerk. Quarters salary to 31 March, collecting & keeping gas a/c's	1	5	0
" Frank McNeil for one insertion abstract of a/c's to 31 March, 03	1	0	0
" Messrs. Kelly's Ltd for stationery, minute book &c.	1	8	6

Application
for increase of
salary keeping
gas a/c's

The Clerk claimed £2.10 instead of £1.5 for quarters salary collecting and keeping gas accounts and stated it was understood the salary of £1.5 per quarter when made in Feb. 03 was to be only for one year.

The consideration of above was adjourned to next monthly meeting, Mr. Condren giving the following notice in reference thereto:-

Notice of motion
in reference to
above

"I, or some Commissioner for me, will move that, at the next monthly meeting, Mr. Cornly's application for an increased allowance for collecting gas accounts be considered."

Signed, J Condren

Appl. to be made
for gas and light

The Clerk was directed to obtain applications in writing from Messrs Burne & Sterne and from Mr.

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Mr. Lehenick, ^{to the commissioners} for gas, giving no. of lights required, &c. same as had been done formerly by private consumers to the Gas Co.

It was also directed that if the connection already on the premises would be found sufficient, the Commissioners would bear the expense of fixing the meter, but if a separate connection were required from outside, the Messrs. Burne & Sterne would have to bear the expense themselves.

Tenders for printing, ads., &c., were for three years from 1st April, 1904, were opened by the Chairman from the managers, "Wicklow People" and "News Letter".

The following is the result, the lowest tender being accepted in each case.

Wicklow "News Letter"	
Warrants per 500	5.0
Summonses " "	4.6
Notices of election " 30	10.0
" " no candidates " "	3.0
" Declaration of Poll " "	2.6
" " " Result " "	2.6
Forms inability to read per 100	2.6
" Declaration of secrecy per 100	2.6
" List of voters marked by presiding officer per 100	3.6
" Instructions ^{for guidance of} voters per 100	2.0
" Nomination papers " "	2.0
Ail, gas or other contract meters per 30	3.0

"Wicklow People"

Statement of persons nominated, per 30	3.3
Notices no poll " "	3.3
" Poll & names of candidates " "	3.3
Ballot papers in books " 100	1.3

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"Wicklow People" contd.

Rate notices per 30	3.6
Insertion of rate notices in "Wicklow People" per insertion	7.0
" " " " " " " " " "	15.0

An application in writing was made by the Commissioners to the Bank of Ireland to open a Nos. a/c for gas supplied to private consumers.

W. J. Job.
Chairman
May 2nd 1904.

2 May 04

Monthly
meeting 7 P.M.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 2nd of May 1904.

The following attended:-

Mr W^m J. Gold J.P. Chairman
 S. Marshall
 P. Garvey
 J. McEulagh
 J. Berthistle
 J. Tyrrell
 H. Byrne
 P. Kavanagh

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Wicklow '98 Monuments Committee inviting delegates to attend at Bellinglass on 8th May, 1904.

It was directed that any individual member of ~~the~~ the Board who ~~should~~ ^{wished} to attend might do so if he chose, and the letter was marked 'read.'

Notice, clerk's
application
for increased
allowance re
gas collection
adj'd.

The notice given by Mr. Gordon at last monthly meeting to consider the Town Clerk's application for an increase of £5 a year commencing from 1st January 1904, for reading meters, collecting gas money from private consumers and keeping accounts for same, be adjourned to next monthly meeting and the clerk was directed to place on the circular summoning each member to next monthly meeting, the fact that such application for increased allowance ~~was~~ ^{is} to be considered.

2 May 04

Monthly meeting
7 P.M. Monday

£2 allowed to
Town Clerk super-
intending the ab-
sorption
to be handed over
to P. Kavanagh

It was proposed by Mr. Gold, seconded by Mr. Marshall and agreed to:-

"That the sum of two pounds be paid to the Town Clerk for superintending the improvements to gas house and keeping accounts, half of this sum to be handed over to Mr. Tho^s Kavanagh, the Foreman of the Lot."

The question
of Arklow be-
coming an Urban
Dist. considered

On the question of Arklow becoming an Urban Sanitary District being considered, the clerk was directed to read the instructions on the matter produced at last monthly meeting for the information of members who were not then present.

The clerk also produced a paper showing the amount that a poor rate of 1/- 2/- or 3/- in the £ would produce in Arklow and also ~~the~~ the amount that a levy for other rates would produce where land would be ~~rate~~ rated at 3^d in the £.

After the subject had been discussed for some time, the following resolution was proposed by Mr. Hugh Byrne seconded by Mr. Peter Kavanagh and agreed to:-

Sp. meeting
ordered

"That a special meeting be called on Thursday the 5th of May, 1904 at 7 o'clock ^{to appoint a committee} P.M. to obtain the necessary information and report to the Board on the advisability of taking the necessary steps to have Arklow constituted an Urban Sanitary District."

2 May 04.

Monthly Meeting 7th cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:- £ s d

To Town Clerk's quarters salary to 30 April 04	7	10	0
" Tho' Brecken 4 weeks wages to 1 May 04 & 1/2 - arrears	3	16	0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	3	16	0
" Tho' Nicholson Fuel, attendance, &c to 30 April 04	1	5	0
" Town Clerk for incidental expenses	1	3	5
" J. W. Phail, Not. General Rate cheque book	0	15	10
" " " No. 2. Harbour Rate " "	0	15	10
" " " No. 3. Gas account " "	0	15	10
" Wm. Greene Lamp necessaries &c.	2	16	0
" Messrs Brown & Nolan, Stationery & Town Rate book	1	7	5
" " " " Harbour Rate book	0	11	6

S.P. Committee meeting order

The Clerk was directed to summon a meeting of the General Purposes Committee to meet on the Gas house premises to inspect the lamps stored therein as soon as the lamplighters have them ready for inspection, also to give instructions as to painting seats at seashore and to have them removed nearer to the sea if it be considered necessary to do so.

empty carbide cases to be sold.

It was also directed that empty carbide cases stored on the gas house premises be sold at 1/6 per dozen cases.

It was proposed by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr. Sawey and agreed to, "That the Clerk be instructed to ask the Railway Co. to have the Arklow House fair prominently posted on their monthly posters."

Richard Kearon Chairman
6th June 1904

5 May 04.

Spd meeting Thursday 5th May 04.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners duly convened was held at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Thursday 5th May, 1904.

The following attended:-
Messrs. R. Kearon J.P. Chairman
" H. Byrne
" G. Murray
" D. Kavanagh
" S. Marshall
" P. Kavanagh.

Chairman appointed

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

Resolution read

The Clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of appointing a Committee to obtain the necessary information and report to the Board on the advisability of taking the necessary steps to have Arklow constituted an Urban Sanitary District, and for general business.

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Murray and Resolved:-

Resolution to appoint a committee

"That a Committee consisting of all the members of the Board be appointed to consider the question of constituting Arklow an Urban Sanitary District and that five members of the Committee form a quorum;" passed unanimously.

Committee to meet weekly

It was proposed by Mr. P. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Marshall & agreed to, "That the Committee be summoned to meet

5 May 04

Sp^l meeting at 7 o'clock P.m. on each Monday until further instructions be given.

Lamp lighters attend re making gas for private Consumers
Lamp lighters Thomas Bracken & Lawrence Desmond came before the Board in reference to making gas for private consumers during the summer months, and by the direction of the Board, an agreement, of which the following is a copy, was written by the Clerk and signed by the Lamp lighters:-

Copy of agreement
To the Arklow Town Commissioners.

Copy We, the Lamp lighters of Arklow, undertake to make the gas for private Consumers to the satisfaction of the Arklow Town Commissioners during the non-lighting season, that is to say, from 1st May to 1st September, 1904, for 12/- per week, six shillings each.

Signed Thomas Bracken
" Lawrence Desmond

Arklow, 5th May, 1904.

Richard Kearon Chairman
June 6th 04

6 June, 04.

Monthly meeting
Monday 6 June 04.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court-house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.m. on Monday the 6th June 1904.

The following attended:-

Messrs. Richard Kearon J.P.

D. Kavanagh

Job Hall

P. Kavanagh

C. Murray

H. Byrne

Chairman
of meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to, that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

The minutes of last monthly meeting and of special meeting of 5th Ult. were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Inrecoverable
Town &
Harbour
Rates for
1903.

Mr. Evans, Rate collector came before the meeting and presented a lists in duplicate of general rate for the Town of Arklow which were found to be irrecoverable for the year 1903 amounting to £4.6.1 $\frac{1}{2}$. These lists were examined and approved and signed by the Chairman and Town Clerk, one copy being retained by the latter, the other returned to the Rate collector.

Similar lists and for the same amount were presented for the Arklow Harbour rate for the year 1903 and were dealt with in the same manner.

On Mr. Leonard's notice coming forward re Town Clerk's application for increased allowance

6 June 04

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Monday 6 June 04
7 P.M.

Tom Clark's
application
for increased
allowance re-
fused.

of £1.5 per quarter commencing from 1st January, 1904, for reading meters collecting gas money from private consumers and keeping accounts for same; the Chairman spoke against it on the ground that he felt it his duty in the interest of the rate payers to do so. All the other members present agreed with him and the application was refused.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—
To Thomas Braken for work wages to 5 June, 04, making gas for private consumers £1.10.0
" Laurence Desmond do do. 1.10.0
" ~~Tom Clark, quarters salary to~~
" Dublin Carbide Co. on a/c leaving bal. £42 due 30 " 0.0
" Sunlight Gas Co. final instalment gas connections 76 " 0.0

J.P. Com.
meeting
adjourned

A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was appointed to meet at the Gas house premises at 6 o'clock P.M. on Thursday the 9th June, 1904 to inspect lamps, &c. also to examine gas fixtures at Mr. Philpott's late residence in Main street.

John W. Gullagh Chairman
13th July 1904

14th July 04

Abortive
meeting 7 P.M.
Monday 14 July 04

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was summoned to meet at 7 P.M. on Monday the 14th July 1904.

The following attended:—

Messrs Bob Hall
" Thos. Birrhistle
" Mick Kavanagh
" Peter Kavanagh

Meeting adj.
quorum not
having attended

A quorum not having attended the above Commissioners adjourned the meeting to 7 P.M. on Wednesday 6th July 1904 and directed the clerk to give written notice of the adjournment to all the absent members.

The adjournment was made at 7.40 o'clock P.M. on above date.

John W. Gullagh Chairman
July 13. 1904

6th July 04.

An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was summoned to meet at 7 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the 6th July 1904.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Mickl Kavanagh
" Chas. Murray

Meeting adjn
for want of
a quorum

A quorum not having attended, the above commissioners at 7.45 P.M. adjourned the meeting to 7 P.M. on Monday the 11th July 1904, and the clerk was directed to give written notice of the adjournment to all the members of the Board.

John M. Cullagh
13th July 1904

11th July 04

Adjo monthly
meeting, abortive

An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was summoned to meet at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 11th July, 1904.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Saml Marshall
" Denis Kavanagh

Meeting adjn
for want of
a quorum

Mr. Kavanagh left the Board room before the statutory period for adjourning the meeting had elapsed, and Mr. Marshall at 7.35 P.M. adjourned the meeting to 7 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the 13th July 1904 and directed the clerk to send written notice of the adjournment to all the absent members of the Board pointing out to them the very important business to be done and the unprecedented fact that this would be the fourth time that summonses had to be issued for the same meeting.

Mr. Marshall accepted verbal notice of the meeting for himself.

John M. Cullagh
Chairman
July 13. 1904

Adj'd monthly meeting Wed- 13 July 04. 7.00

An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.m. on Wednesday, 13th July, 1904.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. John McCallagh
- Michael Kavanagh
- Thos. Birchistle
- Denis Kavanagh
- Chas Murray

Chairman of meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that Mr. McCallagh be chairman of meeting.

minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the chairman.

abortive meetings

Also the minutes of abortive meetings of 4th to July, 6th July and 11th July, 1904 were read and agreed to and signed by the chairman.

Correspondence

Letter from Sanitary Institute London.

A letter was read from the President, Sanitary Institute London, stating that a Congress is appointed to be held at Glasgow July 25th to 30th 1904 and inviting the Arklow Town Commissioners to appoint delegates to attend same.

The letter was marked "read" and no action taken.

Auditor's report & abstract of a/c 31 March 04.

A letter was read from the local Government Board enclosing a certified copy of abstract of accounts of the Arklow Town Commissioners for the year ended 31st March, 1904, together with the auditor's report thereon which stated that the receipts and expenditure as set forth in the abstract were duly brought to account and adequately vouched; and that the Town & Harbour

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rates for the period were duly collected and lodged with the exception of a small amount which was brought to credit shortly after the close of the year.

£11.13.9 dog licence money rec'd.

A letter was read from the Registrar of Petty Sessions' clerks stating that a sum of £11.13.9 ^{for 1903} plus money arising out of the sale of dog licences, had been lodged to the credit of Arklow Town Commissioners.

Audit fee demanded

A letter was read from the Local Government Board demanding £2.10 audit fee for audit of accounts for year ended 31st March, 1904. The amount was ordered to be paid.

Lamps requiring repair

A report was read in reference to lamps needing repairs painting &c. inspected by John Seary by direction of the Board.

The report stated there were 29 panes of glass required, 4 doors and 4 lamp tops to be repaired and that all the lamps required one coat of paint each, which Seary offered to do at £2 per lamp & provide the paint.

Repairs of lamps ordered

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. ~~Thos~~ Birchistle and agreed to that Seary be employed to glaze & repair all the lamps requiring it, and to paint ~~at~~ the same when repaired.

The painting of the remainder of the lamps to be held over for the consideration of the Board at next meeting.

Mr Deink to be reminded to get gas lamps painted

It was directed that Mr Deink be reminded to get the gas lamps painted and glazed where it is required before the commencement of the lighting season.

Statement re consumption of gas by private consumers

In compliance with directions given at a previous meeting, the clerk produced and read a

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Statement giving a brief history of the consumption of gas by private consumers from its inception 1st Oct. 1902 to 30th June, 1904 embracing a period of one year and nine months

Statement re Consumption of gas by private consumers.

The report showed that the total receipts for the period amounted to £323.17.1, and the expenditure to £223.17.8 leaving a balance to the credit of the Commissioners of £99.19.5.

Clerk resigns gas collection got no salary for 3 months ended 31/6/04

The clerk pointed to a paragraph in above statement showing that he received no salary for the first three months keep private consumers' gas accounts and asking that it be paid now. He also tendered his resignation of appointment, collecting gas money from private consumers and reading of meters, but stated he was willing to keep the gas accounts at the salary he was now receiving ~~if~~ £5 a year, if the Commissioners saw fit to agree to such proposal.

Letters from Mr Quirk re extension of public lighting.

Letters were read from Mr. Quirk asking if the Commissioners intended extending the public lighting by acetylene gas in the town and stating that he would be glad to attend their meeting and discuss the matter should they entertain his suggestion.

Above matter adj'd to next meeting

The Board decided to adjourn all the above for consideration at next monthly meeting as they considered them far too important to be dealt with by so small a Board as the present, and directed the clerk when issuing notices for next monthly meeting to draw attention to above so as to obtain a full meeting of all the members.

Tenders for oil & lime to be posted

The clerk was directed to have ^{notices} posted inviting tenders for lampoil and for refuse lime at gas house to be considered at next monthly meeting.

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The minutes of the General Purposes Committee were of 9th June, 1904, were read for the information of the meeting in order to show the matters recommended to be dealt with by this Board

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

To Thomas Brecken 4 weeks wages to 3rd July 04	£ 5 d
making gas for private consumers	7. 4. 0
" Laurence Desmond do do	1. 4. 0
" Town Clerk, quantum salary to 30 June 04, keeping gas ofc's ac.	1. 5. 0
" do do to 20 June 04 " # Rate ofc	2. 10. 0
" Local Govt Board, audit for year ended 31 March 04	2. 10. 0
" John M. Welch, one ins. abstract of ofc's 31 Mar. 04	0. 15. 0

Deputation re making road to the sea.

The clerk was directed to place on the agenda for next monthly meeting that a deputation be appointed to wait on Lord Carysfort asking him to make a road across the Warrens from Tinahesk to the sea.

£105 transferred from Harbour ofc refunded.

Collector's lodgments to Harbour Rate account from General or Town Rate collection to 28 June, 1904, £105 in repayment of like sum transferred from Harbour Rate account to Town Rate account on 15th February, 1904. (See page 287 of this minute book.)

3/- paid for 2 dozen empty carbide cases sold

Sold two dozen empty carbide cases to Christopher Byrne at 1/6 per dozen on 6th July, 1904 and received 3/- for same.

J. P. Kearney Pro Chairman
13 July 04

1st Aug 04

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 1st August 1904.

The following attended

Messrs. R. Kearon J.P.

" Mr. McCullagh

Sam Marshall

Dan Condren

Thos. Birchistle

P. Kavanagh

Chairman
of
meeting's

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. Condren and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

minutes

The minutes of adjourned monthly meeting of 13th July 04 were read and agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the acetylene Illuminating Co containing quotation for carbide at £15 a ton.

The Town Clerk's statement re gas accounts for one year & nine months and showing a profit to the Commissioners of £99.19.5 from the sale of gas to Private Consumers & also resigning his appointment of reading meters and collecting gas money were read.

Statements were read from Mr. Quirk re payment for carbide & extension of public lighting.

Sp. meeting
ordered.

All the above correspondence were adjourned to Monday 8th Aug. 1904 and a special meeting ordered to be convened for that date at 7 P.M. to consider the above and to elect a Commissioner in place of Mr. Storey disqualified for non-attendance and for general business.

1st Aug 04

Town Tenants
meeting

A letter was read from the Town Tenants Executive, Dublin, stating that a meeting of the Town Tenants representatives will be held in the City Hall on 26th Aug 04, and inviting the Arklow Board to send delegates.

Delegates
appointed

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. Peter Kavanagh and agreed to that Messrs R. Kearon, D. Condren and Capt Murray be appointed delegates to attend above meeting.

11th Hussars
coming to
Arklow

A letter was read from Lieut. Paget, 11th Hussars stating that 15 officers & 300 men and horses of above regt. will arrive in Arklow about the 16th August 1904, for sea bathing and remain for four days.

Carbide
reduced to £15
per ton

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk stating that all future consignments of carbide for private consumers will be charged at the rate of £15 a ton instead of £16 as heretofore.

Tenders
for oil &
refuse lime
considered

Tenders were received from the Arklow Stores Co. and from Mr. P. Boland for supply of lamp-oil for the season and from Mr. George Kearon for the purchase of refuse lime at the gas house.

Arklow stores tender
5⁷/₈ per gallon accepted

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. Condren and agreed to, that the tender of the Arklow stores at 5⁷/₈ pence per gallon be accepted as being the lowest.

Tender 15/- refuse
lime accepted

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to that Mr. Kearon's Tender of 15/- for refuse lime be accepted.

1 Aug 04

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s	d.
To Tho. Brackin, 4 weeks wages to 31 July 04, making gas	1	4	0
" L. Desmond " " " "	1	4	0
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 31 July 04, as Town Clerk	7	10	0
" " " " 31 Dec 03 gas ap	1	5	0
" " " " for incidentals	2	5	2
" The Dublin Carbide Co. Balance due for carbide	12	19	0
" " " " one ton rec July 04	16	0	0

Deputation to
and Carysfort
adj's

Motion to appoint deputation to wait on Carl
of Carysfort to request him to make a road from Tim-
ahask was adjourned to a future date.

Removal of
spare meter etc

The removal of spare meter from late residence
of Mr. ~~Quirk~~ Cherrick was allowed to stand until Mr.
Quirk comes to Arklow.

The 46 oil lamps that require painting to come
up for consideration at special meeting on 8th inst.

W. J. Gold,
Chairman
Sept 5th 1904.

Spcl meeting
8 Aug 04.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Com-
missioners was held at the Commissioners' of-
fice, Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.m on
Monday 8th August, 1904.

The following attended:-

- Messrs John McCullagh
- Tho. Birchistle
- Saml Marshall
- John Tyrrell
- Hugh Byrne
- Richd Kearon
- Denis Kavanagh

Chairman of
meeting

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh seconded
by Mr. Byrne and agreed to that Mr. Kearon
be Chairman of meeting.

Requisition
read.

The clerk read the requisition convening
the meeting which was for the purpose of
electing a Commissioner in place of Mr. John
Storey disqualified for non-attendance, for deciding
as to Town Clerk's salary for keeping gas accounts,
reading meters, collecting etc, and for general business.

Mr. Storey
re-elected

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by
Mr. Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr. Storey
be re-elected.

Lamps or-
dered to be
painted

It was directed that 46 oil lamps at gas stores
be painted at once by John Leary with one ^{coat} each of
good ^{white} paint and provide the paint himself, at 2/-
per lamp.

Cheque.

A cheque was issued to the Sunlight Gas Co. for
two new meters at £2 each, £4 0 0

On Town Clerk's application for increase of
salary £5 a year for collecting gas money, reading

8th August 04

Spl meeting, meters, keeping gas accounts, &c., coming before the meeting, it was proposed by Mr. Marshall, seconded by Mr. McCullagh and agreed to that the Town Clerk's application be acceded to and that his future salary for keeping gas accounts be £10 a year commencing from 1st July, 1904; on condition that he gives an undertaking at next monthly meeting that he will not apply for any increase of salary for five years from 1st July, 1904.

Town Clerk's salary for collecting & keeping gas accounts increased to £10 a year from 1st July 1904.

List of persons receiving out-door relief to be asked for.

It was directed that the Clerk of the Union, Rathdrum, be written to requesting a list of persons receiving out-door relief in Arklow to be furnished up to date to be produced at next monthly meeting of this Board.

L.S. Board to be written to re legality of resigning appointment collecting gas &c. & retaining the keeping of gas.

It was ~~also~~ also directed that the Local Government Board be written to asking as to the legality of the Town Clerk tendering his resignation of appointment collecting gas rents & reading meters, and at the same time offering to retain his appointment keeping gas accounts.

W. Gold.
Chairman
Sept 5th 1904

Monthly meeting
7 PM. Monday 5 Sep
04.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court-house Arklow, at 7 o'clock PM on Monday the 5th September, 1904.

The following attended:-

Messrs. W^m J. Gold J.P. Chairman
P. Sarvey
J. Birshide
S. Marshall
C. Murray
J. Storey
J. O'Hall

Mr. Storey makes declaration

Mr. Storey made the usual declaration on taking his seat as a member of the Board on re-election on 8th ult. & returned thanks to the members for having elected him.

minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting and of special meeting of 8th ult. were read and agreed to & signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Traffic Manager of N & W Railway Co in reply to a request from the Town Clerk asking for a special reduced rate for carriage by Rail of Carbide from Dublin to Arklow, and stating no reduction could be made.

Re-carriage of Carbide to Arklow by boat.

The Chairman stated he would make an effort to ^{get} the carbide carried by one of the Kynoch Co.'s boats at 5 p/ton in quantities of two tons and upwards, and meantime, the clerk was directed to inquire if the owner of any private boat in Arklow would undertake to do the work & at what price.

Monthly meeting
Monday 5 Sep 04
7 PM.

Letter from
L.S. Board
re collecting
& keeping gas
accounts.

A letter was read from the Local Court Board in reply to a question asked stating that the collector of the gas accounts, in their opinion should not be permitted either to read the meters or keep the Gas Consumers' Ledger.

That the reading of the meters and keeping of the Gas Ledger should be performed by the Town Clerk, who should also prepare the accounts of the consumers and hand them to the collector to obtain payment thereof.

Letter from
Town Clerk,
Glasgow

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Corporation of Glasgow re Taxation of Land Values. Marked "Read."

Gas lamps
put up 5 Sep
04

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk Manager, Sunlight Gas Co., dated 2nd Sep 04 stating a man would be here on 5th Sep 04 to put up the gas lamps. Also refusing to pay lamplighter Tho. Braiken a days wages in assisting Mr. Gilbert in removing obstructions in the gas pipes at Gas House. Also enclosing a bill for Mr. Gilbert's time while doing above work on 18th Aug 04.

Payment for
Mr. Gilbert's
time repairing
gas pipes
refused.

The Clerk was directed to write to Mr Quirk & say the Commissioners were very much dissatisfied with him for not having the public lamps lighted on 1st inst. as requested. They also directed to inform Mr Quirk that his company were clearly liable by their agreement for the lamplighter's wages & for Mr. Gilbert's time, and directed the account furnished for the latter to be returned to Mr. Quirk and ^{payment of} the amount refused.

The Geo. Surveyor was directed to be written to

Monthly meeting
5 Sep 04

Application to
be made for
gravel footpath

asking to get the concrete footpath on Arklow Bridge repaired. Also that application by notice of motion be made to the next quarterly meeting of the Ruchdown Rural District Council for a gravel footpath with granite curbing in Back street between Meadows Lane & Hill Lane.

Horse fair
posters ordered.

The Clerk was directed to order 50 posters notice of Horse fair on 10th Nov. to be posted in Arklow and surrounding districts, also to ask the railway Co to have it posted on their list of fairs for next October.

The following statement was read by the Clerk & ordered to be inserted on the minutes of the meeting:-

Arklow, 5th Sep. 1904.

Town Clerk's
statement re
increase of
salary.

"I hereby undertake, as agreed upon at last monthly meeting, that, in consequence of my application for increased remuneration for keeping gas accounts, &c, for private consumers being acceded to, I now state I shall ask for no increase of salary from the Commissioners for five years from the 1st July 1904."

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following:-
To Mr Frank W Phail, 8 books of 125 each, Demand notices Harbour Rate account. £ 0.. 12.. 0
" Mr F W Phail, one inc. audit notice, 1904. 0.. 5.. 0
To Thomas Braiken, four weeks and one day making gas for private consumers, to 29 Aug 04, 1.. 4.. 10
To do 6 days lamplighting to 4th Sep 04 0.. 15.. 0
" Lawrence Desmond, four weeks & one day to 29 Aug 04, making gas for private consumers 1.. 4.. 10
" do six days lamplighting to 4 Sep 04 0.. 15.. 0
" Town Clerk for incidentals, 2.. 2.. 1

5 Sep. 04.

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7pm Monday 5 Sep
04.

The clerk was directed to procure a ^{new} ladder for lamplighter Laurence Desmond and also a new oil-can, the latter to be made by John Leary.

It was also directed to employ a man to carry a notice board & ring a bell on next cattle fair day, publishing Wicklow Horse fair on 10th prox.

W. J. Tob.
Chairman
October 3rd 1904.

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Monthly meeting
7 PM. 30th Oct

A ^{monthly} meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 30th Oct. 1904.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. W. J. Gold J.P. Chairman
- S. Marshall
- H. Byrne
- J. Tyrrell
- R. Kearon J.P.
- D. Kavanagh
- J. W. Cullagh
- C. Murray
- P. Kavanagh

minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read & agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence
re oyster
fishing

A letter was read from the editor of "Truth" & copy of paper, 1st Sept. 04, produced containing an article in favour of oyster fishing on coast of Wicklow & Wexford, also two postcards from J. J. Troy on same subject.

The clerk was directed to acknowledge Mr. Troy's ~~letter~~ communications and to thank him for the kind interest he had taken in the matter; also to send the copy of "Truth" with paragraph 'marked' to the Secretary, Fisheries Branch, Department of Agriculture, Dublin.

Claim by
Mr. Quirk
for expenses
at gas house
again refused

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk enclosing an account for 18/10 for Mr. Gilbert's time doing certain repairs at the Arklow gas house and stating the Gas Co. should not be asked to pay the amount.

The Board adhered to the decision come to at last monthly meeting and directed the clerk to inform Mr. Quirk that his company were

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7 PM. 30th Oct

clearly bound by their agreement to keep the gas house premises and plant in repair during their contract and that they ^(the Commissioners) refused to pay the amount.

Communication
from H. Exhibition
Dublin

A letter was read from the Secretary of National Exhibition, 46 & 47, Dame Street, Dublin, asking for a return of the industries carried on within the rural district of Rathdrum. The clerk was directed to furnish the return as far as it related to Arklow.

Letter re
Marine Works
& resolutions
adopted.

A letter was read from the secretary, Dublin County Council, 11, Rutland Square, Dublin, enclosing a resolution in favour of a "Marine Works Act," and asking the Arklow Town Commissioners to adopt it and to send copies to the Chief Secretary for Ireland, The Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Prime Minister.

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. W. Cullagh and unanimously agreed to that the resolution above referred to be adopted and copies sent as requested, and the Secretary, Dublin County Council be informed of the action taken.

Proposal to
supply carbide
from a London
Co.

A letter was read from the Albion Products Co. Ltd., 11, Queen Victoria Street, London, E.C. offering to send a 5 ton lot of carbide delivered free in Arklow at £ 14. 15 per ton.

The clerk was directed to inform the Albion Co that their proposal could not be entertained until the termination of the existing contract with the Sunlight Gas Co. which will expire on the 31st Dec. 1904.

outdoor
relief list
re P.

A list of persons receiving outdoor relief in Arklow was produced by the clerk, the consideration of which was adjourned to next monthly meeting and the clerk was directed meantime ~~was directed~~ ^{to return}

3 Oct 04.

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7 P.M. 3 Oct 04

the list to the clerk of the union, Rathdrum to have the amount of relief given inserted opposite the name of each person on the list.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d
Thomas Bracken, 4 weeks wages to 2 Oct 04, lamp light	3	11	3
Lawrence Diamond " " "	3	11	3
Town clerk for incidentals	1	1	2
Secretary, Board of Public Works Dublin, instalment on Harbour loan due 1st July, 1904.	85	0	5
Town clerk, quarters salary to 20 Sep ⁰⁴ keeping Harbour rate accounts	2	10	0
" " " 30 " " Gas "	2	10	0
sublim carbide Co. 12 1/2 cent carbide, less 3/- for carriage	8	9	6
Sunlight Gas Co. for paraffin	0	1/4	5

It was intended to make arrangements for conveying carbide from Dublin by boat, but the clerk stated that no suitable boat was available in Arklow at present for conveying it.

The clerk was directed to accompany the person reading the meters in future.

Applications to become private consumers of gas.

Mr. George Kearon of Arklow came before the meeting to make application for a connection with the new house he is getting built in Bridge street, Arklow; he also in order to become a private consumer of acetylene gas. He also stated there were two other persons in Bridge street who wanted similar connections.

Mr. Denis Kavanagh ~~made~~ made a similar ^{application} on behalf of the nuns to have the convent and schools on Marlborough Terrace lighted with acetylene gas.

The clerk was directed to ascertain the

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7 P.M. 3 Oct 04

Committee appointed as extension of gas

number of persons desirous to become private consumers & then write to Mr Quirk and arrange for a meeting to further consider the matter, and a Committee consisting of Mr Gold, Mr Kearon, Mr Byrne, Mr Lynell, Capt Murray and Mr Storey was appointed to meet Mr Quirk re above matter as soon as the date could be fixed.

Rich^d Kearon Chm
30th 1904

12th Oct. 04

1 Spl meeting
7 2 P.M. Wed. 12
Oct 04.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office Court House Arklow at two o'clock p.m. on Wednesday the 12th October, 1904.

The following attended:-

Messrs R. Kearon J.P.
" H. Byrne
" D. Kavanagh
" B. Murray
" J. McCullagh
" J. Birchistle

Chairman
appointed.

It was proposed by ~~Capt Murray~~ Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Capt Murray and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of conferring with Mr. Quirk manager of the Sunlight Gas Co in reference to extending the public lighting in Bridge street and Marlboro Terrace in consequence of persons in both these places having made applications to the Arklow Town Commissioners to become private consumers of acetylene gas.

12 Oct. 04

Spl
Committee
meeting 12 Oct
04

A ~~Committee~~ special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office at 2 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the 12th Oct. 1904.

The following attended:-

Messrs R. Kearon J.P.
H. Byrne
D. Kavanagh
B. Murray
J. McCullagh
J. Birchistle

Chairman
appointed

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Capt Murray and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

Requisition
read

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of conferring with Mr. Quirk, Manager of the Sunlight Gas Co. in reference to extending the public lighting in Bridge street and Marlborough Terrace in consequence ~~in consequence~~ of persons in these places & in Main street having made application to the Commissioners to become private consumers of acetylene gas.

estimates
for extensions
&

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk re above & enclosing detailed estimates amounting to £40. 16. 9, Marlboro Terrace from Main street to Town Hall £44. 8 & from Town Hall to Dispensary £44. 8.

The letter also stated that a 2000 feet gas holder supplied and erected would cost £300 & recommended that this work should be left ~~over~~ till next spring when ~~the~~ it can be carried out cheaper.

A second letter was read from Mr.

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12 Oct 04

Mr. Quirk stating that since the previous letter had been written he had received a wire asking him to go at once to Galway and was therefore unable to attend this meeting but would come down by the 2.35 P.M. train on tomorrow 13th inst.

Meeting adj'd to 6.30 PM
13 Oct 04

An above letter being read the meeting was adjourned to 6.30 P.M. on 13th inst. and the clerk was directed to give written notice of the adjournment to all the absent members

Bal. of rates ordered to be collected.

The clerk was also directed to write to the Rate collector asking him to have the outstanding balance of the Town rate collected not later than the 7th prox. the date of next monthly meeting.

Wm. I. Gold
7th Nov 1904

Adj. meeting 6.30 PM. Thursday
13 Oct 04

An adjourned special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Court house, Arklow at 6.30 P.M. on Thursday the 13th Oct. 1904.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Wm. I. Gold J.P. Chairman
- H. Byrne
- J. M. Lullagh
- J. Marshall
- R. Kearon
- Peter Kavanagh
- Denis Kavanagh
- J. Kirchistle

Mr. Quirk, Manager of Sunlight Gas Co. attended this meeting.

Correspondence

Mr. Quirk's correspondence, estimates &c read at yesterday's meeting were also produced at this meeting and after being duly considered, it was agreed that the extension from Marlboro Hall to Dispensary be postponed for the present.

Mr. Kearon proposed that a sum of £80 be allowed to the Gas Co. for the two extensions, Main street to Marlboro Hall and Bridge street, from Main street to and including first lamp on the Arklow Bridge, the extension on Marlborough Terrace to include connections for two public lamps.

£75 offered & accepted for extensions Marlboro Terrace & Bridge street

The above resolution, ^{not} having been seconded was not put to the meeting, and it was proposed by Mr. Gold, seconded by Mr. Byrne and agreed to that £75 be allowed for the same work, ^{Mr. Marshall dissenting,} Mr. Quirk accepted this later sum and the remainder of the busi-

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6:30 pm Thursday
13 Oct 04

business, (cost of connections to private consumers and large gas holder, etc.) was adjourned for final settlement at next monthly meeting on 7th Nov 1904.

J. Kearon Chairman
7 Nov 1904

meeting summoned
by direction of
Chairman

A meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Court house Arklow at 3 o'clock P.M. ^{on Saturday 5th Nov 04} to consider a document received by the Chairman and some other members of the Board on 4th inst.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. J. Birchistle
- P. Carvey
- C. Murray
- W. Kavanagh
- D. Kavanagh

Chairman of
meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr. Carvey and agreed to that Mr. Murray be Chairman of meeting.

delegates
appointed
to attend
meeting in
Wicklow on
7 Nov 04

It was also proposed by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr. Carvey and agreed to that Messrs. Gold, R. Kearon, H. Byrne, D. Condon & Capt. Murray be appointed to attend as delegates representing the Arklow Town Commissioners at a meeting to be held in Wicklow on Monday 7th Nov 1904 at one o'clock P.M. in order to urge upon the Government the necessity of passing A Marine Works Act in the next session of Parliament; and the clerk was directed to at once notify to each of the absent members, his appointment as delegate to attend as above stated, also to write to the Town Clerk, Wicklow, giving the names of the delegates appointed to attend.

J. Kearon Chairman
7 Nov 1904

Monthly meeting
7th Nov 04

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 7th Nov. 1904.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. R. Kearon J.P.
- D. Condren
- P. Garvey
- J. McCullagh
- H. Byrne
- P. Kavanagh
- J. Storey
- W. Kavanagh
- J. Birchistle

Chairman
of meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Condren seconded by Mr. McCullagh and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be chairman of meeting.

Minutes

The clerk read the minutes of last monthly meeting, of special meeting of 12th Oct 04, of adjourned special meeting of 13th October 1904, of meeting of 5th Nov. 1904 which were agreed to and signed by the chairman.

Resolutions

of sympathy
re death
of Mr
Marshall

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Storey seconded by Mr. Byrne and unanimously agreed to:—

"That as a token of respect to our lamented Brother Commissioner, the late Mr. Samuel Marshall, and a mark of sympathy with his bereaved family, that we now adjourn this meeting.

Meeting
adjd.

We also beg to bear testimony to Mr. Marshall's worth as one of the oldest

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meeting 7 Nov 04

members of our Board. He was always most regular in his attendance, keenly alive to the welfare of the Township in general, but more especially to the Division he represented. His memory shall live long with his Brother Commissioners who feel that it will be difficult to adequately fill his place.

That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Marshall and family."

Meeting adjd
to 7 P.M. 9th
Nov 04.

The meeting then adjourned to 7 P.M. on Wednesday 9th Nov. 1904, and the clerk was instructed to give written notice of the adjournment to the five absent members.

John Kearon
Secy Nov 5th 1904

Adj
76 monthly
meeting

An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' Office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the 9th Nov. 1904.

The following attended:—

Messrs. J. McCullagh
J. Birchistle
P. Carney
M. Kavanagh
J. Storey
A. Byrne
R. Kearon J.P.
P. Kavanagh
J. Spruell
J. Gold H.

Chairman of
meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Storey and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

com. re
Arklow
Horse fair

A letter was read from the Secretary D.W.H. Railways Co. acknowledging request to have Arklow Horse fairs inserted in the Company's list of fairs at railway stations and stating the matter would have attention.

com. re
oyster fishing

A letter was read from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Upper Merion St., Dublin acknowledging receipt of communication re oyster fishing on east coast of Ireland.

Marine works
Act

A letter was read from the Secretary, Chancellor of the Exchequer acknowledging receipt of resolution re Marine Works Act for the south eastern coast of Ireland.

A letter was read from the Chief Secretary's

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meeting

office, Dublin Castle, acknowledging receipt of resolution re Marine Works Act for south eastern coast of Ireland.

com. re sitting of
Arklow Harbour

A letter was read from the Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin Castle, acknowledging receipt of resolution re sitting at Arklow Harbour.

Marine Works Act

A letter was read from the Secretary to Mr. Balfour acknowledging receipt of resolution, urging the Government to pass a Marine Works Act for the south eastern coast of Ireland.

Taxation of land
values.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Glasgow re taxation of Land Values upon which no action was taken.

agreement re
public lighting

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk enclosing duplicate copies of agreement re extension of public lighting in Arklow to be signed, sealed and returned to his office to be completed.

above agreement
returned

The Clerk was directed to return above copies to Mr. Quirk for alteration as it was considered that the matter of connections for private consumers was not sufficiently defined in them.

re collection
of rates.

A letter was read from the rate collector stating he had lodged the balance of rates as requested.

Marine
Works Bill

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Wicklow containing resolutions in support of a Marine Works Bill for south east of Ireland, and asking the Arklow Board to pass similar resolutions & forward them to Cabinet Ministers & their members of Parliament requesting their support in the movement.

At this stage of the proceedings, Mr. Gold

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entered the Boardroom and at the request of the members present Mr Kearon, chairman pro. tem. occupied the chair for the remainder of the meeting.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon seconded by Mr. Storey and agreed to, that all the foregoing resolutions be adopted and copies sent as requested.

Cheques.

	£	s.	d.
To Tho Brackem, 5 weeks wages to 6 Nov 04	4	8	6
" L. Desmond " " "	4	8	6
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 31 Oct 04	7	10	0
" Tho Nicholas 5 years salary to 31 Oct 04, fuel, attendance &c.	1	5	0
" North British Rubber Co. Ltd, two pairs acid gloves	0	17	0
" The Sundry, Arklow stores, for 780 gals 2 pints of Lampoil @ 5 7/8 per gallon	19	2	0
" The Dublin carbide Co. for carbide up to date	20	19	2
" Transfer from No. 3 to No. 1 account	2	10	0
" Mr. Tailor, rent of gas house to 29 Sept 04	1	0	0
" Tho Nicholas, drawing water & carbide to gas house	0	17	6

Spcl meeting ordered

A requisition was signed and addressed to the Clerk in the usual way to convene a special meeting to be held at 6.30 P.M. Thursday the 17th Nov. 1904, to elect a Commissioner in place of the late Mr. Marshall and for general business.

Notice to fill vacancy

And Mr. McCullagh gave notice that at said special meeting he would propose a proper person to fill above vacancy.

outdoor relief list adjd

The consideration of the Arklow outdoor relief list was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Adjs monthly meeting 7 PM

All night lighting ordered.

The Clerk was directed to instruct the lamp-lighters to commence all night lighting at the end of next moonlight; the number of lamps to be kept lighting all night to be 12 oil lamps & 21 gas lamps same as last year and in same localities, viz: 12 oil lamps, one at Convent, one at Doyle's Lane, one at Tinahash, two at Toole's Open, one at Harbour Road, ^{one at} Chapel Ground and five Bridge lamps.

P. Kearon Chairman
Dec. 5th 1904

Sp. meeting
7.0 pm 17 Nov 04

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, duly convened, was held at the Commissioners' Office, Court House, Arklow at 6.30 P.m. on Thursday the 17th November, 1904.

The following attended:-

Messrs. R. Kearon J.P. Chairman
H. Byrne
P. Kavanagh
D. Condren
P. Sarvey
D. Kavanagh
J. Birchistle

Chairman of meeting B. Murray

Chairman
of meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Peter Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Byrne & agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

Requisition
read.

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of electing a Commissioner in place of the late Mr. Marshall & for general business.

Purchase
of lime

An application from Mr. Wilson, Post Office, Arklow for the purchase of refuse lime in the small gas tank on the gas house premises & offering five shillings for same, was read by the clerk.

It was proposed by Mr. Condren, seconded by Mr. D. Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr. Wilson's offer be accepted.

Co-opting
a Commis-
sioner in
place of late
Mr. Marshall

It was proposed by Mr. Hall that Mr. Frank Lynell of 5, Bridge Street, Arklow, be elected a Commissioner in place of the late Mr. Marshall.

It was proposed as an amendment, & by Mr. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Birchistle that

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Mr. Patk Bradford be elected a Commissioner in place of late Mr. Marshall.

Mr Henderson
Licknock
elected in
place of
late Mr Marshall

Mr. Hall on seeing that an amendment was proposed, & having got no seconder for his first proposal, withdrew it, & proposed Mr. Samuel Henderson of Ferrybank to be a Commissioner in place of late Mr. Marshall. This proposal was seconded by Mr. Kearon and Mr. Kavanagh having by leave of the Chairman withdrawn his amendment, Mr. Henderson was unanimously elected a Commissioner in place of the late Mr. Marshall and the clerk was directed to give written notice of his election to Mr. Henderson.

Consideration
of contracts
for extension
of lighting &
connections for
private concerns

Mr. Quirk's accepted estimate £75 for extending the gas mains to Bridge street and Malboro Square & also for connecting services ^{including meters} to the convent, £8.15, the convent school £5.14, D. Kavanagh, £5.14, and in Bridge street, Messrs. Frank Lynell £5.14, George Lynell, £5.14; Thos. Greene & John J. Fords, part owners of same house, one connection & two meters £7; total, £38.11.

Mr. Quirk, manager, Sunlight Gas Co. attended this meeting by appointment.

The clerk pointed out that above two items were practically one contract, & being entered upon at the same time, they could not be separated, and that under the 10th Vict. chap. 16, Section 57, they could not legally conclude the contract now, unless both sums added together were less than £100.

Resolution
proposed

After a very lengthened discussion of the above, it was proposed by Mr. Birchistle seconded by Mr. D. Kavanagh & agreed to, that Mr. Quirk's contract at £24.15 instead

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Thursday 17
Nov 04

of £38.11 for making ^{seven} ~~four~~ connections to the Convent,
the Industrial School, Messrs Frank Lynell, George Kiaron
Thos Greene & John J. Loder ^{& J. Lavanagh} be accepted.

Mr. Quirk consented to this, and it was further
proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Carvey &
agreed to: That the agreement sent down by the
Sunlight Gas Co. in reference to ~~the~~ laying the gas
mains & necessary connections in Bridge street
& Marlboro Terrace be accepted on condition that
the extra lamps in Marlboro Terrace and Bridge st.
be maintained and lighted by the Gas Co. until
the expiration of the original contract.

Resolution
re maintenance
& lighting of
four gas lamps
in Bridge st
& Marlboro
Terrace

To above resolution Mr Quirk also agreed.

There were five new applicants for connections
to become private consumers laid before the Board
by the clerk, viz: George Wilson, 12, Main street;
J. F. Evans 1, Upper Main street; Samuel Burgers,
25, Lower Main street; John J. Lavanagh, 56,
Main street; & Denis J. Lavanagh 3, Main street.

Applications
to become
private con-
sumers of
gas

The clerk was directed to have the measurements
taken for above and sent to Mr Quirk asking him
to give an estimate for same, to be considered
at a special meeting to be held at 7 o'clock P.M.
on Wednesday 23rd Nov 1904.

Sp. meeting
appointed

The duplicate forms of agreement for £75,
extensions of the mains &c. in Bridge street and
in Marlboro Terrace were produced at
this meeting to be signed and sealed and
sent to ~~gas~~ the Sunlight Gas Co.
to be completed, but owing to the absence
of the Chairman who has custody of the
key of the Commissioners' seal, this item

Agreements
not signed
owing to
seal not
being avail-
able.

Sp. meeting

had to be adjourned and the clerk was directed
to have them produced at next meeting for
seal & signature as required

J. Kearney Chairman
5th Nov 1904

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Sp. meeting

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow, at 7 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the 23rd of November, 1904.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne
- John Tyrrell
- Saml Henderson
- J. Kavanagh
- Job Hall
- C. Murray
- R. Kearon J.P.
- Wm J. Gold J.P. Chairman

Chairman of meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Byrne & agreed to that Mr. Kearon be Chairman of meeting.

Mr Henderson makes declaration as new member

Mr. Henderson made the usual statutory declaration on taking his seat as a Commissioner in place of the late Mr. Marshall.

Chairman arrives

At this stage of the proceedings Mr. Gold entered the board room and took his seat as Chairman.

Requisition read.

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of considering Mr. Quirk's estimate for five new connections for private consumers of acetylene gas and for general business.

Estimate produced

Mr. Quirk's estimate was produced, giving a detailed statement of the cost of these five connections amounting in the aggregate to £23. 8. 11 made up as follows:—

- Denis J. Kavanagh, 3, Main street 53ft 6in length of connections £6. 10. 1;
- John J. Kavanagh, 56,

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Main street, 13ft connections £4. 0. 7; George Wilson 12, Main street 10ft 6in. £ 3. 17. 11; John F. Evans, 1, Upper Main street, 20ft £ 4. 10. 10, & Samuel Burgess, 25, Lower Main street, 2 1/2 ft, £ 4. 9. 6.

The clerk produced a copy of letter sent to Mr Quirk on 22nd inst. in reply to above estimate showing by calculation that it was £3. 12. 11 in excess, ^{reportedly} of the sum agreed upon for the connections in Marlboro Square & Bridge street, and suggesting that he should accept £18 for the whole job instead of £23. 8. 11, the amount he had asked for.

Resolution re connections

After giving above matter the most careful consideration, it was proposed by Mr. Kearon seconded by ^{Leapt Murray} and agreed to:—
"That £18 ^{instead of £23. 8. 11} be offered to Mr. Quirk for above work, to be paid without interest on 1st September 1905, &, if not accepted, that it be advertised for and tenders invited."

It was directed that a copy of above resolution be forwarded to Mr Quirk and a definite reply requested.

A letter was read from the Town clerk in Wicklow stating on behalf of the Joint Committee of the Wicklow Harbour Board and the Urban District Council that a meeting in favour of a Marine Works Bill for South east coast of Ireland will be held in Dublin on day to be fixed and requesting the Arklow Town Commissioners to appoint delegates from their Board to attend such meeting.

delegates appointed to attend meeting re marine works Bill

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Tyrrell, and agreed to, that Messrs.

23 Nov 04

Sp. meeting

Messrs Job Hall and Leapt Murray be appointed delegates to attend said meeting and that the Town Clerk in Wicklow be informed accordingly.

The duplicate agreements for extension of public lighting made on 13th Oct 1904, were produced & signed and sealed at this meeting & directed to be returned to Mr. Quirk for completion.

R. Kearon Chairman
5th Dec 1904

5 Dec 04

Monthly meeting

7pm 5 Dec 04

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 5th Dec. 1904.

The following attended:—

Rich^d Kearon J.P.

Job Hall

Hugh Byrne

John Tyrrell

Saml Henderson

Chas Murray

Thos Birchielle

Denis Kavanagh

Peter Kavanagh

Chairman
of meeting.

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be chairman of meeting.

Minutes of
4 meetings
read.

The minutes of last monthly meeting of 7th Nov 1904; of adjourned monthly meeting of 9th ult.; of special meeting of 17th ult.; & of special meeting of 23rd ult. were read and agreed to and signed by the chairman.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Hugh Byrne, seconded by Mr. Denis Kavanagh and unanimously agreed to:—

Resolution of
sympathy to
Mrs. J. J. Troy

"That we, the Arklow Town Commissioners, tender our deepest sympathy and condolence to Mrs. J. J. Troy on the sad calamity which appears to have befallen her husband and eldest son during their recent voyage through the North Sea.

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Resolution
cont.

The late Mr. Troy was a former colleague of ours and for several years a most useful and energetic member of this Board, and as a mark of our high appreciation of his many good qualities and respect for his memory, we desire that this resolution be inserted on the minutes of our meeting and a copy be sent to Mrs. Troy and her family."

The following was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Peter Kavanagh and unanimously agreed to:-

Further resolution re disaster in the North Sea

"Resolved that we, the Arklow Town Commissioners, beg to tender to Mrs. J. J. Troy and her family our deepest sympathy in the sad bereavement she has sustained by the loss of her husband and eldest son who have lost their lives in the calamitous disaster which has befallen the S. S. Fitzwilliam in the North sea.

And as a testimony of our appreciation of the public worth of the late Captain Troy who was for many years an energetic member of this Board and who did so much to establish those local industries which are such a blessing to Arklow, we pledge ourselves to promote by every means in our power, a fund for the benefit of the relatives of our fellow Townsman who were lost in this melancholy disaster."

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mrs Marshall, Fonybank acknowledging resolution of sympathy on the death of her late husband, Mr. Saml Marshall and thanking the Commissioners for same.

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7 PM 5 Dec 04

Resolution re
Marine Works Act
acknowledged

A letter was read from the Secretary to the Lord Chancellor of the Exchequer Treasury Chambers, Whitehall, London S.W. acknowledging receipt of resolution in favour of a Marine Works Act for the South eastern Coast of Ireland. And a similar letter acknowledging a similar resolution was received from the Secretary to the Prime Minister.

Mr Quirk
accepts £18
for cost of
connections.
(see minutes page
341.)

Similar acknowledgments were also read from the two County members of Parliament for Wicklow. A letter was read from Mr Quirk in reply to note received from this Board stating he accepted the £18 for the five connections for private consumers offered to him, at special meeting on 23rd Ult, and adding that it is almost the nett cost of the work.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Wicklow stating that Thursday 15th December, 1904, at 12 o'clock noon was appointed, ~~was~~ appointed holding the meeting of delegates re Marine Works Bill, in the city Hall Dublin.

Cheques.

The delegates from this Board were informed accordingly. Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s	d
To Thomas Bracken 4 weeks wages to 4 Dec 04.	3	11	0
" Lawrence Desmond " " "	3	11	0
" John J. Evans, poundage on £257. 0. 2. Town Rate for 1904, 12-17			
" Do " 20-6-5 " 1903 1-0-4			
Total	277	6	7
			13-17-4

gas lamps
broken in
the main st

Railway Passengers assurance Co. insurance on lamp lighters to Dec 05 0-10-0
Town clerk for incidentals 1-12-4
The Clerk reported that a ^{gas} lamp was broken in Lower Main street by a blow of a stone on night of 30th Nov. 04

It was directed that the Arklow Police be informed of the occurrence

Monthly meeting
7 PM. Monday
5 Dec 04

Reding price of
gas, adj.

Gas committee
appointed

The question of reducing the price of gas to private consumers from 4/- to 3/4 per 100 ft came before the Board and was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Messrs P. Kavanagh, J. Birchistle, & Murray & D. Kavanagh were appointed a gas Committee to inspect the gas house on a day to be fixed on during this month

John Kearon Chairman
2 Dec 1905

Monthly meeting
7 PM 2 Jan 05

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 2nd January, 1905.

The following attended:-

- Messrs M. McLaughlin
- P. Carvey
- H. Byrne
- R. Kearon J.P.
- Job Hall
- J. Tyrrell
- D. Kavanagh
- J. Storey
- S. Henderson
- P. Kavanagh

Chairman
of meeting

It was proposed by Mr. McLaughlin, seconded by Mr. Tyrrell and agreed to that Mr. Kearon be chairman of meeting.

minutes

The minutes of the monthly meeting of 5th Dec 1904, were read and agreed to and signed by the chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from Mrs. J. J. Troy, thanking the Commissioners for their kind message of sympathy on the loss of her husband & eldest son.

Payment of
gas instalment
asked for

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk requesting that his last instalment of £12.8 on the gas contract be paid at this meeting. A cheque was issued for the amount and directed not to be forwarded until after special meeting to be held on 9th inst.

A letter was read from the Chief Secretary

Shop Hours Act and the powers invested in the Commissioners to make Closing Orders, &c.

The consideration of this matter was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

A draft copy of the proposed Marine Works Bill sent for the information of this Board by the Town Clerk Wicklow was read and the following resolution ~~was~~ in reference thereto was proposed by Mr Byrne & seconded by Mr Lyrell was unanimously agreed to:—

Resolution re Marine Works Bill
"That the draft Bill read to us be approved, that we give it all the support we can and that we thank the promoters for the trouble they have taken in the matter."

The clerk was directed to send a copy of above resolution to the Town Clerk, Wicklow.

Resolution re Mr Wilson's retirement from the Post office
Mr. Storey proposed a resolution in reference to the retirement of Mr. Wilson from the post office through the age limit and recommending that his daughter Miss Wilson be appointed Postmistress in his place. Mr Byrne seconded this resolution which was passed unanimously.

It was proposed by Mr Henderson, seconded by Mr. Hall and agreed to that a copy of Mr. Storey's resolution be forwarded to the Postmaster General, London.

Explosion on gas lamp on Xmas eve 04
A letter was read from the R. Chemist in reference ~~which~~ to the explosion which took place on the gas lamps in Lower Main Street opposite the Togh, and giving the names of three young boys implicated.

The Board considered there was not

sufficient evidence to warrant a prosecution and the clerk was directed to inform the R.C.C. accordingly.

Bcheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—
To Tho. Bracken, 4 weeks wages to 1st Jan 05 £ 3-11-0
" Lawrence Desmond " " 3-11-0
" The Sunlight Gas Co., last instalment on gas contract 125-0-0
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 20 Dec 04 Harbour rate of 2-10-0
" " " 3d Dec " Gas collection 2-10-0
" Joseph Annuley, Lamp Wick, chimneys, &c 1-3-8
" Tho. Nicholson, draining water & carbide to gas house 1-2-0
" The Dublin Carbide Co. 1 ton of carbide on a/c 14-10-0

Carbide license to be renewed.

The clerk informed the meeting that the license to store Carbide at the gas house would expire on 11 Jan 1905. He was directed to apply to the Secretary, Harbour Board to have it renewed.

Key of seal handed to Mr Byrne

The clerk handed over to Mr Byrne the key of the Commissioners' seal to be detained by him until the appointment of the new Chairman for 1905. The key was given to the clerk by Mr Coldwell when leaving for England.

Applications were produced from Mr George Forde and the Manager, Colonial Meat Co. for connections to become private consumers of gas.

The clerk was directed to get measurements taken and send to Mr Quirk for an estimate for doing the work.

Two water barrels were ordered to be got for the gas house and notices to be posted inviting tenders for the purchase of refuse lime in the tanks at ~~the gas house~~ same place.

2 Jan 05

The following are copies of rate notices for Town & Harbour Rates ~~being~~ given by Mr Kearon.

Notice of intended Town rate
 (1) "This is to give notice that, at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I shall propose that a General or Town rate of one shilling in the £ be made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount, or three pence in the £ on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854.

And should I be absent from said monthly meeting, I hereby authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat to take action upon this notice."

Signed, R Kearon

Arklow 2nd January, 1905

Notice of intended Harbour rate.
 (2) "I hereby give notice under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act, 1882, and the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, that, at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I shall propose that a Harbour Rate of one shilling in the £ be made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount, or three pence in the £ be made on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow, for the purpose of repayment, with interest thereon of loan of £3,500 granted by the Lords Commissioners of Her late Majesty's Treasury for the improvement of Arklow Harbour.

And should I be absent from said

2 Jan 05.

monthly meeting, I hereby authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat, to take action upon this notice."

A requisition was signed at this meeting directing the clerk to summon a special meeting for 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 9th January 1905 to further consider why the lamps were not lighted on the night of the 13th Dec 04. and for general business.

The clerk stated there were not sufficient funds to the credit of Vol 4/c at the Bank to pay Mr. Quirk's instalment of £128. and was directed to bring the matter forward at special meeting ordered above and meantime to hold over the cheque until after special meeting.

The above special meeting was ordered by resolution proposed by Mr Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Carvey and agreed to.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr Carvey and unanimously agreed to:—

"That the Bank of Ireland be asked to give an advance on promissory note of £100 to the Arklow Town Commissioners to assist in paying off the last instalment of £128 on the acetylene gas contract."

Hugh Byrne Chairman

6-2-05

Sp meeting Monday 9-1-05
 A special meeting of the Arklow Town Com-
 missioners was held at the Commissioners'
 office, Court house, Arklow, at 7 o'clock P.M.
 on Monday the 9th January, 1905.

The following attended:—

- Messrs R Kearon J.P.
- H Byrne
- J Birchistle
- C Murray
- S. Henderson
- D Leonard
- Denis Kavanagh
- Job Hall
- Peter Kavanagh

Chairman It was proposed by Mr Birchistle, seconded
 by Mr. Murray and agreed to, that Mr. Kearon
 be chairman of meeting.

Resolution read The clerk read the requisition convening the
 meeting which was for the purpose of further
 considering ~~into~~ and inquiring as to the cause
 of the lamps not being lighted on the night
 of the 13th ult, and for general business

The lamp lighters to be present at this meeting.

estimate re gas connections A letter was read from Mr. Quirk giving an
 estimate for ^{gas} connections to private consumers George
 Forde 27, Main street, and the Canadian Meat Co.
 101, Bridge street. As this Company had but recently
^{to Arklow} come, and it seemed doubtful how long they would
 remain, it was considered injudicious to incur the
 expense of making a connection for them without
 a guarantee; and the following resolution
 was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh,

Resolution re
 guarantee from
 Meat Co for
 gas connections

seconded by Mr. Birchistle and agreed to.—
 "That the Canadian Meat Co. be asked to
 deposit £3, to be returned to them in two
 years, provided they burn not less than 100ft
 of gas per month ^{on an average} during these two years."

The clerk was directed to inform the company of
 above resolution and when their reply would be re-
 ceived, should they agree to above terms the
 work would be advertised for tender.

Mr. Quirk's estimate was £4-13-1 for Mr. Forde's
 connection and £4-15 for the Meat Co.

Mr. James Doyle, Harbour Master, came before the
 meeting and asked for a gas connection for his private
 residence in Lower Main street.

It was agreed that Messrs Doyle's & Forde's
 connections be made on same terms as those
 already made for other private consumers.

The lamp lighters came before the meeting and
 admitted they made a mistake in not lighting ^{the lamps}
 on the night of the 13th ult, which, they stated, would
 not occur again.

Lamp lighters
 Cautioned &
 directed to con-
 sult chairman
 of G.P. Committee
 in future

They were cautioned to be more careful in the
 future, and whenever any doubt seemed to exist as
 whether they should, or should not light the lamps
 on any particular night, they were directed to
 consult the chairman of the General Purposes
 Committee before taking any action in the matter

Mr Kearon to be
 a third representative
 re Marine works
 Act.

It was proposed by Mr Birchistle, seconded by
 Mr. Peter Kavanagh and agreed to, that Mr Peter
 Kearon be appointed in addition to the two members
 already appointed to represent the Arklow Town Com-
 missioners on the Marine Works Board, and the

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Spd meeting clerk was directed to inform Mr W Phail, Town clerk, Wicklow of the appointment.

Key of seal given to Mr. Byrne
The clerk handed over to Mr. Byrne the key of the Commissioners' seal to be detained by him until the appointment of the new Chairman for 1905. The key was sent to the clerk with above instructions by Mr. Gold, G.D.C. when leaving for England.

Fr. Dunphy
to be chairman
of meeting in
Town Hall 11 P.M.
18 Jan 05.

It was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. Condren and unanimously agreed to that Rev J Dunphy P.P. be asked to take the chair at ^{public} meeting re Marine Works Act to be held on 18th inst., and the clerk was directed to inform Father Dunphy of the fact.

80s to pay
80s contract

By consent of the meeting, a promissory note was signed by Messrs. Richd Kearon, Denis Kavanagh and Charles Murray for an advance of £100 from the Bank of Ireland to assist in paying off the final instalment of £128 now due on the gas contract in accordance with resolution at last meeting.

It was agreed that two presiding officers in addition to the clerk would be sufficient for the coming election on 16th inst.

Hugh Byrne Chairman

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16 Jan 05

Municipal
Election

Municipal Election, Monday 16th January 1905
The Local Government (Transitory Provisions) (No. 2.) Order, 1898.

Record of Proceedings

Election of Town Commissioners in place of those who retired by rotation was held in the Arklow Court house and in the National School at Ferrybank, one presiding officer in addition to the Town clerk being appointed for Arklow and one for Ferrybank.

The members who retired by rotation under above order were for Arklow, No. 1. Urban Electoral Division, Messrs Daniel Condren, Mick Kavanagh, Richard Kearon and Charles Murray, and for Arklow, No. 2. Urban Electoral Division Mr. Job Hall.

The following valid nominations were duly made within the prescribed time.

Arklow, No. 1.

Name of candidate	Residence	Proposed by	Seconded by
William Hoyme	Arklow	Denis Kavanagh	J. Kerinsdale
William Kavanagh	"	P. Kavanagh	J. O'Neill
Richard Kearon	"	H. Byrne	John Tyrrell
Charles Murray	Ferrybank	do	Dan Condren
Mick Waldron	Arklow	John English	Eugene Fogarty

Messrs D Condren & M Kavanagh did not seek re-election.

Arklow, No. 2.

Job Hall	Ferrybank	Jeremiah Pine	Edw Seaward
Rath Bradford	do	Chas Murray	Dan O'Neill
Francis Tyrrell	Arklow	Job Kearon	Richd Tyrrell

The polling took place at 8 am & closed at 8 Pm. on Monday the 16th January, 1905.

The following is the result of the Poll

Arlow, No. 1.

William Hoyme	90 votes
William Kavanagh	78 "
Richard Kearon	65 "
Charles Murray	146 "
Michael Waldron	161 "

William Hoyme, William Kavanagh, Charles Murray and Michael Waldron were declared duly elected by the returning officer, the prescribed notices to that effect being posted through the town.

Arlow No. 2.

Patrick Bradford	39 votes
Job Hall	3 "
Francis Tyrrell	46 "

Francis Tyrrell was declared duly elected.

Hugh Byrne Chairman

6-2-05

Annual Meeting
Monday 23 Jan 05, 7pm

The annual meeting of the Arlow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office Court house, Arlow at 7 o'clock Pm. on Monday the 23rd January, 1905.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Denis Kavanagh
" Imbullaugh
" Storey
" M. Waldron
" Wm Hoyme
" Wm Kavanagh
" John Tyrrell
" P. Carney
" Francis Tyrrell
" Chas Murray
" Peter Kavanagh
" J. Peirchisto & Samuel Henderson

Chairman of
meeting

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that Mr. Imbullaugh be Chairman of meeting.

New members
make declara-
tions before
Chairman.

The following members elected on 16th inst. made the usual declaration prescribed by law at this, their first meeting; Messrs Wm Hoyme, Wm Kavanagh, Charles Murray, Michael Waldron and Francis Tyrrell.

Chairman
appointed
for 1906.

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Storey and unanimously agreed to: that Mr. Hugh Byrne be Chairman of the Arlow Town Commissioners for the ensuing year.

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Storey, and agreed to:—

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that the following members be appointed as the General Purposes Committee for the ensuing year with power to add to their numbers and to appoint their own Chairman at their first meeting:-

Genl Purposes
Committee

Messrs: Tho Birchistle
Rich Kavanagh
John McCullagh
H. Byrne
C Murray
Denis Kavanagh

The clerk read the list of attendances at meetings for the past year which stood as follows:-

List of
attendances
for 1904.

	Monthly atpt	Committee	Total
Wm. J Goldthorpe	11	"	11
Rich Kearon	17	4	21
H Byrne	18	5	23
John Tyrrell	10	"	10
J Leondren	7	"	7
McCullagh	12	2	14
P. Sarvey	9	"	9
W. Kavanagh	5	"	5
P. Kavanagh	17	4	21
Denis Kavanagh	17	1	18
Job Hall	8	3	11
Sam Henderson	4	"	4
C. Murray	15	5	20
T. Birchistle	16	6	22
J. Storey	5	"	5

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Tenders
for refuse
lime

Sealed Tenders received from Mr George Kearon and Mr. Christopher Byrne for the purchase of the refuse lime at the gashouse, ~~was~~ were opened by the Chairman. The Tender of Mr Kearon was for 20/- and Mr Byrne 16/6.

It was proposed by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Henderson and agreed to that the tender of Mr Kearon, being the higher of the two, be accepted.

Mr Gold
resigns

A Telegram was read from Mr. Gold tendering his resignation as Town Commissioner from this date, he having gone to live permanently in Birmingham.

It was proposed by Mr. Hoynes, seconded by Mr. Waldron and agreed to, that Mr. Gold's resignation be accepted with regret.

The following notice in reference to above was handed to the Chairman by Mr Henderson:-

Notice to
fill vacancy
by co. option

"I hereby give notice that at the next monthly of the Arklow Town Commissioners to be held on 6th February, 1905, I shall propose to elect a Commissioner in place of Mr Gold resigned.

And, should I be absent from said monthly meeting, I hereby authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat, to take action upon this notice."

Signed Samuel Henderson.

Arklow, 23rd January, 1905

Vote of
thanks to
Mr Kearon

Mr. Denis Kavanagh proposed a vote of thanks to ex Town Commissioner Mr Richd Kearon who had been for several years a

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a most energetic and useful member of this Board both as Chairman and otherwise, this was seconded by Mr. John Tyrrell and passed unanimously.

Hugh Byrne Chairman

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Spl meeting

Aspecial meeting of the Arkelow Town Commission was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse, Arkelow at 4 o'clock P.M.

The following attended

Messrs John Tyrrell
Francis Tyrrell
H Byrne Ch
J Storey
Denis Kavanagh
C Murray
Peter Kavanagh
J McCullagh
Wm Hoynes
Wm Kavanagh
W. Waldron

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Francis Tyrrell and agreed to, that Mr. McCullagh be chairman pro tem while taking the usual declaration from the Chairmen elect on accepting office as Chairmen for the year 1905. Mr. Byrne then occupied the chair and thanked the Commissioners present for having elected him as their Chairman at the annual meeting on 23rd inst.

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of electing by co-option a Commissioner in place of Mr. Gold, resigned.

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Storey that Mr. Richard Kearon J.P. be coopted a Town Commissioner in place of Mr. Gold, resigned.

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It was proposed by Mr. Waldron & seconded by Mr. Francis Tyrrell that Mr. W. H. Hoyle be co-opted a Town Commissioner in place of Mr. Gold, resigned.

After several members had spoken and given their views on the subject a poll was taken by the Chairman when there voted for Mr. Kearon, Denis Kavanagh, J. Storey & Murray, W. Hoyle, John Tyrrell and the Chairman, 6.

And for Mr. W. H. Hoyle there voted Mr. Waldron, Francis Tyrrell, W. Kavanagh, Peter Kavanagh and J. McCullagh, 5.

The Chairman declared Mr. Richard Kearon duly elected by a majority of one vote, & the clerk was directed to inform Mr. Kearon of his election.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
6-2-05

6 Feb 05

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held on Monday the 6th February 1905, at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M.

The following attended:—

Messrs P. Kavanagh
" J. McCullagh
" D. Kavanagh
" J. Birchistle
" W. Hoyle
" H. Byrne, Chairman
" R. Kearon, J.P.
" J. Storey
" W. Waldron
" W. Kavanagh

The clerk read the minutes of monthly meeting of 2nd January, 1905, of special meeting of 9th January 05, of Record of Proceedings at contested election 16 Jan^y 05, and of special meeting of 30th January, 1905 which were agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

minutes
Correspondence
A letter was read from the Secretary General Post Office, London, acknowledging receipt of petition from the Arklow Town Commissioners relative to Mr. Wilson's compulsory retirement from the ^{Arklow} Post Office through the age limit and requesting that his daughter might be appointed in his stead. The letter stated the matter would receive attention.

A second letter in which a newspaper containing a report of the proceedings above indicated was enclosed, was also acknowledged by the Post Office Secretary.

A letter was read from the Local Govt. Board giving instructions as to Public Libraries (Ireland)

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Acts, 1855 to 1902 upon which no action was taken.

Letter from
Mr Gold.

A letter was read from Mr Gold confirming his resignation already received by telegram and returning his best thanks to the Commissioners for the generous support accorded him during his office as their Chairman.

Resolutions re
Public Bodies
order

Letters were read from the Clerk to the Rural District Council, Loughlinstown, Co Dublin and from the Town Clerk, Limerick, strongly condemning the Public Bodies order issued by the Local Govt. Board and asking the Arklow Town Commissioners to co-operate with them in resisting this order and asking to have it withdrawn.

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. McCullagh and unanimously agreed to that resolutions above referred to be adopted and that the Local Government Board be written to asking to have the Public Bodies order withdrawn.

Letter
re Marine
Works Act

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Wicklow, asking by direction of Sir Thomas Gattan Comonde to have a strong resolution passed by this Board in favour of passing the Marine Works Act in the next session of Parliament, and that copies be forwarded to Mr. Balfour, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Chief Secretary for Ireland.

Resolution
re
Marine works
Act

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Keirchiste, seconded by Mr. Storey and unanimously resolved:—

"That we, the Arklow Town Commissioners, at this our meeting which will probably be the last before the assembling of Parliament, desire to urge more, even at the risk of repeating an oft-told

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tale, draw the earnest attention of the Government and members of the legislature to the vital and imperative necessity of passing the Marine Works Act with the least possible delay, as Arklow is admittedly far more seriously affected than any port on the South east coast, since all its industries are threatened with extinction and the inhabitants face to face with a state of destitution owing to the wretched state of the Harbour."

It was directed that a copy of above resolution be sent to the Town Clerk, Wicklow and that copies be also forwarded to the Right Hon gentlemen named in his letter.

Town &
Harbour rates
made

The following resolutions re making of Rates were proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Peter Kavanagh and agreed to and the Rate Books signed in the usual manner by six Commissioners in accordance with the Statute.

"In pursuance of notice given at last monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I propose that a general or Town Rate of one shilling in the £ be now made on Buildings and one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ be made on Lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854."

Said rate to become due on 1st April, 1905.

"In pursuance of notice given at last monthly of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I propose that a Harbour Rate of one shilling in the £ be now made on Buildings and

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one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ to be made on lands, all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act, 1882 and the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, for the purpose of repayment by annuity with interest thereon of loan of £3,500 granted by the Lords Commissioners of Her late Majesty's Treasury for the improvement of Arklow Harbour."

Said rate to become due on 1st day of April, 1905.

Letter
from Mr
George Wilson
ordered to
be inserted
on the minutes

A letter was read from Mr George Wilson ex post-master of Arklow thanking the Commissioners for the kind action taken by them on his behalf at their last monthly meeting.

A copy of Mr Wilson's letter was ordered to be inserted on the minutes and was as follows:—

"To the Chairman & Town Commissioners of Arklow.

Gentlemen,

It is with very grateful feelings I write to thank your Board for the kind expressions of good will towards me expressed in the resolution passed at your last meeting. It shall be a pleasure to me during the short remaining portion of my life to know I have done something in an humble way to deserve the kind expression of good wishes from the people of Arklow (whom you represent) but for any little help I have been able to

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give in times of trouble, I have been fully repaid by the courtesy I have always received from the people of Arklow.

I am, Gentlemen,

Yours very faithfully,

George Wilson

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d.
To Tho. Nicholas 5 weeks to 5th Feb. 05, lamp-lighting.	4	8	6
" L. Desmond " " "	4	8	6
" Tom Clark, quarters salary to 31 Jan 05	7	10	
" do fees according to scale acting as Returning Officer at contested election.	6	10	
" John F. Evans Presiding Officer	1	11	6
" do. Counting of votes	1	1	0
" Alfred J. Connolly, Presiding Officer	1	11	6
" Mick Tobin, Poll clerk	1	1	0
" W. Connolly do	1	1	0
" do Counting of votes	1	1	0
" John Peters do	1	1	0
" Tho. Nicholas erecting polling compartments, &c.	1	17	6
" Tho. H. Evans Poll clerk	1	1	0
" Tom Clark for incidentals	0	17	8
" J. McPhail election printing	0	12	0
" John M. Walsh do	0	12	9
" Messrs Browne & Nolan, Stationery, Town Rate book, &c.	1	19	7
" do Harbour Rate book	0	11	6
" Bank of Ireland, Instalment, Harbour loan to Dec 05 85 "	0	5	
" Tho. Nicholas drawing water & carbide to gas house	1	5	0
" Dublin Carbide Co. for carbide on a/c	1	13	7
An application to have the lane leading to gas house premises gravelled was deferred to a future time.			

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 Appl. for
 gas connection
 referred to
 G. P. Committee
 & meeting fixed
 of same fixed
 for 9th inst

Applications from Mr George Forde, 27 Main street, Mr. James Doyle, Harbour Master and from Mr Tailor for the Marlboro Hall ~~to be~~ for connections to become private consumers of gas were laid before the meeting and were referred for consideration to the General Purposes Committee a meeting of which was fixed for 7 o'clock P.M. on Thursday the 9th Feb. 1905, the six members of the Committee present accepting verbal notice of meeting and the clerk was directed to give written notice of day & hour of meeting to the absent member Mr. Murray.

Mr Gold's re
 signature as
 the Commissioner
 to be asked for

The clerk was directed ^{to write} to Mr. Gold asking if he would resign his position as Harbour Commissioner so that a Commissioner could be appointed in his place at next monthly meeting.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
 6-3-05

6 March 05

Monthly meeting

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 6th March 1905.

The following attended:-

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
 Ricko Kearon J.P.
 J. Birtistle
 J. Henderson
 J. M. Cullagh
 P. Carvey
 W^m Hoynes
 W^m Kavanagh
 M. Waldron
 John Tyrrell
 Francis Tyrrell
 J. Kavanagh
 J. Storey

minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and agreed to and signed by the chairman.

Letter from
 Chamberlain of
 Exchequer

A letter was read from the secretary to the Chamberlain of the Exchequer acknowledging receipt of resolution on the subject of the Marine Works Act.

Letter in
 reference to
 Public
 Bodies order

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Bray in reference to the Public Bodies Order, 1904, and containing resolutions strongly condemning said order.

The clerk said he ^{had} already replied to above letter stating that this Board passed a resolution at their last meeting asking to have the Public Bodies order withdrawn; this was considered sufficient and no further action was taken in the matter.

Monthly meeting

Letters re Marine Works Act

Letters were read from the Prime Minister and from the Irish Chief Secretary acknowledging receipt of resolutions from this Board re Marine Works Act.

Price of Carbide as delivered to Arklow a ton free to Arklow Ry station

A letter was read from Mr Quirk stating he would supply us in a few days with six tons of carbide of best quality at £14 a ton delivered free to Arklow station.

Mr Gold resigns as Harbour Commissioner

A letter was read from Mr Gold resigning his position as a member of the Arklow Harbour Commissioners.

Mr Gold's resignation accepted & next meeting ordered to elect commr in Mr Gold's place.

It was proposed by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr. Kearon and agreed to that Mr. Gold's resignation be accepted and the clerk was directed to summon a special meeting to be held at the Commissioners' office at 7 o'clock P.M. on Friday the 10th March, 1905, for the purpose of electing a Harbour Commissioner in place of Mr. Gold.

Letter from L.S.B. re Public Bodies Act

A letter was read from the Local Government Board on the subject of a resolution passed by the Arklow Town Commissioners asking for the withdrawal of the Public Bodies order, 1904, and asking the Commissioners to state in detail the articles of the order and the forms prescribed thereby to which they take exception & their reasons for doing so.

Reply to above order.

The clerk was directed to reply stating the articles objected to were 96, 100, 101 & 102 and the forms were 57, 59, 60, 61, 65 & 66 as being totally inapplicable to rates levied by them, would involve additional expense and be of no use whatever.

Monthly meeting

Letter re gas connection

Two letters were read from Mr. Tailour urgently requesting that a connection be made with the least possible delay for lighting the Marlboro Hall with acetylene gas.

Tenders re gas connections

In connection with above, the Chairman opened a sealed Tender in which Mr. James DeCourcy, plumber of Wicklow proposed to make the connections to the Marlboro hall & to Messrs. James Doyle & George Forde for £11. 14, and the clerk produced a telegram from Mr. Quirk offering to do the same work for £9. 5.

Mr Quirk's tender for £9. 5 accepted.

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. Denis Kavanagh and agreed to that Mr Quirk's estimate for the Sunlight Gas Co at £9. 5 be accepted, work to commence forthwith.

The clerk was directed to inform Mr Tailour & Mr Quirk of above decision.

Resolution to amend Lanes Laws

A letter was read from the Town clerk, Antrim containing a resolution in favour of amending the Lanes Laws in Ireland.

above resolution adopted.

It was proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. McCullagh & agreed to that above resolution be adopted & copies sent as directed.

Resolution to make no more gas connections.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. ~~Kearon~~ ^{McCullagh} and agreed to:-

"That having gone minutely into the gas account, we recommend the Board to not incur the expense of further connections until the receipts from existing private consumers will have re-imbursed the Commissioners to a fair amount for the outlay already gone to."

Warrants on Ratebooks signed

The warrants on Town and Harbour Rate books for 1905 were signed & sealed in the usual manner.

£261-15-10 1/2 and head rate. Revised Rate 1905 £262-7-7/2 each rate

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following: - £ s d

To Tho' Braeken, 4 weeks wages to 5th March 05,	3-11-0
" Lammie Desmond " "	3-11-0
" Town Clerk, refund of money lodged by him to credit of not. ofc 7th Feb. 1905	10-0-0
" Bank of Ireland, transfer from No 3 to No 1 ofc	45-0-0
" Tho' Nicholson, drawing water & carbide to gashouse	0-19-6
" Mrs. M. A. Conroy re gas connections	0-3-4

A cheque was presented for carbide, payment of which was deferred to next monthly meeting.

Time to be sold & carbide cases.

The Clerk was directed to get notices posted inviting tenders for the purchase of lime at the gas house, to be considered by General Purposes Committee on 15th March 05. He was also directed to sell the empty carbide cases at P. each.

Statement re hour of meeting.

The Clerk drew the attention of the meeting to the fact that the change in the hour of monthly meetings some time ago required the sanction of the Local Government Board and produced the section of the Act of Parliament bearing on the matter. The Board decided to let the matter remain as it is & the section was not read.

Meeting of S.P. Comm. ordered re Harbour Loan

The question of applying to the Treasury to have the balance of the Arklow Harbour Loan converted into a free grant came before the meeting and was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration, a meeting of which was directed to be summoned for 7 o'clock P.M. on Wednesday the 15th March, 1905, and it was directed that Mr. Storey be asked to attend at said meeting.

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When Tho' Nicholson's account for drawing water and Carbide to the gashouse, the Clerk was directed to ask him to draw the Carbide for 2/- instead of 3/- per ton, otherwise they would get some other person to draw it.

It was also directed that the office blocks be cleaned and put in order.

Resolution in favour of Town tenants, &c.

A letter was read from the Town Tenants Executive, 4, Upper O'Connell St. Dublin, containing resolutions in favour of Town tenants & the better housing of the working classes and asking that they be adopted.

Above resolutions adopted.

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Waldron and agreed to that above resolutions be adopted and that the Secretary, Town Tenants Executive be informed of the fact.

The Clerk was directed to write to the County members, asking them to support above measures in Parliament.

Anglo Byrne Chairman
3-4-05

16 March 1905

Sp meeting

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Friday 10th March, 1905.

The following attended. —

Messrs Hugh Byrne, Chairman
 John Tyrrell
 J. Kavanagh
 J. Storey
 J. McCullagh
 P. Carney
 S. Henderson
 J. Birchistle
 R. Kearon J.P.
 W. W. Waldron
 C. Murray
 W. Kavanagh
 Francis Tyrrell
 W. Hoynes

The clerk read the requisition convening the meeting which was for the purpose of electing a Harbour Commissioner in place of Mr. W. Gold, resigned.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. J. Kavanagh that Mr. Chas. Murray, Esq. be elected in place of Mr. Gold.

It was proposed by Mr. McCullagh, seconded by Mr. W. Waldron that Mr. Udal, Local Manager, Kynoch Co. be elected in Mr. Gold's place.

No other candidate being proposed, the Chairman took a poll with the following result:—

10 March 05

Sp meeting

For Murray there voted
 Messrs. R. Kearon

2 J. Kavanagh

3 J. Birchistle

4 W. Hoynes

5 C. Murray

6 J. Storey

7 J. Tyrrell

8 H. Byrne

Total 8

For Mr Udal there voted
 Messrs. S. Henderson

2 W. Waldron

3 J. Tyrrell

4 P. Carney

5 J. McCullagh

6 W. Kavanagh

Total 6.

The Chairman declared Mr. Murray duly elected by a majority of two votes & the clerk was directed to write to the Secretary Harbour Board informing him of the result of the election at once.

Hugh Byrne Chairman
 3-4-05

3 Apr 05

Monthly meeting

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 3rd of April, 1905.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
D. Kavanagh
W. Kavanagh
W. Hoynes
F. Tyrrell
J. Henderson
J. Birthistle

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting & of special meeting of 10th ult. were read and agreed to & signed by the Chairman

Correspondence.

Letters were read from Messrs J. O'Connor and J. Logan M. P. acknowledging communications from this Board asking their assistance in Parliament in passing the Town Tenants Bill, &c. and stating they would do all they could in these matters.

Instructions re working of Public Bodies order form 1904.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board in reply to communication from this Board of 8th ult. re Public Bodies Order, 1904 and stating the accounts of the Rate collector should be checked monthly and the state of the collection to be given on the minutes, and that ^{the use of} forms 57, 62, 63, 64 and 66 by the Arklow Town Commissioners have been dispensed with.

A letter on same subject was read from Mr. Baker L.S. Board auditor stating all books and forms at present in use should continue to be used so long as present supply remains unexhausted.

3 Apr 05

Monthly meeting

Quotations for supply of carbide

Letters were read from the following giving quotations for supply of carbide of calcium to the Arklow Town Commissioners delivered at Arklow Messrs Edmundson & Co. 33 & 36 Capel street, Dublin, £18. 6. 6 per ton in lots of not less than one ton at a time.

The Dargie Acetylene Gas Co., 57, Grey street, Newcastle-on-Tyne delivered at Arklow in 5 ton lots at £16 per ton, nett.

The Acetylene Illuminating Company Ltd No 3, Victoria Street, London, S.W. Carbide delivered in Dublin at 16/- per cwt.

None of above quotations accepted.

Shop Hours Act.

A letter was produced from the Chief Secretary's Office Dublin Castle enclosing a copy of Regulations under the Shop Hours Act, 1904 upon which no action was taken.

List of irrecoverable rates exp & approved

Mr. Evans, Rate collector came before the Board and produced a list of irrecoverable rates amounting to £4. 19. 2½ on the General Rate made 1st February, 1904, and to £4. 12. 2½ on the Harbour Rate made on same date.

Above lists were carefully examined and approved by the Board and signed by the Chairman and Clerk. Duplicates of above were dealt with in the same manner and returned to the Rate collector.

Uncollected rates on 31 March 05

The collection of Town & Harbour Rates for the year ended 31st March, 1905 showed a balance of uncollected rates of £5. 0. 9¾ on General or Town rate and of £5. 7. 9¾ on Harbour rate after deducting irrecoverable rates as shown above on each rate.

Empty cases to be sold at 9/- per doz

The Clerk was directed to sell the empty carbide cases at 9/- per dozen.

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Monthly
Meeting
Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d
To Tho' Braeken, 4 weeks wages lamp-lighting to 2 nd Apr 05	3	11	0
" Laurence Desmond "	3	11	0
" Town Clerk Quarters salary to 20 March 05 keeping Harbour Rate accounts & 3/- to Henry Elliott posting notices	2	13	0
" Town Clerk Quarters salary to 31 March 05 keeping gas a/c's	2	10	0
" do. for incidentals	3	19	9
" The Dublin Carbide Co. for Carbide on a/c	33	0	0
" F. W. Phail, printing, ads, & Town rate a/c	1	13	6
" do " " Harbour " "	1	10	6
" J. F. Evans, rate collector, poundage on £258.10.3, Harbour rate, 1904 & £4.17.11, balance Harbour Rate for 1903, Total, £263.8.2	13	3	5

3/- dis-
allowed on
incidentals a/c

The incidental a/c was produced by the clerk for £4.2.9, but on examining the different items ^{a sum of} 3/- was disallowed to Henry Elliott for posting notices, thereby reducing the amount to £3.19.9.

The clerk produced the bank books at the meeting which showed a balance in favour of the Commissioners on 31st March, 1905, as follows:—

Balance to credit on No 1 a/c	£	34	17	1
" " " No 2 "		95	9	2
" " " No 3 "		22	16	8

Statement as
Harbour Loan
adj'd.

The matter of drafting a statement to be laid before the Treasury requesting that the balance of the Arklow Harbour Loan may be converted into a free grant was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Compliment

Mr. Hoynes brought under the notice of the Board the ruffianly conduct of young boys outside his door and at the Bank corner to the great annoyance of persons stopping at his Hotel.

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The clerk was directed to write to the District Inspector R. Connelley earnestly requesting that men be sent in plain clothes & his nuisance put an end to.

It was directed that the gas accounts be completed to 31st March and that a meeting of the general purposes committee be summoned to examine the accounts before the end of this month.

Mr. Kavanagh drew attention to a statement that appeared lately in some newspaper that persons had died in Arklow of starvation and proposed the following resolution which was seconded by Mr. Henderson & agreed to:—

That the Town clerk write to the clerk of the Union, Rathdrum and to the Hon. Secretary of the St Vincent De Paul Society, Arklow to know has any person died in Arklow lately of starvation.

Walter Byrnes Chairman

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Monthly meeting
7 P.M. 1 May 05

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House Arklow, at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 1st day of May, 1905.

The following attended:—

Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman

" M^r Waldron

F. Tyrrell

W^m Kavanagh

W^m Hoynes

S. Henderson

J. Birchistle

R. Kearon J.P.

B. Murray

J. Tyrrell

Minutes

The minutes of last monthly meeting were read and on the chairman ^{asking} if there were any objection to their being signed, Mr. Kavanagh objected on the ground that a resolution proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh at said meeting and seconded by Mr. Henderson was passed without being formally put to the meeting. The Chairman and the clerk denied this, and on appealing to the members present who had attended at last monthly meeting, they all denied the accuracy of Mr. Kavanagh's statement and the minutes were signed.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Hon. Secretary to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Arklow in reply to a communication from this Board asking if it had come to the knowledge of the Society that some persons had recently died in Arklow from starvation as reported in the public press. The reply stated

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that, by the rules of the Society, they were precluded from interfering in any matter in the nature of a public controversy.

communication

re creating
large gasholder

A letter was read from Mr. Quirk in reference to getting a large gasholder of 1000 ft capacity in addition to the present one and stating that during the coming summer would be the time to do it if it were to be done at all this year.

The Board came to the conclusion that owing to the present state of their funds and the fact that the gas holder now in use had done fairly well during the past winter, they could not undertake to erect such an expensive gasholder for at least another year, and the clerk was directed to inform Mr. Quirk of the above decision.

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d
To Tho ^s Kraackin 4 weeks wages to 30 April 05. ①	3	11	0
" L. Desmond " " " ②	3	11	0
" Town clerk's salary quarter ended 30 April " ①	7	10	0
" Messrs. Maguire & Hatchell for Lampchimneys ②	1	0	0
" " " Browne & Holen, stationery, election stamps, &c. ①	0	15	7
" The Dublin Carbide Co for carbide on a/c ③	20	0	0
" Bank of Ireland, amb of promissory note ①	100	0	0

A suggestion to appoint a competent person to examine the gas plant, machinery, &c. during the summer months was laid before the meeting at the request of the General purposes committee.

Gas plant
to be exp^d
during summer

The suggestion was affirmed by the Board and the clerk was directed to write to some Dublin firms with a view to getting an experienced plumber to do the work and to have information on the matter to be produced at next monthly meeting, 20

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that the matter could be got through before the end of the gas contract which expires on the 7th of August, 1905.

claim for 3/- posting rate notices allowed

Henry Elliott's claim for 3/- posting rate notices disallowed at last monthly meeting was reconsidered & ordered to be paid, to be included in next incidental account.

It was proposed by Mr. John Tyrrell, seconded by Mr. Kearon and agreed to:-

Resolution re flagging

"That the members of this Board who are also members of the Rural District Council, Rathfriland or County Council, be asked to apply for flagging of footpath at North side of Lower Main Street, Athlone, in continuation of flagging already there."

It was directed that Patk Tyrrell be employed on next fair day, 9th inst to carry a Board & ring a bell publishing horse fair on 6th June 1905 and that he be paid 1/6 for doing so.

Report re state lamps ordered for next monthly meeting.

It was also directed that lamplighter Lawrence Desmond give a written report to be produced at next monthly meeting of the state of the lamps collected the number of panes of glass broken, number of burners needing repairs or to be replaced by new ones, number of oil holders requiring repairs, &c.

Rates lodged

Amount of rates lodged from General rate 1905 since last monthly meeting £47.19.7

Amount of rates lodged for Harbour Rate 1905, none

Hugh Byrne Chairman

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