



Monthly meeting 7 PM  
Monday 5 June 1905

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 5th June, 1905.

The following attended:-

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne Chairman
- J. Tyrrell
- J. McCullagh
- R. Kearon J.P.
- P. Kavanagh
- G. Murray
- W. Kavanagh
- S. Henderson
- W. Waldron

Minutes

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

Correspondence

An application from Patrick Gaffney, River Lane Arklow, adjourned from last monthly meeting was read in which he ~~asked~~ <sup>asked</sup> to become Bill poster to the Commissioners at one shilling per set.

In connection with above a letter was read from Henry Elliott, former Bill poster resigning his position as such, ~~his~~ resignation accepted.

P. Gaffney appointed Bill poster.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that Gaffney's application to become Bill poster at one shilling per set be accepted, and the clerk was directed to inform him of his appointment and that, should he fail to give satisfaction in his employment, he would be liable to dismissal without notice.

A letter was read from Messrs. Maguire and Hatchell in reply to inquiry from this Board stating their charge for experienced fitters to examine gas plant would be 1/3 per hour including

Proposals to examine gas plant.

country money, Rail fare extra.

A similar letter was read from Messrs. Edmondson & Co., stating it would be necessary to send a qualified Engineer to inspect the plant &c., and report on same. charge £5.5.0 & travelling expenses. In addition, one of their workmen would be required, charge 1/- per hour & 2/6 per day Country money and rail fares paid out of pocket.

Messrs. Maguire & Hatchell's proposal accepted.

It was proposed by Mr. Henderson, seconded by Mr. Waldron and agreed to, that Messrs. Maguire and Hatchell's proposal be accepted, and the clerk was directed to write at once informing the Firm of above and asking that a weeks previous notice at least be given when their fitter would be coming, so that the manager, Sunlight Gas Co. could get notice of his coming.

S.P.C. meeting appointed to inspect lamps &c.

A report as to the state of the lamps, oil holders, burners, &c., stored at the gas house last month, was read from lampfitter, Lawrence Desmond, and a meeting of the General Purposes Committee was appointed to meet at the Gas house at 10 o'clock Am. on Thursday 8th inst to finally deal with above, the five members of the Committee who were present at meeting accepting verbal notice of meeting & the clerk was directed to give written notice in the usual way to the two absent members.

Arklow Horse fair

A letter was read from the Traffic Manager, D.W.H. Railway Co. stating the Arklow Horse fair would be inserted in their list of fairs for June, 1905 as requested.

Application to purchase bracket lamp posts refused

A letter was read from the Registrar of Petty Sessions blocks stating a sum of £12.13.11 surplus money arising from the sale of dog licenses for the year 1904, has been lodged to the credit of the Arklow Town Commissioners.

An application to purchase two Bracket lamp posts from the Commissioners was laid before the Board and

5 June 05.

the application was refused on the ground that the lampstands may be wanted for Arklow at any time in the future.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£	s.	d.
To Thomas Bracken 5 weeks wages to 4 June 05, making gas for private premises	1	10	0
" Laurence Deemond " " " "	1	10	0
" Town Clerk for incidentals	2	0	5
" Thomas Nicholson, Steel, attendance <sup>for 1/2 year</sup> to 30 April, 1905	1	5	0

acc for £75  
payment postponed.

An account for £75 from the Gas Co. for extension of gas mains in Bridge street & Marlboro Terrace, the payment of which was adjourned to next monthly meeting, the clerk, meantime, to get a copy of the agreement in connection with above to be produced at next meeting.

Auditor's instructions as to keeping accs agreed to.

The Auditor's instructions as to keeping accounts in future according to the prescribed form and that the whole of the accounts should be kept in one ledger instead of three as at present, the change to take place from the 1st April 1905 &c.

The Board fully agreed with the above and the clerk was directed to make arrangements with the auditor when he comes to finish the audit on 7th inst. to carry out his instructions in detail.

	£	s.	d.
Amount of Town Rates collected since last meeting	15	5	7
" Harbour " " " "	3	11	8

It was arranged that the members of the General Purpose Committee do attend at the excavations and examination of the gas plant & relieve each other during the day.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
3-7-05

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Courthouse Arklow at 4 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 3rd July, 1905.

The following attended:-

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- Richd. Kearon J.P.
- Saml Henderson
- Thos. Birchistle
- Chas Murray
- Peter Kavanagh
- Mick Waldron

Minutes read

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

The minutes of General Purpose Committee meeting of 8th ult., were also read for the information of the Board and the Chairman made some remarks as to the non-attendance of members of G.P. Committee at said meeting.

Royal Institute of Public Health

A letter was read from The Royal Institute of Public Health stating the next Annual Congress will be held in London from 19th to 25th July, 1905 and inviting this Board to send delegates to attend the Congress.

No action was taken on the above.

Town Tenants Association

A letter was read from The Town Tenants' Association stating a meeting of the Association will be held at the Mansion House, Dublin, on 26th August, 1905, and inviting delegates from this Board to attend.

The clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt of above communication and to say that this Board endorsed all that had been said in favour of the Town Tenants, and that delegates will be appointed in due course to attend their meeting on 26th prox.

2. New account books to be got

Quotations were read from the following for two new account books recommended by the auditor to be got in accordance with the Public Bodies

order form, 1904, instead of the books at present in use, the new books to be used from 1st April 1905.

Messrs Browne & Nolan, Dublin 29/6 each book

Dollarad Leo " 45/- "

Helys " " 30/- "

Books to be ordered from Browne & Nolan

It was agreed that the books be ordered from Messrs, Browne & Nolan, Nassau street, Dublin, his quotation being the cheapest.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

- To Tho. Bracken 4 weeks wages to 2 July 05 making gas £ s. d. 1 4 0
- " L. Desmond " " " 1 4 0
- " Town Clerk, quarters salary to 30 June 05 gas account 2 10 0
- " Bank of Ireland, instalment Harbour Loan to 1 July 05 85 0 5
- " Town Clerk, quarters salary to 20 June 05, Harbour Rate a/c 2 10 0
- " Sunlight Gas Co. extension of gas mains 1 75 0 0
- " Arklow Stones Co. for Lampoil 1 5 2 4
- " John Leary, repairing painting & glazing of lamps 1 3 10 2
- " Local Government Board, Credit of a/c to 31 March 05 2 10 0
- " The Sunlight Gas Co. for two boxes pure acetylene 3 0 18 0
- " Tho. Nicholson, drawing water & carbide to gas house 3 0 6 0

Cheque for carbide a/c to next meeting

A cheque for £10-15 for carbide on a/c for carbide was laid before the meeting, the payment of which was deferred to next monthly meeting.

Tenders for oil ordered

The Clerk was directed to have posters put up through the Town inviting tenders for lamp-oil to be considered at next monthly meeting.

Receipts for paid cheques were signed by the Chairman, the Town Clerk & Mr. Kearon.

Carbide a/c exp.

A communication was read from the Secretary, Dublin Carbide Co. in reference to the accounts which the Town Clerk produced at their office on 29th Ult., and was as follows:-

"We have examined your figures and statement of accounts which are perfectly correct

and agree with our books. The balance due by the Commissioners for carbide to date standing at £29. 4. 4."

S.P. Committee meeting ordered. A meeting of the General Purposes Committee was directed to be held to examine the Clerk's carbide accounts and verify above statement. The date for holding the Committee meeting was not fixed.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
7-8-05

Council Archives

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 7th August 1905.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- Richd Kearon "
- Thos Birchistle "
- Frederic Tyrrell
- P. Garvey
- J. Tyrrell
- D. Kavanagh

Minutes

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

Town Tenants' Association

A letter was read from the Secretary, Town Tenants' Association, 4, Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin, asking to have a branch of the Town Tenants' Association established in Arklow and enclosing cards of admission for Messrs Hugh Byrne R. Kearon & Chas Murray to attend as delegates at Town tenants' meeting in Dublin on 24th inst.

3 Delegates appointed to attend meeting

The question of allowing expenses to above delegates was discussed and adjourned to next monthly meeting for final decision.

Report re exam of gas plant read.

A letter was read from Messrs. Maquire & Gatchell giving the result of their foreman's recent examination examination of the gas plant in Arklow. The foreman's report was considered satisfactory; and the clerk was directed to write to Mr. Dink asking him to send a man down to examine all the meters in the houses of private consumers.

Private Consumers' gas meters to be exd.

Letter from L.S. Board re Agricultural Grant.

A letter was read from the Local Government Board in reply to inquiry from the Arklow Town Commissioners, stating the portion of the Agricultural Grant due to the Town of Arklow is remitted to the Wicklow County Council and applied by them in reduction of the poor rates in Arklow.

Notice re excessive valuation in Arklow

A letter was read from Hamilton and Craig solicitors, containing copy of a notice served on the Arklow Town Commissioners in the case of George Kearon, Arklow V. The Commissioners of Valuation re excessive valuation of premises in Arklow, to be tried at Wicklow Quarter Sessions on 13th October, 1905.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s.	d.
To Thos. Bracken 5 weeks wages to 6 Aug. 05 making gas	3	10	0
" L. Desmond " " "	3	10	0
" Town Clerk. quarters salary to 31 July, 05 as Town Clerk	7	10	0
" John M. Welch audit notices in "W. People"	1	13	3
" Dublin Carbide Co. for Carbide on a/c	3	19	4

Payment of a/c adp.

An account for stationery, £1-7-0 from Messrs. Browne and Nolan was presented for payment & was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Tenders for oil

Sealed Tenders for the supply of Lampoil for the coming season were received from the following and opened by the Chairman:—

- The manager, Arklow Stores 5½ per gallon, quantity required to be taken in one lot.
- J. J. Kavanagh, Main street, 6 per gallon
- Wm Greene " 6¼ "

Tender of Arklow Stores accepted conditionally

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Garvey and agreed to, that the Arklow Stores get the contract for oil on condition that they deliver it as required. If the

condition be not accepted, the contract to be given to Mr. J. J. Kavanagh on same condition.

Lighting season to commence 20th on Sunday night the 24th Augt 05, the lamps to be taken out of stone and placed on the lamp-posts on 25th and 26th August, 1905, the lamp-lighters to receive two days wages each for same.

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postcard re broken flags on footpaths

A postcard was read from the Gas Engineer in reply to a request from the Arklow Town Commissioners to have the loose and broken flags on the footpaths in Arklow repaired and stating the matter would receive attention.

Re Bathing notices

The desirability of removing the notices removing the bathing notices at sea shore and placing them nearer to each other was considered, and Messrs. R. Kearon, D. Kavanagh and C. Murray were appointed to see the place and make any alterations they may deem necessary.

Rates lodged

Rates lodged since last monthly meeting:  
Town Rate £ 51 - 18 - 2  
Harbour " 38 - 7 - 5

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
4-9-05

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 4th Sep. 1905.

The following attended:-

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- Richd Kearon J.P.
- T. Birchistle
- Mr. Waldron
- J. Storey
- J. McCullagh
- John Tyrrell
- Saml Henderson
- Francis Tyrrell
- C. Murray
- P. Kavanagh

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

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Baltic Traders and Stockowners' Association, Dublin, containing a resolution protesting against the use of frozen meat now being imported into Ireland.

Resolution

re Frozen meat

It was proposed by Mr. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Birchistle and unanimously agreed to that the resolution be adopted and that the association be informed of the fact.

Persons who

applied to be consumers of gas & not being any to be hired to.

It was brought under the notice of the meeting that some five or six persons who had made application to become private consumers of acetylene gas had not yet commenced to use any.

The clerk was directed to write to each of these persons asking them to commence using gas according to the terms of their contract.

A monthly meeting of the Athlone Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Athlone, at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 2nd Oct. 1905.

The following attended:-

Messrs. St. Remy Chairman

Mr. Murray

Mr. Lyall

Mr. McCullagh

Mr. Brinkley

Mr. Kavanagh

Mr. Kavanagh

Mr. Kavanagh

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

A letter was read from Mr. Swift advising that he was sending 15 tons carbide to Athlone i.e. 10 tons for the Commissioners and 5 tons for his own account

and regarding the letter to be stored in a separate part of the gas house

Resolutions for the supply of carbide specimens were received from the following:

The German Carbide Co., Magdeburg 10 1/2 tons carriage for road from Dublin.

Carbide of Calcium Works, Northfield, Athlone, 10 tons, carriage forward from the Athlone, 10 tons, carriage forward from Dublin.

The Dublin Steam Station, Dublin, 10 tons, carriage forward from Dublin.

A letter was read from the Office of National Education re appointment of five members

£1-5-0  
1000  
1000

Gas  
Notes

Chques were issued for the following:

£ 9. d.

1. 4.0

1. 4.0

4. 6.0

30. 0.0

14. 0.0

1. 0.3

1. 0.3

0. 11. 6

0. 6. 3

1. 5. 15

1. 4.0

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of school attendance Committee for Arklow  
The clerk was directed to place it on the Agenda paper for next monthly meeting.

A leaking oil barrel found in gas house store.

The clerk informed the Board that he visited Mr. Seaward, manager of the Arklow stores on 27th ult. as directed by the General Purposes Committee at their meeting on 26th ult. re leaking barrel of oil at the Commissioners' stores and Mr Seaward said he would remove the leaking barrel and send a full one in its place, and that he would be prepared to do so on every occasion when a leaking barrel would be found among his deliveries at their stores.

Application for acetylene gas. adj.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Arklow Leatholee Club, asking to have a connection made to light the club room with acetylene gas

The consideration of the matter was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Tenders for purchase of lime

Two sealed tenders for the purchase of refuse lime at the gas house were received by the clerk and opened by the chairman.

One tender was from Mr George Kearon offering £1. 2-0 for the lime.

Tender for £1.5 accepted

The second tender was from Mr. Owen Kavanagh offering £1. 5-0 for same.

The latter offer of £1. 5-0 was accepted.

Resolution to return carbide to Mr Quirk

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. Peter Kavanagh and passed unanimously:—

"That the carbide in stores at present be returned to Mr Quirk, one ton to be retained for lighting purposes.

The clerk was directed to write to the Secretary,

Quotations for Acetylene Illuminating Co., 208 South Lambeth Road, London, S.W. asking a quotation for carbide at-purton delivered by rail or boat in Arklow; the reply to be shown to a member of the gas committee who are empowered to call a meeting if considered necessary.

List of Members of Gas Committee

Cheques.

The members of the Gas Committee are Messrs. Peter Kavanagh, Denis Kavanagh and Kirkcaldie.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

To Tho Kraken, 4 weeks wages to 1 Oct 05	①	£ 3. 11-0
" Lawrence Desmond "	①	3. 11-0
" Town Clerk for incidentals	①	2. 14-11
" Sunlight Gas Co. for rubber bands & gas burners	①	2. 17-0
" Messrs Hely's Ltd for one Town ratebook	①	0. 11-0
" The Town Clerk's gas salary to 20 Sept 05 Harbour Rate &c	②	2. 10-0
" Messrs Hely's Ltd, one Harbour Ratebook	②	0. 11-0
" Town Clerk's quarters salary to 20 Sept 05, gas &c	③	2. 10-0
" Tho. Kavanagh, opening gas mains for inspection	③	0. 12-6
" Do erecting backing notices at sea shore	④	1. 10-0

Payment of two cheques adj'd

Balance of a/c from the Sunlight Gas Co for £12.15 for gas mains and for £9.5 for gas connections and meters, the payment of which was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

Rates collected since last monthly meeting.  
Harbour Rate £57. 16 " 8  
Town " Nil

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
6-11-05



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 6th November, 1905.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- W. Haldron
- C. Murray
- J. Birrhiestle
- S. Henderson
- S. Kavanagh
- J. Synnott
- Wm. Kavanagh ✓
- Peter Kavanagh
- Wm. Hayne

Minutes

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

Ton of carbide ordered

A letter was read from <sup>the</sup> Illuminating Co. stating carbide ordered last month would be forwarded in due course.

Resolutions re Primary Education adopted

A letter was read from the Secretary, Executive Committee of the Gaelic League, Dublin enclosing <sup>copies of</sup> resolutions passed by them and asking the Arklow Town Commissioners to adopt them.

It was proposed by Mr. P. Kavanagh seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that the resolution which had reference to primary education in National schools be adopted & that the Secretary, Gaelic League be informed of the fact.

order for carbide ack?

A second letter from the Illuminating Co. <sup>acknowledging receipt of</sup> ordering for a further ton of carbide to be forwarded at once, was also read.

offer to purchase a lamp

A letter was read from Mr. Brennan of

Evolutionary offering to purchase a spare lamp from the Commissioners.

L.P. Committee ordered for 13th Nov 05

The matter was referred for final decision to the General Purposes Committee, a meeting of which was fixed for Monday, 13th November, 1905, at 7 o'clock P.M. and the clerk was directed to issue summonses in due course calling the meeting for above date.

letter from Mr Quirk re carbide in store

A letter was read from Mr Quirk acknowledging receipt of communication from this Board in reference to disposal of ten tons of carbide the property of the Dublin Carbide Co. now lying at the gas house stores, Arklow.

Quotations for carbide

Quotations for the supply of carbide were received from Messrs. Hewson & Co., Askeaton, Co. Limerick and from Mr. Henry W. Dermott, 17, City Quay, Dublin, but as none of these quotations were as low as the Dublin Carbide Co., they were not accepted.

offer to purchase gas lime not accepted.

~~Arklow~~ A letter was read from Messrs. Thompson Bros. Wexford offering 5/- a ton for gas lime, but as the price was considered too low, the offer was not accepted.

letter from Glasgow Town Clerk re Taxation of Land Values.

A letter was read from the Town Clerk, Glasgow in reference to "Taxation of Land Values" and asking that this Board be represented at a conference to be held at Manchester on 21st Nov. 1905.

The clerk was directed to reply stating that the matter had the entire sympathy of this Board, but that they could not send representatives to the conference on account of the distance.

meters etc.

A letter was read from the Sunlight Gas Co. stating the meters in residences of private consumers were being examined in Arklow on this day.

Carbide in stone offered @ £13 a ton

A letter was read from Mr Quirk offering the carbide now in the Commissioners' stores at £13 a ton.

The following notice in reference to above was handed in by Mr Henderson.

Notice to rescind resolution

"I propose to move the Board at the next monthly meeting, or at a special meeting called for the purpose, that the resolution referring to the carbide belonging to the Sunlight Gas Co. at present in the Commissioners' store be rescinded."

Signed, Samuel Henderson

Resolutions to present address to Mr J Redmond

A ~~letter~~ resolution was proposed by Mr Waldron, seconded by Mr P. Kavanagh and agreed to in reference to Mr. John Redmond's <sup>intended</sup> visit to Wicklow & his efforts re Arklow Harbour, The Marine Works Act, &c., and Messrs. M. Waldron, P. Kavanagh and J. Birchistle were appointed to carry the resolution into effect.

Cheques

- Cheques were issued for the following:
- To Tho Bracken 5 weeks wages to 5 Nov 05 <sup>(1)</sup> £ 5. 4. 86
  - " L Desmond " " " <sup>(1)</sup> 4. 8. 6
  - " Town Clerk, quarters salary to 31 Oct 05 <sup>(1)</sup> 7. 10. 0
  - " Messrs. Maguire & Hatchell, Burners, inspecting gas plant <sup>(1)</sup> 5. 3. 11
  - " The acetylene Illuminating Co. for one ton Carbide <sup>(2)</sup> 16. 0. 0
  - " D. W. & H. Ryco. Carriage of 2 tons carbide from Dublin to Arklow, £1. 17. 6 being 2/1 due on this acc. <sup>(3)</sup> 1. 17. 6
  - The Sunlight Gas Co. £20 balance in full of sum of £42. 15 agreed upon for making gas connections to private consumers in Arklow <sup>(2)</sup> 12. 15. 0
  - To Tho Nicholson drawing water & carbide to gas house for month of Oct 1905. <sup>(3)</sup> 0. 16. 0
- A cheque for £9. 5 being the sum agreed upon for making gas connections to Private Consumers

Payment of cheque defined

on Marlboro Terrace was laid before the Board, the payment of which was deferred to next monthly meeting.

Application for lamp on F. bank.

An application was made by Mr. Henderson on behalf of the inhabitants of Seaview Avenue, Ferrybank to have a Bracket lamp placed there for their accommodation. This application was referred to the General Purposes Committee meeting on 13th inst

During the time for all night lighting referred to G.P. Committee

The matter of fixing the time to commence the all night lighting of oil lamps and gas lamps throughout the Town, the approaches to the Quays, &c., and the number of lamps of each sort to be kept lighting and the specified localities where it may be considered expedient to keep them lighting same as had been done in former years.

This matter was also referred to the General Purposes Committee to be dealt with at their meeting on 13th Nov 05.

The desirability or otherwise of procuring four empty acid drums at 2/6 each to hold water for the accommodation of the lamplighters at the gas house, the water to be used in making the gas.

The above was agreed to, and the clerk was directed to order the four drums from the Kynoch Co. at <sup>the</sup> Chemical Works.

The clerk informed the Board that the rungs in lamplighter Thomas Bracken's ladder were worn out and required to be replaced by new ones.

It was ordered that the necessary repairs to the ladder be done.

The giving a connection to the backlot club for acetylene gas adjourned from last monthly meeting

Committee to  
Catholic Club expenses

Came before the Board, and it was agreed that in consequence of their funds being low they could not afford to incur the expense at present.

The Clerk reminded the Board that now was the time for appointing five members of the School Attendance Committee according to notice given at last monthly meeting.

School attendance  
Committee.  
Board declined  
to appoint any

The Chairman stated he had been speaking to ~~some~~ clergymen and others competent to know who told ~~him~~ him they considered there was no necessity for enforcing the compulsory clauses of the Education Act in Arklow, and that when a committee was appointed in the past they never acted.

The other members of the Board fully agreed with the Chairman & no appointments were made.

Rates Lodged since last monthly meeting;  
Town Rates nil  
Harbour " "

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
4-12-05

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office Court house, Arklow on Monday the 4th Dec. 1905, at 4 o'clock P.M.

The following attended:-

- Messrs Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- " Richard Kearon J.B.
- " Francis Tyrrell
- " Mr Waldron
- Peter Kavanagh
- J. Birthistle
- J. Mc Lough
- J. Kavanagh
- C. Murray
- S. Henderson
- John Tyrrell
- W. M. Hayne

Minutes

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

Correspondence  
"Acagin" offered  
as a purifier  
for gas

A letter was read from the German Carbide Co. asking to have "Acagin" used instead of puratylene in making gas.

The Clerk stated sufficient purifying material was in store for some time to come and no action was taken on the above.

Quotation for  
Carbide £13.5  
a ton.

A letter was read from Messrs Hewson & Co. Askeaton Carbide Works, offering Carbide at £13.5 a ton which was not accepted.

Carbide  
offered @  
12/- per cent.  
in Dublin

A letter was read from the Acetylene Illuminating Co. London offering to supply carbide from their Dublin Depot at 12/- per cent. Terms, net cash with order.

The Clerk was directed to reply to above asking if the Co. would supply carbide from their

Carbide asked for at £12 a ton carriage p to Arklow

Dublin Depot carriage free to Arklow at £12 a ton and suggesting that it be sent in five or six ton lots at one time to be paid for as it would be used; and to keep a copy of the letter sent, to be produced at next monthly meeting if required.

Application for spare lamp-post by Harbour Commissioners

A letter was read from Mr. Doyle Harbour Board Secretary asking for a lamp and lamp-post for the use of the Harbour Commissioners to be erected on the North Quay for the accommodation of the fishermen and to state what would be the price for same.

The clerk stated the price paid for the lamp & lamp-post, lamp-rod included when bought was £3-4-6.

It was proposed by Mr. Denis Kavanagh & seconded by Mr. Waldron that the lamp-post be sold to the Harbour Commissioners for £3.

Lamp-post sold for £2.

It was proposed as an amendment by Mr. Henderson & seconded by Mr. Birchielle that it be sold for £2.

The chairman put the amendment before the meeting which was carried by a majority of six, and the clerk was directed to inform the secretary to the Harbour Commissioners accordingly.

Irish National Convention delegates appointed to attend meeting

A communication was read from the secretary, Irish National Convention Mansion House, Dublin inviting delegates to attend National Convention on both 6th & 7th Dec 1905.

Messrs. C. Murray, Peter Kavanagh & Denis, Kavanagh & Thos Birchielle were appointed delegates to attend as above.

Mr. Henderson proposed as by notice

Resolution given at last monthly meeting that the carbide the property of the Dublin Carbide Co. now lying at the gas house stores be rescinded. This resolution was seconded by Mr. Francis Tyrrell.

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Peter Kavanagh that resolution above referred to be not rescinded but allowed to stand.

Notice to remove carbide from store

The chairman put the amendment to the meeting which was passed and the clerk was directed to write to Mr. Quirk requesting him to remove the carbide from the gas house store within a week from date of notice.

For copy of resolution above referred to, see General Purposes Committee meeting of 22 September, 1905, page 79.

Cheques were issued for the following:-

Cheques.	To	Particulars	Date	Amount
	To Thos. Bracken	4 weeks wages	to 3 Dec 05	£3-11-0
	" Laurence Desmond	" " "	" "	3-11-0
2 Kavanagh	Thos. Nicholson	2 years salary to 31 Oct 05	Final, attendance fee	1-5-0
£1	Joseph Armesley	Lampwick, stop cocks &c.	as per a/c	0-14-3
from of	The Dublin Carbide Co.	1 ton carbide for Nov 05		13-0-0
	The Acetylene Illuminating Co.	1 ton carbide do		14-0-0
3 Kavanagh	do	do	do	27-0-0
£1-10-0	Lynoch Co.	4 acid drums to hold water at gas house		0-10-0
	John Clark	for incidentals		0-16-4
	Arklow Stores, Ltd.	for 496 gals 4 pints lampoil @ 5 1/2 p per gal		11-7-6
	Thos. Nicholson	draining water & carbide to gas house for Nov 05		0-13-6
	The Sunlight Gas Co.	the sum agreed upon for gas connection		9-5-0

Inquiry as to carbide of Irish manufacture.

The clerk was directed to write to any place in Ireland where information would be likely to be obtained as to where carbide of calcium is now being made, and at what price per ton, with

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a view to giving Irish manufacture the preference, should the price be as low as the foreign made article.

Financial statement  
to 31st Dec 05  
asked for.

The clerk was also directed to have a detailed financial statement prepared for next monthly meeting, giving an account of receipts and expenditure for period from 1st April to 31st December, 1905.

The clerk brought under the notice of the meeting that the two tanks for refuse lime at the gas house would be filled to overflowing before the next monthly meeting and suggesting that notices be posted inviting tenders for the purchase of same and also for the purchase of several empty carbide cases.

Notices to be  
posted for sale  
of lime & empty  
carbide cases

It was directed that the notices be posted as above and that the three members of the gas committee decide as to the purchaser.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
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Monthly  
meeting.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was to have been held at 7 o'clock P.M. on Monday the 1st January, 1906, but a quorum not having attended no meeting was held.

The following members attended:—

Messrs Hugh Byrne, Chairman  
Ruth Kearon J.P.

Denis Kavanagh & Peter Kavanagh

The above commissioners directed the Town clerk to adjourn the meeting after the lapse of the prescribed half hour to 7.30 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday the 2nd January, 1906.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
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An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court house, Arklow at 4 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday the 2nd Jan: 1906.

The following attended:—

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne, Chairman
- Denis Kavanagh
- Peter Kavanagh
- Mr Kirchistie
- Mr Waldron
- Wm Hayne

Minutes

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

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Acetylene Illuminating Co., London, stating they would supply carbide from their Dublin Depot, ~~at~~ at £12 a ton carriage forward, but that they could not send it either by rail or boat to Arklow less than £13.10 per ton, £12 per ton being their lowest price at the Dublin depot.

Re price of carbide in Dublin

A letter was read from the Urban District Council of Blackrock containing copy of resolution in reference to Income Tax and asking the Arklow Board to adopt it.

Resolution re Income tax from Blackrock adopted by this Board

It was proposed by Mr. Waldron, seconded by Mr. Kavanagh and agreed to, that resolution above referred to be adopted, and the clerk was directed to inform the clerk of the Blackrock Council of the fact.

A letter was read from Healy's Ltd giving quotations for paying order forms in books of 100 each at 4/6 to 6/6 each

It was agreed that no books be ordered at present.

Appl. from lamp-lighters for increase of wages.

A letter was read from the lamp-lighters asking for an increase of wages the consideration of which was adjourned to next monthly meeting.

A letter was read from the Corporation of Glasgow in reference to Taxation of Land Values and containing a Petition in favour of Legislation on the subject and asking this Board to adopt it.

Petition adopted in favour of Taxation of Land values.

It was proposed by Mr Peter Kavanagh seconded by Mr Kirchistie and agreed to that the petition be adopted and that it be signed by the Chairman & Town Clerk & returned to the Town Clerk at Glasgow.

A letter was read from Elkin & Co., Londonderry offering carbide at Dublin for £15 a ton plus carriage to Arklow. No action was taken on above.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

	£	s	d
To Thos Bracken by weeks wages to 31 Dec 05	2	3	11-0
" Laurence Desmond " " "	2	3	11-0
" John Leary, repairs of water bands, Lamp, &c.	0	10	2
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 20 Dec 05, Harbour Rate of	2	10	0
" Mr <sup>Henry</sup> <del>John</del> <sup>Caplyour</sup> <del>Stony</del> one years rent to 30 Sep 05 on gas house	1	0	0
" D.W. & W. Railway Co. carriage of 2 tons carbide from Dublin to Arklow on 9th Dec 05	1	16	6
" Thos Richardson, drawing water & carbide to gas house "	1	3	0
" Town Clerk salary to 31 Dec 05, keeping gas accounts	2	10	0
" Acetylene Illuminating Co. for 2 tons carbide recd 9 Dec 05	24	0	0

The clerk brought under the notice of the meeting that the license to store carbide at the gas house would expire on 11th inst. and would require to be renewed.

carbide license to be renewed.

The clerk was directed to send it to the Harbour Secretary in time to have it renewed at next meeting of the Harbour Commissioners

It was reported to the meeting by Lamp-lighter Thos. Bracken that the lamps at Ferrybank opposite

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lamp being repeatedly broken on Derrybank near Coastguard station the Coastguard station was being broken almost every night and that it was suspected that the mischief was being done by some of the youngsters at the Coastguard station or by the children of police pensioners at Beresford Terrace. The Clerk was directed to write to the Officer in charge of the Coastguards and to the local Manager, Kynock Co, asking them to endeavour to put a stop to this practice, as, if it continued, the Commissioners would have to remove the lamp from this place altogether.

The following <sup>intended</sup> rate notices were given by Mr. Birchistle.

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 ~~lands~~ Buildings and one-fourth of that amount or three pence in the £ be made on Lands for the year commencing 1st day of April 1906, 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 authorise any Commissioner who may be present thereat to take action upon this notice."

Signed, Tho Birchistle, T.C.

Notice of intended Harbour Rate.

(2.) "I hereby give notice under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act, 1882, and of the Towns' Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854, that, at the next monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I shall

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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, Tho Birchistle, T.C.

Notice re Fever Hospital

Mr. Denis Kavanagh brought under the notice of the meeting the desirability of having the Arklow Fever Hospital removed from its present site to a more suitable place.

After some discussion on the subject, it was adjourned, and the Clerk was directed to place it on the agenda for next monthly meeting.

Arrangements for municipal election.

It was directed that, in the event of there being a contest at the approaching Municipal election the arrangements would be the same as last year, with the three following exceptions:-

Officers' fees to be reduced.

Presiding officers	10/-	instead of	£1-11-6
Roll clerks	10/-	"	1-1-0
County voters	10/-	"	1-1-0

The Clerk produced the document, dated 26th Feb 1900 authorising the original charges and said he considered there was no authority to alter them as above.

It was said in reply the Board would take the responsibility.

The Chairman produced and read two

Carbide in Arklow  
store offered at  
£12 a ton nett.

letters from Mr. Quirk, Manager, Sunlight Gas Co. in which he offered, on behalf of the Dublin Carbide Co., all the carbide now lying in the commissioners' stores in Arklow at £12 a ton nett from the store.

The Chairman took the letters with him stating he would reply to them himself.

Carbide offered at  
£13.5 a ton.

A postcard was read from Mr Henry W. Dermott, Coal Merchant, City Quay, Dublin offering Carbide at £13.5 a ton delivered in Arklow which was not accepted.

John Keenan Chairman  
5th July 1906

Arklow Municipal Election, 1906.

Record of Proceedings.

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

Messrs. Peter Carney  
" Peter Kavanagh  
" John Storey  
" John Tyrrell

Mr Carney did not seek re-election and Mr Smith George Henry Smith of Nitton Villas, Ferrisburgh, Arklow was duly nominated in his place Mr Francis Alexander Stuart King of Merton House, Ticknock, Arklow was duly & validly nominated for No. 1 & No. 2 Urban, & withdrew his nomination for both places within the prescribed time, and as there were no nominations in excess of the number of vacancies, the following were declared duly elected for Arklow No. 1. Urban Electoral Division

Messrs Peter Kavanagh  
" George Henry Smith  
" John Storey and  
" John Tyrrell

Notices of the result of the election as shown above being posted through the town of Arklow in accordance with the statute.

In Arklow, No. 2. Urban  
the following nominations were  
duly & validly made:—

(over)



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Record of  
Election proceedings

Messrs Patrick Bradford  
" Samuel Henderson

There being but one vacancy for Arklow  
No 2. Urban Electoral Division, a poll was  
taken at Ferrybank National School on above  
date with the following result:—

Messrs. Patrick Bradford 38 votes

Samuel Henderson 65 "

Majority for Mr Henderson 27 "

Mr. Henderson  
duly elected for  
Arklow No 2 Urban

Mr. Henderson was declared duly elected  
a Commissioner for Arklow No 2. Urban by  
the Returning Officer after the counting of the  
votes as above, and notices showing the  
result of the poll were posted through the  
town of Arklow on 16th January, 1906, in  
accordance with the statute.

R Kearon Chairman  
5th Feb 1906

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The annual meeting of the Arklow Town  
Commissioners was held at the Commissioners'  
Office on Tuesday, the 23rd January 1906 at  
7 o'clock P.M.

The following attended:—

Messrs H Byrne Chairman

F. Tyrrell

S Henderson

G Murray

J Storey

J Tyrrell

D. Kavanagh

J M Lenthall

Mr Waldron

George H. Smith

J Kirchistle

R Kavanagh

R Kearon

Wm Hoynes

The following newly elected members made  
the usual statutory declaration:

Arklow No 1 Urban.

Peter Kavanagh

George Henry Smith

John Storey

John Tyrrell

and for Arklow No 2. Urban,

Mr. Samuel Henderson

Chairman  
appointed

It was proposed by Mr. Storey, seconded  
by Mr. Smith and agreed to, that Mr.  
Richard Kearon be Chairman of the Arklow  
Town Commissioners for present year.

Mr. Kearon on his appointment occupied  
the Chair during the remainder of the meeting

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which was vacated by the outgoing Chairman Mr. Byrne <sup>Mr. Kearon</sup> having first made the statutory declaration on his appointment as chairman.

Mr. McCallagh proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing chairman which was seconded by Mr. D. Kavanagh & carried unanimously.

Genl Purposes  
committee  
appointed

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

It was proposed by Mr. Kearon, seconded by Mr. Murray and agreed to that Mr. W<sup>m</sup> Hoynes be a member of the General Purposes Committee.

The members of the General Purposes Committee then stood as follows:-

Messrs. Hugh Byrne  
George H. Smith  
Thos Birchistle  
Rich<sup>d</sup> Kearon  
Denis Kavanagh  
Peter Kavanagh  
John McCallagh  
Charles Murray  
William Hoynes

The above Committee to appoint their own chairman at their first meeting same as was done in former years.

Cheques were issued to Thomas Braiken and Lawrence Desmond who resigned their position as Lamp-lighters paying them in full all wages due to them up to and for the day of their discharge, 18th January, 1906.

Cheques.

To Thos. Braiken 18 days wages at 2/6 per day and eight pence for matches <sup>(2)</sup> £2. 5. 8

To Lawrence Desmond do. do. <sup>(2)</sup> 2. 5. 8

Lamp-lighters  
to receive  
another week's  
instruction

It was directed that Mr. Washbrook be employed for another week instructing the new lamp-lighters at £1 a week same as had been allowed him for the first week.

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The list of attendances of members for the past year were as follows:—

Names	monthly meetings	special meetings	Committee meetings	Abstention meetings	Total
Attendances of members for 1905.					
Hugh Byrne Chairman	12	2	10	1	25
John Tyrrell	7	2			9
Francis Tyrrell	9	2			11
Richd Kearon	9	1	8	1	19
John W. Cullagh	7	2	5		14
Denis Kavanagh	8	2	12	1	23
Peter Kavanagh	8	1	9		18
William Kavanagh	8	2			10
William Hayne	7	2			9
Mike Waldron	9	2			11
Thos. Berthistle	11	1	10		22
Chas Murray	8	2	6		16
Saml Anderson	9	1			10
John Stoney	4	2			6
Peter Garvey	3	1			4

Two tons carbide to be ordered by wire

The Clerk brought under the notice of the meeting that the last supply of carbide received from the London Firm was on the point of being exhausted and was directed to wire for two tons to the same firm on 24th Jan. 06, & to inform Mr. Kearon when it arrived.

A. The Clerk remarked upon the fact that the Dublin Carbide Co. having offered their carbide now lying in the Commissioners' stores at the gas house in Arklow at £12 a ton and the Commissioners up to the present <sup>having</sup> refused to accept this offer, and were continuing to pay about £1 a ton more for the same article from a London firm, it was his, the

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Tom Clark's opinion, that a surcharge was inevitable for the difference in the two prices. ~~Consequent upon above Mr. Murray gave the following notice:—~~

"I beg to give notice of motion that I or some member for me, will, at the next monthly meeting move that the resolution with regard to the Carbide at present in store be rescinded."

(Signed) Charles Murray.

And the Clerk was directed to give written seven days notice to each member as required by the statute for rescinding resolutions.

Paragraphs marked (a) were ordered to be struck out by the direction of the meeting.

R. Kearon Chairman  
5th Feb 1906

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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 5th February, 1906.

The following attended:—

Messrs R Kearon, J.P. Chairman  
 B Murray  
 J McCallagh  
 P. Kavanagh  
 J. Tyrrell  
 H. Byrne  
 J Birchistle  
 W Waldron  
 S. Henderson  
 J Kavanagh  
 George Smith

Minutes

The minutes of adjourned monthly meeting of 2nd January 1906, of record of proceedings at municipal election of 15th January, 1906, and of Annual meeting of 23rd January 1906 were read and agreed to and signed by the chairman; a paragraph containing remarks from the Town Clerk in reference to surcharge having at the request of Mr. Byrne been <sup>first</sup> struck out by consent of the meeting from the minutes of anned meeting.

Paragraph struck out

Correspondence.

A letter was read from the Corporation of Glasgow acknowledging with thanks receipt of petition from this Board duly signed & executed in reference to Taxation of Land Values.

A letter was read from the Secretary, Dublin Carbide Co. in reference to Carbide now lying at the Arklow gas house stores and asking for a definite decision as to whether the Commissioners would or would not take it.

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Proposal to rescind resolution

It was proposed by Mr Murray & seconded by Mr. Henderson that the resolution refusing to take carbide from the Dublin Carbide Co., passed in September, 1905 be rescinded.

Amendment proposed to rescind resolution stand.

The following resolution was proposed as an amendment by Mr Waldron & seconded by Mr. Peter Kavanagh:—

"I propose as an amendment that the resolution remain on the books."

(Signed) W Waldron

Peter Kavanagh

The Chairman put the amendment to the meeting and on a show of hands, there were five for it and five against it. The Chairman then gave his casting vote for the amendment and it was carried.

Later on, the clerk drew attention to the letter from the Secretary, Dublin Carbide Co., asking for a definite decision on the matter and was instructed to inform him that the question will be dealt with at next monthly meeting, and meantime, he may remove the carbide if he wishes.

Resolution re Arklow Fever Hospital.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Byrne, seconded by Mr. ~~Kavanagh~~ <sup>Henderson</sup> and carried unanimously:—

That we, as representatives of the Ratepayers, desire to call attention to the location of the Fever Hospital and to impress on those Boards responsible for the public health, that the close proximity of the Hospital to the Railway station and the thoroughfare leading thereto and the consequent noise of trains, cattle and traffic, under the situation of the hospital most unsuitable and a danger

Resolution on  
River Hospital  
cont.

to the inhabitants.  
Further, that the continuous noise  
must act in a cruel manner on the  
poor patients and retard and reduce their  
chance of recovery."

(Signed) Hugh Byrne, Chairman  
James Henderson  
Denis Kavanagh

The clerk was directed to send copies of  
above resolution to be sent to the Local Govt.  
Board, Secretary, County Council,  
" Rural District Council,  
" Governors of River Hospital  
& to Doctor Elimm, M.D. surgeon  
to the Local Government Board.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

To John Roache, 15 days wages to 4th Feb 05	2	2	5	6
" Ritho Nicholson "	2	2	5	6
" Tho Nicholson drawing water veranda gaspans	3	1	0	6
" John Evans fees on collection of £255.5.1 Town Rate	12	15	3	
" " " " £255.15.5 Harbour	2	12	15	4
" Town Clerk, quarters salary to 31 Jan 06	2	7	10	0
" " Election fees	2	5	7	6
" Wm J. Somly, Poll clerk 10/-	2	1	0	0
" " Counting votes 10/-				
Alfred Somly " "	2	0	10	0
" Tho Nicholson, erecting polling place, providing material	2	0	17	6
" Acetylene Illuminating Co. 2 tons carbide	3	1	0	0
" D.W.H. Ry Co., carriage by rail of above	3	1	16	6
" Messrs. P. Boland Material for erection of gashouse	2	3	4	3
" Town Clerk for incidentals	2	2	1	7

The following notices of making Town Rate  
and Harbour Rate notices were proposed  
by Mr. Birchistle, seconded by Mr  
Denis Kavanagh and agreed to:—

Town (1) "Following upon notice given at last monthly  
& meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners, I  
Harbour propose that a general or Town Rate of one  
Ratios shilling in the £ be now made on Buildings and  
made one-fourth of that amount or three pence in  
the £ be made on lands all within the muni-  
cipal limits of the aforesaid Town of Arklow, under  
the provisions of the Towns' Improvement (Ireland)  
Act, 1854. Said rate to become due on 1st day of  
April 1906. amt of rate £

(Signed) Tho Birchistle, Denis Kavanagh

(2.) In pursuance of notice given at last  
monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Com-  
missioners, 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  
aforesaid Town of Arklow under the pro-  
visions of the Arklow Harbour Act of 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  
for the improvement of Arklow  
Harbour."

Amount of Rate £

(Signed) Tho. Birchistle (Proposer)

" Denis Kavanagh (seconded)

Passed unanimously.

Said rate to become due and payable  
on 1st day of April, 1906.

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Approximate  
estimate as to  
receipts & ex-  
penditure for  
acetylene gas  
for Jan<sup>r</sup> 06.

The clerk produced a statement as directed at last monthly meeting, which showed approximately that the receipts from private consumers paid for carbide, carrying water, Railway carriage &c but not including 'Lamp-lighters' wages with a debit balance of 6/- for last month.

The Chairman stated he intended recommending a reduction in the price of acetylene gas to Private Consumers, but that he considered the above figures would not warrant him in doing so, at least, not for the present.

Rich<sup>d</sup> Keaton Chairman  
5th March 1906

March 5th 06.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow, on Monday evg. the 5th March at 7 P.M.

Present: -

R. Keaton (Chairman)  
H. Byrne  
J. McCallagh  
P. Kavanaugh  
J. Birsthistle  
S. Henderson  
D. Kavanaugh  
G.H. Smith

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

A communication was read from the Executive of the Gaelic League, Dublin, with reference to the observance of St. Patrick's Day as a general holiday, and asking the co-operation of the Commissioners in the matter.

A report was submitted from Mr. J.W. Washbrook stating he had made a comparative test of the two carbides and that there was no difference as regards their gas producing qualities.

A letter was read from the Acetylene Illuminating Co. explaining that they ~~had~~ now pack carbide 110 lbs to the case, instead of one cwt. as formerly, hence the apparent discrepancy. The Clerk was directed to write them further on the matter.

Minutes.

Correspondence.

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Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following: —

	£	s	d
To J. Roche 4 weeks wages to 4th Mch. 06	3	11	0
" R. Nicholson do. do.	3	11	0
" J. M. Walsh, Harbour Rate printing	0	10	6
" Town Clerk for incidentals	4	18	0
" F. McShail Election printing	0	10	0
" J. M. Walsh, election printing & rate notices	0	16	3
" S. Nicholson, water, &c. to Gas house	0	15	6
" Acetylene Illuminating Co. for 2 tons carbide used Feby. 06	24	0	0
" Sunlight Gas Co. Rubber bands and gas burners	3	17	1
" J. W. Washbrook 2½ weeks wages @ £1. per week	2	10	0

Payment of the S. W. Rly. carriage &c was left over.

Dublin Carbide.

The question of the Dublin Carbide Co's Carbide at present lying in the Commissioners' Stores, was further discussed, and the matter was adjourned to the next monthly meeting.

Warrants.

The warrants on both Rate Books were signed and sealed by the Chairman and Town Clerk.

Refuse Lime.

The tender of Mr. G. Kearon, viz., £1. 10. 6, for Refuse lime was accepted.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare a statement for the next monthly meeting showing the amounts received for old lime and empty cases since the Gas House was built.

P. Kearon Chairman  
2nd April 1906

April 2nd 1906

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners' office, Court House, Arklow, on Monday evening the 2nd April, 1906, at 7 P.M.

Present:

- R. Kearon (Chairman)
- M. Waldron
- C. Murray
- S. Kavanagh
- J. McCullagh
- W. Hoynes
- P. Kavanagh
- H. Byrne
- S. Henderson

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

A letter was read from the office of Public works asking for payment of instalment ~~due~~ on Harbour house, due Jan. 1st. The Clerk said he had replied to this pointing out that the Receivable order had not been received, and he had since received this. A cheque was drawn for the amount due.

A circular was read from the Secretary of the Cyclists' Touring Club pointing out the danger to cyclists, &c of excessively watering streets, and citing a case to show that local authorities were liable for any accidents which might occur in consequence.

A letter was read from the acetylene Illuminating Co. to the effect that they were no longer selling carbide by the cwt. or the ton, <sup>but by the cases</sup> therefore they

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were unable to allow the deduction from a/c suggested by the Commissioners.

A circular was read from the Assistant Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant, forwarding documents & regulations with reference to the issue of licences under the Petroleum Act to Retail Dealers in petroleum for light locomotives. No action was taken in the matter as the Town Commissioners are not the local authority under the Act.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:—

Commissioners of Public Works, instalment on Harbour Loan, due Jan'y 1st. 1906	£ 85. 0. 5	d
Acetylene Illuminating Co for Carbide	24. 0. 0	
J. Gormly, Quarter's salary to 31/3/06 Gas a/c	2. 10. 0	
do. " " " 20/3/06 Hbr. a/c	2. 10. 0	
J. Roche, 4 weeks wages to 1/4/06	3. 11. 0	
R. Nicholson, do. do.	3. 11. 0	
J. Nicholson, carting water to gas house to 31/3/06	0. 10. 0	
D. W. H. Rly. Co., Carriage on Carbide	3. 17. 0	

with regard to the D. W. H. Rly. a/c the Clerk was requested to arrange with the Rly. Co. to have these a/cs rendered regularly month by month.

Carbide.

The question of the 10 ton lot of Carbide lying in the Stores was again under discussion. It was proposed by Mr. D. Kavanagh & seconded by Mr. P. Kavanagh, and passed unanimously, that the Dublin Carbide Co. be offered £11. per ton for the balance now in the Store, to be paid for

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monthly, as used. Mr. S. Henderson proposed as an amendment, and Mr. J. McLaughlin seconded, that £11.10.0 per ton be offered to the Carbide Co. On a vote being taken the resolution was declared carried, and the clerk was directed to write to the Carbide Co. offering them £11. and if they ~~did~~ would not accept, to give <sup>him</sup> instructions for its immediate removal.

The question of the present unsuitable position of the Arklow Fever Hospital, about which a resolution was passed at the Feby. meeting and ordered to be sent to the several boards controlling the Hospital, was again under consideration. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the Chairman should write to the County Council

S. Henderson Chairman  
14th May 1906



apl. 12th '06

A special meeting of the Ashlow Town Commissioners, convened by requisition, was held on Thursday evg. the 12th apl. '06 at 7.0 P.M., for the purpose of considering a counter offer made by the Dublin Carbide Co. in reference to the carbide dispute. The following attended.

- R. Kearon (Chairman)
- H. Byrne
- M. Todaron
- D. Kavanagh
- W. Hoynes
- C. Murray
- S. Henderson
- F. Tyrnell
- J. Tyrnell
- J. McLullagh
- J. Birthistle

Carbide

A letter <sup>dated 24.12.10K</sup> was read from the Dublin Carbide Co. offering the carbide at present in the store at £11. 10. 0 per ton, to be paid for monthly as used. It was unanimously agreed to accept the carbide Co's offer, and it was arranged that Messrs R. Kearon, C. Murray & J. Birthistle should meet at the gas house on Friday 13th Apl. to look over the carbide in question.

Rate books.

The Rate Collector came before the Board and explained that the new rate books contained some mistakes and omissions which rendered it impossible for him to proceed with his collection. It was decided that Mr Evans should go to Dublin as soon as possible and get Messrs Helys

apl. 12th '06

to print two new rate books, and ~~that~~ the acting Clerk was directed to have them written up within a fortnight after receipt.

Public lighting.

It was decided that the public lighting be discontinued as from May 1st; also to have a meeting of the General Purposes Committee on ~~Wednesday~~ <sup>Thursday</sup> the 26th apl. for the purpose of making arrangements to have the lamps taken down and the gas holes plugged, and to come to an agreement with the lamp-lighters re making gas for private consumers at reduced wages.

R. Kearon Chairman  
of the May 1st

Apr. 18<sup>th</sup> 1906

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in the Court House, Arklow, on Wednesday evg. the 18<sup>th</sup> Apr., for the purpose of considering the steps to be taken with regard to the vacancy for Town Clerk, created by the death of the late Clerk, Mr. J. Gormley. The following Commissioners attended: —

R. Kearon (Chm.)  
 W. Hoynes  
 H. Byrne  
 P. Kavanagh  
 G. H. Smith  
 S. Henderson  
 P. Kavanagh  
 F. Tyrrell  
 M. Waldron  
 J. Birtchistle  
 J. Tyrrell

After some discussion it was decided that the Chairman should write to the Local Government Board for directions in the matter.

Apr. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1906

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in the Court House, Arklow, on Wednesday evg. the 25<sup>th</sup> Apr. to arrange for advertising the Town Clerkship, and for general business.

Present:

R. Kearon (Chm.)  
 H. Byrne  
 W. Hoynes  
 S. Henderson  
 J. McLullagh  
 P. Kavanagh  
 F. Tyrrell  
 G. H. Smith  
 J. Tyrrell  
 P. Kavanagh

After considerable discussion the following ~~an~~ advertisement was drawn up, and the acting clerk directed to have it inserted in the three local papers: —

The Arklow Town Commissioners will at a special meeting to be held at their office in the Court House Arklow on Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 o'clock P. M. proceed to elect a competent person to act as Town Clerk. The person appointed is to perform the same duties as the late Town Clerk, at a salary of £50 a year, exclusive of fees; the appointment to be probationary for six months, and at the expiration of that period, either party can terminate the appointment. Written applications

April 25<sup>th</sup> 1906.

will be received by the Chairman (Mr. R. Kearon, J. P.) up to May 9<sup>th</sup>, not later than 7 O'clock P.M. The Board then decided to deal with the business for which it had previously been arranged to hold a meeting of the General Purposes Committee on the 26<sup>th</sup> April. The lamplighters were called before the Board, and it was arranged that they should take down and store the street lamps during the three days Apl. 30<sup>th</sup>, May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, for an allowance of three days wages each. It was also agreed that they should have 12/- per week between them (to divide as they liked) for making gas for private consumers until the time for again lighting street lamps when they should have their full wages, viz, 17/6 per week.

Mr J. Heary was appointed to undo the gas lamps from the posts and plug the gas pipes.

The Acting Clerk was directed to order one dozen of gas stoppers and 36 lbs of Parastylene from the Sunlight Gas Co.

Richard Kearon (Chairman)  
9<sup>th</sup> May 1906

May 7<sup>th</sup> 06

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in the Court House, Arklow, on Monday evg. the 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7 P.M.

Presently-

R. Kearon (Ch<sup>m</sup>)  
H. Byrne  
W. Hoynes  
D. Kavanagh  
J. Tyrnell  
C. Murray  
G. H. Smith  
J. Birchie  
F. Tyrnell  
M. Tolson  
S. Henderson

Minutes

The minutes of the last monthly meeting, and of several special meetings in April, were read, agreed to, and signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence

A letter was read from the Dublin Carbide Co. acknowledging letter from <sup>Town</sup> Clerk accepting balance of carbide at £11.10.0 per ton. They also stated that the balance to be invoiced at the above rate was 8½ tons. The Town Clerk was directed to ask the Carbide Co. if this 8½ tons included all the carbide in the store.

The Secretary of the Arklow Brass Band wrote to know if the Commissioners would entertain a proposal to erect a Band stand on the beach, as if so, the Band would be willing to render their services free on two or three evenings in the week during the summer months. The Clerk was directed to enquire whether the Commissioners

have power to make any expenditure for such a purpose.

The Clerk to the Westport Urban Council wrote asking for information re the system of public lighting in vogue at Arklow. The Clerk was directed to reply, giving the particulars requested.

A report was read from Mr. J. Heany stating that he had examined the gas oil street lamps, and found 45 broken panes of glass and 7 lamps broken. Some of the cages also were shaky. No action was taken in the matter.

Cheques.

Cheques were issued for the following:

- J. Gormly, Quarter's salary to 30th Apl. £7.16.0
- J. Roche, 4 wks. + 3 days ~~work~~ wages to 2/5/06 3.18.6
- R. Nicholson ditto. 3.18.6
- J. Nicholson drawing water to gas house 0.13.0
- " " Half year's fuel + attendance }  
to Apl. 30th '06 } 1.5.0
- J. Heany for inspecting lamps + mending }  
gas cock in Post Office } 0.7.0

The following a/cs were deferred till next meeting: -

- Maquise + Gatchell £3.17.4
- Helys Ltd. 1.3.4
- J. Gormly, balance of salary }  
re gas + Hr. Rate a/cs } 0.19.0

Horse Fair.

The Clerk was directed to write the B.W. Kelly Co. requesting them to advertise the Arklow Horse Fair in their posters as usual.

Watering Cart.

On the suggestion of Mr. Brothwell the clerk was directed to write to the

Wicklow, Bray, + Rosford Urban Councils for information as to the cost, &c. of watering cart.

Town Clerkship.

The Chairman read a letter he had received from the Local Government Board which stated that no qualifications were required for the position of Town Clerk, but that it would be well for the Commissioners to advertise the post.

John. McQuillan <sup>Chairman</sup>  
June 14. 06

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Special meeting May 9th 1906.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in the Court House, Arklow, on Wednesday evening the 9th May, '06, at 7 P.M., for the purpose of electing a Town Clerk. The following Commissioners attended:-

R. Kearon (Chairman)  
 M. Waldron  
 H. Byrne  
 J. Birtheistle  
 F. Tyrrell  
 G.H. Smith  
 C. Murray  
 S. Henderson  
 J. Tyrrell  
 J. McLoughlin  
 J. Storey  
 D. Kavanagh  
 W. Hoynes

The Chairman read applications for the position of Town Clerk, from the following:-

J. Kavanagh, Arklow  
 H. Gormly, Dublin  
 G. Kavanagh, Arklow  
 J. Fenlon

Messrs J. Kavanagh + Gerald Kavanagh were the only candidates proposed, the former by Mr. H. Byrne, seconded by Mr. J. Storey, and the latter by Mr. F. Tyrrell, seconded by Mr. M. Waldron.

The voting was as follows:—

For Mr. J. Kavanagh:-

H. Byrne  
 J. Storey  
 R. Kearon  
 D. Kavanagh  
 W. Hoynes  
 (5)

For Mr. G. Kavanagh:-

F. Tyrrell  
 M. Waldron  
 S. Henderson  
 C. Murray  
 J. Birtheistle  
 G.H. Smith  
 J. Tyrrell  
 J. McLoughlin  
 (8)

Mr Gerald Kavanagh was declared duly elected by the Chairman. It was decided to hold a special meeting on Monday evg. the 11th May to formally hand over the Keys &c. to the new Town Clerk and to draw up an agreement. In the meantime Mr. W. Gormly, ~~the~~ the acting clerk, was requested to give Mr. Kavanagh any information or assistance he could.

John W. McLoughlin  
 Chairman  
 June 4. 1906

Special Meeting May 14<sup>th</sup> 1906

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in ~~the~~ Courthouse Arklow on Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> 1906 for the purpose of formally handing over the keys and documents to the new Town Clerk Mr G Kavanagh and for the purpose of drawing up an agreement. The following Commissioners attended:-

Richard Kearon (Chairman)

William Byrne

Hugh Byrne

Denis Kavanagh

J. H. Smyth

Thos Birtuskle

John W. Callagh

Charles Murray

Frank Tyrnell

McK. Waldron.

Keys and  
Books handed  
over to new T.C.

Mr W. G. only having handed over all the keys and documents and Books to the new Town Clerk Mr Kavanagh, the following agreement was drawn up and signed by the Chairman (Mr R. Kearon) and also by the new Town Clerk Mr Gerald Kavanagh viz:-

Agreement

"This agreement is made between the Arklow Town Commissioners on the one part and Gerald Kavanagh

Custody of  
agreement

Special Meeting May 14<sup>th</sup> 1906 (Continued)

who undertakes to act as Town Clerk on the other part. This agreement is understood to last for six months only as probationary and at the expiration of above named term provided both parties are satisfied to become permanent. The duties and salary to be the same as former Town Clerk viz: 50<sup>/-</sup> per annum exclusive, to do the duties of Borough Court in its entirety, to inspect Gas works daily read meters and collect all monies due relating to the lighting of the Township and whenever the Commissioners are carrying on any new works or repairs to pay a reasonable amount of time in supervising all other works. To keep the accounts of Harbour Loan and all other business connected with it.

The Town Clerk will receive his salary quarterly dating from May 9<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Either parties must at least give one months notice in writing before terminating this agreement

(Signed) Richard Kearon Chairman  
Gerald Kavanagh

On the suggestion of Mr Hugh Byrne it was agreed the chairman of the Commissioners pro tem. should keep the original agreement and it was also agreed the the Clerk

Special Meeting May 14<sup>th</sup> 1906 (Continued)

Reading of  
Gas Meters

Should insert copy of same on the minutes

It was suggested by Mr Denis Kavanagh and unanimously agreed to that the late recent acting Town Clerk Mr W Gormley be requested to go round and assist the present Clerk in reading the gas meters when the time for the monthly gas collection came round.

Meeting  
Notices

The Clerk was instructed to order a quantity of notices of meeting forms.

John W. Lucey  
Chairman  
June 4. 1906

Special Meeting May 24<sup>th</sup> 1906

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the court house Arklow on Thursday May 24<sup>th</sup> 1906 @ 7.30 P.M. for the purpose of appointing an accountant to deal with the accounts of the Township and to hand them over written up to date of the appointment of the new Town Clerk. The following commissioners attended:-

Richard Kearon (Chairman)

Hugh Byrne

John McCallagh

Charles Murray

S. Henderson

Wm Hoynes

W. Waldron

Peter Kavanagh

Thos Bithistle

Requisition  
Read

The Town Clerk having read the requisition concerning special meeting the Chairman suggested they should hold the meeting in committee

Meeting  
resolved into  
committee

After some discussion the Chairman put the proposition to go into committee before the meeting and the resolution was carried six members voting for two members against and one abstaining.

Motion Re  
Town Servants  
Bill

A motion by Mr Waldron with reference to the Town Servants Bill was postponed till the next monthly meeting as it was not on the agenda paper.

Special Meeting May 24<sup>th</sup>

The condition  
of the books

The Town Clerk having put before the members the state of the books, it was unanimously decided that the services of a qualified person to rectify them should be <sup>obtained</sup>

Mr W. Donald  
Town Clerk  
Bray  
Considered a  
suitable person  
to rectify Books

In the suggestion of Mr Birtistle Mr Pat<sup>h</sup> Mac Donnell Town Clerk Bray was considered a suitable party and the Town Clerk was directed to communicate with Mr Mac Donnell and enquire as to his fee and all particulars.

The Town Clerk was also directed to submit Mr Mac Donnell's reply to the Chairman Mr Richard Harrow and Mr Hugh Byrne they being deemed competent to judge if Mr Mac Donnell's fee was excessive or satisfactory by the meeting. The Clerk was also directed should above named Gentlemen consider Mr Mac Donnell's terms satisfactory to write and obtain his services without further delay.

John W. Lullaby  
Chairman  
June 4<sup>th</sup> 1906

WATERFORD COUNTY COUNCIL ARCHIVES



63 Monthly Meeting June 4<sup>th</sup> 1906

A monthly meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held in the Commissioners Office, Court House Arklow on June 4<sup>th</sup> 1906 at 7 P.m.

The following Commissioners attended:-

- Messrs John W. Callagh
- " Mch Waldron
- " Thos Birthistle
- " Samuel Henderson
- " William Hoynes
- " Peter Kavanagh

Appointing a chairman in absence of Richard Kearon

In the absence of Mr Richard Kearon (Chairman) it was proposed by Mr Thos Birthistle and seconded by Mr Sam Henderson and carried unanimously that Mr John W. Callagh act as Chairman.

Minutes

Mr McCullagh having taken the chair the Clerk read the minutes of the last monthly meeting and also of several special meetings and all were agreed to and signed by the chairman

Resolution re Town Tenants

The following resolution was proposed by Mr M Waldron and seconded by Mr P Kavanagh and passed unanimously:-

"That we the Arklow Town Commissioners approve of the provisions of the Town Tenants Bill, and call upon the Government to give facilities for its passage into law as the grievances which it is intended to remedy are of a serious and pressing nature

64 Monthly meeting adjourned from June 4<sup>th</sup> to June 6<sup>th</sup> 1906

Resolution Conto

Copies to be sent to the following:-  
The Right Hon. Jas Bryce M.P. C.S.I.  
John Redmond Esq. M.P.  
Coal. Saunderson Esq. M.P.  
D. J. Cogan Esq. M.P.  
Jas O'Connor Esq. M.P.

Resolution to adjourn meeting in respect to the memory of Mch Davitt

The following Resolution was proposed by Peter Kavanagh and seconded by Mr M. Waldron and passed unanimously "That we the Arklow Town Commissioners respectfully beg to express our sense of the irreparable loss sustained by the people of Ireland through the death of Mr Michael Davitt and we desire to tender to Mrs Davitt and her children our deepest sympathy in their present sad bereavement, and that this meeting be adjourned as a mark of respect to his memory; a copy to be sent to Mrs Davitt.

The Clerk having been directed to call a meeting for Wednesday evening June 6<sup>th</sup> 1906 the meeting then adjourned

R. Kearon Chairman  
June 6<sup>th</sup> 1906

Monthly Meeting Minutes from June 4. to June 6  
 H. H. Jones

The Adjourned Monthly Meeting of the Officers  
 of the Commission was held in Commissioners Office  
 on June 6<sup>th</sup> 1906 at 7 P.M.  
 The following Commissioners attended:-  
 Messrs Richard Keenan (Chairman)  
 John McCullagh  
 Peter Keenan  
 Frank Byrne  
 Samuel Henderson  
 William Deane  
 Charles Murray  
 John Byrne

The minutes of the Adjourned meeting read and  
 agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

A letter was read from George Bree  
 giving specification of Blanking out also cost  
 arg. 30¢. but after some discussion it was  
 decided to postpone the matter indefinitely.

A letter was read from Messrs G. H. Carey  
 W. E. Rose and John Hamilton protesting against  
 the high price and ~~quantity~~ of gas they being  
 three large consumers in the town, after  
 and calling upon the commissioners to  
 reduce the price of the gas. After considerable  
 discussion the town clerk was instructed  
 to write to above named gentlemen informing  
 them that the matter would have the consideration  
 of the Commission that when the accounts had been given  
 into by the town clerk they might be  
 in a position to reduce the price before the

Minutes  
 Correspondence  
 Blanking out  
 Price of  
 Gas

Minutes  
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The orders of the late town clerk were asking to  
 be taken into consideration in connection with  
 any salary due to Robert Keenan.

The Chairman suggests and it was agreed  
 that they should not take any action in  
 the matter till they know how the books stand  
 and that administration should be taken out  
 before they could pay anything to any one  
 in connection with Mr Gormley's affairs.

A Bill was received from Mr Wm Gormley for  
 £8. 2 for his services as Acting town clerk  
 but the matter was postponed pending the  
 settlement of the books.

The town clerk applies to be allowed some  
 cash in hand to meet petty cash and incidental  
 expenses but no action was taken in the  
 matter.

The Clerk was instructed to employ John  
 Keay to charge repairs and paint the town  
 lamps for the coming season  
 the matter of painting the gasometer and  
 sheds at the gasworks was brought before  
 the meeting and after some discussion the  
 clerk was directed to draw out a specification  
 of work required to be done and ask the  
 new making gas what they would do it for  
 and submit their reply to the Chairman  
 and if no consideration be amount reasonable  
 they were to be employed.

Adjourned  
 Payment of  
 town lamps  
 Re painting  
 gasometer  
 John Keay

Monthly Meeting June 6<sup>th</sup> Continued

Cheques

Cheques were issued for the following:-

	£. s. d.
John Roche 50ks wages making gas + 2/6 shifting cables	1. 12. 6
R Nicholson " " " " " " " " " "	1. 12. 6
Wm Hall for Kavanagh for wages for work at gas house	2. 4. 4
to Mr. Phil and Son Cheque Books	1. 2. 6
Mat Curran making Holdfasts for Gas works	3. 6
Thos Nicholson water to Gas works	5. 6
Helys Lt. for rate Books	1. 3. 4
Maguire and Gatchell for Burners & c	3. 17. 4
J Kavanagh for printing notices & c	7. 6
Arklow Stones Co for <sup>gals</sup> 334.7 oil @ 5 1/2 p gal	7. 13. 6
To Kearon Chairman	
<u>2nd July 06</u>	

Monthly Meeting July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1906.

The monthly meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday evening July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1906 at 7 o'clock

The following commissioners attended:-

- Messrs R. Kearon Chairman
- Peter Kavanagh
- Hugh Byrne
- C Murray
- Wm Hayne
- John Tyrrell
- J Birkhistle
- Samuel Henderson

Minutes

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

Dog Licenses

A communication was received & read from the Registrar Petty Sessions Dublin stating that the sum of £14.4.5 (the surplus amount arising from the issue of Dog Licenses in the Town of Arklow for the year 1905) was lodged to credit of Town Commissioners for the reduction of the local rate

Re Foreign Meat for the Army

It was proposed by Mr P Kavanagh seconded by Captain C Murray and passed unanimously that a resolution of The Irish Cattle Traders Association protesting against the supplying of Foreign meat to the army be adopted. A letter from J. E. Redmond Esq. M.P. acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution

Town Levants

Monthly meeting July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1906

passed by Commissioners at previous meeting  
Relative to the grievances of Town Tenants  
and stating the matter would have his  
attention was read.

Band Stands

A letter from the Local Government Board  
was read stating they saw no objection  
to the Commissioners erecting a band stands  
if they desired. After discussing the  
matter the commissioners decided to take  
no action in the matter.

Gas Escape

The Town Clerk ~~gave notice~~ brought it  
before the Commissioners that he had  
been informed by the lamp lighter Richard  
Nicholson that some person or persons  
had entered the Gas works and turned  
off one of the escape cocks and allowed  
some 500 ft of gas to escape.

The Commissioners resolved to inspect the  
place and directed the Clerk to have  
a notice painted on the gate stating  
all trespassers should be prosecuted  
The Clerk was also directed to have  
bolts or locks placed on all the doors  
leading to or from & also through the  
works:

Cheques were issued in favour of the following:-  
Richard Nicholson for making gas 1-4-0  
John Roche " " " 1-4-0  
John Leahy for painting & blazing lamps 3-12-6  
Thos Nicholson for water to Gas works 10-0  
The Dublin Carbide Co works presenting  
account for 97<sup>h</sup> for carbide which comm.

issioners had agreed to take from them and which  
Cheque to was ordered by late Town Clerk.  
Carbide Co

After some discussion it was agreed to give  
The Dublin Carbide Co Cheque for <sup>£</sup>20-0-0  
on account.

The Board of works wrote informing the  
commissioners that <sup>£</sup>85-0-5 instalment  
on harbour loan was due on August 1<sup>st</sup>.  
It was decided to allow the matter stand over  
till next meeting.

Tenders  
for painting  
gas works

The Clerk was directed to have notices printed  
and posted up over the Town inviting tenders  
for painting gas works, and to call a  
meeting to inspect tenders when he had  
received some.

The Clerk states the Rate Collector had lodged  
<sup>£</sup>17-10-0 Harbour Rate since last meeting.

Balance to Credit Nos Acct 173. 11. 8  
" " " Nos Acct 67. 17. 11  
" " " Nos Acct 7. 10. 5

Newton Chairman  
8th August,

August 6<sup>th</sup> 1906

Abortive Meeting

A monthly meeting of the Town Commissioners was to have been held at 7 P.M. on Monday August 6<sup>th</sup> 1906 but a quorum not having attended no meeting was held.

The following members attended:-  
Messrs. Richard Keason (Chairman)  
Charles Murray  
John Tyrrell

The above Commissioners directed the town clerk to adjourn the meeting after the lapse of the prescribed half hour to 7 P.M. on Wednesday August 8<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Rich<sup>d</sup> Keason Chairman  
8<sup>th</sup> Aug 06.

August 8<sup>th</sup> 1906

Adjourned Monthly Meeting

An Adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at the Commission office Court House Arklow on Wednesday August 8<sup>th</sup> 1906. The following members attended

Messrs R Keason  
H Byrne  
Denis Kavanagh  
J<sup>r</sup> Callagh  
Frank Tyrrell  
C Murray

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from Mr A J Dooly representative of the late Town Clerk stating that he had Cyclostyle Accessories, Stationery, Old Court Book, Notice Board & wheel Barrow & shovel the property of the Commissioners & stating he would give them if the Clerk would send a messenger for them. The Clerk was directed to send for them.

The Clerk read a letter from the Dublin Wicklow & Wexford Rly Co stating they had recently made arrangements to stop the 3<sup>rd</sup> D.C. Train from Dublin at Avoca & also stating they considered that quite adequate for the traffic.

Town Councils  
Conventions

It was proposed by Mr H Byrne and seconded by Capt Murray and passed that the following Delegates be

August 8<sup>th</sup> 1906 Sdg owned Meeting Contd

Appointed to attend Town Tenants Convention August 30<sup>th</sup> 1906 in Dublin viz:-

Messrs J McCallagh, D Kavanagh, J Tyrrell

Supply of Oil

The Clerk was directed to have notices posted inviting Tenders for supply of oil for the winter months, and also to insert advertisements in the local papers

Resignation

The Town Clerk read a letter from J Roach Ramplight's tendering his resignation which was accepted, and the Clerk was directed to have notices posted inviting tenders for the position

Cheques

Cheques were issued in favour of the following:-

The Board of works	£ 85. 0. 5
R Nicholson	1. 10. 0
J Roach	1. 10. 0
J Nicholson	7. 0
Town Clerk G. Salas (Procc)	2. 10. 0
J M Walsh for Printing	2. 4. 1
M A Corcoran Printing	17. 8
Sunlight Gas Co	1. 18. 1
Town Clerk Salary (H. Rate)	2. 10. 0
" " " (Town Acc)	7. 10. 0
" " Incidentals	1. 18. 5
Gas Byrne Poor Rate	2. 13. 9

R Kearon Chairman  
3 Sept 1906

Special Meeting August 24<sup>th</sup> 1906

A special meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held at Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on August 24<sup>th</sup> 1906

The following attended:-

R Kearon

J Byrne

D Kavanagh

John Tyrrell

M Waldron

W. Hayne

The Clerk having read the requisition concerning the meeting it was proposed by Mr Mch<sup>l</sup> Waldron seconded by Mr W<sup>m</sup> Hayne & passed unanimously that a cheque be sent for 50<sup>/-</sup> to Wicklow Co Council to be a Commissioners contribution towards flagging in Upper & Lower Main St Arklow.

Rich<sup>d</sup> Kearon Chairman  
3 Sept 1906

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held at Commissioners office Court House Arklow on Monday September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1906 at 7 P.M. The following Commissioners attended: -

- Messrs R Kearon (Chairman)
- " John Storey
- " Hugh Byrne
- " Michael Waldron
- Samuel Henderson
- J.H. Smyth
- Denis Kavanaugh
- William Hayes
- Thos Birrhill
- Charles Murray
- John Tyrrell
- Peter Kavanaugh

Minutes of Previous Meetings Read & Signed

The Town Clerk read the minutes of the previous meetings which were agreed to & duly signed by the Chairman

Correspondence

The Clerk read a letter from E W Wynne Secretary to County Council acknowledging receipt of 50/-, which the Commissioners contributed towards flagging Contract in Upper and Lower main Street Arklow.  
The Clerk states he had received letter from Local Government Board asking

for Particulars as to how the Commissioners had acquired Gas works, and that he had sent same to Mr MacDonnell Bray the Accountant engaged by the Commissioners. The Chairman said the Town Clerk should not have sent original letter away without first acquainting the Commissioners & the Town Clerk was instructed to write at once for the letter, and to convene a special meeting for Thursday Sept 6<sup>th</sup> to consider the letter.

Lamp Lighter's Agmt

The newly appointed Lamp Lighter Thomas Copeland attended the meeting and signed his agreement with the Commissioners

Letter to Copurverger

The Town Clerk was directed to write to the County Surveyor, calling his attention to some dangerous places in the Thoroughfare in Rowe, main St + Harbour Road

Cheques

		£. " S. " D
R Nicholson + wetswage making gas	1	4.0
J Roach " " " " "	1	4.0
The Sunlight Gas Co for repairs rect	2	4.0
Town Clerk Incidentals	3	16.0
J Nicholson Drawing water		9.8
John Leary Repairing Lamps	1	7.6

Hugh Byrne Chairman of Meeting  
1-10-06

Special Meeting September 6<sup>th</sup> 1906

A Special Meeting of The Ashlowdown Commission, was held in Commissioners Office Court House Ashlow on Monday Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> 1906 at 7 P.M. The following Commissioners attended:-

Messrs R. Keaton  
Wm. Hoynes  
Hugh Byrne  
L. O. Kavanagh  
S. Henderson  
John W. Callagh

Requisition read The Town Clerk read requisition convening special meeting

Correspondence The Clerk read a letter from the Local Government Board asking for particulars as to how the Town Commissioners had acquired the Gas works. After some discussion the Clerk was directed by the Board to send full particulars of how & at what cost the Commissioners had acquired Gas work and to request the Local Government to inform them if they had power to borrow money for the extension of said Gas works.

Initial cost of Gas works

The Clerk then read a summary of initial cost of Gas works, including only permanent works & machinery <sup>inception</sup> since which he had prepared, and same was

Special Meeting Continued

approved of By the Board.

Lamplighter's agreement sealed The next business was to have the Seal of the Commissioners duly affixed to the agreement made with jewel appointed Lamplighter Thos Copeland

The Town Clerk was directed to call a special meeting when he had heard from Local Government with reference to loan and he was also instructed to have the consideration of the reduction in price of gas to private consumers on the Agenda for same meeting

Hugh Byrne Chairman Meeting  
1-10-06



Special Meeting September 17<sup>th</sup> 1906

A special meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held at commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday Sept 17<sup>th</sup> 1906 at 7. Pm  
The following Commissioners attended.

- Messrs R Kearon
- H Byrne
- W Hayne
- S Henderson
- P Kavanagh
- D Kavanagh
- G H Smith
- J M Cullagh.

Requisition Read  
The Clerk read the requisition convening special meeting.

A.G. B. Kelly  
A letter was read by the Clerk from the Local Government Board stating that they were not aware of any enactment empowering Commissioners to obtain a loan to extend Gas works

Reduce the Price of Gas to Private Consumers  
The following resolution was proposed by Mr Hugh Byrne seconded by Mr Peter Kavanagh & passed unanimously that the price of Gas to private consumers be reduced from 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> per thousand feet to 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> per thousand

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The Town Clerk read report prepared by the Accountant Mr P. MacDonnell as to the state of Accounts at the death of Late Town Clerk.

It was proposed by Mr Kearon and seconded by Mr Kavanagh and passed unanimously that the meeting resolve into committee of consider report.

Hugh Byrne Chairman of Meeting  
1-10-06

Monthly Meeting October 1<sup>st</sup> 1906

A monthly meeting of The Arklow Town Commissioners was held at Commissioners office Court House Arklow on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 1906 at 7 P.M. The following Commissioners attended: -

Messrs Hugh Byrne  
 Denis Kavanaugh  
 Peter Kavanaugh  
 Wm Hayne  
 Frank Tyrrell  
 Samuel Henderson  
 Charles Murray  
 Thomas Birrhistle

Chairman of the meeting appointed In the absence of the regular Chairman Mr Richard Keaton, it was proposed by Mr Henderson seconded by Mr Peter Kavanaugh & passed unanimously that Mr Hugh Byrne act as chairman.

Letter from Irish Forestry Society Mr Byrne having taken the chair The Town Clerk read a letter from The Irish Forestry Society asking for the sympathy & support of The Board to the movement of the re-forestation of the country. After the matter had been discussed the following resolution was proposed by Mr Kavanaugh seconded by Mr Charles Murray & passed unanimously. "That this Board is most

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anxious to show its sympathy & give its support in forwarding the aims of the Irish Forestry Society."

Letter from L.G.B. auditor for Mr Donnell's Report The Town Clerk read a letter from Mr Baker Local Government Board auditor asking for a copy of Mr MacDonnell's report on the investigation of the accounts, & the Board approved of his having a copy.

Sale of Refuse lime

The next business was to consider Tenders for the purchase of refuse lime at Gas House. There were two tenders received viz: - Mr O'Kavanagh 15/- & Mr Owen Keagh 18/-.

Mr O'Keagh's tender was unanimously agreed to on the motion of Mr Henderson seconded by Mr Thos Birrhistle.

Report on Gas Makers

The Chairman asked the Town Clerk if the Gas Makers were giving satisfaction. The Clerk said they were, but that he had given them instructions to clean around the Gas Holders some days previously but it had not been done.

The Board decided to make an order calling on the men to carry out the Town Clerk's instructions with regard to keeping the Gas works in a clean & orderly condition.

Cheques were issued in favour

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of the Following:-

Cheques

Thomas Copeland 4 weeks wages @ 17/6	£ 3 . 10 . 0
Richard Nicholson 4 weeks wages @ 17/6	3 . 10 . 0
John Stempinstall Repairs to lamp posts	9 . 6
The Dublin Carbide Co on acct <sup>for plant</sup>	20 . 0 . 0
Joseph Annesley For sundries	8 . 0
Town Clerk's Incidentals	1 . 7 . 9
Thomas Nicholson drawing water	1 . 0 . 11
Denis J. Kavanagh For acid gloves	17 . 6

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 £ = 31 . 3 . 8
 

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John Kearon Chairman  
5 Nov 06

## Special Meeting October 26 - 1906

A special meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 1906 at 7 P.M. for the purpose of considering the advisability of getting an additional Gasometer and also to consider the advisability of directing Town Clerk to write to Local Govt. Board for information regarding Arklow becoming urban & for general Business. The following Commissioners attended:-

Messrs Richard Kearon  
Denis Kavanagh  
Tom Hayne  
Frank Tyrrell  
Thomas Birristle  
John W. Callagh  
Hugh Byrne  
Charles Murray  
Michael Waldron  
Peter Kavanagh

Requisition The Clerk read the requisition convening special meeting.

Letter from Sunlight Gas Co The Clerk also read a letter from Sunlight Gas Co asking if the board would consent to give them 1 ton of carbide out of the store to be delivered to Lord Wicklow at Shelton Abbey. On the motion of Mr Hugh Byrne seconded by Mr J. W. Callagh it was unanimously agreed to keep whatever carbide was on hand.

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Question of Getting a new Gasometer  
The Town Clerk read a letter from the Sunlight Gas Co quoting as follows for a gasometer:-

Gasometer Capacity of 250<sup>0</sup> Fut 80

" " 500 " 145

After some discussion to Town Clerk was directed to write to all the Firms he could find out that Manufactured Gas Plants asking them for specifications quotations + terms.

Question of becoming urban  
The Town Clerk read a letter from Mr P. Mackinnell Bray stating that if the Town Commissioners contemplated becoming an urban Council they should write to the Local Govt Board asking them for advice as to the steps that should be taken in the matter.

It was unanimously agreed by the Board that the Town Clerk should communicate with the Local Govt Board regarding the matter and the Town Clerk was instructed to that effect.

Rich Keaton Chairman  
Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1906

Monthly Meeting November 5<sup>th</sup> 1906

A monthly meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners office Court House Arklow on Monday evening November 5<sup>th</sup> 1906 at 7 P.M. The following Commissioners attended:-

Messrs Richard Keaton  
Hugh Byrne  
Wm Hayne  
John Tyrrell  
John M. Callagh  
Thomas Berthistle  
J. H. Smith  
Charles Murray  
Denis Lavannah  
Peter Lavannah.

Minutes The minutes of previous meetings were read by Town Clerk and agreed to + duly signed by the Chairman.

Brick works  
Valuation A letter was read from Mr J. F. Fleming solicitor stating on behalf of Arklow Brick & Tile Company that their valuation had been reduced from 2000/- to 600/- and that they were prepared to pay on reduced valuation. The Board decided that the Rate Collector should collect on the valuation entered in Rate Books at the beginning of current financial year. A notification was read from J. Baker Esq. Local Govt Board Auditor stating he

Notice of Audit  
Price of  
Gasometer  
2/-

would attend at Commissioners Office Court House Bellow on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November for the purpose of Auditing the Township Accounts for the Financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 1906 The Town Clerk was directed to call a special meeting of the Board for 12.30 P.M. on Tuesday to meet the Auditor.

Quotations for Gasometers Letters were read from several firms sending quotations for Gasometers but after some discussion it was unanimously decided to postpone the matter till after the visit of the Auditor.

Letter from L.P.B. re urbanizing A letter was read from Local Govt Board regarding what steps should be taken by the Town Commissioners if they wished to become an Urban District Council After discussion it was also decided to postpone the matter till after the Audit.

Report of Committee appointed to examine the Lamps of the Township, recommending various repairs and improvements. The report was unanimously adopted by the Board.

Oilskins for Lamp-lighters & Seals for gasworks The Town Clerk was instructed to get oilskins for the Lamp-lighters to be used when working for the Board only, and he was also directed to look out for cheap seals for weighing the carbide at gashouse.

L.O.S. A resolution of New Ross Urban Council protesting against the Department subsidising out of Public Funds

The Irish Agricultural <sup>Organization</sup> Society was unanimously adopted on the motion of Mr Hugh Byrne seconded by Mr P. Kavanagh.

Town Clerk's Appointment made permanent The Town Clerk notified the Board that his probationary period would expire on Friday Nov 9<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1906, On the motion of Mr Hugh Byrne seconded by Mr G.H. Smith it was unanimously decided that from <sup>9<sup>th</sup> Nov</sup> ~~the~~ date, the Town Clerk's appointment <sup>should</sup> become permanent.

Resolutions regarding marine works Bill were unanimously adopted by the Board

Cheques here paid to the Following:-		L.	S.	D.
Thomas Copeland	5 weeks Lamp-lighting	4	7	6
R. Nicholson	" "	4	7	6
Thos Nicholson	1/2 years salary for fuel attendants	1	5	0
Thos Nicholson	Drawing water	1	3	6
Town Clerk	Salary Town Act	7	10	0
"	" " Harbour "	2	10	0
Town Clerk	Salary Gas Act	2	10	0
Town Clerk	Incidentals			10.9
Maguire & Gatchell	Chimneys	1	3	6
John Stoney	Rent of Gas works	1	0	0
Brown & Nolan	Stationery			16.3
The Sunlight Gas Co	repairs			15.1
John Leary	Repairs at Gas works			12.1

H. Kearon Chairman  
3rd Dec 06

Special Meeting November 13<sup>th</sup> 1906

A special meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was to have been held at Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Nov 13. 1906 at 12.30 P.m. but as a quorum did not attend no meeting was held. The following attended:-

Messrs Richard Kearon  
Hugh Byrne  
Charles Murray.

Rich. Adam Shannon  
3rd Dec 06

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Monthly Meeting December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1906.

A monthly meeting of The Arklow Town Commissioners was held in the Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday Evening December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1906 at 7. P. m. The Following Commissioners Attended

Messrs. Richard Kearon  
Michael Waldron  
D Lavanagh  
J Birtistle  
W Hayne  
S Henderson  
C Murray  
E.H. Smyth  
J M. Cullagh

A letter was read from The Dublin Carbide Co ~~sending~~ sending statement of account due for carbide as 800<sup>l</sup>. The Town Clerk stated the amount due on the account was a balance of 57. 15 and that the company must have made a mistake. He was directed to write to the Dublin Carbide Co for a correct statement of account.

Brick works  
valuation

Mr J. A. S King manager of The Arklow Brick works wrote stating that the valuation of the brick works had been reduced to 600<sup>l</sup> + that The Brick works Co were prepared to pay rates on that amount. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr King stating that he would have to pay rates on the old valuation and that he would then receive a refund.

Monthly Meeting Dec<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> 1906

The Following Report was received from the General Purposes Committee:-

An investigation of the conduct of the Lamplighters in allowing the Gas to Run down on 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1906 was held by the General Purposes Committee of the Board and they report as follows for the information of the General Board:-

"We the members of the G.P. Committee consider that it was through carelessness on the part of the Lamplighters the Gas was allowed to run short on Nov<sup>r</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> 1906 and we recommend the General Board in case of any further neglect of duty on the part of the Lamplighters to take immediate steps to remove them and place suitable persons in their place."

The above report was adopted on the motion of Mr. J. M. Cullagh seconded by Captain Murray.

Cheques were Paid to the following

R. Nicholson 4 weeks wages making gas	3. 10. 0
Thos Copeland " " "	3. 10. 0
G. J. Lavanagh Incidentals	18. 5
J. W. Elery for Oil skins	1. 1. 0
J. F. Evans Ab. Rate on Gas House	1. 5. 0
J. F. Evans Town " " "	1. 5. 0
Thos Nicholson Drawing water	1. 7. 6
D. W. R. Railway Carriage on Carbide	17. 6
D. W. Condrey Scales for Gasworks	10. 6.

A. Nearm Chapman  
 Jimmy with 1906 (seven)

Monthly Meeting January 7<sup>th</sup> 1907

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners office Court House Arklow on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January, 1907 at 7 O'clock P.M. the following members attended:-

Messrs. Richard Kearon  
Peter Kavanagh  
Michael Waldron  
Charles Murray  
Frank Tyrrell  
Samuel Henderson  
G.H. Smith  
John McCullagh  
Denis Kavanagh  
William Hayne  
Hugh Byrne.  
Thos Birtistle.

Applications for  
Position of Lamplighter

Applications were read from the following for the position of lamplighter at the wages advertised namely 16/- per week for the lighting season:- Hugh Brien. John Donnelly. William Murray. James Parkin. James Dowdall. Brien Gaffney. Thomas Copeland & Richard Nicholson. also a verbal application from John Fox offering to take charge of the Gas works & Gas Lamps for the sum of 16/- per week. It was proposed by Mr Michael Waldron seconded by Mr Thos Birtistle & passed un-animously that John Fox should be appointed @ 17/6 per week for one month

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on probation to take charge of the Gas works make Gas & do any painting or repairs necessary to be done therein. The appointment to be ratified after one month on Fox giving satisfaction.

Fox Appointed  
Brien Appointed  
Dowdall Appointed  
It was proposed by Mr W. Cullagh seconded by Mr Waldron & passed unanimously that Hugh Brien be appointed as lamplighter at 16/- per week on probation for one month same as for on the motion of Mr Denis Kavanagh seconded by Thomas Birtistle Dowdall was also appointed as lamplighter on the same terms as Brien.

The men were called before the Board & the Chairman informed them of their appointment & told them that they should take their instructions from the Town Clerk

Town Clerk's  
Claim  
The Town Clerk put before the Board a claim for injuries sustained to his clothes and person paid for time spent in Gas works owing to the pipes getting choked, as he had to take the plant asunder and spend about 12 nights in Gas works making gas. At the general request of the board the Clerk agreed to let the matter stand over till the next monthly meeting in February.

Wm Sinnott  
Compensation  
Mr W. Cullagh brought before the Board the case of W. Sinnott whose hands had been very badly burned in the Gas works when the plant went wrong and who had to give up work on that account. After considerable discussion it was proposed by W. W. Cullagh



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seconded by Mr Frank Tyrnell and passed by the majority that Sinnott be paid 20/- as compensation for his injuries in addition to his 20/- for two weeks work in gas house & the Clerk was instructed to get a receipt from Sinnott waiving all further claims against the Commissioners.

More Light Required

Mr Messrs Waldron & Murray the visiting committee reported that there was more light wanted in Backs street and at the Brook after some discussion it was decided to allow the matter to stand till after the Elections and to let the Lighting Committee deal with the matter.

The attention of the Board was called by Mr Denis Kavanagh to the want of crossings in the streets. The general Board requested the members of the Rural District Council to bring the matter before the Council in Rathdrum & they promised to do so.

The Town Clerk reported as follows:-

Balance to Credit No 1 Acct. 86 . 8 . 0  
" " " No 2 " 133 . 8 . 2  
" " " No 3 " 106 . 10 . 1.

Cheques were passed to the following:-

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Cheques No I Acct.

£ = . 5 . 5.

E. Kavanagh Lamp lighters wages	3	4	0
E. Kavanagh Incidentals	2	0	4
John Reany Repairs to Street lamps recd		12	5

Cheques No II Acct.

None

Cheques No III Acct.

Thomas Copeland 5 weeks wages @ 17/6	4	7	6
Richard Nicholson do do	4	7	6
William Sinnott 2 weeks wages @ 15/- <sup>2 weeks compensation</sup>	3	0	0
The Dublin Carbide Co on Acct	50	0	0
Thos Nicholson drawing water	1	18	9
John Fox 2 weeks wages at gas house @ 15/-	1	10	0
Dublin Wicklow & Wexford Railway Carrriage Carbide	2	12	0
E. Kavanagh wages to pay gas men	1	15	0

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
4-2-07

Arklow Municipal Elections January 15<sup>th</sup> 1907.  
 Record of Proceedings

The Following Commissioners retired by Rotation  
 Arklow No 1 Urban.  
 Messrs Hugh Byrne  
 Thomas Birtistle  
 John W. Cullagh  
 Denis Kavanagh.

The following retired by Rotation in  
 Arklow No 2 Urban  
 Richard Kearon

In Arklow No 1 Urban the following persons  
 were duly & validly nominated

Messrs Thomas Birtistle  
 " Hugh Byrne  
 " George D. Arcey  
 " Denis Kavanagh  
 Richard Kearon  
 John W. Cullagh  
 Alexander W. Gowan  
 William Merrigan  
 Lawrence Toole  
 Thomas Tyrrell.

As there were ten candidates for the four  
 vacant seats a Poll was taken on 15<sup>th</sup> day  
 of January 1907 which resulted as follows.

Hugh Byrne 245 votes  
 Richard Kearon 226 "  
 Lawrence Toole 196  
 Denis Kavanagh 170  
 Thomas Birtistle 169.

Arklow Municipal Elections January 15<sup>th</sup> 1907  
 Record of Proceedings

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John W. Cullagh	130 votes
William Merrigan	87 "
Alexander W. Gowan	75 "
Thomas Tyrrell	63 "
George D. Arcey	43 "

Therefore the following were duly declared elected  
 for Arklow No 1 Urban.

Hugh Byrne  
 Richard Kearon  
 Lawrence Toole  
 Denis Kavanagh

Notice of result was duly posted through the Town.

In Arklow No 2 Urban the following were nominated

Francis A. S. King.

As no other person was nominated the above  
 name Francis A. S. King was duly declared elected  
 and notice of same was duly posted in the district.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
 14-2-07

Annual Meeting January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1907

The Annual meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Wednesday Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> 1907. The following Commissioners attended:-

Messrs R Kearon  
D Kavanagh  
Hugh Byrne  
F.A.S King  
Wm Hayne  
R Toole  
G.H Smith  
S Anderson  
M. Waldron  
Frank Tyrrell  
John Storey  
Peter Kavanagh

Mr R Kearon the outgoing Chairman occupied the temporary Chair & the following newly elected Commissioners made the usual declarations accepting office:-

Messrs R Kearon  
D Kavanagh  
R Toole  
H Byrne  
F.A.S King

It was proposed by Mr P Kavanagh & seconded by Mr John Storey and passed unanimously that

Mr Hugh Byrne be elected Chairman for the coming year.  
The Chair was then taken by Mr Hugh Byrne and the outgoing Chairman Mr R. Kearon handed to him the key of the seal of the Arklow Town Commissioners. Mr Byrne made the necessary declaration.  
A vote of thanks to the outgoing Chairman Mr R. Kearon was proposed by Mr Waldron seconded by Mr D Kavanagh & passed unanimously.

It was unanimously agreed to that the General Purposes Committee should for the coming year should include all the members of the Board, that the Quorum should be 3 and that they should hold a meeting the second Monday in each month.  
The Town Clerk read the list of attendances of members at General Special & Committee meetings for the past year which were as follows:-  
T Birbickel 21. H Byrne 32. S Anderson 19. W Hayne 28. D Kavanagh 28. P Kavanagh 24. W Kavanagh 0. R Kearon 32. M. J. Lullagh 24. J Murray 25. G.H Smith 14. J Storey 3. F Tyrrell 14. J Tyrrell 11. M Waldron 5.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
21-2-07

Monthly Meeting February 4<sup>th</sup> 1907

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> day of February 1907 at 7 O'clock P.M.

- The following Commissioners attended
- Messrs. Hugh Byrne J.P. Chairman
  - Richard Keaton J.P.
  - Frank Tyrrell
  - Lawrence Toole
  - Peter Lavanagh
  - G.H. Smyth
  - F.A.S. King
  - Wm. Hayne
  - Denis Lavanagh
  - John Tyrrell
  - Captain Murray

Correspondence

The Town Clerk read a letter from Irish Literary Society of Hanover Square London asking if the Board would subscribe to the erection of Memorial to the Irish Brigade at Fontenoy. The Board while sympathizing with the object considered it was a matter for Individuals.

A resolution regarding the Nationalisation of Irish Railways passed by the General Council of County Councils was considered by the Board. The Board affirmed the General Principles of the Resolution <sup>in as much as</sup> ~~and added~~ it was the opinion of the Board that the present system of Railways in Ireland was capable of much improvement and

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This Board with many others would wish to see the management improved so as to better the trade of the Country.

Barbide Account

A letter was read from Mr Williams manager of the Dublin Barbide Co drawing attention to the fact that the Commissioners owed a Balance for Barbide amounting to 63<sup>l</sup>. 15 in addition to 28<sup>l</sup>. for two tons ordered in January. After discussing the matter the Board directed the Town Clerk to draw a cheque for 63<sup>l</sup>. 15 leaving a balance of 28<sup>l</sup>.

Brick works Rates

In reply to an enquiry from the Board the L.G.B. wrote stating the Commissioners had no statutory power to refund <sup>portion of</sup> rates <sup>paid</sup> to the Brick & Tile works <sup>strict</sup> according to the valuation list in force at the time when the valuation is reduced at the subsequent annual revision in the same year.

Town Clerk Fees as Returning Officer

The Town Clerk was directed to write again to L.G.B. explaining fully to them the circumstances under which the Brick Co claimed a refund. The Town Clerk submitted an estimate of his fees and expenses as Returning Officer at the elections Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 1907 they amount to £. 18. 0 the Board having discussed the matter the fees were passed. The Town Clerk was Requested to make out a list of all the expenses of the election by next meeting. He said he would do so when all the bills came in as the persons acting as Presiding Officers & Clerks would not accept the fees <sup>paid</sup> without leaving for the L.G.B.

The Town Clerk was directed to communicate with the Local Government on the subject.

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Town Clerk On the motion of Mr Denis Kavanagh seconded  
Fees for work done in Gas House allowed 4/- for extra work done in Gas works & damage sustained when the Plant went wrong from Decr 15<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Intended Town & Harbour Rate Notices. The following Intended Town & Harbour Rate notices were given by Mr Kearon

(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 3<sup>d</sup> in the £ be made on Lands for the year commencing April 5<sup>th</sup> 1907 All within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow under the provisions of the Towns Improvement Act 1854 (Ireland).

And should I be absent from said monthly meeting I authorize any Commissioners who may be present there at to take action upon this notice."

Signed R. Kearon. J.C.

Harbour Rate (2) "I hereby give notice under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act 1882 and of the Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act 1854 that at the next monthly meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners I shall propose that a Harbour Rate of six pence in the £ be made on Buildings and one fourth of that amount or three half pence in the £ be made on Lands

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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 the said monthly meeting, I hereby authorize any Commissioner who may be present thereat to take action upon this notice."

Signed R. Kearon. J.C.

Captain Charles Murray tendered his resignation as representative of the Board on the Harbour Board. He said he did so to give the Board an opportunity of electing Mr Udall of Messrs Kynock as a representative of the Board as in his (Captain Murray's) opinion Mr Udall would be a great acquisition to the Board both personally and as the Representative of such extensive employers as Messrs Kynock & Co.

On the motion of Mr F.A.S. King seconded by Mr Peter Kavanagh Captain Murray's resignation was unanimously accepted and the best thanks of the Board were tendered to Captain Murray for his most magnanimous & spirited action for the advancement of the port & the welfare of the Town of Arklow. Mr Richard Kearon then gave notice of motion that at next monthly meeting of Commissioners they would Elect Commissioners on Harbour

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Board in Room of Captain Murray Resigned.

Resolution Re French Persecution of the Catholics in France was next brought forward by Mr. Peter Kavanagh.

After very considerable discussion the following Resolution was proposed by Mr Peter Kavanagh & seconded by Mr Denis Kavanagh:-

That we the Arklow Town Commissioners in common with other Public Boards in Ireland desire to place on Record our strong condemnation of the Persecution of the Bishops Priests and members of the Roman Catholic Church in France by a Godless & Irreligious Cabal who now constitute the Governing Authority in that Country and as such diabolical treatment of the Church must give great pain to our Holy Father the Pope we as Irishmen desire to Express our regret at what is taking place in France & to offer him the expression of our sincerest sympathies in this present Crisis, & that a copy of this resolution be sent to the most Rev<sup>d</sup> D<sup>r</sup> Walsh Arch Bishop of Dublin." Mr J. P. King proposed an amendment which he subsequently withdrew After still further discussion the resolution was passed with one dissentant Mr. Frank Lyxell.

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Cheques were issued to the following:-		L.	s.	d.
Hugh Brien 2 wks wages Lamp lighting		1.	12.	0
James Dowdall do		1.	12.	0
Wm. M. Phail & Son Printing		1.	8.	0
Gerald J Kavanagh $\frac{1}{2}$ salary Town Acct		7.	10.	0
do do Acct		2.	10.	0
do do Gas Acct		2.	10.	0
do Ins & Election Expenses		8.	18.	0
do Services Rendered at Gas works		4.	0.	0
do Incidentals		1.	12.	10
do 2 weeks wages for Lamp lighters		3.	4.	0
do 2 " " Gas Man		1.	15.	0
Railway Co Carriage on Carbide		1.	14.	2
Dublin Carbide Co on Acct		63.	15.	0
Thomas Nicholson Drawing Water		1.	6.	9
do do attendance at Election			10.	0
Messrs Helph & Co Election Stationery & Let		7.	18.	1
do Harbour Rate Book		7.	12.	6
John Fox 2 weeks wages Gas House		1.	15.	0
James Byrne Poor Rates on Gas House		2.	13.	7
Messrs Elvery & Coes for Gas House			12.	6

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
H-3-07

Monthly Meeting March 4<sup>th</sup> 1907

A monthly meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday Evening March 4<sup>th</sup> 1907 the following members attended:-

- Messrs Hugh Byrne.
- J. A. Smyth.
- F. A. S. King.
- Frank Tyrrell.
- Denis Kavanaugh.
- Charles Murray.
- Michael Waldron.
- Samuel Henderson.
- William Hayne.

A letter was read from J. & Baker Esq. saying he intended to complete continia the Audit of the Town Ship Accounts the following day. The Clerk was directed to let the Chairman know when the Auditor came so the some members could meet him.

Audit

A letter was read from <sup>the</sup> Archbishop of Dublin acknowledging receipt of resolutions adopted by the Town Commissioners protesting against the persecution of Catholics in France.

The Dublin Carbide Co wrote stating that the price of Carbide had gone up to 15/- per ton and they Invoiced the last 2 tons ordered by the Town Clerk at that price

The Commissioners considered that they were entitled to the two tons at the usual price 14<sup>/-</sup>

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The Town Clerk was directed to write to the Dublin Carbide Co & make the best Bargain he could with them.

Harbour  
Commissioner  
Appointed

Following upon a notice given by Mr R Kearon at previous monthly meeting that he would propose a member for the Harbour Board in lieu of Captain Murray resigned. In the absence of Mr R Kearon it was proposed by Mr Denis Kavanaugh seconded by Mr Frank Tyrrell & passed unanimously that Mr Tedal of Kynochs Arklow be appointed a Harbour Commissioner

The following <sup>names of members</sup> Town & Harbour Ratepayers were duly proposed & seconded & agreed to:-

Following upon the usual statutory notice given at last monthly meeting it was proposed by Mr Denis Kavanaugh (in the absence of Mr R Kearon) and seconded by Mr Samuel Henderson that a General or Town Rate of 1/- in the £ be made on Buildings & one fourth of that amount or 2/- in the £ be made on Lands all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow.

It was proposed by Mr Frank Tyrrell seconded by Mr F. A. S. King that a Harbour Rate of 6/- in the £ be made on Buildings & one fourth of that amount or 1 1/2/- in the £ be made on Lands all within the municipal limits of the Town of Arklow.

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Brick works  
Refund

The Local Government Board wrote stating with reference to a refund of Rates to the follow Brick & Tile works that on having the full facts of the case before them they considered the Town Commissioners had power to give a refund of the difference between the original figure and that decided by the Court. It was agreed to refund 20% amount of excess paid.

Election  
Expenses

The Clerk read a list of Election Expenses which amounted to £22. 7. 3, for the information of the Board.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr G. Waldron & seconded by Mr Denis Kavanagh.

"That whilst wishing to refrain from the introduction of Politics at our meetings we the follow Town Commissioners cannot let this occasion pass without giving expression to our satisfaction at, and welcoming the promises of reform in the management of the affairs of our country as outlined in the Legislative Programme of the Government and in this connection we desire to mark our warm approval of the proposal to so adjust the educational grievances of the Majority of the people as to afford the Roman Catholic youth of Ireland the benefits and privileges which would be conferred on them with a university which

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They can enter without doing violence to their consciences.

After very considerable discussion as to the propriety of bringing resolutions of a political or religious nature into the business of the Board a vote was taken with the following result:

For the resolution "	Against
Hugh Byrne	J. Henderson
Michael Waldron	G. H. Smyth
Charles Murray	J. B. King
Denis Kavanagh	Frank Lippell
William Hoynes	

The resolution was declared Carried.

Old Times in Grampard  
A letter was read from John K. to Rathdrum Board of Guardians stating it was with the instructions of that Body the trees in the old Abbey Graveyard had been cut down. The Commissioners expressed their strong disapproval of the action of the Guardians in the matter.

A discussion took place with regard to the unprotected state of the Town in case of a serious outbreak of Fire & the Town Clerk was directed to summon a meeting of the Commissioners and principal ratepayers of the Town to discuss the matter on the following Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March in Commissioners Office



Technical Schools

A resolution regarding the erection of a Technical Schools in Atkew which had been passed by the Local Technical Committee was received from Mr P. Martin Secretary of the Committee for adoption by the Board.

The Board while unanimously in favour of the subject decided before going further into the matter that they would like to hear Mr Wake on the matter. On the motion of Mr King seconded by Mr Henderson the Town Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Wake and to call a special meeting to hear him explain the scheme and to summon the Commissioners and the members of the Local Committee also and persons who might be interested cheques were unanimously passed to the following.

Cheques

	£	s	d
John Ton 2 weeks wages	1	15	0
Sec Board works Harbour instatinal 85	"	0	5
Hugh Brien 2 weeks wages	1	12	0
James Dowdall do	1	12	0
John F Evans Fees on collection H <sup>rs</sup>	12	10	3
" " " " " Towels	12	11	9
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	1	0	0
" " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	1	0	0
Tom Evans do		10	0

Michael English Fees at Election	£	10	0
George Evans do		10	0
James Byrne do		10	0
Michael Tobin do		10	0
John Peters do		10	0
Joseph Kavanaugh Printing Forms		10	6
J P Kavanaugh Cash to pay lamp lights	3	4	0
do do Gas Man	1	15	0
William Greene Sundries (st <sup>rs</sup> )	1	8	19
Thos Nicholson drawing water		18	0
Helys Limited Balance of acct		14	7
John Leary Repairs to street lamps		7	10
J & M G. Gloughlin do		12	0
John M Walsh Audit notices		7	0

Hugh Byrne Chairman.  
4-4-07

Abortive Meeting March 29<sup>th</sup> 1907.

A special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was to have been held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 1907 but a quorum not having attended no meeting was held.

The following members attended

- Messrs Hugh Byrne
- " Richard Kearon
- " Denis Kavanaugh.
- Lawrence & Toole.

The above members directed the Town Clerk to adjourn the meeting sine die

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
H-14-'07

Abortive Meeting April 9<sup>th</sup> 1907

A monthly meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was to have been held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 1907 at 7 P.M. but as no members attended the Town Clerk adjourned the meeting till Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 1907 at 7 P.M.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
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An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup> 1907 at 7.0. P.M. The following members attended

Messrs Hugh Byrne  
Denis Kavanagh  
Michael Waldron  
William Horne  
Peter Kavanagh  
Samuel Henderson.

The minutes of previous meetings were read by the Town Clerk agreed to and signed by the Chairman

Notices of Appeal against valuations were read from G. H. D. Grey Maria Grey Alexander W. Gowan Michael Kavanagh George Kearon. As it was considered outside the sphere of the Board to deal with the matter the Clerk was directed to simply acknowledge receipt of communications.

The warrants on Town & Harbour Rate Books were duly signed & sealed.

A question was raised about the Lamplighters not having lit the lamps on Sunday the 31<sup>st</sup> March & Monday

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1<sup>st</sup> of April. After considerable discussion the Town Clerk was directed to have the Lamplighters come before the General Purposes Committee meeting on the following Monday & explain the reason of not having lit the lamps.

Cheques were issued for the following

	£	s	d
Eugene Fogarty 767 $\frac{3}{4}$ Gall's Oil w <sup>d</sup> .	16	1	7
Maguire & Gabell Lamps & Sundries	8	9	9
Hugh Brien 2 weeks wages	1	12	0
James Dowdall do	1	12	0
D. S. E. Railway Carriage & Carbons	1	12	6
John Fox 2 weeks wages Making Gas	1	15	0
J. J. Kavanagh Incidentals	1	14	0
J. Nicholson Drawing Water Feet	19	0	0

Nick Kearon Chairman  
6<sup>th</sup> May 1907

Monthly Meeting May 6<sup>th</sup> 1907.

A monthly meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday May 6<sup>th</sup> 1907 at 7 P.M.

The following Commissioners attended

Messrs R Kearon  
Peter Kavanagh  
Samuel Henderson  
Lawrence & Toole  
William Hogue  
Denis Kavanagh.

A letter was read from the Great Western Railway Co of England asking the Commissioners to pass a resolution in favour of the Great Western Co being granted through rates over the Dublin & South Eastern Co's lines.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr M Waldron seconded by Mr Lawrence & Toole and passed unanimously that we the Arklow Town Commissioners consider that it would be to the greatest advantage to the Town of Arklow (being a large industrial centre) and also to the other towns served by the Dublin & South Eastern Railway that through rates should be granted in connection with the Great Western Railway of England & the Dublin & South Eastern Railway Co via Fishguard & Rosslare

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A letter was read from secretary of United Irish League enclosing admission cards for delegates to attend the National Convention. The following were unanimously selected to represent the Board.

Messrs Denis Kavanagh  
Michael Waldron  
Lawrence & Toole  
& Town Clerk

The next business of the Board was to make arrangements with the gas man John Foy for the summer months. After considerable discussion on the motion of Mr M Waldron seconded by Mr Peter Kavanagh John Foy was appointed permanently for winter and summer months to make the gas, paint the lamps & lamp posts in the summer and do whatever painting and repairs which might be necessary in connection with the gas plant or any part of the works.

A tender of 17/6 from Christopher Byrne for refuse lime in Gas works was accepted on the motion of Mr Henderson seconded by Mr M Waldron.

Expenses were issued to the following. L. s. d.

John Foy 2 weeks wages	4.	7.	6
James Dowdall 2 weeks wages	2.	1.	0
Hugh Brien do	2.	1.	0
John Leary repairs lamps	6	10	
Browne & Nolan Stationery	14.	6	
D Kavanagh Gas & Town Acct	2.	10	

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mm	"	mm	"	mm
Dublin & St. Rly Co				16.3
T. Nicholson			"	1.6
			"	1.5

"	Transfer	25		
	Incidentals			6.9

Rich<sup>d</sup> Newson Chairman Pctn  
 D. June 3<sup>rd</sup> 07-

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Monthly Meeting June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1907.

A meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was to have <sup>to be</sup> held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1907. The following Commissioners attended.

Messrs R Kearon  
 J A S King  
 J H Smith  
 Charles Murray  
 Peter Lavanagh  
 Mr Waldron  
 Frank Tyrrell  
 J Henderson  
 Laurence Toole

In the absence of the regular Chairman Mr Byrne, Mr Kearon was elected unanimously to take the chair.

The Clerk then read the minutes of the previous meeting which were duly agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

On the motion of Mr Denis Lavanagh seconded by Mr Frank Tyrrell the following resolution was unanimously adopted after which the meeting adjourned till Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 1907.

"That we desire to record our deep feeling of regret at the death of Mr John Shorey and we his colleagues on this Board offer to his family our heartfelt sympathy in their sad bereavement."

That we wish to express

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our sense of the loss this Board and the public affairs of Arklow have sustained by his lamented death and as a mark of respect to his memory that the meeting do now adjourn

Mrgh Byrne Chairman  
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Adjourned Monthly Meeting June 11<sup>th</sup> 1907.  
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An adjourned monthly meeting of the Athlone Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Athlone on June 11<sup>th</sup> 1907 at 7 P.M. The following members attended:-

Messrs Hugh Byrne  
 R. Keaton  
 P. Kavanagh  
 W. Hoynes  
 D. Kavanagh  
 M. Waldron  
 S. Henderson.

The clerk read minutes of previous meeting which were agreed to and signed by the Chairman.

The Registrar of P.S. Clerks wrote stating that the surplus sale from dog licenses for year ended March 1907 amounted to £13.8.8 and same had been lodged with the Treasurers of Town Commissioners.

The secretary of Wexford Co Council sent resolution which had been adopted by the Council with reference to through Rates being granted by in connection with the D.S. & Rly and the Great Western Railway of England via Fishguard and Ross Lairs. The resolution was approved

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of by the Board.

A letter was read from Athlone Rural District in which was a resolution adopted unanimously by the Council protesting against the action of the Home Office in connection with Messrs Fynochs works at Athlone. The Clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt and thank the Council for their sympathy and support in the matter.

The report of the visiting Gas Committee was read and unanimously adopted by the Board.

On the motion of Mr Denis Kavanagh seconded by Mr M. Waldron notice was given to fill the vacancy on the Board caused by the death of Mr Hoynes and the clerk was directed to have requisition form signed convening special meeting for Monday 17 June at 7 P.M.

The business of appointing a deputation to wait on Home Secretary in connection with the treatment of Messrs Fynoch was deferred till the special meeting on 17 June 1907.

Cheques were issued to the following:-

For smelts wages	£ 4. 7. 6
Thickton drawing water	11. 0
Transfers No 2 Account	25. 0. 0
D. Evans Hbr Ration Postbooks	12. 6
" Town Rate "	1. 5. 0

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
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A special Meeting of Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> June 1907. The following members attended:-

Messrs Hugh Byrne  
Peter Savanagh  
R. Kearon  
S. Henderson  
G. H. Smyth  
M. Waldron  
L. Faole  
W. M. Hayne  
F. A. S. King  
Denis Savanagh  
Frank Tyrrell.

The Clerk read requisition convening special meeting which was for the purpose of Co Opting a member in room of the late Mr John Stoney deceased and for General business.

Mr M. Waldron proposed and Mr Peter Savanagh seconded that Mr Thomas Butchelle be Co Opted a member of the board. Mr S. Henderson proposed and Mr F. A. S. King seconded that Mr J. McCullagh be Co Opted a member of the Board after some discussion Mr Henderson & Mr King agreed to withdraw their

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proposition and Mr Thomas Butchelle was unanimously elected.

On the motion of Mr S. Henderson seconded by Mr R. Kearon Mr F. A. S. King was selected to represent the Board on the Deputation which was about to wait on the Home secretary in connection with the dispute between Messrs Synock & Co & the Home office.

A report was read from John Leary with regard to the state of the Lamps, but the matter was deferred till the members of the Gas Committee had visited the Gas works.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
1-7-07



Monthly Meeting July 1<sup>st</sup> 1907.

The monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners' Office Court House, Arklow, on Monday July 1<sup>st</sup> 1907 at 4 p.m. The following members attended:-

- Mess<sup>rs</sup>:- Hugh Byrne J.P. Chairman.
- Richard Kearon J.P.
- Peter Kavanagh.
- M. Waldron.
- Lawrence O'Loole
- Samuel Henderson.
- Captain Murray.
- Thomas Birtchill.
- William Hoyle.

The following letter was read:-

"Fremouth"  
In Bantry Bay.  
21<sup>st</sup> June 1907.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Atlantic Fleet under my command is under orders to visit Arklow, and is timed to arrive there on the 27<sup>th</sup> August, and leave again on the 31<sup>st</sup> August. The fleet will probably consist of H.M. ships Fremouth, Albion, Cornwallis, Russell Duncan, Arrogant, Diamond and Amethyst.

Every possible facility will be given to visitors to all the ships.

I have the Honour to be  
Sir,  
Your obedient servant,  
A.L. Curzon Hardy  
Vice-Admiral and Commander in Chief.

The Town Clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt of letter, and to thank the Commander-in-chief for the visit of the Fleet to Arklow.

A letter was read from the Storey family thanking the Comm<sup>rs</sup> for their kind sympathy on the death of their father Mr. John Storey.

The Town Clerk read the Auditor's Report for the year 1905-6 and also account of certain surcharges made by the Auditor. The Comm<sup>rs</sup> decided to appeal against the Surcharges made.

Mr. Thomas Birtchill duly made declaration having been elected in the Room of Mr. John Storey.

The Town Clerk was directed to have John Force proceed with the painting of the Lamp-posts.

The Town Clerk submitted an appeal

an appeal prepared by him to the Board and same was duly signed by members & charged for transmission to the Local Government Board.

A letter was read from Mr. Forde asking if the Comm<sup>rs</sup> would supply a meter for this new house. The Clerk was directed to acknowledge receipt of letter and to state that the Comm<sup>rs</sup> considered that Mr. Forde should supply the meter as it had been destroyed through no fault of the Comm<sup>rs</sup>.

Cheques were issued to the following:-

	£	s	d
Thomas Hall - Glasstc. for lamps	13	3	
John Leary (repairs)	3	10	
John Forde (3 weeks wage)	2	12	6
Instalment on Harbour Loan	85	0	6
Local Gov <sup>t</sup> . B <sup>d</sup> . Audit fees	2	10	0
J. Nicholson (drawing water)	5	0	
D. & S. E. Railway Company (Carriage)	15	8	

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
6-8-07

# Special Meeting July 15<sup>th</sup> 1907

A Special Meeting of the Athlow Town Commissioners was held in the Commissioners Office Court House Athlow on the 15<sup>th</sup> July 1907.

The following members attended:-

- Messrs. H. Byrne J. B. Chairman.
- Richard Kearon J. P.
- M. Waldron.
- J. Henderson.
- P. Kavanagh.
- S. Kavanagh.
- C. Murray.
- W. Hoyle.
- G. A. Smith.
- J. Birtchick.

The Resolutions concerning meeting was read which stated that the meeting was for the purpose of appointing a deputation to wait on the Local Government Board, with reference to the surcharge made by the Auditor. The following members were unanimously appointed:-

- Messrs. Hugh Byrne.
- Richard Kearon
- Peter Kavanagh
- Charles Murray
- Michael Waldron
- Denis Kavanagh
- Samuel Henderson
- and the Town Clerk.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
6-8-07

# Special Meeting July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1907.

A Special Meeting of the Allow Town Commissioners was held in the Commissioner's Office, Court House, Allow on Tuesday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1907.

The following members attended:-

Messrs. Hugh Byrne J.P. Chairman  
 R. Kearon J.P.  
 Sen. Kavanagh  
 Thoma. Bishville  
 Captain Murray.  
 M. Waldron.  
 John Tyrrell.  
 J. Henderson.  
 L. O. Toole.  
 G. H. Smith.  
 Peter Kavanagh.

The Clerk read the Requisition concerning this meeting which was to hear statement from the deputation appointed to wait on the Local Government Board.

The following statement was read:-

The deputation explained the cause of the irregularities which led the Auditor to surcharge several members with certain sums of money, and the explanation being considered satisfactory the Local Government Board remitted the various surcharges as they appear in the report.

The Board also directed that the Commissioners take the opinion of eminent Counsel as to the position in which they stand in reference to the continuance of making gas for public lighting and supplying private consumers, and that this opinion when obtained be submitted to the Local Government Board. If Counsel's opinion declares the manner in which the business has hitherto been conducted, to be illegal, then the Board directed that the Commissioners should make application to urbanise the township. On receipt of the application the Board promised to hold an inquiry to ascertain if the urbanising of the township would be beneficial or otherwise.

The Local Government Board also authorised the Commissioners to continue the lighting of the town and the supplying of private consumers on the present lines until the opinion of Counsel would be obtained, or until the project of urbanising the township would be rejected; and that all cheques paid out of No. 1 account for that purpose would be considered free from surcharge.

In the event of Counsel's opinion being adverse to the present system and if the project of urbanising the township falling through, then the Local Government Board directed that a new arrangement be at once made by the Commissioners for the purpose of public and private lighting.

Hugh Byrne Chairman.  
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The following Resolution was proposed by Mr. Birthingale and seconded by Mr. Henderson and Passed unanimously -

That having learned with satisfaction that our surcharges have been remitted by the Local Government Board, we beg to offer our best thanks to the deputation, who, at the loss of so much time trouble and expense, put our case so forcibly and clearly as to favourably impress the Local Government Board of the justice of our case.

It was suggested by some of the members that they should go into Committee to appoint a solicitor to instruct Counsel, as suggested by the Local Govt. Board.

Mr. Peter Kavanagh proposed and Mr. Laurence O'Loole seconded that proceedings be conducted in presence of the Press.

On a vote being taken the following voted for carrying on the proceedings in Committee:-

Messrs.

Hugh Byrne J.P.  
R. Kearon  
D. Kavanagh  
Thos. Birthingale  
Capt. Murray.

John Lyrell.  
S. Henderson.  
G. H. Smith.

The following voted for having the Press:-

Messrs. L. O'Loole.  
M. Waldron.  
Peter Kavanagh.

The Board having resolved themselves into Committee - Mr. S. Henderson proposed and Capt. Murray seconded that Mr. Lidge be appointed to instruct Counsel.

Mr. D. Kavanagh proposed that Messrs. Hamilton & Craig be appointed.

Mr. Peter Kavanagh proposed and Mr. Laurence O'Loole seconded that Messrs. M. J. Connor & Co. solicitors Wexford be appointed.

On a vote being taken the result was as follows (for):-  
O'Connor , Lidge

Peter Kavanagh	S. Henderson
L. O'Loole	C. Murray
M. Waldron	John Lyrell
H. Birthingale	
G. H. Smith	
Denis Kavanagh	

Messrs. M. J. Connor were duly appointed to instruct Counsel, and the Town Clerk was instructed

to communicate with Mr. O'Connor and to  
ask him what evening he could meet the  
Commissioners.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
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A meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners  
was to have been held in Commissioners  
Office Court House Arklow on Monday 5<sup>th</sup>  
August 1907 but as a quorum did not attend  
the meeting was postponed till Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 1907

The following members attended:-

Messrs Hugh Byrne.

Dennis Kavanagh.

J. A. B. King

Charles Murray.

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Hugh Byrne Chairman  
6-8-07

Adjourned Monthly Meeting August 6<sup>th</sup> 1904.

An adjourned monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners office Court House Arklow on August 6<sup>th</sup> 1904. The following members attended:—

Messrs Hugh Byrne J.P. Chairman  
 Denis Kavanagh.  
 F. L. S. King.  
 Peter Kavanagh.  
 Thos. Burtchelle.  
 M. Waldron.  
 Samuel Henderson.  
 G. H. Smith.  
 W. Hoynes.

A Letter was read from Mr. Farnwell post-master Arklow, requesting Commissioner to erect a lamp opposite New Post Office. The matter having been discussed it was decided to remove the lamp-post opposite post-office to a suitable position, and it was decided to refer the matter to the gas Committee.

A letter was read from the Women's Health Association with reference to a Tuberculosis Exhibition to be held in Dublin from 15<sup>th</sup> October until the close of the International Exhibition at Balls' Bridge; asking the Comm<sup>rs</sup> to appoint delegates to attend same. After some discussion no action was taken in the matter, and the letter was marked "read."

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A resolution, calling upon the lately elected member of Parliament <sup>for East-Wicklow</sup> and the Irish <sup>Party</sup> in general to promote a Bill in Parliament for the payment of the expenses of persons attending on juries, was unanimously adopted on the motion of Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Henderson, and copies of same were directed to be sent to the leading journals and Public Bodies throughout the United Kingdom.

It was decided unanimously to invite tenders for the supply of lamp-oil for the coming winter months, in the same manner which was adopted the previous year.

It was also unanimously decided to invite tenders for the position of Lamp-lighter for the coming winter months. Tenders in both instances to be laid before the General Purposes Committee of the Board on the following Monday.

A list of requirements for the coming fighting season was read <sup>through</sup> by the man in charge of the Gas Works, and the Town Clerk was ordered to get quotations for same from the merchants of the town, and if they could supply as good value as the Dublin firms, to give the Local merchants the preference.

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Cheques were issued to the following:-

	£	s	d.
The Sunlight Ga. Co.	10	14	11
Dublin Carbide Co. on Acc <sup>t</sup> .	30	0	0
Poor Rate on Ga. Works & Mains	5	19	0
John Tine 5 weeks wages	4	7	6
East of Cary spot ½ years Rent	10	0	0
Kelyp L <sup>td</sup> for Cheque Books & etc. ordered by the Auditor	2	9	0
Town Clerk's quarters Salary Town & Gas	10	0	0
" " " Harbour.	2	10	0
" " Incidentals for 4 months.	1	19	4
Town Clerk's expenses attending at Local Gov <sup>t</sup> Board with deputation on 17 July 07	10	0	0

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
2-9-07

Special Meeting August 22<sup>nd</sup> 1907

A Special meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on August 22<sup>nd</sup> 1907.

The following members attended:-

Messrs: Hugh Byrne. J.P.  
W. Hoynes.  
R. Kearon.  
D. Kavanagh  
P. Kavanagh.  
J. Henderson  
A.A.S. King  
Frank Tyrrell  
J. Birrithistle  
M. Waldron.  
G.H. Smith  
C. Murray.

The resolution concerning special meeting was read by the Town Clerk.

A letter was read from the Local Gov<sup>t</sup> Board dated August 15<sup>th</sup> which set forth the preliminary steps to be taken towards the urbanisation of the Township.

A letter was read from Mr. Fleming Local Solicitor stating that he was prepared to carry out the preliminary steps as suggested in the letter from the Local Gov<sup>t</sup> Board previous to the necessary inquiry which will be held by the Local Gov<sup>t</sup> Board. After some discussion it was decided to permit Mr. Fleming to come before the Board.

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and hear his views on the matter.

M<sup>r</sup>. Fleming then came before the Board and told them he was prepared to take the work of urbanising in hand on his own responsibility up to the time of the Local Gov<sup>t</sup>. Board inquiry and without any liability to the Board either collectively or individually. The Board decided to allow M<sup>r</sup>. Fleming to take the matter in hand and directed the Town Clerk to write to the Local Gov<sup>t</sup>. Board stating that the matter of urbanisation had been placed in the hands of the Local Solicitor.

A Report was read by M<sup>r</sup>. F. A. S. King, stating that he had waited on the Manager of the Papers whose representatives attended the meetings of the Board in which he stated that he had laid before the manager of the Paper certain reports made by the representatives of the proceedings of the Board which were objectionable to the members of the Board. On the motion of Kearon seconded by M<sup>r</sup>. Henderson the Report was passed nem. con.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
2-9-07

Monthly Meeting, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 1907.

The usual Monthly Meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday September 2<sup>nd</sup> 1907. at 7 p.m.

The following Members attended:-

Messrs Hugh Byrne  
Kearon  
W<sup>m</sup> Hayne  
Denis Kavanagh  
F. A. S. King  
Peter Kavanagh  
Samuel Henderson  
G. H. Smyth  
L. O. Toole  
Frank Tyrrell  
Thomas Birtheistle

A letter was read from M<sup>r</sup>. J. P. Udall tendering his resignation as member on the Harbour Board.

On the motion of M<sup>r</sup>. King seconded by M<sup>r</sup>. Denis Kavanagh his resignation was accepted.

On the motion of M<sup>r</sup>. King seconded by M<sup>r</sup>. L. O. Toole it was decided to call a special meeting for September 9<sup>th</sup> to elect a member on the Harbour Board in room of M<sup>r</sup>. Udall.

The Resolution of the Cork Corporation on the subject of Unity in the ranks of Ireland's Parliamentary representatives, and requesting the calling back of Mess<sup>rs</sup>. W<sup>m</sup>. O'Brien, T. M. Healy and other M<sup>rs</sup> P<sup>s</sup>.



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to the Irish Party, was received for consideration.

After some discussion the resolution was unanimously decided to be marked "read".

A letter was read from Mr. Fleming on the proposal to urbanise the township. The Town Clerk was directed to give Mr. Fleming a copy of Council's opinion retained by him.

Mr. John P. Muldoon wrote acknowledging resolution passed by the Commissioners on the subject of Jury Laws.

Acknowledgments of the adoption of the Resolution were also received from the Dublin and Ballymena Unions.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Denis Kavanagh:-

That we the Town Commissioners of Arklow having noted that for many months past, the "Wicklow People" and "Wicklow Press" newspapers whose representatives generally attend our meetings have on various occasions in their usual issues failed to give full, clear and correct statements of all the business transacted at our Board Meetings, and that at times they inserted sensational headings and remarks intended to hold this Board up to derision; hereby resolve that such practices must now cease; but, before

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putting the standing orders of the Local Govt. Board regarding the exclusion of the representatives of any newspapers from all our meetings into force, we hereby invite the editors of the above-named papers to offer us any explanation they may desire, on the subject, such explanation to be addressed to the Chairman of the Arklow Town Commissioners within ten days of this date.

The Chairman attached the following remarks to the Resolution:-

Carried by a majority; six members voting for, two members voting against, two members declining to vote.

Cheques were issued to the following:-

John Fox, four Weeks Wages	£ 3 . 10 . 0
John Leary, Two days wages.	4 " 6
James Dowdall - do - do -	4 " 6
Joseph Fitzgerald, Six Days	13 " 6
Laurence Kavanagh, Eleven days	1 " 4 " 9.
Town Clerk (Incidentals)	9 . 0
John Kemperdall (Repairs)	12 . 6
David O'Brien (for Ladders)	15 " 0

Wm. Byrne Chairman

7-10-07

# Special Meeting September 9<sup>th</sup> 1907

A Special Meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office, Court House Arklow on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September 1907 at 7pm.  
The following Members attended:—

Messrs. Hugh Byrne J.P. Chairman  
D. Kavanagh  
Frank Syzrell.  
John Syzrell.  
Peter Kavanagh.  
M. Waldron.  
S. Henderson.  
L. O'Loole  
G. Murray  
R. Keaton J.P.  
F. A. King.

The Requisition convening Special Meeting was duly read by the Clerk.

On the motion of Mr. P. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. S. Henderson, Mr. G. E. Milner was unanimously elected to represent the Town Comm<sup>rs</sup> on the Harbour Board in room of Mr. J. P. Udall resigned.

A Bill for £70 was received from the Dublin Carbide Company for Carbide.  
After some discussion it was decided

to pay £35 on account.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
7-10-07

Special Meeting, September 16<sup>th</sup> 1907.

A Special Meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office, Court House Arklow on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 1907.

The following Members attended:-

Mess<sup>rs</sup> - Hugh Byrne J.P. Chairman.  
 T. A. S. King.  
 D. Kavanagh.  
 L. O'Loole.  
 John Tyrrell.  
 Pats Kavanagh.  
 M. Waldron.  
 Thos Birrithistle.  
 Wm Hoynes.

The Requisition convening Special Meeting was duly read by the Town Clerk, which was for the purpose of forming a Committee to present an address to Mr. J. E. Redmond M.P.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Waldron and seconded by Mr. P. Kavanagh

"That we, the Arklow Town Commissioners as a mark of our confidence in and esteem for Mr. John Redmond M.P. and of our approval of the policy which he has laid before the country, as well as a mark of

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our appreciation of the good work already achieved for Ireland by him and the Party which he leads with such consummate skill, ability and tact, avail ourselves of the occasion of his visit to Wicklow to address a Home Rule Demonstration, to present him with an address of Welcome and of encouragement to pursue the great work he has in hand, and for the purpose of carrying this resolution into effect a Committee consisting of the Chairman, the proposer & seconder together with the Town Clerk be appointed."

Upon the suggestion of the Chairman the Deputation who prepared the address for Mr. John Redmond on a former occasion together with the Town Clerk were unanimously appointed to carry the matter through.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
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Monthly Meeting October 7<sup>th</sup> 1907.

A monthly meeting of the Allowtown Com-  
missioners was held in Commissioners  
Office Court House Allow on Monday  
7<sup>th</sup> October 1907. The following members  
attended:-

Messrs Hugh Byrne  
Denis Kavanagh  
William Hayes  
Michael Waldron  
Charles Murray  
Frank Tyrrell

A letter was read from Mr O'Keefe  
Bray requesting the Board to pay the  
account due by them to him. No  
action was taken in this matter.

A letter was read from Mr J. E. Milner  
thanking the Board for having elected  
him as representative on the Harbour  
Board. A letter was also read which  
was sent by Mr Milner to Mr Hugh  
Byrne Chairman, regretting he did not  
receive word of his election in time to  
attend Meeting of Harbour on 17<sup>th</sup> Sep. 07.

Mr L. A. Byrne Railway Hotel wrote asking  
the Board to ~~clean~~ have the lamp lights  
clean and light his lamp outside his  
door as they did with Mr Hayes lamp.  
It was decided by the Board to grant  
the application. And the Town

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clerk was directed to have the lamp lights  
light and clean this lamp.

A report from the Town Clerk as regards  
a failure of gas on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> of  
September and Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September, and  
also as regards the general state of  
the gas Plant and the working thereof  
was read by the Town Clerk and was  
considered very satisfactory by the Board  
and unanimously adopted.

The Board directed the Town  
Clerk that in cases of urgency when a  
meeting could not be called, and when any  
materials required to be ordered exceeding  
1<sup>£</sup> in value, that before ordering same he  
should see and consult with three  
members of the board including either  
the Chairman of the Board or the Chairman  
of the General Purposes Committee for the  
time being.

Following Payments were unanimously passed -

John Fox 5 weeks wages	4 . 7 . 6
Joseph Fitzgerald do	4 . 0 . 0
Lawrence Kavanagh do	4 . 0 . 0
Dublin Carbide Co Balance	35 . 0 . 0
Dublin S. & R. Ry Co Carriage	17 . 11
do do	5 . 6 . 3
Joseph Kavanagh Printing	5 . 0

Signed  
me

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
4-11-07

# Monthly Meeting November 4<sup>th</sup> 1907.

The Monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Comm<sup>rs</sup> was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 1907.

The following members attended:-

messrs. Hugh Byrne J.P.  
L. O'Loole.  
M. Waldron.  
Wm. Boyne  
R. Keaton J.P.  
J. Kavanagh  
J. Murray  
J. Kavanagh  
J. Birrhill  
G. H. Smith.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Town Clerk and signed by the Chairman.

A letter was read from Mr. J. J. Kavanagh requesting the Commissioners to supply him with a larger meter, as the present one he had was inadequate to supply the gas consumed by him.

The matter having been discussed, it was unanimously decided to supply Mr. Kavanagh with a suitable meter.

A resolution was received from the Lismore Council calling for an inquiry into the Local Gov<sup>t</sup> Board Department, on the lines adopted in connection with the Department of

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Agriculture, particularly with regard to appointments of inspectors, auditors and other officials; and their relations with the public bodies of the country - in view of the veiled threat recently made by this almighty board to the Council of the South Riding of Tipperary in connection with their refusal to raise Mr. Hackett's salary which afforded a very reasonable opportunity for the demand.

On the motion of Mr. Waldron seconded by Mr. P. Kavanagh the proposition was unanimously adopted.

The following Report was read by the Town Clerk on behalf of the General Purposes Committee:-

"Gentlemen - I beg to report on behalf of the General Purposes Committee of the Board that at their meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup> 1907, they passed an unanimous resolution recommending the increase in the price of Gas from  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $\frac{4}{-}$  to take effect from November 1<sup>st</sup> 1907. The increase in price has become necessary owing to the very much increased price of Carbide, and as the increased price will just suffice to meet the price of Carbide and the cost of the manufacture of the Gas. I laid before the Committee a report in which I showed them that at the present price of Carbide, they could not manufacture and supply Gas at less than  $\frac{4}{-}$  per 100 feet. I beg to state for the information of the Board that in my calculations the Town lighting was just charged the same as the private consumers. I consider it necessary to emphasize this point

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as some of the private consumers seems to have conceived the idea that they were being made to pay for the public lighting. This is not the case, and information culled from any source available and authentic enables me to state for the benefit of the Board and of the private consumers that the price of Gas in Arklow is much below the average of larger towns where the consumption of gas is greater.

I am  
Gentlemen  
Your obedient servant  
G. J. Kavanagh.

On the motion of Mr. D. Kavanagh seconded by Mr. Richard Kearon, the report was unanimously adopted.

Mr. P. M. Donnell, Town Clerk, Bray wrote, asking for a settlement of his account for rectifying the books of the Commissioners after the death of the late Town Clerk.

After some discussion, on the motion of Mr. Toole, seconded by Mr. Waldron, it was unanimously decided, that a Committee of the whole Board be formed to meet Mr. M. Donnell and discuss the matter with him.

The Town Clerk was directed to write to Mr. M. Donnell, and arrange a date for the meeting.

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Mr. J. H. Evans the rate collector came before the Board to lay before the Commissioners a statement of the irrecoverable rates for the year 1906-7.

The account having been gone into by the Board, it was considered satisfactory and was unanimously adopted.

The Town Clerk was directed to write to the County Surveyor calling his attention to the state of the roads in the lower part of the town, and asking him to bring the matter under the notice of the Ratharum District Council.

and from Toole's Office to the Quays

Cheques were issued to the following.

John Fox 4 weeks wages	£ 3. 10. 0
Joseph Fitzgerald do	3. 4. 0
Lawrence Kavanagh do	3. 4. 0
Dublin Carbide Co	35. 0. 0
South Eastern Ry Co	17. 11
do	5. 6. 3
Joseph Kavanagh 1/2 salary.	10. 0. 0
do do 1/2 do do	2. 10. 0
Ideal Gas Co Blackburn	20. 0. 0
Joseph Kavanagh Painter	2. 3. 0
Anne Nicholson 1/2 year salary	1. 5. 0

Richard Kearon Chairman  
and Secy

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Monthly Meeting December<sup>nd</sup> 1907

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1907 the following Members attended:-

Messrs Richard Kearon  
Thomas Birtistle  
Denis Kavanagh  
Frank Lyrell  
M. Waldron  
Lawrence Toole  
W<sup>m</sup> Skoyne  
F. A. S King  
John Lyrell  
Peter Kavanagh.

In the absence of the regular Chairman Mr. Hugh Byrne, on the Motion of Mr F. A. S King seconded by Mr Denis Kavanagh Mr Richard Kearon took the Chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Town Clerk and duly signed by the Chairman.

A Resolution from the General Council of the County Councils of Ireland in reference to the control and purchase of the Irish Railways was received for consideration.

After some discussion, the Resolution, on the motion of Mr. Waldron seconded by Mr. Birtistle was adopted.

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A resolution relative to Primary Education was received and laid before the Board for discussion. After considerable discussion, on the motion of Mr. O'Shool, seconded by Mr. Birtistle, the Resolution was passed unanimously.

A letter was read from Mr. Wake Secretary to the County Technical Committee asking the Commissioners if they would have the lamp outside the Courthouse lighted during the winter months for the convenience of the pupils attending the Technical Classes.

It was unanimously decided by the Board to accede to Mr. Wake's request, and the Clerk was instructed to inform the lamplighters to have the lamp lighted at the usual time.

The Clerk reported that a Committee of the General Board having met unanimously decided to recommend the Board to pay Mr. P. M. Donnell Town Clerk Bray his account of £20 for services rendered in connection with the rectifying of the Books after the death of the late Town Clerk. Lay to be paid out of the Harbour Account and lay to be paid out of the Town Account subject to the approval of the Auditor.

The Clerk said he had written to Mr. J. A. Baker the Auditor, who replied:-

"I would wish to say that any account or portion of an account, which has been incurred in relation to the Harbour Rate, and properly chargeable under the Harbour Act, should be paid out of the Harbour Account."

I have however no power to express sanction to the payment of any account.

After some discussion it was unanimously decided by the Board to pass the account for payment.

The Clerk read a report from the General Committee recommending the Board to contract with Charles Tennant & Co, Belfast for the supply of 10 tons of Carbide at £13 per ton in addition to three tons already received.

On the motion of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Frank Lyrell, the recommendation was adopted.

The Clerk submitted a report from the General Purposes Committee re Election Expenses in the years 1905 and 1907 as follows:-

1905 — 20.10.10

1907 — 21.17.2.

It was considered by the Board that the statement was satisfactory.

A Resolution concerning the housing of the working classes was received from the Blackrock Urban Council.

After some discussion, on the motion of Mr. D. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. L. O'Hole the Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Cheques were issued to the following:-

	£	s	d
John Fox 4 weeks wages	3	10	0
Laurence Kavanagh - do -	3	4	0
Joseph Fitzgerald - do -	3	4	0
Ideal Gas Co. Ltd Blackburn	22	0	0
A. J. O'Connor & Co. Duxford	9	9	0
P. M. P. Donnell Bray	20	0	0
Charles Tennant & Co. Belfast	12	5	5
W. M. Neill drawing Carbide & Water		7	4
Dublin & South Eastern Railway Co.	3	10	6

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## Monthly Meeting January 6<sup>th</sup> 1908

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Comm<sup>r</sup>. was held in Commissioners Office Court House Arklow on Monday January 6<sup>th</sup> 1908 at 7 p.m.

The following members attended:-

Messrs. Thomas Birtchill  
F. A. S. King  
John Lyrell  
G. H. Smith  
W<sup>m</sup> Hoynes

In the absence of the Chairman Mr. Hugh Byrne; it was unanimously decided that Mr. Birtchill take the Chair.

Mr. Birtchill having taken the Chair, the Clerk read the minutes of previous meetings, which were approved of and duly signed by the Chairman.

A letter was read from the Blackrock Urban Council with reference to a scheme which was proposed for the better housing of the working classes, also asking the Comm<sup>r</sup>. to send a Petition to parliament on lines of Petition which was sent by Blackrock Council and which was read to the Board. On the motion of Mr. King, seconded by Mr. John Lyrell it was decided that a Petition should be sent by the Town Comm<sup>r</sup>. with reference to the matter.

The Clerk read two more letters received from the Local Gov<sup>t</sup> Board with reference to the indebtedness to the Board of Works of the Arklow

Town Commissioners, in respect of Loan of £3,500 advanced by Board of Works for the Improvement of the North Quayne. It was decided that the Clerk should make out a Statement giving the necessary information.

A discussion arose with reference to the changing of certain ratings in the Rate Books. The Clerk stated that he had not as yet changed them, and it was decided that he should get the Rate Books from the Rate Collector to change them, as soon as possible.

Cheques were issued to the following:-

	L	s	d
John Fox, 5 weeks wages	4	7	6
Laurence Kavanagh - do -	4	0	0
Joseph Fitzgerald - do -	4	0	0
Charles Lemant & Co on Acct.	26	12	4

A Tender was received from Mr. George Kearon for the refuse lime in Gas Works to the amount of 15/-

A Tender was also received from Mr. George Redmond for 14/-

A Tender was received from Mr. George Kearon for 30 Tons in Gas Works 11/9

A Tender was also received from Mr. Francis Parker for the Tons to amount of 10/-

On the motion of Mr. King seconded by Mr. Hoynes the tenders of Mr. Kearon for both Lime and Tons, was accepted.

Hugh Byrne Chairman

3-1-08

Arklow Municipal Elections January 15<sup>th</sup> 1908.  
 = Record of Proceedings =

The following Commissioners retired by Rotation in  
 Arklow No 1. Urban.

Messrs. - William Hoyle.  
 William Kavanagh.  
 Michael Waldron.  
 Charles Murray.

The following Commissioners retired by Rotation in  
 Arklow No II Urban.

Frank. Lyrell

In Arklow No 1. Urban, the following persons were  
 duly and validly nominated.

Messrs. - Laurence Byrne.  
 Alexander Mc Gowan.  
 William Hoyle.  
 William Merrigan.  
 Charles Murray.  
 Michael Waldron.

As there were six candidates for the four vacant seats,  
 a poll was taken on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 1908  
 which resulted as follows:-

Michael Waldron	193.
Alexander Mc Gowan	112.
Charles Murray	112.
William Merrigan	111.
William Hoyle	68.
Laurence Byrne	39.

Therefore the following were duly declared elected

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for Arklow No 1. Urban.

Michael Waldron  
Alexander M<sup>c</sup>Gowan  
Charles Murray  
William Merrigan

In Arklow No 2 Urban the following were nominated  
Francis Tyrrell.

As no other person was nominated the above named Francis Tyrrell was duly declared elected, and notice of same was duly posted in the District.

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
3-1-08

Annual Meeting January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1908.

The Annual Meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Court House Arklow on January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1908.

The following members were present: -

Mess<sup>rs</sup>: - Hugh Byrne  
Michael Waldron  
L. O'Loole  
Frank Tyrrell  
John Tyrrell  
Wm Merrigan  
S. Henderson  
R. Kearon  
D. Kavanagh  
F. A. S. King  
A. M<sup>c</sup>Gowan  
P. Kavanagh.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Michael Waldron, Alexander M<sup>c</sup>Gowan, William Merrigan and Frank Tyrrell, who were returned at the recent elections, signed the usual declarations.

The next business was the election of Chairmen for the coming year.

It was proposed by M<sup>r</sup>. R. Kearon and seconded by M<sup>r</sup>. D. Kavanagh that M<sup>r</sup>. Hugh Byrne be Chairman for coming year.

M<sup>r</sup>. P. Kavanagh proposed and M<sup>r</sup>. A. M<sup>c</sup>Gowan seconded that M<sup>r</sup>. Michael Waldron be Chairman for ensuing year.

A vote was then taken between Mess<sup>rs</sup>.

M. Waldron & H. Byrne which resulted as follows.

For Byrne -

Messrs. R. Kearon.  
D. Kavanagh.  
F. A. King.  
S. Henderson.  
Frank Lyrell.  
Hugh Byrne.

For Waldron -

Messrs. W. Merrigan  
L. O'Loole  
P. Kavanagh  
M. Waldron  
A. McEowan.

M<sup>r</sup>. Hugh Byrne was duly declared elected.

The Town Clerk submitted the following list of the attendance of members at the meetings - Special, ordinary and committee during the year

Denis Kavanagh	32.
Hugh Byrne	30.
M. Waldron	30.
R. Kearon	29.
W <sup>m</sup> Boyne	26.
P. Kavanagh	23.
S. Henderson	20.
F. A. King	18.
L. O'Loole	16.
Thos. Birtwhistle	16.
G. H. Smith	14.
Frank Lyrell	13.
C. Murray	12.
John Lyrell	10.

It was decided that the General Purposes Committee should consist of the whole Board that the quorum should be three and that the meeting should be held on the second Monday in each month as last year.

Hugh Byrne Chairman

3-1-08

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Monthly Meeting February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1908.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commissioners Office Court House, Arklow on Monday February 3<sup>rd</sup> 1908. The following members were present:-

Messrs:  
 Hugh Byrne  
 P. Kavanagh  
 John Lyrell.  
 J. Birtistle  
 S. Henderson  
 J. Murray  
 D. Kavanagh  
 W<sup>m</sup> Merrigan  
 F. Lyrell  
 J. A. S. King.  
 M. Waldron.  
 R. Kearon.

A letter was read from the Tullow '98 Memorial Committee asking for information in connection with the Father Michael Murphy monument in Arklow.

It was decided to hand the communication over to the Arklow '98 Committee.

A letter was received from Mr. Beddoes of the G.W. Railway, asking the Board to pass a resolution urging on the D.S.E.R. the necessity of through rates from Arklow to England via Rosslare Route, for goods and merchandise in the same manner as such rates existed at present for Passenger traffic.

On the motion of Mr. D. Kavanagh, seconded by Mr. E. Murray, the following Resolution was passed unanimously.

"That we call upon the Management of the D.S.E.R. to give the same facilities from Arklow in the matter of a through rate for goods as at present exists for passenger traffic over the Fishguard and Rosslare Route."

Mr. George H. Darcy applied for a remission of the rebate on the amount of the rates that he had paid in accordance with the re-valuation of his premises that had taken place.

The Town Clerk was directed to write to the Clerk of the Rathdrum Union for Mr. Darcy's correct valuation.

The following Resolution was proposed by Mr. H. Byrne seconded by Mr. R. Kearon and unanimously adopted.

"That of the three hundred millions admittedly due to Ireland, we demand an immediate instalment of one million, to rebuild Irish Industries, and we call on the Irish Party, and the President of the Department, Mr. J. W. Russell to take immediate steps to give effect to this resolution."

The following intended Town & Harbour Rate Notices were given by Mr. R. Kearon:-

"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 for the year commencing April 1<sup>st</sup> 1908 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 authorise any commissioner who may be present thereat to take action upon this notice."

Signed R. Kearon.

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"I hereby give notice under the provisions of the Arklow Harbour Act. 1882, and of 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 six-pence in the £ be made on Buildings, and one-fourth of that amount or three half-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 £3500 granted by the Lords Commissioners of Her late Majesty's treasury for the improvement of Arklow Harbour.

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

Signed - R. Kearon.

Cheques were paid to the following:-

	£	s	d
John Fox 4 weeks wages.	3	10	0
L. Kavanagh - do-	3	4	0
J. Fitzgerald - do-	3	4	0
Joseph Kavanagh Printing	3	3	0
Queen Walsh's Repairs		9	0
John Kempenstall Repairs	1	0	6
James M. Donagh (drawing Water)	1	0	0
Gerald Kavanagh (Election Expenses.)	16	2	0
for himself & all Officers as shown in Statement			
Charles Tennant & Co.	25	10	10
Board of Works Instalment	85	0	5
Gerald Kavanagh (Salary)	10	0	0
- do - Harbour Auct.	2	10	0
Dublin & S. E. Railway Co.	3	7	10

Hugh Byrne Chairman  
2-2-08

# Monthly Meeting March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1908.

A monthly meeting of the Arklow Town Commissioners was held in Commr's office Court House Arklow on Monday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1908. The following members attended.

Messrs: Hugh Byrne J.P.  
 M. Waldron  
 D. Kavanagh.  
 L. O'Loole  
 P. Kavanagh  
 A. McElowan  
 W<sup>m</sup> Merrigan.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the clerk and signed by the chairman.

The Town Clerk as requested at last meeting, submitted a statement showing amount of the Harbour Loan repaid.

The Town Clerk said that he found that there had been £3500 borrowed and the first time he found any mention of the repayment on that loan was on January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1893, from that date to the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1908 there had been £2513.0.2 repaid.

The clerk in reply to the chairman stated he had no information from books to show whether payments had been made previous to January 2<sup>nd</sup> 1893.

The clerk at the suggestion <sup>of the chairman</sup> said he would consult the Harbour Master with reference to the matter.

Mr. Merrigan handed in a notice of motion that he would move at the next monthly meeting of the

Commissioners - "That direct labour be employed in any contracts in future given by the Commissioners".  
 After discussion it was decided that Mr. Merrigan's notice be accepted and discussed at the next meeting.

Mr. J. Deulin M.P. ~~forwarded~~ Secretary of the U.D.L. forwarded copy of pamphlet on the housing of the working classes and asking the Commissioners to adopt a resolution on the matter.

The Commissioners having already adopted a resolution on this matter forwarded by Blackrock Council the clerk was instructed to write to Mr. J. Deulin M.P. to that effect.

A circular with reference to Coast Erosion having been read, it was decided to refer the matter to the Harbour Board.

On the motion of Mr. D. Kavanagh seconded by Mr. Waldron it was decided to strike a Town Rate of one shilling in the £, and a Harbour Rate of six pence in the £.

The following cheques were paid:-

John Fox	4 weeks wages	£ 0 4
Joseph Fitzgerald	- do -	3 10 0
Laurence Kavanagh	- do -	3 4 0
James Mc. Donagh	- drawing water	6 2
G. H. Darcy	refund Town Rate	3 6
- do - do -	do. Harbour Rate	1 9